



**Item #13-3-12  
Action**

**Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee**

March 4, 2013

**U.S. EPA Wetland Program Development Grant Proposal**

**Issue:** Should SACOG apply for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Wetland Program Development Grants opportunity.

**Recommendation:** That the Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee recommend that the SACOG Board authorize staff to submit a proposal for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Wetland Program Development Grants program.

**Discussion:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will be releasing a Request for Proposals for the Wetland Program Development Grants opportunity in March. The program goals are to increase the quantity and quality of wetlands by conserving and restoring wetland acreage and improving wetland conditions. In pursuing these goals, EPA seeks to build the capacity of all levels of government to develop and refine effective, comprehensive programs for wetland protection and management.

SACOG staff will brief the committee on the grant opportunity in preparation for the March 11 meeting of the Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee, which will make a recommendation to the SACOG Board.

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