

EPA SWIFR (Solid Waste) Grant Program Updates

Engagement in USEPA Region 10:
Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Alaska



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Overview

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants (SWIFR)

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Recent Headlines

EPA Announces Over \$100 Million for Recycling Grants Nationwide

EPA announced more than \$100 million from President Biden's Investing in America agenda to expand recycling infrastructure and waste management systems across all 56 states, territories, and the District of Columbia. This represents EPA's largest recycling

Biden-Harris Administration Invests More than \$100 Million in Recycling Infrastructure Projects Through Investing in America Agenda

EPA grants funded in part by largest recycling investment in 30 years under President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law



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Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants for States and Territories



Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants for Communities



Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) Grant Program

Tribal, State, and Local governments were eligible under 3 different programs:

1. States/Territories

- States submitted their intent to participate by 12/15/22
- All [56](#) States and Territories are recipients, totaling **\$32M**
- AK, WA, OR, ID are recipients from R10

2. Political Subdivisions (Cities, Counties, and Boroughs) – now called “Community Grants”

- Applications were due by 2/15/23
- [25](#) projects selected nationally, totaling **\$73M**
- Mat-Su Borough and City of Seattle were selected from R10

3. Tribes/Tribal Consortia

- Applications were due by 4/4/23
- Applications are currently being reviewed and scored by EPA
- ~[60](#) projects nationally anticipated to be funded, totaling **~\$40M**



SWIFR Tribal Program Timeline, Review, and Selection Process

1. Threshold eligibility screening
- 2. Panel review and evaluation**
3. Final selection
4. Notice of selection or non-selection



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 - www.epa.gov/recyclingstrategy/forms/stay-connected
 - www.epa.gov/tribal-lands/forms/tribal-waste-management-program-webinar-series-0

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