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Brief Description: Clarifying what projects are eligible for funding by the salmon recovery funding board.

**HB 2589 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Authorizes the board to award a grant or loan to a private landowner who has a legal obligation under local, state, or federal law to fund a salmon recovery project when there is a clear benefit to salmon recovery. In making its determination to award the grant or loan, the board shall at least consider the resources of the private landowner and the potential harm to salmon recovery if the project is delayed. Project sponsors and lead entities must identify to the board any project submitted for funding that must be performed under a legal obligation, and must provide justification as to why the project should receive public funding.