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May 15, 2024

The Honorable Patty Murray
Chair
Senate Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Susan Collins
Vice-Chair
Senate Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,
and Related Agencies
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chair Murray, Vice-Chair Collins, and Ranking Member Murkowski,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2025 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey A. Merkley
United States Senator

Merkley, Jeff(D-OR) Interior and Environment Congressionally Directed Spending Requests

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Benton County	Funds will be used for community engagement, development of design options, and a technical analysis of what can be achieved with available resources to transform and preserve this historic building.	Benton County OR	\$400
United States Forest Service	Funds will be used to modernize Timberline Lodge's original fire suppression sprinkler system.	Clackamas County OR	\$1,900
Oak Lodge Water Services Authority	Funds will be used to construct tertiary treatment at the Oak Lodge Water Services Authority Wastewater Treatment Plant.	Clackamas County OR	\$3,325
City of Scappoose	Funds will be used to replace old and leaking waterlines with new updated waterlines.	Columbia County OR	\$478
City of Scappoose	Funds will be used to upgrade the aging effluent pump station at the City's wastewater treatment plan.	Columbia County OR	\$554
City of Rainier	Funds will be used for the design work and permitting for a project to partially daylight Fox Creek to mitigate flood risk and restore historic migration patterns for endangered fish.	Columbia County OR	\$1,883
Oregon Department of State Lands	Funds will be used to secure contracted services and equipment needed for forest inventory data collection and analysis, research, and finalizing recreational and educational partnerships.	Coos County OR	\$3,500
Coquille River Lighthouse Keepers Foundation Inc	Funds will be used to restore the Coquille River Lighthouse in Bandon, OR.	Coos County OR	\$1,000
City of Prineville	Funds will be used to design and construct a new booster pump station and design new water reservoirs to provide capacity and storage.	Crook County OR	\$1,500
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality	Funds will be used to implement a systematic surface and groundwater sampling program for Central Oregon.	Crook County OR	\$1,404
Arnold Irrigation District (AID)	Funds will be used to complete the final phase of the Arnold Irrigation District Infrastructure Resiliency and Modernization Project.	Deschutes County OR	\$2,000
Deschutes River Conservancy	Funds will be used to convert open, porous canals into leak-free, pressurized pipe.	Deschutes County OR	\$2,000
Terrebonne Sanitary District	Funds will be used to construct a Septic Tank Effluent Pump (STEP) sewer collection system.	Deschutes County OR	\$2,500
South Umpqua Rural Community Partnership	Funds will be used to complete habitat and water quality restoration projects in the South Umpqua watershed benefiting fish in rural southern Oregon.	Douglas County OR	\$1,554
City of John Day	Funds will be used to construct a new wastewater treatment plant.	Grant County OR	\$1,000
High Desert Partnership	Funds will be used to develop a regional hub to strengthen rural communities, natural environments, and local economies throughout Eastern Oregon.	Harney County OR	\$275
City of Talent	Funds will be used to replace existing waterlines with resilient pipe material.	Jackson County OR	\$2,000
City of Medford	Funds will be used to establish a regional facility for a safe disposal option for fats, oils, and greases.	Jackson County OR	\$2,500

Lomakatsi Restoration Project	Funds will be used to expand a collaborative community wildfire protection and wildlife habitat restoration project adjacent to several communities at extreme risk of wildfire danger in Oregon.	Jackson County OR	\$2,000
Friends of the Oregon Caves and Chateau - Oregon Caves National Monument and Preserve	Funds will be used to complete urgently needed structural and seismic repairs to the Oregon Caves Chateau, a National Historic Landmark.	Josephine County OR	\$2,000
City of Chiloquin	Funds will be used to construct a new waste treatment facility.	Klamath County OR	\$4,633
City of Klamath Falls	Funds will be used to assist in construction activities towards the City's treatment plant upgrades to reduce nitrogen, phosphorus, and temperature loads discharged.	Klamath County OR	\$5,000
Lake County Umbrella Watershed Council	Funds will be used to support fish passage and habitat, migratory bird habitat, irrigation, flood mitigation, and post fire recovery.	Lake County OR	\$2,373
Christmas Valley Domestic Water Supply District	Funds will be used to replace failing portions of the municipal water system's mainline distribution network to support water conservation efforts and continuity of service.	Lake County OR	\$2,000
United States Geological Survey	Funds will be used to create geological maps and geochemical databases in Lakeview and surrounding areas of Lake County.	Lake County OR	\$2,790
City of Eugene	Funds will be used to improve wastewater pump stations to better align with floodplain elevation.	Lane County OR	\$960
City of Coburg	Funds will be used to replaced severely aged water distribution system within a rural subdivision that the City of Coburg currently serves with its municipal water system.	Lane County OR	\$750
City of Newport	Funds will be used to replace and upgrade the City's outdated and malfunctioning wastewater system at its Northside Pump Station.	Lincoln County OR	\$3,000
Sweet Home Fire and Ambulance District	Funds will be used to assist with operational and equipment start up costs for Sweet Home Fire District's Wildland Fire Hand Crew.	Linn County OR	\$1,340
City of Sweet Home	Funds will be used to retrofit a water treatment plant to make necessary upgrades from Green Peter Draw Down.	Linn County OR	\$3,000
City of Sweet Home	Funds will be used to renovate the City of Sweet Home's Wastewater Treatment Plant.	Linn County OR	\$4,000
Owyhee Irrigation District	Funds will be used to retrofit modern components in two large irrigation pumping plants from on the Snake River to save labor, energy and water.	Malheur County OR	\$1,576
City of Stayton	Funds will be used to extend the Mill Creek Force Main to address existing and future capacity limitations and wastewater overflow.	Marion County OR	\$1,925
Oregon Department of Forestry	Funds will be used to address the serious threat of Swiss Need Cast disease on forest health and resiliency in the Pacific Northwest.	Marion County OR	\$500
United States Geological Survey	Funds will be used to review prior work and conduct updated field analysis of consumptive water use in the Lower Umatilla Basin Groundwater Management Area.	Morrow County OR	\$575
Port of Morrow	Funding will replace aging pipes to support efficient disbursement of water for land application and reduce the risk of leakage from legacy infrastructure.	Morrow County OR	\$3,120

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality	Funds will be used to support community-based projects to reduce and dispose of woody biomass using alternatives to open burning.	Multiple Counties OR	\$2,000
Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission	Rehabilitation of In-Lieu and Treaty Fishing Access Sites along the Columbia River.	Multiple Counties OR	\$5,250
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality	Funds will be used to support small businesses by providing incentives and technical assistance for those looking to identify and retrofit their diesel construction equipment.	Multiple Counties OR	\$5,000
Oregon Metro	Funds will purchase a depackaging machine to remove plastic packaging from commercial food waste.	Multnomah County OR	\$2,500
Portland State University	Funds will be used to establish a hub for solutions to mitigate extreme urban heat.	Multnomah County OR	\$1,500
City of Portland	Funds will be used for upgrades to groundwater supply infrastructure and new monitoring wells.	Multnomah County OR	\$4,944
Human Access Project	Funds would be used for a flushing channel to mitigate the harmful cyanobacteria bloom.	Multnomah County OR	\$700
City of Dallas	Funds will be used for engineering and construction of a potable water reservoir.	Polk County OR	\$500
City of Dallas	Funds will be used to extend the city's sanitary sewer system.	Polk County OR	\$500
Nestucca, Neskowin & Sand Lake Watersheds Council	Funds will be used to implement fish passage infrastructure projects in Tillamook County.	Tillamook County OR	\$500
City of Tillamook	Funds will be used to construct seismically resilient water lines.	Tillamook County OR	\$4,000
Port of Tillamook Bay	Funds will be used for the replacement of the waste water treatment plant effluent discharge line and installation of new outfall structure at the Trask River.	Tillamook County OR	\$960
City of Rockaway Beach	Funds will be used to extend the city's sanitary sewer system to an undeveloped portion of the City.	Tillamook County OR	\$2,750
Oregon Water Resources Department	Funds will be used to conduct well assessments and construct monitoring wells in the Lower Umatilla Groundwater Management Area.	Umatilla County OR	\$1,950
City of Hermiston	Funds will be used to purchase and install two backup generators on Hermiston's Regional Water System.	Umatilla County OR	\$665
Umatilla County	Funding will be used to build a water pipeline that will go under Interstate 82 to tie into Westland Irrigation District (WID) in Umatilla County.	Umatilla County OR	\$2,265
Nez Perce Tribe	Funds would improve an existing remote field station to support California condor recovery in the Hells Canyon Ecoregion by providing safe, stable housing and a workshop for field crews.	Wallowa County OR	\$255
City of Maupin	Funds will be used to replace aging water system storage and inadequate distribution systems.	Wasco County OR	\$1,000
Pine Grove Water District Wasco County	Funds will be used to develop a new well to address reduced capacity in existing water source while improving system resiliency in the face of increased wildfire risks.	Wasco County OR	\$1,857
Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District (THPRD)	Funds will be used to purchase equipment to mitigate natural area wildfire threats and site work.	Washington County OR	\$125
City of Beaverton	Funds will be used to construct the North Transmission Line Intertie.	Washington County OR	\$2,000

City of Sherwood	Funds will be used to replace aging and undersized sanitary mainline pipes in SW Sherwood.	Washington County OR	\$600
City of Hillsboro (Joint Water Commission (JWC) acting by and through its managing agency the City of Hillsboro)	Funds will complete plans and engineering for a seismically resilient chemical storage building.	Washington County OR	\$2,800
City of Sherwood	Funds will be used to replace aging and undersized sanitary mainline pipes in Old Town Sherwood.	Washington County OR	\$1,830
Clean Water Services	Funds will be used to replace leaking wastewater pipes to reduce excess water entering the system.	Washington County OR	\$4,000
Tualatin Valley Water District	Funds will be used to purchase critical equipment within a new water treatment plant as part of the construction of the Willamette Water Supply System.	Washington County OR	\$3,000
Cycle Yamhill County	Funds will be used to construct biking and hiking trails and associated infrastructure on Bureau of Land Management land for free public use by all.	Yamhill County OR	\$3,096
City of Carlton	Funds will be used to replace aging and undersized sewer mainlines under Main Street in downtown Carlton in need of immediate replacement.	Yamhill County OR	\$2,400
City of Carlton	Funds will be used to remove and replace aging cast iron water pipes which are prone to water loss through leakage, reduced capacity from internal corrosion, and pipe breaks.	Yamhill County OR	\$1,200
City of Dayton	Funds will be used to replace the highest priority sewer lines within the main drainage basin serving the original portion of the City.	Yamhill County OR	\$2,950
City of Dayton	Funds will be used to replace an old and undersized transmission line with new and updated transmission line.	Yamhill County OR	\$2,360
City of McMinnville	Funds will be used to update a wastewater conveyance system.	Yamhill County OR	\$1,075