

STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM: 2010/11 Grants Cycle
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Background: The State of California budget, recently signed by the Governor, provides funding for the 2010/11 Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program (Grants Program) grant cycle in the amount of \$26 million, with an additional \$1.1 million for restoration projects. The amount allocated for the four categories within the Grants Program are as follows:

Operations and Maintenance (50%): \$13 million
Restoration (25%): \$6.5 million (plus an additional \$1.1 million)
Law Enforcement (20%): \$5.2 million
Education and Safety (5%): \$1.3 million

As required by the regulations governing the Grants Program, the 2010/11 grants cycle will begin with the opening of the application process on January 10, 2010.

OHMVR Division staff will conduct workshops in Sacramento, California on January 10 and 11, 2011, and in Ontario, California on January 12 and 13, 2010.

Preliminary applications will be due on March 7, 2011. During the month of March, preliminary applications will be reviewed by OHMVR Division staff and comments will be provided to the applicants. Additionally, during the month of March, the public will have the opportunity to comment on the preliminary applications and provide feedback to both the OHMVR Division and the applicants.

Final applications will be due on May 2, 2011. All applications will be reviewed and scored during the month of May.

OHMVR Division will post the "Intent to Award" document on the OHMVR Division website on June 6, 2011. At the end of the

required 30-day appeal period, if there are no appeals, the grant awards will become final on July 7, 2010.

Report: An update on the 2010/11 grant cycle will be provided by the Grants Manager.

Status: OHMVR Division staff are preparing for the upcoming grant cycle.

Commission action: For information only.