Forest Health Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot & Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Programs

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Forest Health Collaborative Competitive Grant Programs Overview

- WA State Legislature provided 2017-2019 Biennium Capital Budget funding
  - Objective: to support the ability of Forest Collaboratives to implement landscape-scale forest restoration and management activities in support of statewide forest health priorities
  - $1.6 million available and awarded
  - Eastern WA activities are focused in 20-Year Forest Health Strategic Planning areas

- Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot
  - Capacity Building
  - $207,000 available and awarded
  - 9 collaboratives applied and awarded funding

- Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program
  - Treatment Planning and Implementation
  - $1.4 million available and awarded
  - 9 collaboratives applied, 8 collaboratives received funding
    - 6 full funding, 2 partial funding

Map adapted from the Washington Forest Collaborative Network.
Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot

(Capacity Building)
- Support collaborative facilitation, technical analyses and other activities relating to agreement on design and implementation strategies to improve forest health
- $207,000 available and awarded
- 9 collaboratives applied and awarded funding

Eligible Activities:
- Facilitation and coordination of workplans for planning areas for the 20-year Forest Health Strategic Plan
- Organization and staff support, including facilitation, technical assistance, and networking
- Outreach communication
- Development of zones of agreement, action plans, and project proposals
- Workshops and trainings
- Technical analysis in support of project planning and implementation

Work Timelines
- Request for Proposals distributed: June 15, 2018
- Evaluation and Awards made: July 26, 2018
- Work needs to be completed by: June 30, 2019
Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program

- Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program (Treatment Planning and Implementation)
  - Perform activities that contribute to the improvement of forest health
  - $1.4 million available
    - $1 million for eastern WA
    - $400,000 for western WA
  - 9 collaboratives applied, 8 collaboratives received funding
    - 6 full funding, 2 partial funding

- Eligible Activities:
  - Vegetation treatments (thinning, prescribed fire, surface fuel chipping, etc.)
  - Coordination with landowners and stakeholders
  - Landscape evaluations
  - Planning (pre-NEPA including contract NEPA)
  - Data acquisition (LiDAR), surveys, etc.
  - Aquatic evaluations and data acquisitions (no funding for aquatic treatments)
  - Post-implementation monitoring

- Work Timelines
  - Request for Proposals distributed: July 19, 2018
  - Evaluation and Awards made: September 14, 2018
  - Work needs to be completed by: September, 2020

Activities Funded:
- Planning: 120,400 acres
- Treatment Implementation: 2,600+ acres
## Forest Health Collaborative Competitive Grant Programs - Recipients

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* Partial Funding Awarded = to be negotiated based on individual deliverables
Forest Health Collaborative Competitive Grant Programs - Recipients, Western WA

Olympic Peninsula Collaborative $95,580*

Darrington Collaborative $124,328*

Pinchot Partners $206,400*

* Total funding awarded from both Infrastructure and Cross-Boundary Collaborative Grant Programs.

Map adapted from the Washington Forest Collaborative Network.
Olympic Peninsula Collaborative

www.OlympicForestCollaborative.org

- **Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot**
  - Awarded $25,000
  - Develop Logo & website
  - Regular communication with stakeholders
    - Public meetings, email list
  - Planning for two, 70 acre commercial thinning projects

- **Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program**
  - Awarded $70,580
  - Support commercial thinning projects with Olympic National Forest (140 acres)
    - Accelerate development of old-growth structure
  - Establish monitoring protocol
  - Evaluate and monitor 2 recent & 1 current commercial thinning projects
**Forest Collaborative Infrastructure**
- Awarded $25,000
- Develop logo
- Update website & make video
- Regular communication with stakeholders
  - Public meetings, emails
  - Planning & support two, 70-acre commercial thinning projects

**Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program**
- Awarded $99,328
- Pre-NEPA analysis for 30,000 acre planning area
  - Mount-Baker Snoqualmie National Forest
  - Facilitates increase pace & scale for restoration work
- Monitoring protocol development
- Prescription & layout for 70-acre commercial thin
- Employ local youth in survey work
- **Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot**
  - Awarded $25,000
  - Zones of Agreement among stakeholders
  - Good Neighbor Authority
    - Proposal developed
  - Expand membership diversity
    - Include students
  - Expand public outreach

- **Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program**
  - Awarded $181,400
  - Good Neighbor Authority layout of 400 acre timber sale on Gifford Pinchot National Forest
    - Commercial thinning
  - Develop In-stream Wood Bank Network
    - Critical aquatic habitat restoration

*Working together since 2003*
Forest Health Collaborative Competitive Grant Programs - Recipients, Eastern WA

* Total funding awarded from both Infrastructure and Cross-Boundary Collaborative Grant Programs. Tapash and Chumstick total funding TBD.
- **Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot**
  - Awarded $25,000
  - Public outreach meetings and publications
  - Collaborative meeting facilitation
  - Treat ~250 acres
    - Vegetative fuels reduction and chipping
    - Targeting private landowners

- **Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program**
  - Awarded partial funding, TBD.
  - Forestry plans for private landowners
  - Fuel reduction treatments on private lands
Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot

- Awarded $25,000
- Collaborative meetings with stakeholders for planning projects
- Develop outreach materials
- Integrate 20-Year Forest Health Strategic Plan priorities into Okanogan Wenatchee National Forest work plan
- Develop monitoring program to track to restoration projects
Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot
- Awarded $25,000
- Increase public outreach and engagement
- Develop educational materials
- Implement data management and storage system.

Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program
- Awarded $400,000
- Survey and environmental planning work for 90,000 acre area
  - Trails Project/Skookum Planning Area
  - Primarily Aquatic/Road Surveys
- Joint project of Kalispel Tribe, US Forest Service and DNR
- Public outreach
Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot
- Awarded $25,000
- Facilitate meetings among South Mt. Adams and WA DNR regarding Planning Areas
- Zones of Agreement development
- Frame Economic Effects of Stewardship Contracting Case Study

Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program
- Awarded $375,000
- 427 acres of fuel break treatments along US Forest Service roads in Gifford Pinchot National Forest (GPNF)
- 250 acres prep for prescribed burn in GPNF
- All acres in Trout Lake Planning Area
Stemilt Partnership

- **Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot**
  - Awarded $6,920
  - Planning treatments identified in landscape evaluation
  - Facilitate Stemilt Partnership meetings
  - Coordinate stakeholders in various engaging capacities
  - Facilitate cross-jurisdictional fuels treatments

- **Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program**
  - Awarded $107,198
  - 100+ acres of broadcast burning
  - Plan forest health treatments in Stemilt Planning Area
- **Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot**
  - $25,000
  - Meetings to summarize landscape restoration goals
  - Develop work plans for 2019-2020
  - Facilitate Little Naches Working Group meetings
  - Develop framework for an implementation and effectiveness plan for treatment maintenance goals
  - Communications and outreach materials developed
  - Coordinate collaborate meetings

- **Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program**
  - Awarded partial funding, TBD.
  - Create story map, forest management open map
  - Create forest management plans for private landowners
  - Cle Elum Planning Area
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