

American Rescue Plan Act 2021

Joint Interim Budget Subcommittee

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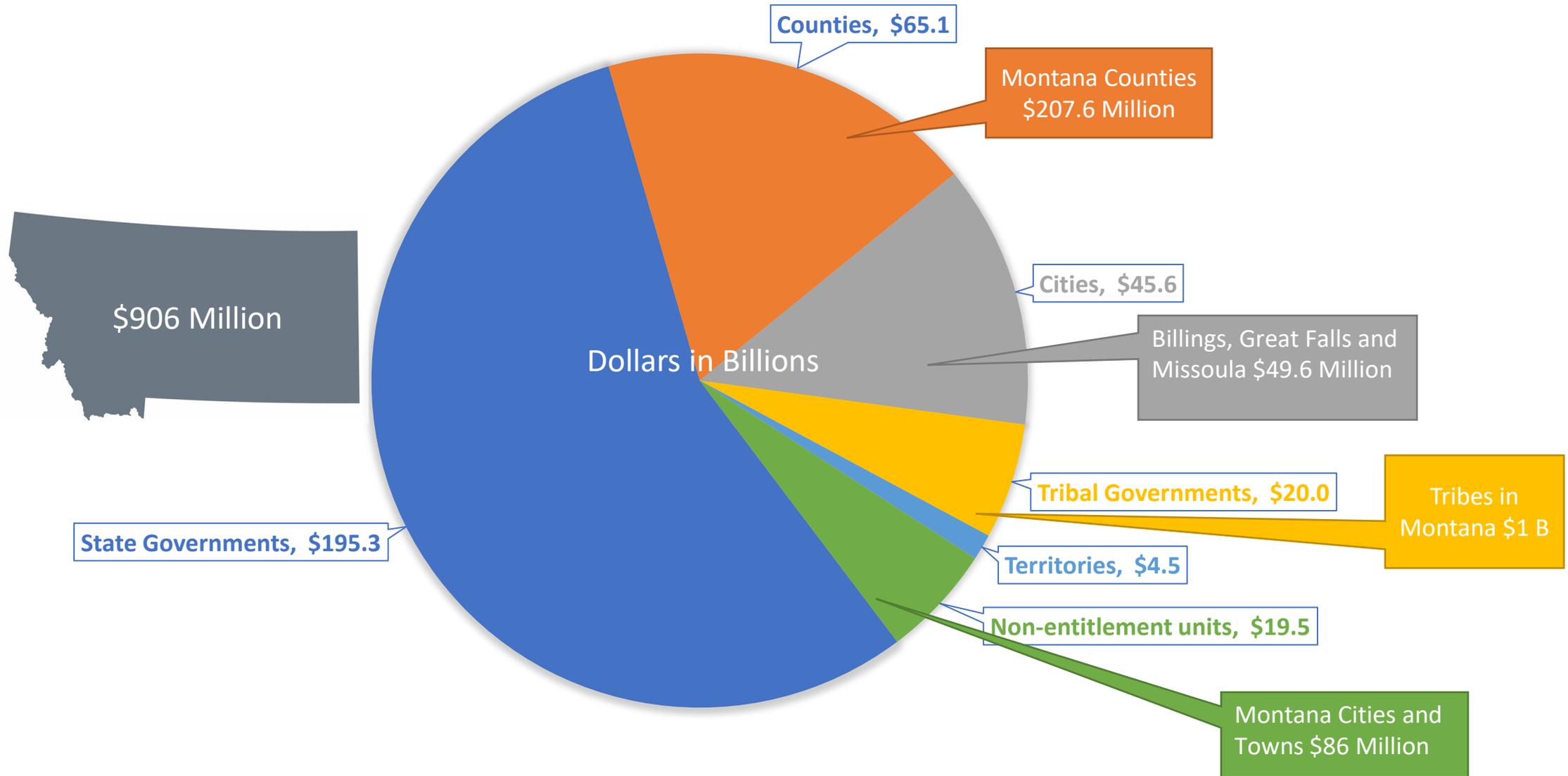


Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss
Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers
Water and Sewer Infrastructure	Broadband Infrastructure



CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS TOTAL \$350 BILLION



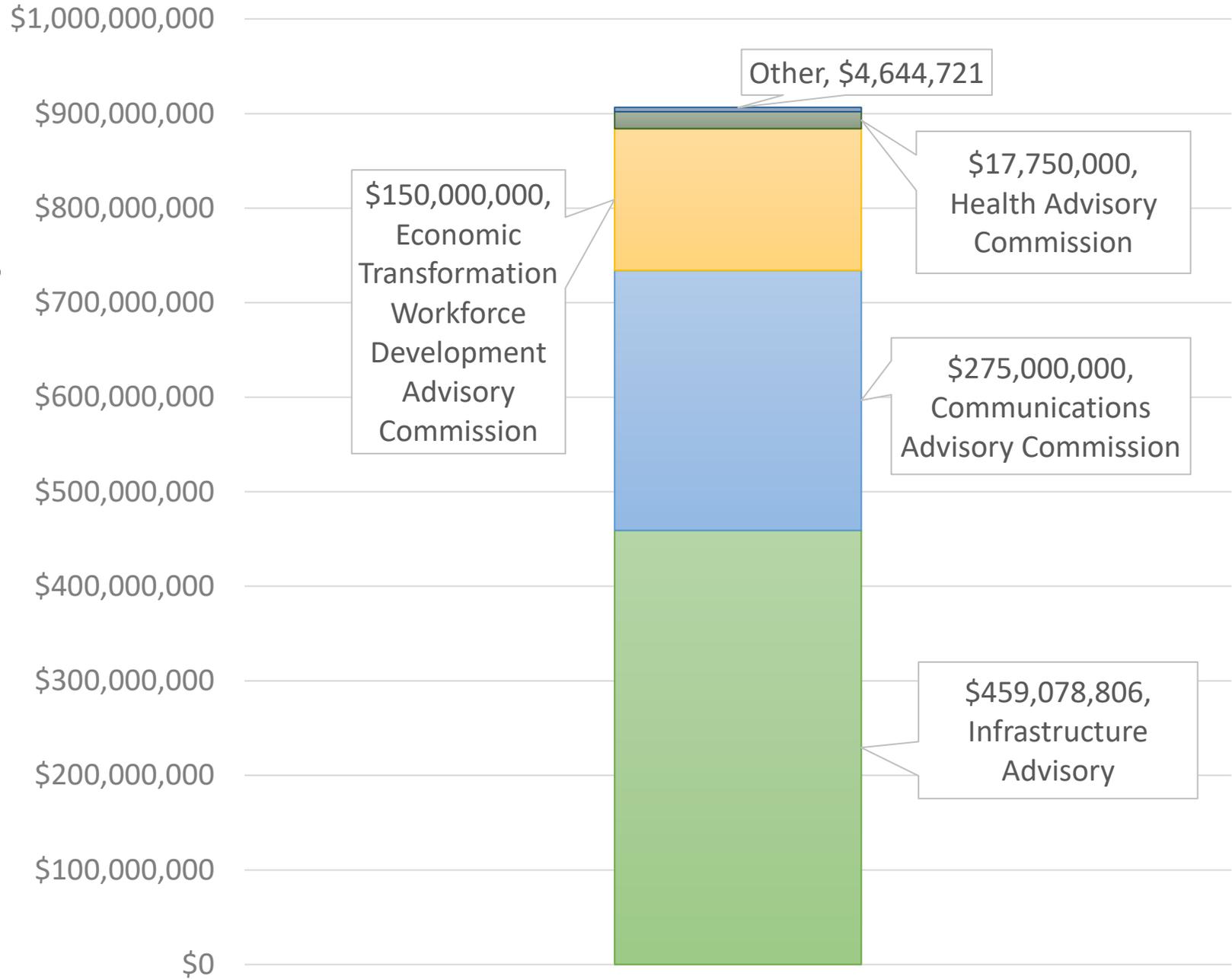
\$906M

State Fiscal Recovery Funds



[State of Montana Recovery Plan](#)

Montana State Fiscal Recovery Fund



HB 632 - SILOS

Education

Health

Infrastructure

Communications

Economic

Stabilization



HB 632 - KEYS

**CARES Act was quick-action,
“emergency”**

**ARPA is longer-term,
“investment” and higher level
of accountability**

**Many funds are on a
reimbursement basis**

**Many federal
constraints/requirements**



COMMUNICATIONS
ADVISORY
COMMISSION
SB 297

Mapping

Requirements:

**Frontier,
Unserved,
Underserved,
Minimum Speeds,**

Competitive Grants

**\$266M plus estimated \$100M+ from
Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act**



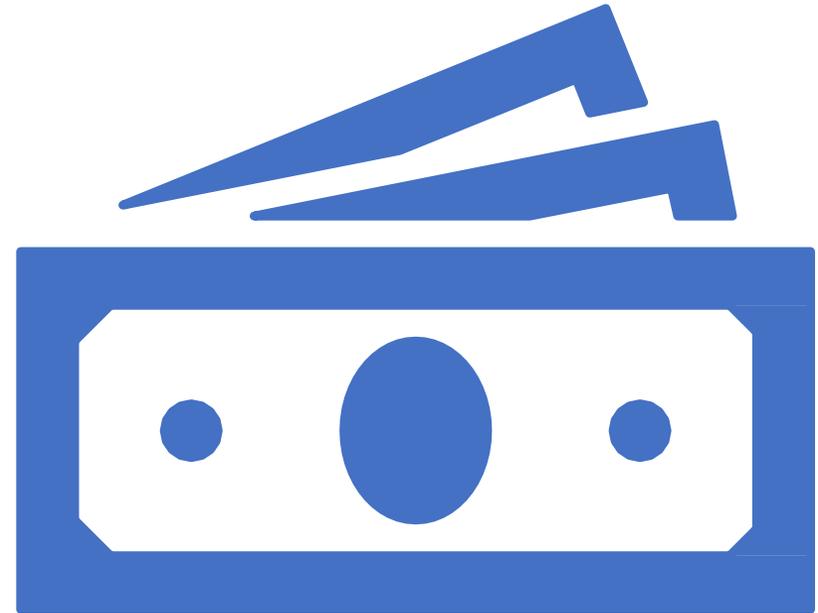
HB 632 INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY COMMISSION

- Review applications for State and local government water & sewer infrastructure projects
- Provide recommendations to the Governor
- DNRC, Dept. of Commerce and DEQ



\$459M NECESSARY INVESTMENTS IN WATER & SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE*

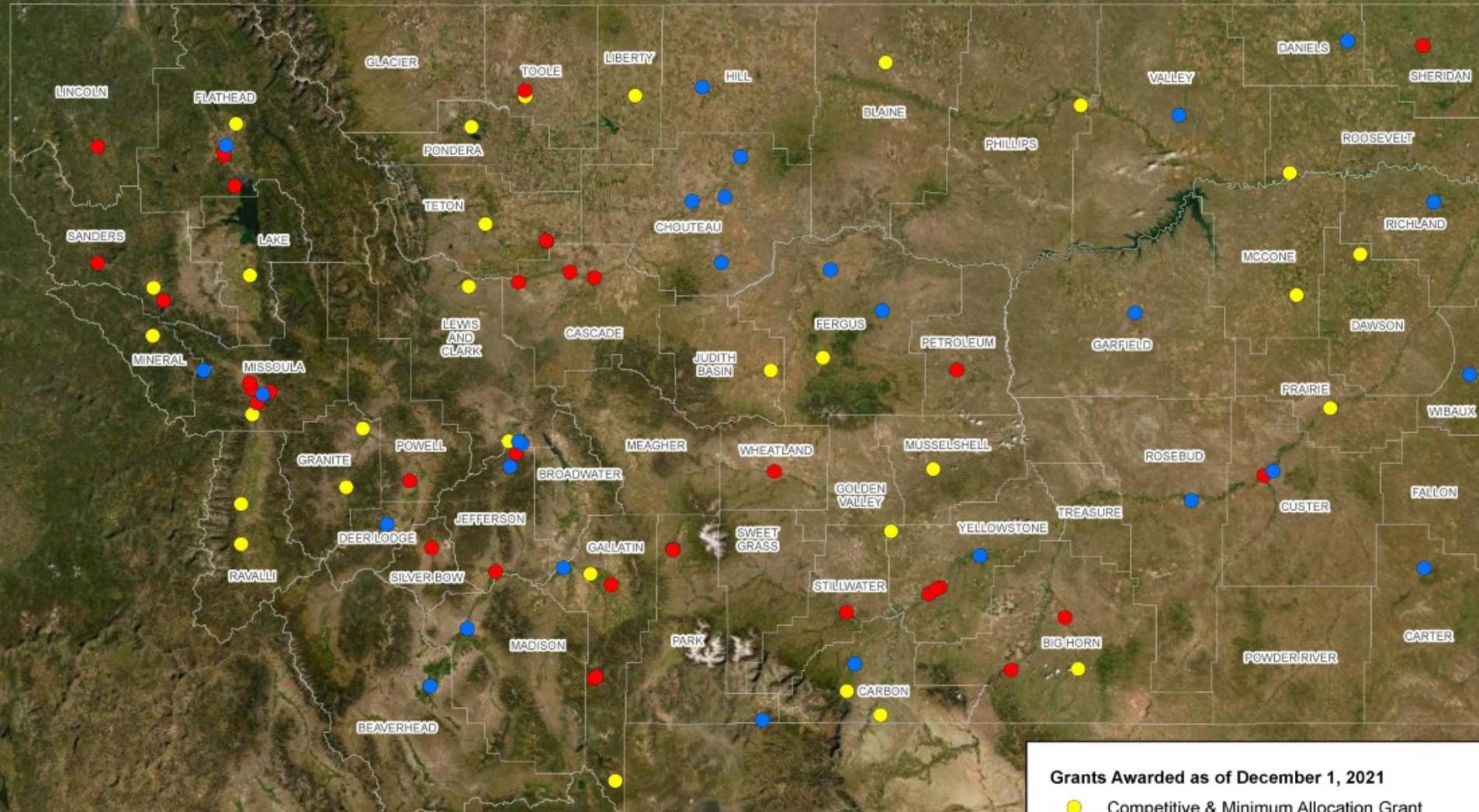
- ✓ \$150M Minimum Allocation Grants
- ✓ \$10M Regional Water Projects
- ✓ \$750K Technical Assistance
- ✓ \$43.3M State Long Range Building Projects, Renewable Resource Grant, Reclamation Development Grants and Montana Coal Endowment Program (formerly TSEP) Grants.
- ✓ \$238M Competitive Grants
 - ✓ \$10M Competitive Irrigation Grants
- ✓ Remainder - Administration



HB 632
PROJECT
GRANTS
\$155 M

	Total Competitive Grant Award		Total Minimum Allocation Grant Award	
City	\$	50,692,522	\$	17,604,296
Consolidated City-County	\$	937,476	\$	-
County	\$	6,290,000	\$	13,390,108
School District	\$	235,350	\$	-
State Agency	\$	2,000,000	\$	-
Town	\$	37,090,529	\$	3,287,263
Water and/or Sewer District	\$	23,856,679	\$	-
Grand Total	\$	121,102,555	\$	34,281,666

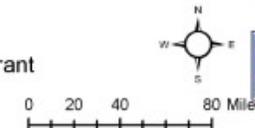
ARPA Water & Sewer Projects Minimum Allocation and Competitive Grants



Grants Awarded as of December 1, 2021

- Competitive & Minimum Allocation Grant
- Competitive Grant
- Minimum Allocation Grant

□ Montana County



ARPA.MT.GOV -> Funds Distributed To Date

[Click Here - ARPA Program Funding Summary](#)

Total ARPA Funds Awarded Statewide

\$337.2M

Total ARPA Funds Paid Statewide

\$145.5M

Total Program Awarded Statewide

Total ARPA Funds Awarded to Organization

\$337.2M

Total ARPA Funds Paid to Organization

\$145.5M

ORGANIZATION / TOWN - PROGRAM NAME / AMOUNT AWARDED
(SCROLL DOWN TO SEE MORE)

Alfalfa Valley Irrigation District / Chinook - HB 14 - Renewable Resource Grant / \$125,000

Apple Rehab Cooney / Helena - Nursing Home Payments / \$190,041

Belt, Town Of / Belt - Local Fiscal Recovery Funds / \$72,034

Benefis Senior Services / Great Falls - Nursing Home Payments / \$416,304

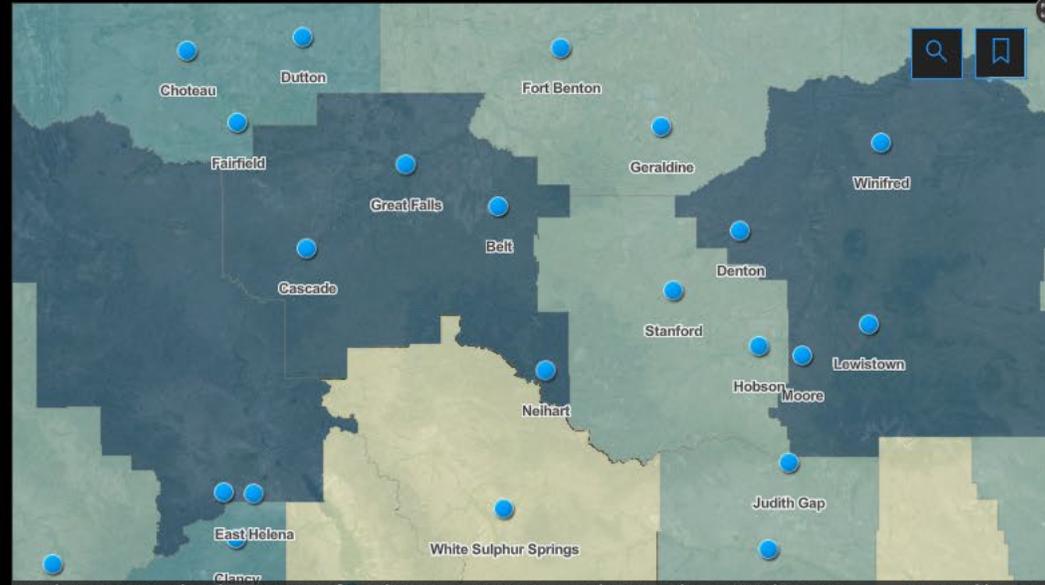
Big Sandy Medical Center - Big Sandy - Swing Bed / Big Sandy - Nursing Home Payments / \$27,718

Big Sandy, Town Of / Big Sandy - Montana Coal Endowment Program (HB14) / \$484,671

Big Sandy, Town Of / Big Sandy - Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

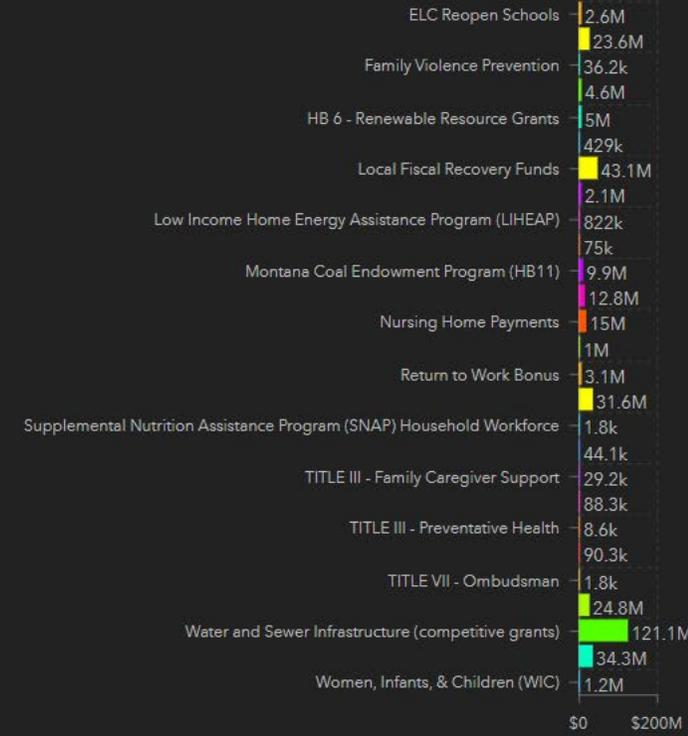
*The Montana Emergency Rental Assistance Program is funded through the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 and appropriated to Montana Housing by the 2021 Montana Legislature's HB 3 and HB 630.

**Larger cities (City of Billings, City of Great Falls, and City of Missoula) receive funding directly from the US Treasury.



Map - Total Amount Awarded by County

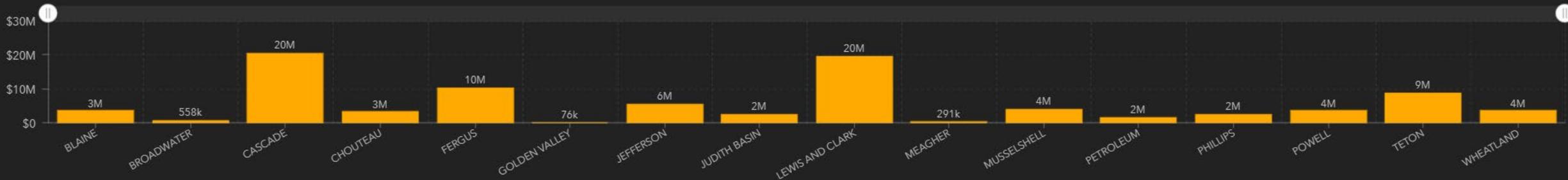
Map legend



Awarded Statewide

Paid Statewide

TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED BY COUNTY (SELECT COUNTY BELOW TO POPULATE ORGANIZATIONS BY LIST IN TOP LEFT)



AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT – INTERIM FINAL RULE



- ✓ Invest in necessary improvements to their water and sewer infrastructures...
- ✓ Invest in an array of drinking water infrastructure projects...
- ✓ Invest in wastewater infrastructure projects...
- ✓ Aligns with Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.
- ✓ Flexibility to identify those water and sewer infrastructure investments that are of the highest priority for their own communities.

WATER PROJECTS

Eligible Projects:

- Treatment
- Transmission & distribution
- Source
- Storage
- Consolidation
- Creation of new systems
- Energy efficiency
- Capital projects
- Planning and assessment
- Replacement of lead service lines



SEWER PROJECTS

Eligible Projects:

- Centralized wastewater treatment
- Energy and water conservation
- Stormwater
- Decentralized wastewater treatment
- Nonpoint Source Reduction Projects
 - Agricultural Best Management Practices
 - Resource extraction or contaminated sites
 - Landfills
 - Habitat protection and restoration
 - Groundwater protection and restoration
 - Surface Water protection and restoration
- Planning and assessment
- *No rehabilitation of dams and reservoirs*



WATER & SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS



U.S. Treasury
Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
(LFR)



State of Montana
RRGL and MCEP
ARPA Funds



State of Montana
Minimum Allocation Grants
\$150 Million
Gas Tax Allocation



State of Montana
Competitive Grant Program
\$25 Million Max*



*The Infrastructure Advisory Commission has set a \$2M cap on projects.

ARPA MINIMUM ALLOCATION GRANT PROGRAM

APPLICATIONS DUE:
July 15, 2021 – January
1, 2023

DNRC review - eligibility

Infrastructure Advisory
Commission recommend

Awarded by the
Governor

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:
Counties, Cities and
Towns

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS:
Water & sewer
infrastructure

GRANT LIMITS: \$150
Million (Gas Tax
Allocation)

MATCH REQUIRED
Lesser of: One-to-one
matching funds – OR -
25% of the local ARPA
funds (Treasury)

APPLY ONLINE
arpa.mt.gov -> Water &
Sewer -> [Minimum
Allocation Grants](#)

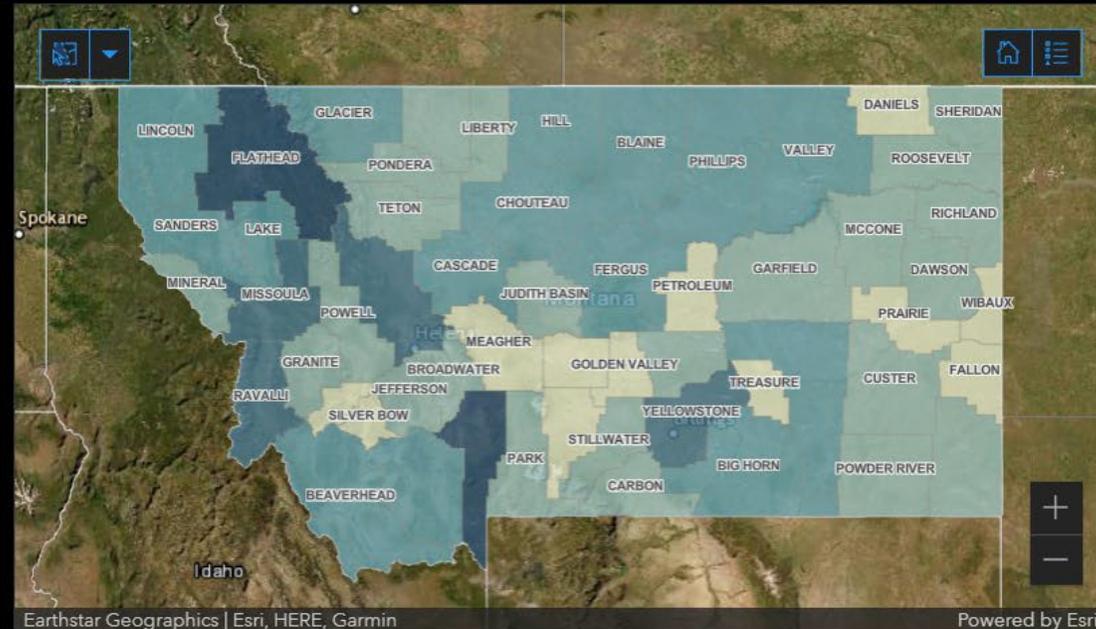
DNRC ARPA Dashboard

Counties

Cities & Towns

LAT / LONG Location Finder

	MONTANA COUNTY - MINIMUM ALLOCATION / MATCH REQUIRED
	BEAVERHEAD COUNTY - \$1,295,908 / \$459,034
	HORN COUNTY - \$1,180,802 / \$646,765
	LINE COUNTY - \$1,050,444 / \$324,427
	BROADWATER COUNTY - \$552,124 / \$302,866
	CARBON COUNTY - \$767,731 / \$520,802
	CARTER COUNTY - \$539,699 / \$60,797
	CASCADE COUNTY - \$1,787,464 / \$1,787,464
	CHOUTEAU COUNTY - \$1,226,355 / \$273,633
	CUSTER COUNTY - \$722,083 / \$553,676
	DANIELS COUNTY - \$444,537 / \$82,066
	DAWSON COUNTY - \$746,961 / \$418,244
	DEER LODGE COUNTY - \$341,546 / \$341,546
	FALLON COUNTY - \$435,296 / \$138,201
	FERGUS COUNTY - \$1,151,415 / \$551,500



Earthstar Geographics | Esri, HERE, Garmin
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 *Population & Median Housing Income estimates are provided by the American Community Survey 5-year Data Profile, U.S. Census Bureau.

Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for Cities and Towns visit:
<https://arpa.mt.gov/Local-Governments>

Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for Counties and Metropolitan Cities visit:
<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-communications/fiscal-recovery>

BEAVERHEAD COUNTY

\$1,295,908

Minimum Allocation Grant

BEAVERHEAD COUNTY

\$459,034

Match Required

BEAVERHEAD COUNTY

9,453

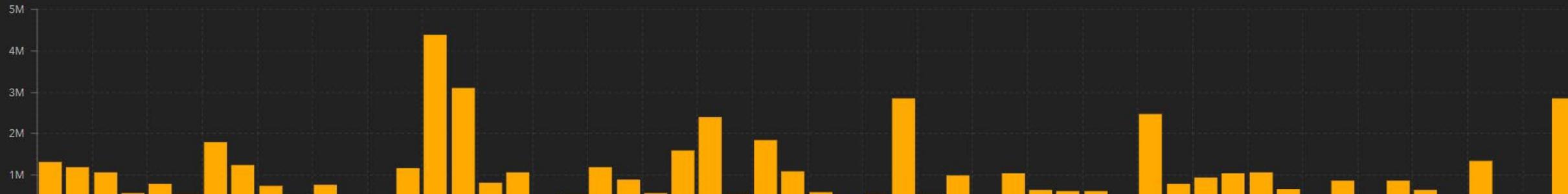
2019 Population Estimate

BEAVERHEAD COUNTY

\$43,201

Median Housing Income

HB 632 Minimum Allocation Grant by County





Big Sandy Stormwater Project

Reshape drainage system
to capture stormwater
and prevent flooding

ARPA COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM

APPLICATIONS DUE:
January 14, 2022

DNRC review and
rank

Infrastructure
Advisory
Commission
recommend

Awarded by the
Governor

**ELIGIBLE
APPLICANTS:** Local
Governments
(HB 632)

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS:
Water & sewer
infrastructure

PROJECT CAP: \$2M

MATCH REQUIRED
Ranking will
consider % match

APPLY ONLINE
arpa.mt.gov ->
Water & Sewer ->
[Competitive Grants](#)

COMPETITIVE GRANT RANKING



Competitive Grants – Round 1

319 Total Applications

16 Minimum
Allocation
Grants

207
Competitive
Grants

96 Minimum
&
Competitive
Grants

Competitive Grants First Round

\$800,000,000
 \$700,000,000
 \$600,000,000
 \$500,000,000
 \$400,000,000
 \$300,000,000
 \$200,000,000
 \$100,000,000
 \$0

	Eligible	Questionable	Ineligible
Minimum Allocation Grant	\$35,740,898	\$12,695,861	\$958,058
Competitive Grant	\$690,499,544	\$155,976,927	\$21,480,992
Count	241	50	14



City of Dillon

Water main replacement
Rank #62



City of Belgrade

Wastewater Treatment
Plant Upgrade and
Expansion
Rank #44

BIT SALOON
And Grill
Whitehall, Montana
HOME COOKING
RV • TRAILER PARKING
WINE SPIRITS • OUTDOOR PATIO

WHITEHALL
STORE

Town of Whitehall

Water Treatment Facility
Rank #18



City of Kalispell

Replacement of Original
1920's Era Water and
Sewer Mains in Downtown
Kalispell

Rank #62

IRRIGATION GRANTS \$10 M

***APPLICATIONS
DUE:***
January 14, 2022

DNRC Review &
Rank

Infrastructure
Advisory
Commission
Recommend

Awarded by
Governor

ELIGIBLE
APPLICANTS: Local
Governments (HB
632)

ELIGIBLE
PROJECTS: ARPA
Eligible Agricultural
Irrigation Projects

PROJECT CAP:
\$500K
Improvement
Projects

MATCH: Ranking
will consider %
match

APPLY ONLINE:
arpa.mt.gov ->
Water & Sewer ->
[Irrigation Grants](#)



Agricultural Irrigation Projects:

- Irrigation specifically for agricultural cropland
- **MUST** provide a water quality benefit

Improvement Projects for Existing Irrigation:

- Repair, replacement or reconstruction
- Upgrades to a system
- Conversion to a more efficient system

Renewable Resource Grant and Loan (RRGL) Program

House Bill 6 \$6.55 M

- 38 Projects \$5.26 M
- RRGL Planning \$1 M
- Emergency Grants \$100 K
- Private Grants \$100 K
- Irrigation Development Grants \$300 K
- Watershed Management Grants \$300 K

House Bill 14 \$4.72 M

- 38 Projects



RRGL PROGRAM – ARPA FUNDING SUMMARY

House Bill 6

- \$4.5 M ARPA Water & Sewer Funds
- \$1.7 M ARPA Revenue Replacement
- \$375 K Natural Resource Projects Account (State Special Revenue)

House Bill 14

- \$4.0 M ARPA Water & Sewer Funds
- \$596 K ARPA Revenue Replacement
- \$125 K Natural Resource Projects Account (State Special Revenue)



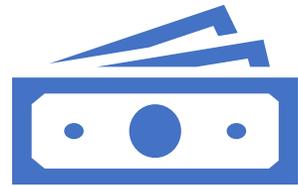
RRGL PLANNING GRANTS

House Bill 6 Authorization \$1 M

- Round 1 Obligation = \$656 K
- Remaining = \$344 K
- Over \$1 M Applications



RECLAMATION & DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (RDG) PROGRAM



House Bill 7 \$4.5 M

9 Projects \$3.7 M*

RDG Planning \$800 K

*\$429K Funded with ARPA Water
& Sewer Funds

*\$4.07 M Natural Resource
Projects (SSR)



House Bill 14 \$2.1 M

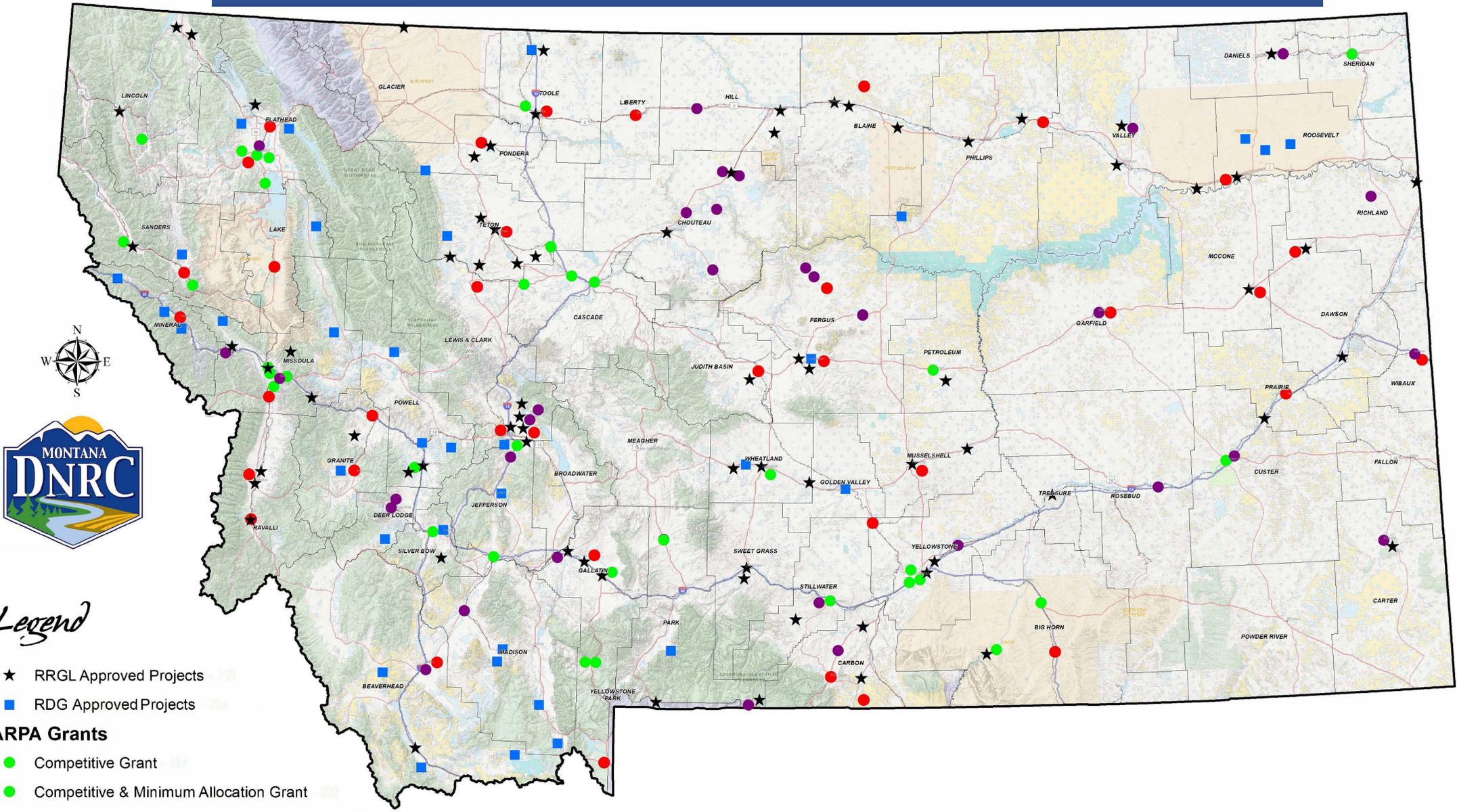
6 Projects*

1 Withdrawn

*Natural Resource Projects
(Transfer from GF to SSR)



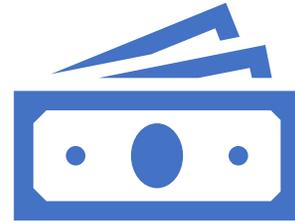
2021 DNRC PROJECT GRANTS



Legend

- ★ RRGL Approved Projects
- RDG Approved Projects
- ARPA Grants**
 - Competitive Grant
 - Competitive & Minimum Allocation Grant
 - Minimum Allocation Grant

REGIONAL WATER SYSTEMS



House Bill 11 \$5 M*

4 Regional Water Systems

*ARPA Water & Sewer Funds



