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Professional Services Committee

Update on the Field Review of Recommendations from the Accreditation Study

Executive Summary: At its October 2005 meeting, the Commission heard the report of the Committee on Accreditation and the Accreditation Study Work Group on the review of the Commission's accreditation system. The Commission requested that staff conduct a field review on the recommendations. This item will present an update on the progress of the field review.

Recommended Action: This is an information item that requires no action.

Presenters: Lawrence Birch, Administrator.

Goal 1: Promote educational excellence through the preparation and certification of professional educators.

- ◆ Sustain high quality standards for the preparation of professional educators.
- ◆ Sustain high quality standards for the performance of credential candidates.

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Introduction

At its October 2005 meeting, the Commission heard the report of the Committee on Accreditation and the Accreditation Study Work Group on the review of the Commission's accreditation system. The report presented options for revising the accreditation system and the *Accreditation Framework* that govern educator preparation in California. The report described 18 accreditation topics identified by the two bodies and discussed the preferred options and the accompanying rationale for each one. A copy of the report may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2005-10/2005-10-6C.pdf>.

After discussion, the Commission requested that staff conduct a field review on the recommendations and directed that the COA and the Work Group do preliminary work on the issues identified in Topic 18 (Standard Review Efforts). The COA and the Work Group worked with staff in preparing the survey to be used for the field review. The web-based survey opened on December 6 and will remain open until February 10 and may be accessed on the Commission's website at <https://info.ctc.ca.gov/fmi/xsl/Accreditation/home.xsl>. Staff will present an oral update on the progress of the review.