Comparing the Fall Water Supply and Water Quality Bond Act Being Planned for Fall 2018 Ballot

With the

Park and Water Bond (SB5) on the June 2018 Ballot- Proposition 68

The California Urban Streams Partnership supports the upcoming proposition 68 which will appear on this June's ballot. But we are asking you to also endorse the water bond which will likely appear on the Fall 2018 ballot. The June bond act was prepared by the state legislature and while it keeps the grant programs the watershed and streams community uses the most barely alive, it contains a disappointing level of funding for watersheds and streams and won't come close to sustaining our Bay Area watershed community's needs. The proposition 68 contains over a \$ 130 million dollars for the Los Angeles River watershed alone . While we support our counterparts who are restoring the LA River the bond act is grossly out of geographic balance in allocating funds. In contrast, the citizen written Water Bond which many of us are working on actually serves our Bay Area watershed communities well .The Natural Heritage Institute has submitted over 600,000 signatures to the Secretary of State to qualify for the Fall ballot .

For adequate state grants for the Bay Area we seek your endorsement of the Fall 2018 Water Bond: The State Water Supply Infrastructure, Water Conveyance, Ecosystem and Watershed Protection and Restoration, and Drinking Water Protection act of 2018.

Comparing the two bond acts

Spring Water, Parks Bond Act: Proposition 68. Fall Water Supply and	Quality Bond Act
Funds available to anyone statewide or SF Bay Area:	
California Natural Resources Agency River Parkway Program \$20 million	vs \$70 million
Ca Dept. of Water Resources Urban streams Restoration Program \$10 million	vs. \$50 million
Coastal Conservancy San Francisco Bay Program \$60 million	vs. \$100 million
San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority \$20 million	vs. \$200 million

Department of Conservation Watershed Coordinator Program \$00.00 vs. \$10 million State Water Resource Control Board for statewide stormwater management \$00.00 vs. \$400 million \$15 million vs. \$20 million

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