



**USDA Forest Service  
Washington Grants Awarded by State and Private Forestry  
Pacific Northwest Region, Cooperative Programs  
1994-2004**



**County: Whitman**

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**Federal Identifier:** WARD-94-003

**Grant Name:** Fiber Optics Cable

**Project Start Date:** 07/31/1994

**Project End Date:** 06/30/1996

**Applicant:** W.S.U. Research Foundation

**Contact:** Larry Simonsmeier, 509-335-5526

**FS Award:** \$50,000

**Leveraged Funds:** \$73,000

**Total Project Funding:** \$123,000

**Description:**

Funds would help fund fiber optic cable access to all tenants at the WSU Research & Technology Park, so that small, start-up companies in southeastern WA can communicate via high speed electronic communications networks with other companies world-wide. A Major tenant is WSU Wood Materials & Engineering Lab who is developing cutting edge technology for composite wood products. This would provide access to information previously not available. Research from the tenants from this park could result in positively impacting timber dependent counties.

Umatilla

**County Summary:**

<b>Grants Awarded:</b>	1
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<b>Total Project Funding:</b>	\$123,000