



Department of Land Conservation and Development

2021-23 Governor's Recommended Budget

Table with 3 columns: Category, 2019-21 Legislatively Approved Budget, 2021-23 Governor's Budget. Rows include General Fund, Other Funds, Federal Funds, Total Funds, and Positions / Full-Time Equivalent (FTE).

2021-23 Budget & Policy Option Packages

Reductions in staffing: - \$696,412 GF (3.00 FTE) in base program

Reduces the department's base budget by approx. 4.5%. Results in the elimination of these positions: Office Specialist 2 (0.5 FTE), Planner 3 (2.0 FTE), Information Systems Specialist 6 (0.5 FTE), and includes \$202,200 in vacancy savings and reductions to services and supplies.

Package 90 Equity Initiatives: \$1,800,000 GF

Equity in Rural Transportation: \$1,000,000. Strategies to increase resilience in the rural transportation system with an equity lens. Environmental Justice in Land Use Scoping: \$800,000. LCDC and DLCD will lead a review of Oregon's land use planning goals and development of new rules for environmental justice, equity and climate.

Package 98 DOGAMI Program Reorganization: \$1,098,801 GF (7.00 FTE)

Transfers a limited number of staff from DOGAMI's Geological Survey and Services division to DLCD, supporting efforts to develop hazard resilient communities. This integration into the state land use planning program will bolster efforts to reduce risks from hazards via mapping, data creation, analyses, and scientific studies.

POP 110 Housing Planning: \$3,904,344 GF [\$1.404 M - 5.50 FTE and \$2.5 M - Local Assistance]

Continues the implementation of HBs 2001 and 2003 (2019) to increase housing choice and supply in Oregon's medium and large cities. Current positions would change from limited duration to permanent. With this technical assistance funding, DLCD would have the staffing necessary to assist 56 cities across Oregon.

POP 111 Climate Adaptation: \$578,070 GF [\$328,070 - 1.00 FTE and \$250,000 - Climate Vulnerability Assessment]

Funds DLCD's work with 25 state agencies to implement the Climate Change Adaptation Framework. This framework takes a coordinated approach to addressing the risks to state programs, infrastructure, natural resources, and local communities from the impacts of climate change.

POP 112 Climate Mitigation: \$1,000,000 GF [\$231,100 - 0.88 FTE and \$768,900 - Local Assistance]

Supports the state's eight metropolitan areas in implementing the Climate Friendly and Equitable Communities rulemaking, which aims to reduce climate pollution in the transportation sector and promote more affordable, equitable development.

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**2019-21 Accomplishments**

With local governments and other service providers and state agencies, DLCD implements the vision and legacy of Senate Bill 100 – protection of what makes Oregon, Oregon. For more than 45 years, Oregon’s land use planning program has contributed to the quality and character of the natural and built environment of the state. The program has been charged by the Legislature with managing urban growth; protecting farm and forest lands, coastal areas, and natural resource lands; and providing for safe, livable communities in concert with the vision of the local communities.

**Support for Local Governments**

Oregon’s land use program serves all Oregonians through the work of 242 cities, 36 counties and one metropolitan service district. It does this by ensuring that each local government engages its residents in planning for their future, and addresses issues that matter to the economic and environmental sustainability, protects working lands and fosters livable, more equitable communities. The department’s regional representatives and program specialists provide technical and financial assistance to support local planning efforts. \$1,624,850 in technical assistance grants were awarded to local governments in this biennium.

**Key Accomplishments 2019-2021**

In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and associated budget rebalancing, unprecedented wildfires, DLCD advanced major policy initiatives centered on addressing these complex issues.

**Housing.** DLCD primarily focused on the implementation of HBs 2001 and 2003 (2019), LCDC adopted four new sets of implementing rules in the fall of 2020. To accomplish these rule-writing processes, staff worked with a charge from LCDC and a diverse group of advisors to address housing choice and supply, equity, housing production and regional housing needs. \$2.1 million dollars were distributed to fund all 33 proposed grant applications from 29 local governments required to implement the housing choice provisions of HB 2001. The department has also obligated \$2,128,247 toward housing choice implementation.

**Climate Change.** DLCD undertook to implement Governor Brown’s Executive Order 20-04, reducing greenhouse gas pollution from the land use and transportation sectors. A geographically and racially diverse Rules Advisory Committee is helping guide this work. DLCD staff also are leading a 25-agency effort to update the state’s Climate Change Adaptation Framework.

**Wildfire Recovery.** DLCD leads the State Recovery Function #1: Community Planning and Capacity Building. In response to the devastating Labor Day fires, DLCD regional representative have been providing community assistance in affected areas of the state – particularly Lincoln County, the Santiam Canyon and Southern Oregon. DLCD’s Sothern Oregon regional representative is coordinating Housing recovery planning for Jackson County. Staff developed and the Land Conservation and Development Commission passed emergency rules to ensure sufficient land supply for temporary housing for the more than 4,000 displaced Oregonians. Our floodplain specialist also has been actively engaged to help ensure we build back better.



*Commission Liaisons Former Chair Jerry Lidz and Commissioner Anyeley Hallova opened the first Rules Advisory Committee meeting in October, 2019*

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