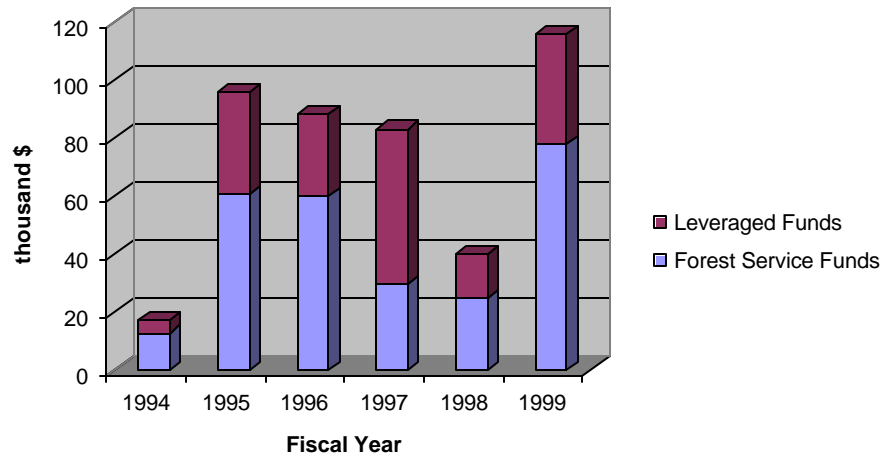
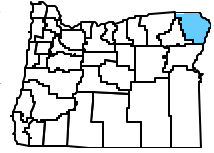




Economic Action Programs

Wallowa County, Oregon

Wallowa County is a nonmetropolitan county located in the northeastern corner of the state. The county contains parts of the Wallowa-Whitman and Umatilla National Forests and the Hell's Canyon National Recreation Area. Relative to the state, Wallowa County has proportionally more people in the services and farming, forestry, and fishing sectors. Wallowa County exports are dominated by logging and wood products, manufacturing, livestock, and crops. Federal government is also a key source of outside income. About 58% of the county's land base is administered by the Forest Service or BLM and over one-third of that is officially designated as wilderness. Approximately one-third of the land is in farms, two-thirds of which is pasture or range.



Recipient	Project Name	Federal ID	Funds		
			USFS	Leveraged	Total
Planning and Technical Assistance					
City of Enterprise	Downtown Revitalization	OREC-99-004	\$40,825	\$28,550	\$69,375
Wallowa County	Winter Rec. Park Study	OREC-94-060	\$12,716	\$4,425	\$17,141
Wallowa County Court	Strategic Plan	OREC-95-014	\$25,000	\$8,500	\$33,500
Wallowa County Court	Sno-park Eng/Design/Construct	OREC-95-015	\$10,000	\$3,500	\$13,500
Wallowa County Court	Wallowa Lake Basin Master Plan	OREC-98-004	\$25,000	\$15,000	\$40,000
Natural Resource Related					
WallowaNezPerce Trail Int Ctr, Inc	NezPerce Trail Interpret Ctr.	OREC-97-004	\$25,000	\$42,852	\$67,852
Wallowa County	Wallowa Woodlands & Products	OREC-96-006	\$50,000	\$16,534	\$66,534
Wallowa Resources	Forest Health and Economic Dev	ORRD-99-001	\$36,850	\$9,888	\$46,738
Wallowa Valley Arts Council	Summer Arts and Music Festival	OREC-97-008	\$4,900	\$10,425	\$15,325
Facility Construction/Environmental Improvement					
City of Enterprise	Airstrip Renovation	OREC-95-012	\$25,500	\$23,500	\$49,000
Wallowa County	Airstrip Fencing Materials	OREC-96-007	\$10,000	\$11,500	\$21,500





Economic Action Programs

One success story from Wallowa County, Oregon



Nez Perce Trail Interpretive Center

The Wallowa Mountains area is the historical homeland of Chief Joseph's band of Nez Perce Indians. Chief Joseph's flight from the US Army into Montana and Canada was an important and tragic event in the settling of the west by Euro-Americans.

The Wallowa Band Nez Perce Trail Interpretive Center, Inc., the non-profit corporation sponsoring the USDA Forest Service Rural Community Assistance grant desired "to locate and secure a place in the Wallowa Valley for the Wallowa Band Nez Perce, to create a celebration grounds and interpretive center to perpetuate the customs of the people who first inhabited the Wallowa country and to enhance the relationships among all communities who live and visit the valley."

Forest Service grant funds were used to provide the detailed planning needed to bring the project to full implementation-ready status. Included were a business plan, a site plan for the

Tick Hill property, and implementation of a community involvement process. The technical assistance provided by the grant has given the Center a firm base of planning from which to grow.

Applicant: Wallowa Band Nez Perce Trail Interpretive Center, Inc.

Grant No: OREC-97-004

USDA Forest Service Funding: \$25,000

Total Project Cost: \$63,892

