

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND – Project Data Sheet

Agency: National Park Service

Fiscal Year: 2026

Project / Unit: Yosemite National Park

Priority: 6

State(s): CA

Congressional District(s): Disposal property is in CA-5. Land acquired may be in a different district.

Location: Disposal property is in Tuolumne and Mariposa Counties. Land acquired may be in a different county.

Limitation Amount: There is no limitation.

Project Estimates:

National line item funding may also be used for due diligence and just compensation consideration as needed.

Land/Cost	Acres	Cost
Estimate for FY 2026	TBD	\$300,000
Acquired to Date	760,020	\$10,236,937
Remaining to be Acquired	225	\$3,031

Project Description:

Yosemite Valley and Mariposa Big Tree Grove were granted to the State of California on June 30, 1864, and established as a national park on October 1, 1890. Granite peaks and domes rise high above broad meadows in the heart of the Sierra Nevada; groves of giant sequoias dwarf other trees and tiny wildflowers; and mountains, lakes, and waterfalls, including the nation's highest, are found here. Yosemite National Park is best known for its waterfalls, but within its nearly 1,200 square miles, you can find deep valleys, grand meadows, ancient giant sequoias, a vast wilderness area, and much more.

Purpose / Need:

The Hazel Green Ranch is located outside Yosemite National Park and within the boundary of Stanislaus National Forest. In order to proceed with a planned commercial development, the landowner has requested an interest in land over federally owned property within the park boundary in order to connect their property with an NPS road called Big Oak Flat Road. The road, which is federally owned, provides access to the park and is a major route to Yosemite Valley. NPS does not have legal authority to grant an interest in land and therefore, has been working with the landowner on a land exchange that will meet the requirements of 54 U.S.C. Sec. 102901(b) and will enable NPS to convey an interest in land. This will require the landowner to purchase property inside the park or within other NPS units in California (not yet identified), which provide a demonstrable benefit to the United States.

Cooperator(s):

N/A

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

California

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This project is an exchange. The parcel to be disposed of is planned to be in the general area depicted on the map, but the exact location is yet to be determined. The land to be acquired is also yet to be determined but will be in California.



CALIFORNIA STATE MAP



NPS Federal Land Acquisition - Exchange
Estimated Acreage: TBD
Project Cost: \$300,000

0 1,750 3,500 7,000
Feet

- Proposed Acquisition FY2026
- Park Boundary
- National Park Service Federal Lands
- Private Lands

NPS Land Resource Division Tract and Boundary Data December 2025

This map is pre-decisional and for planning purposes only