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Hualapai Tribe Native Language Enrichment Program Proposed Recommendation

The Native Language Enrichment Strategy was carried out through a grant agreement with the Hualapai Department of Cultural Resources for State Fiscal Year 2012. The timeline and budget was developed with the plan to complete the project within one year. Significant progress was made throughout the year, including the written narrative for five bilingual (Hualapai/English) children's books. The text of the books is in its final editing stage, and a portion of the illustrations have been completed by a local Hualapai artist. The Hualapai Department of Cultural Resources faced challenges such as developing narrative that is acceptable to five dialects of the Hualapai language, as well as the challenge to identify the appropriate technology for the audio portion of the project. The Hualapai Department of Cultural Resources has expressed their commitment to completing the project.

RECOMMENDATION: In order to provide this literacy and language enriching tool to the children and families in the region, it is recommended that the Hualapai Tribe Regional Partnership Council consider another grant agreement to the Hualapai Department of Cultural Resources. This recommendation requires the following action:

- 1- Upon reconciliation of Fiscal Year 2012, consider allotting the unexpended funds from the Native Language Enrichment strategy in FY2012 to the same strategy in FY2013. Also approve a Scope of Work with the funding mechanism of a tribal grant agreement, and direct the Regional Director to develop a grant agreement with the Hualapai Tribe Department of Cultural Resources. (October)
- 2- Review the submitted grant agreement and scope of work. Provide a recommendation regarding a 7-month grant agreement to the Hualapai Tribal Council and the FTF Board. (November)
- 3- The Board would then consider the grant agreement recommendation during the December Board Meeting. (December)

Thank you,

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