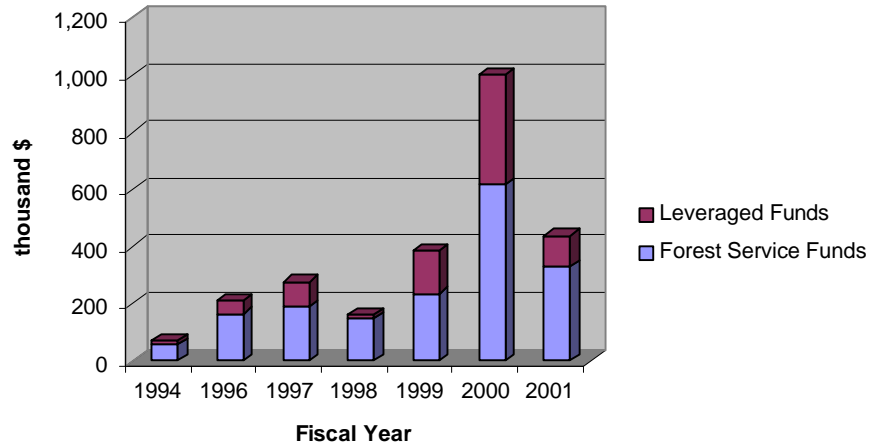
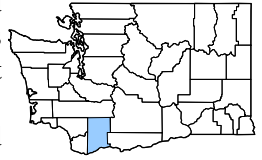




Economic Action Programs Skamania County, Washington

Skamania County is a nonmetropolitan county located in the southern part of the state and bordered on the south by the Columbia River. Gifford Pinchot National Forest dominates most of the county and Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument is in the northwest corner. Lands administered by the Forest Service account for 80% of the land in the county. The county is heavily forested and its economy depends primarily on logging and the wood products industry.



Recipient	Project Name	Federal ID	Funds		
			USFS	Leveraged	Total
Planning and Technical Assistance					
City of North Bonneville	Water/Sewer Analysis & CFP	WANW-97-001	\$44,800	\$11,200	\$56,000
City of North Bonneville	Comp Plan and Zoning Update	WANW-98-021	\$14,400	\$3,600	\$18,000
City of Stevenson	Downtown Improvement Project	WAEC-94-009	\$18,000	\$4,500	\$22,500
City of Stevenson	Water Facility Plan	WANW-97-009	\$15,000	\$27,750	\$42,750
City of Stevenson	Water Reservoir Design/Engin	WANW-98-032	\$32,000	\$0	\$32,000
Port of Skamania	Old Stevenson Bld Improvement	WANW-97-027	\$42,500	\$10,761	\$53,261
Port of Skamania	Waterfront Bus & Marketing Pln	WANW-97-028	\$33,750	\$11,250	\$45,000
Port of Skamania County	Feasibility Study	WARD-94-007	\$30,000	\$7,500	\$37,500
Port of Skamania County	Site Planning and Prelim Design	WANW-01-005	\$50,000	\$12,500	\$62,500
Skamania County	Wind River Nusery	WAEC-99-009	\$200,000	\$140,000	\$340,000
Skamania County	Rock Creek Comprehensive Plan	WANW-96-016	\$75,805	\$20,336	\$96,141
Skamania County	Housing Needs Survey	WANW-97-035	\$32,000	\$15,040	\$47,040
Skamania County	Drano Lake Expansion D&E	WANW-98-017	\$25,600	\$6,400	\$32,000
Skamania County	NB Industrial Site Des/Eng	WANW-98-033	\$60,000	\$0	\$60,000
Skamania County	Rock Creek Park	WANW-00-030	\$40,000	\$10,000	\$50,000
Skamania County	County GIS Technical Assistance	WANW-00-031	\$15,000	\$15,500	\$30,500
Skamania County	Wind River Nursery	WAEC-01-003	\$195,600	\$48,900	\$244,500
Skamania County	Events and Recreation Plan	WANW-01-003	\$32,000	\$8,000	\$40,000
Skamania County Chamber	Lewis & Clark Bicentennial	WANW-01-011	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$55,000
Skamania County EDC	Leadership Development	WANW-98-043	\$16,000	\$4,000	\$20,000
Skamania County EDC	Action Plan	WANW-01-025	\$30,000	\$8,100	\$38,100



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Skamania County Hospital District	Ambulance Building Design	WAEC-94-037	\$9,500	\$2,375	\$11,875
Skamania County Plan&Com Dev	Fiber Optics Market Survey	WANW-00-032	\$12,000	\$3,000	\$15,000

Natural Resource Related

City of Stevenson	Rock Cove Interpretive Signs	WANW-97-034	\$24,000	\$10,500	\$34,500
Port of Skamania County	Waterfront Pathway Eng Design	WANW-95-014	\$53,043	\$13,800	\$66,843
Port of Skamania County	Interpretive Signs	WANW-99-019	\$14,400	\$3,600	\$18,000
Port of Skamania County	Dam Access Road Improvements	WANW-00-010	\$44,800	\$11,200	\$56,000

Facility Construction/Environmental Improvement

Port of Skamania County	Docking Facility Expansion	WANW-96-002	\$38,560	\$9,640	\$48,200
Home Valley Water District	Water System Improvement	WANW-99-014	\$22,880	\$5,720	\$28,600
Skamania County	Drano Lake Recreation Improvment	WACG-00-001	\$504,700	\$345,300	\$850,000





Economic Action Programs

One success story from Skamania County, Washington



North Bonneville Industrial Park Enhancement

Skamania County recently received a \$60,000 technical assistance grant from the USDA Forest Service's Community Assistance Program to complete the design and engineering of planned improvements at the county-owned North Bonneville industrial site. The property consists of 10 acres of outright developable land within the urban area of North Bonneville.

This project will address fill and grading, service line extensions and connections, road construction, storm water drainage and treatment, and landscaping. The final product will be a comprehensive site development plan including construction documents and cost schedules in bid and construction-ready form.

The assistance to Skamania County is of critical importance. Located in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, Skamania County can only allow commercial and industrial development to occur in existing urban areas. The North Bonneville site provides exactly that kind of opportunity.

The unemployment rate in Skamania County continues to hover at or near 12 percent compared to a state-wide average of 4.7 percent. The

county is considered a "distressed area" by Washington State, based on a three-year unemployment rate equal to or greater than 120 percent of the state-wide average.

This technical assistance effort will assist Skamania County in making significant progress in increasing the local tax base, stimulating economic growth, and creating new jobs. It is estimated that a developed North Bonneville site will create or retain upwards of 100 jobs. Development of this site will also stimulate investment on adjacent properties and elsewhere in the city of North Bonneville.

Applicant: Skamania County

Grant No: WANW-98-033

USDA Forest Service Funding: \$60,000

Total Project Cost: \$75,000