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County: Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WAEC-03-022
Grant Name: Tourism Management Plan

Project Start Date: 06/16/2003
Project End Date: 12/31/2004

Applicant: Colville Confederated Tribes
Contact: Joseph Pakootas, 509-634-2215

FS Award: \$35,500
Leveraged Funds: \$12,019
Total Project Funding: \$47,519

Description:

The tourism plan will provide guidance to the Colville Confederated Tribes on how to analyze the impacts of tourism on the tribal community and lands. The plan will provide a framework to assist in identifying and planning for negative and positive impacts of tourism to the community, lands, and economy. With a tourism plan, the Tribe will be able to effectively

Olympic

Federal Identifier: WAEC-04-010
Grant Name: Business District Planning

Project Start Date: 07/01/2004
Project End Date: 12/31/2005

Applicant: City of Pateros
Contact: Gail Howe, 509-923-2571

FS Award: \$16,500
Leveraged Funds: \$18,000
Total Project Funding: \$34,500

Description:

This grant will help fund the development of a plan that will provide the City of Pateros with direction on how to develop the city-owned property in the downtown area. The plan will include assessment of alternatives for how the city should manage the property, assessment of potential uses of the property, siting recommendations including identification of optimal areas for business development, design recommendations and identification of infrastructure needs. The plan will be developed in partnership with Washington State Community Trade and Economic Development and in coordination with Okanogan County Economic Alliance and the local Chamber of Commerce. Public meetings will be held to involve local businesses, other interested businesses and community members in the planning process. This plan will provide information that will guide the city of Pateros in making decisions for development of the downtown area. Development of the property will promote business development, provide additional jobs, and improve the economy of southern Okanogan County.

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-94-004
Grant Name: Light Industrial Park

Project Start Date: 05/12/1994
Project End Date: 12/31/1996

Applicant: City of Oroville
Contact: Kathy Jones, 509-476-2926

FS Award: \$150,000
Leveraged Funds: \$1,481,500
Total Project Funding: \$1,631,500

Description:

Phase 1 of developing the light industrial business park at the City owned Dorothy Scott Airport. This will cover architectural & engineering services and telephone line installation. Increased revenues and the completion of a successful project will enhance local capacity for other economic development efforts. Possible 50-75 full time jobs (short term) plus many direct and indirect long term jobs.

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-94-012
Grant Name: Methow Valley Community Trail
Applicant: Town of Winthrop
Contact: Don Johnson, 509-996-2320

Project Start Date: 07/30/1994
Project End Date: 12/31/1996
FS Award: \$181,000
Leveraged Funds: \$46,000
Total Project Funding: \$227,000

Description:

Funds would go towards the construction of two key river crossings for the Methow Community Trail. The crossings are located on state-owned lands. Construction of the river crossings would complete the public use non-motorized trail along the floor of the Methow Valley. The trail was constructed to enhance recreational values to the area where tourism plays a

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-94-028
Grant Name: Water and Sewer Plan
Applicant: Town of Twisp
Contact: David Dubrouillet, 509-997-4081

Project Start Date: 09/22/1994
Project End Date: 11/30/1996
FS Award: \$70,000
Leveraged Funds: \$17,500
Total Project Funding: \$87,500

Description:

Funds are for a comprehensive sewer and water plan. A sewer and water plan would help prepare the way for developing an industrial park which would help the city diversify the local economy.

Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WAEC-94-029
Grant Name: Capital Improvement Plan
Applicant: City of Omak
Contact: E. Walt Smith, 509-826-1170

Project Start Date: 09/22/1994
Project End Date: 03/30/1996
FS Award: \$29,720
Leveraged Funds: \$12,487
Total Project Funding: \$42,207

Description:

Funds are for the development of a comprehensive capital improvement plan for all services and systems owned and operated by the city. The plan would help the city identify current and future community needs through a public planning process.

Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WAEC-94-038
Grant Name: Revolving Loan Start-u
Applicant: Okanogan County
Contact: Edwin Thiele, 509-422-7103

Project Start Date: 09/22/1994
Project End Date: 12/30/1996
FS Award: \$40,000
Leveraged Funds: \$55,979
Total Project Funding: \$95,979

Description:

Funds would be for start-up costs for a revolving loan fund for North Central Washington. The revolving loan fund would provide badly needed venture capital for small businesses that do not qualify to other existing funding sources. This would help diversify the local economy.

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-94-038b
Grant Name: Revolving Loan Fund Start-up

Project Start Date: 09/22/1994
Project End Date: 07/31/1997

Applicant: Okanogan County
Contact: Spence Higby, 509-422-7103

FS Award: \$25,000
Leveraged Funds: \$0
Total Project Funding: \$25,000

Description:

Funds would be for start-up costs for a revolving loan fund for North Central Washington. The revolving loan fund would provide badly needed venture capital for small businesses that do not qualify to other existing funding sources. This would help diversify the local economy.

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-98-008
Grant Name: Community Trail Signage/Spirit

Project Start Date: 09/21/1998
Project End Date: 12/31/2000

Applicant: Methow Institute Foundation
Contact: John Hayes, 509-996-2427

FS Award: \$5,000
Leveraged Funds: \$1,250
Total Project Funding: \$6,250

Description:

This grant will provide for the purchase of directional, informative, and/or interpretive signage for the Methow Community Trail. It will also provide for maps to be developed of the area. These signs and maps will assist visitors to the area in using the Methow Community Trail.

Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WANW-00-004
Grant Name: Tonasket Downtown Streetscape Theme

Project Start Date: 03/24/2000
Project End Date: 03/31/2003

Applicant: City of Tonasket
Contact: David Caddy, Sr., 509-486-2132

FS Award: \$29,449
Leveraged Funds: \$7,362
Total Project Funding: \$36,811

Description:

Funding for this project will create a "Master Plan" including sidewalk design and streetscape/theme plans. The plan developed with this project will provide Tonasket's civic organizations and city officials a working document to use for making aesthetic improvements to Tonasket. The improvements themselves will draw tourists and influence them to stay, thereby positively affecting the economy of Tonasket.

Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WANW-00-008
Grant Name: Forest Stewardship Pilot Project

Project Start Date: 04/21/2000
Project End Date: 04/22/2001

Applicant: Partnership for a Sustainable Methow
Contact: John Richardson, 509-997-0888

FS Award: \$26,370
Leveraged Funds: \$62,531
Total Project Funding: \$88,901

Description:

Funding for this project will focus on development and implementation of a training program for ecosystem management technicians, a community education and outreach component, and a small monitoring program, all involving small diameter wood harvesting and stand treatments on private non-industrial forest lands. Partnership for Sustainable Methow expects to begin building a broadbase community support and understanding of the ecological and economic benefits of applying non-traditional treatment methods on private forest lands, small scale, by using small ground-based harvesting methods. Immediate benefits include training of ecosystem management technicians and community education.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-00-039
Grant Name: Comm. Dev. Action Plans for Okanogan, Twisp & Gran

Project Start Date: 09/15/2000
Project End Date: 12/31/2003

Applicant: Okanogan County Council for Economic Dev.
Contact: Terry Knapton, 509-826-5107

FS Award: \$24,000
Leveraged Funds: \$7,949
Total Project Funding: \$31,949

Description:

This grant of \$24,000 would pay for 3 community action plans in Okanogan, Twisp and the Grand Coulee Dam area. These community action plans will help the communities of Okanogan, Twisp and the Grand Coulee area to refine their visions for their future, that have been developed over the past 10 years, and develop detailed action plans to implement

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Federal Identifier: WANW-00-040
Grant Name: Market Opportunities 2000

Project Start Date: 09/15/2000
Project End Date: 12/31/2003

Applicant: Okanogan County Council for Economic Dev.
Contact: Terry Knapton, 509-826-5107

FS Award: \$16,585
Leveraged Funds: \$4,343
Total Project Funding: \$20,928

Description:

There has been a sudden increase in the availability of facilities and labor to accommodate industrial enterprises in Okanogan County. This represents a unique new opportunity for industrial/business expansion and diversification. There is now a sufficient critical mass of industrial space available to justify an aggressive strategy to site manufacturing businesses within the county-and to focus on industry sectors that will truly diversify the economic base. This grant will better position the county attract and nurture targeted industries, firms, products, and processes to Okanogan County, thus increasing the local job base and decreasing unemployment in the county.

Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WANW-00-041
Grant Name: NCW Rural Tourism Network Circuit Rider &

Project Start Date: 09/15/2000
Project End Date: 06/30/2004

Applicant: Okanogan County Council for Economic Dev.
Contact: Terry Knapton, 509-826-5107

FS Award: \$44,157
Leveraged Funds: \$17,986
Total Project Funding: \$62,143

Description:

This grant will facilitate the development of tourism in rural North Central Washington via direct technical assistance to communities that have adopted tourism as an economic strategy. It will also assist in developing and implementing the communications plan element of the NCW Rural Tourism Network Strategic Plan to improve organizational decision-making, general knowledge, and dialogue among member communities. This project will expand the grassroots momentum for the regional tourism concept. Tangible outcomes for individual communities, or the region as a whole, will be new special events; more profitable special events; special events that attract more visitors; cooperative marketing initiatives; loop tours; enhanced visitor information center operations; and increasing the visitor traffic to the area attraction.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-01-002
Grant Name: River Siphon and Horizon Flats Design and Eng
Applicant: Town of Winthrop
Contact: Donald Johnson, 509-996-2320

Project Start Date: 01/22/2001
Project End Date: 11/30/2003

FS Award: \$35,000
Leveraged Funds: \$58,729
Total Project Funding: \$93,729

Description:

Funding for this project will help prepare 1) a feasibility study that will include alternatives analysis, preliminary engineering, cost estimates, environmental review and permits for upgrading the Methow River Siphon and 2) engineering designs, bid documents, construction ready plans, cost estimates, environmental review and permits for sewer collection system in Horizon Flats. The area west of the river contains many larger parcels that are ideally suited for larger commercial projects and multi-family housing and contains the community's only industrially zoned land. This project paves the way for the Town to allow industrial development in the only industrially zoned area and allow continued development of commercial and residential opportunities west of the Methow River. This project is intended to provide the Town with a proactive role in getting ahead of the problem rather than waiting until a moratorium or other halt on

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Federal Identifier: WANW-01-023
Grant Name: Fire Protection Project
Applicant: Town of Conconully
Contact: Richard Adams, 509-826-6005

Project Start Date: 09/01/2001
Project End Date: 12/31/2003

FS Award: \$14,000
Leveraged Funds: \$4,340
Total Project Funding: \$18,340

Description:

This grant of \$14,000 will help the Town of Conconully to (1) prepare an addendum to the 1998 pre-design report that will provide a fourth, lower-cost alternative for the Town's fire protection, (2) provide a geotechnical evaluation and environmental report, (3) provide a cost-benefit analysis of the water distribution system, and (4) develop a financial plan for design and construction. When implemented, the additional alternative to the fire suppression pre-design report will improve safety and reduce the threat of fire to the Town citizens and businesses, thereby reducing insurance rates.

Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WANW-01-033
Grant Name: Exhibit Concept Plan-Tawiakenwes Cultural Center
Applicant: Confederated Tribes of the Colville Indian Res
Contact: Colleen Cawston, 509-634-2208

Project Start Date: 09/15/2001
Project End Date: 12/31/2004

FS Award: \$50,000
Leveraged Funds: \$67,235
Total Project Funding: \$117,235

Description:

Funding is for the completion of a plan, conceptual drawings, and a final proposal describing exhibits interpreting the history and culture of the Chief Joseph Band of the Nez Perce on the Colville Reservation. We hope this project will

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Federal Identifier: WANW-02-041
Grant Name: Water Reclamation Facility Engineering Report

Project Start Date: 08/15/2002
Project End Date: 12/31/2004

Applicant: Town of Twisp
Contact: Rose Jones, 509-997-4081

FS Award: \$43,000
Leveraged Funds: \$29,500
Total Project Funding: \$72,500

Description:

This grant will fund a feasibility study and engineering report to analyze alternatives and make recommendations to upgrade the Town of Twisp's existing wastewater treatment facility to a water reclamation facility. Upgrading the wastewater treatment facility to a water reclamation facility is expected to bring the town into compliance with its existing water rights. Developments within the town will be able to proceed, providing jobs, services, and economic diversification to the Methow Valley.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-95-008
Grant Name: Airport Industrial Park Gap

Project Start Date: 08/04/1995
Project End Date: 08/04/1996

Applicant: City of Oroville
Contact: Jimmie Walker, 509-476-2926

FS Award: \$250,000
Leveraged Funds: \$74,350
Total Project Funding: \$324,350

Description:

This funding will help to construct access and site roads for the Oroville Light Industrial Park at Dorothy Scott Memorial Airport. The project would help to implement the Economic Diversification Strategy of the Community of Oroville. Light industrial activity at the industrial park represents the potential of 70 new jobs for the community within 1 year of opening the industrial park.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-95-019
Grant Name: Omak Water Supply Funding Gap

Project Start Date: 08/29/1995
Project End Date: 05/29/1997

Applicant: City of Omak
Contact: E. Walt Smith, (509) 826-1170

FS Award: \$164,000
Leveraged Funds: \$1,260,243
Total Project Funding: \$1,424,243

Description:

This grant of \$164,000 will stabilize and increase the supply of drinking water for the City of Omak and allow Omak Wood Products to comply with an order from the Environmental Protection Agency by no longer discharging heated water into the Okanogan River. The City of Omak will receive additional water rights. Industrial water use by Omak Wood Products will be reduced from 3,500 GPM to 250 GPM. Pollution in the Okanogan River will be reduced.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-96-001
Grant Name: Water Storage Improvements

Project Start Date: 01/22/1996
Project End Date: 12/31/1998

Applicant: Town of Winthrop
Contact: Donald Johnson, 509-996-2320

FS Award: \$75,000
Leveraged Funds: \$19,005
Total Project Funding: \$94,005

Description:

Funds would help Winthrop prepare a "bid-ready" document including right of way & easement needs, permits & cost estimates needed to construct a new water transmission main and new storage reservoir. Improvements to the water

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Federal Identifier: WANW-96-036
Grant Name: Performing Arts Center

Project Start Date: 09/01/1996
Project End Date: 12/31/1997

Applicant: Omak School District
Contact: Richard Niemeyer, 509-826-0320

FS Award: \$93,822
Leveraged Funds: \$23,455
Total Project Funding: \$117,277

Description:

This grant will assist the community in construction of dressing rooms and set storage area for the Omak Performing Arts Center. Completion of this project will allow the Performing Arts Center to attract large traveling productions that will draw visitors to the community from a wide area. This will allow the arts to contribute to the local economy.

Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WANW-97-023
Grant Name: Commuter Airlines Feasibility

Project Start Date: 09/15/1997
Project End Date: 09/30/1998

Applicant: Con Tribes of the Colville Indian Res
Contact: Joe Pakootas, 509-634-4711

FS Award: \$31,964
Leveraged Funds: \$10,460
Total Project Funding: \$42,424

Description:

Feasibility study for scheduled airline service at Omak, WA airport. The average distance to commercial air service in Okanogan county is 150 miles. A feasibility study will analyze factors that need to come together to make a commuter scheduled airline service a reality, which may help in providing increased business opportunities.

Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WANW-97-024
Grant Name: Bus. Retention & Econ Growth

Project Start Date: 09/15/1997
Project End Date: 12/31/1998

Applicant: Okanogan County Council for Economic Dev.
Contact: John Rayburn, 509-826-5107

FS Award: \$47,000
Leveraged Funds: \$19,028
Total Project Funding: \$66,028

Description:

Development of a county wide action business plan to increase membership on Okanogan County Council for Economic Development (OCCED). This plan will facilitate the recruitment of business into Okanogan county. Funding will also help provide technical assistance to communities on their economic development programs.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-97-033
Grant Name: Seaton's Grove Water Line

Project Start Date: 08/08/1997
Project End Date: 12/31/1997

Applicant: Okanogan County
Contact: Spencer Higby, 509-422-7100

FS Award: \$78,000
Leveraged Funds: \$651,400
Total Project Funding: \$729,400

Description:

This grant will help to install new water system transmission lines for the community of Seaton's Grove in Okanogan County and on the Colville Indian Reservation. This improvement will provide adequate water supply for the current and future needs of the community of Seaton's Grove.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-97-039
Grant Name: Revolving Loan Fund Admin.

Project Start Date: 08/26/1997
Project End Date: 09/30/2000

Applicant: Okanogan County Investment Assoc
Contact: Vern Dwight, 509-826-5107

FS Award: \$100,000
Leveraged Funds: \$378,798
Total Project Funding: \$478,798

Description:

This grant of \$100,000 will help OCIA pay for revolving loan fund administrative costs until OCIA is able to become profitable. Ability to operate a local revolving loan fund will make capital available for local business start-ups and expansions in Okanogan, Chelan, and Douglas Counties and on the Colville Indian Reservation.

Okanogan

Federal Identifier: WANW-97-040
Grant Name: Mentoring Through the Arts

Project Start Date: 08/15/1997
Project End Date: 12/31/1999

Applicant: Methow Arts Alliance
Contact: Laura Fine-Morrison, 509-997-4004

FS Award: \$22,000
Leveraged Funds: \$28,000
Total Project Funding: \$50,000

Description:

This grant will allow the Methow Arts Alliance to purchase materials, pay for planning, design and fabrication of learning site projects. This project will add to the range of learning opportunities for residents and visitors to the Methow Valley.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-97-046
Grant Name: Mazama Community Plan

Project Start Date: 08/22/1997
Project End Date: 01/31/1999

Applicant: Methow Institute Foundation
Contact: John Hayes, 509-996-2427

FS Award: \$15,000
Leveraged Funds: \$10,300
Total Project Funding: \$25,300

Description:

This grant will help the community of Mazama revise their strategic plan. This effort allows Mazama to have planned development in the upper Methow Valley.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-97-049
Grant Name: Water System Improvements

Project Start Date: 09/01/1997
Project End Date: 01/31/2001

Applicant: Town of Winthrop
Contact: Donald Johnson, 509-996-2320

FS Award: \$150,000
Leveraged Funds: \$300,000
Total Project Funding: \$450,000

Description:

This grant will help the Town of Winthrop make needed improvements to their water supply system. Completion of improvements will allow economic development to occur and improve fire flows in town.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-98-016
Grant Name: Fire Protection System D&Eng

Project Start Date: 07/02/1998
Project End Date: 02/16/2000

Applicant: Town of Conconully
Contact: Ben Tax, 509-826-6005

FS Award: \$14,962
Leveraged Funds: \$3,750
Total Project Funding: \$18,712

Description:

This grant will help the Town of Conconully develop a fire suppression system plan. Implementation of plan will enhance the fire suppression ability of the local volunteer fire department, thus reducing fire insurance costs for residents and creating a more favorable environment for attracting new businesses to the area.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-98-041
Grant Name: Water Supply Feas/Eng. Design

Project Start Date: 09/25/1998
Project End Date: 03/31/2000

Applicant: City of Brewster
Contact: Bonnie House, 509-689-3464

FS Award: \$33,600
Leveraged Funds: \$8,400
Total Project Funding: \$42,000

Description:

This grant will assist the City in developing a feasibility study which will evaluate alternatives for securing additional supply capacity for the water system. This report will be used to obtain Washington State Department of Health approval for the recommended supply improvements and to identify specific improvements necessary to meet the City's goals. Design engineering plans and bid specifications for new supply improvements and a Hospital Booster Pump Station will also be developed through this grant. The proposed improvements should increase system capacity to meet the present needs of the community and to accommodate new growth in the development of housing and businesses.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-99-003
Grant Name: Wholesale Value Added Product

Project Start Date: 03/15/1999
Project End Date: 12/31/2000

Applicant: Methow Conservancy
Contact: Brad Martin, 509-996-2870

FS Award: \$27,800
Leveraged Funds: \$19,245
Total Project Funding: \$47,045

Description:

Project will help identify local value added products and producers and market those products to targeted wholesale and retail outlets in the urban and suburban markets of western Oregon and Washington by the creation and distribution of a product portfolio. Local small business, featured in this portfolio, will increase their exposure to interested markets that would otherwise not know of their existence thus increasing producers chances for better revenue.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-99-004
Grant Name: Small Wood Diameter Initiative

Project Start Date: 03/08/1999
Project End Date: 03/31/2000

Applicant: Methow Conservancy
Contact: Brad Martin, 509-996-2870

FS Award: \$19,459
Leveraged Funds: \$6,295
Total Project Funding: \$25,754

Description:

Project will convene the necessary participants from local and neighboring communities to create a strategy and action plan that will allow for the ecologically sound and sustainable harvest of Okanogan Small diameter timber to be used in value added light manufacturing industries in the community. Implementation of this strategy and action plan will provide for more efficient use of the available small diameter wood available in the Okanogan and create a healthy environment for the remaining trees (thinning). It will also allow for niche business development in this field, close to home.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-99-006
Grant Name: Airport Industrial Park Plan

Project Start Date: 03/30/1999
Project End Date: 12/31/2000

Applicant: City of Omak
Contact: E. Walt Smith, 509-826-1170

FS Award: \$10,706
Leveraged Funds: \$5,594
Total Project Funding: \$16,300

Description:

Funding for this project will help the city of Omak to complete an airport industrial park master plan. The plan will include the formation of an advisory committee, and preparation of a report, accurate base map, three alternative development scenarios, and a final master plan. This regional plan will assist Okanogan County in recruiting businesses to move into the Omak Airport Industrial Park.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-99-023
Grant Name: Community Development Plan

Project Start Date: 07/01/1999
Project End Date: 12/31/2000

Applicant: Town of Conconully
Contact: Ben Tax, 509-826-6005

FS Award: \$8,000
Leveraged Funds: \$3,796
Total Project Funding: \$11,796

Description:

Funding for this project will be to prepare and approve a community development plan that lists and prioritizes community needs and provides strategies for addressing those needs. The necessary steps include: Retaining a consultant to advise and guide the process; form an advisory committee; hold committee meetings, and develop a final plan for adoption. This plan will serve as a tool to help Conconully better serve its current businesses, residents, and the tourists who come to enjoy the many available recreational opportunities. Primarily, though, this plan will serve as a resource for attracting more tourists, businesses, and residents. It will provide the information for doing that in a way that the community, as a

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Federal Identifier: WANW-99-033
Grant Name: Chesaw Water System

Project Start Date: 09/13/1999
Project End Date: 12/31/2002

Applicant: Okanogan County
Contact: Tom McCone, 509-422-7315

FS Award: \$47,825
Leveraged Funds: \$44,878
Total Project Funding: \$92,703

Description:

The unincorporated town of Chesaw needs to instal a public water system. Their area is in an adjudicated water system and no water rights are available at this time. The system they are curently under is operated by a local resident who no longer wishes to be a purveyor of water. The system does not have a water right and currently the town is under a 'boil water' order for health reasons. The town will continue seeking a water right to install a public water system. In the meantime, they would like to put in two 6-pack wells to provide water to residents and businesses. This system will serve as a temporary safe drinking water system to residents and businesses in Chesaw until they can obtain a water right. This will enable them to attract more residents as well as businesses.

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Federal Identifier: WARD-00-002
Grant Name: Methow Food Alliance - Phase 2

Project Start Date: 06/19/2000
Project End Date: 12/31/2001

Applicant: Partnership for a Sustainable Methow
Contact: Blue Redpath, 509-997-1050

FS Award: \$23,090
Leveraged Funds: \$10,550
Total Project Funding: \$33,640

Description:

This grant will provide business counseling, resources and marketing coordination to a number of community kitchen-based businesses in the Methow Valley. Included are provisions for a marketing coordinator, marketing efforts, business library and resource materials, and business counseling. PSM and the Methow Food Alliance expect to better provide for local businesses an avenue and facility to encourage the wholesale and retail marketing of value-added, locally produced agricultural products.

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Federal Identifier: WARD-03-002
Grant Name: Forest Restoration Economic Strategy - Okanogan Co

Project Start Date: 06/01/2003
Project End Date: 11/30/2004

Applicant: North Central Washington Resource Conservation
Contact: Wendell Black, 509-682-8284

FS Award: \$22,294
Leveraged Funds: \$10,040
Total Project Funding: \$32,334

Description:

This grant will create a collaborative strategy describing how Okanogan County organizations with a focus on natural resources and economic development will collaborate on programs in okanogan County over the next five years. The strategy willenable organizations to implement collaborative and complementary activities in forest restoration, monitoring, training, community education, manufacturing, business support, development of products from the by-products of forest restoration, and product marketing. The full range of organizational capabilities will be more effectively available to Okanogan County communities. Okanogan County's overall capacity to address the challenges of forest restoration and related economci development will be enhanced.

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Federal Identifier: WARD-99-001
Grant Name: Recycling Ctr. Feasibility

Project Start Date: 04/01/1999
Project End Date: 12/31/2001

Applicant: Okanogan County Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Contact: Ellen Lamiman, 509-996-2228

FS Award: \$22,328
Leveraged Funds: \$13,988
Total Project Funding: \$36,316

Description:

Funding for this project is for feasibility of a community recycling program. Goals are to 1) identify commodities that could be efficiently recycled in the Methow Valley, 2) identify cost efficient means of collecting the commodities, 3) identify cost efficient means of processing and transporting recycled items to markets, and 4) developing a written analysis and business plan. This project will help to provide efficient cost effective recycling in a rural community with high solid waste disposal costs in addition to creating economic opportunities and possible jobs in the local economy.

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Federal Identifier: WNFP-01-001
Grant Name: Forest Stewardship Feasibility Phase II

Project Start Date: 05/15/2001
Project End Date: 12/31/2002

Applicant: Partnership for a Sustainable Methow
Contact: Aletia Alvarez, 509-997-3820

FS Award: \$39,960
Leveraged Funds: \$93,844
Total Project Funding: \$133,804

Description:

Phase II of the Foerst Stewardship Project will deliver adaptations and expansion of the Project's community education, worker training, workforce development, equipment research and monitoring programs. These activities will directly benefit hazardous fuels reduction and other forest restoration efforts in dense dry forests, as well as new forest worker jobs in our local area. Additionally, they will indirectly support development of local small diameter wood processing businesses and associated jobs.

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Federal Identifier: WNFP-01-002
Grant Name: Forest Stewardship

Project Start Date: 06/22/2001
Project End Date: 12/31/2001

Applicant: Partnership for a Sustainable Methow
Contact: Aletia Alvarez, 509-997-3820

FS Award: \$155,020
Leveraged Funds: \$52,462
Total Project Funding: \$207,482

Description:

Grant funds will be used to purchase logging equipment and support vehicles to demonstrate the use of low-impact equipment to work in thinning and fuels reduction activities in north-central Washington. This project will expand the capacity of the grantee to hire and train additional new members for restoration forestry in the areas dense dry forests and wildland-urban interface zones. This demonstration project will help educate the public in ways ecosystem restoration can be carried out to support environmentally sound and economically viable vegetation management operations in fire-prone ecosystems. It will serve as a model for other community-based forestry initiatives.

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Federal Identifier: WNFP-02-008

Grant Name: Treatment of Natural Fuels and Fuel Break

Applicant: Pine Forest Owners Association

Contact: Lynn Lewicki, 206-232-6228

Project Start Date: 07/15/2002

Project End Date: 12/31/2003

FS Award: \$50,000

Leveraged Funds: \$1,175

Total Project Funding: \$51,175

Description:

Funding for this grant will allow the Pine Forest Owners Association to treat excess natural fuels in a previously thinned area within the Pine Forest subdivision and to create a fuel break. The fuel break will create a zone from which fire fighting forces could potentially operate to keep a fire from spreading. This project is being used as a model for other homeowner associations in the area, thereby promoting hazard reduction activities in other areas. This project will also provide seasonal employment opportunities.

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Federal Identifier: WNFP-03-001

Grant Name: Roundwood Product Development & Market Testing

Applicant: Okanogan Communities Development Council

Contact: Geraldine Gillespie, 509-422-1976

Project Start Date: 05/03/2003

Project End Date: 12/15/2004

FS Award: \$60,000

Leveraged Funds: \$15,000

Total Project Funding: \$75,000

Description:

This project focuses upon roundwood and will test the ability of various producers in the Methow Valley to profitably produce market-acceptable roundwood products, such as trusses, furniture, structural components, and fencing. By helping develop economical uses for small-diameter wood, fuels reduction activities will increase, contributing to reduction in wildfire risk, particularly in the wildland/urban interface.

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County Summary:

Grants Awarded:	43
Total FS Award:	\$2,397,112
Total Leveraged Funds:	\$4,968,766
Total Project Funding:	\$7,365,877