

**Action /Information Item**

***California Student Aid Commission***

Approval of Cal-SOAP Contracts

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There are currently 16 Cal-SOAP (California Student and Opportunity Access Program) projects at 17 locations throughout the State.

The Commission's proposed 2006-07 budget includes \$8,567,000 in Student Loan Operating Funds for the Cal-SOAP Program. The Commission is authorized by statute to determine the actual funding levels of each of the Cal-SOAP projects.

Historically, the Cal-SOAP Advisory Committee meets prior to the Commission meeting and makes a recommendation on funding levels for the projects. However, the Advisory meeting scheduled for May 19, 2006, had to be rescheduled due to lack of a quorum.

Staff recommends that budget allocations for the 2006-07 fiscal year remain at current levels.

***Recommendation:*** Authorize the Executive Director to execute contracts with the Cal-SOAP consortia for the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, for a total amount of \$8,567,000.

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## AUTHORITY TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR CAL-SOAP

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Consortium	2006-07 Funding Recommendation
Central Coast	\$300,000
Central Valley	\$370,000
East Bay	\$673,683
Greater Long Beach	\$300,000
Los Angeles	\$850,000
Merced	\$363,130
Northcoast	\$500,526
North Valley	\$445,650
Sacramento	\$455,834
San Diego	\$1,250,000
San Francisco	\$335,000
San Jose	\$620,511
Santa Barbara	\$642,833
South San Joaquin	\$366,000
SUCCESS	\$628,833
South County (Gilroy)	\$465,000
<b>Award Totals</b>	<b>\$8,567,000</b>
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