



UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

Major Maintenance Update

UW Board of Trustees
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Background

- Authorized and funded by American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF)
- Funds available, effective March 1, 2010
- Special oversight and reporting requirements not typically associated with State MM funding
- University will receive \$27M in SFSF funding for Major Maintenance for FY 11-12 biennium

Limitations on Eligible Uses of Funds

- Statutory definition of major maintenance included in state appropriations:
 - "Major building and facility repair and replacement" means the repair or replacement of complete or major portions of building and facility systems at irregular intervals that is required to continue the use of the building or facility at its original capacity for its original intended use, including compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and is typically accomplished by contractors due to the personnel demand to accomplish the work in a timely manner, the level of sophistication of the work or the need for warranted work;...

Additional Restrictions on SFSF MM Funds

- Funds must be used for “modernization, renovation, or repair of institutions of higher education **facilities** that are primarily used for **instruction or research**”
- Any projects that do not clearly meet this definition would only be approved if the U.S. Department of Education provides written approval for such projects
- Funds must be contractually obligated by June 30, 2011

Decision Process

- Division of Administration keeps a current, ranked list of projects eligible for major maintenance.
- Director of Physical Plant meets periodically with academic deans and other UW administrators, to update the list and reprioritize as necessary.
- This ongoing list provided a first step in this year's ARRA request process.
- Deans, VPs, and the President met several times to finalize the February 19 request to the Construction Management Division.

\$27M Request from UW

- Hazardous materials --- \$2.2 million
 - Including Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) compliance and asbestos abatement
- Accessibility --- \$1.1 million
 - Planned actions agreed to with Office of Civil Rights
- Building renovations --- \$16.3 million
 - Focus on building system controls, HVAC systems, hoods in laboratories and electrical systems
 - Physical Sciences, Bio Sciences, Hoyt Hall, Pharmacy, Geology
- Classroom and instructional laboratory renovations --- \$6.3 million
 - Impact ~30 classrooms in 7 buildings on campus
- Roof repair/replacements --- \$1.1 million

Next Steps

- UW request sent February 19, 2010; currently, under review by WY Dept of Admin and Information Construction Management Office
- Design projects; select contractors; sign contracts
- Ongoing approval requirements and oversight
- Significant accountability reporting for projects
- University will forward second list of projects later in March for consideration in the event that additional funding becomes available