



Rural Resources: Grants and Funding Opportunities

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RURAL





**Rural Development Initiatives
strengthens rural people,
places, & economies
in the Pacific Northwest.**



RDI

Develop
Networks of Rural
Leaders

Revitalize Rural
Economies

Elevate Rural
Voices and
Priorities

Connecting Rural
with Resources

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Collective Rural Leadership



Community Leadership Program

Building capacity and bringing people together to get things done.

Outcomes





Lunchtime Leadership

Building capacity to lead community efforts.

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Resilient Rural Economies

Visioning; Planning; Moving to Action

Supporting communities to take practical steps and access resources to move toward their vision.





Main Street Economic Vitality
Strengthening the economic vitality skills
of community Main Street leaders.

Bohemia FOOD HUB

Small Business &

Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Building

Assessing and strengthening small business ecosystems.



Spanish-Language Programs





SECURITY
ALERT
24 HOUR
VIDEO
SURVEILLANCE
ALL ACTIVITIES ARE
MONITORED

Pasos al Éxito

Providing basic financial skills and supporting people looking to start their own small business.



Food Business Training

Training aspiring food entrepreneurs.



Child Care Business Training

Providing aspiring entrepreneurs with information to start and successfully run a child care business.

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a coin over a pink piggy bank. The piggy bank has a smiling face and is being held in the palm of another hand. The background is a warm, golden-brown color. A semi-transparent white banner is overlaid on the top half of the image, containing text.

Gana, Ahorra, Invierte: **Earn Save Invest**

Teaching basic concepts of investing.

Oportunidades en el Bosque (Opportunities in the Woods)

**Training for forestry workers interested in
starting their own business.**



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Inclusive Rural Policy

Rural Civic Engagement

Organizing leaders to understand and advocate for rural-specific issues.





Regards to Rural

A conference to make meaningful connections
and learn from other rural champions.

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Elevating Rural Voices & Connecting to Resources

Ready, Set, Grant!

Training to get organizations funding-ready.



Thank You

Be extraordinary. Take responsibility.

Honor yourself and others.

Be authentic. Embrace change.

Create and explore. Be influential.

Care and collaborate.





SOUTH CENTRAL OREGON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SCOEDD)

Klamath County
PC: Emily Miller

What is SCOEDD?



Vision | Building thriving communities throughout **Klamath & Lake** Counties.

Mission | We are committed to empowering **Klamath & Lake** Counties by building trust, creating opportunities, and meeting fundamental needs to develop connected and vibrant communities.

Economic Development Districts & CEDS

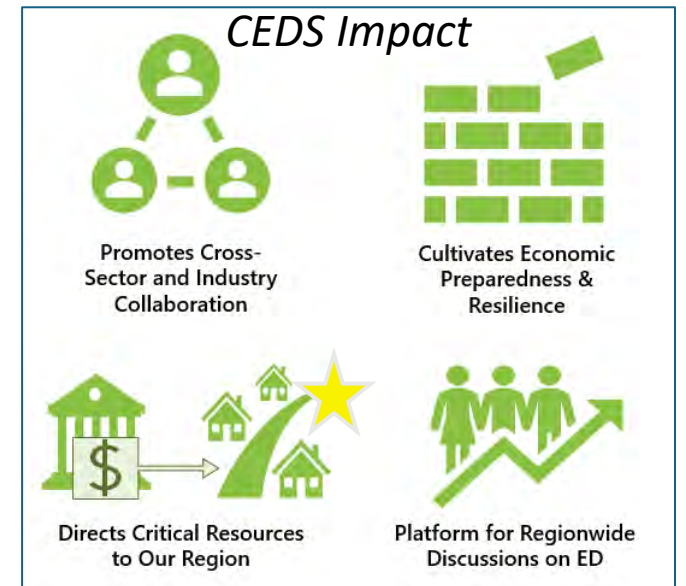
Economic Development Districts (EDDs) are multi-jurisdictional entities, commonly composed of multiple counties and, in certain cases, even cross-state borders. They help lead the locally-based, regionally driven economic development planning process that leverages the involvement of the public, private, and non-profit sectors to establish a strategic blueprint for regional collaboration. [Economic Development Administration]

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS)

Inspirationally: An opportunity to unite leaders across sectors, industries, missions, and the district to work together to develop and strengthen our shared communities.

Practically: A regional economic development planning process and document that brings together a range of partners to:

- Identify the region's strengths and weaknesses,
- Establish economic and community development priorities for the next 5-years,
- Form a blueprint for collaboration to improve economic outcomes and overall quality of life in our region.



SCOEDD's Community & Economic Development Work & Capacity Building



Capacity Building

SCOEDD created processes and streamlined redundancies. We also began a pilot of ProjectPedia, a collaborative tool highlighting regional projects and initiatives.



Grant Administration

SCOEDD manages **7** grants, many through federal agencies: EDA, USDA AMS, EPA, and local government. We're also managing \$1M worth of ARPA funding from the State.



Loans

SCOEDD has **9** different loan programs. In 2023, SCOEDD was awarded \$1M for Business Oregon's Community Lender Loan Loss Reserve program, enabling us to provide additional loans.



Collaboration

SCOEDD is breaking down silos among economic development organizations in our region so we can erase duplicity and ensure we partner for essential funding.

SCOEDD's Work & Examples

SCOEDD builds capacity by assisting with grant administration and management. We can complete the work as a sub-award, be the grant managers and only assist with budgeting, reporting, and compliance, or do both.

Farmers Market Promotion Program

- SCOEDD received this USDA grant in October 2022 to connect, support, and build capacity among local producers in the Klamath Basin.
- We sub-award almost all implementation programming and work to Klamath Grown, a 501c3.
- SCOEDD completes all budgeting and reporting work.
- We also set up recurring meetings with Klamath Grown to ensure we are collecting sufficient data and information for the reports.

American Rescue Plan Act (APRA)

- SCOEDD received this grant from the Oregon Legislature (Representative Reschke) in 2021/2022.
- We distributed funding to three entities to implement work related to our region's recovery after the pandemic (Lake County, Klamath County Fairgrounds, and ourselves (SCOEDD)).
- Minus our (SCOEDD) own program, we funded projects that other organizations are completing – we only provide budget and reporting support.

Targeted Airshed Grant

- In 2021, EPA funded the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), who sub-awarded it to Klamath County Public Health, who then sub-awarded it to us (SCOEDD).
- We not only complete the work—coordinating with vendors to change out woodstoves and weatherize homes—but we also complete monthly and quarterly reporting.
- Klamath County Public Health liaises between us and DEQ/EPA.

ProjectPedia – *coming soon*

SharePoint Search across sites

ProjectPedia Broadband Action Team CEDS Project Team Edit

ProjectPedia Projects Resources News & Events Submit new project Update existing project FAQs About ProjectPedia Edit

+ Create site Not following Site access

+ New Page details Analytics

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Welcome to ProjectPedia

ProjectPedia is your one-stop destination where you can find comprehensive information about the various public projects underway in Klamath and Lake Counties. ProjectPedia brings together details on initiatives led by cities, counties, and diverse public agencies in this region.

Feel free to explore the different projects, learn about their objectives, and stay updated on the positive changes happening in your local area.

Affordable and Workforce Housing | Residential Construction | Urban Growth Boundary (UGB)

Broadband | Energy | Renewables | Transportation | Water and Wastewater

Agriculture | Air Quality | Conservation | Environmental | Parks & Recreation | Renewables

Upcoming Events

+ Add event See all

- APR 29** USDA Distant Learning & Telemedicine Grant Du
Mon, Apr 29, All day
- JUN 14** LOC Region 10 Small Cities Meeting
Fri, Jun 14, 11:00 AM
- SEP 13** LOC Region 10 Small Cities Meeting
Fri, Sep 13, 11:00 AM
- DEC 13** LOC Region 10 Small Cities Meeting
Fri, Dec 13, 11:00 AM

Links and Resources

- Association of Oregon Counties
- League of Oregon Cities
- Klamath County

ProjectPedia intends to be a regional collaborative tool where those working in community and economic development can coordinate when obtaining resources and understand the various ongoing projects in the region.

Tips & Tricks

- Work with your local **economic development district** – if they can't help, they likely know someone who can!
- Grant Reporting:
 - Very carefully read the grant's **terms and conditions** – they're long but informative.
 - **Build a relationship** with your grant administrator/specialist – they know the grant's specific details and can help you with your questions.
 - Ensure that your **processes** (financial/accounting, procurement, etc.) **align** with the grant's terms and conditions.
- Reminders:
 - **Single Audit** = \$750,000 or more of Federal Financial Assistance in a fiscal year.
 - Read the **fine print of federal and state procurement processes**, especially if you anticipate hiring consultants/contractors under a grant.

A scenic view of a lake at sunset. The sky is a mix of blue and orange, with a few wispy clouds. The water is calm, reflecting the light from the setting sun. In the background, there are dark silhouettes of mountains and a forested shoreline. On the right side, there are utility poles and power lines. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

THANK YOU!

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ODOE Program Highlights for Cities

*LOC Spring Conference
April 2024*





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Leading Oregon to a safe, equitable, clean, and sustainable energy future.

Our Mission

The Oregon Department of Energy helps Oregonians make informed decisions and maintain a resilient and affordable energy system. We advance solutions to shape an equitable clean energy transition, protect the environment and public health, and responsibly balance energy needs and impacts for current and future generations.

What We Do

On behalf of Oregonians across the state, the Oregon Department of Energy achieves its mission by providing:

- A Central Repository of Energy Data, Information, and Analysis
- A Venue for Problem-Solving Oregon's Energy Challenges
- Energy Education and Technical Assistance
- Regulation and Oversight
- Energy Programs and Activities



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Community Navigator Program

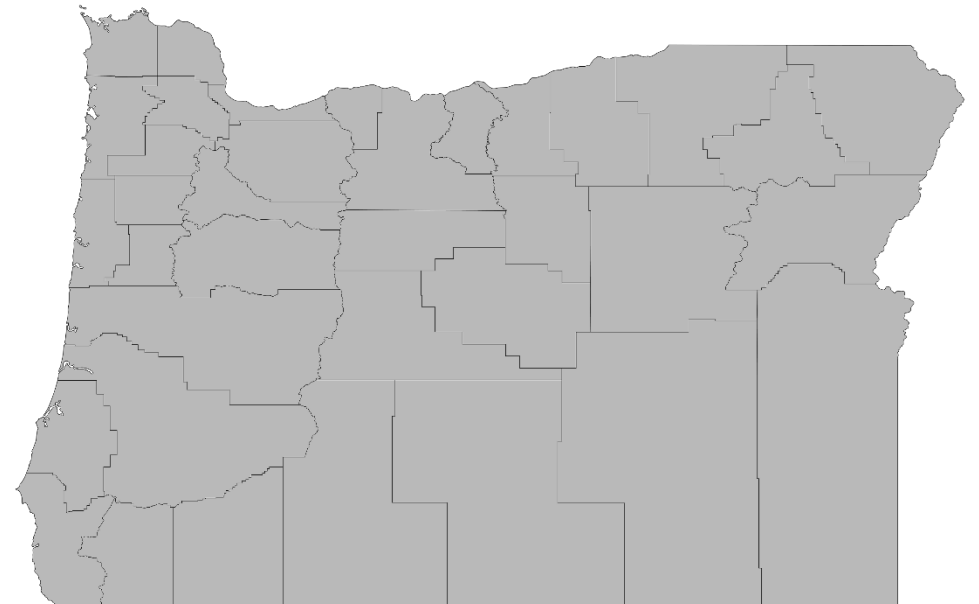
Community Navigator Program

HB 3630 (2023) Established the Community Navigator Program:

*“The State Department of Energy shall establish a program to provide assistance related to energy projects and activities to **environmental justice communities**, as defined in ORS 469A.400. At a minimum, the program must provide environmental justice communities with information regarding: (1) Funding resources. (2) Technical assistance. (3) Other support that may be available.”*

Program Objectives:

- Community Education and Awareness
- Equitable Access to Programs and Information
- Clean, Resilient, Affordable Energy Promotion
- Grant Identification and Outreach
- Resilience Planning
- Capacity Building
- Partnerships and Collaboration



ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMUNITIES

ORS 469A.400 Defines Environmental Justice Communities as:

- Tribal communities
- Communities of color
- Communities experiencing lower incomes
- Rural communities
- Coastal communities
- Communities with limited infrastructure
- Communities traditionally underrepresented in public processes and adversely harmed by environmental and health hazards, including seniors, youth and persons with disabilities

Community Renewable Energy Grant Program

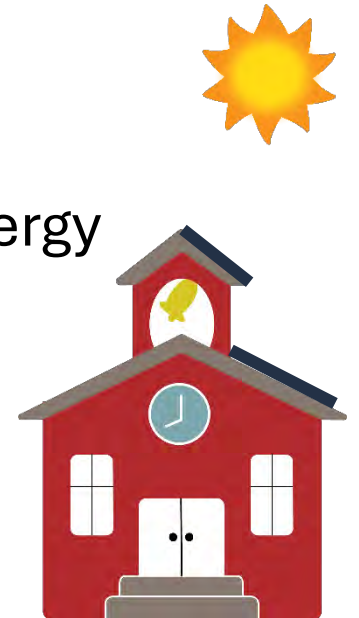


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COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GRANT PROGRAM

HB 2021 Established the Community Renewable Energy Grant Program to:

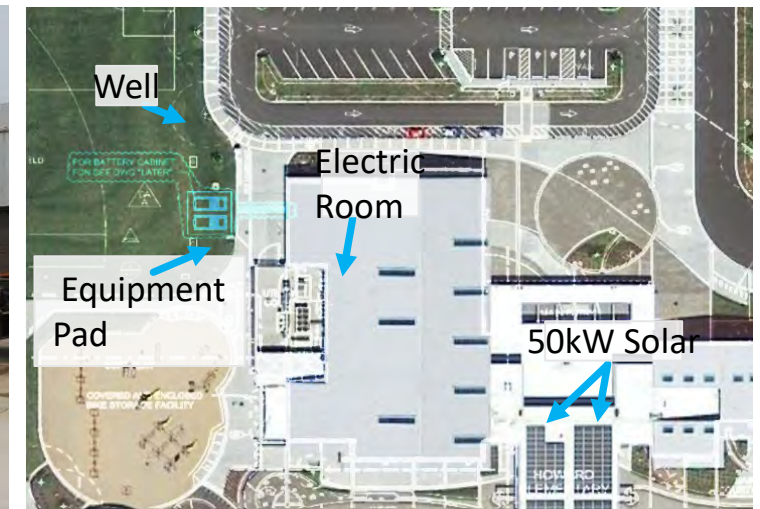
- Offset costs of planning and developing community renewable energy projects
- Support projects in traditionally underserved communities
- Promote small-scale community renewable energy projects
- Provide direct benefits to communities across Oregon by improving energy resilience, creating local jobs, promoting economic development, and reducing local energy costs



APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

- Tribes
- Consumer-Owned Utilities
- Public Bodies defined in ORS 174.109 including:
 - Cities
 - Counties
 - Local Service Districts
 - Public School Districts, Community Colleges, and Public Universities

Note: projects within Portland city limits are not eligible



Example type of project: Grid Edge Demonstration Project in Eugene
Photos courtesy of Eugene Water and Electric Board

GRANTS TO OREGON COMMUNITIES

PROJECT CATEGORY	MAXIMUM GRANT AWARD	MAXIMUM % OF COST
Planning, Energy Resilience	\$100,000	100%
Planning, Renewable Energy Only	\$100,000	100%
Construction, Energy Resilience	\$1,000,000	100%
Construction, Renewable Energy Only	\$1,000,000	50%

Important Program Notes:

- Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis and will include performance agreements and time limits for completing projects.
- Grant funds are paid only to the grantee after the renewable energy project is operational (a 30% preliminary payment is possible).

COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GRANT PROGRAM

Budget Priorities

- 50 percent or more for grants to be awarded for planning or developing community renewable energy projects that qualify as **community energy resilience projects**.
- 50 percent or more for grants to be awarded for planning or developing community renewable energy projects that primarily serve **one or more environmental justice communities**.





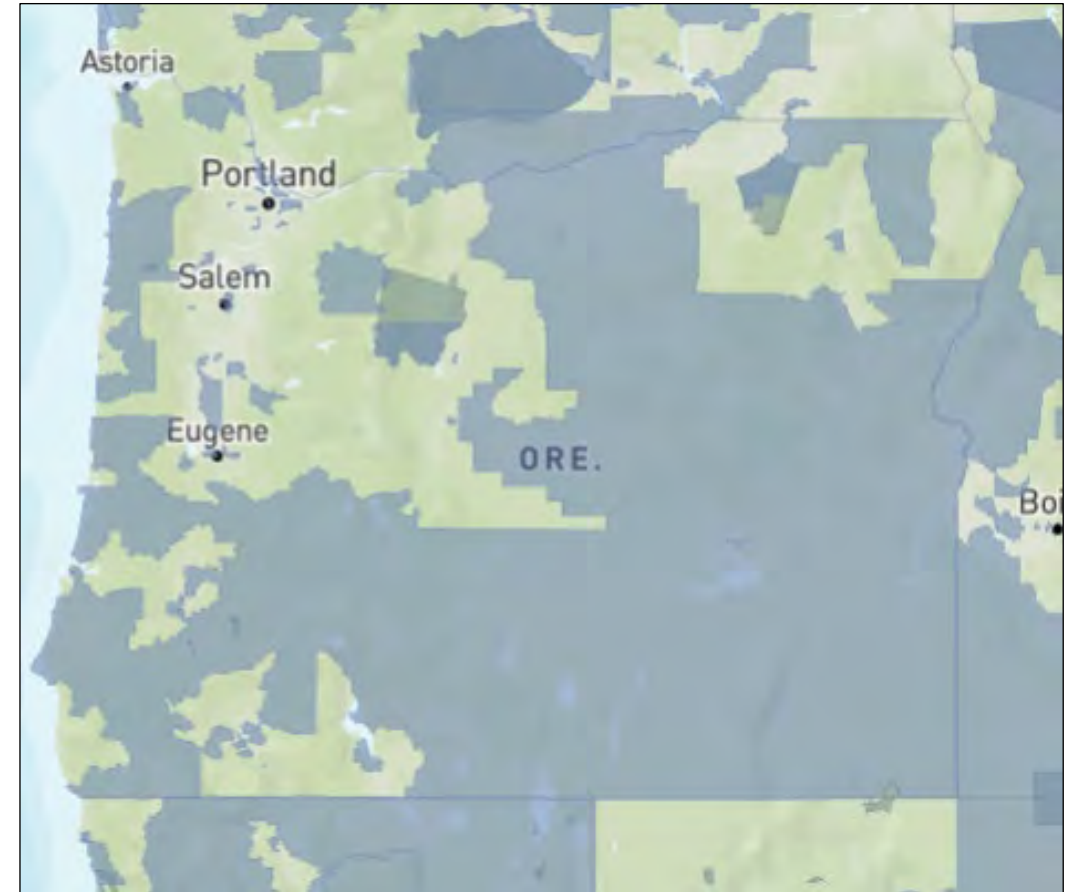
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Federal Funding Opportunities

Justice40

Climate & Economic Justice Screening Tool

- Federally developed tool has an interactive map and uses datasets that are indicators of burdens in eight categories:
 - Climate change
 - Energy
 - Health
 - Housing
 - Legacy pollution
 - Transportation
 - Water and wastewater
 - Workforce development
- Justice40 initiative seeks to deliver 40% of the overall benefits of investments from the IIJA and IRA to identified disadvantaged communities

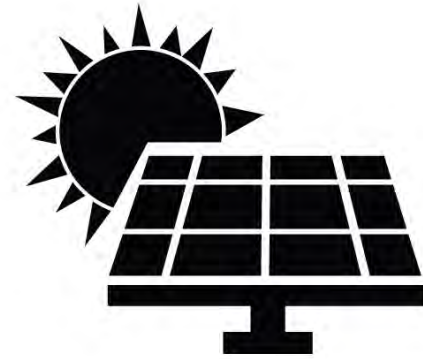


<https://screeningtool.geoplatform.gov/>

Direct Pay / Elective Pay

Tax Credits for Governments

- Opportunity for tax-exempt and government entities to *receive payment equal to the full value of tax credits* for building qualifying clean energy projects
- Direct Pay for 12 of the IRA's tax credits, including *solar, wind and battery storage* projects, installing *EV charging infrastructure*, and *purchasing clean vehicles* for city vehicle fleets
- **Example:** The City of Vroomville buys a large electric garbage truck for municipal waste collection. *Through direct pay, the city can get up to 30% or \$40,000*, whichever is lower, of the cost of the truck back by using the Commercial Clean Vehicle Credit.




<https://www.whitehouse.gov/cleanenergy/directpay/>

FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

IIJA / IRA Opportunity Tracker

- Energy-related funding opportunities the IIJA and IRA tracked on the spreadsheet available on ODOE's website - Updated weekly!

		IIJA & IRA Tracker - Oregon Department of Energy			
Last updated 9-5-2023, Links confirmed 9-5-2023					
NAME OF PROGRAM	CATEGORY	PROGRAM MILESTONES	AMOUNT (\$millions) FY 2022-2026	DESCRIPTION	
Advanced Energy Manufacturing and Recycling Grants	Clean Energy and Power	March 14 2023 - Concept Paper; June 8, 2023 - Full Application		\$750.0	Offers grants to small and medium-sized
Advanced Energy Security Program	Resilience	Funding Opportunity expected 4th quarter of 2022		\$50.0	To increase the functional preservation of
Advanced Solar Energy Manufacturing Initiative	Clean Energy and Power	Concept papers due September 27 and full applications due		\$20.0	To award financial assistance to eligible
Advancing Equity Through Workforce Partnerships	Clean Energy and Power	December 6, 2022 - Applications due		\$10.0	Funds the development of workforce
Assistance for Local Emergency Response Training (ALERT)	Resilience	May 5, 2023 - Applications close for Assistance for Local		\$230.0	The Hazardous Materials and Emergency
Battery Manufacturing and Recycling Grants	Clean Energy and Power	FOA Open in November 2023		\$3,000.0	To provide grants to ensure the US has a
Battery Recycling Best Practices	Other	Report to Congress in November 2023		\$25.0	The Environmental Protection Agency will
Building Codes Implementation for Efficiency and Resilience	Clean Energy and Power	March 27, 2023 - Final application due; January 31, 2023 - Concept		\$230.0	A competitive grant program to enable
Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities	Resilience	January 27, 2023 - Applications due for FY2022 BRIC funding		\$1,000.0	Makes Federal funds available to States, U.S
Building Training and Assessment Centers	Clean Energy and Power	Concept Paper deadline June 16, 2023, Full Application deadline		\$10.0	To provide grants to institutions of higher
Bus and Bus Facilities Program	Public Transportation	FY 2023 apportionments by state announced and FY 2022		\$3,160.0	Provides capital funding to replace,
Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Grants	Public Transportation	April 13, 2023 - Applications due		\$1,970.0	Provides capital funding to replace,
Capital Investment Grants (Fixed Guideway)	Public Transportation	TBD		\$8 bn (an additional \$15 billion is	Discretionary grant program funds transit
Carbon Capture Demonstration Projects Program	Clean Energy and Power	Letters of Intent due March 28, 2023 and full applications due May		\$2,540.0	Establishes a carbon capture technology
Carbon Capture Large-Scale Pilot Programs	Clean Energy and Power	April 5, 2023 - Concept papers due; June 21, 2023 - Applications		\$940.0	To establish a carbon capture technology

<https://www.oregon.gov/energy/energy-oregon/Documents/IIJA-IRA-Tracker-ODOE.xlsx>



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QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

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