



RECOVERY FUNDS TO HELP JOSEPHINE COUNTY

SALEM - The Oregon Department of Energy awarded \$718,228 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to five energy projects in Josephine County. These projects vary from lighting projects to biomass boilers. The funds are part of the State Energy Program for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects.

Altogether, the five projects are expected to save and produce an estimated 2.8 million kilowatt hours of electricity a year, enough to heat 240 average Oregon homes a year.

Three Rivers School District received two awards for installing biomass boilers at Illinois Valley High School and Evergreen Elementary in Cave Junction. This will eliminate fuel oil as the main fuel source for heating. The new biomass boilers are made by an Oregon manufacturer and are expected to save the school district more than \$100,000 in fuel oil costs per year.

The City of Grants Pass will retrofit lighting and controls at five city facilities including the Collection/Street Warehouse, Municipal Service Center Building, Water Filtration Plant, Hillcrest Fire Station, and the Water Restoration Plant.

Josephine County projects include the following:

Entity	Facility Name	Award Amount	Type of Award	Type of Project
City of Grants Pass	Multiple Facilities	\$ 17,659	State Energy Program	Lighting
Grants Pass School District	Parkside Elementary	\$ 99,000	State Energy Program	Boiler, DDC
Three Rivers School District	Illinois Valley High School	\$ 283,700	State Energy Program	Biomass
Three Rivers School District	Evergreen Elementary	\$ 220,122	State Energy Program	Biomass
Three Rivers School District	Various	\$ 97,747	State Energy Program	Lighting
TOTAL		\$ 718,228		

A list of all Oregon counties that received American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds and amounts awarded is available at

http://www.oregon.gov/ENERGY/Recovery/Funding.shtml#State_Energy_Program_and_Block_Grant_Awards_by_County

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