



# Columbia River Basin Restoration Funding Assistance Program

## Applications closed for Science and Monitoring Competition

EPA's Science and Monitoring Competition under the Columbia River Basin Restoration Funding Assistance Program is now closed. For more information, visit [2024 Science and Monitoring Grants](#).

The Columbia River Basin Restoration Funding Assistance Program is a competitive grant program for environmental protection and restoration programs throughout the Columbia River Basin. The grant program offers funding assistance to eligible entities on a competitive basis. See below to learn more [about the program](#) and how it was established.

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## Grant awards

### 2023 grants

EPA is in the process of awarding more than \$72 million in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding across 18 projects to reduce toxics in fish and water throughout the Basin.

### Highlights

- Total BIL funds: **\$72,153,158**
- Amount going to Toxics Reduction Lead entities: **\$56,574,442**
- Amount going to Tribal Government entities: **\$15,578,716**
- Amount of match which leverages community partnerships and resources: **\$17,386,816**

### Grant summaries

- [2023 Toxics Reduction Lead Grants](#)

### Past Awards

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## About the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding

EPA's Columbia River Basin Program received \$79 million in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) in 2021. This funding provides EPA the ability to grow the Columbia River Basin Restoration Program and significantly increase competitive grants to reduce toxics. This historic funding opportunity also allowed EPA to waive certain match requirements in support of the agency's environmental and tribal justice priorities. EPA is very close to completing the awarding of all these BIL funds.

# About the Columbia River Basin Restoration Funding Assistance Program

Congress amended the Clean Water Act in 2016 by adding Section 123 (33 U.S.C. § 1275), which required EPA to establish a [Columbia River Basin Restoration Program](#).

Section 123 directs EPA to develop a voluntary, competitive grant program for environmental protection and restoration programs throughout the Basin. The grant program offers funding assistance to eligible entities on a competitive basis.

EPA initiated its first request for applications in 2019 and awarded over \$2 million in 14 grants to tribal, state and local governments, non-profits and community groups throughout the Basin.

Since then, additional rounds of awards have been announced in 2022 and 2023.

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