

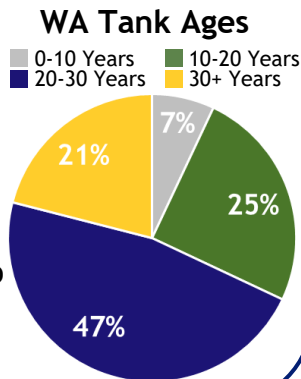
# UST Loan and Grant Program



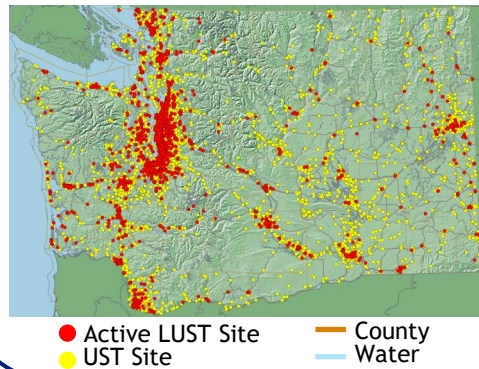
## Challenges

Washington's underground storage tank (UST) infrastructure is:

- Aging.
- On average, older than 20 years.
- Becoming more difficult and costlier to insure.



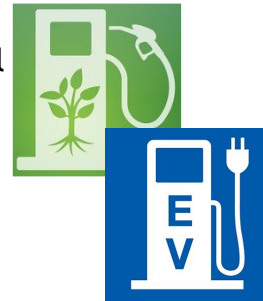
Washington has more than 2,000 historical leaking UST (LUST) sites not fully remediated.



Many owners and operators of USTs cannot access traditional financial resources to upgrade UST systems and clean up contamination.



Much of Washington's fuel infrastructure was never designed for the many different fuel blends of today's market.



## Program Flow

**Spring**  
Apply Online

**Summer**  
Intake Meeting

**Fall**  
Preliminary  
Planning  
Assessment  
(PPA)

**Upon Available  
Program Funds**  
Construction

## Low-interest loans provide owners and operators access to capital funds to:

- ☑ Replace or upgrade aging fuel systems to dispense today's fuels and prevent leaks.
- ☑ Clean up historical or ongoing contamination caused by a UST release.
- ☑ Transform our stations into the gas stations of the future, adapted to the changing transportation fuel market including the installation of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations.

## Outcomes

PLIA is developing a self-sustaining government program that provides Washington's UST owners and operators with access to the resources needed to:

- ☑ Maintain insurable UST infrastructure.
- ☑ Adapt to changing fuel markets.
- ☑ Proactively upgrade systems before releases occur.

Washington's communities will benefit from:

- ☑ Environmental and drinking water protection.
- ☑ Restoration of property values.
- ☑ Job creation and economic stimulus.