

# California's 30x30 Initiative

CONSERVING 30 PERCENT OF CALIFORNIA LANDS AND WATER BY 2030

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# UNITED STATES AND CALIFORNIA 30X30 INITIATIVE

CA

**October 2020**

Governor Newsom  
Nature-Based Solutions  
executive order

**May 2022**

Pathways  
to 30x30  
Strategy  
Document

**August 2022**

FY 22/23 Budget with over  
1.6 Bi for 30x30 and NBS

**September 2022**

Bill AB2278

USA

**January 2021**

President Biden  
30x30 executive  
order

**May 2021**

America the  
Beautiful  
Report

**April 2022**

\$1Bi for America  
the Beautiful  
Challenge





# CALIFORNIA'S NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS EXECUTIVE ORDER

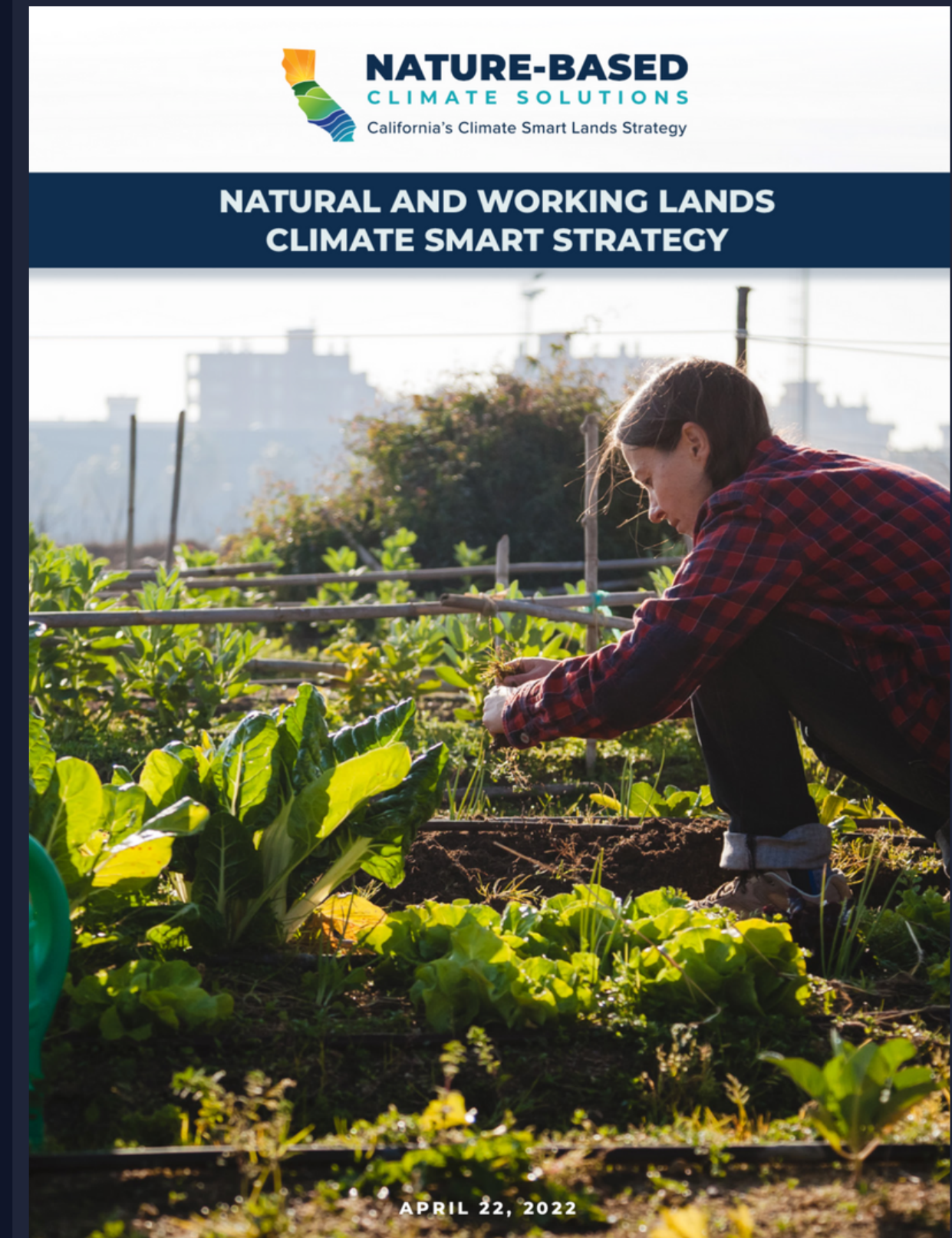
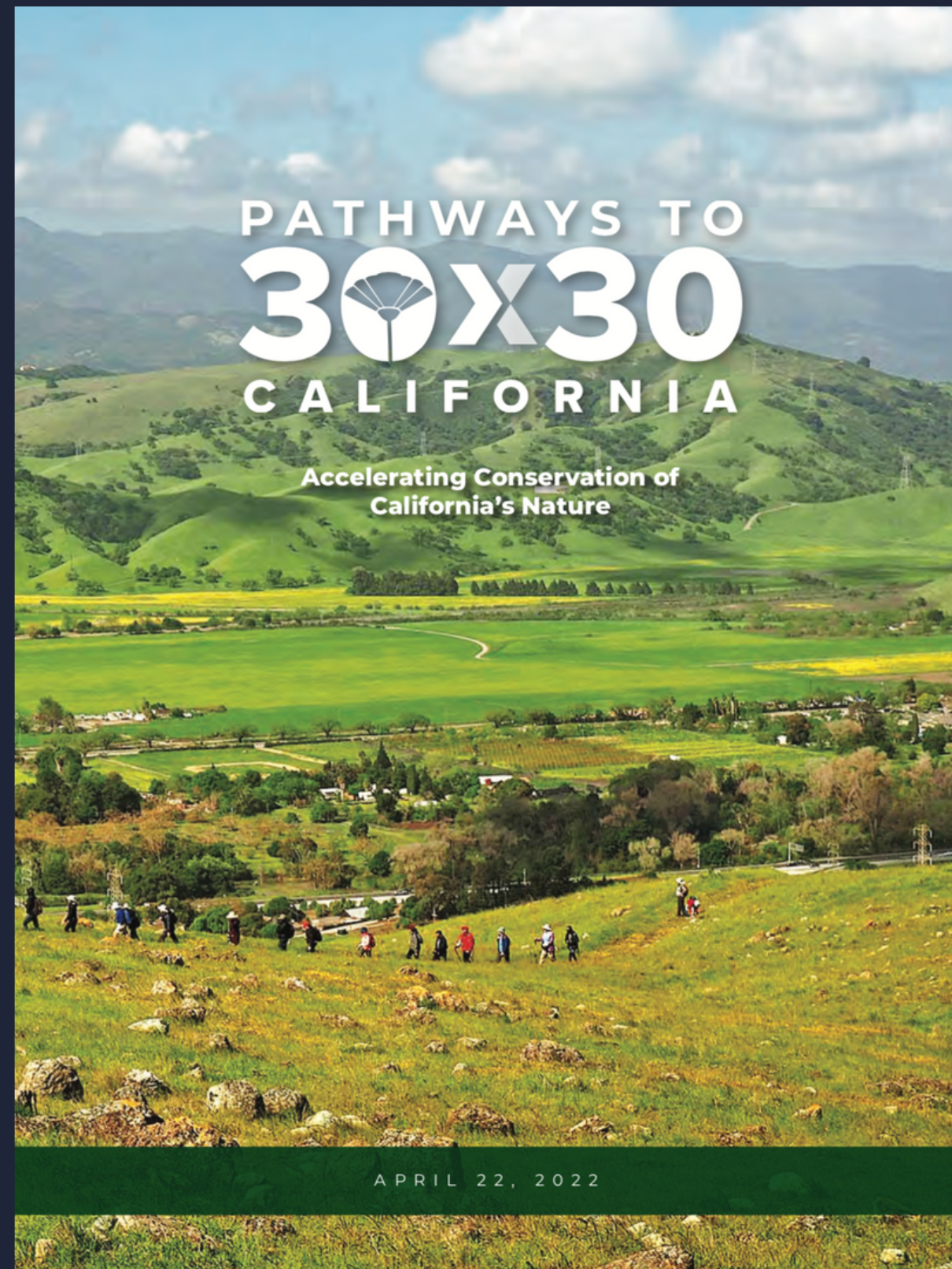
## Executive Order N-82-20

- Elevate the role of natural and working lands in building climate resilience
- Advance biodiversity conservation as an administration priority
- The goal of conserving 30 % of California lands and coastal waters by 2030



# Nature-Based Solution

## Strategy Documents





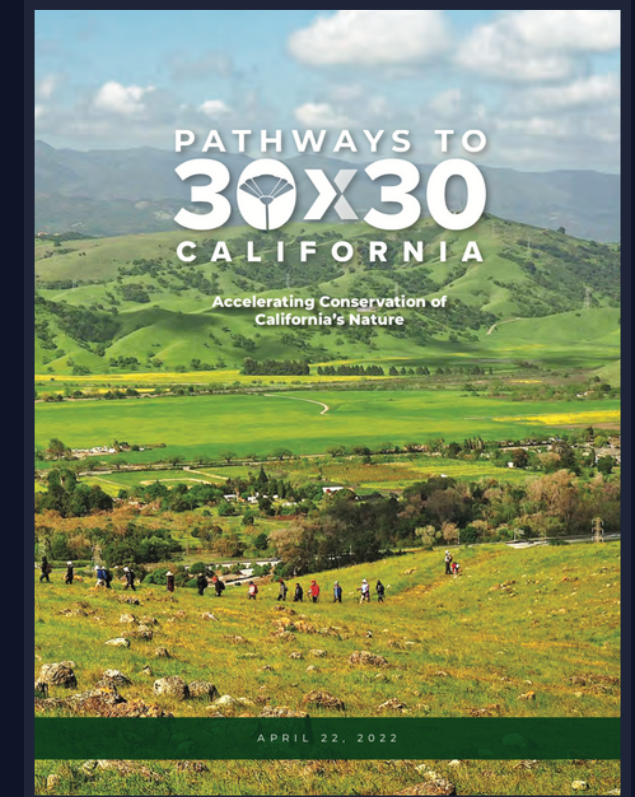
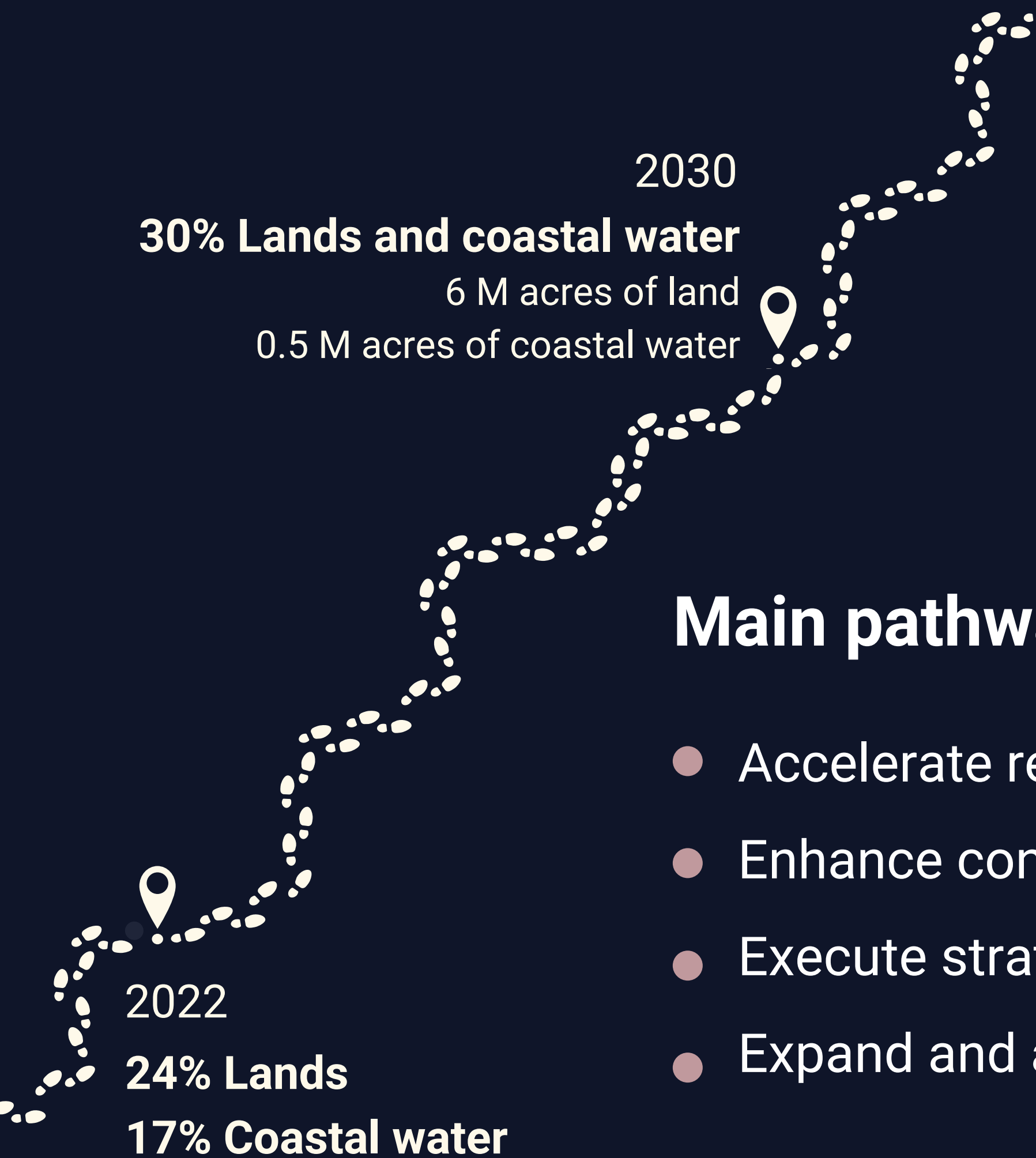
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# 30x30

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Merely reaching a number is not enough; the **quality** of *existent* and *new* conserved area must be considered.





## Main pathways to 30x30

- Accelerate regionally led conservation
- Enhance conservation of existing public lands
- Execute strategic land acquisitions
- Expand and accelerate restoration & long-term stewardship



# California 30x30 Goals



## BIODIVERSITY

Protect and restore  
biodiversity



## ACCESS

Improves access  
to nature



## CLIMATE CHANGE

Build resilience to  
climate change



## NATIVE AMERICA

Strengthen  
Tribal partnerships  
and priorities



## EQUITY

Advance  
diversity, justice,  
and inclusion



## ECONOMY

Sustain the economy,  
clean energy, and  
food supply

# California 30x30 Commitments



# www.californianature.ca.gov

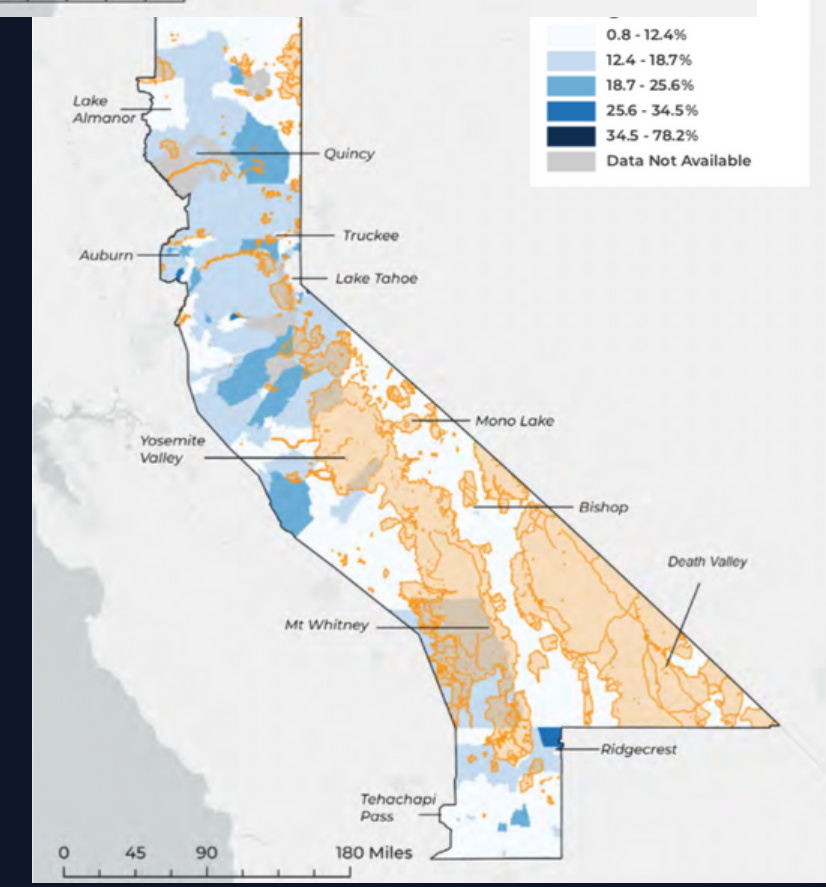
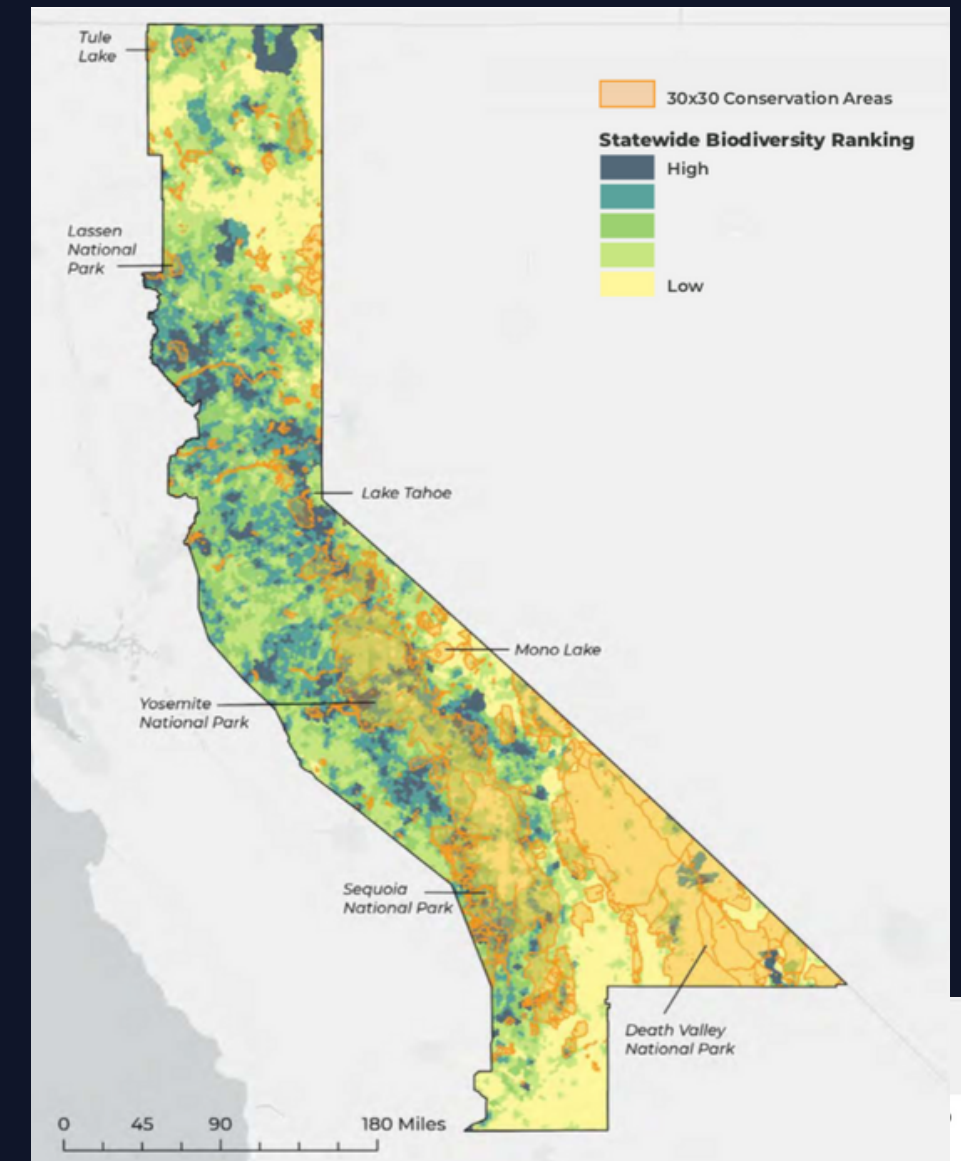


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## Conserving 30 percent of California's lands and coastal waters by 2030

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# AB 2278

Requires annual reporting on California's progress to 30x30

Helps solidify 30x30 as an operational reality

Ensures that 30x30 will persist even as administrations change



# BUDGET SUMMARY FOR FY22-23

## Natural Resources/Climate Resilience

### Nature-based solutions budget





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### Natural Resources and Climate Resilience





# CA Natural Resources Agency (CNRA)

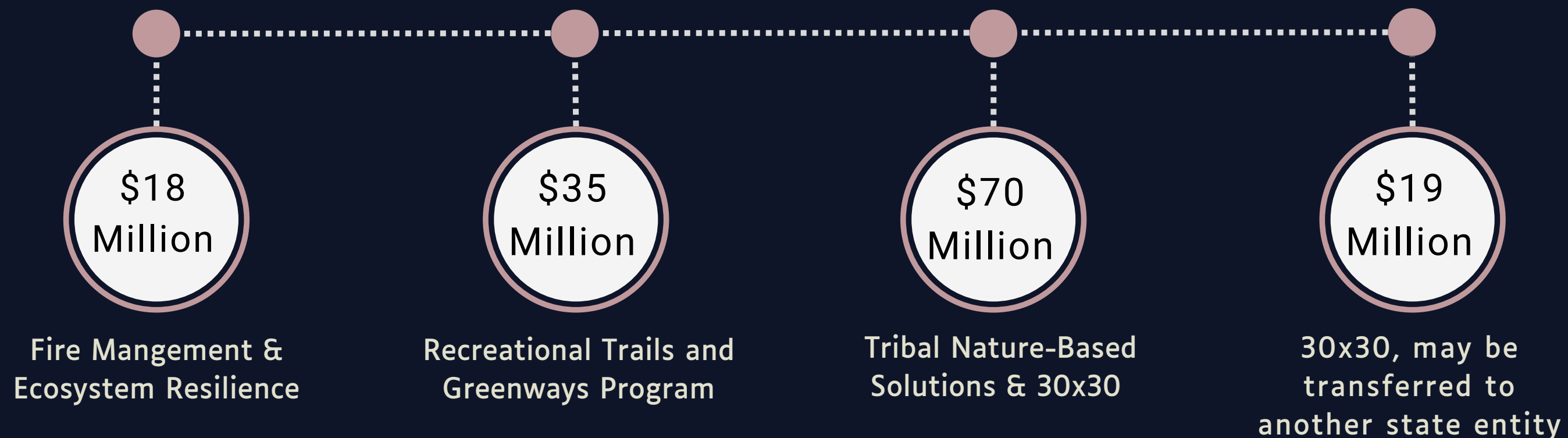
## Supporting 30x30 through:

- Coordinate the execution of 30x30
- Annual report on 30x30 progress
- 30x30 Coordinating Committee
- Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Program

## Grant Application:

- Various bond and grant programs with different timelines, guidelines, and requirements

Approx. \$372 Million available for projects





# Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

## Supporting 30x30 through:

- Strategic land acquisitions
- Voluntary Conservation Easements
- Habitat restoration

## Grant Application:

- Single continuous grant application process
- The process begins with a Pre-Application (Word)
- Applicants can consult with WCB staff at any time
- Applicants do not need to determine WCB Program
- No CAPP or LAE requirements for land acquisitions

Currently have nearly \$1 Billion available for projects





# Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)

## Supporting 30x30 through:

- Fish and wildlife management
- Watershed restoration, planning and protection
- Land Acquisition

## Grant Application:

- Multiple bond and grant programs with different timelines, guidelines, and requirements
- CDFW regional offices
- 30x30 Expo with CDFW (11/10 @10:30)

Approx. \$460 Million available for projects





# Department of Conservation

## Supporting 30x30 through:

- Restore and manage watersheds
- Fire management & ecosystem resilience
- Agricultural conservation easement and land improvement
- Climate Smart Lands

## Grant Application:

- Multiple bond and grant programs with different timelines, guidelines, and requirements
- 30x30 Expo with Dpt. of Conservation (11/29 @3pm)

Approx. \$149 Million available for projects





# Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC)

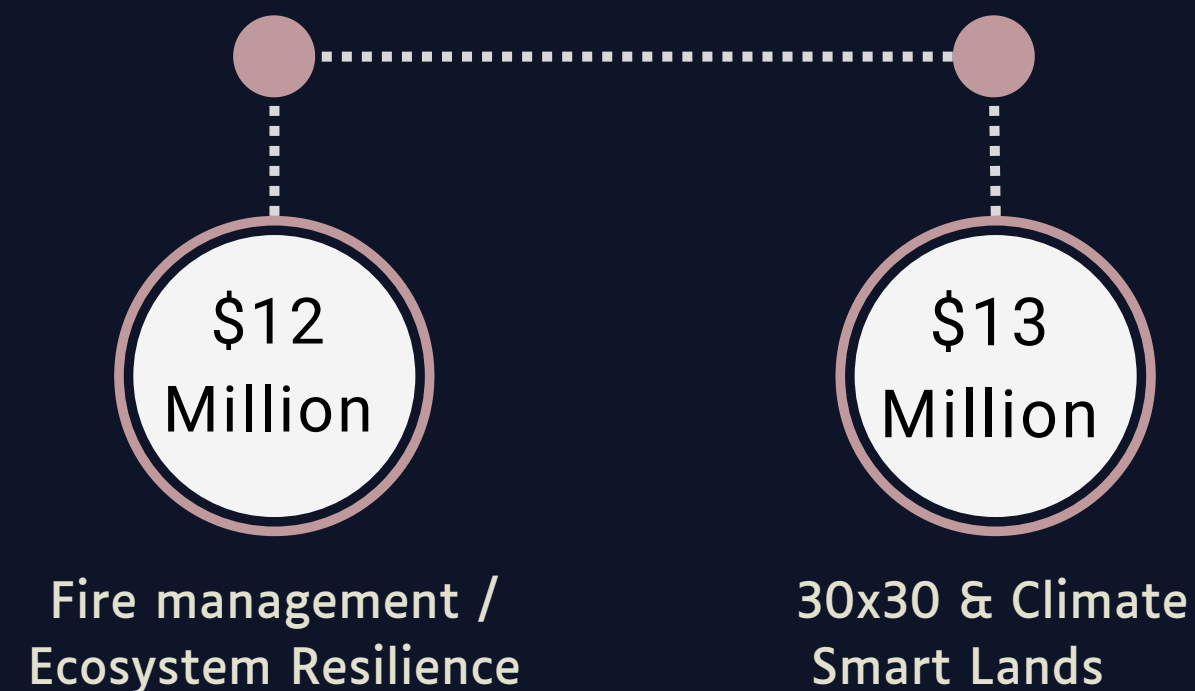
## Supporting 30x30 through:

- Watershed Improvement Program
  - Forest & Watershed Health
  - Strategic Land Conservation
  - Vibrant Recreation & Tourism
  - Resilient Sierra Nevada Communities

## Grant Application:

- Multiple grant programs with different timelines, guidelines, and requirements
  - Projects must be developed in collaboration with SNC
  - SNC area representative and SNC funding team
- **New Landscape Grant Pilot Program**

Approx. \$26Million available for projects





# Department of Water Resources (DWR)

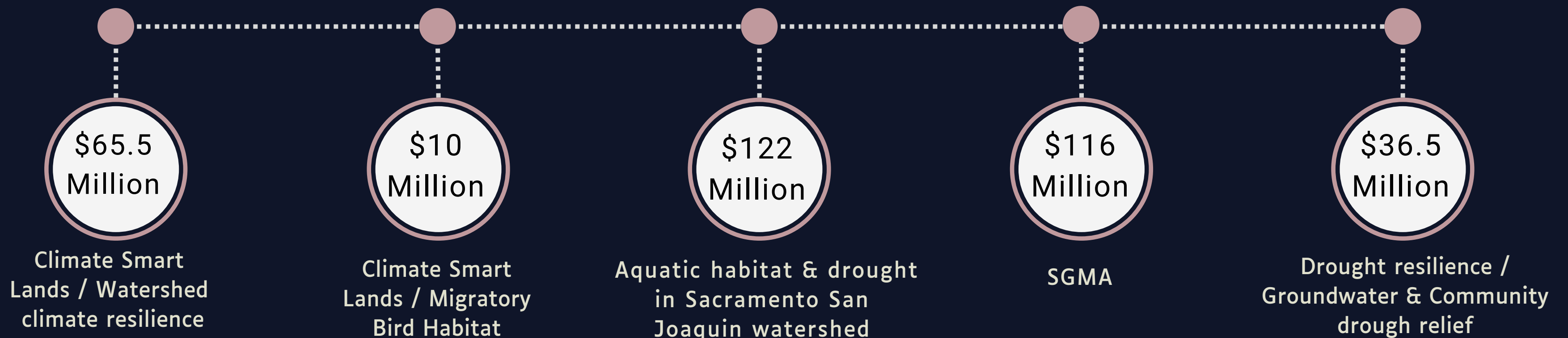
## Supporting 30x30 through:

- Integrated water management / IRWM
- Environmental stewardship and restoration

## Grant Application:

- Multiple loan and grant programs with different timelines, guidelines, and requirements

Approx. \$576 Million available for projects





# Cal Fire

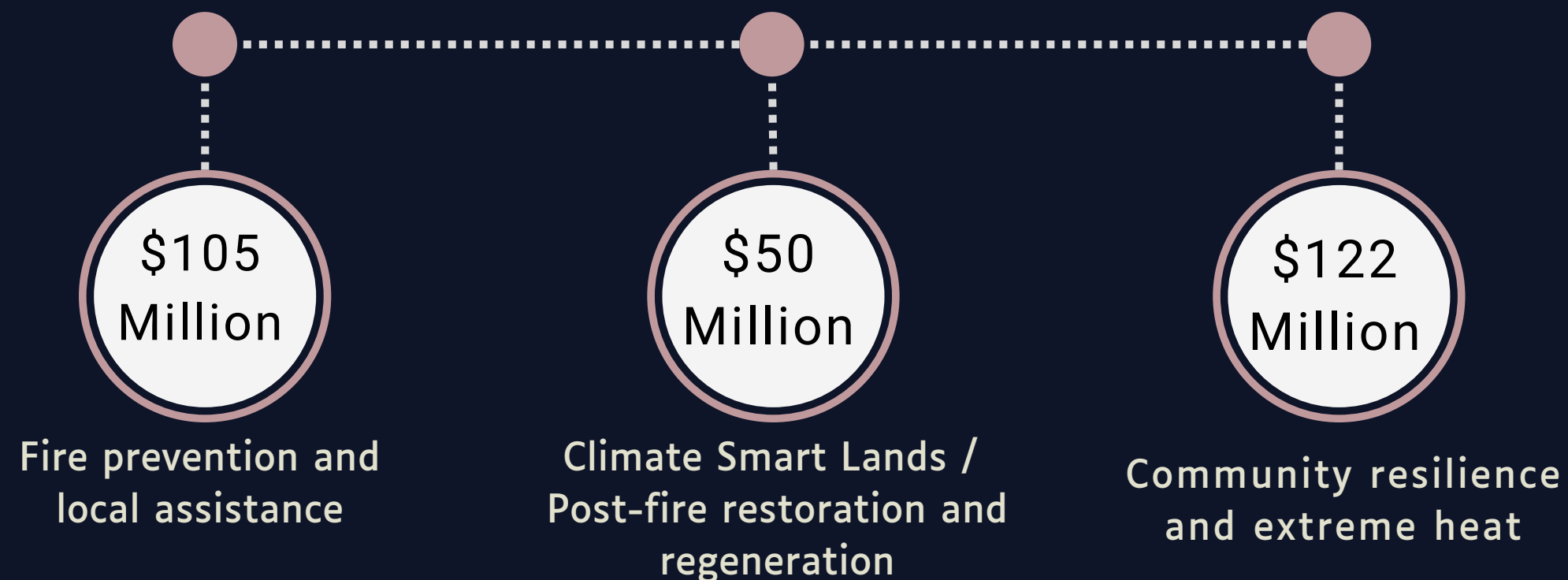
## Supporting 30x30 through:

- Conservation easements
- Wildfire resilience
- Forest health, improvement, research

## Grant Application:

- Multiple loan and grant programs with different timelines, guidelines, and requirements

Approx. \$392 Million available for projects





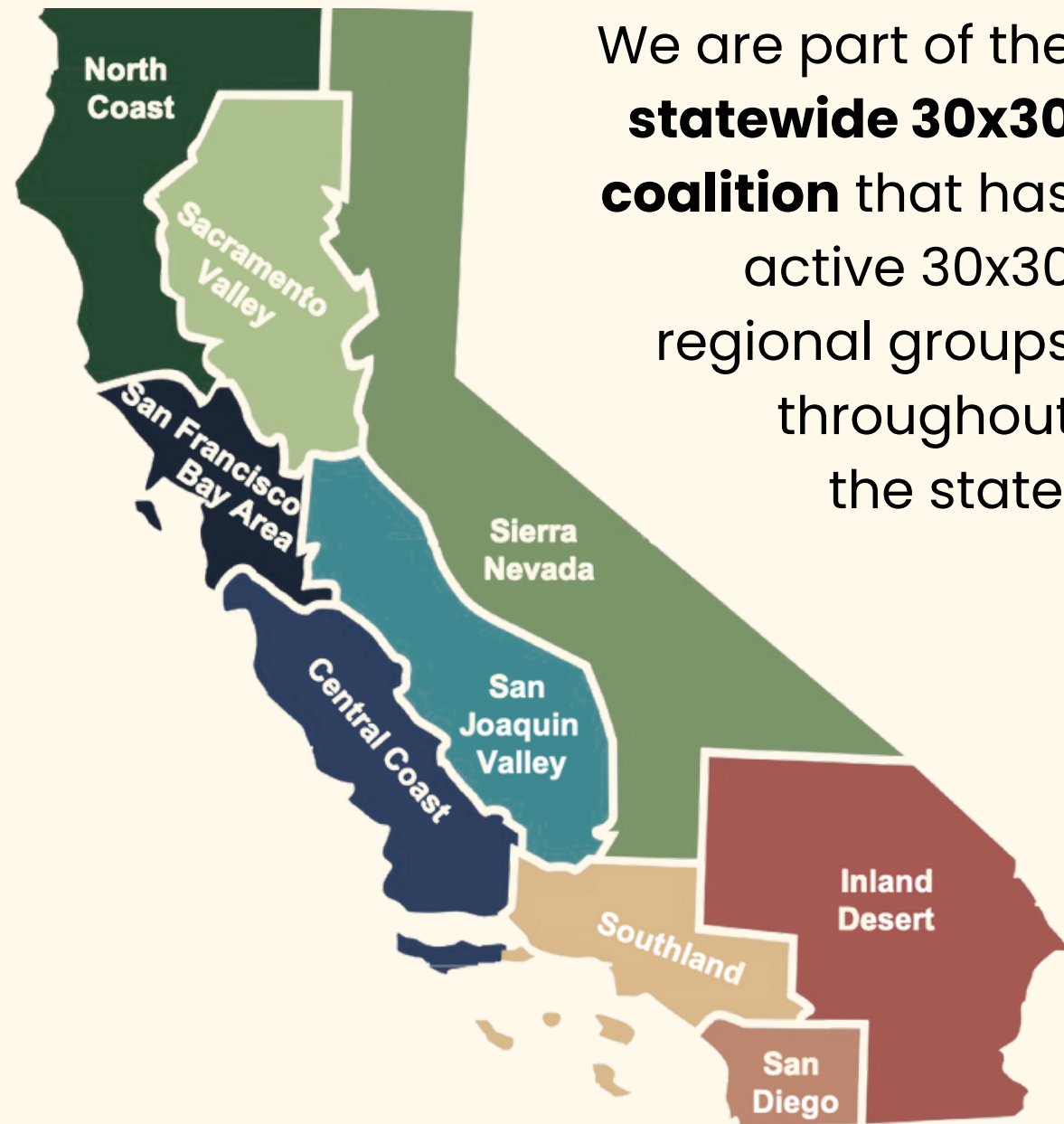
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## 30x30 Regional Group

The 30x30 Sierra Nevada Regional Group is comprised of 80+ organizations. We work to provide an organizational hub for coordination and strategic planning for the 30x30. Our intention is to support organizations, communities, and tribes in leveraging this unique opportunity to advance conservation and restoration of the lands and water of the Sierra Nevada.

- Sierra Nevada 30x30 project list
- Track and provide information on 30x30
- Budget and grant opportunities
- Advocate for the Sierra Nevada
- Coordinate with State & regional efforts

We are part of the **statewide 30x30 coalition** that has active 30x30 regional groups throughout the state.







**What can we do to support your work and to  
access the nature-based solutions funding?**

*Thank You*

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