

Analysis

Department of Geology and Mineral Industries

National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program

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Request: Approve the submission of a federal grant application by the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, in the amount of \$388,379, for the National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program.

Recommendation: Approve the request.

Analysis: The National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program administered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) provides support for maintenance of coastal outreach projects including the Oregon tsunami clearinghouse, 'Tsunami Safe' project within the hospitality industry, 'Beat the Wave' tsunami evacuation modeling, and local community-wide evacuation drills and documents.

The Department will work in partnership with the Office of Emergency Management, within the Oregon Military Department, to provide leadership and strategic support for maintaining local outreach programs and providing a central repository for tsunami mitigation information. The grant does not require a state match. The final grant proposals are due May 26 and the awards are anticipated to be announced in August. The Department has successfully applied for a similar NOAA grant in prior biennia.

The Legislative Fiscal Office recommends approval of the request.