

**Local Innovation Fund Review Panel Funding
Recommendation to the Director of OWEB:**

The Local Innovation Fund Review Panel recommends the following nine projects for funding by the OWEB Board, listed in order of priority. However, in recognition of the limited budget set aside for this Fund, the Panel recommends funding the top four projects listed at the amounts specified. This approach will allow the OWEB Board to remain close to the budget originally allocated for this Fund. Should the OWEB Board be willing to commit additional resources to this pilot project, the Review Panel recommends funding the nine listed projects, in order, up to the amount of Board funds available.

1. The Juniper Group, Western Juniper Commercialization Study (206-400) \$15,000
2. Ecosystem Workforce Program, U of O, Developing a High Quality Restoration Industry in the Siuslaw Basin (206-381) \$15,000
3. Lower Rogue Watershed Council, Rogue River Estuary Restoration Project (206-386) \$10,000 (Reduced from \$15,000 to eliminate funding identified for state DOGAMI employee time.)
4. Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District, Mt. Hood Forest Health and Woody Biomass Utilization (206-392) \$15,000

Subtotal: \$ 55,000

5. Coquille Watershed Association, Model Sustainable Restoration Jobs (206-383) \$8,250
6. Mary's River Watershed Council, Healthy Watersheds, Healthy Food (206-389) \$14,520
7. South Coast Watershed Council, Five Part Comprehensive Plan (206-387) \$14,500 (Fund only the work on sustainable cranberry operation management and branding, working with The Wetlands Conservancy as a partner.)
8. Lomakatsi Restoration Project, Community Collaboration for Watershed Stewardship (206-384) \$15,000
9. McKenzie Watershed Council, Sand and Gravel Industry Habitat Restoration Incentives (206-391) \$8,000

Subtotal: \$ 60,270

Total: \$115,270