# Water Conservation, Reuse and Storage Grant Program



Water Resources Commission Meeting November 2013



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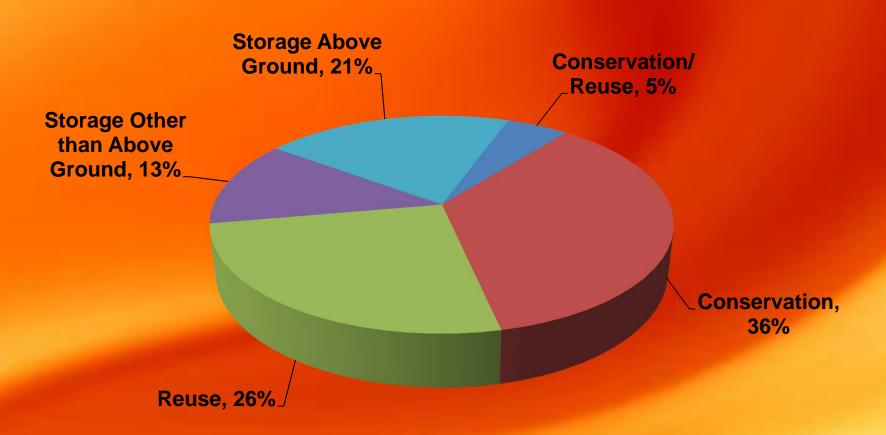
- The Water Conservation, Reuse and Storage Grant Program was established by Senate Bill 1069 (2008), is designed to fund the qualifying costs of planning studies that evaluate the feasibility of developing water conservation, reuse or storage projects.
- \$2.4 Million since 2008
- Resulted in 39 Studies Completed

# Grant Program For Feasibility Studies

- Hydrologic refill capacity
- Water needs
- Hydrology
- Engineering and financial feasibility
- Geology
- Water exchange

- Ecological flow impacts
- Alternative means of supplying water
- Environmental impacts
- Public benefits
- Fiscal impacts
- Hydrologic impacts
- Water quality impacts

# Project Types 2008-2013



## Small Storage



Tri Cities Water & Sanitary



La Creole Orchards

## Large Storage



**Hood River County** 



East Valley Water District

### Reuse

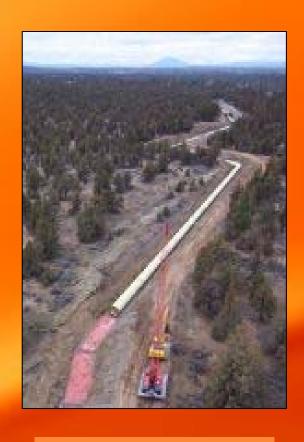


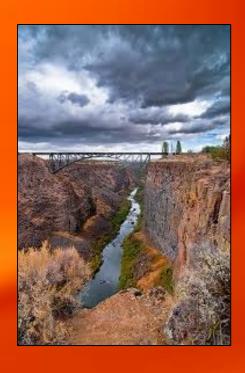
City of Dundee

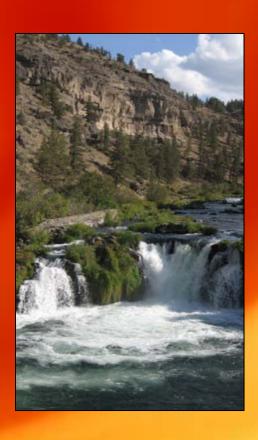


City of Sisters

### Conservation



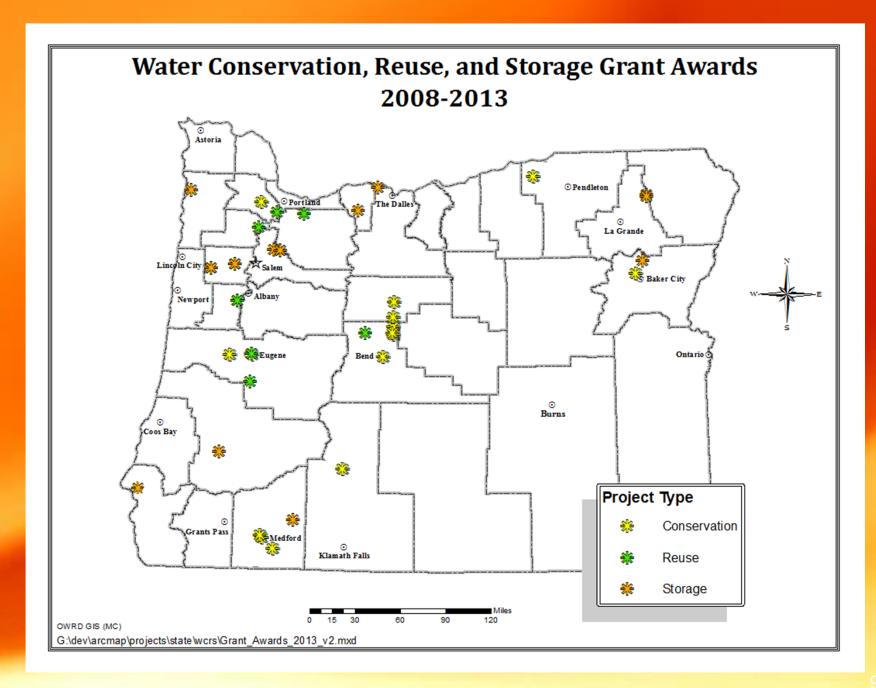




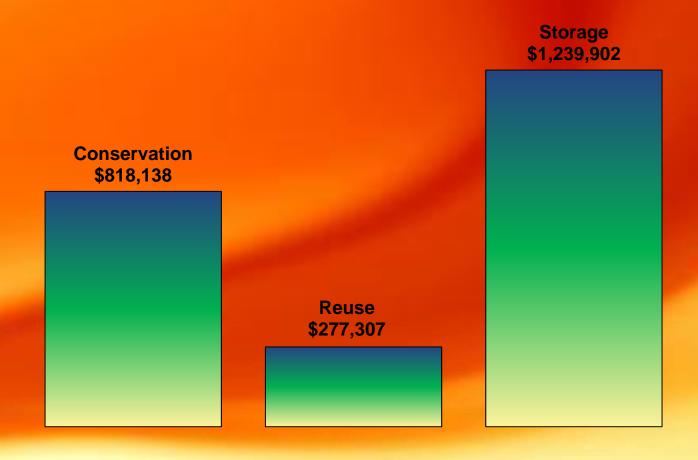
Central Oregon Irrigation District

Deschutes Conservancy

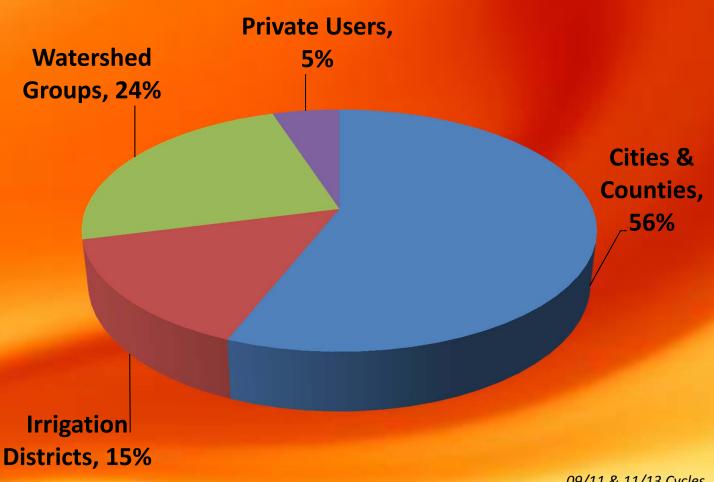
Jefferson County



# Expenditures by Type 2008-2013



### Grant Awards



### 2013-15 Program Initiative

**\$750,000** 

Conducted two workshops (Salem & Pendleton)

Application Review Team (ART) convened

## **Application Review Team** (ART)

- Six external agencies represented
  - Agriculture
  - -DEQ
  - -ODFW
  - Infrastructure Authority
  - -Parks and Recreation
  - Oregon Association of Water Utilities
- Department Employees

### 2013-15 Grant Cycle

Received 9 Applications

Types of projects:

2-Conservation

2-Reuse

5-Storage;

1-Below Ground (ASR)

**4-Above Ground** 

### 2013-15 Grant Cycle

- Applicants:
  - 3 Watershed Councils
  - 3 Water/Irrigation Districts
  - 3 City/County/OSU
- Funding Amount Requested:
  - **-\$887,557**

### **Application Summaries**

- City of Halfway \$40,000
  - Evaluate certain land parcels for reuse of city water.
- City of Newport \$250,000
  - Decision to repair, replace or reconstruct 2 dams on municipal reservoir.
- OSU/Benton/Corvallis \$48,656
  - Create rain gardens with storm water run-off.
- Walla Walla Watershed Council \$232,500
  - Analyze recovery of a depleted aquifer.
- Central Oregon Irrigation District \$17,401
  - Further assess canal piping opportunities.

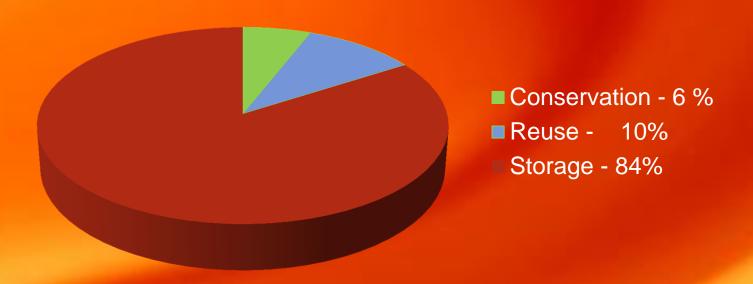
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- Fifteenmile Watershed Council \$99,000
  - Pursuing development of a storage reservoir.
- Walla Walla Watershed Council \$25,000
  - Evaluate using Columbia River water in exchange for Walla Walla River water for irrigation purposes.
- East Valley Water District \$140,000
  - Third phase of evaluating water storage opportunities within basin.
- Irrigation Canal company & Union SWCD -\$35,000
  - Determine water loss within canal system.

### **Funding Request**



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### **The Grant Process**

Applications Submitted

August 15 – November 1, 2013



Application Summaries Posted on Web Early November 2013



Application Review Team Recommendations

Mid-November 2013



Public Comment Period

December 1 – 31, 2013



Department Recommendation to Commission February 2014: Commission meets March 6<sup>th</sup>-7th



Grant Agreements Signed

March 2014



Project Completion/Report Due

June 2015

## Thank you

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#### Websites:

Agency: www.wrd.state.or.us

Program:

www.oregon.gov/owrd/Pages/LAW/conservation\_reuse\_storage\_grant\_program.aspx