

# REGIONAL SOLUTIONS

HB 5023

# REGIONAL SOLUTIONS PROGRAM

- Regional Solutions (RS) as it is currently structured has been in place for nearly a decade, with the first official lottery fund allocation for the RS program put into the Governor's Budget through HB 5025 in 2011.
- The current structure has eight regional solutions coordinators throughout the state, representing 11 regions, operating on behalf of the Governor's office, that then report up to the Regional Solutions Director within the Governor's office.
- 284.754 Regional Solutions Program; centers; teams; advisory committees; duties and responsibilities. (1) The Regional Solutions Program is established within the office of the Governor, in collaboration with state agencies, consisting of regional solutions centers described in subsection (2) of this section, regional solutions teams described in subsection (3) of this section and regional solutions advisory committees described in subsection (4) of this section. The program shall work with state agencies, local governments, public and private entities, philanthropic organizations and academic institutions, as appropriate, to develop and coordinate regional implementation projects, identify regional priorities for community and economic development, address issues and seize opportunities

# REGIONS

## Valley North Coast

- North Coast Region
- Mid-Valley Region
- South Valley/Mid Coast Region

## Southern Oregon

- South Coast Region
- Southern Oregon Region

## Metro

- Metro Region

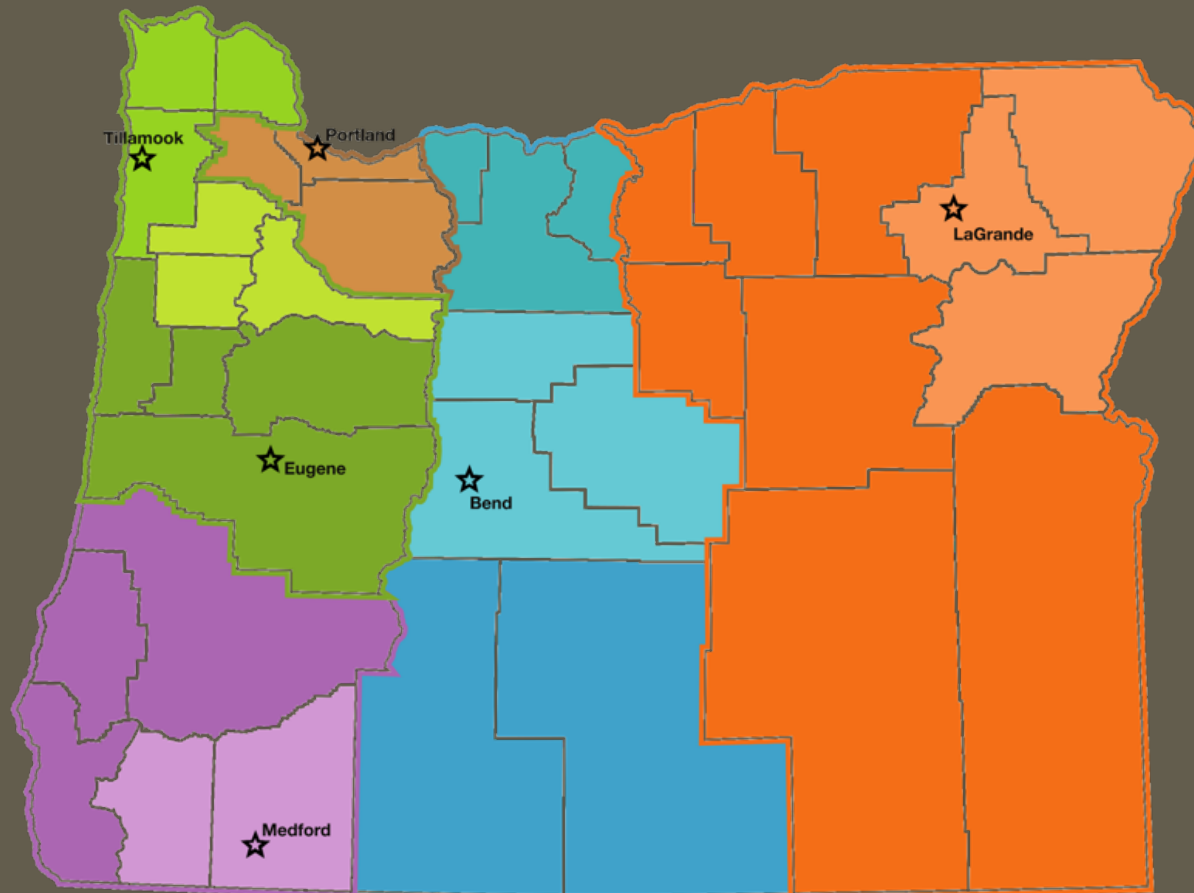
## Central Oregon

- Central Region
- North Central Region
- South Central Region

## Eastern Oregon

- Greater Eastern Oregon Region
- Northeast Oregon Region

☆ Regional Solutions Center



# REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (RIF)

- The Regional Infrastructure Fund was established in Chapter Law 786, Section 3 (1) in 2013. The purpose of this fund was for Regional Solutions, with the RSACs, to be a decision making body to distribute applicable funds.
- RIF Projects are to: create jobs, further economic development, finance public education or restore and protect parks, beaches, watersheds and native fish and wildlife, and is authorized based on the following findings: (a) Infrastructure projects will create jobs; and (b) Integrated development of infrastructure will establish a foundation for expanding existing businesses and for developing and attracting new businesses.
- The benefit RIF brings is the opportunity for rural communities to both receive grant funding for necessary infrastructure projects alongside the technical expertise that that RS brings to ensure success.

## RIF HISTORY

- **2019-2021 biennium: \$0**
- **2017-2019 biennium: \$4M**
  - \$200K minimum for each of 11 RS Regions
  - 99 projects requesting \$40 million
  - 18 projects awarded
  - Highlight from the 18:
    - Awarded project match was \$84.5 million, which equals approx. \$1 million of RIF coupled with \$21 million of match
- **2015-2017 biennium: \$12M**
- **2013-2015 biennium: \$39.5M**

## RIF REQUEST '21-'23 BIENNIUM

- \$40M in the GRB
- Potential to leverage federal funds
- Key to economic recovery from COVID and Wildfires

# RIF PROCESS

