

Meeting Date: May 16, 2024

Agenda Item No. 5A

Agenda Item: FY 25 Shooting Range Grant Funding Recommendations for Commission Approval/Destination Range Update

Bureau Chief Approval: AP

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Background: The Range Grant Citizen Advisory Committee received applications from 25 shooting ranges throughout Idaho for consideration in the FY2025 grant cycle.

All projects were thoroughly evaluated and discussed, and all committee members provided valuable feedback and input.

For the 2025 grant cycle, the committee recommended 17 shooting ranges receive a total of \$494,318. Every region in Idaho is represented in the 38 recommended projects.

Director Fredericks reviewed the committee's recommendations and chose to advance all of them as presented for consideration by the Commission. Table 1 is the Director's full list of recommendations to the Commission for the FY25 Range Grant cycle. Table 2 is a worksheet with the financial overview for the FY2025 cycle.

Statutory Authority and/or Policy issues: House Bill 396 created authority and policy for the Commission to implement in concert with the Director. Specifically, the Commission is charged with approving Range Grant funding to applicants each year.

Public Involvement Process: The Range Grant Advisory Committee participated in four public meetings on January 18th, January 30th, February 6th, and February 21st. All meetings were publicly noticed and open to the public to attend either in-person or via Zoom.

Staff Recommendation: Proceed with approving funding for FY25 range grant recommendations.

Justification: House Bill 396 requires that Idaho Fish and Game conduct the annual shooting range grant program

Recommended Motion: I move the Commission approves the Director's Range Grant Funding Recommendations in Table 1 and the Director retains discretion for assigning the grant funding source.