

# WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC WORKS BOARD

INFRASTRUCTURE IS FUNDAMENTAL

### Innovative infrastructure: Creative approaches to building resilient municipal infrastructure systems

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# **Eligible Applicants and Systems Served**

	Domestic Water	Wastewater	Stormwater	Roads	Solid Waste	Bridges	Broadband
Counties	✓	1	✓	1	✓	1	✓
Cities/Towns	✓	1	1	1	✓	1	1
Special Purpose Districts	✓	1	✓	1	✓	1	1
Quasi-Municipal Organizations	✓	1	1	1	✓	1	1
Public Port Districts							1
Tribes							1
Nonprofit Organizations							1
Cooperative Associations							1
Incorporated Businesses or Partnerships							1
LLCs organized for the purpose of expanding broadband access							1

# **Funding Opportunities**

	Traditional Prog	grams	Broadband P	rograms		
Funding Cycle	Open!		Open!			
Funds Available	Construction:	\$221 M	Construction:	\$13.5 M		
	Preconstruction:	\$7.25 M	Emergency:	\$5 M		
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Dates Funds	Construction: August	5, 2023	Construction: Dece	ember 2, 2023		
Awarded		Preconstruction: September 2023 and quarterly thereafter		Emergency: open until funds expended		
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## Public Works Board 23-25 Legislative Priorities

#### Ensure current revenue diversions sunset June 30, 2023.

- No new diversions from the Public Works Assistance Account (PWAA).
- Loan repayments continue to return to the account so it revolves as intended.

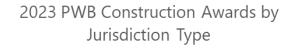
#### Appropriate \$400M from the PWAA for PWB funding cycles.

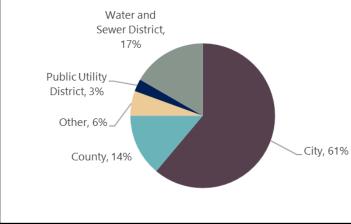
 During previous three funding cycles, the PWB awarded \$242M to 113 qualifying projects, leaving 129 qualifying projects seeking \$269M unfunded.

#### Appropriate \$490K from the PWAA to map SYNC investments.

 Visualizing investments in relation to equity and climate resilience indicators demonstrates accountability, improves coordination of financial and technical assistance, and supports capacity building in distressed areas of the state.

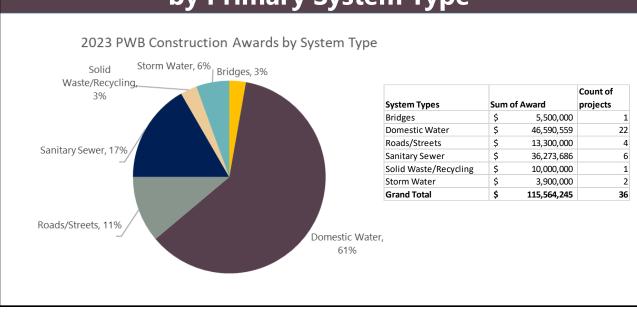






Jurisdiction Type	Sum	of Award	Count of projects
City	\$	61,815,839	22
County	\$	31,500,000	5
Other	\$	11,936,200	2
Public Utility District	\$	1,500,000	1
Water and Sewer District	\$	8,812,206	6
Grand Total	\$	115,564,245	36

PWB 2023 Construction Awardee by Primary System Type



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# WA Cities Awarded Funding in FY23

Jurisdiction	Project Name	Loan Request
City of Airway Heights	Airway Heights Water Resources Replacement Project	\$5,151,000
City of Bothell	35th Ave Drainage and Fish Passage Improvements	\$1,900,000
City of Bremerton 2	Anderson Creek Dam Removals	\$2,000,000
City of Carnation	Carnation Water Line Replacement Projects	\$1,623,000
City of Cle Elum	Second Street and Rosetti Way Watermain Improvements	\$2,841,810
City of Connell	BNSF Utility Relocation Project	\$850,000
City of Dayton	North 3rd Street Reconstruction	\$880,000
City of Enumclaw 2	Sewer Overflow Reduction Improvements	\$4,400,000
City of Goldendale 1	Construction Water Line Improvement Project	\$2,588,359
City of Kittitas	Reservoir No. 2 Improvements	\$3,200,000
City of Long Beach	Ocean Beach Boulevard Water Line Improvements	\$1,800,000
City of Lynden 2	Pine Street Bridge over Pepin Creek	\$5,500,000
City of Maple Valley	Witte Rd Roundabout	\$1,800,000
City of Mercer Island 1	Booster Chlorination System	\$3,284,770
City of Orting	Orting Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF)	\$10,000,000
City of Sequim	Silberhorn Deep Well #4	\$4,830,000
City of Walla Walla	Water Plant Hydroelectric Upgrade	\$1,500,000
City of White Salmon 1	North Main/Spring St Water Improvements	\$1,942,800
City of White Salmon 2	New Transmission Main – Phase 1	\$1,855,100
City of Goldendale 2	Replacement Preconstruction	\$298,657
City of Leavenworth	Water Transmission Main Replacement: Well Site to Mill St.	\$680,000
Total cities awarded: 21		Total: \$58,925,496

## **Projects with Multiple Benefits**

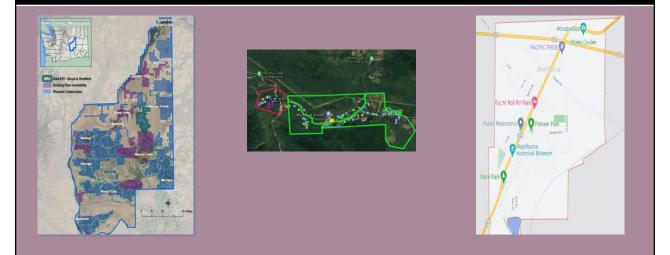
City of Ridgefield	City of Quincy	City of Lynden		

# PWB Broadband Building Connected Communities

**Grant County PUD** 

Town of Skykomish

Town of Washtucna



## **Innovative Infrastructure Study**

Recommendation #1: Ensure flexible funding.

Recommendation #2: Encourage strategic partnerships.

**Recommendation #3:** Solicit subject matter expertise for project selection and to mentor and monitor pilot projects.

**Recommendation #4:** Build on existing policy priorities for public health and safety, sustainability, economics and **equity.** 

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CHALLENGES	Strategies
Access to Capital	Dedicated flexible funding for pilot projects
Equity & Environmental Justice	Community representation and co-governance requirements; wealth creation and local jobs
Lack of Regulatory Flexibility or Guidance	Regulatory and scientific expertise in project selection
Administrative & Technical Capacity	Prioritize planning efforts to support pilot concept or technical assistance
Risk Tolerance	Explore options for managing and accepting risk in partnership with community

What's Next			
Traditional Programs FY2024 After Action Review			
Continuous improvement			
Traditional Programs FY2025 cycle:			
Open in 2024 Traditional infrastructure systems Innovations within traditional systems Equity Climate resilience			
Broadband Programs Cycles:			
Emergency (open until funds expended)			
Federal funding (subrecipient?)	www.pwb.wa.gov Offin 🕻		

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