



## 2022 Application

### Operations Grant

#### A. Application Directions

- Fill out application completely. *Incomplete applications will not be accepted.*
- The maximum funding request per applicant is **\$100,000**. No project match is required.
- Application must be signed by an Authorized Representative with the authorization to act on behalf of the Applicant in their respective areas for matters related to this instrument; agreeing to the terms of grant award should applicant be selected for funding. See Section H, Signature Block.
- Applicants may only submit one application. Submit completed and signed application by one of the following methods:
  - Email: [fepp\\_assist@dnr.wa.gov](mailto:fepp_assist@dnr.wa.gov), (**Preferred**) or
  - Mail: Wildfire Division  
ATTN: Fire District Assistance Program, Operations Grant  
Washington State Department of Natural Resources  
1111 Washington Street SE  
MS 47037  
Olympia, WA 98504-7037
- Applications must be received by DNR no later than **March 31, 2022**.

#### B. Contact Information

- Applicant: Cheney Fire Department 32M02  
Fire District/Fire Department (Full Name) FDID number
- Mailing Address: 611 4<sup>th</sup> Street Cheney 99004  
Street City Zip Code + 4  
Spokane tjenkins@cityofcheney.org  
County Contact Email
- Contact Name: Tom Jenkins 509 498-9291  
Printed Name Phone  
Fire Chief (XXX-XXX-XXXX)  
Title
- Applicant DUNS number: 093686657 (must be provided)  
• If the applicant doesn't have a DUNS number, one can be obtained at <https://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>

#### C. Eligibility Information

- Fire district service area provides fire protection to one of the following. (A. **OR** B.)  
Check appropriate box and provide community name(s).
  - Rural area or rural community with a population of 10,000 or fewer residents  
Community Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_
  - Community of more than 10,000 residents AND a service area that includes a rural community of fewer than 10,000 residents (includes communities served through Mutual Aid Agreements)  
Community Name(s) City of Cheney / Spokane County Fire District 3 Auto Aid Response Area.

## D. Funding Request

Eligible Project Category *check all categories that apply*

- Vehicles: Acquisition, refurbishment, or conversion of vehicles
- Fire Equipment: Acquisition, replacement, upgrade. *PPE not eligible. Includes equipment suitable for wildland fire, vehicle and non-vehicle (portable pumps, slip in pump packages, water tanks, generators, pumps, reels, foam systems, chainsaws, hand tools, hose, hose fittings and related equipment)*
- Communications *Includes the development of single or multi district communications systems, radios, vehicle, hand held, base stations, and repeater.*
- Station Infrastructure/Safety Improvement *Improvements needed to infrastructure (helibase, water tower, etc.) and to station safety (doors, lighting, security, etc.) related to wildland firefighting.*
- Training *Includes the development and implementation of programs designed for training wildland fire suppression, including instructors, facility rental, travel costs and materials. Training will be emphasized on weeknights and weekends.*
- Fire Prevention/Education/Preparedness *Wildfire prevention WRN tool kits, Firewise, 1,2,3 Notification, Fire Danger signage, HIZ assessments, prescribed fire education, etc.*
- Incident Pre-positioning *Includes costs associated with planned pre-positioning (staging) of resources to prepare for initial attack. Resources can include personnel with specific qualifications or equipment. Transport, travel costs, lodging, per diem are eligible.*

## E. Fire District/Department Information *used for grant prioritization*

1. Check appropriate box identifying if applicant has previously received funding assistance.

a. VFA Phase 2 grant program:

This funding request further supports our 2022 Phase 2 project request  
*please describe in the narrative*

Last year     2 years ago     3 years ago     Not within the past 3 years

b. Has applicant applied for, or received, other assistance from DNR in calendar year 2022?

Yes     No    *If yes, please describe in the narrative*

2. Annual Fire Budget

a. Wildland Fire Operating Budget *dollars allocated to wildland suppression within overall budget:* \$5,000

b. Fire District Overall Operating Budget: \$2,430,840

3. Number of Paid Fire Staff 11    Number of Volunteer Fire Staff 35

4. Average No. of Annual Wildfire Responses: *Does not include structural, medical, or rescue. Include initial attack, state mobilizations, incident management team participation, etc.* 17

5. Total number of "red carded" (*trained in wildland fire suppression*) personnel within district 27

6. Will project replace Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) equipment on loan to the district?

Yes     No    *If yes, identify the equipment in Section E.3. as part of the project narrative.*  
[DNR FEPP Equipment Disposal Work Sheet](#)

## F. Project Narrative

Provide a narrative describing the project, how the project improves fire response, how the project improves wildland fire response to benefit a local community, and fire district ability to complete the project within the grant term.

*Note: Identify the specific vehicle(s) if the project will convert/refurbish a Firefighter Property (FFP) vehicle(s). Identify the specific equipment if the project will replace Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP). Identify if this project further supports a 2022 VFA Phase 2 project request or if applicant has applied for or received other assistance from DNR in calendar year 2022.*

If awarded, the Cheney Fire Department (CFD) will use this grant to build a new Type 5 Engine to replace an aging 2008 Ford F-550 gasoline quad-cab brush truck. The CFD will use the grant-funded apparatus as a frontline response vehicle for nearly 367K acres of WUI areas identified through a Threat & Hazard Identification Risk Assessment (THIRA) that exists within and surrounding the City of Cheney. A replacement wildland engine will aid in a faster and safer response throughout the area's adverse terrain. As wildland response is now a graded area within the Washington Survey and Ratings Bureau, the increased pumping capability will help to improve our insurance rating, further benefitting our citizens with reduced insurance costs.

The CFD responds to wildland fires within city limits and our auto aid areas in Spokane County Fire District 3 and Turnbull National Wildland Refuge (WSFWS) for wildland incidents and annual fuels reduction projects. We have participated in numerous local mutual-aid and regional wildland fires including mobilizing for state IMT Type 1,2,3 conflagrations. Our 1997 manual transmission Type 6 Engine finally broke to where we can no longer safely keep it in service. Therefore, we are only able to respond to one wildland fire at any given time. If approved, we will be able to use our 2008 brush truck as a viable local second-response engine. Having a reserve engine also allows us the ability to participate in state mobilizations and regional responses with the ability to have a reserve engine ready to respond locally if need be. The 2020 Labor Day storm fueled several large wildfires within the region including a conflagration fire that consumed the Cities of Malden and Pines, which only lies 27 miles from our jurisdiction. Only having one marginally reliable Type 5 engine caused a significant decrease in the level of service we were able to provide, not only to our citizens but also to those who call upon Cheney for assistance. Unfortunately, we were not able to assist the City of Malden during their most dire time of need.

Our project plan is to purchase a diesel cab and chassis (F-550) using the state bid process. We will then, in turn, purchase and have installed the following items maximizing self-installation and a local vendor to save costs: a fabricated flatbed with utility boxes for tool and gear storage, a 500-gallon poly tank, a Hale fire pump, dual hose reels, appropriate branding, and safety stripping, along with lights and siren for emergency response.

We are requesting the full \$100,000.00 for this project and are prepared to cover the estimated exceeded costs if awarded. The CFD is postured to move quickly with having a new Type 5 Engine built with the total project timeline taking no more than six (s) months from the date of grant award and receipt of funds. The CFD has our City Council's approval to apply for this grant and once we receive the cab and chassis from the state bid process, our local vendor has sufficient supplies on hand to build and install the flatbed. We have applied for the WA DNR Volunteer Assistance 2022 Phase 2 Grant Application at which, we are not sure if we will be successful with receiving that grant. If that grant is awarded, we planned to use those funds to outfit an existing pickup with a slip-in unit but we would rather keep this pickup as a support services rig, if able, and therefore, we can return those funds or see if some of the funds could be allocated for this project.

## G. Project Cost Summary

Complete the "Project – Cost Summary" detailing costs, purchases, and labor required to complete the project.

<b>Project – Cost Summary</b>	
<b>2022 Operations Grant</b>	
<b>Planned Project Costs</b>	<b>Funds Requested</b>
F-550 Cab / Chasis. This figure was based on a dealership in Texas. We will be purchasing off of WA State bid so this number should be lower	<b>\$72,000.00</b>
Aluminum Flat Bed w/Dual Diamond Plate Boxes (custom fabrication J&M, Cheney)	<b>\$10,500.00</b>
Hale Fire Pump (General Fire, Spokane)	<b>\$5,000.00</b>
Dual Hannay Hose Reels with 100' Booster Hose and Nozzles w/shipping	<b>\$3,950.00</b>
Truck lights, Siren, Radio, Console and Installation Costs	<b>\$6,200.00</b>
500 Gallon Poly Tank w/10 Gallon Foam Tank and Shipping	<b>\$5,000.00</b>
Micellaneous Parts/Plumbing/Connections/Foam inductor (estimate)	<b>\$3,600.00</b>
Installation of Flat Bed and Boxes	<b>\$1,500.00</b>
Vehicle Decaling/Safety Markings (Designer Decals, Spokane)	<b>\$1,995.00</b>
Applicable Sales Tax (if not included above)	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$109,745.00</b>

## H. Signature Block

I certify that:

- The information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- If awarded a grant, applicant will comply with the following grant program requirements:
  - Complete the project as described no later than May 31, 2023.
  - Provide DNR with the following documentation within 30 days of project completion or June 30, 2023, whichever is earlier:
    - supporting documentation of all costs paid for with grant funding (such as paid invoices)
    - date of project completion
    - photos of project completion (before and after photos if applicable, or photos of purchases).
  - Return all unused grant funds to DNR within 30 days of project completion or July 30, 2023, whichever is earlier.
  - Maintain fiscal records pertaining to the grant award for ten years after project completion or any dispute resolution, whichever is later.
  - Comply with all state and federal laws, rules, and regulations.

### APPROVAL

By providing signature below, the signatory certifies that as a representative of the Applicant he/she is authorized to act in their respective areas for matters related to this instrument; agreeing to the terms of grant award should applicant be selected for funding.

Thomas Jenkins  
Authorized Representative  
Printed Name

Fire Chief  
Title

3/30/2022

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date