

June 22, 2026

Congratulations! Richardson Bay Restoration Agency's proposal to monitor and evaluate outcomes from eelgrass restoration for sea level rise adaptation in Richardson Bay, Marin County has been approved. The grant award is \$250,000 from June 1, 2026 through July 31, 2027. This grant is awarded from MCF's Building Resilient Communities Initiative under its Sea Level Rise Small Grants pilot program.

Next Steps

1) You will soon receive an email notification that Grant Outcomes are available for review in the Grant Center. We use the Grant Outcomes to create the grant agreement terms, including the grant period, grant report due dates, and reporting questions. This is an iterative process between MCF and you so please read them carefully. If you agree, scroll to the bottom of the page in Grant Center and click "Submit Outcomes." If you have any suggested adjustments to the outcomes, please enter them in the Comments box and then scroll to the bottom and click "Request Changes."

2) After we have finalized the Grant Outcomes, we will generate the electronic grant agreement. You will receive an email notification when the grant agreement is available for e-signature in the Grant Center by your executive director or another designated authorized executive.

3) We would like to schedule payment before June 30, 2026, but understand that your governing body may need to formally accept the funds first. Please let me know if that is so, and when you expect to have formal acceptance by your board.

Technical Assistance

This grant includes an offer of technical assistance from our implementation partner, Coastal Quest. Morgane Hanley (cc'd here) will reach out to you soon to schedule an intake call so you can discuss specifics and next steps.

Monitoring & Evaluation

MCF is collaborating with the Urban Institute to conduct a third-party program evaluation of the Building Resilient Communities Initiative. We are asking all grantees to support the evaluation by 1) completing grant reporting metrics and questions and 2) participating in interview(s) with the evaluation team, Sara McTarnaghan and Oriya Cohen. These conversations are intended to capture your progress, challenges, and lessons learned to help inform the broader initiative. Interviews will generally take place about one month after reporting due dates, and the Urban team, cc'd here, will contact you directly to schedule. They may also reach out to partners or beneficiaries to gather additional perspectives on the projects.

I look forward to seeing the progress you'll make on exciting effort, and congratulations again!

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