## California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways Quagga and Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program

## RSVP Questions and Answers from the 2023 QZ Grant Presentation

	Question	Answer
1.	Can we utilize grant funding to cover cost associated with education and outreach via subcontracted marketing agencies who use radio and social media for public outreach?	Yes, this type of work is reimbursable, however this must be included within your Scope of Work/Table of Deliverables as well as in your Task Budget/Line-Item Budget within your application submission. This would be denoted as a consultant in your budgets. The grant funding can only be used in this manner if agreed upon by DBW.
2.	Can we utilize grant funding to cover costs associated with concessionaire incentive programs to encourage privately operated boat launch facilities to be more proactive in QZ inspections?	No, grant funding cannot be used towards incentives or incentive programs. Grant funding can be used towards consultant work regarding inspections and decontaminations so long as these tasks are agreed upon with DBW.
3.	What changes have been made to the grant program for the year 2023?	See slides 29-30, where we will go over revisions to the grant program since last year.
4.	Will the grant reimburse recipients for staffing outreach events and providing outreach materials to complete grant-required outreach events?	Incentives such as giveaways are not reimbursable.  Depending on what is requested, yes, this type of work can be reimbursable, if it is included in your application and is agreed upon by the Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW).  Please note that outreach requirements are for Tier 2 grants only, not Tier 1 grants.



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5.	Can grant funds support monitoring efforts for waterbodies that are hydrologically connected to the main reservoir that is included in a Tier 2 grant? A connected waterbody would need to be monitored but might not fall under the jurisdiction of authority of the agency receiving the grant, but still poses a threat of mussel introduction.	No, QZ Grant funding can only be used towards work at the reservoir that DBW approved, which has owner/management authority.  We encourage all owners/managers of reservoirs in your watershed to apply to the QZ Grant Program.
6.	Will OLGA allow more space this year for listing items to include in specific categories?	The Line-Item Budget has a character limit of 40 but there is a "notes" section at the end of each item line where you can submit further information regarding your items.  In the case of listing out materials/supplies, there should be plenty of room for listing this information in the notes.
7.	Last year CDFW provided a map of all CSFW QZ monitored waterbodies in the State, has that changes this year?	CDFW does not have a map of currently monitored waterbodies but a summary spreadsheet of monitoring data is available at: <a href="https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=141788">https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=141788</a>

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8.	Is there a specific location on the website that the DBW funding language needs to be on?	No there is not but please keep in mind that it needs to be visible and we recommend it be on a page with the related grant work.
9.	Will the description and note functions of the Line-Item budget be enabled to accept unlimited characters in OLGA?	The description of the Line-Item budget will allow only up to 40 characters, however the "notes" section will allow unlimited characters. Therefore use the "notes" function to add more characters for your description. Please see the screenshot below to see where the "notes" section is located in OLGA within the Line-Item Budget tab.  DBW QZ Grant Funding Notes  This is not to be confused with the Task Budget which already
10.	Can we submit an application with more than one reservoir for a Tier 1 grant?	allows unlimited characters.  Yes you may submit as many reservoirs as you want with your Tier 1 grant application but please keep the following things in mind:  • You must meet the three requirements to be eligible as an applicant.  1. You must be the owner/manager of the reservoirs.  2. The reservoirs must be open to the public for recreation.  3. The reservoirs must be un-infested.  • You will be responsible for conducting the required Early Detection Mussel-Monitoring for all the reservoirs you list on your application.