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1. QUALITY SCHOOLS GRANT PROGRAM: 2015 Biennium Project Funding Recommendations and 2013 Biennium Emergency, Planning, and Project Grants Report
2. TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT PROGRAM: 2015 Biennium Project Funding Recommendations and 2013 Biennium Emergency, Planning, and Project Grants Report

Abstract

1. Quality Schools grant applications for school facility projects to be funded with 2015 biennium funding are currently being accepted by the Department. The deadline for applications is October 1, 2012. Once the applications have been ranked and scored, the Department will recommend school facility projects to be funded, including the amount of grant assistance for each project, and submit these recommendations to the Governor. The Governor will then review the recommendations and submit the recommendations to the Legislature. The Legislature will make the final decisions and necessary appropriations.
2. TSEP grant applications for infrastructure projects to be funded with 2015 biennium funding are currently being ranked and scored by the Department. Once this process is complete, the Department will recommend infrastructure projects to be funded, including the amount of grant assistance for each project, and submit these recommendations to the Governor. The Governor will then review the recommendations and submit the recommendations to the Legislature. The Legislature will make the final decisions and necessary appropriations. The Department must also provide a report of those 2013 biennium grant awards that have not met start-up conditions by January 1, 2013.
3. Both reports are expected to be available electronically on the Department website at <http://comdev.mt.gov/Grantsbureau/grantsbureau.mcp> in November or December 2012.
4. The Department recommends that paper copies of the reports be printed and distributed to the members of the Long-Range Planning Joint Appropriations Subcommittee (approximately 10 of each).