



# Measure Q Grant Application

City Council

February 12, 2026

# Measure Q Grant Application

## Grant Overview



- Measure Q funds projects that:
  - Improve water quality.
  - Reduce wildfire risk.
  - Protect wildlife habitat.
  - Expand equitable access to parks and open space.
- Tier 2 Community Impact Grants (>\$50k) support larger-scale, multi-benefit environmental projects.



SANTA CRUZ COUNTY  
**MEASURE Q**

# Measure Q Grant Application

## Project Location



---

Located along  
Soquel Creek at  
the Park at  
Rispin Mansion  
Riparian

---

habitat  
supports  
wildlife and  
watershed  
health

---

Invasive plant  
species impact  
habitat quality

---

Project is  
scalable based  
on grant award



# Measure Q Grant Application

## Proposed Scope



### Proposed Grant Scope

- Removal of priority invasive plant species
- Native habitat restoration and enhancement

### All work will

- Comply with ESHA and environmental regulations
- Be reviewed by a qualified biologist
- Include monitoring as needed

# Measure Q Grant Application Alternative Projects Considered



## Esplanade Park

- Advancing through State Coastal Conservancy funding
- Potential Measure Q for future implementation

## Monterey Park Playground

- Primarily recreational in nature
- Not yet defined to be competitive

**Rispin Project is the most grant-ready and competitive Measure Q opportunity at this time**

# Measure Q Grant Application

## Fiscal Impact



---

No match required

---

No fiscal impact associated with submitting application

---

If awarded, staff will return with grant agreements and any necessary budget adjustments

---

## Recommended Action

Authorize staff to submit a Tier 2 Measure Q Community Impact Grant application in an amount not to exceed \$325,000 for invasive species removal, native habitat restoration, and interpretive signage improvements adjacent to the Park at Rispin

