

Attachment 1: Criteria for Use of the NPS Monitoring Fund (\$950,000)

Criteria Established by Consent Judgment	Regional Board Approved Additional Criteria
The Nonpoint Source Monitoring Fund is for comprehensive monitoring to evaluate implementation and effectiveness of activities funded by the NPS Project Fund and other NPS activities in Elkhorn Slough and Moss Landing Harbor and in watersheds tributary to the Slough and Harbor.	Projects must demonstrate ability to evaluate project effectiveness or provide larger scale watershed trend monitoring
	Projects must be consistent and coordinated with the Central Coast Ambient Monitoring Program and other monitoring activities
	Projects must provide data in a format approved by the Regional Board
	Projects must develop and submit a Quality Assurance Project Plan for Regional Board approval
	Projects must provide sound scientific information
	Project will be ranked higher if it provides information on effectiveness of management practices where such information is either unknown or has not been evaluated for local conditions
	Project will be ranked higher if it evaluates the effectiveness of watershed-scale management practice implementation
	Project will be ranked higher if it provides long-term information on established sites
	Up to 30% of funds may be used to evaluate management practices effectiveness; the remainder will be used for larger scale watershed trend monitoring