



## **Governor's January Proposed Budget | FY 24-25 Significant Budget Adjustments for Climate Programs**

This summary has been prepared by the [Alliance of Regional Collaboratives for Climate Adaptation \(ARCCA\)](#) and the [California Resilience Partnership \(CRP\)](#) to provide greater insights into the proposed reversions, reductions, and delays in funding for climate adaptation and resilience-focused programs.

The [Governor's January Proposed Budget](#) for the California State FY 24-25 Budget includes a total of \$8.5 billion in reductions to achieve a balanced budget:

- **Various Climate Programs: \$2.9 billion**
- Various Housing Programs: \$1.2 billion
- State Vacant Position Funding Sweep: \$762.5 million
- School Facilities Aid Program: \$500 million
- Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund Program: \$494 million
- Legislative Requests: \$350 million
- UCLA Institute of Immunology and Immunotherapy: \$300 million
- Middle Class Scholarship Program: \$289 million

Compared to all other spending categories, the greatest reductions have been proposed for Climate Change programs. The proposed reductions to Climate Change programs reflect 34% of total reductions, and more than double the amount of reductions for the second-most impacted category (Housing).

*Please note that the summary tables in the following pages may not be fully accurate due to different ways in which programs and budget allocations are captured in the Governor's January Proposed FY 24-25 Budget compared to previous State Budgets.*

# Climate Change Budget Summary

*Climate Change Chapter Introduction from Governor's January Proposed Budget*

California is on the frontline of the global climate crisis, experiencing record-breaking heat, historic drought, extreme flooding, and devastating wildfires that have affected communities across the state. In response, the state continues to meet the crisis with the scale and urgency it requires—advancing world-leading climate goals, accelerating the transition away from fossil fuels, cutting pollution and delivering more equitable and sustainable communities.

**The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts allocated approximately \$54 billion—the California Climate Commitment**—to fully integrate climate solutions with equity and economic opportunity. Along with critical investments in health, education, and jobs, the state's climate agenda is simultaneously confronting the crisis while building a more resilient, just, and equitable future for all Californians.

**The Governor's Budget maintains approximately \$48.3 billion of these investments over seven years.** The Budget prioritizes equity and investments in populations facing disproportionate harm from pollution and the climate crisis. Further, the Budget includes an additional \$159.1 million in new climate investments. The Administration also continues to pursue available federal climate funding, including from the Inflation Reduction Act and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

To address the projected budget shortfall, the Budget proposes \$6.7 billion of General Fund solutions in climate-related programs to achieve a balanced budget including: \$2.9 billion in reductions; \$1.9 billion in delays of expenditures to future years; \$1.8 billion in shifts to other funds, primarily the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF).

Additional Resources:

- [California Budget 2024-25 Landing Page](#)
- [Legislative Analyst's Office \(LAO\) Publications re: 2024-25 Budget](#)

## 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.

### Summary of Proposed Solutions to Address the Budget Problem (in millions)

PROGRAM	FY 23-24 BUDGET vs. FY 24-25 PROPOSED BUDGET				SUMMARY Governor’s January Proposed Budget	PRIOR REDUCTIONS Since FY 20-21
	FY 20-21 & FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25		
<b>Biomass to Hydrogen/Biofuels Pilot</b>	-	<del>\$50</del> <b>\$6.5</b>	-	-	<b>\$43.5 reversion</b>	-
<b>Conservancy Project Implementation in High-Risk Regions</b>	\$208	\$35	<del>\$135</del> <b>\$107.3</b>	-	<b>\$27.7 reversion</b>	-
<b>Home Hardening Pilot</b>	\$25	\$13	<del>\$12</del> <b>\$0</b>	-	<b>\$12 reversion</b>	-
<b>Monitoring and Research</b>	\$23	\$7	<del>\$8</del> <b>\$2.3</b>	-	<b>\$5.7 reversion</b>	-
<b>Prescribed Fire and Hand Crews</b>	\$64	\$35	<del>\$35</del> <b>\$29.7</b>	-	<b>\$5.3 reversion</b>	-
<b>Forest Legacy</b>	\$16	\$14	<del>\$19</del> <b>\$15.4</b>	-	<b>\$3.6 reversion</b>	-

PROGRAM	FY 23-24 BUDGET vs. FY 24-25 PROPOSED BUDGET				SUMMARY Governor's January Proposed Budget	PRIOR REDUCTIONS Since FY 20-21
	FY 20-21 & FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25		
Interagency Forest Data Hub	\$10 <b>\$7.1</b>	-	-	-	<b>\$2.9</b> reversion	-
Fire Prevention Grants	\$243	\$115	\$117	-	\$82 shift to GGRF	-
Stewardship of State-Owned Land	\$175	\$55	<del>\$50</del> <b>\$15.5</b>	<b>\$34.5</b>	<b>\$34.5</b> delay	<b>\$25</b>
CALFIRE Fire Prevention Projects	\$50	<del>\$20</del> <b>\$7</b>	<del>\$20</del> <b>\$7</b>	<b>\$26</b>	<b>\$26</b> delay	-
Regional Forest and Fire Capacity	\$110	\$20	<del>\$20</del> <b>\$0</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>\$20</b> delay	-
<b>Total Reductions &amp; Reversions Across All Wildfire &amp; Forest Resilience Programs</b> <i>Including programs not reflected in the summary table</i>					<b>\$100.7</b>	<b>\$61</b>
					<b>\$161.7</b>	

## WATER

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed **\$8.7 billion** over multiple years to support drought and flood resilience and response programs. The Budget maintains \$7.3 billion of these investments over multiple years. The Budget includes **\$796.8 million** in General Fund reductions and **\$100 million** in delays. The Budget also includes **\$159.1 million** in new investments.

### Summary of Proposed Solutions to Address the Budget Problem (in millions)

PROGRAM	FY 23-24 BUDGET vs. FY 24-25 PROPOSED BUDGET				SUMMARY Governor's January Proposed Budget	PRIOR REDUCTIONS Since FY 22-23
	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26		
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Projects & Urban Flood Risk Reduction Projects	-	-	\$33	-	\$33 one-time General Fund	-
Central Valley Multi-benefit Flood Risk Reduction Projects	-	-	\$31.3	-	\$31.3 one-time General Fund	-
Addressing Critical Repairs & Storm Damage from 2023 Storms	-	-	\$29.6	-	\$29.6 one-time General Fund	-
Watershed Climate Resilience Programs	\$69 \$30.6	\$50 \$0	\$325 \$0	\$25 \$0	\$88.4 reversion + \$350 reduction	-
Water Recycling	\$190 \$15.6	\$32	-	\$100	\$174.4 reversion + \$100 delay	\$278
Dam Safety	\$237	\$188 \$38	-	-	\$50 reversion	-
<b>Total Reductions &amp; Reversions Across All Water Programs</b> <i>Including programs not reflected in the summary table</i>					\$796.8	\$632
					<b>\$1,428.8</b>	

## NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed **\$1.6 billion** for nature-based solutions. The Budget maintains \$1.4 billion of these investments over multiple years in various programs. The Budget includes **\$15 million** in General Fund reductions.

### Summary of Proposed Solutions to Address the Budget Problem (in millions)

PROGRAM	FY 23-24 BUDGET vs. FY 24-25 PROPOSED BUDGET		SUMMARY Governor's January Proposed Budget	PRIOR REDUCTIONS Since FY 22-23
	FY 22-23	FY 23-24		
<b>Redondo Beach Wetlands Restoration</b>	<del>\$10</del> <b>\$0</b>	-	<b>\$10</b> reversion	-
<b>Resource Conservation Investment Strategies</b>	<del>\$2</del> <b>\$0</b>	<del>\$3</del> <b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5</b> reversion	-
<b>Total Reductions &amp; Reversions Across All Nature-Based Solutions Programs</b> <i>Including programs not reflected in the summary table</i>			<b>\$15</b>	<b>\$155</b>
			<b>\$170</b>	

## EXTREME HEAT

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed **\$649 million** for extreme heat. The Budget maintains \$364 million of these investments over multiple years in programs and projects to address extreme heat. The Budget includes **\$40.1 million** in General Fund reductions and \$109.4 million in fund shifts across various programs.

### Summary of Proposed Solutions to Address the Budget Problem (in millions)

PROGRAM	FY 23-24 BUDGET vs. FY 24-25 PROPOSED BUDGET			SUMMARY Governor's January Proposed Budget	PRIOR REDUCTIONS Since FY 21-22
	FY 21-22 & FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25		
<b>Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program</b>	\$25 \$0	\$110 \$24.9	\$70	\$40.1 reversion + \$70 delay/shift to GGRF	\$40
<b>Urban Greening</b>	\$75 \$51.2	-	\$23.8	\$23.8 delay/shift to GGRF	\$175
<b>Enhanced Protections for Vulnerable Populations</b>	\$14	\$14	-	\$15.6 shift to Labor and Workforce Development Fund	-
<b>Total Reductions &amp; Reversions Across All Extreme Heat Programs</b> <i>Including programs not reflected in the summary table</i>				\$40.1	\$303
				\$343.1	

## COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed **\$1.9 billion** for community resilience investments over multiple years to advance climate resilience in low-income and underrepresented communities. The Budget maintains \$1.2 billion of these investments over multiple years in programs and projects to promote community resilience. The Budget reflects **\$89.8 million** of General Fund reductions across various programs.

### Summary of Proposed Solutions to Address the Budget Problem (in millions)

PROGRAM	FY 23-24 BUDGET vs. FY 24-25 PROPOSED BUDGET			SUMMARY Governor's January Proposed Budget	PRIOR REDUCTIONS Since FY 21-22
	FY 21-22 & FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25		
Regional Climate Resilience	\$25	\$25 \$0	\$50 \$0	\$25 reversion + \$50 reduction	\$150
Climate Adaptation and Resilience Planning Grants	\$20	\$5 \$0	-	\$5 reversion	-
Regional Climate Collaboratives	\$20 \$11.2	-	-	\$9.8 reversion	-
<b>Total Reductions &amp; Reversions Across All Community Resilience Programs</b> <i>Including programs not reflected in the summary table</i>				<b>\$89.8</b>	<b>\$630</b>
				<b>\$719.8</b>	



## COASTAL RESILIENCE

The 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts committed **\$1.3 billion** for coastal resilience over multiple years. The Budget maintains \$660 million of these investments over multiple years in programs and projects for coastal resilience. The Budget reflects **\$452 million** in General Fund reductions and \$36.8 million in fund shifts across several coastal protection and adaptation programs.

### Summary of Proposed Solutions to Address the Budget Problem (in millions)

PROGRAM	FY 23-24 BUDGET vs. FY 24-25 PROPOSED BUDGET			SUMMARY Governor's January Proposed Budget	NET REDUCTIONS Since FY 22-23
	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25		
Sea Level Rise	\$158	<del>\$397</del> <b>\$176.1</b>	-	<b>\$220.9</b> reversion	<b>\$9</b>
Coastal Protection and Adaptation	<del>\$175</del> <b>\$154.9</b>	<del>\$151</del> <b>\$0</b>	-	<b>\$171.1</b> reversion	<b>\$345.1</b>
SB 1 Implementation	\$38	<del>\$55</del> <b>\$30</b>	\$10	<b>\$25</b> reversion	<b>\$25</b>
Ocean Protection	\$50	<del>\$50</del> <b>\$15</b>	-	<b>\$35</b> reversion	<b>\$35</b>
<b>Total Reductions &amp; Reversions Across All Coastal Resilience Programs</b> <i>Including programs not reflected in the summary table</i>				<b>\$452</b>	<b>\$184</b>
				<b>\$636</b>	