

ANALYSIS

Consent Agenda – Various Agencies Requests for Approval to Apply for Federal Grants

The following state agencies seek approval or retroactive approval to submit grant applications to various federal agencies. Retroactive approval is necessary for grant applications with deadlines that fell before the submittal dates for the September 2022 meeting of the Emergency Board and for which prior legislative approval has not been obtained. All agencies submitted advance notification to legislative leadership of their intent to apply for the grants, as required by the Department of Administrative Services and the Legislative Fiscal Office.

Item 2: Oregon Judicial Department – Juvenile Delinquency Court Improvement

Analyst: John Borden

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in the amount of \$800,000 over a period of three federal fiscal years for system improvements to juvenile justice prevention and intervention programs.

Analysis: The Oregon Judicial Department (OJD) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Discretionary Grant. The grant, if awarded, will be used by OJD's Office of the State Court Administrator, under the Juvenile Delinquency Court Improvement Program, to "...support states' efforts to develop statewide juvenile justice policies to reduce reoffending, improve outcomes for youth, and end racial and ethnic disparities and to ensure that juvenile justice systems are aligned with developmentally appropriate, trauma-informed, evidence-based practices. with an emphasis on advancing racial equity and supporting underserved communities." This would be accomplished through enhanced support of "Model Court Teams," whose aim is to identify system improvements based on best practices and to facilitate the associated change management in circuit courts. The grant would also provide local Model Court Teams with juvenile delinquency data dashboards to assist in identifying priorities and monitoring outcomes in circuit courts.

The grant was announced on May 26, 2022 and the application deadline was July 25, 2022. OJD provided timely notice to the Legislature on July 6, 2022. If awarded, the grant will begin October 1, 2022 (2021-23 biennium) and end on September 30, 2025 (2025-27 biennium). The grant provides funding of up to \$252,000 for each of three federal fiscal years.

The grant has no state match requirement. There is no expectation of continued federal or state funding of the grant beyond the grant period; however, this grant opportunity is expected to continue beyond the three-year grant period. OJD anticipates hiring two limited duration positions, if the grant is awarded.

Item 9: Oregon Department of Education – Local Food for Schools Cooperative Program

Analyst: Julie Neburka

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Agricultural Marketing Service, Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement Program for up to \$2,062,715 over a period of one year, to purchase domestic local food for distribution to schools.

Analysis: On August 18, 2022, the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) applied to the USDA’s Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement Program after timely ten-day notification to the Legislature. The 2022 Local Food for Schools Cooperative grant program makes \$200 million available to states for purchases of domestic local foods for distribution to schools. Funds are distributed through non-competitive cooperative agreements between state agencies and the USDA. State allocations are based on enrollment and earnings data from schools participating in the National School Lunch Program, and states must ensure equitable distribution to individual school districts. The program is intended to strengthen the food system for schools by helping to build a fair, competitive, and resilient local food chain, and expand local and regional markets with an emphasis on purchasing from historically underserved producers and processors.

The Department will award the funds to school districts in the same non-competitive manner the federal government awarded funds to states, through a formula derived from enrollment and earnings of schools participating in the National School Lunch Program. Additionally, the Department will provide guidance to recipients to ensure that awarded funds are spent on food from local providers, and will ensure reporting requirements are met. Required quarterly reports must include budget information, deviations from the proposed plan, difficulties encountered, solutions developed to overcome difficulties, and major planned activities for the next quarter. The reports will provide quantitative data to the USDA to validate the effectiveness of the program and to assist in consideration of future programs.

If awarded, this grant will be managed through the Department’s Child Nutrition Program, using accrued savings in the Operations budget to administer the grant program. Awards are expected to be announced after August 31, 2022. There is no match requirement. Funds received from the USDA are spent by the Department as non-limited Federal Funds, so additional Federal Funds expenditure limitation is not required.

Item 12: Higher Education Coordinating Commission – Quality Jobs, Equity, Strategy, and Training

Analyst: Kim To

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the Department of Labor (DOL), Quality Jobs, Equity, Strategy, and Training (QUEST), Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Workers (DWG) grant program in the amount of \$5,500,000 to distribute to workforce community partners to provide high quality jobs and employment training and services to connect unemployed and underemployed workers to secure jobs.

Analysis: The goal of the QUEST DWG is to enable individuals who have been adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and the social and economic inequities that the pandemic exacerbated, to enter, return to, or advance in high-quality jobs in growth industries including infrastructure, environment and climate, the care economy, and other critical sectors as defined by the applicant with high-quality jobs.

The opportunity was announced July 5, 2022. The Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) notified the Legislature of its intent to apply for this funding on July 25, 2022. The Commission submitted the grant application on August 9, 2022. Funding availability is estimated to be September 30, 2022.

If the grant is successful, HECC will retain \$275,000 for grant management expenses and will distribute the majority of the funding to Clackamas Workforce Partnership (\$770,000), Willamette Workforce Partnership (\$1,900,000), and Worksystems, Inc. (\$2,555,000) to support culturally and linguistically appropriate partnership development, community outreach, and business engagement efforts in underserved communities in order to provide comprehensive jobs and career training and services to connect unemployed and underemployed workers to secure jobs that include family-sustaining wages and benefits and offer clear paths for advancement in critical and in-demand industries, including infrastructure, environmental resilience, and care sectors, as well as industries that are recovering from the pandemic such as the leisure and hospitality industry.

Item 14: Oregon Health Authority – Community Health Worker Training Program

Analyst: Steve Robbins

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of up to \$3,000,000 over a period of 3 years to support projects that increase the number of community health workers (CHWs) and Health Support Workers (HSWs) and enhance their skills in providing effective community outreach, initiating and maintaining support to connections with care and support services, and recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic and other public health emergencies in underserved communities.

Analysis: The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - Community Health Worker and Health Support Worker Training Program through the Health Resources and Services Administration.

As members of integrated teams in primary care, public health departments, hospitals, or community health centers, CHWs act as outreach workers or patient navigators who can facilitate individuals' connection to care, mitigate food insecurity, coordinate transportation and housing needs, and provide informal counseling and emotional support to underserved communities. HSWs are trained lay persons that work in tandem with licensed health care professionals to provide a mixture of basic health care patient services in medical and behavioral health settings. Funds will be used to establish and expand CHW/HSW recruiting and training efforts and enhance existing training through hands-on community response curricula that addresses emergency response, prevention, treatment and vaccine hesitancy. It will also address gaps in health equity by providing support to those communities disproportionately burdened by COVID-19, have limited access to technology, and experience social determinants of health.

The grant was announced on April 14, 2022 and the application deadline was June 14, 2022. OHA provided timely notice to the Legislature on June 1, 2022. If awarded, the grant will begin September 15, 2022 (2021-23 biennium) and will end on September 14, 2025 (2025-27 biennium) and provides funding of up to \$1 million per year for each of three federal fiscal years. OHA intends to request two full-time positions to support the work of the grant and no state match is required.

Item 15: Oregon Health Authority – Small and Underserved Drinking Water Systems

Analyst: Steve Robbins

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in the amount of \$534,000 over a period of one year to provide support for improvements to drinking water systems for small, underserved, and disadvantaged communities.

Analysis: The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Small, Underserved, Disadvantaged Communities (SUDC) drinking water program made available through the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act.

The WIIN-SUDC grant program was launched by the EPA in 2020 and allocates grant funds to states and tribes according to a national formula. In 2021, Oregon provided its allocation entirely to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. For 2022, OHA Drinking Water Services has identified priority projects that meet the WIIN eligibility requirements, to include drilling a new well to replace a surface water source and failed treatment system, surface water treatment improvements necessary for compliance at two small water systems, and technical assistance with treatment for arsenic at a small municipal system.

The grant was announced on January 11, 2022 and the application deadline was June 30, 2022. OHA provided timely notice to the Legislature on June 17, 2022. Grant awards will be made in October 2022. If awarded, OHA will not be requesting positions and no state match is required.

Item 17: Oregon Health Authority – Public Health Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data Systems

Analyst: Steve Robbins

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in the amount of \$30,685,251 over a period of five years to support core infrastructure improvements in the areas of public health workforce, foundational capabilities, and data modernization.

Analysis: The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application for the Strengthening U.S. Public Health Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data Systems to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The purpose of the funding is to provide support for core public health infrastructure improvements that include workforce support, foundational capability enhancement and data infrastructure. Funds will

support workforce development and retention in local public health authorities (LPHA), federally recognized Tribes, and community-based organizations (CBO) by enhancing health equity interventions that increase the size and capabilities of a diverse public health workforce, improve organizational systems and processes, and modernize data infrastructure while increasing data interoperability. The OHA Public Health Division (PHD) will also utilize funding to support the newly created Equity Unit and utilize positions to implement and oversee data modernization efforts, performance management and evaluation systems through continuous quality improvement, and a data management plan to address data sharing, privacy protection and archiving.

The grant was announced on June 15, 2022 and the application deadline was August 15, 2022. OHA provided timely notice to the Legislature on August 2, 2022. Grant awards are estimated to be distributed November 1, 2022 (2021-23 biennium), and the agency anticipates receiving the full \$30,685,251 in the first year of the five-year project period. This grant does not require matching funds or maintenance of effort and OHA anticipates requesting eight new positions and the use of one and a half existing positions to support the project, if awarded.

Item 22: Oregon Department of Human Services – Second Chance Act

Analyst: Gregory Jolivette

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in the amount of \$750,000 over a period of three years to support and develop programs that foster positive family engagements between incarcerated parents and their minor children.

Analysis: The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for Second Chance Act (2022) funds targeting the needs of incarcerated parents and their minor children. If the grant is awarded, ODHS intends to pass-through the funds to its community partner, Self Enhancement, Inc. (SEI), which will implement the grant as a subrecipient. SEI is a nonprofit multiservice organization with its primary location in Portland, Oregon.

The grant was announced on April 1, 2022 and the application deadline was May 31, 2022. ODHS provided timely notice to the Legislature on May 19, 2022. The grant provides funding up to \$250,000 per year. There is no state match.

Item 23: Oregon Department of Human Services – Kinship Navigator

Analyst: Gregory Jolivette

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Children’s Bureau in the amount of \$200,000 to support Oregon’s Kinship Navigator program.

Analysis: The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Children’s Bureau in the

amount of \$200,000 to support Oregon’s Kinship Navigator program. Oregon has applied for the grant each year since 2018 and has used the funding to develop the Oregon Kinship Navigator program which is accessible to any Oregon relative parenting another relative’s child. Grandparents raising grandchildren are most often the individuals seeking out assistance.

The grant was announced on April 13, 2022 and the application deadline was May 20, 2022. ODHS provided timely notice to the Legislature on May 6, 2022. There is no state match.

Item 24: Oregon Department of Human Services – Repatriation Plan

Analyst: Gregory Jolivette

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families in the amount of \$600,000 to plan for large-scale repatriation operations for U.S. citizens.

Analysis: The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families in the amount of \$600,000 over three years. If awarded, the grant will be used to update the 2009 Oregon Repatriation Plan, which is a component of the state’s Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan administered by the Oregon Department of Emergency Management in partnership with ODHS and other agencies.

ODHS has indicated it will need a limited-duration position to implement the grant and will request limitation and position authority if the award is approved. The application deadline was September 2, 2022. ODHS provided timely notice to the Legislature on August 19, 2022. There is no state match.

Item 28: Oregon Department of Human Services – Adult Protective Services

Analyst: Gregory Jolivette

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living in the amount of \$2,107,701 to enhance and improve the Adult Protective Services program.

Analysis: The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living in the amount of \$2,107,701 to enhance and improve the Adult Protective Services program. If awarded, ODHS will conduct a review of Oregon statutes in collaboration with community partners to identify gaps in statutory protection, areas of invalid, outdated assumptions or barriers to an equitable system.

ODHS has indicated it will develop a 3–5-year plan to implement related recommendations and other activities to improve the adult protective services program. The application was submitted on June 24, 2022. ODHS provided timely notice to the Legislature on June 14, 2022. No state match is required for this grant.

Item 35: Criminal Justice Commission – Justice Counts Implementation

Analyst: John Terpening

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance in an amount up to \$400,000 over a period of three years to work toward adoption of metrics to implement the Justice Counts program.

Analysis: The Justice Counts program has developed metrics designed to collect, analyze, and share criminal justice system data across various agencies and local governments in order to inform state budgetary and policy decisions with the goals of reduction of crime and recidivism and a fairer criminal justice system. The metric data would be compiled on a state-specific dashboard which would then feed into a national dashboard.

The grant opportunity closed June 27th and the Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) provided the required 10-day notice to the Legislature on June 17th. This is a competitive grant but has no state match requirement. CJC would utilize the funding available for a limited duration Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position to implement the Justice Counts program. If awarded, CJC will return to the Legislature for additional Federal Funds expenditure limitation and position authority.

Item 36: Oregon Youth Authority – Juvenile Justice

Analyst: John Terpening

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Programs in the amount of up to \$800,000 over a period of three years to expand and improve research and evaluation of services provided by the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA).

Analysis: The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Programs grant is designed to assist states with improving the services provided in the juvenile justice system by establishing program evaluation strategies. OYA would implement this grant by first completing an assessment of the present organization, assess what programs are able to be evaluated, and develop comprehensive evaluations of the selected programs. Then OYA would conduct a reinvestment analysis and develop a strategy and action plans for reinvestment and continued sustainability.

The grant opportunity closed July 25th and OYA provided the required 10-day notice to the Legislature on July 15th. This is a competitive grant but has no state match requirement. Grants are anticipated to be awarded October 1. If awarded, OYA will return to the Legislature for additional Federal Funds expenditure limitation.

Item 37: Department of Public Safety Standards and Training – State Fire Training Systems

Analyst: John Terpening

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in the amount of up to \$20,000 for the 2022 State Fire Training Systems grant program.

Analysis: The State Fire Training Systems grant program is designed to provide professional development for the fire and emergency response personnel community. The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training has successfully applied for this annual grant since 2011 and will utilize the funds to deliver a variety of National Fire Academy endorsed classes to career and volunteer firefighters throughout the state as part of their continuing education. The grant has no state match requirement, and the grant opportunity closed on August 8th.

Item 40: Department of State Police – Human Remains Identification

Analyst: John Terpening

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance in the amount of up to \$249,000 over a period of three years to assist with human remains identification.

Analysis: The Missing and Unidentified Human Remains program provides funds to inventory, report, identify, and potentially repatriate unidentified human remains. If awarded, Oregon State Police would utilize these funds to address a backlog of unidentified remains cases from 2019 to 2022 currently housed at the State Medical Examiners facility.

The grant opportunity closed on August 29th and OSP submitted the required 10-day notice to the Legislature on August 12th. This is a competitive grant but has no state match requirement. Grants are anticipated to be awarded October 1.

Item 45: Oregon Business Development Department – State Trade Expansion Program

Analyst: Matt Stayner

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the Small Business Administration in the amount of \$750,000 to provide financial assistance to Oregon small business seeking to begin or grow international sales.

Analysis: The State Trade Expansion Program (STEP) is an ongoing, federally supported program at the Oregon Business Development Department that provides financial support for Oregon small businesses seeking to begin or expand international sales activities. Up to 75% of the cost of export training and development services including trade shows, international e-commerce web sites, international trade missions, and other associated services are eligible for funding under the program. OBDD provided a notification to the Legislature of its intent to apply for the grant funding on May 16, 2022 and submitted the grant application on May 31, 2022. The required state match of 25% will be met using existing budgetary resources. No additional positions or FTE are required to administer the additional funding.

Item 48: Oregon Employment Department – Reentry Employment

Analyst: Michelle Deister

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Administration in the amount of \$900,000 over a period of three years to provide reemployment and career services to adults in custody.

Analysis: On May 31, the Employment Department requested approval to apply for the grant in support of the WorkSource Oregon Reentry Program is a pilot program with the Oregon Department of Corrections and the East Cascade Works local workforce board to provide pre-and-post release services to adults in custody at the Deer Ridge Correctional Institution and Warner Creek Correctional Facility. The pilot program serves the dual purpose of helping those with barriers to employment and improving the success and safety of transitions from incarceration to community. The application deadline was June 13, 2022. No matching funds, limitation, or position authority is required.

Item 60: Department of Geology and Mineral Industries – Data Preservation Program

Analyst: April McDonald

Request: Approve the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program (NGGDPP) of up to \$50,000 to scan, archive, and make publicly available historic assay reports, mine maps, and historic agency photographs and Oregon Bureau of Mines and Geology files.

Analysis: On June 13, 2022, the NGGDPP issued its FY 2023 grant announcement for assistance to support preservation, cataloging of and access to geological and geophysical data and materials for research and education use. Grant proposals must specifically address the three program priorities: 1) preserve geoscience data materials, 2) digital and physical infrastructure development, and 3) critical minerals data preservation. This funding opportunity is only available to state geological surveys and the application is due no later than October 13, 2022. If approved, the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) plans to apply for funding in early October and, if awarded, begin its data preservation project in June 2023. This is a funding opportunity that DOGAMI has been awarded in previous years.

The grant opportunity requires a 1:1 state match, which will be met through DOGAMI staff time throughout the duration of the project, and an in-kind match provided as unpaid services by a non-federal third party. No additional funds or staff are required. Award notifications are anticipated starting April 1, 2023.

Item 73: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife – Whale Entanglement Research

Analyst: April McDonald

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a noncompetitive federal grant application to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in the amount of up to \$100,000 to fund research aimed at preventing whale entanglements.

Analysis: In recent years, the West Coast Dungeness crab fishery has experienced an increased number of whale entanglements in crab gear, leading to many months of fishery closures. This has caught the attention of Congress. Through Community Project Funding, also known as Congressionally Directed Spending, members of Congress request funding for specific projects in their communities. On June 23, 2022, NOAA notified the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) of this noncompetitive grant opportunity aimed at preventing and mitigating whale entanglements occurring in Dungeness crab gear. The funding has been allocated to NOAA, who has set up a specific grant opportunity for which ODFW may apply and receive the Congressional earmark. The federal funds will be passed through to Oregon State University researchers, who are currently working with ODFW to build predictive models for entanglement risk. These models can be used to protect whales and avoid large scale closures of the crab industry. The funding will support scientific analysis to better understand all entanglements, including those that are not observed firsthand, but are accounted for by historical scarring patterns. The proposed study will advance scar analysis and will directly inform the agency's management considerations.

ODFW submitted notification to the Legislature of its intent to apply for the funding on July 8, 2022 and submitted its application on July 20, 2022. ODFW anticipates award notification in September 2022 and has until December 31, 2023 to fully expended grant funds. There is no state match requirement and no additional staffing is needed.

Item 77: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife – Aquatic Habitat Conservation Plan

Analyst: April McDonald

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) in the amount of \$1,000,000 for a Habitat Conservation Planning Assistance grant to develop the statewide Private Forest Accord Aquatic Habitat Conservation Plan.

Analysis: Conflict between the timber industry and conservation groups over timber and aquatic and wildlife resources came to a head in early 2020. Eventually, both industry and conservation members signed a Memorandum of Understanding, and over the following a year revised the Oregon Forest Practices Act (FPA), which was formalized in the Private Forest Accord (PFA) and was passed by the Oregon Legislature in the 2022 session. The legislation directed the Board of Forestry to develop new rules for implementing the terms of the PFA Agreement and develop a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). The purpose of the PFA Aquatic HCP is to provide regulatory streamlining opportunities for private forest landowners throughout Oregon while promoting conservation of aquatic species.

The USFWS offers Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Planning Assistance Grants, made available through the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund. The planning assistance grants require that state fish and wildlife agencies serve as the applicant. Therefore, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) seeks retroactive approval to apply on behalf of the state and if this request is approved and the grant is awarded, funding will be passed through to Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) for PFA Aquatic HCP development.

ODFW submitted notification to the Legislature of its intent to apply for the funding on July 7, 2022 and submitted its application on July 13, 2022, the closing date. A state match of 25% of the total program costs is required. This non-federal match will come from ODF in the form of a staff in-kind match and \$200,000 cash match.

Item 78: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife – Wildlife Disease Detection and Response

Analyst: April McDonald

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of two federal grant applications to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) totaling \$1,378,373 to enhance detection and response to wildlife disease outbreaks.

Analysis: The USFWS is offering a new federal assistance program funded by the American Rescue Plan Act designed to increase readiness against future pandemics and encourage coordinated efforts across jurisdictions. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) seeks retroactive approval to apply for the following grants:

- Oregon Wildlife Health and Disease Initiative - \$631,617: This project seeks to enhance early detection, rapid response and science-based management to address wildlife disease outbreaks before they become pandemics. The project will accomplish this goal by increasing capacity in the Wildlife Health Program to support monitoring and early detection of diseases that have capacity to jump the species barrier and pose a risk in the state. If awarded, ODFW plans to use funding to support a Wildlife Health Specialist and a part-time temporary appointment for data entry. No additional position authority is needed; ODFW intends to repurpose a vacant, federal fund budgeted position.
- West Coast Marine Mammal Health Coalition - \$746,756: This project is a collaboration among ODFW, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and Idaho Fish and Game. The Coalition's intent is to establish and strengthen a marine mammal health monitoring and research network; establish and extend surveillance for key marine mammal health threats; establish sample protocols; and build a database. No additional position authority is needed.

ODFW submitted notification to the Legislature of its intent to apply for funding on June 15, 2022 and submitted applications on June 27, 2022. The Department anticipates award notification by the end of summer 2022 and has until September 30, 2025 to fully expend grant funds. There is no state match requirement and no additional staffing is needed.

Item 85: Oregon Department of Transportation – Mosier Scenic Byway

Analyst: Michelle Deister

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the Federal Highway Administration in the amount of \$3,800,000 million over a period of five years to construct streetscape

improvements in the City of Mosier, which sits in the Historic Columbia River highway Scenic Byway, U.S. 30.

Analysis: On June 6, the Oregon Department of Transportation provided notification of its intent to apply for the grant, which was due June 20, 2022. If awarded, funds will be used to provide multimodal safety improvements, including sidewalks and bicycle lanes along both sides of U.S. 30, supporting tourism in the area. The sources of match for the grant would include \$1,000,000 from state Sidewalk Improvement Program funds that would be programmed into the 2024-27 State Transportation Improvement Plan for this project, and \$50,000 from the City of Mosier.

Item 86: Oregon Department of Transportation – Paisley Scenic Byway

Analyst: Michelle Deister

Request: Approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the Federal Highway Administration in the amount of \$2,100,000 over a period of five years to improve pedestrian, visitor, and resident safety in the City of Paisley.

Analysis: On June 6, the Oregon Department of Transportation provided notification of its intent to apply for the grant, which was due June 20, 2022. If awarded, funds will be used to improve streetscape and gateway elements, and support speed transitions into the City of Paisley along OR 31. The sources of match for the grant would include \$1,000,000 from state Sidewalk Improvement Program funds that would be programmed into the 2024-27 State Transportation Improvement Plan for this project, and \$50,000 from the City of Paisley and Lake County.

Recommendation: The Legislative Fiscal Office recommends that the Emergency Board approve the requests to apply for federal grants, en bloc, with the understanding that if the funds are awarded, then the agencies will return to the Legislative Assembly for approval of any necessary Federal Funds or Federal Funds as Other Funds expenditure limitation and position authority.



OREGON JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT
Office of the State Court Administrator

August 24, 2022

The Honorable Peter Courtney, Co-Chair
The Honorable Dan Rayfield, Co-Chair
Joint Emergency Board
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Re: Retroactive Approval – Federal Grant Application OJJDP FY 2022 Juvenile Justice System Reform and Reinvestment Initiative

Dear Co-Chairpersons:

Nature of Request

The Oregon Judicial Department (OJD) requests retroactive approval to apply for a \$800,000 grant from the Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). The grant was announced on May 26, 2022, and the deadline to submit the grant application was July 25, 2022, which did not allow adequate opportunity to make this request at a meeting of the Emergency Board before the deadline. OJD submitted a notice of our intent to apply to legislative leadership on July 6, 2022.

Background

OJD's Office of the State Court Administrator desires to apply for an Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) grant from the Department of Justice to improve the fairness, effectiveness, and efficiency of the state courts' juvenile justice system. The priority of the grant application is advancing racial equity and support for underserved communities in conjunction with OJD's strategic campaign.

This grant will assist Oregon's Juvenile Dependency Court Improvement Program (JDIP) with its interagency and interdisciplinary work to create trainings, best practices, communication models, and policies that will continue to serve Oregon's youth, victims of delinquent conduct, and their families. These grant funds would pay for additional staff members to support the JDIP program, perform relevant site visits, and cover other program costs.

Using this grant, JDIP will be able to develop Model Court Teams (MCTs) that are an effective tool utilized in the Oregon dependency system. Typical MCTs are made up of lead dependency stakeholders in each county who meet monthly to review data, problem solve, work on various improvement projects, and evaluate progress.

The grant, if awarded, is for a period of 36 months, beginning this biennium in October of 2022, continuing through the 2023-25 biennium, and ending in September 2025 (early 2025-27 biennium). The funding level request for the first year (FY 2022-2023) is for up to \$252,000. Similar funding level requests for subsequent years of the grant would follow (through September 30, 2025). There is no state funding match requirement associated with the grant.

Under the grant, OJD would hire two limited duration Analyst 3 positions to assist with the following:

- A half-time Data Analyst 3 (0.19 FTE for the 2021-23 biennium), to be recruited in the first quarter of the grant, will create a juvenile delinquency data dashboard to be reviewed regularly by the JDIP Advisory Committee to determine statewide priorities and will be made accessible to local model court teams to review their own data.
- A full-time JDIP Analyst 3 (0.38 FTE for the 2021-23 biennium), to be recruited in the first quarter, will create and support Model Court Teams in all 27 judicial districts, and will develop materials and trainings on best practices, system improvement, and change management for the teams.

This grant has been a continuing opportunity from OJJDP for many years and is expected to be available for renewal at the end of the current grant period. OJD will assess the results throughout the grant and determine the value of continuing this work through a grant renewal.

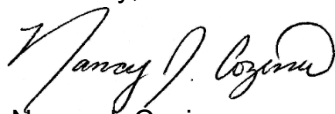
Action Requested

The Oregon Judicial Department requests that the Joint Emergency Board grant retroactive approval for OJD to apply to this federal grant. If awarded the grant OJD will return at a future meeting of the legislature to request an increase in federal funds limitation of approximately \$252,000 along with the requisite positional authority.

Legislation Affected

None.

Sincerely,



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State Court Administrator

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August 19, 2022

The Honorable Senator Peter Courtney, Co-Chair
The Honorable Representative Dan Rayfield, Co-Chair
Interim Joint Committee on Ways and Means
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Dear Co-Chairpersons:

Nature of Request

On July 6, ODE sent a 10-day notice of ODE's intent to apply for federal funds of up to \$2,062,715 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) for the Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement Program (LFS). State agencies that apply for the LFS Program may not request direct or indirect costs associated with developing or administering the program. The applications were initially due by July 20, 2022, but the date was extended to August 31, 2022. The application review period is up to 120 days after the application deadline.

If awarded, the LFS Program will be managed through ODE's Child Nutrition Program unit. The Department will utilize accrued savings in the Department Operations budget to administer and manage the LFS Program. Therefore, ODE is not requesting position authority for this grant.

This request is for retroactive approval of the application to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) for the Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement Program (LFS) in the amount of \$2,000,000 Federal Funds.

Background

On March 17, 2022 USDA posted that its Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement Program would be accepting applications to help states deal with the challenges of supply chain disruptions brought on by the pandemic. Through the LFS program, USDA will award up to \$200 million to states for food assistance purchases of domestic local foods for distribution to schools. This program will strengthen the food system for schools by helping to build a fair, competitive, and resilient local food chain, and expand local and regional markets with an emphasis on purchasing from historically underserved producers and processors.

Through the LFS Program, AMS will establish cooperative agreements with state governments for the purpose of supporting local, regional, small, and socially disadvantaged farmers/producers through food purchasing. These cooperative agreements will allow for states to provide additional

funds to school districts to procure local, domestic foods that are unique to their geographic area and meet the needs of the respective schools. In addition to increasing local food consumption, funds are expected to help build and expand economic opportunity for local, small, and socially disadvantaged farmers/producers.

ODE has been engaged in conversation with the Oregon Department of Agriculture on how to best implement this new federal grant in Oregon. Based on ODE's experience awarding grants to school districts through the Farm-to-School program we concluded that the grant could most efficiently be implemented by ODE. If approved, ODE will award the funds to school districts through a non-competitive process based on a formula derived from enrollment and earnings of schools participating in the National School Lunch Program.

The expectation of this program is for recipients to spend awarded funds on food purchases from local providers. Funds used for food purchases must be used exclusively for domestic food products (also known as commodities) that are unprocessed or minimally processed. ODE will be providing guidance to districts to support them in identifying products that are currently not covered by the Farm-to-School program but may be purchased with these funds. The period of performance for the Cooperative Agreements will be no more than 18 months from the time of award.

There is no state funding match requirement for this grant.

Reporting Requirements

To ensure attainment of program goals and to monitor progress, ODE will be required to complete quarterly and final financial and progress reports. These reports will provide quantitative data that will be used by USDA to validate the effectiveness of the program and to assist in consideration of future programs. Upon issuance of award, AMS will provide a template to collect information from recipients. Information to be collected will include:

- Name of vendors and dollar value awarded to vendors receiving contracts and type of food purchased (fruit, vegetable, dairy, seafood, other).
- Break-down of number of small businesses awarded contracts, dollar value of purchases, and type of commodity purchased (fruit, vegetable, dairy, seafood, other).
- Break-down of number of socially disadvantaged farmers/producers awarded contracts, dollar value of purchases, and type of commodity purchased (fruit, vegetable, dairy, seafood, other).

The reports must provide a description of the following activities conducted during the reporting period: budget information, deviations from the proposed plan, difficulties encountered, solutions developed to overcome difficulties, and major planned activities for the next quarter.

At the end of the performance period, recipients will be required to provide a final report. This report will include a summary of the data from the quarterly progress reports and a narrative addressing the following questions.

- Percentage of new marketing opportunities established by purchasing from local and regional farmers/producers, and of those, what percentage will likely be sustained after

the funding is expended.

- Percentage of new marketing opportunities established by purchasing from socially disadvantaged farmers/producers, and of those, what percentage will likely be sustained after the funding is expended.
- Percentage of new marketing opportunities established by purchasing from small businesses, and of those, what percentage will likely be sustained after the funding is expended will be fulfilled through quarterly submissions to FNS of the FNS-908 Performance Progress Report and SF-425 Federal Financial Report

To receive funding, ODE must submit a LFS Request for Application by August 31, 2022.

Agency Request

ODE requests retroactive approval to apply and receive Federal Funds of up to \$2,062,715 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) for the Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement Program (LFS).

Action Requested

Approve the request for retroactive approval and acceptance of up to \$2,062,715 Federal Funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) for the Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement Program (LFS).

Legislation Affected

None at this time. Funds received by ODE from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) are expended by the Department as non-limited Federal Funds, and an increase in limitation is not requested at this time.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



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Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Request

The Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) requesting retroactive approval to apply for a federal funding opportunity from the Department of Labor (DOL) under the Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant umbrella. These funds are for Quality Jobs, Equity, Strategy, and Training (QUEST) Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grants. The opportunity was announced with DOL's Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) 2-22 released July 5, 2022. This opportunity is competitive and successful applicants will propose projects that include partnership development, community outreach, business engagement, and comprehensive career and training services, and that also may include disaster relief employment.

DOL will award funds to responsive, high-quality applications on a first come, first serve basis while funding remains available. Available funds for this grant could be depleted by other unforeseen DWG funding needs, such as natural disasters and national emergencies. DOL encourages applicants to submit quality final applications before the deadline. Funding availability is estimated to be September 30, 2022.

Agency Action

On July 25th, 2022, HECC sent in a Letter of Notification regarding this grant and applied August 9th, 2022 in the amount of \$5.5 million. If received in full \$275,000 will be held back by HECC for grant management and indirect costs and \$5,225,000.00 will go out in grant agreements with Clackamas Workforce Partnership, Willamette Workforce Partnership, and Worksystems, Inc. for the following purposes:

Clackamas Workforce Partnership (CWP) (\$770,000)- working in partnership with Worksystems Inc., will:

- Raise the visibility and understanding of Quality Jobs among the business community through a communications campaign that includes development of business-facing collateral.

- Fund business technical assistance for 100 small to medium sized businesses in target sectors seeking to implement Quality Jobs practices.
- Target outreach to current employer partners in ongoing sector partnerships.
- Expand our base of employers adopting Quality Jobs elements.
- Work to replicate the framework statewide to all workforce regions.

Worksystems Inc. (WSI) (\$2,555,000) - working in partnership with Clackamas Workforce Partnership, will:

- Raise the visibility and understanding of Quality Jobs among the business community through a communications campaign that includes development of business-facing collateral.
- Fund business technical assistance for 100 small to medium sized businesses in target sectors seeking to implement Quality Jobs practices.
- Target outreach to current employer partners in ongoing sector partnerships.
- Expand our base of employers adopting Quality Jobs elements.
- Work to replicate the framework statewide to all workforce regions.

Willamette Workforce Partnership (WWP) – (\$1,900,000) - delivery of the Rethinking Job Search training and coaching program. Includes training of instructors and costs associated with delivery, as well as marketing and communications around the program.

Action Requested

HECC requests retroactive approval to apply for this grant in the amount of \$5.5 million.

Legislation Affected

None

Sincerely,



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Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Equity and Inclusion Division is requesting retroactive approval to apply for grant funding under the Community Health Worker and Health Support Worker Training Program (CHWTP) from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through the Health Resources & Services Administration.

This funding opportunity is designed to support projects that increase the number of Community Health Workers (CHWs) and Health Support Workers and equip them with the skillsets needed to provide effective community outreach, build trust with communities, support connections to and retention in care and support services, and other strategies to increase access to care and to assist individuals in prevention services, and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and other public health emergencies in underserved communities.

This grant would fund up to \$1 million per year for a total of \$3 million over 3 years. There is no federal requirement for state match or maintenance of effort. The three-year grant period would begin October 1, 2022. Health Resources and Services Administration announced the funding opportunity on April 14, 2022. OHA learned of it on May 14, 2022, and submitted a 10-day notification letter on June 1, 2022. OHA submitted the grant application on June 14, 2022. If the agency's application is successful, OHA will request two full-time positions to support the work of this grant.

Agency Action

The purpose of the Community Health Workers (CHW) Training Program grant is to support and expand the public health workforce by providing new and existing

CHWs and health support workers with specialized training and financial support to offset expenses that would impede success in training. The grant goals are to advance public health by strengthening the public health workforce and increasing the number of CHWs and health support workers who are employed as integral members of integrated care teams that use their expanded skills to reduce health disparities. To accomplish these goals, Oregon will partner with local community organizations to do the required grant activities listed below.

Expansion

- Establish educational training curriculums and recruit, train and enable new CHWs and health support workers candidates to acquire core competencies for CHWs and Public Health certifications that follow state, local, or entity guidelines and support essential public health services.
- Reduce barriers to CHW and health support worker program enrollment and retention by providing eligible trainees with participant support (e.g., tuition and fees, stipends, health insurance, and childcare).

Extension/Upskilling

- Provide additional training for current CHWs and health support workers to include the core competencies for Public Health and Essential Public Health Services.
- Develop or enhance trainee curriculum around evidence-based core competencies for public health, including but not limited to emergency response education, prevention, treatment, and vaccine hesitancy research.

Employment

- Implement hands-on CHW and health support worker integrated training through community-based partnerships that provide field placements in underserved communities.
- Provide job placement services and on-the-job experiential training to new CHWs and health support workers through U.S. Department of Labor, state, or local registered apprenticeship programs.

Health Equity

- Address critical gaps in public health and community needs that can be filled by CHWs health support workers in communities that are disproportionately burdened by COVID-19, health inequities, limited access to technology, and the social determinants of health.

- Increase the distribution and diversity of the CHW and health support workers workforce by recruiting, training, or employing, as applicable, individuals who will serve in underserved communities as integral members of integrated care teams.

OHA's mission is to help people and communities achieve optimum physical, mental and social well-being through partnerships, prevention and access to quality, affordable health care. The aim of the Equity and Inclusion Division is to work with diverse communities to eliminate health gaps and promote optimal health in Oregon. By connecting people and programs, we can make substantial, measurable progress in improving the health of all Oregonians. The Community Health Worker and Health Support Worker Training Program (CHWTP) grant requirements described above support OHA's mission and the Equity Inclusion Division. Further, the grant aligns with the state's goal of addressing workforce shortages across the health system and communities.

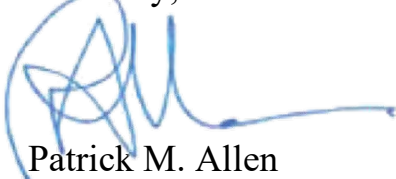
Action Requested

OHA Equity and Inclusion Division requests retroactive approval to apply for the Community Health Worker and Health Support Worker Training Program (CHWTP) grant offered by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through the Health Resources & Services Administration.

Legislation Affected

None.

Sincerely,



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Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Emergency/Request

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Public Health Division is requesting retroactive approval to apply for a federal funding opportunity from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Small, Underserved, Disadvantaged Communities (SUDC) drinking water grant program. This grant program was made available through the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act, which amended the Safe Drinking Water Act. The grant provides support for improvements to drinking water systems that meet eligibility requirements as specified by the WIIN Act.

The funding announcement was released on January 11, 2022. OHA submitted a 10-day notification letter on June 17, 2022. Grant applications were due on June 30, 2022, and OHA submitted its application on June 29, 2022.

Agency Action

The WIIN-SUDC grant program was launched by EPA in 2020 and allocates grant funds to states and tribes according to a national formula. In 2021, Oregon provided its allocation entirely to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. The Oregon allocation for 2022 is \$534,000. There is no match required. All the funds would be used to support eligible project costs, no staff costs will be included. OHA Drinking Water Services staff have identified four priority projects that meet the eligibility criteria. These projects include: drilling a new well to replace a surface water source and failed treatment system; surface water treatment improvements necessary for compliance at two small water systems; and, technical assistance with treatment for arsenic at a small municipal system.

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This grant would contribute to the OHA health equity goal by providing direct assistance to small water systems with the greatest need, based on compliance status, income, and technical, managerial, and financial capacity limitations.

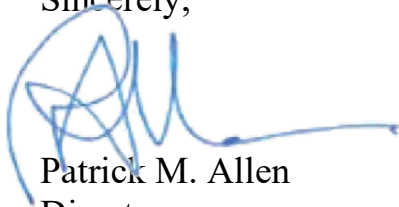
Action Requested

OHA Drinking Water Services requests retroactive approval to apply to EPA for a Small, Underserved, Disadvantaged Communities grant in the amount of \$534,000. If request granted, OHA will also request approval for additional Federal Funds limitation. No positions will be funded by this grant.

Legislation Affected

None.

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Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Emergency/Request

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Public Health Division requests retroactive approval to apply for the Strengthening U.S. Public Health Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data Systems (CDC-RFA-OE22-2203) grant administered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This new, non-competitive funding opportunity provides support for core infrastructure improvements that include, but are not limited to, OHA's public health workforce, foundational capabilities, and data infrastructure. Stronger infrastructure will support stability in public health services and response to emerging health issues. The investments will have sustained effects that position OHA, local public health authorities, federally-recognized Tribes, and community-based organizations to better meet the ongoing public health needs of Oregon communities.

OHA will be allocated a total of \$30,685,251 between November 1, 2022, and October 31, 2027. OHA anticipates receiving the full \$30,685,251 in the first year of the five-year project period. This grant funding does not require matching funds or maintenance of effort. The grant opportunity requires hiring for required positions related to evaluation and performance management, workforce development, and data modernization.

OHA learned of the federal grant on June 15, 2022. OHA submitted a 10-day notification letter on August 2, 2022. Grant applications were due on August 15, 2022, and OHA submitted its application on August 12, 2022.

Agency Action

The purpose of the funding is to provide support for core public health infrastructure improvements that include, but are not limited to workforce, foundational capabilities, and data infrastructure. Stronger infrastructure will serve immediate needs to respond to emerging health priorities and public health outcomes that worsened or stalled during the COVID-19 pandemic. The investments will have sustained effects that position Oregon's public health system to eliminate health inequities across the state.

The investments provided through the grant support OHA's goal of eliminating health inequities by 2030 by cultivating and retaining a diverse public health workforce that represents the communities that public health serves, as well as workforce development and public health data infrastructure that are needed to identify and respond to health inequities with community-led approaches. Finally, this funding opportunity will support OHA's application for national public health reaccreditation. National public health accreditation is encouraged through this funding opportunity. OHA received national public health accreditation in 2016 and will be reapplying for national public health accreditation in 2023.

The funding opportunity includes three components for which OHA has applied; each of these three components is a subset of Component A of the grant award, which will enable OHA, local public health authorities, federally-recognized Tribes and community-based organizations to hire and retain the public health workforce and strengthen foundational capabilities. Also, with potential investments in data modernization, public health services will be accelerated. Specific strategies under Component A included in the Request for Applications:

- Component A1: Workforce - reinforce and expand the public health workforce by hiring, retaining, supporting, and training the workforce and by strengthening relevant workforce planning, systems, processes, and policies.
 - For A1, \$14,500,000 will be allocated to local public health authorities, \$4,000,000 for federally-recognized Tribes and \$4,000,000 for community-based organizations. Approximately \$6,335,190 will be retained by the Public Health Division to support program needs and activities, including salaries (see below). As stated above, the full \$28,835,190 will be received in year one, with the expectation that the funds will be used to support the local public health authorities, Tribes, community-based organizations, and the Public Health Division over the full five-year project period.

- Component A2: Foundational Capabilities - strengthen OHA's overall systems, processes, and policies to ensure a strong core infrastructure needed to protect health and provide fair opportunities for all in Oregon.
 - For A2, \$1,341,091 will be allocated to support this component. This is a one-time funding amount available for the first grant year, with annual award amounts made available after the grant application period.
- Component A3: Data Modernization - develop and deploy scalable, flexible, and sustainable technologies, policies, and methods to implement world-class data and analytical capabilities to support the Essential Public Health Services.
 - For A3, \$508,970 will be allocated to support this component. This is a one-time funding amount available for the first grant year, with annual award amounts made available after the grant application period.

Across all three components, OHA requested funding for 8 new, permanent positions and 1.5 existing positions. New positions are either grant required or strongly recommended or necessary to manage the total \$23,000,000 investment in local public health authorities, federally-recognized Tribes and community-based organizations as well as required grant deliverables for OHA. The positions requested are as follows:

- 1.0 Manager 1, Workforce Development Director (grant required)
- 1.0 Manager 2, Data Modernization Director (grant required)
- 1.0 Operations and Policy Analyst 3, Performance Management and Evaluation Coordinator (grant required)
- 1.0 Operations and Policy Analyst 3, Equity and Internal Communications Coordinator
- 1.0 Administrative Support Specialist 2, Public Health Retention Support Specialist
- 1.0 Operations and Policy Analyst 3, Public Health Retention Program Coordinator
- 1.0 Fiscal Analyst 3, Senior Grants Analyst
- 1.0 Operations and Policy Analyst 3, Workforce Equity Coordinator
- 1.0 Research Analyst 3, Environmental Public Health Research Analyst (existing position)
- 0.5 Research Analyst 3, Program Design and Evaluation Services Research Analyst (existing position)

This funding opportunity furthers the OHA mission of a healthy Oregon and the mission of ensuring all people and communities can achieve optimum physical, mental, and social well-being through partnership, prevention and access to quality, affordable health care. It prioritizes health equity, aligning with the OHA strategic plan goal of eliminating health inequities by 2030.

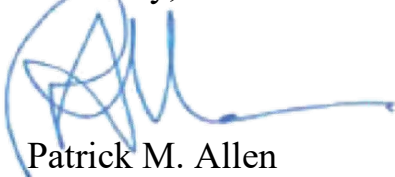
Action Requested

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Public Health Division requests retroactive approval to apply for the Strengthening U.S. Public Health Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data Systems grant.

Legislation Affected

None.

Sincerely,



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RE: Retroactive application approval for OJJDP FY 2022 Second Chance Act Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents and Their Minor Children

Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) requests a retroactive permission to apply for the OJJDP FY 2022 Second Chance Act Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents and Their Minor Children Funding being offered by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in the amount of \$750,000. Program Instructions O-OJJDP-2022-171233 were issued on April 1, 2022. ODHS submitted a 10-day notice to DAS and LFO on May 19, 2022. Application for grant was submitted on May 31, 2022.

This grant opportunity will provide funding to support and develop programs within detention or correctional facilities to respond to the needs of incarcerated parents who have children younger than age 18. This program supports activities that foster positive family engagement between incarcerated parents and their children within detention and correctional facilities and implement programs and services that support the children of incarcerated parents to reduce the likelihood of antisocial behaviors and future involvement in the juvenile justice system. There is NO match requirement for this grant.

Background

The U.S. Department of Justice provides this grant opportunity to eligible applicants limited to City or township governments, County governments, State governments. OJJDP will consider applications under which two or more entities would carry out the federal award; however, only one entity may be the applicant. Any others must be proposed as subrecipients (subgrantees).

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Self Enhancement, Inc. (SEI) is Oregon's largest African American-led nonprofit multiservice organization with the primary location in Portland, Oregon. Leadership from SEI who work in partnership with Oregon Department of Human Services on multiple fronts requested participation from ODHS in application for this federal grant as the state entity.

While Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) will be the applicant for the federal opportunity, ODHS will provide the funding and overall programmatic responsibility to Self Enhancement, Inc. as a subrecipient as allowable under this grant application. ODHS will participate in this initiative as a system community partner with SEI alongside several other public and private organizations.

The primary objectives are to:

- a) improve participating fathers' parenting skills,
- b) mitigate the adverse effects of parental incarceration among their minor children,
- c) increase positive parent-child engagement, and
- d) help fathers develop and follow positive reentry plans aimed at reducing recidivism, building healthy relationships, and supporting safety and self-sufficiency.

Agency Request

The Oregon Department of Human Services is requesting a retroactive permission to apply for the OJJDP FY 2022 Second Chance Act Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents and Their Minor Children Funding being offered by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. The Department requests permission to apply for the full allocation of \$750,000, for the grant duration of October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2025.

Legislation Affected:

None

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RE: Retroactive approval of Kinship Navigator Program Funding Application

Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) requests a retroactive permission to apply for the Kinship Navigator Program Funding being offered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Children's Bureau. Program Instructions ACYF-CB-PI-22-06 were issued on April 13, 2021. ODHS submitted a 10-day notice to DAS and LFO on May 5, 2022. Request for funding to the Regional federal office was submitted on May 20, 2022. The purpose of the funding is for one-time funding to support the development, enhancement, or evaluation of kinship navigator programs. These are federal fiscal year (FY) 2022 funds, provided as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2022, spent on activities prior to September 30, 2023. The Oregon allocation is \$200,000 which is a minimally funded program. There is NO match requirement for this grant.

Background

Starting in the Fall 2018 the Federal ACYF Children's Bureau started issuing 12-month grant opportunities for states to development, enhance or evaluate kinship navigator programs. Oregon has applied for these grants each year and have utilized the funding to develop the Oregon Kinship Navigator program which is accessible to any Oregon relative parenting another relatives' child(ren). Grandparents raising grandchildren is most often the individuals who are seeking out assistance. <https://oregonkinshipnavigator.org/>.

The purpose of a Kinship Navigator Program is to assist kinship caregivers in learning about, finding, and using programs and services to meet the needs of the children they are raising and their own needs, and to promote effective partnerships among public and private agencies to ensure kinship caregiver families are served.

Oregon Department of Human Services – Child Welfare provides services to approximately 2500 children who are formally placed with a Kinship family. Whereas the US Census for Oregon reports there are approximately 37,000 children in Oregon under the care of a relative. Most families who are accessing the services with the Oregon Kinship Navigator are those families who are not otherwise involved in public systems. The Oregon Kinship Navigator program design is intended to be a prevention service model. Allowing access and support to Kinship families well before the needs may arise requiring more intensive public system intervention.

While the Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Children’s Bureau has been issuing these one-year grant opportunities they have been seeking to find structured programs that can meet the standard of an Evidence Based Program. So far, no program in the country has met this standard. The Oregon model is designed as two components:

- I. Basic Service Center – website, toll free phone contact, information and referrals to services and supports, promote effective partnerships among public and private agencies are the required tenants of the model for the federal grant.
- II. Enhance Services – Incorporating evidence based and evidence informed services and supports through public and private partnerships; KEEP for Kin educational support, My Neighbor to provide tangible and concrete resources, supplies and goods for kinship families.

Agency Request

The Oregon Department of Human Services is requesting a retroactive permission to apply for the Kinship Navigator Program Funding being offered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Children’s Bureau. The Department requests permission to apply for the full allocation of \$200,000.

Legislation Affected:

None

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RE: OHSEPR-ACF funding opportunity for Repatriation Planning and Exercise Support.

Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) requests permission to request funds from the Office of Human Services Emergency Preparedness and Response (OHSEPR) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The total amount sought is \$600,000, dispensed at a reimbursement rate of \$200,000 per year for three years. There is no match requirement for these funds; this is a reimbursement grant. The deadline to request these funds is September 2, 2022. The funds will be used to update the 2009 Oregon [Repatriation Plan \(Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan Support Annex G\)](#) and to exercise that plan. ODHS submitted a 10-day notice to DAS and LFO on August 22, 2022.

Background

The U.S. Repatriation Program was established to assist private U.S. citizens and their dependents having returned from a foreign country to the United States because of destitution, illness, war, threat of war, or a similar crisis, and are without available resources. The Office of Human Services Emergency Preparedness and Response (OHSEPR) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is the domestic lead for the U.S. Repatriation Program.

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) Office of Resilience and Emergency Management (OREM) mission is to provide shelter, food and water, emergency assistance, repatriation, family reunification, and other critical functions. These obligations are enumerated in Oregon's [Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan](#), [Emergency Support Function 6](#), and [State Recovery Function 4](#) (see page 153 of the PDF).

In order to prepare for a major operation following an international emergency, OREM will work hand-in-hand with ODHS's Self Sufficiency Program (SSP) to identify the challenges of such an incident, define the State's target capabilities required to perform the response, and produce a coordinated system between cooperating agencies to ensure good coordination throughout the response. The repatriation plan will also define OREM's and SSP's functions and operations in response to such an emergency. OREM and SSP will work closely together on drafting the new plan and exercising that plan.

In coordination and at the direction of the Oregon Department of Emergency Management (ODEM), ODHS will request funding from the HHS to update, train upon, and exercise the repatriation plan. Historically, SSP has managed ODHS's responsibilities for repatriation, typically serving 5-6 citizens each year. However, significant mass care capabilities would be needed to support any large-scale emergency repatriation effort defined in the National Emergency Repatriation Framework [National Emergency Repatriation Framework www.acf.hhs.gov](http://www.acf.hhs.gov). Since its inception 2 years ago, the OREM has developed such capabilities. OREM will involve stakeholder agencies, both state and local, and other organizations that have roles in a repatriation scenario including NGO's and private enterprise. The planning development for repatriation will be conducted with input from departments and agencies across Oregon including but not limited to: Multnomah County, City of Portland, ODEM, OHA, Red Cross, and multiple CBO's and ODHS Offices.

The three year timeline includes:

- Developing a planning program with multiple state agencies and ODHS offices
- Authoring of a promulgated State Repatriation Plan
- Executing a progressive planning cycle culminating in a Full Scale Exercise
- Developing a cumulative multiyear improvement plan for repatriation

To conduct these activities OREM will seek to hire a 3-year term limited position. If awarded, ODHS will return to the legislature for any limitation necessary for this biennium and one Limited Duration position and up to .25 FTE to implement the grant.

After the plan is updated and reviewed by staff and partner agencies, a series of exercises will validate and improve the plan. OREM uses a Multi-year Training and Exercise Plan (MYTEP) to formalize this planning cycle. The MYTEP is a living document that is continuously reviewed and strategically refined on an annual basis. It prescribes a combination of progressive exercises and associated training requirements, which address the priorities identified by senior officials and management.

The MYTEP is also required to maintain consistency with best practices outlined in the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP). Federal guidance in completing the MYTEP focuses on the following three key elements:

1. A progressive planning approach.

2. Capability and objective-based planning informed by risk.
3. A cycle of continual improvement

Agency Request

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) requests permission to request \$200,000 (\$600,000 for three years) from the Office of Human Services Emergency Preparedness & Response (OHSEPR) Administration for Children & Families (ACF). These funds are earmarked for distribution to state agencies who wish to conduct planning training and exercise activities to prepare for large scale repatriation operations for US citizens.

Legislation Affected:

None

If you have questions, please contact Rob Kodiriy at 503-689-7554.

Sincerely,



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RE: Retroactive application approval for ACL ARP Funding for Enhancement of Adult Protective Services Activities

Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) requests a retroactive permission to apply for additional federal funding for the Oregon Department of Human Services. Our Agency has been allocated \$2,107,701 from the Federal Administration for Community Living (ACL) to enhance adult protective services activities in Fiscal Year 2022. ODHS submitted a 10-day notice to DAS and LFO on June 13, 2022. We have submitted the application to ACL on June 24, 2022. There is no state matching requirement for this grant.

Background

The United States Health and Human Services Department's Administration for Community Living (ACL) has awarded Oregon's Department of Human Services' Aging and People with Disabilities, Adult Protective Services (APS) Program an "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021" grant. The purpose of the grant is to enhance and improve the APS program and associated activities. In 2022, our agency was awarded an additional \$2,107,701 via the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

This key project for the APS Program area will include a review of Oregon statutes, collaborating with community partners to identify gaps in statutory protection, areas of invalid, outdated assumptions or barriers to an equitable system. The project plan will include a 3-5-year APS Program roadmap for implementation of recommendations and other activities designed to improve the APS program. We are working toward a multi-tiered approach that integrates technical assistance, assessment, education, training, and prevention

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strategies. This will continue to support our work in an ever-changing environment and use lessons learned post COVID-19, to provide adequate services and supports to adults who have experienced abuse or neglect.

Agency Request

The Oregon Department of Human Services is requesting a retroactive permission to apply to ACL for the full \$2,107,701 from the Federal Administration for Community Living (ACL).

Legislation Affected:

None

If you have questions, please contact Rob Kodiriy at 503-689-7554.

Sincerely,



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Re: Justice Counts Implementation Grant Retroactive Approval to Apply

Dear Senator Courtney and Representative Rayfield:

The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) requests retroactive approval to apply for Justice Counts Implementation Program from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), and Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA).

Justice Counts' solicitation was released on May 04, 2022. CJC was not intending to apply for this award initially, but after a meeting with the Council of State Governments (CSG) a partner with BJA on this solicitation on June 15th, CJC determined this project could be valuable to the State of Oregon. After further discussion of the grant opportunity, the CJC made the administrative decision to apply for the grant on June 16, 2022.

The purpose of this grant is to support states to adopt a core set of criminal justice metrics — to collect, analyze, and share data in a timely and consistent manner — so that policymakers have access to actionable data to make policy and budgetary decisions. This program furthers the DOJ's mission to reduce crime and recidivism, and have a fairer criminal justice system, by helping state governments improve their capacity to set goals for their criminal justice systems, measure whether they are achieving them, and use results to make data-driven policy decisions and allocate scarce resources effectively.

CJC will implement the grant that will work towards but not limited to:

- Designate an individual in a cabinet or executive staff leadership level with demonstrated experience in collaboration across all three branches.
- Engage leadership from all three branches in a plan to adopt the metrics.
- Adopt the relevant metrics in agencies and localities across the state as critical data to be collected, analyzed, shared, and used to inform budgetary and policy decisions.

- Make the resulting data publicly available online using Justice Counts specifications (open or hosted). Use the Justice Counts tools and participate in TTA throughout the process.

The goal of the grant is to spur adoption and use of the Justice Counts metrics across and within the states and for leaders within those states to use the resulting information in a timely manner to inform policy and budgetary decisions at the state and national levels.

This is a competitive grant with a submission deadline of June 27, 2022 through the DOJ's JustGrants portal. CJC will be applying for the maximum award of \$400,000 over an estimated 36 Month project period. This will have an impact on CJC's budgeted services and will need additional federal limitation if the grant is awarded. These funds will be used by CJC to fund an Operations and Policy Analyst 3 (OPA3) at 1 FTE to implement Justice Counts grant activities. No in-kind or cash match is required for this grant.

Thank you for your consideration,

Ken Sanchagrin

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August 22, 2022

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Dear Co-Chairpersons:

Notice of the Request

The Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Programs (OJJDP), for up to \$800,000, to support states in improving the fairness, effectiveness, and efficiency of their juvenile justice systems. OYA was notified of this grant opportunity in June 2022 and submitted a 10-day notification letter on July 15 prior to the grant deadline of July 25. Funding would assist in expanding and improving OYA's research and evaluating the services and interventions provided by OYA to establish an ongoing rigorous program evaluation strategy.

Federal Grant Information

This project aims to improve outcomes for youth committed to the Oregon Youth Authority, their families, and the communities in which they live. This purpose will be realized by applying comprehensive and high-quality research and evaluation strategies to improve the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of the continuum of services available to youth committed to the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA). An enhanced continuum of services will provide many tangible benefits, including improved services and interventions, better outcomes for youth, safer communities, increased capacity to

address underserved populations, reduce reliance on secure confinement, increase capacity to provide supervision and services within the communities where youth live, decrease operational costs, lower recidivism rates, and have opportunities to reinvest savings in evidence-based treatment, services, and strategies.

The project is designed to be implemented in 3 phases.

1. Organizational Readiness Assessment –identify and confirm stakeholders, complete present state assessment.
2. Develop and Implement Evaluation Strategy—conduct evaluability assessments, evaluate selected programs, and develop comprehensive program evaluations.
3. Reinvestment Planning - reinvestment analysis and planning, develop reinvestment strategy, develop reinvestment action plans, develop sustainability

The grant award is up to **\$800,000** and would be utilized over 36 months. The grant does not require a state match. The grant period would commence on October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2025. The anticipated award date is expected to be October 1, 2020.

The Oregon Youth Authority does anticipate needing Federal Fund expenditure limitation if the grant is awarded.

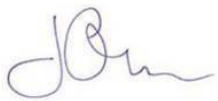
Action Requested

OYA respectfully requests retroactive approval to apply for the OJJDP grant.

Legislation Affected

If the grant application is successful, OYA would require an increase to its Federal Funds expenditure limitation established by section 3(2), chapter 430, Oregon Laws 2021, for Program Support.

Sincerely,



Joe O'Leary, Director

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Dear Co-Chairpersons:

Nature of Request

The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) requests retroactive approval to apply for a federal grant of up to \$20,000 from the 2022 State Fire Training Systems Grant Program under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Background

The primary goal of the State Fire Training Grant Program is to promote the professional development of the fire and the emergency response community and its allied professionals and support State and local training organizations in fulfilling their obligation to career and volunteer fire and emergency services.

If DPSST is a successful recipient of this award, the agency would deliver a variety of National Fire Academy classes and National Fire Academy endorsed classes to career and volunteer firefighters around the state.

DPSST plans to request up to \$20,000, the maximum amount provided by the State Fire Training Systems Grant to State Training Academies.

Agency Action

The application period for the 2022 State Fire Training Grant Program closed on August 8th, 2022, and DPSST submitted the application on August 4th, 2022. If the award is granted, DPSST will request up to \$20,000 in Federal Funds expenditure limitation at the next meeting of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means or Emergency Board.

Action Requested

DPSST requests retroactive approval to submit a grant application to the 2022 State Fire Training Systems Grant Program under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Sincerely,

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Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon State Police (OSP) is retroactively requesting approval to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), for the FY 2022 Missing and Unidentified Human Remains (MUHR) Program Competitive Grant in an amount up to \$249,000.

Background

This grant opportunity allows awardees to utilize funds for the inventory, reporting, identification, and repatriation of unidentified human remains, including migrants and missing persons in the United States.

This grant program further supports the mission of increasing public safety by providing resources to locate and identify missing persons and unidentified human remains in the United States. If awarded, it would be the priority of OSP to use grant funding exclusively for the resolution of backlog of unidentified remains cases discovered between 2019 and 2022, currently housed at the Oregon State Medical Examiner facility.

BJA expects to make up to two (2) project awards or up to \$1 million total awards to statewide agencies. This grant has a 36-month period of performance, to begin on October 1, 2022. The grant solicitation was posted July 15, 2022 with application deadline August 29, 2022. OSP did submit the required 10-day notification letter on August 12, 2022.

The grant does not require a state funded match and does not require additional FTE.

Action Requested

We respectfully request retroactive approval to apply for the FY 2022 Missing and Unidentified Human Remains (MUHR) Program Competitive Grant through the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance; and to approve reoccurring grant application requests.

Legislation Affected

None

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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Terri Davie
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August 17, 2022

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The Honorable Representative Dan Rayfield, Co-Chair
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Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Business Development Department (Department) requests retroactive approval of the submission of a federal grant from the Small Business Administration (SBA) for a State Trade Expansion Program (STEP) grant in the amount of \$750,000. The application was submitted on May 31, 2022.

Federal Grant Information

The Department has previously received nine STEP grant awards from the SBA. If awarded, funds will continue to be used to assist Oregon small businesses seeking to begin or grow international sales.

Grants are awarded to eligible small businesses, generally defined as those with 500 or fewer employees. Most export training and development activities are supported by the grant, including but not limited to international and U.S. based tradeshow (including virtual), international trade missions, E-commerce set up and compliance fees, and website translation into foreign language, search engine optimization, and localization services.

Participating in international trade shows and trade missions is among the most effective ways for companies to enter new international markets or expand their visibility in existing markets. Trade shows offer the opportunity to meet potential buyers, test market interest, and evaluate the competition. A trade mission can be a cost-effective way to meet potential distributors and buyers, secure licensing agreements, and explore joint venture opportunities.

Grants reimburse up to 75% of a company's eligible expenses up to \$10,000. Eligible applicants may apply to receive up to three grants per federal fiscal year.

The SBA requires a 25% match to receive grant funds; the Department's application pledged \$93,750 of in-kind staff time, and \$93,750 in cash match, funded with available Industry Competitiveness Funds.

No additional FTE will be requested.

Action Requested

The Department respectfully requests retroactive approval of the submission of a federal grant from the Small Business Administration (SBA) for a State Trade Expansion Program (STEP) grant in the amount of \$750,000.

Legislation Affected

This request does not affect current legislation.

Sincerely,

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Dear Co-Chairpersons:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Employment Department (OED) is requesting retroactive approval for the agency's federal grant application in the aggregate amount of \$900,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Administration, to fund the WorkSource Oregon Reentry Program, a pilot program with the Oregon Department of Corrections (DOC) and local workforce development board East Cascades Works, to provide reemployment and career services, pre-release and post-release, to adults in custody (AICs) at the Deer Ridge Correctional Institution (DRCI), and Warner Creek Correctional Facility (WCCF).

The Improving Reentry Education and Employment Outcomes grant provides funding for two full-time Business and Employment Specialists to provide outreach services to AICs at DRCI and WCCF for three years, October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2025. The primary goals of the program are to strengthen relationships with DOC, to improve services to shared customers, ensure individuals are 'work ready' prior to being released, serve as a bridge to the broader array of WorkSource services available post-release, and to reduce the costly impacts - both human and material - of recidivism.

These goals support the mission of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) to help those with barriers to employment move into high quality jobs. It also supports the goals of the Governor's Reentry Council, which is for state leadership to work collectively on improving the success and safety of incarceration to community transition.

Agency Request

After submitting the 10-day letter on May 31, 2022, OED applied for the competitive 'Improving Employment Services and Connections' category of this grant opportunity on June 13, 2022. This grant does not require any state matching obligation, and it will not require the agency to request any additional expenditure limitation or position authority.

This grant will allow Oregon to strengthen relationships with DOC and provide critical, one-on-one reemployment services to AICs pre-release, many of whom face significant barriers to employment. Reemployment services will be provided alongside DOC transition staff, allowing for coordinated and seamless delivery of services, tailored to meet the individual needs of AICs.

OED staff will offer the following reemployment services to AICs pre-release:

- Career Mapping workshop to develop an individual employment plan;
- Orientation to WorkSource services and, where applicable, enrollment in programs such as SNAP Training and Employment;
- Customized labor market information;
- Assistance in preparing resumes, cover letters, and follow-up correspondence with employers;

- Registration in the state's labor-exchange and job-matching system, iMatchSkills;
- Navigation of state and private job boards;
- Interviewing basics;
- Networking techniques;
- Federal bonding program; and
- Available tax credits for employers.

Staff will also work with DOC transition coordinators to explore ancillary services key to successful reentry, such as securing stable housing and continuing any mental health and/or treatment programs. Services will be delivered in dedicated resource rooms at DRCI/WCCF, which are equipped with computers (allowing limited, secure internet access), printers, and career and job-finding resources.

OED staff will meet one-on-one with AICs 180, 90, and 60 days pre-release to provide reemployment services, with additional meetings offered as resources allow. Staff will also meet with AICs two weeks pre-release to finalize their individual employment plan, and arrange for them to meet with WSO staff in their home community to ensure ongoing engagement with WSO.

Action Requested

Approve the Oregon Employment Department's submission of the federal Bureau of Justice Administration's 'Improving Reentry Educational and Employment Outcomes' grant in the amount of \$900,000 to provide reemployment and wrap-around services to AICs pre- and post-release.

Legislation Affected

None.

Sincerely,



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August 22, 2022

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Dear Co-Chairs:

RE: Legislative approval regarding a federal grant application

Nature of the Request

The purpose of this letter is to request legislative approval regarding a federal grant application. The Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) proposes to submit to the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program (NGGDPP) a grant proposal up to the amount of \$50,000 for a project total of up to \$100,000.

This is a grant application which DOGAMI has applied for and been awarded in the previous years. The solicitation for proposal is currently open and the final grant proposal is due no later than October 13, 2022. DOGAMI plans to submit early October and would begin this project in June 2023.

This grant proposes to fund a project to scan, archive, and make publicly available historic scanned assay reports, mine maps, Oregon Bureau of Mines and Geology files, and historic Agency photographs.

The proposed grant requires a 1:1 funding match, which will be met through DOGAMI staff time working on the project (general fund) as well as an in-kind match which are unpaid services provided by a non-federal third party specifically for the project. No additional funds are needed for the match.

This grant opportunity supports DOGAMI's mission and goals to provide earth science information and regulation to make Oregon safe and prosperous.

This grant allows for full indirect and no additional staffing are required.

Agency Action

Under DOGAMI's funding model it is essential that the Agency pursue relevant federal grant funding opportunities as they become available to satisfy biennial budget projections. DOGAMI has developed improved grant management tools including identification of available staff with appropriate expertise and required financial resources

Action Requested


The Agency is requesting approval to apply to USGS for the above NNGDPP grant. DOGAMI will not require an increase to our federal fund expenditure limitation.

Legislation Affected

Legislation affected by this grant proposal is HB 5010-A-Engrossed (2021) if additional federal limitation is necessary.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact me at 971-610-8968.

Sincerely,



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August 26, 2022

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Dear Senator Courtney and Representative Rayfield:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application in the amount of \$100,000 to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). ODFW was notified of the details of this grant opportunity on June 23, 2022, following an earlier general notification that this project was approved by Congress as an earmark.

Background

This funding opportunity is provided through the NOAA Community Project Funding (CPF) earmark approved by Congress in early 2022. This new mechanism for Congressional special project funding is being distributed for the first time in 2022. The funding is allocated to NOAA, who has set-up a specific grant opportunity for ODFW to apply for and receive the Congressional earmark. The funds will be entirely passed through to OSU for scientific research on whale entanglements that are occurring in Dungeness crab gear in Oregon, for the purposes of preventing and mitigating those entanglements. There is no required match for this grant opportunity.

The grant proposal requests \$100,000 in federal funds to help the State of Oregon address the growing conservation concern of whale entanglement and mortality in fishing gear while also supporting the continued harvest of Dungeness crab, one of Oregon's most valuable commercial fisheries.

In recent years, the West Coast Dungeness crab fishery has experienced an increased number of whale entanglements in crab gear (particularly humpback whales), leading to many months of fishery closures in California. There is concern that similar drastic measures will be necessary in Oregon, unless we develop methods to actively separate the fishery and whales in space and time.

ODFW is currently collaborating with OSU researchers to build predictive models for elevated levels of entanglement risk, which will be used by managers to benefit the crab fishery (avoid large scale closures) and protect whales (decrease overlap of fishery activity with whales).

The funding requested here will add scientific analysis to better describe all entanglements, including those that are not observed firsthand (but are accounted for by historical scarring patterns). This information will help ODFW better describe the total magnitude of this problem, and the effectiveness of the agency's management tools to mitigate the problem. Scarring analysis has been recognized as an information need for management of the west coast whale populations, as well as in other populations globally (e.g., East Coast right whales). The study proposed here will advance the science on scar analysis and will feed directly into the agency's management considerations.

Agency Action

ODFW submitted this noncompetitive grant application to NOAA June 20, 2022; ODFW anticipates notification of funding awards September 2022. Funds will need to be spent by December 31, 2023.

Action Requested

ODFW requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application in the amount of \$100,000 to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Legislation Affected

No legislation is affected with this request.

Sincerely,



Curtis E. Melcher
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Dear Senator Courtney and Representative Rayfield:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application in the amount of \$1,000,000 to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Endangered Species Act Section 6 - Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund (Conservation Planning Assistance Grant).

Background

This funding opportunity is provided through the USFWS Endangered Species Act Section 6 - Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund (Conservation Planning Assistance Grant). The grant application deadline is July 13, 2022. The opportunity is made available with the requirement that state fish and wildlife agencies serve as the applicant. If this request is approved and the grants are awarded, funding will be passed through to Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF). State proposals must contribute a minimum non-Federal match of 25 percent of the total program costs. All required non-federal match will come from ODF in the form of staff in-kind match and \$200,000 in cash match.

The grant proposal requests \$1,000,000 in federal funds for the development of the statewide ODF Private Forest Accord Aquatic Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). Conflict between the timber industry and conservation groups over timber and aquatic and wildlife resources came to a head in early 2020. With guidance from the Governor's office, members from each of the major interest groups on both the industry and conservation side signed a Memorandum of Understanding, and over the subsequent a year found common ground on revisions to the Oregon Forest Practices Act (FPA). The revised FPA actions were formalized in the Private Forest Accord (PFA), which was passed by the Oregon legislature in March 2022.

The legislation directed the Board of Forestry to develop new rules under the FPA to implement the terms of the PFA Agreement and develop an HCP for the purposes of obtaining an incidental take permit (ITP) under the federal Endangered Species Act (ESA) for the covered

aquatic fish and amphibian species. The purpose of pursuing the PFA Aquatic HCP is to provide regulatory streamlining opportunities for private forest landowners throughout Oregon while promoting conservation of aquatic species. The programmatic nature of this HCP allows large and small private forest landowners, as well as the potential for Tribes, to participate in a streamlined approach to protecting aquatic species covered under the ESA.

Agency Action

ODFW submitted its grant application to USFWS July 13, 2022; ODFW anticipates notification of funding awards by the end of summer 2022. Funds would need to be spent by September 30, 2024.

Action Requested

ODFW requests retroactive approval to submit a federal grant application in the amount of \$1,000,000 to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Endangered Species Act Section 6 - Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund (Conservation Planning Assistance Grant).

Legislation Affected

No legislation is affected with this request.

Sincerely,



Curtis E. Melcher
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August 26, 2022

The Honorable Senator Peter Courtney, President of the Senate
The Honorable Representative Dan Rayfield, Speaker of the House
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Dear Senator Courtney and Representative Rayfield:

Nature of the Request

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) requests retroactive approval to submit two federal grant applications to United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) in the amount of \$1,378,373 for enhanced detection and response to wildlife disease outbreaks.

Background

This federal funding opportunity is available through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) - American Rescue Plan Act funds. This is a new federal assistance program designed to increase readiness for wildlife agencies to protect against future pandemics and encourage coordinated efforts across jurisdictions. These federal grant opportunities do not require state match for the federal funds.

The first project is the "Oregon Wildlife Health and Disease Initiative" and requests \$631,617 federal funds. The grant will strengthen the ODFW Wildlife Health Program by enhancing early detection and rapid response and science-based management to address wildlife disease outbreaks before they become pandemics by strengthening capacity for wildlife health monitoring to enhance early detection of diseases that have capacity to jump the species barrier and pose a risk in the state of Oregon. This project will accomplish this goal by increasing the capacity of the Wildlife Health Program with the addition of a Wildlife Health Specialist extending the efficiency and effectiveness of the Wildlife Health Program; lessening the disease outbreak response time; providing outreach to district staff and the public related to wildlife and zoonotic disease. Additional position authority is not needed; ODFW will repurpose an existing, unused federal-fund budgeted position to the Wildlife Health Program. ODFW will also use a part-time, temporary appointment for data entry work as an additional capacity building measure to meet the requirement of entering wildlife health data collected by the Wildlife Health Specialist into the United States Geological Survey WHISPer database.

The second project is the “West Coast Marine Mammal Health Coalition” and requests \$746,756 federal funds. This grant is a collaboration among ODFW, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and Idaho Fish and Game to establish and strengthen a marine mammal health monitoring and research network; establish and extend surveillance for key marine mammal health threats; establish sample, process, storage and archive protocols; and build a database to enable connection with or export of data. No additional position authority is needed with this project.

Agency Action

ODFW submitted its grant applications to USFWS June 27, 2022; ODFW anticipates notification of funding awards by the end of summer 2022. Funds would need to be spent by September 30, 2025.

Action Requested

ODFW requests retroactive approval to submit two federal grant applications to United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) in the amount of \$1,378,373 for enhanced detection and response to wildlife disease outbreaks.

Legislation Affected

No legislation is affected with this request.

Sincerely,



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August 18, 2022

Senator Peter Courtney, Co-Chair
Representative Dan Rayfield, Co-Chair
State Emergency Board
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Dear Co-Chairs:

NATURE OF THE REQUEST

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Delivery & Operations Division requests retroactive permission to apply for a National Scenic Byway Program (NSBP) Grant for \$3.8 million from the Federal Highway Administration. The NSBP grant program is funded with \$22 million for awards in 2022, including \$16 million in Highway Infrastructure Program funds and an additional \$6 million from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022. The NSBP grant program is not impacted or increased by IIJA funding.

AGENCY ACTION

The National Scenic Byways Program Grant funds activities, such as:

- The planning, design, or development of a State or Indian Tribe scenic byway program.
- Development and implementation of a corridor management plan to maintain the scenic, historical, recreational, cultural, natural, and archaeological characteristics of a byway corridor while providing for accommodation of increased tourism and development of related amenities.
- Construction along a scenic byway of a facility for pedestrians and bicyclists, rest area, turnout, highway shoulder improvement, overlook, or interpretive facility.
- An improvement to a scenic byway that will enhance access to an area for the purpose of recreation, including water-related recreation.
- Protection of scenic, historical, recreational, cultural, natural, and archaeological resources in an area adjacent to a scenic byway.

The Notice of Funding Opportunity was issued by FHWA on March 16, 2022, and applications were due by June 20, 2022. ODOT identified the US 30 Mosier Streetscape Project as an excellent candidate for this program. The project will provide multimodal safety improvements, including sidewalks and bicycle lanes, along both sides of US 30, the Historic Columbia River Highway Scenic Byway, a nationally designated All-American Road, through Mosier. The design will facilitate safe travel for highway users, calming traffic to accommodate local access, and support investments in the growing tourism economy of the area.

The US 30 Mosier Streetscape Project was selected for this grant program because it is a priority for ODOT and the City of Mosier, it aligns with ODOT's Strategic Action Plan, and the project is a natural fit for the NSBP program.

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Total Project Cost:	\$ 4,850,000
Grant Request:	\$ 3,800,000
Matching State and Local Funds:	\$ 1,050,000

The NSBP grant limits funding to 80 percent of the project cost. State and local contributions total \$1,050,000 million and consist of \$1 million from state Sidewalk Improvement Program funds in the 2024-2027 STIP, and \$50,000 from the City of Mosier, totaling a 22 percent match for the project. The Sidewalk Improvement Program funds are not yet programmed and would be pulled into the 2021-2024 STIP if the grant is awarded.

If awarded, the NSBP funding would create a new project in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. Awards are expected to be announced in late 2022, and NSBP funds must be obligated by September 30, 2024 and expended by September 30, 2029. No additional staffing is needed; ODOT may need to return for additional Other Fund expenditure limitation if the grant is awarded. If ODOT is not awarded this federal grant, federal funding will be pursued through other grant applications; however, absent additional federal funding this project is unlikely to move forward until at least the 2027-2030 STIP.

ACTION REQUESTED

ODOT requests retroactive approval to submit a grant application to the Federal Highway Administration for \$3.8 million in National Scenic Byways Program grant funds.

LEGISLATION AFFECTED

None.

Sincerely,



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August 18, 2022

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Dear Co-Chairs:

NATURE OF THE REQUEST

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Delivery & Operations Division requests retroactive permission to apply for a National Scenic Byway Program (NSBP) Grant for \$2.1 million from the Federal Highway Administration. The NSBP grant program is funded with \$22 million for awards in 2022, including \$16 million in Highway Infrastructure Program funds and an additional \$6 million from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022. The NSBP grant program is not impacted or increased by Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding.

AGENCY ACTION

The National Scenic Byways Program Grant funds activities, such as:

- The planning, design, or development of a State or Indian Tribe scenic byway program.
- Development and implementation of a corridor management plan to maintain the scenic, historical, recreational, cultural, natural, and archaeological characteristics of a byway corridor while providing for accommodation of increased tourism and development of related amenities.
- Construction along a scenic byway of a facility for pedestrians and bicyclists, rest area, turnout, highway shoulder improvement, overlook, or interpretive facility.
- An improvement to a scenic byway that will enhance access to an area for the purpose of recreation, including water-related recreation.
- Protection of scenic, historical, recreational, cultural, natural, and archaeological resources in an area adjacent to a scenic byway.

The Notice of Funding Opportunity was issued by FHWA on March 16, 2022, and applications were due by June 20, 2022. ODOT has identified the OR 31 Paisley Pedestrian Safety Project as an excellent candidate for the program. High speed vehicle traffic is a problem in the City of Paisley as the highway transitions from a 65 mile per hour (MPH) rural highway to the downtown core with a speed limit of 25 MPH. The OR 31 Paisley Pedestrian Safety Project will invest in multimodal safety improvements along and across OR 31 in the City of Paisley. These improvements, including streetscape and gateway elements, will slow vehicle speeds and signal the transition from rural highway to a more urban setting. This will increase safety for residents and visitors, improve walking and biking conditions along OR 31, and improve the ease of crossing the highway in Downtown Paisley.

This project is a high priority for the City of Paisley, Lake County, and ODOT. The project meets the goals of the ODOT Strategic Action Plan by prioritizing equity in seeking funding for rural

towns that are typically under-resourced; building modern multimodal facilities to help Oregon communities thrive; and seeking external funding to meet these needs. Funding from the NSBP program will allow ODOT and the City of Paisley to move forward with full design and construction of the proposed improvements. Following project implementation, ODOT and the City will assume maintenance and operating responsibilities for their respective jurisdictional assets.

Total Project Cost:	\$ 3,150,000
Grant Request:	\$ 2,100,000
Matching Funds:	\$ 1,050,000

The NSBP grant limits funding to 80 percent of the project cost. State and local contributions total \$1,050,000 and consist of \$1 million from state Sidewalk Improvement Program funds in the 2024-2027 STIP, and \$50,000 from the City of Paisley and Lake County, totaling a 33 percent match for the project. The proposed match exceeds the required minimum 20 percent match, which is a priority consideration for the program to make the proposal more competitive. The Sidewalk Improvement Program funds are not yet programmed and would be pulled into the 2021-2024 STIP if the grant is awarded.

If awarded, the NSBP funding would create a new project in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. Awards are expected to be announced in late 2022, and NSBP funds must be obligated by September 30, 2024 and expended by September 30, 2029. No additional staffing is needed; ODOT may need to return for additional Other Fund expenditure limitation if the grant is awarded. If ODOT is not awarded this federal grant, federal funding will be pursued through other grant applications; however, absent additional federal funding this project is unlikely to move forward until at least the 2027-2030 STIP.

ACTION REQUESTED

ODOT requests retroactive approval to submit a grant application to the Federal Highway Administration for \$2.1 million in National Scenic Byways Program grant funds.

LEGISLATION AFFECTED

None.

Sincerely,



Kristopher W. Strickler
Director