



June 24, 2026

To: Mike Rademaker, Crescent City Harbor District CEO and the Crescent City Harbor District Board of Commissioners

From: Mike Bahr, CEO, Community System Solutions

RE: Board Agenda Item: Report on recent grant activity

Hello Commissioners,

Community System Solutions is pleased to provide the Crescent City Harbor District Board of Commissioners with an updated on recent grant activity.

US DOT MARAD PIDP 2022 and 2024 Grants

CCHD was awarded two Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) Grants from U.S. DOT MARAD. A 2022 PIDP grant for \$7,366,566 to construct a new Seawall. A 2024 PIDP Grant for \$8,000,000 to construct a new Citizens' Dock. These are five-year grants, with the ability to extend an additional 3 years.

Both PIDP grant agreements have been signed and funds can start to be drawn down.

The RFPs for key team members, Project Manager and Grant Manager, have been issued and the Board is currently considering proposals.

The discussion between outside accountant or bookkeeper versus hiring a bookkeeper on staff will be a separate agenda item prepared by the Contract Fiscal Officer.

CA Coastal Conservancy – Citizens' Dock Planning Grant

CCHD was awarded \$925,000. This grant has three components: Environmental Assessment (EA) 30% Design and permitting construction of a new Citizens' Dock and Seawall.

Moffat and Nichol (M&N) is the lead contractor on this project.

The Environmental Assessment Documents, both NEPA and CEQA, are complete and approved by the regulatory agencies.

The Board awarded the contract for Permit Applications, Processing and Management in January. The permit applications were sent out in March and are moving through the regulatory review system. The agencies are reviewing them and there have been multiple questions and answers passed back and forth.

The “30% design” documents are complete. The next phase is the “60% design”.

At the end of May, M&N provided a contract amendment for that work, which was higher than originally budgeted.

Each of the Project Manager proposers said they would like to be involved in the discussion with M&N on that contract amendment and the scope of the work for the “60%” because they believe they can save the Harbor District funds. Staff is waiting until that occurs, before bringing the M&N amendment to the Board.

Previously, it was expected that this grant would be spent down at this point, but fewer invoices were charged to this grant than anticipated.

The balance of funds remaining on the grant is \$275,000. These funds are available to use for the project design documents.

CalOES /FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

CCHD was awarded \$1,350,000 in October 2023 to address Tsunami and Sea Level Rise physical and economic hazards in the Harbor District. This is a three-year grant. A two-year extension can be requested if needed.

Eighteen contracts have been awarded during the grant term and there is still approximately \$300,000 of the grant unallocated.

These remaining funds will be used to complete the payments to the existing open contracts in this grant and can be used for additional costs on the seawall and Citizens’ Dock project.

CA Coastal Conservancy – South Beach Restroom grant

CCHD was awarded \$450,000 to construct a restroom along Anchor Way. The Board has until March 2028 to install the restroom under the grant agreement. A 5 year extension can be applied for if needed.

A contract was awarded by the Board to Public Restrooms for the purchase of a prefabricated restroom to be assembled on site. Public Restrooms has notified the Harbor that if a restroom was ordered now, it would not be delivered until September 2026.

In addition, the current chosen location for the restroom, and the design of the restroom, may not be conducive for the potential lessee’s of the RV parks. We have recommended the Board wait until the lease issue is resolved before determining if they want to order the restroom now.

NEW GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

California Jobs First Regional Investment Initiative (RII) Grant Application, (State of CA Go Biz)

Status: Application is in final round of review

The RII is a multi-round grant application process. In the current round, Go Biz required that grants include applicants from around the state and have a state-wide applicant. CSS assisted in developing partnerships with 12 ports to meet the grant requirements. The state-wide applicant is True North Organizing Network.

CSS wrote and submitted each of the three grant applications.

The following are the projects submitted for CCHD.

Harbor Modernization – Port Infrastructure projects

\$1,500,000 applied for Beneficial Dredging Reuse Pilot and new Travel Lift

Port to Plate Network – Business development opportunities

\$276,800 applied for Fish Filet Expansion Project for Cold Storage and Filet Packaging; and product marketing program for direct sales to schools, markets and restaurants.

California Regional Investment Initiative - Aquaculture Network

\$750,000 for Business plan and permitting for pilot Aquaculture Facility

CSS and True North presented the projects to GO Biz in Sacramento in April as the second to last step in the competitive process. There were 31 other applicants also presenting at the event.

Final awardees will be announced in July. We will keep the Board apprised of the status of application.

CA Coastal Conservancy – Citizens’ Dock Construction Grant

Status: Full Application Submitted.

Due to the increased construction design required by the recent state seismic code changes, costs of construction for the Citizen’s Dock project almost doubled.

We applied for \$5,000,000 in the preapplication to Coastal Conservancy as a follow-up to their previously awarded Planning Grant.

CCHD was invited to submit a full application for only \$1,000,000, based on SCC remaining unallocated funds in this budget year. That application has now been submitted.

Review of applications typically takes 30 days and 90 days to award.

CCHD will be able to apply for additional funds when the 2026-2027 fiscal year funds are made available in early 2027.

US DOT MARAD PIDP 2026 Grant

Status: Application Submitted

We applied for \$11,200,000 in grant funds for the demolition of the current Citizens Dock and construction of the new Pier 2. If funded, this project would start after the completion of Pier 1 and the seawall being funded with PIDP 2022 and PIDP 2024.

Announcement of awards will be made between September 2026 and May 2027.

I will be available in person at the June 24 Board meeting to review this report and answer any questions.

Thank you,

Mike Bahr

Attachments:

Grant Summary Chart

CCHD GRANTS AWARDED

Grant Name	Grant Funder	Funded Projects	Project Amount	Grant Amount Awarded to CCHD	Match Requirement	Status
CA Coastal Conservancy Grant Citizen's Dock Planning	CA Coastal Conservancy	1) Design, Environmental Impact Studies and Permitting for construction of a new Citizens' Dock.	\$1,070,000	\$927,000	\$143,000 (met)	Drawing down funds for projects - Permitting stage
CA Coastal Conservancy Grant South Beach Bathroom	CA Coastal Conservancy	Design, Permitting and Construction of Bathrooms and Showers on Anchor Way	\$567,000	\$450,000	\$117,000 (inkind)	Drawing down funds for projects - Project permitted
Port Infrastructure Development Grant (PIDP) 2022	USDOT - MARAD	Construction of a new seawall	\$9,208,207	\$7,366,566	\$1,570,489	Key position interviews underway
Port Infrastructure Development Grant (PIDP) 2024	USDOT - MARAD	Construction of Citizens Dock	\$10,000,000	\$8,000,000	\$2,000,000	Key position interviews underway
Harbor Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)	USDOT - MARAD	1) Identify Highest best use of developable properties; 2) Design, Engineering & Studies	\$1,500,000	\$1,350,000	\$150,000 (\$50,000+ met.)	Drawing down funds for project development items

GRANTS APPLIED FOR

Grant Name	Grant Funder	Requested Projects	Project Amount	Grant Amount Requested	Match Requirement	Status
California Regional Investment Initiative - Harbor Modernization	CA GO BIZ	Beneficial Dredging Reuse Pilot and new Travel lift	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	None	In Final Review - Award announcements in July 2026
California Regional Investment Initiative - Port to Plate Network	CA GO BIZ	Fish Filet Expansion Project: Cold Storage and Filet Packaging	\$276,800	\$276,800	None	In Final Review - Award announcements in July 2026
California Regional Investment Initiative - Aquaculture Network	CA GO BIZ	CCHD Aquaculture Facility	\$750,000	\$500,000	None	In Final Review - Award announcements in July 2026
Port Infrastructure Development Grant (PIDP) 2026	USDOT - MARAD	Construction of Citizens Dock Pier 2	\$14,000,000	\$11,200,000	\$2,800,000	Grant Application Submitted - 5/28/26
CA Coastal Conservancy Construction Grant	CA Coastal Conservancy	Construction of Citizens Dock Pier 1	\$19,000,000	\$1,000,000.00	\$200,000 (PIDP counts)	Grant Application Submitted - 6/18/26