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## BLM Seeks Project Proposals for Secure Rural Schools Title II Funding

*Salem, Ore* — The public is invited to submit funding applications for natural resource projects in Benton, Clackamas, Columbia, Lane, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Washington, and Yamhill Counties through the BLM Secure Rural Schools Title II Program.

The recently reauthorized Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act provides funds for a variety of activities that benefit Federal lands and resources in the benefiting county. Any individual, non-profit organization, organized group, and local government can submit an application.

Title II funds are designed to make investments in public lands and create additional employment opportunities through projects that improve the maintenance of existing infrastructure, implement stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems, and restore and improve land health and water quality. These projects are also designed to improve cooperative relationships among the people that use and care for public lands and the agencies that manage these lands.

Individuals and groups interested in submitting projects to the BLM are encouraged to discuss their project proposals with the appropriate coordinator for the District in which the project would be primarily implemented:

- BLM Salem District - Dave Howell, [dohowell@blm.gov](mailto:dohowell@blm.gov), (503) 375-5642
- BLM Eugene District - Patricia Johnston, [pjohnsto@blm.gov](mailto:pjohnsto@blm.gov), (541) 683-6181

The Title II funds are managed by Federal agencies. The Northwest Resource Advisory Committee (RAC), made up of local citizens, will recommend how these funds will be spent.

The application forms, criteria, and instructions are available on the Northwest Oregon RAC webpage at <http://www.blm.gov/or/rac/nworrac.php>. All applications must be submitted either through email to [BLM\\_OR\\_NWRAC\\_TitleII@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_OR_NWRAC_TitleII@blm.gov) or delivered to the following offices by the close of business on December 14, 2015:

BLM Salem Office  
1717 Fabry Road SE  
Salem, OR 97306

BLM Eugene District  
3106 Pierce Parkway, Suite E  
Springfield, OR 97477

For more information about BLM's NW Oregon RAC and Secure Rural Schools visit:  
<http://www.blm.gov/or/rac/nworrac.php>

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