



WILDFIRE RESPONSE, FOREST RESTORATION, & COMMUNITY RESILIENCE ACCOUNT (HB 1168)

Proposed 23-25 Biennium Budget



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DNR HB 1168 Proposed Budget

Carry-Forward	\$94,500,000
Pass-Thru and State Agency Allocations	\$30,500,000



DNR HB 1168 Pass-Thru Programs

Draft plan for:

Wildfire Prevention & Forest Restoration
Wildfire Protection & Community Resilience
Wildfire Preparedness



Forest Resilience and Restoration Programs	Carry-forward	Pass-thru
Building Forest Partnerships	\$0	
All-Lands Direct Investments	\$400,000	
Prescribed Fire Implementation and Direct Investment	\$400,000	
Post-Fire Recovery Direct Investment	\$0	
Eastern Washington Service Forestry Financial Assistance	\$6,200,000	
Western Washington Service Forestry Financial Assistance	\$600,000	



Community Resilience Programs	Carry-forward	Pass-thru
Community Micro Grants for Firewise USA™ Sites	\$0	
Conservation District Community Response	\$0	
Wildfire Preparedness Community Response	\$0	
Equity and Inclusion Grants for Wildfire Preparedness	\$0	
Capacity and Leadership Building	\$0	



Fire Preparedness	Carry-forward	Pass-thru
Operational Grants to Fire Districts	\$0	
Fire District Assistance Program Phase I and II Grants	\$0	
Fire District Assistance Surplus Engine Program	\$0	



Forest Resilience and Restoration Programs

Building Forest Partnerships

- Funding for forest collaboratives for continued development of organizational infrastructure.
- Deliver on our shared forest health strategic plan goals.
- Contribute to improvement of forest health across the state.

All-Lands Direct Investments

- Strategically implement treatments needed to forward the 20-Year Plan and FAP within priority landscapes across all land ownerships.
- Utilize a set of criteria and science-based prioritization including DNR landscape evaluations.



Forest Resilience and Restoration Programs

Prescribed Fire Implementation and Direct Investment

- Support state-led implementation of prescribed fire treatments across all-land ownerships to forward the 20-Year Plan and FAP.
- Both supports internal needs for prescribed burns on state-owned lands and pass-thru funding to partners.

Post-Fire Recovery Direct Investment

- Provides funding to local, state, and federal partners for establishing, implementing and coordinating post-wildfire recovery efforts on the ground.



Forest Resilience and Restoration Programs

Eastern Washington Service Forestry Financial Assistance

- DNR's financial assistance program for wildfire resilience and forest health, formerly referred to as the Cost-Share Program.
- Focuses on technical and financial assistance to implement forest health or wildfire mitigation treatments or to assist landowners in the development of forest management plans.

Western Washington Service Forestry Financial Assistance

- Formerly confined to Eastern Washington, the program has been expanded in FY21-23 to Western Washington landowners.



Community Resilience Programs

Community Micro Grants for Firewise USA™ Sites

- Micro grant program to encourage Firewise USA™ sites and communities to celebrate Wildfire Awareness Month.
- Funds from the program are used to implement Firewise USA™ site action plans and to encourage communities to become a Firewise USA™ site.

Conservation District Community Response

- Full pass through to the Washington State Conservation Commission for coordination with Conservation Districts.
- Increase actions taken by homeowners and landowners on their property to be prepared for the next wildfire.



Community Resilience Programs

Wildfire Preparedness Community Response:

- Increase actions taken by homeowners and landowners on their property to be prepared for the next wildfire.
- Develop and work with Firewise USA™ sites and Wildfire Ready Neighbors surges in community event and to conduct wildfire home risk assessments.

Equity and Inclusion Grants for Wildfire Preparedness:

- Provide capacity building support to increase engagement with underrepresented communities who have not traditionally been engaged in wildfire preparedness efforts or who have experienced disproportionate environmental or social equity impacts.



Community Resilience Programs

Capacity and Leadership Building

- Provide capacity and organizational support for the participation in a Wildfire Learning Network.



Fire Preparedness

Operational Grants to Fire Districts

- Provide Fire Districts the opportunity to expand their ability to assist with wildland fire suppression efforts and active fire related needs through the acquisition of additional operational firefighting and/or suppression equipment.

Fire District Assistance Program Phase I and II Grants:

- Paired with US Forest Service Fire District Assistance grants.
- Provides rural Fire Districts and Departments the opportunity to purchase at 10-50% of product value (Phase ½) and reimbursement on fire suppression products.



Fire Preparedness

Fire District Assistance Surplus Engine Program

- Utilize DNR Engines that are replaced within the DNR fleet to continue their service within the local or rural Fire Department or District to provide fire suppression efforts and wildland firefighting needs.



