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STAFF REPORT: Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program

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SUBJECT: **Grants Program Update**

Summary

Update on the status of the Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program (Grants Program).

Discussion

G23 Grant Cycle

Submission of final applications for the G23 grant cycle was at 5:00pm, June 5, 2023. OHMVR Division staff will be reviewing and verifying final applications through the months of June and July. As required by our regulations, the Intent to Award will be posted on the OHMVR Division website on August 7, 2023. Once the Intent to Award is posted, a 30-calendar day appeal period will commence. If no appeals are submitted, Final Awards will be posted on the OHMVR Division website on September 7, 2023.

Regulations

The OHMVR Division is currently working on a regulatory package that will be in place for the G24 grant cycle. We completed the 45-day public comment period with a public hearing on July 10, 2023. A complete package will be finalized and submitted to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for review and final approval. The proposed changes are minimal in nature and include changes such as:

- Clarified documentation requirements for project closeout and reimbursements.
- Provided flexibility to grantees in order to seek reimbursement for gas/mileage for equipment being utilized for a project.
- Updated terminology used in these regulations when referring to Native American Tribes within California. The proposed language uses the current nomenclature, California Native American Tribes, as used in California Public Resources Code 21080.3.1.

 Provided clarity on how Habitat Management Plans and Soils Plans will be addressed on projects that occur on land managed by someone other than the grantee.

Commission Action

For information only.

Attachments

Final Awards Summary