

Department of Land Conservation and Development Connolly

Request: Authorization to apply for a \$300,000 grant from the National Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) which will be used to assist five high-risk coastal local governments in the development and implementation of land use resilience measure and strategies focused on tsunami hazards. It will also fund the creation of new mapping products for the communities by the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries.

Recommendation: Approve the request.

Discussion: The Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) is requesting authorization to apply for a \$300,000 grant from NOAA's Coastal Resilience Program. The grant was posted on January 18, 2017, and the application is due on March 15, 2017. The funding is anticipated to start in October 2017 and continue for 18 months. If the agency receives the grant it may return to the Legislature at a later date to request additional Federal Funds limitation.

The goal of the proposed project is to increase the resilience of five of Oregon's coastal communities to a Cascadia Subduction Zone tsunami. DLCD will assist five local governments in the coastal communities: Port Orford, Newport, Lincoln City, Rockaway Beach and Gearhart, in the development and implementation of land use resilience measures and strategies focused on tsunami hazard. DLCD staff will use a suite of comprehensive tsunami maps and socioeconomic exposure data products that will be produced by the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) and DLCD's Tsunami Land Use Guidance.

The five communities will each receive funding of \$15,000, for a total of \$85,000 to use for staff, supplies and travel that will work on the development and drafting and adoption of the comprehensive plan and code. DLCD will be the lead project manager and will provide assistance to the communities in the development, drafting and adoption of a comprehensive plan and development of code provisions utilizing the DLCD Tsunami Land Use Guidance. DLCD will use approximately \$88,000 of the grant for its staff and resources.

Approximately \$137,000 of the grant will fund an interagency agreement between DLCD and DOGAMI, which will require DOGAMI to produce "Beat the Wave" evacuation route and speed maps, estimated tsunami damage, and socioeconomic exposure analyses of each community in the project.

This grant will complement the Coastal Resilience policy package in the 2017-19 Governor's Budget by allowing the agency to fund priority projects faster.

The grant requires matching funds at a 2:1 ratio. Match will be provided by in-kind work by the local governments who receive grant funding and by existing General Fund expenditures within the agency. No new General Fund or position authority is requested. When the grant funding ends the agency will discontinue this project.