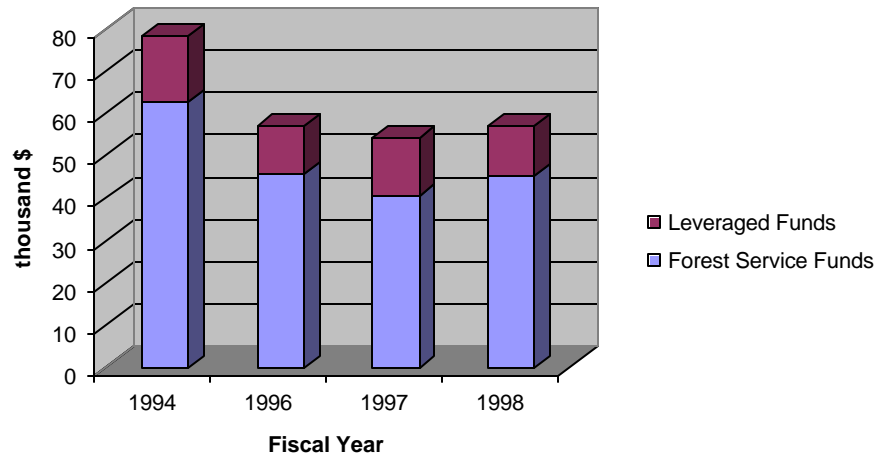
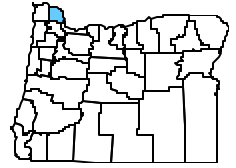




# Economic Action Programs

## Columbia County, Oregon

Columbia County, recently designated as a metropolitan county, is located in northwestern Oregon along the Columbia River. US Highway 30 connects the county to Portland and a bridge at Rainier provides access to Washington State. The economic structure of Columbia County is influenced by its proximity to the Portland metropolitan area. The interior is dominated by the Coast Range and about 70% of the land base is private timberland. About 17% of the county's land is in farms - a fairly large number of small farms. Wood and paper processing and paper manufacturing are key sectors of the economy.



Recipient	Project Name	Federal ID	Funds		
			USFS	Leveraged	Total
<b>Planning and Technical Assistance</b>					
City of Clatskanie	Clatskanie Strategic Plan	ORNW-98-021	\$20,000	\$5,000	\$25,000
City of Rainier	W.Rainier Feasibility Study	ORNW-97-063	\$17,200	\$4,300	\$21,500
City of Vernonia	Community Action Plan	ORNW-96-050	\$20,000	\$5,000	\$25,000
City of Vernonia	Downtown Revitalization	ORNW-98-009	\$25,000	\$7,000	\$32,000
Port of St. Helens	Chapman Landing Master Plan	ORNW-97-008	\$23,400	\$9,150	\$32,550
<b>Facility Construction/Environmental Improvement</b>					
City of Scappoose	Water Collection Diversion	OREC-94-074a	\$62,720	\$15,680	\$78,400
City of Scappoose	Water Collection Diversion	OREC-94-074b	\$25,460	\$6,365	\$31,825





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One success story from Columbia County, Oregon



### Port of St. Helens Chapman Landing Master Plan

The City of Scappoose is located in northwestern Oregon - an area once strongly dependent on the timber industry. While still critical to the local economy, logging on nearby timberlands has been affected by mill closures due to declines in logging on federal lands and export of raw logs from the county. Rural communities in Columbia County could see the “handwriting on the wall” and began to strategize ways to diversify their economies.

Located on the scenic Columbia River, Scappoose is strategizing about utilizing the county’s 60 miles of riverfront to promote tourism opportunities like fishing, sailing, boating, waterskiing, biking, and camping.

As a first step, the City of Scappoose, the Port of St. Helens, and Columbia County formed a task force and pooled \$225,000 to purchase Chapman Logging Company Landing and two miles of old railroad grade leading to a 20-acre waterfront property.

A Forest Service Rural Community Assistance grant is allowing the Port to complete a master plan for recreational development which will guide and prioritize all future investments.

The task force has a vision of creating at Chapman’s Landing the first park in Scappoose. They hope to include a boat ramp, a bike trail linking to the city, viewing of the State Wildlife Refuge on Sauvie Island across the river channel.

According to Michael Sykes, Port Assistant Manager, “The beauty of this location is poised to be discovered by tourists and locals who have long appreciated it. Everyone will be better able to access it by boats and bikes.”

**Applicant: Port of St. Helens**

**Grant No: ORNW-97-008**

**USDA Forest Service Funding: \$23,400**

**Total Project Cost: \$32,550**