

Funding Trails in CA:

It's a New Ball Game!



2014

California Trails and Greenways Conference

Recreational Trails Program



Purpose: To develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized recreational trail uses.



Recreational Trails Program

Funds come from the Federal Highway Trust Fund

Represent a portion of the motor fuel excise tax collected from non-highway recreational fuel use.

Fuel used for off-highway recreation by snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles, and off-highway light trucks.



RTP in CA



U.S. Dept. of Transportation

Federal Highway
Administration (FHWA)

State of California

California State Parks (CSP)

Caltrans

ATP

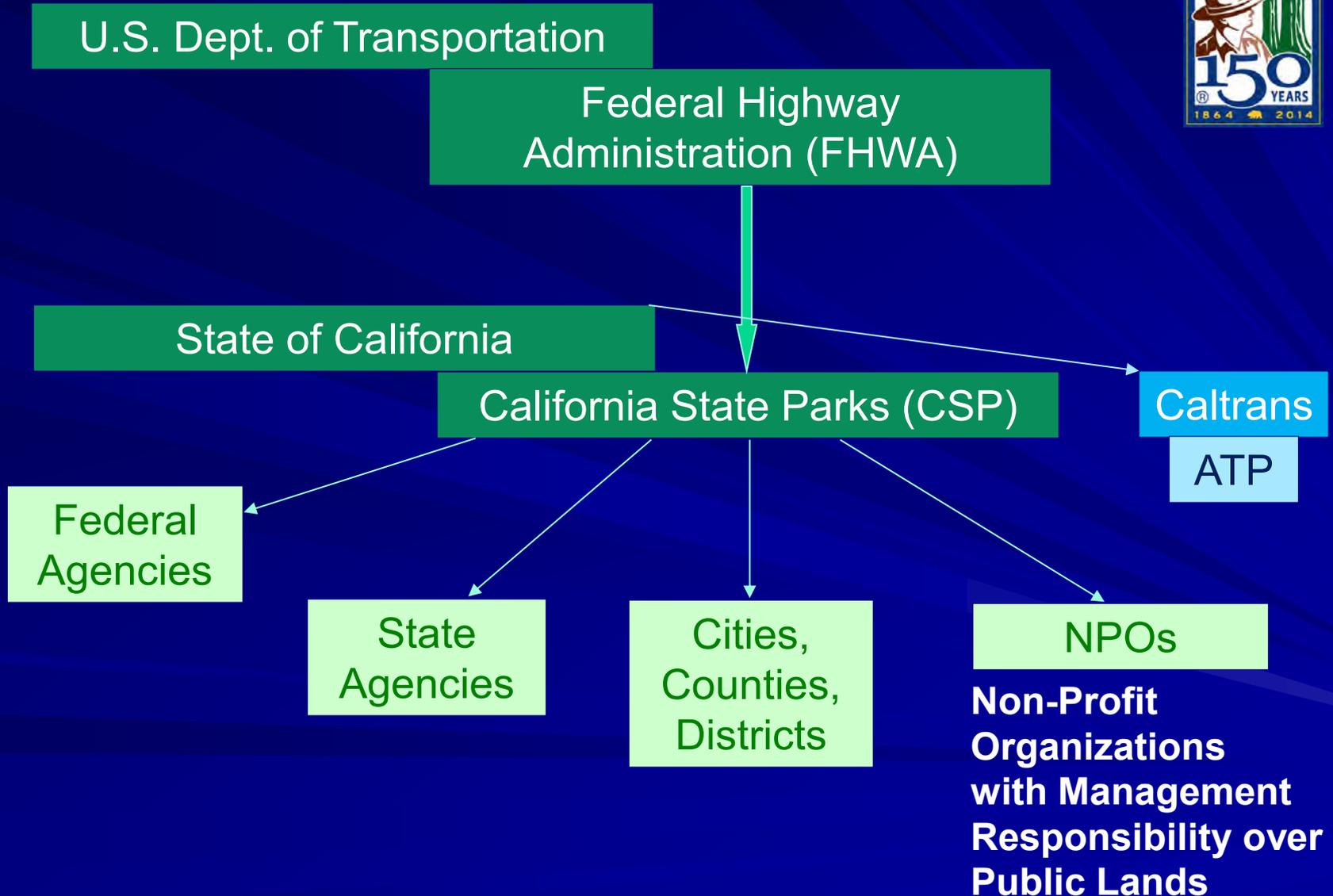
Federal
Agencies

State
Agencies

Cities,
Counties,
Districts

NPOs

**Non-Profit
Organizations
with Management
Responsibility over
Public Lands**



RTP - Eligible Projects

CSP NON-MOTORIZED PROJECTS

- Acquisition.
- Development and rehabilitation of trails and trailhead facilities.
- Construction of new trails.



RTP – Project Example

CSP NON-MOTORIZED PROJECT

- City of Fullerton –
Laguna Lake Park Regional
Trail Project - \$359,977



RTP - Eligible Projects



CSP MOTORIZED PROJECTS

- Acquisition
- Development and rehabilitation of trails and trailhead facilities.
- Maintenance of existing trails.
- Purchase and lease of trail construction and trail maintenance equipment.
- Safety programs



RTP – Project Example

CSP MOTORIZED PROJECT

- USFS Stanislaus National Forest
Round Valley Trailhead
\$724,655



RTP Milestones in CA



1992 – Governor Wilson authorizes CA State Parks

2007 – CA and NV host STAM in Lake Tahoe

2011 – CA wins “Outstanding State Trail Program” award

2012 – “MAP-21” authorization signed (with opt-out)

2013 – CA RTP application deadline

Governor releases SFY 13/14 Budget Proposal

SB 99 and AB 101 Split funds – State Parks and Caltrans
State Parks announces \$1.47 for non-motorized projects.

The RTP in CA now



State Parks working with Caltrans

- Per SB 99
- Richard Rendón – lead contact
- See Caltrans Division of Local Assistance website for Active Transportation Program (ATP) application information:
<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/atp/index.html>

State Parks non-motorized application due date not yet identified.



Other Grant Programs provide funds for trails

State Parks also administers:

- Habitat Conservation Fund (HCF)
- Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

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