

Cowlitz County
2026 Rural Development Funds-Request for Funding
Project Timeline

January 26, 2026	Workshop with Board of Commissioners; Decision to seek projects, target decision for awards – April
February 9, 2026	Project Proposals Forms available; Advertise in media, post on Internet. Send letters of invitation to prospective applicants
March 17, 2026 @ 4:30 p.m.	Project proposals due to Office of Financial Management
March-April	Staff review of proposals; work with applicants; obtain additional information, as necessary
April 7, 2026 @2:00 p.m.	Public meeting with Commissioners, review proposals. Staff obtain additional information required by Commissioners; work with applicants
April 21, 2026 @ 3:30 p.m.	Public Meeting: project proposals presented by applicants. BoCC may make decisions or take proposals under advisement. (continue public meeting, if necessary)
April 28, 2026 @ 3:30 p.m.	Continued public meeting to discuss awards, if necessary
May 2026	Staff prepare Agency contracts; submit to Board for approval.

This schedule may be amended or modified as conditions require. Last updated 1-21-2026.