



# Implementing the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

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# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act



- \$787 billion nationally over the next 3 years
  - \$288 billion in tax relief
  - \$224 billion in entitlement
  - \$275 billion in contracts, grants, and loans

# What the Recovery Act Is



- Provides direct assistance and benefits to individual Oregonians through existing programs, tax incentives, etc.
- Provides some assistance to state governments to fill state budget deficits.
- Provides additional state funding through a number of existing state administered programs.
- Provides direct funding opportunities for local communities and cities.

# What the Recovery Act Is NOT



## Does Not...

- Directly provide seed or venture capital grant opportunities.
- Provide discretionary dollars from the Governor to allocate to projects.
- Fill the budget deficit that Oregon is facing.
- Allocate all money to states in a one-time payment. Funding opportunities are staggered throughout a 3-year period.
- Have one deadline for applications for all programs. Each funding program will have specific deadlines.

# Recovery Act Opportunities

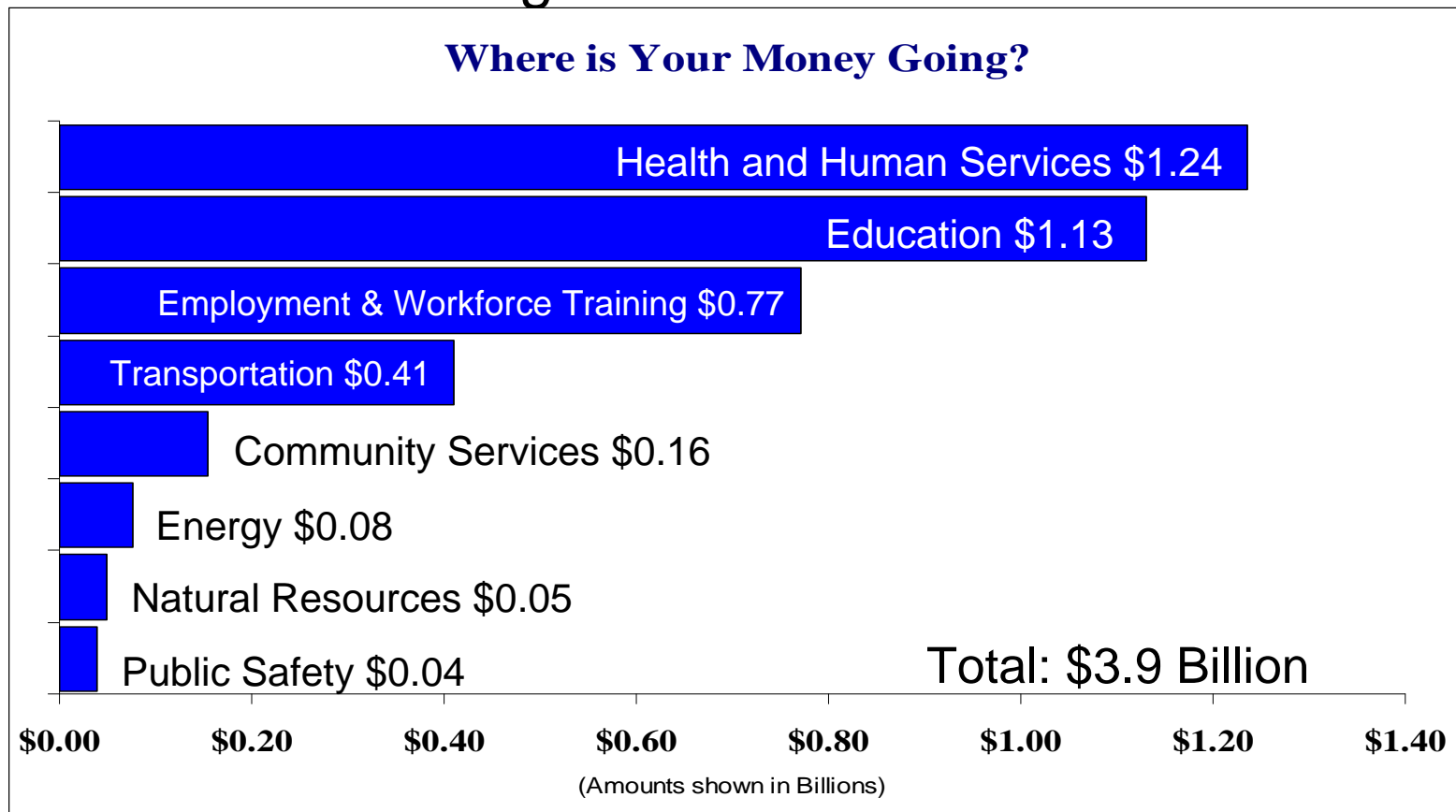


- 4 different types of funding opportunities
  - Direct benefits to individuals
  - Program funds distributed to the state of Oregon
  - Opportunities for vendors/contractors
  - Competitive program funds to be distributed by the federal government

# Program Area Funds State Opportunities



- The \$3.9 billion in “formula grants” are dollars that *will* come to Oregon for:



# ARRA Oversight



There are a number of federal and state entities exercising ARRA oversight, including:

- Economic Recovery Executive Team
- The Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board
  - <http://www.recovery.gov/?q=content/recovery-board>
- The Office of Management and Budget
  - <http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/>

# Accountability & Transparency



## ■ “Section 1512” reporting

- First report was due to [www.federalreporting.gov](http://www.federalreporting.gov) on October 10, 2009, and quarterly thereafter
- Cumulative data from passage of Act/ notice of award forward
- Data points described in M-09-21: Implementing Guidance for the Reports on Use of Funds Pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 found at:  
[http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda\\_fy\\_2009/m09-21.pdf](http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda_fy_2009/m09-21.pdf)
- Includes data requirements for prime recipients, sub-recipients, and vendors

# Accountability & Transparency



- “Section 1512” reporting (cont’d)
  - State of Oregon is centralizing agency reports
    - ORSTATS model
      - “Everyone is a recipient”
      - Collects subrecipient and vendor data uniformly
      - Allows Oregon to show project specific data on [www.oregon.gov/recovery](http://www.oregon.gov/recovery)

# Formula Funds for Water Related Projects in Oregon



- Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund
  - \$44.2 million
  
- Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund
  - \$27.8 million
  
- Water Quality Management Planning Grant
  - \$447,200
  
- Leaking Underground Storage Tank Cleanup
  - \$2.7 million

# Formula Funds for Energy Related Projects in Oregon



- State Energy Program (SEP)
  - \$42 million
- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (EECBG)
  - \$33.5 million (+ \$1.175 million to Tribal governments)
- State Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program (SEEARP)
  - \$3.636 million
- Weatherization Assistance Program
  - \$38.5 million
- Enhancing State Government Energy Assurance Capabilities and Planning for Smart Grid Resiliency
  - \$547,749
- State Electricity Regulators Assistance
  - \$846,603

# Formula Funds for Natural Resources Projects in Oregon



- State Clean Diesel Grant Program
  - \$1.7 million
  
- Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund
  - \$614,000
  
- Aquaculture Assistance Grant
  - \$3.636 million

# Other ARRA Funds to State Agencies for Natural Resources



- Hazardous Fuels Mitigation & Reduction, Forest Health Improvement
  - \$10.5 million
- Invasive Species Control
  - \$278,600
- Coastal and Marine Habitat Restoration
  - \$699,184
- Fish Passage
  - \$196,599
- Oregon Youth Conservation Corps
  - \$6.25 million

# Recovery Act Progress



## ■ Where is the money going?

- 18 safe drinking water projects totaling \$28.5 million have been approved and are expected to create over 500 positions over the next two years
- 13 sewer and irrigation projects totaling \$44.3 million have been approved and are expected to support hundreds of jobs in communities across the state
- 350 youth were hired this summer to work through the Oregon Youth Conservation Corp
- 22 energy efficiency projects in K-12 schools totaling over \$500,000 have been approved to receive SEP funds
- Over 200 municipal vehicles, including transit and school buses, will be retrofitted with verified exhaust emission control technologies
- Five water quality planning projects to support TMDL development, habitat restoration, and water quality improvement

# Investments via Federal Agencies in Oregon



- Corps of Engineers
  - \$190 million
- USFS
  - \$137.5 million
- BLM
  - \$40 million
- BOR
  - \$4.9 million
- USFWS
  - \$5.5 million
- NPS
  - \$1 million
- USGS
  - \$465,000
- NRCS
  - \$3 million
- Other USDA programs

# Federal Agency ARRA Funds



- Where is the money going?
  - Deschutes Ecosystem Restoration Project, Umatilla Project (BOR)
  - Floodplain easements (NRCS)
  - Deferred maintenance on federal lands and facilities
  - Habitat restoration and fish passage projects
  - Renewable energy and energy efficiency retrofits
  - Roads and trails

# Competitive ARRA Funds



## Examples of projects receiving competitive ARRA funds:

- **EPA SmartWay Clean Diesel Finance Program**
  - \$9 million to Cascade Sierra Solutions for to establish a lease-to-own program that will deploy new, clean, SmartWay certified Class 8 trucks; and install idle reduction technologies, exhaust retrofits, trailer aerodynamic kits, SmartWay tires
  - Revolving loan program
  - Includes the installation and leasing of verified technologies; truck owners will purchase equipment for \$10 at the end of the loan period
- **BOR Challenge Grant Program**
  - \$2 million to Swalley Irrigation District to complete piping of canal, design/construct 0.75 MW hydropower plant, solar telemetry project to monitor, measure, and control water
  - \$1.3 million to Three Sisters Irrigation District to convert 16,500 feet of open canal to buried pipe; install new monitoring and control systems; market 833 acre-feet of water per year to protect flows
- **Woody Biomass Utilization Funds (USDA)**
  - \$249,819 to Community Smallwood Solutions
  - \$250,000 to Marubeni Sustainable Energy
- **Section 1603 (US Dept of Treasury)**
  - \$141 million to 3 wind farm projects

# Recovery Act Websites



- Federal Government

- [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov)

- Oregon

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