CLEAN STORMWATER GRANT

WATER RESOURCES FIELD TRIP

APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for taking the time to apply for a Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District (FMFCD) Clean Stormwater Grant. Please read the grant application in its entirety and provide complete information for each section. **Incomplete applications may be disqualified.** If you are requesting more than one type of field trip, a separate application form must be submitted for each one.

IMPORTANT FUNDING LIMIT: Each Water Resource Field Trip Grant application is eligible for a maximum award of $2,000. Applicants requesting funding for multiple classrooms or groups should consider the total anticipated cost when determining how many applications to submit. If the anticipated cost for all classrooms or participants included in one application exceeds $2,000, submit separate applications for smaller groups of classrooms/participants as needed. Please refer to the estimated field trip fees at the end of this application for planning purposes.

If you need assistance or have any questions, please contact Natalie Rose Wilcox, Grant Administrator, at (559) 456-3292 or via email at environmental@fresnofloodcontrol.org.

Applications may be submitted by mail or email. They must either be postmarked or received by the FMFCD at environmental@fresnofloodcontrol.org by **Friday, December 18, 2026, at 5 PM PST.**

Please complete the following fields:

Name of School/Organization: _____

School District: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Project Coordinator:
(if a school, use principal) _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

Classroom Contact:
(if a school, use teacher or TA) _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

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Which water resource field trip would you like to attend?
Select one. If you are requesting funding for more than one type of field trip, submit a separate application for each.

☐ Scout Island Outdoor Education Center

☐ River Parkway Trust: River Buddies Pre–K/K Field Trip

☐ River Parkway Trust: 1st – 5th Grade River Field Trip

☐ River Parkway Trust: 6th Grade Sycamore Island Field Trip

☐ Other (e.g., wastewater treatment facility). Please specify:

If you selected Scout Island Outdoor Education Center above, please complete the following section:

☐ I did not select Scout Island Outdoor Education Center. This section does not apply.

Select 3 or 4 learning modules for your field trip. At least two selections must be water related. A description of each module is listed on Scout Island's website: scoutisland.org/scout-island-programs.

Water-Related Learning Modules

☐ Draw the River (K – 5th grades)
☐ I Spy (K – 2nd grades)
☐ Kayaking (4th – 12th grades)
☐ Macroinvertebrates (4th – 12th grades)
☐ Nature Walk (K – 12th grades)
☐ Pacific Flyway Adventure (K – 8th grades)
☐ Reading by the River (K – 8th grades)
☐ Rock-On! (3rd – 12th grades)
☐ Salmon Art (K – 8th grades)
☐ Scavenger Hunt (3rd – 5th grades)
☐ The Incredible Water Journey (K – 8th grades)
☐ Water Quality (4th – 12th grades)
☐ Watershed Models (3rd – 12th grades)
☐ Wild River Dash: The Salmon Journey (K – 8th grades)

Other Learning Modules

☐ Archery (4th – 12th grades)
☐ Atlatl Challenge: Ancient Spear Throwing (3rd – 8th grades)
☐ Birds Beaks & Feet (K – 8th grades)
☐ Birds of Prey (K – 12th grades)
☐ Confidence, Initiative, and Teamwork (CIT) (2nd – 8th grades)
☐ Decomposition Mission (K – 5th grades)

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☐ Fur, Feathers, and Scales (K – 6th grades)
☐ Gold Rush (3rd – 12th grades)
☐ Making Cordage (K – 5th grades)
☐ Marvelous Minerals (K – 5th grades)
☐ Minerals, Rocks & Fossils (3rd – 12th grades)
☐ Paws and Jaws (K – 8th grades)
☐ Pony Express (3rd – 5th grades)
☐ Predator Pursuit (3rd – 8th grades)
☐ Suitcase for Survival: Illegal Wildlife Trade and Endangered Species (4th – 12th grades)
☐ Surviving Scout Island (3rd – 12th grades)
☐ The Living Pizza Garden (K – 12th grades)
☐ Web of Life (K – 8th grades)
☐ Yokuts and Beyond: Exploring California's Native Cultures (K – 12th grades)

Would you like to schedule a free classroom presentation prior to your field trip?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Is your group ready to proceed with the field trip once funding is approved?

☐ Yes – All necessary approvals are in place, and I am confident that all required documents and materials (as listed in the Additional Information section below) can be submitted on time.

☐ No – We are still securing approvals or required documentation.

If you selected "No," briefly explain any anticipated barriers or uncertainties and how you plan to address them:

Please specify the following details regarding the requested field trip:

Grade(s):	# of Classrooms:
# of Students:	# of Other Participants (e.g., chaperones, teacher):
# of Vehicles:	Name of Transportation Vendor:

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1. Why should your organization receive grant funding?

Briefly describe your school/organization and explain why your students/participants would benefit from a water resource education experience. Include any relevant needs, demographics, or educational goals.

2. Why did you select this field trip option?

Please explain why the specific field trip site and program you chose is the best fit for your students or program goals. You may include connections to current curriculum, accessibility, interest in hands-on learning, prior experiences, or other relevant factors.

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By submitting this application, you are hereby obligating the School District/Organization to defend, indemnify, and hold the FMFCD and its directors, officers, employees, and volunteers harmless from and against any and all claims relating to this grant or the FMFCD's performance of the field trip, including, but not limited to, claims for personal injury, property damage, wrongful death, economic loss, and taking of property.

The information on the enclosed application has been prepared by me or under my direction. I am the authorized representative for the School/Organization and have authority to sign on behalf of the School/Organization.

_____ _____

Signature of Project Coordinator (if a school, use principal) Date

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Print Name

Return this Clean Stormwater Grant application to:

Natalie Rose Wilcox
Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District
5469 E. Olive Avenue
Fresno, CA 93727
Phone: (559) 456-3292 | Fax: (559) 456-3194
environmental@fresnofloodcontrol.org

Additional Information

If you are approved for funding by the FMFCD Board of Directors, the District agrees to fund an educational field trip for your school or organization to either the Scout Island Outdoor Education Center, a program offered by the San Joaquin River Parkway Trust, or another local attraction that includes a strong focus on water resources education (e.g., wastewater treatment facility).

Funding includes payment of program fees and transportation costs. Program and transportation costs will be paid directly to the service provider or reimbursed to the school/organization, depending on invoicing arrangements. **The following documentation must be submitted to the District prior to the scheduled field trip:**

- Signed grant agreement
- Certificate of insurance (listing the FMFCD as additional insured for the dates of the field trip)
- W-9

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The following documentation must be submitted to the District no later than December 31, 2027:

- Invoices
- Parentally approved photos (at least one)
- Total number of participants that went on the field trip (students, teachers, chaperones)
- Optional: Feedback about your experience

Free Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) compliant classroom/general activity materials (providing an overview of local water resources, the water cycle and stormwater pollution prevention) are available upon request, free of charge.

Once grant funding has been approved, the School/Organization is responsible for contacting the appropriate parties to schedule the field trip. See field trip contact information below:

Scout Island Outdoor Education Center LuAnn Ramirez McCaslin lrmccaslin@fcoe.org (559) 265-4062 www.scoutisland.org/programs
San Joaquin River Parkway Trust Tania Mitchum tmitchum@riverparkway.org (559) 248-848, ext. 104 www.riverparkway.org/activities/school-field-trips/
City of Fresno Department of Public Utilities Wastewater Management Division RWRF.WastewaterTours@fresno.gov

For your planning purposes, here is a list of estimated field trip fees. Transportation costs may vary. For more detailed pricing information, please contact the parties listed above:

Program Provider & Trip Type	**Program Fees**
Scout Island Outdoor Education Center	Facility Use Fee: $100 Teacher Fee: $250/teacher
Parkway: 1st-5th Grade River Field Trips	$360/classroom (up to 30 students)
Parkway: 6th-8th Grade Sycamore Island Field Trips	$1,000 for the first classroom, $125 per additional classroom
Parkway: River Buddies Pre-K/K Field Trips	Up to 12 students: $195 Up to 25 students: $350 25+ students: $350 per group (1 group = 25 students)
City of Fresno Dept. of Public Utilities Wastewater Management Division: Wastewater Treatment Facility Tours	Free (FMFCD will cover transportation fees)