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Summary of Emergency Board Action

May 2014

The Legislative Emergency Board met on May 30, 2014 and considered an agenda of 52 items. The agenda included two requests for allocations from the general purpose appropriation made to the Emergency Board; one of which was approved. There were also six agency requests on the agenda for allocations from special purpose appropriations made to the Emergency Board, totaling \$13.7 million, \$10.6 million of which were allocated. Additional details on these allocations are described below. After the Emergency Board actions, the unallocated, unreserved balance of the general purpose Emergency Fund is \$26.1 million with a \$36.3 million balance in special purpose appropriations.

The agenda included 17 items that requested additional 2013-15 biennium authority to spend Lottery Funds, Other Funds, and Federal Funds (including two adjusting 2011-13 capital construction expenditure authority). The Emergency Board approved expenditure limitation increases of approximately \$44.4 million Other Funds (including \$38.1 million for the Department of Administrative Services to make payments to counties under the Strategic Investment Program) and \$7.7 million Federal Funds. The Emergency Board also authorized the establishment of three permanent positions (1.25 FTE), six limited duration positions (2.71 FTE), and an increase of 19.63 FTE to existing positions.

The agenda also included 14 agency reports which the Emergency Board acknowledged receiving (three of which were on consent – from the Departments of Human Services, Transportation, and Administrative Services). The Emergency Board heard 19 requests for the submission of federal grant applications (eleven of which were on consent – from the Oregon Health Authority, Criminal Justice Commission, and Departments of Justice, Parks and Recreation, Agriculture, and Transportation). Two of the grant application requests included approvals of associated expenditure limitation increases.

The following is a summary of significant Emergency Board actions taken at the May 2014 meeting:

Education

- Allocated \$700,000 to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission and \$2,299,999 to the Department of Administrative Services for the four Technical and Regional Universities from a special purpose appropriation made to the Emergency Board for costs associated with changes in the higher education system governance.
- Acknowledged receipt of a report by the Oregon Education Investment Board on the status of the P-20 Education State Longitudinal Data System project.
- Approved the submission of two five-year federal grant applications by the Department of

Education to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of \$9.75 million and to the U.S. Department of Education for up to \$3.75 million to address mental health issues in schools.

Human Services

 Allocated \$390,000 to the Oregon Health Authority from a special purpose appropriation made to the Emergency Board for senior services to cover senior mental health services and planning costs; the agency was also directed to return to the Emergency Board with a more detailed program plan.

- Allocated \$500,000 to the Department of Human Services from a special purpose appropriation made to the Emergency Board for senior services to cover adult abuse data system planning costs and directed the agency to report back to the Emergency Board on planning progress.
- Allocated \$3,000,000 to the Department of Human Services from a special purpose appropriation made to the Emergency Board for senior services to cover costs of a pilot project expanding Oregon Project Independence services to people with disabilities.
- Allocated \$2,016,628 to the Department of Human Services from a special purpose appropriation made to the Emergency Board for senior services to restore federal funding lost due to sequestration.
- Acknowledged receipt of a report from the Department of Human Services and the Department of Education on policy recommendations on how best to modify the Employment Related Day Care program to provide child care subsidies to working parents enrolled in post-secondary higher education.
- Approved, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application by the Department of Human Services to the U.S. Department of Agriculture in the amount of up to \$750,308 to expand employment services to certain Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program participants.
- Acknowledged receipt of a report by the Department of Human Services on caregiver training and the Quality Care Fund.
- Acknowledged receipt of a report by the Oregon Health Authority on mental health housing investments.

Public Safety and Judicial Branch

- Deferred a request for an allocation from the general purpose Emergency Fund by the Criminal Justice Commission of \$142,000 to fund a vacant position until later in the biennium, and approved increases in the Other Funds expenditure limitation of \$212,000 and the Federal Funds expenditure limitation of \$1,107,000 for Specialty Court grants.
- Acknowledged receipt of a report by the Judicial Department on compensation plan changes for the agency resulting from a classification study that reviewed 29 existing job classifications covering 151 positions.

• Acknowledged receipt of a report by the Military Department on Next Generation 9-1-1 and directed the agency to report back to the Emergency Board on the status of the project.

Natural Resources

- Increased the Other Funds expenditure limitation of the Department of State Lands by \$223,145 for fire suppression and recovery costs incurred in 2013.
- Increased the Other Funds expenditure limitation of the Department of State Lands by \$750,000 for remodeling the State Lands Building for consolidation of agency staff.
- Increased the Other Funds expenditure limitation of the Department of State Lands by \$235,000 for capital improvements to enhance Common School Fund lands revenue for two Harney County projects related to conversion of grazing land to agricultural land, with the understanding that \$195,000 of the limitation increase will be unscheduled until a water right is obtained.
- Approved the submission of a federal grant application by the Parks and Recreation Department to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in the amount of \$970,000 to acquire 357 acres of coastal property in the Sand Lake area of Tillamook County.
- Approved, retroactively, the submission of three federal grant applications by the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in the combined amount of \$3,000,000 for acquisition and restoration of coastal wetlands (China Camp Creek, Scholfield Creek, and Kilchis River).
- Approved, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application by the Department of Fish and Wildlife to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in the amount of \$1,000,000 for acquisition of 10,000 acres near the Lower Deschutes Wildlife Area to provide enhanced public access to hunting, fishing, and wildlife viewing.

Economic and Community Development

 Allocated \$98,700 from the general purpose Emergency Fund to the Department of Veterans' Affairs and authorized the establishment of one limited duration position to facilitate timely training and accreditation of County Veteran Service Officers.

- Approved, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application by the Department of Housing and Community Services to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$2,335,000 for project-based rental assistance to make 80 units of affordable housing available to extremely low-income Oregonians with mental illness.
- Approved, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application by the Oregon Business Development Department to the U.S. Small Business Administration in the amount of \$300,000 for funds available under the State Trade and Export Promotion program and increased the Federal Funds expenditure limitation by \$210,000, with the understanding the limitation increase will be unscheduled until the grant is received.

Transportation

- Established a \$278,841 Other Funds Capital Construction expenditure limitation and a \$1,590,307 Federal Funds Capital Construction expenditure limitation for the Department of Transportation to renovate the Salem baggage depot located adjacent to the Amtrak passenger rail station; the new limitations will expire at the end of the 2013-15 biennium.
- Increased the 2011-13 Other Funds Capital Construction expenditure limitation for the Department of Transportation by \$332,391 to complete the Bend Driver and Motor Vehicle Division field office project.
- Approved the submission of a federal grant application by the Department of Aviation to the Federal Aviation Administration in the amount of \$2,385,000, increased the Other Funds Capital Construction expenditure limitation by \$265,000, and increased the Federal Funds Capital Construction expenditure limitation by \$2,385,000 for improvements at the Cottage Grove State Airport.
- Increased the 2011-13 Other Funds Capital Construction expenditure limitation for the Department of Aviation by \$204,454 to cover unbudgeted administrative, legal, engineering, and well drilling expenses at the Aurora State Airport.

Consumer and Business Services

• Increased the Other Funds expenditure limitation for the Department of Consumer and Business

Services by \$402,411, authorized the reclassification of two existing permanent positions, and authorized the establishment of five limited duration positions (2.21 FTE) to support increases in workload driven by changes in the health insurance market and in construction inspection and permitting services.

 Acknowledged receipt of a report by the Construction Contractors Board on agency operations and directed the agency to report back to the Emergency Board in September.

Administration

- Acknowledged receipt of a report by the Secretary of State on costs associated with a data breach of the agency's web applications.
- Increased the Other Funds expenditure limitation of the Treasurer of State by \$580,732 and authorized the establishment of two permanent full-time positions (0.83 FTE) for the creation of an Information Security Management program within the agency.
- Increased the Other Funds expenditure limitation of the Treasurer of State by \$111,967 and authorized the establishment of one permanent full-time position (0.42 FTE) to support the Oregon 529 College Savings Network program.
- Increased the Other Funds expenditure limitation for the Department of Administrative Services by \$38,110,951 for distributions to counties of funds from the Shared Services Fund related to the Strategic Investment Program; \$37.8 million of the amount is to be provided to Washington County.
- Increased the Other Funds expenditure limitation for the Government Ethics Commission by \$133,560 for costs associated with development of an electronic reporting system for statements of economic interest.
- Acknowledged receipt of a report by the Governor's Office on positions loaned from other agencies, funded with resources from other agencies, or currently vacant.
- Allocated \$1,684,947 from a special purpose appropriation made to the Emergency Board for the Oregon State Library, increased the Other Funds expenditure limitation by \$264,471 for endowment and donation funds and by \$2,857,191 for state agency assessments, increased the Federal Funds expenditure limitation by \$2,409,329, and authorized an

increase of 19.63 FTE for existing positions for second fiscal year operational costs of the agency.

 Acknowledged receipt of a report from the Department of Revenue on the Core System Replacement project and directed the agency to report back to the Emergency Board in September on its readiness to proceed with implementation of Phase I of the project.

 Acknowledged receipt of a report by the Department of Administrative Services on uniform rent rates and approved the rates for the 2015-17 biennium.

	Agency	Full Board
	Requests	Action
General Purpose Emergency Fund		
Appropriation (after 2014 Session adjustments)	30,000,000	30,000,000
Allocations to date	0	
Unallocated Balance	30,000,000	30,000,000
Reservations (within General Purpose)	3,850,000	3,850,000
Reservations allocated to date	0	(
Unallocated Reservations	3,850,000	3,850,000
General Purpose Unallocated/Unreserved Balance	26,150,000	26,150,000
# May 2014 Requests - General Purpose		
25 Criminal Justice Commission - Restore funding for Economist position	(142,000)	(
28 Department of Veterans' Affairs - Funding for position to assist training CVSOs	(98,700)	(98,700
Total Requests - General Purpose	(240,700)	(98,700
General Purpose Unallocated/Unreserved Balance after 5/2014	25,909,300	26,051,300
Special Purpose Appropriations - Agency Specific (after 2014 Session actions)	46,906,819	46,906,819
Allocations/Transfers to Date	0	(
Unallocated Balance	46,906,819	46,906,819
# May 2014 Requests - Special Purpose Appropriations - Agency Specific		
8 Higher Education Coordinating Commission - Costs related to changes in governance of universities	(2,999,999)	(2,999,999
10 Oregon Health Authority - Senior mental health specialists	(3,500,000)	(390,000
20 Department of Human Services - Adult abuse prevention technology project	(500,000)	(500,00
21 Department of Human Services - Oregon Project Independence pilot for people with disabilities	(3,000,000)	(3,000,00
22 Department of Human Services - Older Americans Act backfill due to sequestration cuts	(2,016,628)	(2,016,62
46 Oregon State Library - Second year operational costs	(1,702,192)	(1,684,94
Total Requests - Special Purpose - Agency Specific	(13,718,819)	(10,591,57
Special Purpose - Agency Specific - Unallocated Balance after 5/2014	33,188,000	36,315,24

Emergency Board materials for the May 2014 meeting are available at <u>https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2013I1/Committees/EB/2014-05-30-08-30/Agenda</u>

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