

California Fly Fishers Unlimited  
**CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**

Mission Statement

To promote and support CFFU goals of conservation, preservation and enhancement of California's fisheries, aquatic resources and the watersheds that sustain them.

Committee Structure and Meetings

- The Committee is a standing committee chaired by the CFFU Conservation Director
- The Committee must include at least one other CFFU Board member and other CFFU non-Board members, as approved by the Committee Chairman and the CFFU President
- The Committee will meet on an "as need basis" until future activities require a more structured schedule
- The Committee meetings will be announced via the CFFU List Serve and are open to Board members, the general CFFU membership and guests

Committee Responsibilities

- Determine annual financial support to qualified 501(c)(3) fisheries and other conservation organizations, or to local non-profit groups. Funding decisions (e.g. the organization and amount) are made by Committee consensus
- Establish Funding Guidelines by which qualified organizations/groups can receive financial support from CFFU
- Participate in conservation activities or projects with other fly fishing clubs or conservation groups
- Interact with government fisheries or other regulatory agencies on conservation topics of mutual interest
- Support other CFFU or NCCIFFF conservation activities as needed

Conservation Funding Guidelines

- Develop a list of prospective 501(c)(3) organizations or non-profit groups to be considered for project funding
- Provide the organization/group with the CFFU Conservation Funding Request Application
- Evaluate the importance of each specific project to fisheries conservation
- Place a priority on projects that focus on local fisheries improvement
- Evaluate the "track record" of the organization/group in previous conservation projects
- Determine the economic need of the organization/group and potential amount of funding
- Determine any potential partnerships or collaboration with other conservation organizations or fly fishing clubs
- Meet with the representatives of the organization/group
- Develop a Committee position paper for each funding request
- Make the final selection(s) for funding and prioritize
- Make a recommendation(s) to the CFFU Board