



**CRCC - California Grazing Lands Coalition**



## **CA Producer's Grant Request for Proposals**

**\$10,000 in awards available in 2026 for rancher-led learning projects**

The California Grazing Lands Coalition is seeking proposals from California ranchers and graziers to conduct knowledge transfer via local producer-led and hosted learning opportunities. The California Producers Grant encourages ranchers to provide local opportunities to learn and share with one another and with the public about grazing lands stewardship and the continued viability of ranching. CRCC-CalGLC will award up to \$10,000 in 2026, with individual projects not to exceed \$5,000 in funding support.

Proposals must align with the attached CalGLC strategic priorities. Events or activities will share information on sustainable grazing and ranching systems and the co-benefits of well-managed grazing lands. Projects and activities may include peer-to-peer or hosted workshops, clinics, and/or pasture-walks for ranchers and young producers or for the general community and consumers. Projects may be the development and or distribution of materials and other outreach media, or a public presentation. Creativity and ingenuity are encouraged.

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**The CA Grazing Lands Coalition (CalGLC)** is a standing project of the California Rangeland Conservation Coalition (CRCC) that specifically focuses on elevating the rancher's voice while working to collectively foster implementation of ecologically and economically viable grazing strategies in the State.

**Rancher Advisory Panel.** CalGLC is grounded through an advisory panel made up of five California ranchers who represent the geographic, livestock species, and cultural diversity of the ranching community.

CalGLC is intentionally producer-led and producer-focused. It uses a collaborative approach to California grazing lands stewardship and the continued viability of ranching by centering the voices of livestock producers within a dedicated coalition of community organizations, researchers, conservation districts, non-government organizations and representatives of local, state and federal resource management agencies.

### **CalGLC Strategic Priorities**

1. Fill gaps in technical assistance and learning opportunities for priority topics, such as ranching economics and shared eco-literacy across partners (or understanding the relationship between grazing management and ecological outcomes).
2. Promote sustainable management of grazing lands as the foundation of the ranching industry
3. Address land access and infrastructure challenges to increase stewardship opportunities through grazing
4. Advance existing rangeland conservation efforts by elevating rancher-derived solutions
5. Foster on-ranch learning and mentoring opportunities for students, young producers, and early-career conservation professionals
6. Educate non-ranching stakeholders on the benefits and logistics of grazing
7. Build and maintain relationships with additional working lands partners in the state
8. Broadly share stories of inspiring grazing lands stewardship

### **CalGLC Mission**

*Bring the ranching community together with stewardship partners to focus on collaborative solutions to the urgent issues facing the ecosystem health and economic viability of managing CA's grazing lands.*

**Proposal Requirements** - Use the attached form to provide the following:

- A. Clearly state the topic and objective(s) to be addressed.
- B. Clearly state which CalGLC strategic priority(ies) the project aligns with.
- C. A full description of the project: format, venue, anticipated date, partners, budget overview, proposed materials to be developed or used, and how information will be shared to impacted stakeholders, including California livestock producers.
- D. Explain how the applicant intends to evaluate and report on the success of the project.

### **Timeline**

- Proposals may be submitted any time in 2026. If funds for the year have been allocated, proposals may be rolled over into the following year.
- **Proposals received by April 30, 2026** will be considered for the first awards.
- Proposals will be reviewed in the order they are received by a CRCC-CalGLC panel of 2 CalGLC rancher advisors and 1 CRCC board member.
- The report and any materials produced will be submitted within 30 days of the activity being completed in order to receive grant award. An award check will be mailed.
- Any materials developed for the project must be delivered to CalGLC and may be shared with other projects and outreach. Credit will be provided to the project.

### **Submission & Program Contacts**

Submit your proposal electronically (as a Word or PDF file) to:

[cagrazinglandscoalition@gmail.com](mailto:cagrazinglandscoalition@gmail.com).

For additional information regarding this RFP or CalGLC please contact:

Alex Karol, Coordinator, at 805-720-9036

This proposal is available at <https://carangeland.org/california-grazing-land-coalition>

### **CalGLC Vision**

*Ranchers' voices are included and valued in conversations on resource conservation and grazing land management, and a supportive network of partners exists for the livestock and land stewardship community.*

# CA Producer's Grant Application

Applicant Name:

Amount Requested: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Phone:

Address:

Location of proposed activity (nearest Town, County):

**A. Clearly state the topic and objective(s) to be addressed.**

**B. Identify which CalGLC strategic priority(ies) the project aligns with. See RFP for priorities.**

Select all that apply: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

**C. Brief description of the project: format, venue, anticipated date, partners, proposed materials to be developed or used, and how information will be shared to impacted stakeholders, including CA livestock producers. Optional: Submit description and samples of similar projects and materials implemented by the applicant.**

**D. BUDGET (expenses): Please list how funds will be used. If you have questions on allowable expenses, please contact Alex Karol.**

**E. Explain how the applicant intends to evaluate and report on project outcomes**

*NOTE: Producer's Grant is a reimbursement program, with the award being paid after the report has been accepted by CalGLC. If the project cannot be implemented without an advance, contact Alex Karol prior to grant submission.*