

# White Salmon Waterline Improvements – Phase IIA

In March 2026, the City of White Salmon will begin a critical upgrade to our water transmission system, replacing aging pipes and installing larger capacity lines to serve our community for decades to come.

## Current System

14-inch transmission main built decades ago

## Upgraded System

New 20-inch transmission main with modern materials

This project will replace a portion of the existing transmission main and install new or upgraded water services along key corridors including Forrester Drive, Powerhouse Road, SR-141/West Jewett Drive, Knoll Road, Arnett Road, and adjacent side streets. Construction is scheduled to begin in March 2026.



# Why Are We Replacing the Main Water Line?



Parts of our current water system are aging and no longer sized to meet the needs of our growing community. We're planning ahead to ensure safe, reliable water service for everyone, today and into the future.

The upgraded transmission main will improve reliability, reduce the risk of leaks, and strengthen the long-term resilience of our water system for decades to come.

This investment isn't simply about replacing infrastructure. It's about reinforcing the foundation that supports our homes, our businesses, and the future of White Salmon.



## Water Pressure Consistency

Larger diameter pipes maintain steady pressure throughout the system, eliminating fluctuations during peak usage times.



## Fire Flow Capacity

Enhanced capacity ensures adequate water volume and pressure for fire protection in residential and commercial areas.



## System Reliability

New infrastructure reduces the risk of main breaks, service interruptions, and costly emergency repairs.

These improvements directly support the long-term system needs identified in the City's comprehensive Water System Plan, ensuring White Salmon has the infrastructure to thrive.

# What This Means for You



This upgrade strengthens the reliability, safety, and long-term sustainability of our water system.

Here's what that means for White Salmon residents:

**Stronger Fire Protection**

Improved fire flow capacity and hydrant performance mean better protection for your home, family, and neighborhood. Emergency responders will have the water volume they need when it matters.

**More Reliable Service**

New pipes significantly reduce the risk of unexpected main breaks and service outages. You'll experience fewer disruptions and greater confidence in your water supply year-round.

**Improved Water Pressure Stability**

The larger main ensures consistent water pressure even during peak usage times across the system.

**Supports Future Growth**

As White Salmon continues to grow, this infrastructure investment ensures new development won't strain existing services. We're building capacity for tomorrow while serving today's needs.

**Long-Term Cost Efficiency**

Investing in infrastructure before it fails helps us avoid unexpected disruptions. By planning ahead, we're protecting ratepayers and making thoughtful, long-term decisions with public dollars.

**Check out our Water System Plan**

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📄 This project is part of the broader Water System Plan that emphasizes efficiency, leak reduction, and modernization of infrastructure throughout our community. Every upgrade contributes to a more sustainable and resilient water system.

# Project Timeline & Financing

Construction is anticipated to begin in **March 2026**. This project represents a significant investment in our community's infrastructure, and we're grateful that state funding support allows the majority of the cost to be covered through grants and low-interest financing.

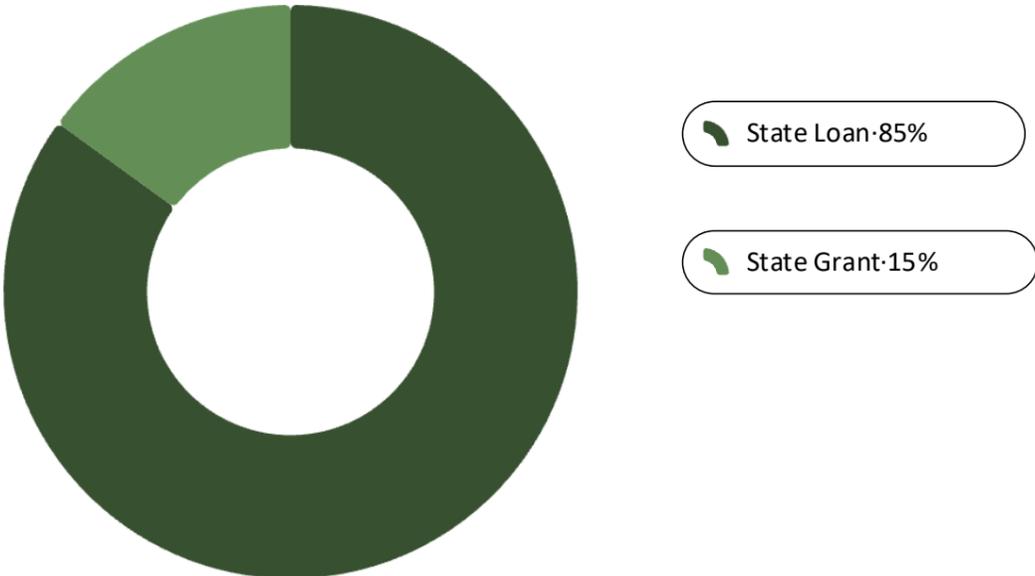


## Project Financing Overview

Funding is provided through the **Washington State Public Works Assistance Account (PWAA)**, a program designed to help communities invest in essential infrastructure.



## Financing Breakdown



**What does this mean for ratepayers?**  
Grants reduce how much we need to borrow, and low-interest financing helps keep costs stable — all while investing in water infrastructure built to last for decades.