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State Water Board to Fund Pacific Grove Water Quality Project

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A project to improve water quality at Lovers Point beach at Pacific Grove in Monterey County has received funding approval from the State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Financial Assistance.

Lovers Point is a priority beach for the Water Board's Clean Beaches Initiative Grant Program due to its periodic poor water quality, and it has been listed as a "Beach Bummer" in Heal the Bay's Beach Report Card.

A \$3,289,276 grant to the City of Pacific Grove will fund part of a \$4,775,796 project to make needed improvements to the storm drain and sanitary sewer pipelines near the coast that are believed to be a source of human bacteria contamination at Lovers Point. The remainder of the project money will come from the city of Pacific Grove.

"We anticipate this project will have a positive impact at Lovers Point," said John Russell, the division's acting deputy director.

The Clean Beaches Initiative program has funded over 100 projects along the coast. For more information on the CBI program, please visit the follow link at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/beaches/cbi_projects/index.shtml

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