

Analysis

Department of Geology and Mineral Industries

National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program

Analyst: John Terpening

Request: Approve the submission of a federal grant application by the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), in the amount of \$459,778, for the National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program.

Analysis: The National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program administered by (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 final grant proposals are due May 30th and the grant is expected to be awarded in August. This is an annual grant offered by NOAA that the Department has successfully applied for since 2002. The grant does not require a state match and no additional federal funds expenditure limitation or positions are needed to do this work.

Legislative Fiscal Office Recommendation: Approve the request.

Department of Geology and Mineral Industries McGehee

Request: Authorization to apply for the National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program (NTHMP) federal grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Weather Service (NWS).

Recommendation: Approve the request.

Discussion: The Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) is requesting authorization to apply for the National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program's (NTHMP) federal grant totaling \$459,778.

This grant is administered by the NOAA NWS and provides continuing funds for DOGAMI's initiatives to build a resilient Oregon coast. The grant funding would support such initiatives by improving access to evacuation guidance and supporting coastal outreach efforts, while building on additional risk awareness and hazard mitigation activities through new evacuation modeling and exposure analysis. This grant opportunity supports DOGAMI's mission and goals to provide earth science information to make Oregon safe and prosperous. DOGAMI has been awarded this competitive grant since 2002.

This grant requires no state matching funds and does not require the agency to request additional limitation or position authority.



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The Honorable Senator Betsy Johnson
The Honorable Senator Elizabeth Steiner Hayward
The Honorable Representative Dan Rayfield
Joint Committee on Ways and Means
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Dear Co-Chairpersons:

Nature of the Request

This letter requests Legislative approval for the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) to apply for a federal grant to the National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program (NTHMP) of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Weather Service (NWS) for \$459,778. DOGAMI has been awarded this competitive grant since 2002. The due date for this grant application is May 30, 2019. This grant does not have a match requirement.

DOGAMI, Oregon Emergency Management and local communities work in partnership to build a resilient Oregon coast. This proposal places a priority on sustaining support for outreach efforts on the coast, improving access to evacuation guidance, while building on additional risk awareness and hazard mitigation activities through new evacuation modeling and exposure analyses.

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

Action Requested

The department is requesting approval to apply to NOAA for the above 2019 NTHMP grant. DOGAMI does not need to request additional federal fund limitation or position authority for this grant.

Legislation Affected

Legislation affected by this grant proposal is SB 5511 (2019).

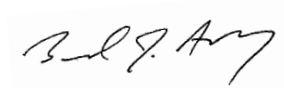
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Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact me at 971-673-1550.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad J. Avy", is positioned above the typed name.

Brad J. Avy

Director

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