



RECOVERY FUNDS TO HELP UMATILLA COUNTY

SALEM - The Oregon Department of Energy awarded \$1.6 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to 12 energy projects in Umatilla County. The projects range from lighting and energy efficiency projects to a solar project. The funds are part of the State Energy Program for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects.

Altogether the projects are expected to save and produce an estimated 4 million kilowatt hours of electricity per year, enough to heat 334.4 average Oregon homes per year.

Helix, Hermiston, Milton-Freewater and Stanfield School Districts received awards for lighting retrofit projects. In addition, Stanfield School District received an award for heating system upgrades to the Stanfield School.

The Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution in Pendleton received an award to install solar thermal panels on the roof of the Commissary building. The existing hot water heater was installed when the facility was converted to a prison in 1985. It serves 700 inmates in nine housing areas and several staff office areas. The cost savings is estimated to be \$72,817 per year.

Con Agra in Hermiston will receive an award of \$62,000 for a \$362,926 project to install 12 new ventilation fans with high efficiency and variable speed drives, sensors and controls for ventilating two potato storage warehouses. The warehouses have been utilized since 1971. The energy project is expected to save considerable energy so the company can remain competitive.

The City of Milton-Freewater received four awards to pay for energy upgrades to several city buildings.

The Umatilla County Juvenile Center in Pendleton will upgrade its heating control system, replace electric resistance heating with ground source heat pumps, install wall insulation, and replace T-12 lights with energy-efficient T-8 lights.

Umatilla County projects include the following:

Entity	Facility Name	Award Amount	Type of Award	Type of Project
City of Milton-Freewater	City Hall	\$ 134,000	State Energy Program	Windows, lighting, HVAC
City of Milton-Freewater	Saager Fire Station	7,200	State Energy Program	Lighting, windows
City of Milton-Freewater	City shop, out buildings	16,000	State Energy Program	Lighting
City of Milton-Freewater	South Fire Station	1,700	State Energy Program	Lighting
ConAgra Foods	ConAgra Foods	62,000	State Energy Program	Efficient fans, VFD, controls
OR Dept. of Corrections	Correctional Institution	450,000	State Energy Program	Solar
Helix School District	Helix School	36,455	State Energy Program	Lighting
Hermiston School District	Various	109,988	State Energy Program	Lighting
Milton-Freewater School District	McLoughlin HS	573,217	State Energy Program	Lighting
Stanfield School District	Stanfield School	37,544	State Energy Program	Lighting
Stanfield School District	Stanfield School	29,796	State Energy Program	HVAC
Umatilla County	Juvenile Center	185,000	State Energy Program	Insulation, lighting
TOTAL		\$ 1,642,900		

A list of all Oregon counties that received American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds and amounts awarded is available at

[http://www.oregon.gov/ENERGY/Recovery/Funding.shtml#State Energy Program and Block Grant Awards by County](http://www.oregon.gov/ENERGY/Recovery/Funding.shtml#State_Energy_Program_and_Block_Grant_Awards_by_County)

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