

Tribal Technical Assistance Panel

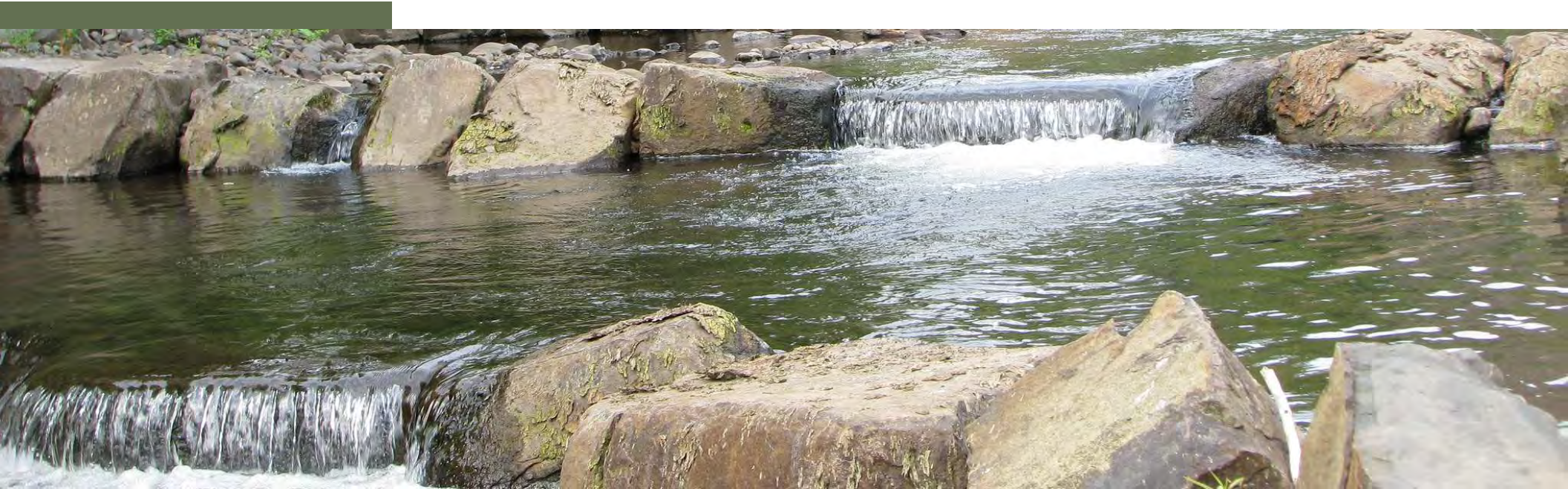
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Tribal Technical Assistance

Stephanie Allen-P.E., Water Quality Program (WQP)

October 2024

What TA is available?

Ecology WQ Program offers:

- Capital improvements project planning & development
- Application and agreement management assistance
- Training and operational troubleshooting
- Facilitation & coordination with external TA providers and EPA





What TA is available?



External TA partners offer:

- Managerial/Administrative/Clerical assistance
- Financial
- Operational
- Trainings
- Income Surveys
- Apprenticeship programs
- Facilitators
- Resource brokers



Who is eligible?

Ecology TA

- Federally Recognized Tribes with an Ecology permitted facility and/or eligible under our WQ Combined Funding Program



External Partner TA

- Indigenous communities and rural communities with populations less than 10,000



What projects types are eligible for TA?

Wastewater facilities
(CWSRF/Centennial/OSG)

Nonpoint source activities (CW
Section 319)

Onsite sewage systems (CWSRF &
Centennial)

Eligible Wastewater Projects



Wastewater Treatment



Wastewater Conveyance



Infiltration and Inflow (I/I)



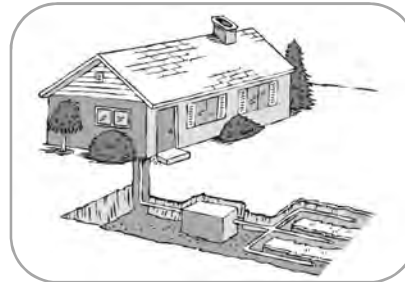
Reclaimed Water



Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO)



Large On-site Sewage Systems (LOSS)



On-site Sewage Systems



Public Outreach and Education

Interactive EAGL Map!

Water & Shorelines > Water quality > Water quality grants and loans

- Water quality
- Water quality standards
- Water quality grants and loans**
- CWSRF funding requirements
- Nonpoint Funding Requirements

Water quality grants and loans

 **Combined Funding applications now open**

We are accepting applications August 13 to October 15, 2024. Funds will be available for state fiscal year 2026. [Learn more about how to apply](#) for the Water Quality Combined Funding Program.



Where does the money come from? +


Latest Funding Offers

The opportunity to apply for this funding ran from Aug. 15, 2023 to Oct. 12, 2023.


- [Final Offer List 2025 Funding Cycle](#)
- [Searchable spreadsheet of the Final Offer List](#)
- **[Interactive Map](#)**
- [News Release](#)
- [SFY 2025 funding program guidelines](#)




View our interactive map to find which projects have been funded in your community.



State Fiscal Year 2025 Offer List: Water Quality Projects



Project Locations



Legend: ● Funded ● Funded SCPL ● Unfunded

NOTE: Projects WQC-2025-ColSpr-00112 (unfunded nonpoint source activity) and WQC-2016-Craft3-00376 (funded SCPL onsite sewage system) omitted from map as they are implemented statewide.

Funding totals

\$76,572,200	\$369,466,375
Grant Requested	Loan Requested
\$47,178,495	\$262,433,960
Grant Offered	Loan Offered*

*May include forgivable principal.

Filters

- Project Category**
All
- Hardship Level**
All
- County**
All
- Applicant**
All
- Legislative District**
All

Find previous final offer lists and loan rates [below](#)

Sign up for our [email list](#) to get notified about funding guidelines, applicant and recipient workshops, and other general grant and loan information (about 10 emails a year).

What does TA for funded projects look like?

- Assistance with Planning
- Hardship evaluation
- Co-funding strategies
 - Match required?
 - CWSRF dollars may be used for federal matching
 - No Match Required for SRF or Centennial

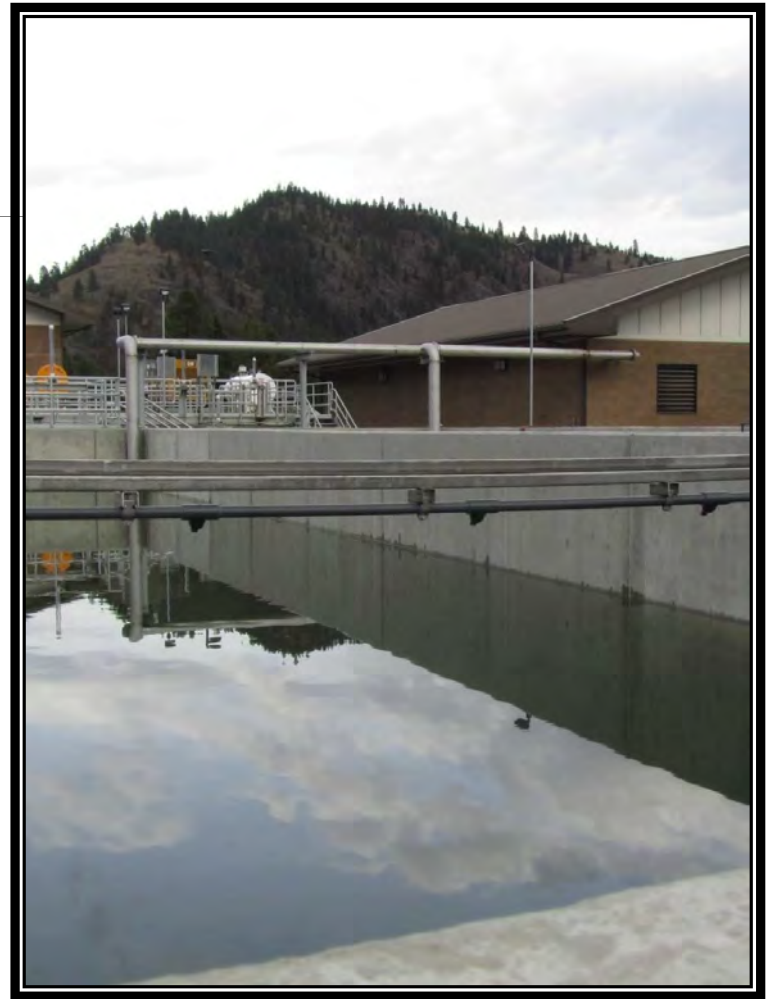


Hardship & Subsidy

Wastewater projects may be eligible for:

- Preconstruction hardship- predetermined based on the community population and MHI
- Construction hardship-a calculation that evaluates impacts to rate payers. If the cost of the project increases sewer rates to greater than 2% of the MHI than the project qualifies for subsidy

Does not apply to nonpoint or OSS projects



How Do I Get Started?

- Contact myself or Kim Prisock
- We will develop a preliminary scope of work based on the request
- Make a request/referral to available providers (internally & externally)
- Provider will reach out to you directly



Costs/Considerations/Limitations



Many services are **no** or **low** cost

Services and capacity may vary by provider

Providers are subject to the terms & conditions of the contracts with the funding source

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Evergreen Rural Water of Washington

LEADING THE WAY IN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE,
AND TRAINING.



Who is Evergreen Rural Water of Washington?

We are a non-profit association run by and for small and rural water and wastewater utilities in Washington State.

Our membership is comprised small cities and towns, water and wastewater associations and districts, irrigation districts, tribes and PUD's that manage water and wastewater systems.

We are the Washington State Affiliate Member of the National Rural Water Association



Our Mission

To provide the best professional training, technical assistance, and advocacy for Washington State Drinking Water & Wastewater Utilities.



How do we carry out our mission?

We provide technical assistance and on-site training to operators of water and wastewater systems.

We conduct training classes throughout the rural areas of the state helping system operators stay abreast of new technology and changing regulations.



What kind of assistance can a ERWoW provide for my water system?

Our field staff can provide hands-on technical assistance to systems in the following areas:

- Leak detection, line locating, well level monitoring
- Hydrant maintenance & repair
- Level 2 Assessments under the Revised Total Coliform Rule
- Compliance assistance,
- Consumer Confidence Reports, Water Use Efficiency Reports, AWIA reporting,
- Operator Certification,
- Small Water System Management Plans, Source Water Protection Plans, Emergency Response Plans, Energy Assessments
- Lead Service Line Inventories



ERWoW DRINKING WATER FIELD STAFF

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Eastern Region – Corey Wilder 509-322-0844

Southwest Region – Ryan Webster 360-942-7208

Northwest Region – Julie Robinson 360-302-6996

EPA Training & Technical Assistance

David Keksi - 360-560-2782

Source Water Protection

Frank Wright – 253-303-1558

Energy Efficiency

Alan Carloza – 360-589-2277

Apprenticeship/Training

Ernie Klimek – 360-880-3153



What services can the wastewater technicians provide to my system?

Provides technical assistance to systems in the following areas:

- DMRs
- Biosolids
- Operator certification
- Process controls
- Camera sewer lines
- Smoke testing
- Lab assistance
- Pump operations
- Collection system troubleshooting
- Sludge judging lagoons



ERWoW WASTEWATER PROGRAM

USDA Wastewater

- (Western Washington) Loren Steveson 360-880-3153
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- Keith Cournyer 509-995-3715

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ERWoW Apprenticeship/QUEST

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Apprenticeship Coordinator – Shantelle
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Our 2-year apprenticeship program is available for Water Distribution, Water Treatment Plant Operator and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator. The curriculum is designed to enhance and prepare the apprentice to be fully qualified in multiple aspects of water and wastewater operations. There will be a total of 288 formal training hours for each program. Below is a list of post apprenticeship certifications and knowledge gained.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- 4,000 hours of on-the-job training
- 288 hours of related instruction
- Periodic worksite checks
- Documented onsite work hours
- Expert State Association mentoring



Continuing Education Training

Each month we offer training for both large and small systems throughout the state.

Visit our website at www.erwow.org to learn more about our training and see when it will be in your area.



ERWoW Office Personnel

Executive Director – Tracey Hunter

Office Manager – Kari Fenton

Financial Manager – Katrina Nellenbach

Administrative Assistant – Pat Bailey



Training Opportunities

Annual Conference

February 13-15, 2018 – Tri-Cities

Fall Conference

August 28-30, 2017 – Great Wolf Lodge



(Training Opportunities Continued)

Exam Reviews

CCS Exam Review

WDM Exam Review

WTPO Exam Review

WWTPO Exam Review



Specialized Training

We also have a program called “bringing the training to you”. If you are interested in confined space entry training, asbestos cement pipe handling training or basic electricity for example and you can provide a training room and at least 10 attendees we will come to you for a discounted price and provide the training, the CEU’s and lunch for the attendees.



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