**How:** Apply for federal funds provided through The Secure Rural Schools and Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Public Law 110-343)

Who Can Apply: Local governments, citizens and organizations can propose projects

Types of Projects Funded:	
Road maintenance and decommissioning	Stream and watershed restoration
Land health and water quality	Forest ecosystem stewardship
Control of noxious or exotic weeds	Restoring native species
Infrastructure maintenance (including trails)	Fish and wildlife habitat improvements.

## The projects can be located on public or private lands, But *the results of the project must benefit BLM lands and resources*.

- **How Much Money**: Approximately \$1.5 million per year may be available for restoration and maintenance projects in the Salem District of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM). This year's RAC will be voting on two years worth of projects. Additional funds are available through other BLM and U.S. Forest Service (USFS) offices.
- **Requirements:** As federally funded projects, all federal laws and regulations apply. The National Environmental Policy Act and Endangered Species Act usually require the greatest level of preparation and documentation.
- **Applications**: Forms are available by contacting the local BLM or USFS offices. The Salem District contact for forms is the designated federal official, Randy Gould (503) 375-5682, or Trish Hogervorst (503) 5657. Forms can also be downloaded on BLM's web site at <u>www.blm.gov/or/districts/salem/rac/index.php</u>. All sections of the form must be filled out. The attachment of maps is required. The designated federal official is Randy Gould (503)-375-5682.
- When: For projects to be funded using fiscal year 2008 and 2009 appropriations, applicants are need to submit a complete full project proposal by February 13, 2009 to the Salem Bureau of Land Management (BLM). All projects will be reviewed and prioritized by an advisory committee, established under the Act. The Resource Advisory Committee is expected to finalize funding recommendations by mid-August.

## Whom do I send applications to:

Project applications associated with the BLM Salem District should be sent to the BLM Office, Attn: Randy Gould, 1717 Fabry Road SE, Salem, Oregon, 97306. Forms can also be downloaded at <u>http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/salem/rac/index.php</u> and emailed to <u>OR\_Salem\_Mail@blm.gov</u>, attn: Randy Gould.

## For further information contact:

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