

STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM: Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program Regulations

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Issue: Update on the Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program (Grants Program) Regulations Revision Process.

Background: Following the most recent grant cycle, the OHMVR Division proposed changes to the regulations that govern the Grants Program. These proposed regulatory changes follow the Administrative Procedures Act (APA) and are subject to review by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL).

Discussion: The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the California Regulatory Notice Register on August 5, 2011, thereby starting the regulatory process. Interested parties were invited to submit written comments to the OHMVR Division through September 20, 2011. Additionally, the public had an opportunity to present oral testimony at a hearing conducted at OHMVR Headquarters on September 20, 2011.

The public comment period generated six comments on the proposed regulations. Comments were received from the general public and current program grantees.

After receiving public comment on the proposed regulations and incorporating several suggested modifications, the OHMVR Division is providing the revisions for additional public review. In accordance with the APA, these new revisions are available for public review for an additional 15 days from October 4 through October 19, 2011.

The OHMVR Division anticipates the revisions to the Grants Program regulations will be in effect by the start of the next grants cycle in January 2012.

**Commission
Action:**

For information only.