MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Montana Coal Endowment Program

Grants Awarded During Past Biennia

(data as of 01/08/2025)

This report lists the Montana Coal Endowment Program (MCEP) construction grants awarded in past biennia, as required by 90-6-710(5), MCA. These grants fund improvements to water, wastewater, stormwater, and solid waste systems and bridges. MCEP is administered by the Community MT Division under the Montana Department of Commerce.

Program information is located on our website at https://commerce.mt.gov/Infrastructure-Planning/Programs-and-Services/Montana-Coal-Endowment-Program/.

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- Completed – the project has been completed and the contract closed out.

MCEP Construction Projects Awarded in the 2025 Biennium for House Bill 11						
	Grantee	**County**	**Project Type**	**Award Amount**	**Funds Expended**	**Status/Expected Completion Date**
1	Cascade, Town of	Cascade	Wastewater	$625,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
2	Havre, City of	Hill	Water	$500,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
3	Dodson, Town of	Phillips	Water	$500,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
4	Thompson Falls, City of	Sanders	Water	$750,000.00	$0.00	Awarded / Not met start-up conditions
5	Twin Bridges, Town of	Madison	Water	$750,000.00	$30,254.05	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
6	Dutton, Town of	Teton	Water	$625,000.00	$531,009.99	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
7	Geraldine, Town of	Chouteau	Water	$500,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027

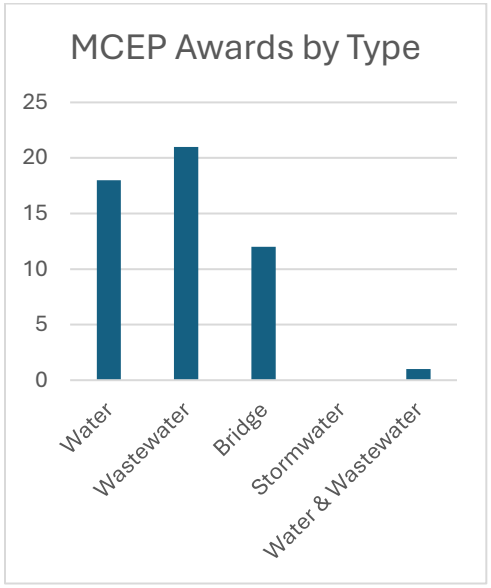
8	Wolf Point, City of	Roosevelt	Wastewater	$625,000.00	$34,497.97	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
9	Forsyth, City of	Rosebud	Water	$500,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
10	Saco, Town of	Phillips	Wastewater	$500,000.00	$8,053.25	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
11	Troy, City of	Lincoln	Water	$750,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
12	Choteau, City of	Teton	Water	$625,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
13	Craig County Water & Sewer District	Lewis & Clark	Wastewater	$400,000.00	$17,889.25	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
14	Red Lodge, City of	Carbon	Wastewater	$500,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
15	Superior, Town of	Mineral	Wastewater	$750,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
16	Libby, City of	Lincoln	Wastewater	$460,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
17	Corvallis Sewer District	Ravalli	Wastewater	($500,000.00)*	$0.00	Withdrew
18	Shelby, City of	Toole	Wastewater	$444,500.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
19	Hot Springs, Town of	Sanders	Wastewater	$750,000.00	$0.00	Awarded / Not met start-up conditions
20	Hideaway Community County Water & Sewer District	Flathead	Wastewater	$750,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
21	Belt, Town of	Cascade	Water	$500,000.00	$7,992.80	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
22	Bigfork Water & Sewer District	Flathead	Wastewater	$500,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
23	Martinsdale Water & Sewer District	Meagher	Water	$750,000.00	$750,000.00	Completed
24	Victor Water & Sewer District	Ravalli	Wastewater	$500,000.00	$0.00	Awarded /

						Not met start-up conditions
25	Cooke Pass, Cooke City, Silvergate Co Sewer District	Park	Wastewater	$750,000.00	$0.00	Awarded / Not met start-up conditions
26	Absarokee Water & Sewer District	Stillwater	Water	$500,000.00	$3,143.50	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
27	Boulder, City of	Jefferson	Water	$500,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
28	Richey, Town of	Dawson	Water	$500,000.00	$416,333.29	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
29	Circle, Town of	McCone	Water	$625,000.00	$537,167.16	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
30	Kalispell, City of	Flathead	Water & Wastewater	$750,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
31	Lockwood Water & Sewer District	Yellowstone	Water	$750,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
32	Philipsburg, Town of	Granite	Water	($625,000.00)*	$0.00	Terminated
33	Chester, Town of	Liberty	Wastewater	$500,000.00	$463,161.48	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
34	Hingham, Town of	Hill	Wastewater	$750,000.00	$0.00	Awarded / Not met start-up conditions
35	Black Eagle-Cascade County Water & Sewer District	Cascade	Wastewater	$414,000.00	$34,277.06	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
36	Denton, Town of	Fergus	Wastewater	$500,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
37	Drummond, Town of	Granite	Wastewater	$500,000.00	$0.00	Awarded / Not met start-up conditions
38	Gallatin Canyon County Water & Sewer District	Gallatin	Wastewater	$750,000.00	$0.00	Awarded / Not met start-up conditions

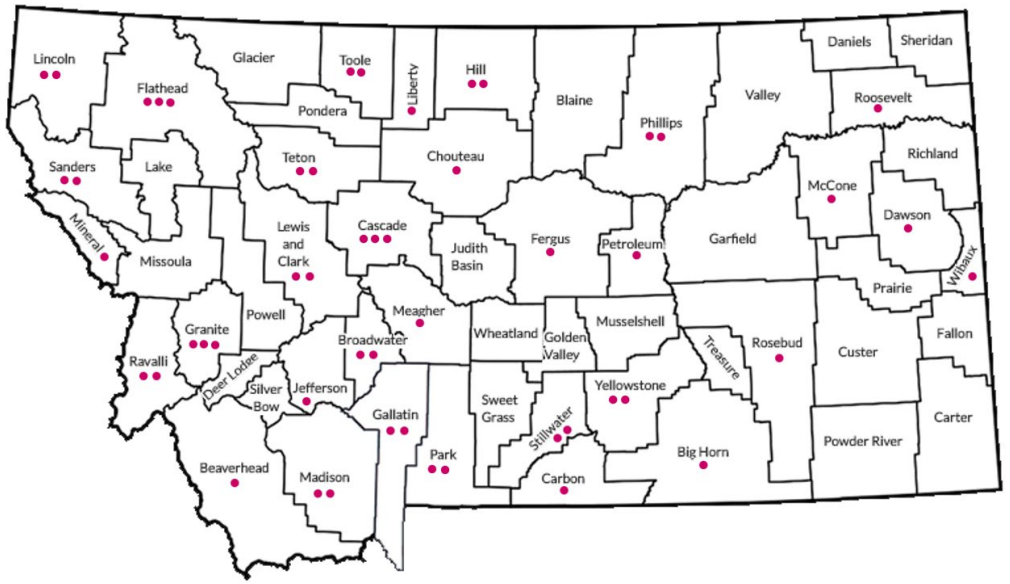
39	Townsend, City of	Broadwater	Water	$750,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
40	Sunburst, Town of	Toole	Wastewater	$625,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
41	Beaverhead County	Beaverhead	Bridge	$750,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
42	Yellowstone County	Yellowstone	Bridge	$750,000.00	$750,000.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
43	Lewis & Clark County	Lewis & Clark	Bridge	$379,930.00	$0.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
44	Big Horn County	Big Horn	Bridge	$500,000.00	$405,818.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
45	Park County	Park	Bridge	$299,622.00	$15,054.54	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
46	Gallatin County	Gallatin	Bridge	$750,000.00	$23,353.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
47	Broadwater County	Broadwater	Bridge	$750,000.00	$45,000.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
48	Petroleum County	Petroleum	Bridge	$465,300.00	$465,300.00	Completed
49	Wibaux County	Wibaux	Bridge	$691,350.00	$28,439.41	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
50	Madison County	Madison	Bridge	$499,461.00	$28,718.65	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
51	Stillwater County	Stillwater	Bridge	$340,550.00	$22,552.00	Obligated / 4th Quarter 2027
52	Drummond, Town of	Granite	Bridge	($190,000.00)*	$0.00	Declined

Total Appropriated 2025 Biennium (HB 11)	$30,209,713.00
*Returned Awards	$1,315,000
Total Awarded*	$28,894,713.00

*Town of Drummond declined their award of $190,000.00, Corvallis Sewer District withdrew their award of $500,000.00, and the Town of Philipsburg's award of $625,000.00 was terminated after their acceptance of the decline to change their scope of work. This reduced the total awarded by $1,315,000.00.



Geographic Distribution of 2025 Biennium MCEP Grants



Montana Coal Endowment Program Emergency Grants Awarded During the 2025 Biennium (as of 08/30/2024)

This report lists the Montana Coal Endowment Program (MCEP) planning grants awarded during the 2025 biennium, as required by 90-6-703(3), MCA. Emergency grants are for infrastructure projects addressing urgent public health and safety issues. The program is administered by the Community MT Division under the Montana Department of Commerce.

The table below lists three different statuses for the project. The statuses are awarded, obligated, and completed. They are defined as:

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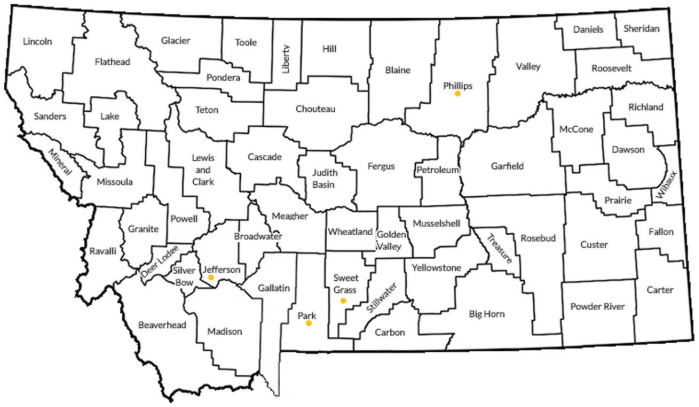
Grantee	County	Project Type	Award Amount	Funds Expended	Status/Expected Completion Date
Park County	Park	Bridge	$30,000.00	$30,000.00	Completed
Basin Co Water & Sewer District	Jefferson	Water	$17,230.00	$5,076.08	Completed
Malta, City of	Phillips	Wastewater	$30,000.00	$30,000.00	Completed
Big Timber, City of	Sweet Grass	Water	$22,770.00	$22,770.00	Completed

Total Appropriated	$100,000.00
Total Awarded	$100,000.00
Amount Remaining to Award	$0.00

Geographic Distribution of MCEP Emergency Grants



Montana Coal Endowment Program Planning Grants Awarded During the 2025 Biennium (as of 08/30/2024)

This report lists the Montana Coal Endowment Program (MCEP) planning grants awarded during the 2025 biennium, as required by 90-6-703(3), MCA. These grants fund infrastructure planning like preliminary engineering reports and capital improvement plans. The program is administered by the Community MT Division under the Montana Department of Commerce.

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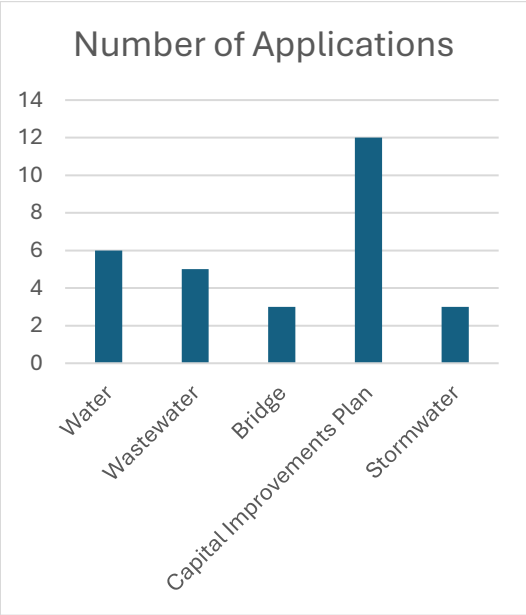
	Grantee	County	Project Type	Award Amount	Funds Expended	Status/Expected Completion Date
1	Park County	Park	PER	$28,000.00	$21,476.25	Completed
2	Powder River County	Powder River	PER	$24,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 09/30/2025
3	Saco, Town of	Phillips	CIP	$32,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2025
4	Choteau, City of	Teton	CIP	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 07/31/2025
5	Broadview, Town of	Yellowstone	CIP	$28,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
6	Red Lodge, City of	Carbon	CIP	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2025
7	Valley County	Valley	CIP	$28,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
8	Circle, Town of	McCone	CIP	$24,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
9	Big Timber, City of	Sweet Grass	CIP	$32,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025

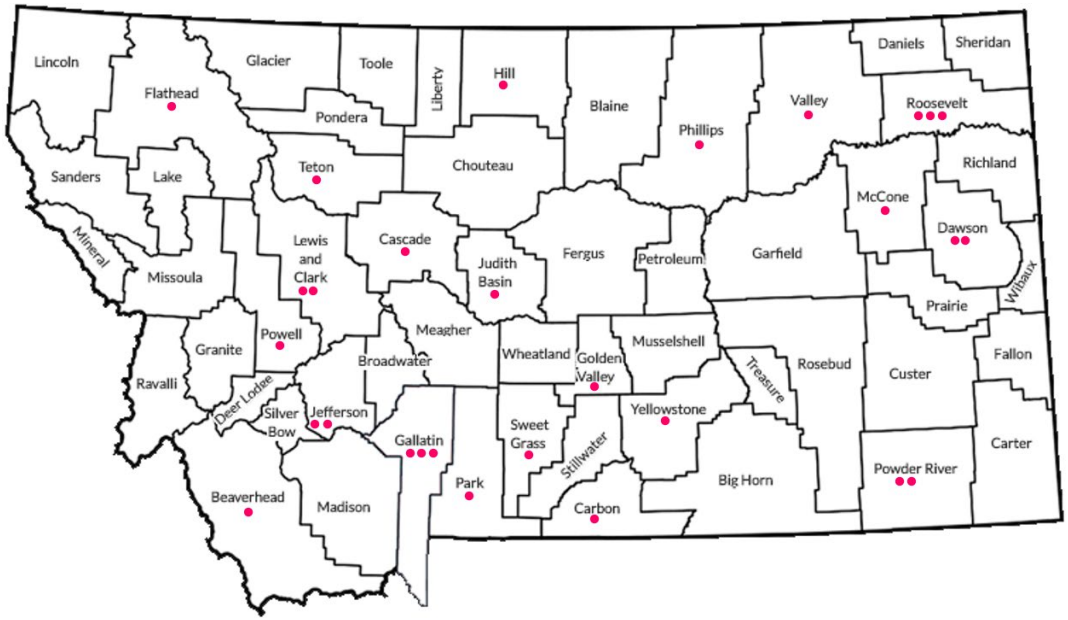
10	Richey, Town of	Dawson	CIP	$20,000.00	$17,086.50	Completed
11	Powder River County	Powder River	CIP	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 09/30/2025
12	Deer Lodge, City of	Powell	CIP	$16,040.00	$0.00	Obligated / 10/31/2026
13	Culbertson, Town of	Roosevelt	PER	$32,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2025
14	East Canyon Ferry County WSD	Lewis & Clark	PER	$36,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
15	Bozeman, City of	Gallatin	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2026
16	Flathead County WD No 1 – Evergreen	Flathead	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2026
17	Wolf Point, City of	Roosevelt	CIP	$28,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 01/31/2026
18	Judith Basin County	Judith Basin	PER	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	Obligated / 12/31/2024
19	Dillon, City of	Beaverhead	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 07/31/2025
20	Wolf Point, City of	Roosevelt	PER	$20,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
21	Ryegate, Town of	Golden Valley	PER	$32,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2025
22	Richey, Town of	Dawson	PER	$15,000.00	$15,000.00	Completed
23	Manhattan, Town of	Gallatin	PER	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	Completed
24	Sun Prairie Village County WSD	Cascade	CIP	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2024
25	Whitehall, Town of	Jefferson	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 07/31/2025
26	RAE Subdivision County WSD No. 313	Gallatin	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 01/31/2025
27	Lewis & Clark County	Lewis & Clark	PER	$32,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2025
28	Basin County WSD	Jefferson	PER	$16,000.00	$0.00	Obligated /

						12/31/2025
29	Havre, City of	Hill	PER	$16,960.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025

Total Appropriated	$900,000.00
Total Awarded	$900,000.00
Amount Remaining to Award	$0.00



Geographic Distribution of Grants



ARPA Planning Grant Funds (as of August 30, 2024)

This report lists the Montana Coal Endowment Program (MCEP) planning grants awarded during the 2025 biennium with additional funding created by the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021. These grants fund infrastructure planning for water, wastewater, and stormwater preliminary engineering reports. The program is administered by the Community MT Division under the Montana Department of Commerce.

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	Grantee	County	Project Type	Award Amount	Funds Expended	Status/Expected Completion Date
1	Red Lodge, City of	Carbon	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 07/31/2025
2	White Sulphur Springs, City of	Meagher	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 07/31/2025
3	Melstone, Town of	Musselshell	PER	$35,000.00	$0.0	Obligated / 12/31/2025
4	Big Timber, City of	Sweet Grass	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
5	White Sulphur Springs, City of	Meagher	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 07/31/2025
6	Scobey, City of	Daniels	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2025
7	Fairfield, Town of	Teton	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 07/31/2025
8	Richey, Town of	Dawson	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2025
9	Hysham, Town of	Treasure	PER	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	Completed

10	Dutton, Town of	Teton	PER	$35,000.00	$27,993.03	Completed
11	Wilsall Water District	Park	PER	$35,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
12	Circle, Town of	McCone	PER	$30,000.00	$20,898.20	Completed
13	Shelby, City of	Toole	PER	$36,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 10/31/2024
14	Fairfield, Town of	Teton	PER	$40,000.00	$37,746.53	Completed
15	Plentywood, City of	Sheridan	PER	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	Completed
16	Malta, City of	Phillips	PER	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	Completed
17	Darby, Town of	Ravalli	PER	$30,000.00	$23,561.20	Completed
18	Conrad, City of	Pondera	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2024
19	Joliet, Town of	Carbon	PER	$40,000.00	$20,029.75	Obligated / 12/31/2024
20	Ravalli County	Ravalli	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
21	St. Ignatius, Town of	Lake	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2025
22	Sheridan, Town of	Madison	PER	$32,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2024
23	Drummond, Town of	Granite	PER	$30,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2025
24	Jordan, Town of	Garfield	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2024
25	Pinesdale, Town of	Ravalli	PER	$36,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
26	Ronan, City of	Lake	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
27	Ten Mile/Pleasant Valley Estates WSD	Lewis & Clark	PER	$25,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 03/31/2026
28	Philipsburg, Town of	Granite	PER	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	Completed
29	Bigfork Co WSD	Flathead	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2024
30	Deer Lodge, City of	Powell	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated /

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31	Havre, City of	Hill	PER	$23,040.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
32	Shelby, City of	Toole	PER	$0.00	$0.00	Rescinded
33	North Valley County WSD	Valley	PER	$0.00	$0.00	Withdrew
34	Cooke City Park County WD	Park	PER	$36,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
35	Havre, City of	Hill	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
36	Sun Prairie Village County WSD	Cascade	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
37	County WD of Billings Heights	Yellowstone	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
38	Carbon County	Carbon	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
39	Red Lodge, City of	Carbon	PER	$0.00	$0.00	Rescinded
40	La Casa Grande Estates WSD	Lewis & Clark	PER	$34,900.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
41	Deer Lodge, City of	Powell	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
42	Thompson Falls, City of	Sanders	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
43	Harrison WSD	Madison	PER	$25,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
44	North Valley County WSD	Valley	PER	$0.00	$0.00	Rescinded
45	Missoula, City of	Missoula	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
46	Flathead County WD No. 1 Evergreen	Flathead	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
47	Missoula, City of	Missoula	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
48	Three Forks, City of	Gallatin	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
49	Somers County WSD	Flathead	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated /

						12/31/2025
50	Ekalaka, Town of	Carter	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
51	Livingston, City of	Park	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
52	Stillwater County	Stillwater	PER	$20,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
53	Hill, County of	Hill	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
54	Lockwood WSD	Yellowstone	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
55	Hamilton, City of	Ravalli	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
56	Belt, Town of	Cascade	PER	$32,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
57	Virginia City, Town of	Madison	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
58	Assiniboine and Sioux Tribe	Roosevelt	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
59	Fort Benton, City of	Chouteau	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
60	Cut Bank, City of	Glacier	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
61	Beaverhead County Jackson WSD	Beaverhead	PER	$27,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
62	Fort Belknap Indian Community	Blaine	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
63	North Havre County WD	Hill	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
64	Billings, City of	Yellowstone	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
65	Clyde Park, Town of	Park	PER	$30,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
66	Fairview, Town of	Richland	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated /

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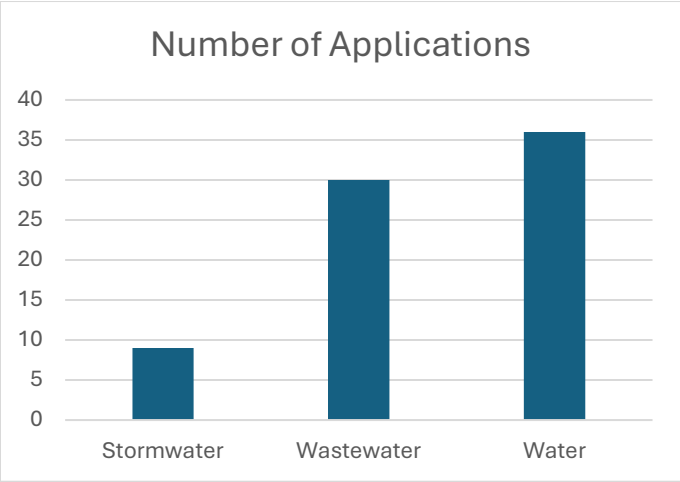
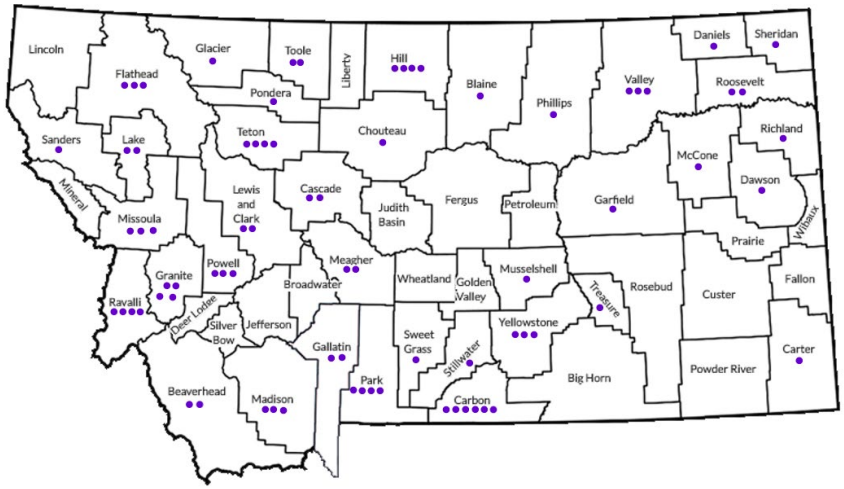
67	Bearcreek, Town of	Carbon	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
68	Hinsdale County WSD	Valley	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
69	Riverside County WSD	Gallatin	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
70	Red Lodge, City of	Carbon	PER	$30,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
71	Choteau, City of	Teton	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
72	Powell County	Powell	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
73	Dillon, City of	Beaverhead	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
74	Wolf Point, City of	Roosevelt	PER	$40,000.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025
75	Seeley Lake Sewer District	Missoula	PER	$38,362.00	$0.00	Obligated / 12/31/2025

Total Appropriated	$2,641,848.00
Total Awarded	$2,660,302.00
Amount Remaining to Award	$ 18,454.00



Geographic Distribution of Grants