



The **Governor's January Proposed Budget** for the California State FY23-24 Budget includes significant budget adjustments and a set of new strategic investments related to climate adaptation and resilience programs. To provide greater insight into the proposed changes, the **Alliance of Regional Collaboratives for Climate Adaptation (ARCCA)** prepared this summary with support provided through the **California Resilience Partnership (CRP)**.

Governor's Proposed Budget Summary

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts allocated approximately \$54 billion over five years to advance the state's climate agenda. The Budget maintains approximately \$48 billion (89%) of these investments and continues to prioritize equity and investments in priority populations, which face disproportionate harm from pollution and the climate crisis. Given the projected decline in General Fund revenues, the Budget includes reductions across several climate programs, which are partially offset by shifts to other fund sources. If there is sufficient General Fund in January 2024, most of these reductions will be restored. See the [Introduction Chapter](#) for further information on this trigger.

Further, the Administration will continue to pursue available federal funding, including the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), to offset the decrease of state funds for these climate-related programs. The Administration will also engage the Legislature to explore a bond.

Important Notes

Given ARCCA's focus on climate adaptation, the summary **does not include** summaries for the following sections of the Governor's Budget Summary, Climate Change Chapter: Climate Pillar Legislation Implementation, Klamath Dams Removal, Zero-Emission Vehicles (ZEV) Acceleration, Transportation, Energy, and Circular Economy.

Please also note that this summary document may not be fully accurate due to the different ways in which programs and budget allocations by fiscal year have been combined in the Governor's Proposed FY23-24 Budget and in previous State Budgets. Accurate information was particularly difficult to locate for those with ***italicized program names*** in the following tables.

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WILDFIRE AND FOREST RESILIENCE

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed \$2.8 billion over four years to continue strengthening forest and wildfire resilience statewide. The Governor’s January Proposed Budget maintains \$2.7 billion (97%) of funding.

Significant Budget Adjustments (in millions of dollars)

PROGRAM	PROPOSED INVESTMENTS				TOTAL	SUMMARY
	Past Commitments vs. Proposed Adjustments					
	FY 20-21	FY 21-22	FY 22-23*	FY 23-24*		
Climate Catalyst Fund	\$16 \$6	\$33 \$2	-		\$49 \$8	16% maintained - \$10 FY 20-21 - \$31 FY 21-22
Stewardship of State-Owned Lands	\$30	\$145	\$130 \$105		\$305 \$280	92% maintained - \$10 FY 22-23 - \$15 FY 23-24
Defensible Space Inspections	\$2	\$13	\$10 \$5		\$25 \$20	80% maintained - \$5 FY 23-24
Monitoring and Research	\$3	\$20	\$15 \$10		\$38 \$33	87% maintained - \$5 FY 23-24
Workforce Training	\$6	\$33	\$30 \$29		\$54 \$53	98% maintained - \$1 FY 23-24

*Combined to reflect 2022 Wildfire Resilience Package (over two years) due to insufficient accessible data to analyze proposed changes by fiscal year.

DROUGHT RESPONSE AND WATER RESILIENCE

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed \$8.7 billion over multiple years to support drought resilience. The Governor’s January Proposed Budget maintains \$8.6 billion (98%) of funding.

New Strategic Investments (in millions of dollars)

- **Urban Flood Risk Reduction:** \$135.5 (over two years)
- **Delta Levees:** \$40.6
- **Central Valley Flood Protection:** \$25
- **2023 Drought Contingency:** \$125 (one-time set-aside)
- **Planning and Permitting for New Water Supplies:** ~\$10.8
- **Modernizing Water Rights:** \$31.5 (FY 23-24)
- **Urban Water Use Objectives:** \$7 (over four years)
- **San Joaquin River Basin Groundwater Recharge: Analysis/Technical Assistance:** \$4.9
- **Stream Gages:** \$4.7 (over two years)

Significant Budget Adjustments (in millions of dollars)

PROGRAM	PROPOSED INVESTMENTS				TOTAL	SUMMARY
	Past Commitments vs. Proposed Adjustments					
	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25		
Watershed Resilience Programs		\$494 \$200		\$270	\$494 \$470	95% maintained - \$24 FY 22-23 \$270 → FY 24-25
PFAS Cleanup	-	\$100	\$100 \$0	\$30	\$200 \$130	%65 maintained - \$70 FY 22-23 \$30 → FY 23-24
Water Recycling	\$400	\$200	\$200 \$160	-	\$800 \$760	95% maintained - \$40 FY 23-24
State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program	\$100	\$60 \$20	-	-	\$160 \$120	75% maintained - \$40 FY 22-23
Aqueduct Solar Panels	\$35 \$20	-	-	-	\$35 \$20	57% maintained - \$15 FY 21-22
Water Refiling Stations at Schools	-	\$5 \$0	-	-	\$5 \$0	0% maintained - \$5 FY 22-23

EXTREME HEAT AND COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed \$649 million for extreme heat and \$1.9 billion for community resilience investments over multiple years to advance climate resilience in low-income and underrepresented communities. The Governor’s January Proposed Budget maintains \$444 million (68%) of extreme heat funding and \$1.6 billion (85%) of community resilience funding over several years.

Significant Budget Adjustments (in millions of dollars)

PROGRAM	PROPOSED INVESTMENTS				TOTAL	SUMMARY
	Past Commitments vs. Proposed Adjustments					
	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25		
Urban Greening Program	\$50	\$100	\$100 \$0	-	\$250 \$150	60% maintained - \$100 FY 23-24
Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program	-	\$50 \$25	\$125 \$75	-	\$175 \$100	57% maintained - \$25 FY 22-23 - \$50 FY 23-24
Urban Forestry Program	\$20	\$80 \$60	\$10 \$0	-	\$110 \$80	73% maintained - \$20 FY 22-23 - \$10 FY 23-24
Community Resilience Centers	-	\$110	\$160 \$60	\$100	\$270	100% maintained \$100 → FY 24-25
Regional Climate Resilience	\$25	\$125 \$100	\$100 \$0	-	\$250 \$125	50% maintained - \$25 FY 22-23 - \$100 FY 23-24
Transformative Climate Communities Program	\$115	\$165 \$100	\$140 \$100	-	\$420 \$315	75% maintained - \$65 FY 22-23 - \$40 FY 23-24
Community Air Protection Program	-	\$260	\$350 \$300	-	\$610 \$560	92% maintained - \$50 FY 23-24

NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS AND COASTAL RESILIENCE

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed \$1.6 billion for nature-based solutions and \$1.3 billion for coastal resilience over multiple years. The Governor’s January Proposed Budget maintains \$1.3 billion (86%) and \$734 million (57%) of funding, respectively.

Significant Budget Adjustments (in millions of dollars)

PROGRAM	PROPOSED INVESTMENTS				TOTAL	SUMMARY
	Past Commitments vs. Proposed Adjustments					
	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25		
Protecting Fish and Wildlife from Changing Climate	\$31	\$222	\$100 \$65	-	\$353 \$318	90% maintained -\$35 FY 23-24
State Conservancy Nature-Based Solutions	\$60	\$70	\$100 \$0	-	\$230 \$130	57% maintained -\$100 FY 23-24
Natural Community Conservation Program Planning and Land Acquisition	-	\$36 \$30	-	-	\$36 \$30	83% maintained -\$6 FY 22-23
Climate Smart Land Management Program	-	\$14 \$10	\$6	-	\$20 \$16	83% maintained -\$4 FY 22-23
Local and Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Corps	-	\$38 \$25.5	\$11 \$0	-	\$49 \$25.5	52% maintained -\$12.5 FY 22-23 -\$11 FY 23-24
San Joaquin Valley Flood Plain Restoration	-	-	\$40 \$0	-	\$40 \$0	0% maintained -\$40 FY 23-24
San Francisco Bay Wetlands Support	-	-	\$10.4 \$0	-	\$10.4 \$0	0% maintained -\$10.4 FY 23-24
Ocean Protection <i>Ocean Protection Council</i>	-	\$56	\$152 \$83	-\$10 \$0	\$218 \$139	64% maintained -\$69 FY 23-24 -\$10 FY 24-25
Coastal Protection and Adaptation <i>State Coastal Conservancy</i>	-	\$650 \$475	\$404 \$107	\$9 \$0	\$1,063 \$582	55% maintained -\$175 FY 22-23 -\$297 FY 23-24 -\$9 FY 24-25

CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed \$1.1 billion over multiple years for climate smart agriculture investments and to help foster a healthy, resilient, and equitable food system. The Governor's January Proposed Budget maintains \$1 billion (89%) of these investments.

Significant Budget Adjustments (in millions of dollars)

PROGRAM	PROPOSED INVESTMENTS				TOTAL	SUMMARY
	Past Commitments vs. Proposed Adjustments					
	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25		
Healthy, Resilient, and Equitable Food Systems*	\$77.5 \$56.9	\$50 \$41.1	-	-	\$127.5 \$98	77% maintained - \$20.6 FY 21-22 - \$8.9 FY 22-23
Climate Smart Agriculture Programs**	\$560.8 \$552.3	\$385.2 \$299.5	\$15.2	-	\$961.2 \$867	90% maintained - \$8.5 FY 21-22 - \$85.7 FY 22-23
Economic Recovery and High-Road Job Growth***	-	\$4.7 \$0	\$5	-	\$9.7 \$5	50% maintained - \$4.7 FY 22-23

*The Governor's Proposed Budget includes the following programs under Healthy, Resilient, and Equitable Food Systems with unclear proposed budget reductions to specific programs: Urban Agriculture Program, Healthy Refrigeration Grant Program, and Farm to Community Food Hubs Program.

**The Governor's Proposed Budget includes the following programs under Climate Smart Agriculture Programs with unclear proposed budget reductions to specific programs: Healthy Soils Program, Sustainable Cannabis Pilot Program, Pollinator Habitat Program, Conservation Agriculture Planning Grant Program, GHG Reduction Research, Invasive Species Council, and Climate Catalyst Fund.

***This reflects proposed budget reductions to the New and Beginning Farmer Training and Farm Manager Apprenticeships Program.

CLIMATE HEALTH

The 2022 Budget allocated \$346 million General Fund over multiple years for investments to address the health impacts of climate change. The Governor’s January Proposed Budget maintains \$321 million (93%) of these investments.

Significant Budget Adjustments (in millions of dollars)

PROGRAM	PROPOSED INVESTMENTS				TOTAL	SUMMARY
	Past Commitments vs. Proposed Adjustments					
	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26		
Community Health Workers Program	-	\$130 \$0	\$65	\$65	\$130	100% maintained \$65 → FY 24-25 \$65 → FY 25-26
Climate and Health Resilience Planning	\$25 \$0	-	-	-	\$25 \$0	0% maintained -\$25 FY 22-23

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

The **Legislative Analyst Office (LAO)** recently published reports on the 2023-24 Budget (available [here](#) and [here](#)), which include helpful visuals such as the one included below.

