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



County: Lewis

Federal Identifier: WAEC-02-003
Grant Name: General Sewer/Wastewater Plan

Project Start Date: 08/01/2002
Project End Date: 12/31/2003

Applicant: City of Vader
Contact: Guy Chastain, 360-295-3222

FS Award: \$50,000
Leveraged Funds: \$35,000
Total Project Funding: \$85,000

Description:

The City of Vader proposes to develop a combined General Sewer Plan and Wastewater Facilities Plan to address problems associated with both the sewer collection system and the wastewater treatment system. This study will collect the information necessary to recommend wastewater system improvements and begin the necessary design work. The City of Vader will also be carrying out a Community Action Planning (CAP) process at about the same time as the sewer planning process. Information from the CAP will be integrated into the General Sewer Plan to ensure that there will be sufficient wastewater capacity for the planned community and economic development efforts. The CAP was funded by an earlier USFS grant.

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-03-014
Grant Name: Packwood Economic and Fiscal Study

Project Start Date: 06/01/2003
Project End Date: 12/31/2004

Applicant: Destination Packwood Association
Contact: Maree Lerchen, 360-494-2311

FS Award: \$20,000
Leveraged Funds: \$5,700
Total Project Funding: \$25,700

Description:

This grant will fund a strategic planning effort that involves a focused assessment for the community of Packwood that matches future growth with infrastructure needs. The assessment will provide information needed by the community and county to move forward on design and construction of a wastewater facility. This project will assess future growth, infrastructure needs, and sewer rates for the community of Packwood. The information is necessary to prepare the project for wastewater facility design that will help to maintain and expand business and economic health of the community.

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-03-016
Grant Name: Strategic Plan for Economic Development

Project Start Date: 06/01/2003
Project End Date: 12/31/2004

Applicant: Cowlitz Indian Tribe
Contact: Mike Iyall, 360-456-8720

FS Award: \$30,000
Leveraged Funds: \$8,000
Total Project Funding: \$38,000

Description:

This grant will fund a plan for economic development for the Cowlitz Indian Tribe and to assist in the revitalization and stabilization of the economic situation of rural communities of east Lewis County, to define areas of need and to determine the best options for meeting those needs. The Cowlitz Tribe and Lewis county rural communities will benefit from a

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-04-015
Grant Name: Spirit Award - Community Improvement

Project Start Date: 08/01/2004
Project End Date: 12/31/2005

Applicant: Morton Chamber of Commerce
Contact: Robert Worsham, 360-496-6363

FS Award: \$5,000
Leveraged Funds: \$0
Total Project Funding: \$5,000

Description:

This Spirit Award was presented to the City of Morton for working collaboratively to bring hope for a brighter future for the entire community. This award will be used to produce a high quality digital video documentary portraying the history of the town of Morton, to purchase materials for the Morton Logging Memorial, and to purchase materials for the Morton Railroad

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-94-017
Grant Name: State St. Engineering Design

Project Start Date: 08/17/1994
Project End Date: 06/30/1996

Applicant: City of Mossyrock
Contact: William Marshall, 206-983-3300

FS Award: \$32,500
Leveraged Funds: \$8,125
Total Project Funding: \$40,625

Description:

Funds are for the engineering survey & design for street, curb, gutters, storm water runoff and tourism enhancements(sidewalk, horse and buggy town tour). This project would help enhance tourism along the main travel access route through the town of Mossyrock.

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-94-023
Grant Name: Small Business Incubator

Project Start Date: 09/06/1994
Project End Date: 09/30/1995

Applicant: Port of Centralia
Contact: Wendy Paulin, 360-736-3527

FS Award: \$57,129
Leveraged Funds: \$57,128
Total Project Funding: \$114,257

Description:

Grant funds would help construct a light industrial type business incubator building. A business incubator building would provide opportunities for small businesses to help diversify the local economies.

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Federal Identifier: WAEC-94-033
Grant Name: E. Lewis Co. Public Restrooms

Project Start Date: 09/20/1994
Project End Date: 06/30/1996

Applicant: Lewis County
Contact: Warren Dahlin, 360-740-1134

FS Award: \$103,200
Leveraged Funds: \$236,584
Total Project Funding: \$339,784

Description:

Funds would be for the engineering, design, and construction of Public Restrooms. Construction of public restrooms would provide badly needed facilities that would be attractive to tourism in the area.

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County: Lewis

Federal Identifier: WANW-00-022

Grant Name: TA to Small Growing Companies

Applicant: Lewis County Economic Development Council

Contact: William Lotto, 360-748-0114

Project Start Date: 08/01/2000

Project End Date: 12/31/2004

FS Award: \$30,000

Leveraged Funds: \$10,000

Total Project Funding: \$40,000

Description:

This project will fund specialist technical support to existing and start up manufacturing businesses that are struggling with production efficiencies. The Lewis County EDC and Lending Network have found that some old-style production methods are not allowing companies to remain profitable. The Lewis County EDC estimates that this proposal would benefit from 8-10 businesses per year that represent from 100/150 workers. The economy of Lewis County would directly benefit by improving the competitiveness of existing companies.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-00-023

Grant Name: Packwood Waste Water Feasibility Study

Applicant: Lewis County

Contact: Dennis Hadaller, 360-740-1120

Project Start Date: 08/01/2000

Project End Date: 12/31/2002

FS Award: \$46,000

Leveraged Funds: \$31,600

Total Project Funding: \$77,600

Description:

This project will fund a feasibility study to determine how to best combat wastewater in the Packwood area. Septic systems handle all wastewater in the Packwood community. Due to a limited land base and the high costs of engineered systems, business growth has been limited. Packwood is an unincorporated community of approximately 800 people and 40 businesses. Completion of a wastewater feasibility study for the Packwood area will provide community members with the necessary information to proceed with implementation of a wastewater system that can accommodate business and residential growth.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-01-017

Grant Name: Morton Community Action Plan

Applicant: Morton Chamber of Commerce

Contact: Rober Worsham, 360-496-6086

Project Start Date: 08/01/2001

Project End Date: 12/31/2002

FS Award: \$20,000

Leveraged Funds: \$8,523

Total Project Funding: \$28,523

Description:

This project will produce a community action plan that will include a vision statement, economic analysis of opportunities for economic and community development, and strategies and action that will yield long-term economic, social and environmental improvements for the citizen's of Morton. Completion of this project will allow the community to follow identified strategies and actions for improving the economic, social and cultural opportunities in the Morton community. The completed plan and community interaction during the planning process will enhance local decision making capabilities and community capacity.

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County: Lewis

Federal Identifier: WANW-01-018
Grant Name: The Lending Network CDFI Certification

Project Start Date: 08/01/2001
Project End Date: 12/31/2002

Applicant: The Lending Network
Contact: Tani Allen-Gunn, 360-748-0114

FS Award: \$24,130
Leveraged Funds: \$16,500
Total Project Funding: \$40,630

Description:

This project will complete an application and supporting analysis to certify the Lending Network and ensure they are competitive in competing for Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) funds. The Lending Network is out of loan funds and the demand for business loans remains high in Lewis, Cowlitz and south Thurston Counties. To be competitive for CDFI loan funds, the Lending Network needs to complete the supporting analysis to support information presented in the certification application. Completion of this project will allow the Lending Network to compete for additional loan funds through CDFI loans to start up and expanding businesses in Lewis, Cowlitz and south Thurston Counties. Since 1995 The Lending Network has loaned \$2.4 million dollars to 28 businesses. Loans range from \$50,000 to \$200,000. These loans have resulted in the creation of approximately 400 jobs, primarily in the industrial sector.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-01-024
Grant Name: Winlock Community Action Plan

Project Start Date: 09/01/2001
Project End Date: 12/31/2002

Applicant: City of Winlock
Contact: Don Bradshaw, 360-785-3811

FS Award: \$20,000
Leveraged Funds: \$5,838
Total Project Funding: \$25,838

Description:

Funding will produce a community action plan that will include a vision statement; economic analysis of opportunities for economic and community development; plus strategies and actions that, when implemented, will yield long-term economic, social, and environmental improvements to the City and its citizens. Completion of this project allows Winlock to identify and organize a community strategy and make needed connections between local and regional activities that improve the social, economic, and cultural opportunities for the City.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-01-037
Grant Name: Spirit Award/visitor Information/Town Enhancement

Project Start Date: 09/24/2001
Project End Date: 12/31/2002

Applicant: South Cascade Tourism Council
Contact: Maree Lerchen, 360-494-2223

FS Award: \$5,000
Leveraged Funds: \$1,500
Total Project Funding: \$6,500

Description:

Funding will (1) complete work on a visitor information kiosk at the Packwood Community Hall; (2) improve visitor information signage at the Packwood Information Station; and (3) provide additional seasonal decorations for the

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County: Lewis

Federal Identifier: WANW-02-006
Grant Name: Packwood Community Hall Improvement Plan
Applicant: South Cascade Tourism Council
Contact: Maree Lerchen, 360-494-2223

Project Start Date: 10/01/2002
Project End Date: 12/31/2004
FS Award: \$9,000
Leveraged Funds: \$3,000
Total Project Funding: \$12,000

Description:

Funding for this project will develop a master improvement plan to identify renovations required to bring the Packwood Community Hall into code compliance and enhance the existing amenities in the building. The desired outcome is increased revenue for all merchants in the community. the building improvement will allow the extension of the tourism

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Federal Identifier: WANW-02-007
Grant Name: Comprehensive Tourism Plan
Applicant: Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce
Contact: Todd Christensen, 360-748-8885

Project Start Date: 05/15/2002
Project End Date: 12/31/2004
FS Award: \$30,000
Leveraged Funds: \$41,500
Total Project Funding: \$71,500

Description:

Development of a county-wide tourism plan that identifies the tourism assets, targets markets, and develops marketing strategies. A Strategic Plan that guides the development and marketing of tourism resources in Lewis County, leading to incrsed utilization of existing service businesses, increased employment and increased local tax base.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-02-011
Grant Name: Community Action Plan
Applicant: City of Vader
Contact: Wanda Ward, 360-295-3222

Project Start Date: 06/15/2002
Project End Date: 12/31/2003
FS Award: \$20,000
Leveraged Funds: \$5,000
Total Project Funding: \$25,000

Description:

This project will produce a Community Action Plan for the community of Vader. The final product will include a vision statement, economic analysis of and opportunities for economic and community development, and strategies and actions that, if implemented, will yield long-term economic, social, and economic improvements to the city and its citizens. There are opportunities for economic revitalization and expansion in the area to improve economic opportunities, community facilities and infrastructure, enhance local decision making capabilities and boost the quality of life. The completion of this plan will focus efforts of the greater Vader community on projects that make a difference.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-02-029
Grant Name: Historic Facade Improvement Program
Applicant: City of Centralia
Contact: David Eatwell, 360-330-7566

Project Start Date: 10/01/2002
Project End Date: 12/31/2003
FS Award: \$20,000
Leveraged Funds: \$126,190
Total Project Funding: \$146,190

Description:

Funding for this project will improve the appearance of the business fronts in the historic downtown area of Centralia. The goal of this project is to bring more than 120,000 sf of downtown commercial space back into commercial

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County: Lewis

Federal Identifier: WANW-02-030
Grant Name: Economic Development Strategies for East County
Applicant: Lewis County Economic Development Council
Contact: William Lotto, 360-748-0114

Project Start Date: 10/01/2002
Project End Date: 12/31/2004
FS Award: \$20,000
Leveraged Funds: \$8,500
Total Project Funding: \$28,500

Description:

This project will create a profile for each local area such as existing buildings, land properly zoned, utilities, labor force, education, training, telecommunications, and transportation linkages. A profile will be created of businesses they feel would fit or are missing in their area. The final results should give detailed information, including costs of location by area throughout East county, including Morton, packwood, and Randle. The goal of this project is to identify specific target business sectors that fit our economic development profile and support diversification of our economic base.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-02-037
Grant Name: Wastewater Facility Planning
Applicant: City of Winlock
Contact: Lee Wheeler, 503-295-4911

Project Start Date: 10/01/2002
Project End Date: 12/31/2003
FS Award: \$45,000
Leveraged Funds: \$13,070
Total Project Funding: \$58,070

Description:

This project will prepare a combined General Sewer Plan and Wastewater Facilities Plan for the City of Winlock. The plan will address the community's current needs, projected future need resulting from normal population growth and projected future need related to industrial/commercial development. The State Department of Ecology has mandated that the city prepare a combined Sewer/Wastewater facilities plan to examine how to meet future wastewater needs in the community. Wastewater master planning is the first necessary step in quantifying the design criteria for developing capital improvements to wastewater facilities that will support future economic development.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-02-043
Grant Name: Morton Railroad Depot Relocation
Applicant: Cowlitz River Valley Historical Society
Contact: Bob Worsham, 360-496-6363

Project Start Date: 10/01/2002
Project End Date: 12/31/2004
FS Award: \$31,000
Leveraged Funds: \$8,776
Total Project Funding: \$39,776

Description:

Funding for this project will be used to prepare designs necessary to enable relocation and restoration of the railroad depot in the Town of Morton which is the focus of the town's downtown revitalization plans. Relocation and restoration of the town's railroad depot will provide the western terminus for the Tacom Railroad line that is planned to bring visitors to the area. Increased visitors will bring much needed revenue to downtown businesses. The depot is also planned as a location for historic displays.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-95-011
Grant Name: Winlock/Toledo Action Plan

Project Start Date: 08/08/1995
Project End Date: 06/08/1996

Applicant: City of Winlock
Contact: Don Bradshaw, (360) 785-3811

FS Award: \$22,600
Leveraged Funds: \$5,650
Total Project Funding: \$28,250

Description:

Funding will help to develop a Community Action Plan for the cities of Winlock and Toledo. Creation of a Community Action Plan will encourage economic development success by identifying necessary projects along with funding sources and action planning for implementation.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-95-012
Grant Name: Incubator Build. #4, Centralia

Project Start Date: 08/08/1995
Project End Date: 04/30/1996

Applicant: Port of Centralia
Contact: Wendy Paulin, (360) 736-3527

FS Award: \$70,000
Leveraged Funds: \$28,764
Total Project Funding: \$98,764

Description:

This grant of \$70,000 will help to construct a 2000-square foot incubator building in the Centralia Industrial Park, designed to attract a new and emerging small business to the area. Job creation through business expansion will attract new and emerging small businesses that need start-up manufacturing space not currently available in the community.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-96-007
Grant Name: Downtown Revitalization

Project Start Date: 03/01/1996
Project End Date: 08/31/1997

Applicant: City of Winlock
Contact: Don Bradshaw, 360-785-3811

FS Award: \$47,638
Leveraged Funds: \$51,304
Total Project Funding: \$98,942

Description:

This grant of \$50,000 help the City to repair and pave downtown sidewalks. Safe, usable sidewalks should encourage use and expansion of the downtown businesses and help to retain current businesses.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-96-008
Grant Name: Business Park Development

Project Start Date: 05/28/1996
Project End Date: 06/30/1998

Applicant: Port of Chehalis
Contact: Heidi Pehl, 360-748-9365

FS Award: \$120,116
Leveraged Funds: \$306,950
Total Project Funding: \$427,066

Description:

This grant of \$120,116 will provide the architectural and engineering design, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and landscaping for the Port of Chehalis Business Park development. This grant will help to develop a local business park which will aid in job

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County: Lewis

Federal Identifier: WANW-96-020
Grant Name: Centralia College East/Morton

Project Start Date: 07/24/1996
Project End Date: 12/31/1997

Applicant: Centralia College Foundation
Contact: Kathleen Thornton, 360-736-9391

FS Award: \$250,000
Leveraged Funds: \$108,654
Total Project Funding: \$358,654

Description:

This grant will provide funding for a modular building and associated improvements which will provide space for and educational facility located in the community of Morton in East Lewis County. This project will develop economic capacity in eastern Lewis County as well as the personal capacity of individuals within the community. Educational programs provided will enable community members to take advantage of options available to them and make choices which lead to career opportunities and economic independence.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-97-005
Grant Name: Infrastructure Development

Project Start Date: 03/17/1997
Project End Date: 09/30/1998

Applicant: Port of Chehalis
Contact: Heidi Pehl, 360-748-9365

FS Award: \$115,691
Leveraged Funds: \$104,824
Total Project Funding: \$220,515

Description:

This grant of \$115,691 will provide access to Lot #18 where the Community Economic Revitalization Board is assisting the Port in constructing an industrial building for a prospective business. The prospective business is a beverage manufacturer who will locate on Lot #18 and provide 15-18 jobs, initially. The Port is actively recruiting for clients to locate on the other lots which will result in further job creation for Chehalis and the surrounding communities.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-97-016
Grant Name: Regional Wastewater Facilities

Project Start Date: 06/01/1997
Project End Date: 09/01/1998

Applicant: Port of Centralia
Contact: Wendy Paulin, 360-736-3527

FS Award: \$96,000
Leveraged Funds: \$24,000
Total Project Funding: \$120,000

Description:

Complete an environmental impact statement for wastewater facility relocation and development. The EIS will provide alternatives to improve total maximum daily load for current industrial users and provide increased capacity to businesses

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Federal Identifier: WANW-97-017
Grant Name: Pe Ell and Adjacent Comm. CAP

Project Start Date: 09/01/1997
Project End Date: 07/30/2000

Applicant: Town of Pe Ell
Contact: John Penberth, 360-291-3543

FS Award: \$10,672
Leveraged Funds: \$2,675
Total Project Funding: \$13,347

Description:

Develop a community action plan for the community of Pe Ell and the unincorporated surrounding communities. The CAP will lay a foundation for the communities to create an identity and start proactive planning for future opportunities in

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Federal Identifier: WANW-98-018
Grant Name: Rail Line/Industrial Park Study

Project Start Date: 05/15/1998
Project End Date: 12/31/1999

Applicant: Port of Chehalis
Contact: Heidi Pehl, 360-748-9365

FS Award: \$32,000
Leveraged Funds: \$8,000
Total Project Funding: \$40,000

Description:

This funding will provide for a rail line and industrial site feasibility study to maximize the long-term development opportunities for Lewis County and the Port District. The study will address how the Port will successfully manage the complexities of rail line operations, marketing issues, target industries, infrastructure, growth management, planning, environmental issues, and more. Additionally, the study will address the tourist steamtrain operation and its relationship to the Port. Rail-served industrial property will provide the Port with greater ability to attract new industry to Lewis County. This will assist in the Port's mission to diversify the local economy and to create family wage jobs. The Port also supports the continued operation of the Centralia-Chehalis Railroad Association's tourist steamtrain and recognizes the long-term benefit of this operation.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-99-008
Grant Name: Sewer Sys Infiltration/Inflow

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

Applicant: Town of Pe Ell
Contact: John Penberth, 360-291-3543

FS Award: \$46,036
Leveraged Funds: \$12,500
Total Project Funding: \$58,536

Description:

Funding for this project will be used to identify the major sources of infiltration and inflow (I&I) into the PeEll wastewater collection system and quantify the volumes of water from each source. This information will then be used to prioritize pipe rehabilitation efforts based on a cost-effectiveness analysis, i.e. the amount of I&I removed per dollar spent. The end product will be a priority list of sewer rehabilitation/replacement projects that will guide the I&I reduction program in Pe Ell. This project should help bring the community of PeEll into compliance with DOE and DOH standards and improve the health of the local area.

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Federal Identifier: WANW-99-010
Grant Name: Packwood Community Action Plan

Project Start Date: 04/15/1999
Project End Date: 12/31/1999

Applicant: Lewis County Economic Development Council
Contact: William Lotto, 360-748-0114

FS Award: \$7,500
Leveraged Funds: \$1,950
Total Project Funding: \$9,450

Description:

Funding for this project will assist the Destination Packwood Association in completing an action plan for the Packwood area. Completion of short and long-range planning specific to this area will assist concerned residents of the area in

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Federal Identifier: WANW-99-027
Grant Name: Industrial Park Prelim Eng

Applicant: Port of Chehalis
Contact: Heidi Pehl, 360-748-9365

Project Start Date: 09/01/1999
Project End Date: 12/31/2002

FS Award: \$24,479
Leveraged Funds: \$12,000
Total Project Funding: \$36,479

Description:

This project will complete the engineering on the next phase of infrastructure needed to develop six additional lots on the Port's North Jackson Highway property for light industrial and commercial clients. With this grant, the Port of Chehalis will be able to complete design and prepare for construction documents in 1999, enabling the Port to work with EDA to obtain a grant for the actual construction in 1999-2000. This project will result in the creation of new jobs for Lewis County. It is conservatively estimated that the development of these six lots will result in the creation of 60 or more jobs within 3 years. The Chehalis Industrial Park provides employment opportunities for all of Lewis County and is the largest employment center in Lewis County (currently employs more than 2500 people). This is especially critical for East Lewis County which has experienced large layoffs at local mills.

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Federal Identifier: WARD-99-002
Grant Name: Natural Resource Economic Plan

Applicant: Lewis County Economic Development Council
Contact: William Lotto, 360-748-0114

Project Start Date: 06/01/1999
Project End Date: 12/31/2000

FS Award: \$24,000
Leveraged Funds: \$10,640
Total Project Funding: \$34,640

Description:

Funding for this project will provide Lewis County with a natural resource plan for the future. Specifically the project will provide for a thorough economic analysis of all natural resources in the county and document recommendations for future opportunities. The analysis and resulting plan will provide important information on how natural resource based business fits into the total economic outlook for the county. Data from the analysis will help the county redirect and focus local employment within the natural resource base. The data will also contribute to the county's efforts in complying with Washington State's listed species plans. The plan will identify unique market niches and future opportunities for the varied natural resources within the county.

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Federal Identifier: WNFP-01-004
Grant Name: Reader/Sign Board

Applicant: Lewis County Fire District No. 10
Contact: Lonnie Goble, 360-494-4123

Project Start Date: 08/15/2001
Project End Date: 02/28/2002

FS Award: \$4,421
Leveraged Funds: \$5,400
Total Project Funding: \$9,821

Description:

Build a combination reader/sign board in a highly visible, central location in Packwood. The board will display fire, safety, educational and other information. The board will create fire department visibility in the local community. Many partner organizations will benefit when they use the board to post addition messages.

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County Summary:

Grants Awarded:	34
Total FS Award:	\$1,489,111
Total Leveraged Funds:	<u>\$1,313,844</u>
Total Project Funding:	\$2,802,955