



TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

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SUBJECT: State Museum Gallery Renewal and Master Implementation Plan

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AUTHORIZATION(S): 

SUMMARY

Issue for Discussion

The State Museum has updated the master plan for the update of the exhibit galleries.

Reason(s) for Consideration

Chapter 53, section 1, of the laws of 2008 made an appropriation “for projects to enhance the public display of the collections and exhibits of the state museum”.

Background Information

The State Museum is undergoing a major gallery renewal that will result in 35,000 square feet of new exhibitions about New York's natural, human and cultural history. The draft 2015 State Museum Master Plan for exhibitions includes thematic, and spatial overview that will serve as the guiding plan for the gallery project. The State 2015/16 budget includes funding for the design, fabrication and installation of the exhibitions. The draft plan will be presented to the Board of Regents for information and review.