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# 2024 LWCF STATE ASSISTANCE + READINESS AND RECREATION INITIATIVE FOR WESTSIDE REGIONAL PARK PHASE ONE

RS-24-114

JUNE 18, 2024

# Background

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- ❑ The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) State and Local Assistance (SLA) program provides grants to the states, and through them to local units of government, for projects that will provide outdoor recreation opportunities to the public.
- ❑ The Department of Defense Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program protects the Nation's military readiness, enhances relationships with the communities, preserves the environment, and improves military installation community resilience to climate change.

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- Applications are due to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, our State Lead Agency partner for this grant, by June 28, 2024
- The items eligible for funding are planning cost, outdoor recreation amenities, trails, and facilities such as restrooms and changing areas.

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- The Readiness and Recreation Initiative will seek to fund projects that will acquire and enhance lands for public outdoor recreation that are also within the geographic scope of an agreement between a state, local government, or conservation-focused non-governmental entity and a military department pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2684a.
- The LWCF Act (54 U.S.C. 200305 (c)) generally requires that the grant projects be cost-shared with non-federal (i.e., state, local, non-governmental, or private) funds at a ratio of 1:1.

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- Request is for \$8,300,000 estimated cost of the for this project, The City's match would be \$4,150,000 for Phase One.



# Recommendation

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- Staff recommends the City Council to approve the resolution of support of the application to NPS for LWCF State Assistance + Readiness and Recreation Initiative – FY24 Application for Westside Regional Park Phase One.