

The background features a stylized landscape with a light blue sky at the top, a grey mountain range in the middle, and a green forest of evergreen trees at the bottom. A white and blue river flows through the forest.

# **Agenda Item X**

# **2011-12 Healthy Forests**

# **Grant Program Update**

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# Applications Received

	Category 1	Category 2	Totals
Applications Received	80	42	122
Amounts Requested	\$14.5	\$2.7	\$17.2 million

# Funding Allocation

Staff is recommending authorization for an additional \$2 million for 2011-12 Healthy Forests Grant Program for a total of approximately \$7 million in awards.

# Grant awards in June and September

If necessary, staff is seeking authorization to recommend approximately \$5 million of Category 1 projects to the Board at the June meeting and approximately \$2 million of the highest ranked remaining projects at the September Board meeting.

# Next Steps

- Evaluation by SNC and Expert Panel
- Appraisal Review
- CEQA Review
- Prepare Recommendation
- Subregion Committee Consultation
- Board Considers Recommended Grants in June

# Recommendation

Staff recommends the following actions: approval of increasing the funds available for the 2011-12 Healthy Forests Grant Program by approximately \$2 million; authorize staff to prioritize evaluation of Healthy Forests Category 1 applications to prepare grant recommendations for Board consideration in June, and to bring remaining recommendations to the Board in September (if necessary to provide adequate time for evaluation); and, establishment of Board Subregional committees to consult with staff on recommendations.