

Washington State Department of Natural Resources

2024 HB1168 Training Grant Requirements

Introduction

The 2023 Training Grant is funded by state HB1168. The objective of this Grant is to add capacity and capability to rural and volunteer fire protection districts that protect rural communities. We understand fire districts play a substantial cooperative role in the suppression of wildland fires within the state of Washington.

The Training Grant is available to all Washington State fire districts/fire departments that meet the eligibility requirements listed below.

Available Funding

- The maximum grant award per fire District/Fire Department is **\$10,000**.
- Fire Districts/Fire Departments may only submit one application.

Application Submittal

- The application period opens June 15, 2023.
- Application is available on the DNR [Fire District Assistance](#) webpage.
- Application process will continue until funds are exhausted or no later than December 31, 2023, whichever is soonest, and is based on a first come basis.
- Applications must be filled out completely, signed by an authorized fire district/fire department representative, and submitted in word or pdf format by one of the following methods:
 - Email: fepp_assist@dnr.wa.gov, or
 - If alternate options for submitting applications are needed, please contact Dan Boyle daniel.boyle@dnr.wa.gov
cell 360-480-0490

Grant Award and Term

- Grants are intended to be awarded to successful applicants on an ongoing basis or by January 15, 2024.
- Spending must be completed and all receipts received by DNR no later than close of business January 31, 2025
- All non-spent funds must be returned to DNR no later than January 31, 2025.
- Extensions to the grant term may be allowed at the sole discretion of DNR.
- Properly documented costs incurred after June 1, 2023 are eligible for reimbursement.
- Awards are based on a first come basis for districts/departments meeting terms of eligibility.
- DNR reserves the right to cancel this grant prior to awards.

Eligibility

Fire District/Fire Department Eligibility

Fire districts/fire departments in Washington State that:

- Respond to wildland fire on private or state lands (includes state mobilization and IMT)
- Departments/Districts who have wildland fire responsibility within their jurisdiction.

Project Eligibility

The following projects are eligible: (All grant fund expenditures must be wildland fire related)

- Travel costs for training courses
- Training Material costs/ Training Aids
- Employee wages or stipend
- Instructor Fees/wages
- Course fees

Other Requirements

- All funds are state HB1168 and will be dispersed upon award.
- There is no match requirement by Districts/Departments.