

Investing in America through the  
Bipartisan Infrastructure Law  
Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling  
State and Territory Grant Fact Sheet



## Montana

### Grant Recipient Information

**Name:** Montana Department of Environmental Quality

**Location:** Helena, MT

### EPA Information

**Region:** EPA Region 8

### Highlights

- Draft a template for an integrated waste management plan that can be tailored to each determined region of Montana.
- Identify the community service areas in the state.
- Work with interested parties to conduct a materials audit for local waste streams.

### Overview of Montana's Planned Activities

Montana will support local communities in source reduction, reuse, recycling and composting, including developing cost-saving measures. Montana will develop a template for an integrated waste management plan for local governments to use and tailor to each region. The local plans will address each community's unique economic conditions and resources. Montana will determine the number of regions in Montana to establish for the project and work directly with local citizens, businesses, and commissioners to find interested groups for those regions who will help Montana gather community information on waste collection, storage, transfer and disposal options. Montana will then develop a profile of each service area including information on waste generated, recycled, and composted within the area to establish a foundation for projections. Montana also will provide a web-based service to businesses and communities, including rural and disadvantaged communities, to measure tons diverted from landfills, understand how materials flow through Montana, and calculate achieved environmental savings.

### SWIFR Grants for States and Territories

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding can be used to develop or update plans to advance post-consumer materials management, implement those plans, and to improve data collection efforts. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to Montana once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

### SWIFR Community Grant Fact Sheet

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