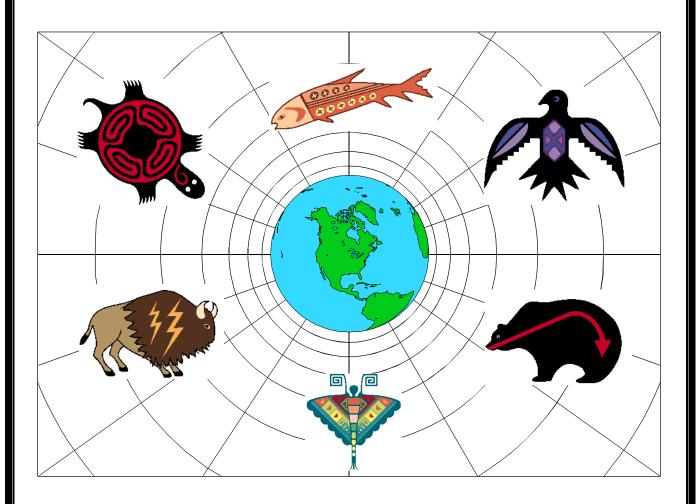
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ABOUT THIS HANDBOOK

Development

This handbook was developed by the Domestic Policy Council Working Group on American Indians and Alaska Natives (Working Group). The first draft of this document was possible thanks to the significant contributions of the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society. Previous drafts of the handbook were reviewed by each federal contributor and also went through the interagency review process at the Office of Management and Budget. The result is a compilation of the federal sources of financial and/or technical assistance programs available for Tribal environmental management.

Purpose

The handbook is intended to provide a central location for federal sources of both technical and financial assistance available to Tribes for environmental management. Many Tribes have limited environmental staffs that are faced with the challenge of addressing a broad range of environmental issues. Unlike State environmental programs that have received annual federal funding for many years, Tribal environmental programs generally must compete annually for their funds. With 554 federally recognized Tribes, there simply is not enough money to go around. Therefore, Tribal environmental staffs spend a large part of their time applying for grants and searching for sources of federal assistance. This document is an effort to assist Tribal staff in their search and hopefully save them valuable time. The handbook can also assist federal, regional, State and Local government employees in becoming better informed about the sources of environmental assistance available in order to improve customer service to the Tribes.

The Working Group recognizes that this document does not contain every federal resource available to Tribes. This is an evolving document and will be updated periodically. Future versions of this document will be available on the Internet (see Comments section).

Organization

The information is arranged alphabetically by governmental departments and agencies. Each entry provides specific categories of information:

- Available Assistance (technical and/or financial);
- Purpose of Assistance;
- **Eligible Recipients** (federally recognized Tribes, State recognized Tribes, Tribal members, Tribal environmental managers, etc.);
- Application Process (required forms, deadlines, evaluation criteria, etc.); and
- **Contact** (phone, fax, address, e-mail, web sites).

The Appendix contains additional contact information for both government agencies and Tribal organizations. To make the document more user-friendly, the entries also are keyed according to the following environmental categories:



Air



Water



Plants and Animals (includes forestry)



Toxics/Hazardous Waste



Solid Waste



Pollution Prevention



Emergency Preparedness and Response



Environmental Education



Cross-Cutting (i.e., addresses more than one category)

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LIST OF ACRONYMS

ACE Army Corps of Engineers

ANA Administration for Native Americans

ATSDR Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

BIA Bureau of Indian Affairs
BLM Bureau of Land Management
BR Bureau of Reclamation

CAA Clean Air Act

CDC Center for Disease Control and Prevention

CERCLA Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

CNS Corporation for National Service

CSREES Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service

CWA Clean Water Act

DOD Department of Defense
DOE Department of Energy
DOI Department of the Interior
DOJ Department of Justice

DOT Department of Transportation

EDA Economic Development Administration EPA Environmental Protection Agency

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

FHWA Federal Highway Administration

FS Forest Service

FSA Farm Service Agency

FY Fiscal Year

FWS Fish and Wildlife Service HHS Health and Human Services

IHS Indian Health Service

NIH National Institutes of Health

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NPS National Park Service

NRCS Natural Resource Conservation Service

OA Office of the Administrator
OAR Office of Air and Radiation

OECA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance

OEM Office of Environmental Management

OPPTS Office of Prevention, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances

OSM Office of Surface Mining

OSWER Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response

OW Office of Water POC Point of Contact

RCRA Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

RSPA Research and Special Programs Administration

RUS Rural Utilities Service

SBA Small Business Administration SDWA Safe Drinking Water Act USCG United States Coast Guard

USDA United States Department of Agriculture

USGS United States Geological Survey

COMMENTS?

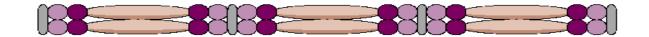
The Domestic Policy Council Working Group on American Indians and Alaska Natives would appreciate receiving your comments on the value of this Handbook to Tribes and others involved in the work of protecting the environment and natural resources in Indian Country. Also, your input would be appreciated on what improvements could be made. Future updates of this document will be available on EPA's American Indian Environmental Office's home page at http://www.epa.gov/indian.

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CONGRESS



HOUSE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE



Available Assistance: Financial.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process:

- Oral Testimony: In early March the House Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee usually hears oral testimony from Tribes requesting funds. Tribes are limited to 5 minutes of oral testimony but may submit their entire written testimony for the record and for funding consideration. As an example, if a Tribe has ten prioritized funding requests, the tribal chairman or spokesperson may summarize the most important tribal priorities rather than discussing all ten. However all ten will be considered for funding since they were submitted as written testimony. When preparing written or oral testimony for Congress, Tribes should try to incorporate all the positive benefits to the Tribe that will occur if funding is provided for the program. For example, what resources will be protected, the importance of the resources to the Tribe, how many people will be employed, etc. To get the exact dates when the Subcommittee will be taking tribal testimony, contact the Subcommittee staff office (202-225-3081) and request to be placed on their tribal witness list. Call by early January or their schedule may be filled.
- Written Testimony: Tribes may also submit written testimony in place of or in addition to oral testimony by writing to the Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee. The written Statement will be given the same importance as the Tribe's oral testimony. All letters should be signed by the tribal chairman. If the Tribe sends a written request for funds from Congress, it should be addressed to:

The Honorable Ralph Regula, Chairman House Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee B-308 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-6023

• Support from Senators and Congressmen: Tribes should notify their Senators and Congressmen of their funding requests and ask for their support. If tribal representatives are in Washington, they

Washington, they should make an appointment with their Senators and representatives to explain their program needs and solicit support for the tribal requests. Often the Senators and Representatives will send a letter to the Subcommittee Chairman requesting funds for their Tribes or supporting the tribal requests.

Contact: House Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee, B-308 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515-6023; (202) 225-3081; Fax (202) 225-9069. After national elections, the Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee and the staff may change. The addresses and phone numbers will stay the same but the Tribe should contact the Subcommittee to confirm the identity of the Subcommittee Chairman and the key staff person. See also http://legislators.com/rollcall/congdir.html for a current list of Subcommittee members and contact information.

SENATE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE



Available Assistance: Financial.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: Tribes may submit written testimony by writing to:

Attention: Outside Witness Testimony Interior Appropriations Subcommittee United States Senate, SD-131 Washington, D.C. 20510

The deadline for written testimony is Friday, April 9, 1999 for fiscal year 2000 appropriations. For instructions on the format of the written testimony, see http://www.senate.gove/~appropriations/interior/inttest.htm.

Contact: Senate Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Subcommittee, 131 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510; (202) 224-7233; Fax (202) 228-4532. After national elections, the Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee and the staff may change. The addresses and phone numbers will stay the same but the Tribe should contact the Subcommittee to confirm the identity of the Subcommittee Chairman and the key staff person. See also http://www.senate.gov/~appropriations/interior.

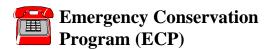
DEPARTMENTS



AGRICULTURE

FARM AND FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES

FARM SERVICE AGENCY



Check out the "Guide to USDA Programs for American Indians and Alaska Natives" at http://www.usda.gov/news/pubs/indians/open.htm.

Available Assistance: Emergency funds for cost-sharing with farmers.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide emergency funds to farmers and ranchers for rehabilitating farmland damaged by wind erosion, floods, hurricanes, or other natural disasters, and for carrying out emergency water conservation measures during periods of severe drought.

Eligible Recipients: Designation of county or region as eligible is made by the county FSA committee with concurrence of the State FSA committee, except for drought, which is determined at the Washington, D.C. level.

Application Process: Apply to FSA at the Local USDA Service Center.

Contact: FSA at the Local USDA Service

Center.

There are about 2,500 USDA Service Centers. To ocate the one closest to you, go to http://offices.usda.gov.



Conservation Reserve Program

Available Assistance: Technical and financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To cost-effectively assist owners and operators in conserving and improving soil, water and wildlife resources by converting highly erodible and other environmentally sensitive acreage normally devoted to the production of agricultural commodities to a long-term resource-conserving cover. In return for establishing the long-term resource-

conserving cover, the participant receives a rental payment each year of a multi-year contract. Cost-share payments are also available to help establish the approved cover.

Eligible Recipients: To be eligible, land must be:

- cropland that is planted or considered planted to an agricultural commodity 2 of the 5 most recent crop years which is also physically and legally capable of being planted in a normal manner to an agricultural commodity; or
- marginal pasture land that is either:
 - certain acreage enrolled in the Water Bank Program, or
 - suitable for use as a riparian buffer to be devoted to trees.

The land must also meet *one* of the following conditions:

- considered highly erodible land according to the conservation compliance provision, or, if a portion of a field, have weighted average Erosion Index of 8 or higher;
- designated as a cropped wetland;
- located in a national or State CRP conservation priority area;
- cropland associated with noncropped wetlands;
- cropland having evidence of scour erosion; or
- certain land enrolled in the Water Bank Program that is in the last year of the Water Bank Program agreement.

Application Process: Producers submit offers stating an annual rental payment they would accept to convert eligible land to an eligible long-term resource-conserving cover. This offer is submitted to the FSA at the Local USDA Service Center during an announced sign up period. USDA will notify persons whose offers are accepted after the close of the sign up period. The participant, in return for annual payments, agrees to implement a conservation plan approved by the Local conservation district.

Contact: FSA at the Local USDA Service Center.

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

FOREST SERVICE



Available Assistance: Technical and financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist in detecting, evaluating, and controlling outbreaks of forest insects and diseases on Tribal lands.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes.

Application Process: Contact the nearest Forest Service Health Protection Office for technical assistance. For financial assistance, contact the Local Bureau of Indian Affairs office.

Contact: Forest Service Health Protection, USDA Forest Service, P.O. Box 96090, Washington, D.C. 20090-6090; (202) 205-1600 or (202) 205-1106.



Forest Stewardship Program

Assistance Available: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist in preparation of landowner forest stewardship plans to meet the landowner objectives, and to address actions needed to protect and enhance soil, water, range, aesthetics, recreation, timber, and fish and wildlife resources.

Eligible Recipients: Private nonindustrial forest landowners, including Indian Tribes.

Application Process: Contact the State forestry agency.

Contact: Cooperative Forestry, USDA Forest Service, P.O. Box 96090, Washington, D.C. 20090-6090; (202) 205-1389.



Stewardship Incentive Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide cost-sharing to eligible private nonindustrial landowners for tree planting and improvement, establishing windbreaks, protecting soil and water, improving fish and wildlife habitat, aesthetics, and forest recreation.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone who: (1) is a private forest landowner; and (2) owns a tract of land with no more than 1,000 acres of eligible forest land (or 5,000 acres with a waiver from the State forester).

Application Process: Contact Local State Forestry Agency office or Local FSA office.

Contact: Cooperative Forestry, USDA Forest Service, P.O. Box 96090, Washington, D.C. 20090-6090; (202) 205-1389.



Urban and Community Forestry

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide financial and technical assistance to urban areas and communities through State forestry agencies and other partners to:

• establish, maintain, improve, expand, and protect urban and community forests and related greenspace;

- assist in sustaining healthy forest ecosystems and supporting viable cities, communities and, neighborhoods; and
- increase public awareness of and participation in improving the natural, social, and economic environments of the nation's urban and community areas.

Eligible Recipients: Urban areas and communities.

Application Process: Contact the Urban and Community Forestry Coordinator at the State Forestry Office.

Contact: Cooperative Forestry, USDA Forest Service, P.O. Box 96090, Washington, D.C. 20090-6090; (202) 205-1389.



Forest Products Conservation and Recycling

Available Assistance: Technical assistance.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical assistance, research, and data for technology transfer and marketing that integrates the environmental protection with forest-based economic growth through value-added timber processing, new technologies and recycling.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes, communities and businesses.

Application Process: Contact State and Private Forestry in the Forest Service's regional office.

Contact: Cooperative Forestry, USDA Forest Service, P.O. Box 96090, Washington, D.C. 20090-6090; (202) 205-1389.

NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE



Farmland Protection Program

Available Assistance: Federal funds are obligated through a Cooperative Agreement signed by the USDA and the selected partner. Federal funds must be dispersed within two years after signing the Agreement. Technical assistance is provided to landowners in planning, designing and, installing conservation practices. The Federal share for any easement acquisition shall not exceed 50% of the fair market value of the easement. Each cooperating agency is to fund its own administrative costs in acquiring the easements, such as survey or title search and the costs in managing and enforcing them. Acquisition of an easement or other interests in land is for a minimum duration of 30 years, preferably, in perpetuity. A conservation plan is required to insure responsible land stewardship. A contingent remainder right must be incorporated into the easement deed for the protection of the federal investment. A failure to abide by the terms in the Cooperative Agreement may result in the easement rights to be vested in the United States and/or for the cooperating entity to reimburse the United States for the federal share of the easement value.

Purpose of Assistance: To establish partnerships with State, Tribal, or Local government entities to acquire conservation easements or other interests in farmland to limit conversion to non-agricultural uses. The program provides funds to States, Tribes or Local governmental entities to leverage their farmland protection programs. The program is carried out through existing farmland protection programs in the State, Tribe or Local government entities.

Eligible Recipients: Any Local or State agency, county or groups of counties, municipality, town or township, soil and water conservation district, or Indian Tribe or tribal organization that has a farmland protection program that purchases conservation easements for the purposes of protecting topsoil by limiting conversion to non-agricultural uses of land and has pending offers with willing land owners may apply for funds. Potential partners must provide written evidence of their commitment to the long term conservation of agricultural lands through the use of legal devices, such as right-to-farm laws, agricultural districts, zoning or land use plans, the use of voluntary approaches to protect farmland from conversion; and to show at least 50% of the cost of the easement is available.

Application Process: When funds are available, a Notice of Request for Proposals will be published in the Federal Register to announce the application window. Any eligible party may submit a proposal to an appropriate NRCS State Office to request funds. The application information will be available from the NRCS State Offices and the home pages of the Federal Register (http://www.access.gpo.gov) USDA NRCS (http://www.nrcs.usda.gov) and the Farmland Information Library (http://farmlandinfo.org).

Contact: NRCS State office.



Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

Available Assistance: Technical, educational, and financial assistance to eligible farmers and ranchers to address soil, water, and related natural resource concerns on their land in an environmentally beneficial and cost effective manner. Five to ten year contracts are made with eligible producers. Participants may receive cost share assistance not to exceed 75 percent of the total cost.

Purpose of Assistance: To help farmers and ranchers install enduring natural resource conservation and pollution abatement practices. The purposes of the program are achieved through implementation of a conservation plan which identifies structural, vegetative, and land management practices which will be applied to the eligible land. The program is carried out primarily in priority areas that may be watersheds, regions, multi-State areas, and for significant Statewide natural resource concerns that are outside of geographic priority areas.

Eligible Recipients: Individual/family farmers and ranchers who face serious threats to their natural resources or who need assistance complying with federal and State environmental laws. A participant may be an owner, landlord, operator, or tenant of eligible agricultural lands. Eligible agricultural land

may include tribal, allotted, or Indian trust land. Limited resource producers, small scale producers, producers of minority groups, federally recognized tribal governments, Alaska Natives, and Pacific Islanders are encouraged to apply.

Application Process: Apply with FSA or NRCS at the Local USDA service center or the Local conservation district on Form CCC-1200. Applications may be filed at any time during the year. However, applications will be scored and ranked after application periods. Applications that will provide the most environmental benefit per program dollar expended are selected for plan development and approval. The participant develops and submits a conservation plan for the farm or ranching unit of concern. The participant's conservation plan serves as the basis for the EQIP contract. A contract with a participant may apply one or more land management, structural or vegetative practices.

Contact: NRCS or FSA at the Local USDA service center, Tribal Conservation District, or the Local conservation district.

Special Water Quality Projects

Available Assistance: Technical assistance for farmers and ranchers who voluntarily apply conservation practices that will reduce agricultural nonpoint source pollution and meet water quality goals. Financial assistance is available through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

Purpose of Assistance: To demonstrate effectiveness of newly developed conservation practices in treating non-point source pollution and to promote the use of the practices in other areas. The projects use the newest and best information to implement cost-effective production systems that meet identified water quality goals.

Eligible Recipients: Farmers and ranchers.

Application Process: Tribes should contact the State Conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service. The State Conservationist will determine if tribal lands are within the demonstration project areas.

Contact: State Conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service.



Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide cost-sharing to private nonindustrial forest landowners for tree planting and timber stand improvement.

Eligible Recipients: People that:

• are private nonindustrial forest landowners;

- own a tract with no more than 5,000 acres of eligible forest land;
- own land that is suitable for forestation and timber stand improvement; and
- own land capable of producing industrial wood crops which meets minimum productivity standards.

Application Process: Apply at the Local State forestry or USDA Service Center.

Contact: Director, Conservation Operations Division, NRCS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250; (202) 720-1845.



Tribal Conservation Districts

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To improve the relationship between USDA and Indian Tribes. Tribes have the opportunity to form Tribal Conservation Districts (TCD) under Tribal law. NRCS will provide Tribes with information on conservation district options and process for their consideration. The ultimate decision regarding which option an American Indian Tribe or Alaska Native Corporation chooses rests with the Indian Tribe and the Secretary of Agriculture. If a TCD is formed, NRCS will work with the newly formed district and the Tribe to establish a cooperative working agreement between the Indian Tribe, the TCD, and the NRCS State Conservationist(s). The cooperative working agreement provides an opportunity to establish levels of service from NRCS, the Tribal government's role, and to resolve other issues between the Tribe and NRCS. A TCD provides guidance to NRCS for prioritizing program assistance. Under the Locally led initiative, a TCD may call the USDA Local advisory committee meeting, which establishes Local conservation priorities for USDA programs.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Corporations.

Application Process: Local NRCS office or the NRCS State Conservationist.

Contact: American Indian Liaison, Resource Conservation and Community Assistance Division, NRCS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250; (202) 720-8576.



Soil Survey Program

Available Assistance: Published soil surveys of counties or other comparably sized areas. Many of the soil surveys include Indian land both on and off the reservations. Soil surveys are in progress on other reservations.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide the basic and detailed information needed for agricultural and natural resource development programs.

Eligible Recipients: Interested Indian Tribes, agencies, organizations, and individuals.

Application Process: Contact Tribal or County NRCS office, Local Extension Service, the State Agricultural Experiment Station, Local USDA Agricultural Service Center, Conservation District Office, or Local Member of Congress.

Contact: Director of Soils, NRCS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250; (202) 720-1820.



Technical Assistance Program

Available Assistance: NRCS field offices, Local conservation districts, and Tribal Conservation Districts provide technical assistance to the Nation's private landowners. NRCS has expertise in agronomy, range and grassland management, forestry, engineering, soils, water quality and quantity management, wildlife habitat management, recreation, aquaculture, rural development, resource inventories, and watershed and flood protection. Technical assistance is coordinated at the national level by the NRCS Conservation Operations Division.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist farm and ranch owners in planning and implementing conservation practices to manage, conserve, improve and develop soil, water and related resources.

Eligible Recipients: Individuals, district cooperators, Indian Tribes, Tribal Councils, or other community leadership.

Application Process: Contact the Local NRCS Office, Tribal Conservation District Office, Conservation District Office, or the Local Agriculture Service Center.

Contact: Director of Conservation Operations Division, NRCS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250; (202) 720-1845.



Resource Conservation and Development Program

Available Assistance: Technical assistance.

Purpose of Assistance: To help Local people initiate and implement long-range programs of Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D). Indian Tribes have the option of forming RC&Ds based on reservation boundaries and Tribal law. RC&D assistance may be used on reservation lands for public water-based recreation and fish and wildlife developments or on private lands owned or operated by American Indians for flood prevention, sedimentation and erosion control, farm irrigation, water quality management, and control and abatement of agriculture-related pollution. The RC&D Project Steering Committee and Local leadership plan and carry out associated project measures funded by other non-USDA entities, both Federal and private. Associated measures deal with any project the RC&D and Local people need and approve.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes.

Application Process: Contact the Local NRCS Office, Tribal Conservation District Office, Conservation District Office, RC&D Coordinator's Office, or the Local Agriculture Service Center.

Contact: Director of Resource Conservation and Development Division, NRCS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250; (202) 720-2241.



Watershed Projects

Available Assistance: Federal technical and financial assistance.

Purpose of Assistance: To help cities, towns and rural areas stimulate economic growth through watershed projects to control flooding, erosion and siltation. Projects may include reservoir construction, flood control dams, and diversion channels for irrigation.

Eligible Recipients: State agencies, Indian Tribes, and nonprofit Local organizations can sponsor a watershed project.

Application Process: Local proposals are reviewed by the State, which may make financial and other assistance available. Contact the country or Tribal NRCS office, or Local USDA Agricultural Service Center.

Contact: Director of Watershed and Wetlands Division, NRCS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250; (202) 720-3527.



Plant Material Centers

Available Assistance: Seed and plants.

Purpose of Assistance: To select and grow plants that grow naturally and then provide them to those people who wish to reestablish native plants. The Plant Material Centers provide "seed" plants that are religiously and culturally significant to Indian people, such as sweet grass in the northern plains.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone interested in reestablishing native plants.

Application Process: Contact Local NRCS office or the NRCS State Conservationist.

Contact: American Indian Liaison, Resource Conservation and Community Assistance Division, NRCS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250; (202) 720-8576.

Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program



Available Assistance: Technical assistance and cost-share.

Purpose of Assistance: To improve habitat conditions for wildlife on the recipient's land. Participants may enter into cost-share agreements for a 5 to 10-year period. Since there is a time lag between the installation of a practice and the actual wildlife benefits, participants will receive cost-share assistance as practices are established but must maintain the practice for its life span even though it may extend beyond the agreement period.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone interested in improving habitat conditions for wildlife on their land.

Application Process: See contacts below.

Contact: Local NRCS office, Tribal Conservation District, or Local Conservation District.



Available Assistance: Conservation technical assistance funds.

Purpose of Assistance: To ensure that technical, educational and related assistance is provided to those who own private grazing lands. Assistance is available to:

- develop better grazing land management techniques;
- protect soil;
- increase energy efficiency;
- conserve water;
- provide wildlife habitat;
- sustain forage and grazing plants;
- use plants to sequester greenhouse grasses and increase organic matter; and
- use grazing land as a source of biomass energy and raw materials for industrial products.

Eligible Recipients: Private grazing land owners.

Application Process: Contact Local USDA Service Center, Tribal Conservation District, or Local Conservation District

Contact: Local USDA Service Center, Tribal Conservation District, or Local Conservation District



Available Assistance: Financial and technical. Landowners can receive financial incentives to restore wetlands in exchange for retiring marginal agricultural land.

Purpose of Assistance: To restore and protect wetlands on private property. Landowners who choose to participate in WRP may sell a conservation easement or enter into a cost-share restoration agreement with the USDA to restore and protect wetlands. The landowner voluntarily limits future use of the land, yet retains private ownership. The landowner and NRCS develop a plan for the restoration and maintenance of the wetland. The program offers landowners three options; permanent easements, 30 year easements and restoration cost-share agreements of a minimum 10 year duration.

Eligible Recipients: Landowners with wetlands on their property.

Application Process: Contact the Local NRCS office, Tribal Conservation District, or Local Conservation District.

Contact: Local NRCS office, Tribal Conservation District, or Local Conservation District.



Emergency Watershed Protection Program

Available Assistance: Technical and cost-sharing assistance.

Purpose of Assistance: To reduce threats to life and property in the wake of natural disasters. Assistance includes removing or establishing vegetative cover, gully control, installing streambank protection devices, removing debris and sediment, and stabilizing levees, channels, and gullies. In subsequent storms, EWP projects protect homes, businesses, highways, and public facilities from further damage. Flood plain easements under EWP may be purchased by the Federal Government to help prevent future losses due to natural disasters.

Eligible Recipients: The opportunity to participate in this program depends on whether the Tribe's constitution permits the Tribe to commit to a long-term easement.

Application Process: Contact the Local NRCS office or the NRCS State Conservationist.

Contact: American Indian Liaison, Resource Conservation and Community Assistance Division, NRCS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250; (202) 720-8576.



The Wetland Conservation Provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985 (Swampbuster)

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To preserve the environmental functions and values of wetlands, including flood control, sediment control, ground water recharge, water quality, wildlife habitat, recreation and aesthetics. Upon request, NRCS will determine if a producer's or Indian Tribe's land has areas

subject to Swampbuster. The agency maintains a list of plants and combinations of soils and plants found in wetlands and uses these technical tools, along with the hydrology of the area, to conduct determinations. NRCS also will certify previous wetland determinations and assist landowners in choosing the best way to mitigate wetland losses.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone with wetlands on their land.

Application Process: For more information, see http://www.usda.gov/news/pubs/indians/charter2.htm.

Contact: American Indian Liaison, Resource Conservation and Community Assistance Division, NRCS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250; (202) 720-8576.



Watershed Protection-Long-Term Contracts (PL-566)

Available Assistance: Technical assistance and cost-share program.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical assistance and cost-share for projects designed to control flooding, erosion or siltation. The program also provides for the construction of multiple purpose projects. Contracts are binding and require control of the land for the length of the contract. Leased land often requires additional action by tribal councils or others to assure adequate control. After the Local government has completed its planning phase, the land treatment part is implemented in 3 to 10-year "contracts" with individuals. Each contract can have a cost share up to \$100,000, can treat only a certain problem area on the unit and has a maximum cost share rate of 65%.

Eligible Recipients: Counties or Tribes.

Application Process: Funds for new contracts are allocated to the State office in October.

Contact: Local USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service Office.



Watershed and Flood Prevention (PL-566)

Available Assistance: Technical and financial assistance.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide protection of watershed areas up to 250,000 acres from erosion and to reduce flooding. Projects are usually large and complex and require a considerable amount of time and effort to assess the problem and develop solutions. Costs associated with land issues such as rights and easements must be borne by the Local or tribal governments. On flood control and stream stabilization, the cost of construction is usually paid 100% by the Federal government.

Eligible Recipients: County or city governments, Conservation Districts or Indian Tribes.

Application Process: Contact the Local USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Office.

Contact: Local USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Office.

RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND ECONOMICS OFFICE

COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH EDUCATION AND EXTENSION SERVICE (CSREES)



Extension Indian Reservation Program

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide Extension Indian Reservation Programs on Indian reservations and in Tribal jurisdictions. The program focuses on agriculture and agriculture-related youth programs and emphasizes training and employment of Local people in positions such as program aides, master gardeners, and volunteers. Local advisory committees are involved in determining programs and priorities. Projects address livestock production, alternative crops, vegetable gardening, improved diet and nutrition, and a broad spectrum of 4-H and youth activities. Although EIRP is administered by CSREES, the Indian Extension Agents are employees of, and administratively responsible to, the Cooperative Extension Service of the State where the reservation is located. The Navajo Reservation agents are administered by the University of Arizona in cooperation with Utah State University and New Mexico State University. Agents often live on the reservations, sharing daily experiences with their neighbors. Agents meet annually to discuss their successes and share program ideas and to investigate additional sources of program support.

Eligible Recipients: The 1862 land-grant institutions in States where Indian reservations or Tribal jurisdictions are located.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Fred Swader, EIRP Coordinator (202) 205-5853 or fswader@reeusda.gov.



Extension Programs

Available Assistance: Competitive grants.

Purpose of Assistance: To address a wide range of agricultural issues and to enhance community natural resources and environment, nutrition, diet, health, economic development, and family and youth development. Natural resources and environmental management projects may address the following:

- soil, water, air and plant management;
- fish and wildlife management;
- aquaculture;

- conservation;
- forestry;
- sustainable use and management of rangelands, wetlands and wildlands;
- land-use planning; and
- use of information systems.

Eligible Recipients: See contact below for eligibility information on the various programs.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Joan F. Gill (202) 720-6487 or jgill@reeusda.gov.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE



Water and Waste Disposal Direct and Guaranteed Loans/Grants

Available Assistance: Direct Loans, Guaranteed Loans, Grants. Grants may be made up to 75% of eligible project costs. Typical loan: \$550,000. Typical grant: \$500,000.

Purpose of Assistance: To reduce water and waste disposal costs to a reasonable level for users of the system. Loans may be made to develop water and wastewater systems, including solid waste disposal and storm drainage, in rural areas and to cities and towns with a population of 10,000 or less. The maximum term for all loans is 40 years; however, no repayment period will exceed State statute limits or the useful life of the facility. Interest rates may be obtained from Rural Development field offices.

Eligible Recipients: Public entities such as municipalities, counties, special purpose districts and Indian Tribes. In addition, funds may be made available to corporations operated on a not-for-profit basis. Priority is given to public entities or areas with less than 5,500 people to restore a deteriorating water supply, or to improve, enlarge or modify a water facility or an inadequate waste facility. Also, preference is given to requests which involve the merging of small facilities and those serving low-income communities. Applicants must be unable to obtain funds from their own resources or from commercial sources at reasonable rates and terms.

Application Process: Information about the water and waste disposal programs and advice on how to assemble information to file an application may be obtained from Rural Development field offices. A preliminary engineering report is required to document need, costs and alternatives. Applicant financial information is required to determine credit worthiness.

Contact: Local USDA Rural Development office.

Solid Waste Management Grants



Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: Grants are awarded to public and private nonprofit organizations to provide technical assistance and training to associations located in rural areas and to cities and town with a population of 10,000 or less to reduce or eliminate pollution of water resources and improve planning and operations of solid waste facilities. Assistance may be provided to enhance operator skills in operations and maintenance, identify threats to water resources, and reduce the solid waste stream.

Eligible Recipients: Public and nonprofit organizations, including Indian Tribes.

Application Process: Applicants must prove capability to provide technical assistance and training. Priority is given to those projects to be completed within 12 months. Preapplications may be filed between October 1 and December 31 of each year.

Contact: Local USDA Rural Development office.

Technical Assistance and Training Grants

Available Assistance: Grants to provide technical assistance and training.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical assistance and training to associations located in rural areas and to cities and towns with populations of 10,000 or less. Assistance may be provided to identify and evaluate solutions to water and waste disposal problems, to improve the operation and maintenance of existing water and waste disposal facilities, and to assist associations in preparing applications for water and waste disposal facilities.

Eligible Recipients: Private nonprofit organizations. Recipient organizations provide technical assistance and training to rural entities including Indian Tribes.

Application Process: Preapplications may be filed between October 1 and December 31 of each year.

Contact: Local USDA Rural Development office.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Department of Commerce home page http://www.doc.gov.



Public Works and Development Facilities Program

Available Assistance: Public Works grants. The Local matching share may be waived for Tribes.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist in the construction of public works and development facilities (such as water and sewer facilities primarily serving industry) needed to initiate and encourage long-term economic growth in designated redevelopment areas, including Indian reservations, where economic growth is lagging behind the rest of the Nation.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes, States and political subdivisions, and private or public nonprofit organizations or associations or a designated economic development district.

Application Process: Contact the Economic Development Administration Regional/Local office to obtain the necessary forms.

Contact: Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230; or Economic Development Administration Regional Offices.



Planning Assistance

Available Assistance: Financial. Grants are used for planning, staff salaries, and other administrative expenses.

Purpose of Assistance: To develop Tribal, State, multi-county, district and Local capacity to plan for the effective, environmentally appropriate, utilization of Local, State and Federal resources in creating full-time permanent jobs for unemployed and underemployed residents.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes, States, political subdivisions, or organizations. Grants normally are made with a Federal match of 50-80%. Tribes are eligible for 100% Federal match.

Application Process: Contact the Economic Development Administration Regional/Local office to obtain the necessary forms.

Contact: Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230; or Economic Development Administration Regional Offices.



Technical Assistance Program

Available Assistance: Technical and Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To alleviate excessive unemployment and underemployment in distressed areas, including Indian reservations, through the provision of a wide range of technical assistance such as feasibility studies, marketing analyses, trade and export development and training activities for sustainable development. Assistance may include funding the costs of such activities up to 75% (100% for Indian Tribes).

Eligible Recipients: Tribes, public or private State, area, district, or Local organizations, as well as individuals, partnerships, firms, corporations, or other suitable institutions.

Application Process: Contact the Economic Development Administration Regional/Local office to obtain the necessary forms.

Contact: Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230; or Economic Development Administration Regional Offices.



Economic Adjustment Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes, States and Local governments in designing and implementing strategies to facilitate adjustment to economic changes that are causing, or threatening to cause, severe economic dislocation or structural damage to the economic base as a result of industrial or corporate restructuring, new Federal laws or requirements, reductions in defense expenditures, depletion of natural resources or natural disasters. Tribes are eligible for 100% funding.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes, States and political subdivisions, and nonprofit organizations as determined by the EDA in areas suffering severe economic impacts such as high unemployment, low per capita income, or failure to keep pace with national five-year economic growth trends.

Application Process: Contact the Economic Development Administration Regional/Local office to obtain the necessary forms.

Contact: Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230; or Economic Development Administration Regional Offices.

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE

Office of Intergovernmental and Recreational Fisheries



Anadromous Fish Grants

Available Assistance: Financial assistance. Fifty percent matching federal funds are available under the provisions of the Anadromous Fish Grant Program. Matching funds may be provided by the States, non-federal entities, or Tribes and/or through the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs grants under the Indian Self-Determination Act. When two or more States enter into a project, 66% federal funding is available and if the project supports an inter-State fisheries management plan, up to 90% federal funding is available. A 1996 change in the law restricts the total amount of funds obligated in any fiscal year in any one State to \$650,000.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide cost-sharing grants to States and other non-Federal entities for the conservation, development and enhancement of the anadromous fishery resources of the Nation, including the fish in the Great Lakes and Lake Champlain.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes, State fishery agencies, colleges, universities, private companies, and other non-Federal interested in 31 States bordering the oceans or Great Lakes.

Application Process: All projects must be coordinated and cleared through the respective State fishery management agency.

Contact: Paul Perra, Office of Intergovernmental and Recreational Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. (301) 427-2014. See also http://www.nmfs.gov/irf/irf.html.



Interjurisdictional Fish Grants

Available Assistance: Financial assistance. Federal share of project costs may amount to 75%, or 90%, when States have adopted fishery regulations that are consistent with an InterState or Federal fishery management plan for the species to which the study applies. Projects to restore resources

damaged by natural resource disasters, or enforcement agreements of up to \$25,000 with State management agencies, may be financed by 100% Federal funds.

Purpose of Assistance: To (1) promote and encourage State activities in support of the management of interjurisdictional resources, and (2) to promote the management of interjurisdictional fishery resources throughout their range.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes, State fishery agencies, colleges, universities, private companies, and other non-Federal interests in 31 States bordering the oceans or the Great Lakes.

Application Process: All projects must be coordinated with and cleared through the respective State fishery management agency.

Contact: Paul Perra, Office of Intergovernmental and Recreational Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service; (301) 427-2014. See also http://www.nmfs.gov/irf/irf.html.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY (ODUSD(ES))

Department of Defense home page http://www.defenselink.mil.



Legacy Resource Management Program (LRMP)

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To protect, enhance, and restore the natural and cultural resources under LRMP stewardship. Legacy projects are intended for military lands only but are available to any person working in conjunction with installation natural and cultural resource conservation managers.

Eligible Recipients: Installation Natural and Cultural resources managers and those working in conjunction with them.

Application Process: All proposals must be coordinated through the individual services and passed through the proper chain of command. Pre-proposals can be submitted through the Legacy Tracker website at http://memphis.lmi.org/int/dienemann/legwelcome.nsf. Instructions, points of contact and deadlines are listed in the FY 2000 Guidance section.

Contact: Peter Boice (703) 604-0524, Leslie Orzetti (703) 604-1792, or Alison Dalsimer (703) 604-1774.



Native American Lands Environmental Mitigation Program (NALEMP)

Available Assistance: Financial and Technical Assistance.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide for mitigation of environmental impacts on Indian lands that are no longer under the control of the DOD or its components and are the result of former DOD military activities. Eligible properties are lands held in trust or protected against alienation by the Federal government for Federally recognized Tribes and their members. Also included in eligible properties are lands conveyed under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA). It should be noted that the NALEMP program will not address environmental impacts that were the result of United State Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) civil works projects such as the building of dams, flood control, or aiding navigation on inland waterways. Assistance can range from cleanup to technical assistance with the goal of addressing environmental impacts from past DOD activities. The mitigation action may be performed by DOD contractors in consultation

with the landowners, by contract with Tribes, or by Cooperative Agreements with the affected Tribe. Once notified of a potential impact, the ODUSD(ES) and USACE will review historical land ownership and DOD documents to determine if the impact is the result of DOD actions and eligible for funding under NALEMP.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes with environmental impacts on their lands that are the result of past DOD military activities.

Application Process: Notify the Local USACE district Formerly Used Defensive Sites (FUDS) Point of Contact of the impact. A list of contacts can be obtained from the USACE Headquarters office or the ODUSD(ES) at the phone numbers listed below. After the USACE is notified of the potential impact, the USACE of ODUSD(ES) will institute an investigation of the impact. If the impact is eligible for NALEMP program, the project will be prioritized for funding based on a screening process under development with the impacted Tribes.

Contact: USACE Headquarters, Chief Formally Used Defense Sites (202) 761-5145, or Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Environmental Security Native American Lands Environmental Mitigation Program Manager (703) 604-1747.

OFFICE OF SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS UTILIZATION



Indian Incentive Program for Prime Contractors

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide incentive to prime contractors to use Indian organizations and Indian-owned economic enterprises as subcontractors on contracts with the Department of Defense. In this program, the prime contractor receives a 5% bonus for the work subcontracted out to Indian organizations and Indian owned businesses. While the Tribe may not receive direct financial assistance from the Department of Defense, Tribes have been successful at using this program to increase their participation in DOD environmental projects that affect Indian lands.

Eligible Recipients: Prime Contractors for the Department of Defense that use Indian organizations or Indian-owned economic enterprises as subcontractors.

Application Process: The Tribe or Indian-owned business will need to team with a prime contractor to participate in the program. Tribes may contact the DOD component responsible for the project of interest to get a list of prime contractors.

Contact: Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (703) 588-8622. For more

information, see

http://denix.cecer.army.mil/denix/Public/Native/Partnerships/Incentive/incentive.html.



Mentor-Protégée Program (MPP)

Available Assistance: Financial and Technical Assistance.

Purpose of Assistance: To encourage major DOD prime contractors (mentors) to develop the technical and business capabilities of small and disadvantaged businesses (SDBs) and other eligible protégée, including tribally-owned and Native American owned enterprises. Through credit toward subcontracting goals or some direct reimbursement of costs, the MPP provides incentives for these mentors to establish and implement a developmental assistance plan, which enables the protégée to compete more successfully for DOD prime contracts and subcontract awards. While the Tribe may not receive direct financial assistance from the Department of Defense, Tribes have been successful at using this program to increase their participation in DOD environmental projects that affect Indian lands.

Eligible Recipients: Prime Contractors for the Department of Defense that team with small disadvantaged businesses.

Application Process: The tribally-owned or Native American-owned business will need to team with a prime contractor to participate in the program. Tribes may contact the DOD component responsible for the project of interest to get a list of prime contractors.

Contact: Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (800) 553-1858. For additional information, see http://www.acq.osd.mil/sadbu/mentor protege.

ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (MILITARY PROGRAMS)



Formerly Used Defensive Sites (FUDS) Cleanup

Army Corps of Engineers home page http://www.usace.army.mil.

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide cleanup of environmental impacts on lands that are no longer under the jurisdiction and control of the DOD or its components and are the result of former DOD military activities. These properties are known as formerly used defensive sites (FUDS) and may be located on or near tribal lands. It should be noted that the FUDS program will not address environmental impacts that were the result of USACE civil works projects such as the building of

damns, flood control, or aiding navigation on inland waterways. The assistance available is in the form of cleanup actions by USACE personnel or contractors in consultation with the landowners. Once notified of a potential impact, the USACE will review historical land ownership and DOD documents to determine if the impact is the result of DOD actions and eligible under the guidelines set down by Congress. Eligible FUDS Projects are prioritized for funding under a system that addresses the highest risks to human health and the environment first.

Eligible Recipients: Land owners with environmental impacts that are the result of past DOD military activities.

Application Process: Notify your Local USACE district FUDS POC of the impact. A list of impacts can be obtained from the USACE Headquarters office at the phone number listed below. After the USACE is notified of the potential impact, it will institute an investigation of the impact. If the impact is eligible for the FUDS program, the project will be prioritized for funding based on human health and environmental risk.

Contact: USACE Headquarters, Chief Formally Used Defense Sites (202) 761-5145.

ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (CIVIL WORKS)



Partnership Program

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

See http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/organization to locate the nearest Corps District.

Purpose of Assistance: To work with sponsors throughout the country to investigate water resources problems and opportunities and, if warranted, develop projects that would otherwise be beyond the capability of State, Local or Tribal financial and technical resources. Projects can address topics such navigation, flood control and environmental restoration. The project costs are shared between the Corps and sponsors in accordance with the cost sharing requirements outlined in Federal laws, primarily the Water Resources Development Act of 1986.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes, a State or any other political subpart of a State or group of States, a port authority, or an interState agency. The sponsor must have the legal and financial authority and capability to provide the cash and real eState requirements needed for a project.

Application Process: For more information, see the Partnership Handbook at http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwp/cecwp.htm. Or write Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: CECW-P (Mr. Blakey), 20 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20314-1000.

Contact: The District Engineer, Deputy District Engineer for Project Management, or Chief of Planning in the Local Corps District.



Continuing Authorities Program

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes, States and Local governments with feasibility studies in the areas of flood control and flood damage reduction, navigation, mitigation of shoreline damage, hurricane and storm damage reduction, and emergency streambanks and shoreline protection. The first \$100,000 is a Federal expense. The remainder is cost-shared 50-50 with the non-Federal sponsor.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes, States and Local governments.

Application Process: Written requests for assistance must be approved by the division office. Following implementation and funding approval, the non-Federal interest and the Federal government sign the Project Cooperation Agreement.

Contact: Local Corps District. For more information, see http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwp/cap.htm.



Project Modifications for Improvement of the Environment

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist in funding modifications to water resources projects constructed by the Corps for the improvement of the environment. Projects that address degradation of the quality of the environment caused by a Corps project may also be undertaken. Non-Federal sponsors are responsible for 25% of the project cost and usually 100% of the operation, maintenance, replacement, and rehabilitation. Up to 80% of the non-Federal share may be provided as work-in-kind. The Federal per project limit is \$5 million and the annual appropriation limit is \$25 million.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes, States and Local governments.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Local Corps District.



Beneficial Uses of Dredged Material

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist with projects to protect, restore, and create aquatic and ecologically related habitats, including wetlands, in connection with dredging an authorized Federal navigation project. Non-Federal sponsors are responsible for 25% of the project cost and 100% of the cost of operation, maintenance, replacement, and rehabilitation.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes, States and Local governments.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Local Corps District.



Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist with aquatic restoration ecosystem restoration projects that will improve the quality of the environment, are in the public interest, and are cost-effective. Individual projects are limited to \$5 million in Federal cost. Non-Federal interests must contribute 35% of the cost of construction and 100% of the cost of operation, maintenance, replacement, and rehabilitation.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes, States and Local governments.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Local Corps District.



Flood Plain Management Services (FPMS)

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To foster public understanding of the options for dealing with flood hazards and to promote prudent use and management of the Nation's flood plains. FPMS will develop or interpret site-specific data on obstructions to flood flows, flood formation and timing; flood depths or stages; flood-water velocities; and the extent, duration, and frequency of flooding.

Eligible Recipients: Upon request, services are provided to Indian Tribes, State, regional, Local governments and other non-Federal public agencies without charge.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Local Corps District. For more information, see http://usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwp/fpms.htm.



Planning Assistance to States

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes, States, Local governments and other non-Federal entities in the preparation of comprehensive plans for the development, utilization, and conservation of water and related land resources. The program is funded annually by Congress. Federal allotments for each State or Tribe from the notion-wide appropriation are limited to \$500,000 annually, but typically are much less. Individual studies, of which there may be more than one per State or Tribe per year, generally cost \$25,000 to \$75,000. These studies are cost shared on a 50% Federal- 50% non-Federal basis.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes, States, and Local governments.

Application Process: Every year, each State and Indian Tribe can provide the Corps its request for studies under the program, and the Corps then accommodates as many studies as possible within the funding allotment.

Contact: Local Corps District. See http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwp/pas.htm for more information.

ENERGY

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT



Environmental Management Programs

Available Assistance: Financial. For FY 1999 the total new funding to the 10 Tribes with cooperative agreements was \$4,566,000.

Purpose of Assistance: The Office of Environmental Management (EM) has established cooperative agreements (agreements-in-principle and memoranda of understanding) with 10 Tribes surrounding Department of Energy (DOE) sites. Funding pursuant to these agreements has allowed many of the Tribes to:

- Hire Tribal staff and scientific experts to inform Tribal leaders on cleanup efforts;
- Examine cleanup plans at the sites;
- Preserve and protect Tribal cultural resources (e.g., artifacts, fish and wildlife, native plants, and sacred sites) at DOE sites and on Tribal lands;
- Perform activities such as water, soil, and air monitoring;
- Establish emergency response programs for Tribes to be "first responders" for potential incidents on reservations and neighboring jurisdictions;
- Conduct cultural resource surveys, wildlife monitoring projects, archeological assessments, and native plant revegetation in conjunction with DOE cleanup projects; and
- Promote educational initiatives that enhance cross cultural understanding and student ability in fields of mathematics and science.

Hanford Site

Yakama Indian, Nez Perce Tribe, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation. The cooperative agreements for the Tribes that surround the Department's Hanford site are focusing their involvement in Groundwater projects, environmental education, tank waste remediation systems, Hanford Natural Resource Trustee Council, emergency preparedness and response, and management of cultural resources.

Los Alamos and Sandia National Laboratories

Pueblo of Cochiti, Pueblo of Isleta, Pueblo of Jemez, Pueblo of Santa Clara, and Pueblo of San Ildefonso. The Office of Environmental Management and the Office of Defense Programs jointly fund these efforts. These agreements fund core environmental management programs on Tribal reservations. They are designed to build Tribal technical and scientific capability in environmental restoration and waste management and to assist the Tribes in participating in EM decision making at Albuquerque Operations Office, the Los Alamos and Sandia National Laboratories.

Idaho National Engineering Laboratory

Shoshone-Bannock Tribes. The cooperative agreement with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Indian Reservation is designed to enhance Tribal technical and scientific capability in the areas of environmental restoration, emergency preparedness and response and management of cultural resources. The agreement also is designed to assist the Tribal government in participating in decisionmaking processes at the Idaho National Environmental and Engineering Laboratory.

West Valley Demonstration Site

Seneca Indian Nation. The cooperative agreement with the Seneca Nation funds a core environmental management program on the Seneca reservation in New York State. The agreement is designed to build Tribal technical and scientific capability in environmental restoration and waste management and to assist the Tribal government in participating in environmental management decision making processes at the West Valley Demonstration Site.

Eligible Recipients: Funding is provided to those Indian Tribes whose lands surround Department sites and facilities, and who are potentially impacted by DOE activities.

Contact: Office of Environmental Management EM-22 (202) 586-5944; Fax: (202) 586-0293.



Council of Energy Resource Tribes (CERT) Intern Program

Available Assistance: \$170,000.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide cooperative agreements with funds for summer, and in certain cases, one year professional development internships for American Indian students.

Eligible Recipients: Indian students in their junior an senior years of college. However, CERT will consider Indian students at all levels if they demonstrate maturity, motivation, and academic achievement.

Application Process: Call CERT for an application package. The deadline for submission is March 15, 1999.

Contact: Albert Wing at (303) 282-7576.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

ADMINISTRATION FOR NATIVE AMERICANS (ANA)



Indian Environmental Regulatory Description:

Department of Health and Human Services home page http://www.hhs.gov.

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To strengthen Tribal governments through building capacity within the Tribes in order to identify, plan, develop, and implement environmental programs in a manner that is consistent with Tribal culture. Financial assistance is available for developmental projects to assist Tribes in advancing their capacity and capability to plan for and:

- Develop or enhance the Tribal environmental regulatory infrastructure required to support a Tribal environmental program, and to regulate and enforce environmental activities on Indian lands pursuant to Federal and Indian law;
- Develop regulations, ordinances and laws to protect the environment;
- Develop the technical and program capacity to carry out a comprehensive Tribal environmental program and perform essential environmental program functions;
- Promote environmental training and education of Tribal employees;
- Develop technical and program capability to meet Tribal and Federal regulatory requirements;
- Develop technical and program capability to monitor compliance and enforcement of Tribal environmental regulations, ordinances, and laws; and
- Ensure the Tribal court system enforcement requirements are developed in concert with and support the Tribe's comprehensive environmental program.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes, incorporated non-federally and State recognized Indian Tribes, Alaska Native villages as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and/or nonprofit village consortia, nonprofit Alaska Native Regional Corporations/Associations with village specific projects, Tribal governing bodies (Indian Reorganization Act or traditional councils) as recognized by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and other Tribal or village organizations or consortia of Indian Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Administration for Native Americans (ANA); 370 L'Enfant Promenade, Mail Stop HHH 348F; Washington, DC 20447. Telephone: (202) 690-7776. See ANA home page at http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ana.

AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE REGISTRY (ATSDR)



Public Health Assessments/Consultations

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide public health assessments and consultations for Superfund hazardous waste sites and, when requested, for non-Superfund sites if Tribes and communities petition for ATSDR's involvement. These documents are prepared in collaboration with the affected Tribes/communities to address public health concerns related to exposures from hazardous waste or unplanned releases of chemicals. ATSDR has assisted Tribes at over 25 sites with public health concerns such as exposure to radiation from uranium mines or nuclear test sites, arsenic from mine tailings, PCBs releases from transformers and other industrial waste, and pesticides from sheepdipping vats.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Leslie Campbell, Native American Coordinator, ATSDR, Division of Health Assessment and Consultation (DHAC), MS E32, 1600 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA, 30333, (404) 639-6337 or (888) 42ATSDR.



Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCU)

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To address current needs identified by the TCUs. Proposed activities are focused in the areas of environmental health, health education, and training of health care providers, including: provision of intern programs; training in environmental health and GIS; provision of ATSDR materials to TCUs; establishment of Web-links for TCUs; in-service to tribal environmental health employees; site-specific translations of materials into American Indian and Alaska Native languages; and technical assistance for graphics. This program was initiated in FY 98.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See below.

Contact: Christine Benally, ATSDR, Division of Health Assessment and Consultation, MS E32, 1600 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30333, (404) 639-0610 or (800) 42ATSDR.

ATSDR-IHS Training Program

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide environmental health training to Tribal representatives. Training has included having IHS staff attend the ATSDR Public Health Assessment course, IHS involvement in ATSDR site assessments, and a joint course for IHS and Tribal staff on Hazardous Materials and Public Health.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Christine Benally, ATSDR, Division of Health Assessment and Consultation, MS E32, 1600 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30333, (404) 639-0610 or (888) 42ATSDR



Program to Build Capacity among Native American Tribes Impacted by Releases from the Hanford Nuclear Reservation

Available Assistance: Financial (cooperative agreements).

Purpose of Assistance: To provide funds for Native American tribal governments to undertake capacity building activities that will assist them in addressing human health issues arising from exposure to releases of hazardous substances from the Hanford Nuclear Reservation in the southeastern area of the State of Washington. Program funds are intended to build tribal capacity to participate in ATSDR site-specific activities around and near the Hanford Facility, including public health assessments, health consultations, community involvement, preventive health education and follow-up health studies.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes located within the Washington, Oregon, Idaho Tri-State area.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Leslie Campbell, ATSDR, Division of Health Assessment and Consultation, MS E32, 1600 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30333, (404) 639-6337 or (800) 42ATSDR.

CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC)

NATIONAL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (NCEH)

Childhood Lead Poisoning Program

Available Assistance: Technical assistance on the development of prevention programs also is provided upon request.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide the impetus for the development, implementation, expansion, and evaluation of State and Local childhood lead poisoning prevention programs, including tribal programs.

Eligible Recipients: All Indian Tribes.

Application Process: Applications must be developed in accordance with form PHS 5161-1 and should follow the structure presented in the program announcement and guidance document provided by CDC. Both documents are expected to be made available by CDC in early February 1999. Applicants must submit an original and two copies of their application package on or before March 31, 1999. Evaluation criteria will be contained in both the program announcement and guidance document.

Contact Information: Claudette Grant-Joseph, Chief, Program Services Section, Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, MS-F42, Atlanta, GA, 30341-3724, 770-488-7330. E-mail address: cag4@cdc.gov.



Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical assistance for both public health and environmental health issues related to emergencies and disasters. Assistance is available for issues such as public health and medical needs assessment; injury/illness surveillance, prevention, and control; worker safety and health; vector control; releases of biological, chemical, or radiological agent; and, public health information.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: CDC Emergency Response Group, 4770 Buford Highway, Mailstop F38, Atlanta, GA 30341. Phone: (770) 488-7100. Fax: (770) 488-7107.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE (IHS)

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND ENGINEERING

Sanitation Facilities Construction Program (SFC)

Available Assistance: Technical and financial. The SFC Program funding distribution to IHS Areas is based on need and in accordance with established program formulas and priority systems.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide assistance for the cooperative development and continued operation of safe water, wastewater, and solid waste systems, and related support facilities for American Indian and Alaska Native homes and communities. Services provided by the program include:

- 1. Maintaining sanitation deficiency inventories.
- 2. Providing environmental engineering services.
- 3. Project development.
- 4. Funding water, wastewater, and solid waste projects.
- 5. Providing professional design and construction services.
- 6. Providing O&M training and technical consultation.
- 7. Advocating for Indian people on environmental issues.
- 8. Providing emergency response services.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized American Indians and Alaska Natives.

Application Process: Tribes and Tribal Designated Housing Entities should coordinate with their IHS Area offices when applying for SFC Program Assistance. Individual homeowners should apply through their respective Tribes.

Contact: Local IHS Area office (see Appendix B).



Environmental Health Program

Available Assistance: Environmental health services.

Purpose of Assistance: To coordinate the development and implementation of community-based environmental health services and programs in areas such as hazard evaluation, air pollution, epidemiology, emergency operations, hazardous materials, operation and maintenance, occupational

health, radiation, waste disposal, water supply, infection control, industrial hygiene, radiation protection, food safety, injury prevention and fluoridation.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Local IHS Area office (see Appendix B).



Environmental Management Program

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical support to Tribal and IHS environmental health and engineering staff through consultation, and special projects, including conducting environmental health program management reviews at the Area, District, and Service Unit levels. The program provides program direction for sanitation facilities operation and maintenance activities and for community water fluoridation. It develops and conducts training programs on technical and management subjects to improve the skills of Tribal and IHS environmental health and engineering staff..

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Local IHS Area office (see Appendix B).

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES (NIEHS)



Environmental Justice: Partnerships for Communication

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To stimulate investigation of the influence of economic and social factors on the health of people exposed to environmental toxicants. For example, the University of Oklahoma trains Tribal members to be lay health advisers who can teach and show the Native American population how to minimize health problems from severe lead contamination resulting from mining. See http://www.niehs.nih.gov for more information.

Eligible Recipients: Applications may be submitted by domestic for-profit and non-profit organizations, public and private, including predominantly minority institutions, individually or as joint efforts of minority institutions and majority institutions. Usually, only one award under this RFA will be funded at an institution or organization. Although a single institution or organization must be the applicant, a multi-institutional arrangement (consortium) is possible. Such consortia, entailing active participation by more than one organization, are encouraged if there is clear evidence of close interaction and responsible partnership among the participants.

Application Process: See http://www.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-ES-98-006.html for more information.

Contact: Allen Dearry, Ph.D.; Division of Extramural Research and Training; Mail Drop 3-04, NIEHS; Research Triangle Park, NC 27709; (919) 541-4943 or dearry@niehs.nih.gov.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SCIENCE



Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide customized database searches, publications, mailing lists, referrals, and more to American Indian and Alaska Native, African American, Asian American and Pacific Islander, and Hispanic populations regarding human and environmental health issues. The center collects and distributes information on a wide variety of health topics, including cancer, heart disease, diabetes, and infant mortality.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone.

Application Process: The center's services are free, and can be obtained by calling toll-free 1-800-444-6472 or send an e-mail request to info@omhrc.gov.

Contact: See http://www.omhrc.gov for more information.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY, OFFICE OF TRUST RESPONSIBILITIES

Bureau of Indian Affairs home page http://www.doi.gov/bureau-indian-affairs.html



Fish, Wildlife and Recreation Program

Available Assistance: Financial. The overwhelming majority of program funding is contracted to Tribes for the administration of continuing operations, programs, an staffs.

Purpose of Assistance: To conserve, develop and manage on-reservation fish and wildlife resources for the sustenance, cultural enrichment and economic support of Indians, and protect the exercise of off-reservation treaty hunting, fishing and gathering rights through the implementation of co-management programs in conjunction with other responsible resource managers. The program funds a broad array of tribal fish, wildlife and outdoor recreation resource management operations on Indian reservations and in certain off-reservation treaty ceded territory including:

- the monitoring and regulating of Indian hunting, fishing and gathering activity;
- fish hatchery operations and maintenance;
- conservation enforcement;
- public use management;
- habitat management;
- biological research; and
- other activities comparable to those implemented by State fish and game agencies in carrying out their responsibilities.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Application Process: Tribal resolution or written request.

Contact: Office of Trust Responsibilities; Branch of Fish, Wildlife and Recreation (MS-4513-MIB); 1849 C Street, NW; Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-4088.



Environmental Management Services

Available Assistance: Financial and technical. Central coordination and pecuniary management (\$6,700,000 annually) of environmental services to meet trust responsibilities for American Indian Tribes, bands, pueblos, rancherias, Alaskan Native groups and tribal organizations as well as

internal Bureau operations. Environmental concerns that fall within the purview of 25 U.S.C. Sec. 2 concerning trust responsibilities are not eligible for this program.

Purpose of Assistance: To strengthen tribal environmental and natural resource programs. The Division of Environmental and Cultural Resources Management conducts fiscal forecasting and articulates Native American environmental needs to the government's appropriations authorities. Funding distribution is done using a hierarchy system that puts human health and safety issues first. Funds, coordination, and technical assistance are provided by the central office staff for hazardous waste management and hazardous substance remediation including emergency situations annually that have the potential to adversely affect trust resources and human health and safety in Indian Country.

Eligible Recipients: Tribal organizations.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Trust Responsibilities, Division of Environmental and Cultural Resources Management, Mailstop 4516 MIB, 1849 C St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-5696.



Forest Management, Protection, and Development

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To work with federally recognized Tribes in the management of Indian forest lands with the participation of the beneficial land owners in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's trust responsibilities.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes and individual Indians under BIA jurisdiction who own trust or restricted lands.

Application Process: Tribal resolution or written application from owner. An environmental impact assessment may be necessary.

Contact: Local BIA field office; or Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Trust Responsibilities, Division of Forestry, Room 4545, 18th and C Streets NW., Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-4439.

Fire Suppression and Emergency Presuppression



Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide effective measures for the suppression of wildfires threatening Indian forest and rangelands and the rehabilitation of burned over lands, as needed. Funds can only be used for suppression and emergency presuppression of wildland fires and emergency rehabilitation of burned over areas on Indian forest and range lands. Upon completion of fire suppression activities, a survey is made to determine if emergency rehabilitation will be required. Treatment may include planting, seeding, erosion control, rodent control, and fencing.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes and individual Indian trust or restricted land owners. Lands must be held in trust or restricted by the U.S. Government.

Application Process: In emergency, contact nearest BIA field office; Bureau of Indian Affairs Fire Management/Boise Interagency Fire Center, 3905 Vista Avenue, Boise, ID 83705, telephone (208) 387-5400; or Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Trust Responsibilities; Room 4545, 1849 C St. NW., Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-6067.

Contact: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Trust Responsibilities; Division of Forestry, Room 4545, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-6067; or Local Area Office.

Soil and Moisture Conservation

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: The objective of the program is to assist owners and users of Indian lands in conserving the soil and water resources and increasing production of Indian lands. Technical assistance, advisory services, development, counseling and oversight are available upon request.

Eligible Recipients: The applicants must be Tribes or Tribal members, as indicated by BIA/Tribal records.

Application Process: Applications may be either a verbal or written request from owners or users of Indian land. Written requests are usually letters or tribal resolutions submitted to the BIA Agency Superintendent.

Contact: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Trust Responsibilities, Division of Water and Land Resources, 1849 C St., NW., Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-4004.



Training and Technical Assistance for Indian Tribal Governments

Available Assistance: Project grants (contracts), advisory services and counseling, provision of specialized services, and training.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes in successfully conducting activities and providing services that are now provided for them by federal government entities.

Application Process: Written resolution of governing body and submittal of grant application. Contact your Local/Regional BIA office for more information.

Contact: Local/Regional BIA office.

OFFICE OF INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMS



Higher Education Grant Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To enable eligible Indian students to attend an accredited institution of higher education. Grant funds are to supplement the total financial aid package prepared by the college financial aid officer. Funds are intended to assist students in pursuing their undergraduate baccalaureate degree.

Eligible Recipients: Applicant must: (1) be a member of an Indian Tribe, or be of least a one-fourth Indian blood descendent of a member of an Indian Tribe that is eligible for the special programs and services provided by the United States through the Bureau of Indian Affairs to Indians because of their status as Indians; (2) be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an accredited college; and (3) have financial need as determined by the institution's financial aid office.

Application Process: Students must be accepted by a college or university. Application forms are completed by applicant in accordance with instructions available upon request from the Education Line Office, or tribal contractor administering the program for the applicant Tribal group. Completed forms are submitted to the students higher education program office at the appropriate office.

Contact: Office of Indian Education Programs, 1849 C St., MS-3512-MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240 Telephone: 202-208-4871.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT



Cultural Resource Management

Available Assistance: Cooperative agreements.

Bureau of Land Management home page http://www.blm.gov.

Purpose of Assistance: To manage and protect cultural resources on public lands and to increase public awareness and appreciation for natural resources.

Eligible Recipients: No restrictions, however, lands must be administered by BLM. Assistance can be used for cooperation in managing cultural resources, provided activities are consistent with needs identified in BLM planning documents.

Application Process: Bureau of Land Management State and Field Offices can offer assistance on how to prepare grant request. No specific application form is required, except for grants which must comply with 43 CFR 12, Subpart C and F. Additionally, there is no specific deadline for requests.

Contact: Local State or Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

Recreation Resource Management

Available Assistance: Project grants, use of property, facilities and equipment. This program has matching requirements under the challenge cost-share program.

Purpose of Assistance: To manage recreational resource values on the public lands administered by the BLM and to increase public awareness and appreciation of these values. Assistance can be used for managing and/or upgrading recreational resources and related facilities, and public contact/education opportunities. BLM continues to expand its cooperative partnerships in the Tread Lightly, Leave No Trace, and Recreational Fishing programs.

Eligible Recipients: No restrictions, however, all projects must be done on lands administered by the BLM. Average cost of awarded projects is about \$10,000.

Application Process: Interested persons should coordinate cooperative project proposals with BLM State or District Offices. No specific application form is required, except for grants which must comply with 43 CFR Part 12, Subpart C and F. Additionally, there are no deadlines for making requests.

Contact: Bureau of Land Management Field and State Offices.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

NATIVE AMERICAN AFFAIRS PROGRAM

Bureau of Reclamation home page http://www.usbr.gov/main/index.html



Technical Assistance to Tribes and States (TATS) **Program**

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes with data collection and analyses for managing water and related resources. Assistance ranges from simply providing available data, to analyzing complex water quality, groundwater, various user demands, instream flow requirements, or specialized hydrologic, economic, social, sedimentation, planning, or engineering. While this assistance can be complex, it is intended only as support to Tribes in their own work. Entire project investigations will not be performed. Funding for this program is dependant on Congressional appropriations.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes located the seventeen western States served by the Bureau.

Application Process: Contact Local Bureau of Reclamation Regional Planning Coordinators.

Contact: Trudy Ward, Budget Analyst, Bureau of Reclamation, W-6320, 1849 C Street N.W. (MS 7556), Washington, D.C. 20240; (202) 208-7149. E-mail: tward@usbr.gov.



Drought Relief Program - Title I

Available Assistance: Loans and grants.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist with drought planning or drought relief efforts. The program is only applicable during times of actual drought conditions. Cost sharing is not required if construction activities are limited to a temporary facility. Specific activities might include: (1) drilling of wells; (2) diking and dredging to improve river channel flow efficiency; (3) installation of temporary fish screens; (4) installation of temporary equipment to maintain proper water temperature levels; (7) temporary installation of pumps in reservoirs and canals in order to lift water to outlets, (8) improve measurements, and reporting conditions and deviations, and (9) changes in diversion schedules. Permanent facilities (except for wells) require a repayment contract to be repaid within 15 years at the current treasury interest rate.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes; not limited to Reclamation project areas, or to water provided by Reclamation projects.

Application Process: Tribal leaders are required to declare the existence of drought conditions and request emergency assistance for Title I activities. After the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation has determined that a request from the Tribe has merit, Reclamations's Regional Offices will solicit specific proposals for funding.

Contact: Roseann Gonzales, Drought Coordinator, P.O. Box 25007 (D-5010), Denver, CO 80225-007; (303) 445-2787. E-mail: rgonzales@usbr.gov. Tom Phillips, Senior Water Resources Specialist, Bureau of Reclamation, 1849 C Street N.W., Washington D.C. 20240; (202) 208-7587. E-mail: tphillips@usbr.gov.



Drought Relief Program - Title II

Available Assistance: Loans and grants.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist with drought planning or drought relief efforts by providing funding for drought contingency planning on a 50/50 cost-share basis. Specific activities might include: (1) drilling of exploratory wells which may eventually be used for supplemental water sources; (2) formulation of drought contingency plans; (3) design and instillation of water measurement structures; and (4) data, irrigation, and weather monitoring automation.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes; not limited to Reclamation project areas or to water provided by Reclamation projects.

Application Process: Tribal leaders are required to declare the existence of drought conditions and request emergency assistance for Title I activities. After the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation has determined that a request from the Tribe has merit, Reclamations's Regional Offices will solicit specific proposals for funding.

Contact: Roseann Gonzales, Drought Coordinator, P.O. Box 25007 (D-5010), Denver, CO 80225-007. (303) 445-2787 E-mail: rgonzales@usbr.gov. Tom Phillips, Senior Water Resources Specialist, Bureau of Reclamation, 1849 C Street NW., Washington D.C. 20240; (202) 208-7587. E-mail: tphillips@usbr.gov.



Water Conservation Field Services Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To promote improved water management and conservation. Specific activities might include: (1) educational efforts; (2) preparing water management, and conservation plans; (3) demonstration of new technologies or practices; and (4) implementation of technologies or practices identified in water management plans. It does not fund studies to determine efficiencies, conduct basin-

wide planning, or upgrade of irrigation facilities on entire farms or projects. Cost sharing, which can be in-kind services, is an important consideration in obtaining funds from this program.

Eligible Recipients: Generally aimed at entities receiving water from Reclamation projects, but open to entities, including federally recognized Indian Tribes, associated with Reclamation project areas.

Application Process: Contact Local Area and/or Regional Office Water Conservation Services Program Coordinator.

Contact: Chris Bridges, Water Conservation Program Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, P.O. Box 25007, D-5500, Denver, CO 80225-0007. (303) 445-2945. E-mail: cbridges@usbr.gov. Cynthia D. Dyballa, Issue Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, W-1510, 1849 C Street NW. (MS 7648), Washington, D.C. 20240; (202) 208-7589. E-mail: cdyballa@usbr.gov.



Middle Rio Grande Project

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide efficient water and sediment transportation along the Rio Grande River in New Mexico. Specific activities might include floodway and bosque removal. There is no cost sharing for the Middle Rio Grande Project river work.

Eligible Recipients: This project is not specifically for the benefit of Pueblos. However, Pueblos along the Rio Grande can have work done along the River under this project.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Mike Gabaldon, Area Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, 505 Marquette, NW Suite 1313, Albuquerque, NM 87102; (505) 248-5357. E-mail: magabaldon@uc.usbr.gov. Viola Sanchez, Native American Affairs Coordinator, Bureau of Reclamation, 505 Marquette, NW Suite 1313, Albuquerque, NM 87102; (505) 248-5388 or 248-5357. E-mail: wsanchez@uc.usbr.gov.

FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE

Fish and Wildlife Service home page http://www.fws.gov.



National Eagle Repository

Available Assistance: Provision of Eagle,

Hawk and other raptor feathers and parts to Native Americans who are enrolled members of federally recognized Tribes.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide Native Americans who are enrolled members of federally recognized Tribes with Eagle, Hawk and other raptor feathers and parts. There is usually about a two year wait from the time of application to actually receiving a request due to the limited amount of birds collected by the Repository. The process can be significantly accelerated by requesting less than an entire bird. For instance, a request for fifteen Bald Eagle tail feathers can usually be filled in as little as six months.

Eligible Recipients: Members of federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: Applications can be obtained by contacting the US Fish & Wildlife Service Office of Law Enforcement in each region.

Contact: The Regional US Fish & Wildlife Service Office of Law Enforcement or the National Eagle Repository at (303) 287-2110; Rocky Mt. Arsenal; Building 619; Commerce City, CO 80022.



Native American Training Center

Available Assistance: Training.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide training and educational opportunities to tribal natural resource workers. The Training Center provides technical workshops in low-level aviation training, fish and wildlife management techniques, etc. The Training Center also provides educational opportunities for students in Montana who are pursuing natural resource related degrees to receive on-the-job training with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. After completion of educational requirements, individuals are given the option of working with the Service or returning to Tribal employment.

Eligible Recipients: Any Federally-recognized Tribe or tribal organization.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Ron Skates, Director; 4052 Bridger Canyon Road; Bozeman, MT 59715; (406) 585-9010/FAX (406) 586-6798.



North American Waterfowl Management Plan

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To create voluntary, non-regulated partnerships, called "joint ventures" to benefit waterfowl and other wetlands-dependent species. The scope of the North American Waterfowl Management Plan is international (Canada, U.S. and Mexico), but its implementation functions at the regional level, and its success is dependent on strength of voluntary, non-regulated partnerships,

involving Federal, State, Local and Tribal governments, with business, conservation organizations, and individual citizens. These partnerships develop plans and projects focusing on wetland-habitat areas of concern identified on the North American Waterfowl Management Plan. Partners contribute money, goods, and services to get the work done on public and private land. All work done on private land is at the discretion of the landowner. Presently, there are two species with specific joint ventures: Black Duck and Arctic Goose.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone can be a partner.

Application Process: To receive information on how to join in a partnership, contact the Director of communications, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Contact: Director of Communications, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 110, Arlington, Virginia, 22203 or call (703) 358-1884, or E-mail rgarw-nawwo@mail.fws.gov.

Partners for Wildlife

Available Assistance: Financial. Under normal circumstances, participants may receive up to \$10,000, per fiscal year for a site under single ownership.

Purpose of Assistance: To improve and protect fish and wildlife habitat on private lands through alliances between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, other organizations, and other individuals while leaving the land in private ownership. Over two-thirds of our nation's land is privately owned and contains some of the most important habitats. Types of projects that may be funded include: habitat restoration and management; technical assistance; habitat protection; and education and outreach. Funds cannot be used for the purchase of fee title or easements, rent, or incentive payments to landowners in compensation for such things as foregone income, taxes, or acquisition of access rights to the restoration site. This requirement does not constrain payments to landowners for services rendered (e.g., fence construction, water manipulation, dike construction and repair). The program will not acquire or accept any interest in any lands that will require costly cleanup of contaminants unless there is an assured means of payment by others.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone can be a partner.

Application Process: Individual landowners can become involved by contacting the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. A biologist will discuss your needs, opportunities and ways of providing assistance. If your project meets certain criteria, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service may share or pay all costs.

Contact: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's State Private Lands Coordinator for the State in which the applicant resides.



North American Waterfowl & Wetlands Office

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical assistance and matching grants to private and public agencies in the United States, Canada and Mexico to carry out wetlands conservation projects in support of the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, an international blueprint for long-term protection of migratory bird habitat in North America. Most of the work accomplished under the program is by groups who form "joint ventures" (voluntary, non-regulated partnerships), which develop Local interest and support for wetlands. The formation of joint ventures is to encourage private-public partnerships to conserve wetlands that benefit migratory birds throughout the continent.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone.

Application Process: The grant proposal must describe the proposed action, the need for the project, the project's effect on animals, plants, and wetland function, the project's cost and the contributions and responsibilities of partners. The project must provide long-term wetlands conservation benefits, including wetlands acquisition, or restoration/enhancement. Applications are accepted at anytime; however, grant funding is approved three times a year by the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission.

Contact: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Publications Unit, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop 130 Webb, Arlington Virginia, 22203, or call (703) 358-171 1, or E-mail R9arawnawwo@mail.fws.gov to obtain a free copy of the grant application instructions.

Fish and Wildlife Management Assistance

Available Assistance: Technical assistance regarding land and water management and specific recommendations and plans based on the analysis of the biological, chemical, and physical conditions found.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical information, advice and assistance to other Federal agencies, nations, States and Tribes on the conservation and management of fish and wildlife resources, including co-management by Alaskan Natives of marine mammals for subsistence use.

Eligible Recipients: State agencies, Native Americans and Federal agencies.

Application Process: Generally, a letter to the appropriate Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service stating the need and requesting assistance is sufficient.

Contact: Regional Director or the Chief, Division of Fish and Wildlife Management Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 840, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY



Geological Survey home page http://www.usgs.gov.

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical information from the central repository for all migratory bird banding records in North America to set hunting seasons and bag limits for migratory game birds, determining seasonal movements, and measuring population parameters.

Eligible Recipients: Any agency or private individual interested in research or management of migratory birds can access the information and data under this program. Such organizations or persons must demonstrate skills and serious purpose in order to qualify for receipt of information.

Application Process: Requests may be submitted in the form of a letter.

Contact: The Chief, Bird Banding Laboratory, 12100 Beach Forest Road, Laurel, MD 20708.



Earthquake Hazard Reduction Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To encourage scientific research on the cause and effects of earthquakes. American Indian or Alaska Native organizations may want to collaborate with an academic institution or other consultant to apply for this grant. American Indian or Alaska Native organizations have been successful grant applicants and research producers in this program. Collaborative projects are strongly encouraged. This can be collaborative between two or more external organizations or between an external organization and a USGS project.

Eligible Recipients: Research organizations, scientific consultants, individuals or groups studying earthquake processes.

Application Process: In an annual invitation to submit proposals, the USGS specifies certain regions or topics on which proposals should be submitted. Application instructions may be obtained from the contact listed below. There is a standard format that includes Standard Form 424. Online registration is now available through the World Wide Web. If you would like to

register a proposal online, please send E-mail to Keith Estes at kestes@usgs.gov. The subject of your message should be "PersonID." Please include your full name, institution, address, phone and fax numbers.

Contact: Dr. John Unger, Coordinator; External Research Program; 905 National Center; Reston, VA 20192; (703) 648-6701/ fax (703) 648-6642 or E-mail junger@usgs.gov. Additional information also is available at http://erp-web.er.usgs.gov.



/ Hydrology Training

Available Assistance: Training. The cost of each course is \$250 per day, plus costs for instructors, materials, transportation and per diem. Instructor and materials costs vary, depending on the course. These costs are the same as for other USGS cooperators. Most courses are held in Denver, CO.

Purpose of Assistance: To offer technical training courses on many aspects of hydrology, including water-quality monitoring and analytical techniques.

Eligible Recipients: USGS employees and employees of organizations with cooperative agreements or a current MOU/MOA with the USGS. American Indian or Alaska Native governments may be eligible to send employees to these courses.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Susan Marcus, USGS, 105 National Center, Reston, VA 20192; telephone: 703-648-4437; fax: 703-648-5068. LeRoy Schroder, USGS, Denver Federal Center, MS 414, Denver, CO 80225; telephone: 303-236-1870, ext. 313; fax: 303-236-4937. Information about USGS courses is also available at: http://ntc1serv.cr.usgs.gov/ntc.



Water Resources Cooperative Program

Available Assistance: Financial. Up to 50% cost-share.

Purpose of Assistance: To support water resources data collection. The USGS conducts most of the work to ensure the results are consistent.

Eligible Recipients: The Federal-State Cooperative Program is a partnership between the U. S. Geological Survey and State, Local, and Tribal governments.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Water Resources Division: Cathy Hill, MS 441; telephone: 703-648-5033; fax-703-648-5295; clhill@usgs.gov. Additional information is available at http://water.usgs.gov/public/wid/html/COOP.html.



State Partnership Initiative

Available Assistance: Project grants. Fiscal year 1999 funding is estimated to be \$430,000.

Purpose of Assistance: To support project proposals involving cooperation of multiple parties that contribute to development of a long-term science infrastructure and that demonstrate a commitment to information exchange and technology transfer.

Eligible Recipients: State and/or Tribal Governments, U.S. Territories and Possessions that conduct natural resource identification on a defined land base. No Federal or private agencies may apply.

Application Process: Full proposals will be requested in writing and must be accompanied by standard application forms furnished by U. S. Geological Survey and required by 43 CFR Part 12, Subpart C, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments." Additional information on the program may be obtained from http://biology.usgs.gov/State.partners/awards/brd-spp.html.

Contact: Regional Chief Biologists from the USGS, Biological Resources Division. Western Region: 909 First Avenue, Ste. 800, Seattle, WA 98104, (206)220-4600; Central Region: RM1419, DFC; PO Box 25046, MS300, Bldg. 20; Denver, CO 80225, (303)236-2730; Eastern Region: 1700 Leetown Road, Kearneysville, WV 25430; (304)725-8461 x675.



National Spatial Data Infrastructure Competitive Cooperative Agreements Program

Available Assistance: Project Grants. Cost-sharing is not required for this program in Fiscal Year 1999.

Purpose of Assistance: To help the Federal Geographic Data Committee form partnerships with the non-federal sector that will further the development and implementation of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI). NSDI means the technology, policies, standards, and human resources necessary to acquire, process, store, distribute, and improve utilization of geospatial

data. Partnership activities for the Fiscal year 1999 program must be directed towards creating metadata descriptions of framework data sets and serving these descriptions on a NSDI Clearinghouse, and/or providing training and other technical assistance to enable the documentation and serving of framework data sets. Recipients must produce a final technical report.

Eligible Recipients: State and Local government agencies, educational institutions, private firms, private foundations, and federally acknowledged or State-recognized Native American Tribes or groups.

Application Process: Proposals must furnish evidence of the applicant's qualifications for performance of the proposed project. Application form SF 424, 424-A, 424-B, and Department of the Interior Certifications and Representations must be used. Links to USGS program announcements are available at http://www.usgs.gov/contracts. Proposals are due 30 days after the application period opens. In Fiscal Year 1999, the application process opens on February 1. Grants are made by the close of the fiscal year. Cooperative agreements will normally be awarded in 12-month budget periods. Formal review panels will evaluate proposals. Proposals will be evaluated on the quality and relevance of the project to the NSDI; the approach taken to implement the project, and the extent to which the applicant shows evidence of a capability and willingness to continue and build upon the project when the agreement period ends. Applicants agree to give the sponsoring agency, the Comptroller General or other authorized audit agency access to and the right to examine records related to the award. Contact the FGDC, as shown below, for audit requirements for grants to Tribes.

Contact: U.S. Geological Survey, Federal Geographic Data Committee Secretariat, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Mail Stop 590, Reston, VA 20192. Telephone: (703) 648-5514, fax: 703-648-5755, or e-mail gdc@usgs.gov. Additional information is available at http://www.fgdc.gov/Cooperative_Partnerships/Partnerships.html.



Mapping Partnerships

Available Assistance: Technical and financial. The cost is dependent on the purpose and goals of the partnership, but flexible financial and human resource commitments from all partners are critical to the success of the partnership.

Purpose of Assistance: To form cooperative partnerships with organizations from all levels of government and industry, including American Indian and Alaska Native organizations, for geospatial data production and mapping science research. Through a variety of partnership mechanisms, the USGS seeks to ensure geospatial data availability and accuracy, transfer technologies to the private sector, and eliminate duplication in geospatial data production through increased coordination with producers and users. Various types of partnerships are available,

such as joint funding agreements, innovative partnerships, and cooperative research and development agreements (CRADA).

Eligible Recipients: Governments, including Tribal governments; educational institutions; businesses.

Application Process: The application process is dependent on the type of partnership to be formed.

Contact: State USGS coordination and requirements representative. A list of USGS State representatives is available at http://mapping.usgs.gov./www/partners/crreps.html. For information on Cooperative Research and Development Agreements, contact Ernest Brunson, phone: 703-648-4643; e-mail: ebrunson@usgs.gov; mail: USGS, 500 National Center, Reston, VA 20192.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



Historic Preservation Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

National Park Service home page http://www.nps.gov.

Purpose of Assistance: To preserve and protect significant cultural and historic resources and traditions of Native peoples. Grants are awarded for the following categories:

- Locating and identifying cultural resources;
- Preservation planning;
- Oral history and documenting cultural traditions; and
- Education and training for building a historic preservation program.

Ineligible projects are: language projects; NAGPRA projects; projects with no tribal resolution included; projects with indirect costs above 25%; development or construction costs; or delinquent grants. NPS will not accept applications submitted by E-mail or over fax machines. Matching share is not required. However, proposals that demonstrate support and commitment by the Tribe or from other sources will receive extra consideration.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians applying must meet definitions under the Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470w).

Application Process: Applicants may call NPS staff to discuss their project or receive comments and suggestions on grant applications. To have a project reviewed by NPS staff, it should be submitted to NPS in early January and the applicant should contact Ronnie Emery at (202) 343-4280. Final funding decisions are generally made in May.

Contact: Grant applications can be downloaded from the Tribal Preservation Program's Web Page at http://www.cr.nps.gov/ppb/tribal/index.htm, or by contacting National Park Service,

Preservation Services (2255), P.O. Box 37127, Washington, D.C., 20013-7127, Attention: HPF; or, Jim Reinholz at (202) 343-9572, or fax (202) 343-6004 or via e-mail at jim_reinholz@nps.gov.



National Natural Landmarks Program

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To identify and recognize nationally significant natural areas throughout the United States and to encourage their preservation. The program provides information on natural landmarks on request to assist in the planning and decision making process.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone may suggest that a natural landmark be designated on the National Registry of Natural Landmarks.

Application Process: Land managers or responsible organization will be included in the designation process.

Contact: Regional or Washington Office of the National Park Service.



Land and Water Conservation Fund Grants

Available Assistance: Financial.

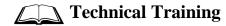
Purpose of Assistance: To provide financial assistance to States and their political subdivisions for the development of outdoor recreation projects, including facilities. Grant monies are also available for revising and updating Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans and for Statewide surveys, technical studies, data collection and analysis and other planning purposes. Grant monies are not to be used for operation and maintenance.

Eligible Recipients: States and Indian Tribes which govern themselves and perform governmental functions. Individuals and private organizations are not eligible.

Application Process: Application forms are furnished by National Park Service and required by 43 CFR Part 12, Subpart C. Additionally, an environmental assessment or evaluation must be submitted at the time of application. Project proposals are submitted to the National Park Service through the State liaison officer designated by the Governor. The State liaison officer has the initial prerogative to determine which projects are eligible, priority, and the order of funding assistance within the State.

Contact: Chief, Recreation Grants Division, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, D.C. 20013-7127.

OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING (OSM)



Available Assistance: Technical.

Office of Surface Mining home page http://www.osmre.gov/osm.htm.

Purpose of Assistance: To improve the technical skills

and professionalism of State, Tribal and Federal personnel whose jobs are related to the Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Act of 1977 (SMCRA). The program provides training to inspection, enforcement, AML, technical, and program staff on new techniques, practices, and technology for the prediction and control of environmental mining effects. The program is coordinated on a nationwide basis by technical training program staff at OSM's headquarters and courses are taught and developed by teams of State and OSM personnel. Courses are offered to State, Tribal, Federal surface mining personnel, and interested public and industry people.

Eligible Recipients: This program is available to those who are employed by Tribal, State and Federal surface mining regulatory and reclamation programs, as well as the interested public and industry personnel.

Application Process: Course applications are required and may be obtained from the office listed below in "Contact" section. Deadlines vary with course; file applications at least 45 days before course begins.

Contact: U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Technical Training Program, 1951 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 210-SIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone: (202)208-2769



Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Program

Available Assistance: Formula and Project Grants.

Purpose of Assistance: To protect the public and correct the environmental damage caused by coal and non-coal mining practices that occurred prior to August 3, 1977 (and certain post-1977 lands and waters beginning 10/1/91).

Eligible Recipients: States/Indian Tribes with eligible lands and with coal mining operations within their borders that are paying coal reclamation fees into the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund. The only eligible Indian Tribes are Navajo, Hopi and Crow.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: U. S. Department of the Interior, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Avenue N.W., MS-120, Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-2843.

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION

Available Assistance: While the Division does not provide direct technical, legal, of financial assistance to Tribes, it does litigate for the benefit of Tribes in the areas described below.

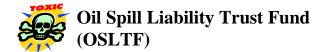
DOJ home page http://www.usdoj.gov. The Environment and Natural Resources Division home page is http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/enrd-home.html.

Purpose of Assistance: The Division represents federal agencies in litigation concerning the protection, use and development of the nation's natural resources and public lands, wildlife protection, Indian rights and claims, cleanup of the nation's hazardous waste sites, enforcement of environmental pollution statutes, the acquisition of private property for federal use, and defense of environmental challenges to government programs and activities. The Division's Environmental Enforcement Section enforces environmental laws and works with Tribes to recover the cost of environmental cleanups and the value of environmental damage to natural resources. The Division's Indian Resources Section represents the United States in litigation in furtherance of the United States' trust responsibility. That section's docket includes issues such as preserving land and adjudicating land and water rights and protecting off-reservation hunting and fishing rights.

Contacts: Tribes with concerns about specific pollution problems in Indian country should contact their EPA Regional Offices or Joel Gross, Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, D.C. 20044-7611. Tribes with general concerns regarding natural resources in Indian country should contact James Clear, Chief, Indian Resources Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division, P.O. Box 7397, Washington, D.C. 20044-9397.

COAST GUARD NATIONAL POLLUTION FUNDS CENTER

Department of Transportation home page http://www.dot.gov.



Available Assistance: Financial compensation for losses due to an oil spill.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide funds for removal actions, payment of costs to assess and restore damaged natural resources, compensation to claimants for certain damages resulting from an oil pollution incident or the substantial threat of discharge of oil into the navigable waters of the United States, and pursuing cost recovery from responsible parties for removal costs and damages paid by the OSLTF. If a Tribe or Tribal member has suffered a loss due to an oil spill and has not received compensation from the responsible party, the Tribe or Tribal member may be entitled to compensation from the OSLTF. Categories of losses covered by OSLTF include:

- uncompensated removal costs;
- damage to real or personal property;
- loss of profits or earning capacity;
- loss of subsistence use of natural resources;
- loss of government revenues;
- cost of increased public services; and
- damages to natural resources (compensation is limited to eligible natural resource Trustees including the United States, any State or Local government or Indian Tribe, or foreign government)

Eligible Recipients: Any person or government who incurs an allowable cost, damage, or loss as a result of an oil pollution incident may submit claims against the responsible party or guarantor. If compensation is not received from the spiller, the claimant may be eligible for compensation from the OSLTF.

Application Process: The two common scenarios for submitting a claim are:

- 1. The source of the spill is known. The spiller advertises for claims. Claimants submit claims to the spiller. The spiller denies the claim or fails to settle it within 90 days. At this time, the claimant submits the claim to the National Pollution Funds Center (NPFC) for consideration of payment from the OSLTF.
- 2. The source of the spill cannot be designated. The NPFC advertises for claims. Claimants may submit claims to the NPFC for consideration of payment from the OSLTF.

Claimants are encouraged to consult the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA) (33 *U.S.C.* 2701 *et. seq.*) and the related claims regulations (33 *CFR* Part 136). Additional information on submitting claims to the NPFC is available at online at http://www.uscg.mil/hq/npfc/npfc.htm.

Contact: Linda Burdette, NPFC, (703) 235-4801.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

DOT is working on a document called "Serving Rural America" that lists other sources of assistance that could benefit Tribes. The document will be published shortly and you can obtain a copy by writing to DOT, Office of Transportation Policy Development, 400 7th St. S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590. For questions concerning the document, contact Ray Weil at 202-366-5407.

Federal Lands Highways

Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide funding for more than 80,000 miles of federally-owned and public-authority owned roads and transit facilities that serve Federal lands. They include the following categories: Indian Reservation Roads, Park Roads and Parkways, Public Lands Highways (discretionary and Forest Highways), and (Wildlife) Refuge Roads. Activities may include, but are not limited to:

- Planning, research, engineering, construction, and reconstruction of public roads or highways;
- Transit facilities;
- Any Title 23 transportation project providing access to or within Federal or Indian lands;
- Transportation planning for tourism and recreational travel that benefits recreational development;
- Adjacent vehicular parking, interpretative signage, acquisitions of necessary scenic easements
 and scenic or historic sites, construction and reconstruction of roadside rest areas, and other
 appropriate public road facilities such as visitor centers;
- State/Local match for InterState Maintenance, National Highway System, Surface Transportation Program, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement funded projects; and
- Construction of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities in conjunction with Federal Lands projects as determined by the appropriate Federal Land Management agency and/or Indian tribal government.

Eligible Recipients: Various entities, including federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: Varies by program.

Contact: FHWA, Federal Lands Highways Office and/or Division Office; Bureau of Indian Affairs Area Office for Indian Reservation Roads. For further information, see http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/flh/reports/indian/intro.htm. or



Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) and Tribal Technical Assistance Program (TTAP)

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide access to technical assistance, training, and information on new transportation technologies. Transportation activity has important impacts on the environment - from air and water quality to land use. It is essential that Tribes account for the costs of transportation decisions that affect these non-renewable resources and, where possible, to mitigate adverse effects on the environment. Technology transfer activities are made available through a variety of projects including services provided by its network of 57 LTAP centers. Centers are located in each State and Puerto Rico; and six Tribal Technical Assistance Program centers (TTAP). Each LTAP or TTAP Center director has the flexibility to tailor the program for Local needs. Responsibilities include conducting training, delivering technical assistance, and publishing newsletters. The centers publish quarterly newsletters and maintain comprehensive mailing lists of rural, Local, and tribal officials with transportation responsibilities. Centers adapt a mix of technology transfer and marketing tools to meet their Localities' unique circumstances.

Eligible Recipients: Various entities, including federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Nearest LTAP or TTAP or FHWA Division Office. For more information, see http://www.ota.fhwa.dot.gov/about/ltapover.html and http://www.tfhrc.gov/pubrds/may98/tribal.htm.



Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To fund projects and programs for areas that do not meet the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (nonattainment areas) and former nonattainment areas that are now in compliance (maintenance areas) for ozone, carbon monoxide, and small particulate matter. Funding is to help meet the requirements of the Clean Air Act. Eligible projects include those that will reduce transportation-related emissions, such as transit improvements, travel demand management strategies, traffic flow improvements, and public fleet conversions to cleaner fuels.

Eligible Recipients: Various entities, including federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below. In metropolitan areas, work with the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Contact: State Transportation Agencies or FHWA Division Office. For more information, see http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tea21/factsheets/cmaq.htm.



Transportation Enhancements

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To fund transportation-related activities that are designed to strengthen the cultural, aesthetic, and environmental aspects of the Nation's transportation system. The program provides for the implementation of a variety of non-traditional projects, with examples ranging from the restoration of historic transportation facilities, to bike and pedestrian facilities, to landscaping and scenic beautification, and to the mitigation of water pollution from highway runoff.

Eligible Recipients: Various entities, including federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: Process varies by State.

Contact: State Transportation Agencies or FHWA Division Office. See http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tea21/factsheets/te.htm for more information.



Bicycle Transportation and Pedestrian Walkways

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To promote the increased use and safety of bicycling and walking as transportation modes. Bicycle and pedestrian projects may be on- or off-road facilities. For off-road trails, all such facilities should serve a transportation function; a trail serving a recreational purpose with no transportation function is a recreational trail.

Eligible Recipients: Various entities, including federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: Individuals and organizations interested in initiating a project should first gain support of Local governments. The next step is to work with the State transportation agencies to determine eligibility, availability of funds, and priority. The projects must be included in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Contact: State Transportation Agencies or FHWA Division Office. See http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tea21/factsheets/b-ped.htm for more information.

Recreational Trails Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both motorized and non-motorized recreational trail uses. Eligible projects include: maintenance and restoration of existing trails, development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages, purchase and lease of trail construction and maintenance equipment, construction of new trails (with restrictions for new trails on Federal lands), acquisition of easements or property for trails, State administrative costs related to this program (limited to seven percent of a State's funds), and operation of educational programs to promote safety and environmental protection related to trails (limited to five percent of a State's funds). Funds may not be used for property condemnation or constructing new trails for motorized use on National Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management lands unless the project is consistent with resource management plans or facilitating motorized access on otherwise non-motorized trails.

Eligible Recipients: Various entities, including federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: State Transportation Agencies and FHWA Division Office. For more information, see http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tea21/factsheets/rec-trl.htm.



National Scenic Byways Program

Available Assistance: Technical and financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide funds for scenic byways throughout the country that show outstanding vistas of the Nation and highlight the distinguishing characteristics of our communities. Eligible projects include technical assistance and grants for the purposes of developing scenic byway programs and undertaking related projects along roads designated as National Scenic Byways, All-American Roads, or State Scenic Byways. National Scenic Byways and All-American Roads are roads that have been designated under the National Scenic byways programs for their outstanding scenic, historic, cultural, natural, recreational, and archaeological qualities. State Scenic Byways can be designated in accordance with criteria developed by the State.

Eligible Recipients: Various entities, including federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: State Transportation Agencies or FHWA Division Office. For more information, see http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tea21/factsheets/scenic.htm.



Transportation and Community and System Preservation Pilot

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To devise neighborhood, Local, metropolitan, State, or regional strategies that improve the efficiency of the transportation system, minimize environmental impacts, and reduce the need for costly public infrastructure investments. Funds may be used for planning grants or implementation grants for any projects currently eligible for funding under the highway or transit titles (Title 23 and Chapter 53 of title 49 U.S.C.) or other activities determined by the Secretary to be appropriate to investigate and address the relationship between transportation and community and system preservation. Applicants may include States, metropolitan planning organizations, and units of Local governments that are recognized by a State.

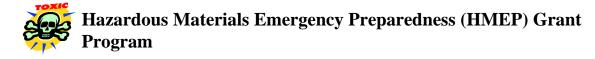
Eligible Recipients: Various entities, including federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: FHWA Division Office. See also http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tea21/factsheets/t-c-sp.htm.

RESEARCH AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY



Available Assistance: Financial and technical.

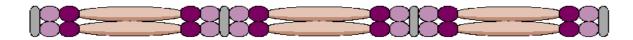
Purpose of Assistance: To provide assistance for training Local hazardous materials responders and development of Local hazardous materials response plans.

Eligible Recipients: Indian Tribes, Territories, and States.

Application Process: See contact below for an application. Applications are due in June of each fiscal year.

Contact: HMEP grants manager (202) 366-0001.

INDEPENDENT AGENCIES



CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE



AmeriCorps Indian Tribes

Available Assistance: Financial and technical/human resources.

Purpose of Assistance: To help meet the Tribe's critical needs in the areas of environment, public safety, education, or human needs through AmeriCorps members recruited from the Local community. AmeriCorps is the national service program that provides thousands of Americans of all ages and backgrounds with education awards in exchange for a year or two of community service. Hundreds of enrolled tribal members serve in AmeriCorps programs each year, in programs designed by Tribes to meet their community needs. Examples of AmeriCorps members' environmental activities include: flood mitigation efforts, community gardening; stream restoration, and illegal dumpsite cleanups.

Eligible Recipients: AmeriCorps funds programs in three different ways: directly to federally recognized Tribes or organizations chartered by Tribes through specially set-aside funds (AmeriCorps Indian Tribes and Territories); through State Commissions (AmeriCorps State); or through direct grants to national non-profit organizations with multi-State sites or multi-State initiatives (AmeriCorps National Direct).

Application Process: Annual grant competitions generally occur each spring.

Contact: Cynthia Johnson, Corporation for National Service, 1201 New York Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20525; phone 202-606-5000 ext. 541. E-mail: cljohnso@cns.gov.

AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps

Available Assistance: Technical/human resources. Teams, consisting of 12-14 Corps Members ranging in age from 18 to 24, are available for short-term intensive project support.

Purpose of Assistance: To support community development efforts in the areas of environment, education, health/public safety, human needs, and disaster relief. Teams come already trained, and with their own equipment and supervision. Examples of Corps member activities include cleaning up environmental disaster areas, building trails, and constructing homes.

Eligible Recipients: National and Local Community Non-Profit Organizations; Tribal, State, and Local Governments; Federal Government Institutions, and Faith-Based Organizations/Institutions.

Application Process: A simple, one page application is necessary to secure a NCCC team. Applications are considered throughout the year. Host sites are responsible for team housing arrangements.

Contact: Roger Hurley, Corporation for National Service, 1201 New York Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20525; phone 202-606-5000 ext. 144. E-mail: rhurley@cns.gov.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

Environmental Protection Agency home page http://www.epa.gov.

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS, EDUCATION, AND MEDIA RELATIONS



Environmental Education and Training Program

Available Assistance: Grants.

Purpose of Assistance: To train educational professionals in the development and delivery of environmental education and training programs and studies. Grant funds must be used to establish an education and training program including, at a minimum:

- Classroom training in environmental education and studies including environmental sciences and theory, educational methods, and practices, environmental career or occupational education, and topical environmental issues;
- Demonstrations of the design and conduct of environmental field studies and assessments;
- Development of educational programs and curriculae, including programs and curriculae to meet the needs of diverse ethnic and cultural groups;
- Sponsorship and management of international exchanges of teachers and other educational professionals between the United States, Canada, and Mexico involved in environmental education materials, evaluation and dissemination of environmental education materials. training methods, and related programs;
- Sponsorship of conferences, seminars, and related forums for the advancement and development of environmental education and training curricula and materials, including international conferences, seminars, and forums;
- Supporting effective partnerships and networks and the use of distant learning technologies;
- Such other activities as the Administrator determines to be consistent with the policies of the

No funds made available for this program shall be used for the acquisition of real property (including buildings) or the construction or substantial modification of any building. The grantee must provide 25% matching funds for the project.

Eligible Recipients: Institutions of higher education or other institutions which are nonprofit (or consortia of such institutions).

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: The Local EPA Regional Office, or the EPA Headquarters Office of Environmental Education, EPA, 401 M Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. Telephone: 202-260-4951.

Environmental Education Grants

Available Assistance: Grants. Federal funds for any demonstration project under this section shall not exceed 75% of the total cost of the project. For the purposes of this section, the nonfederal share of project costs may be provided by in-kind contributions and other non-cash support.

Purpose of Assistance: To support projects that design, demonstrate, or disseminate practices, methods, or techniques related to environmental education and training. Grant funds must be used to establish an education and training program including, at a minimum:

- Design, demonstration, or dissemination of environmental curricula, including development of educational tools and materials;
- Design and demonstration of field methods, practices, and techniques, including assessment of environmental and ecological conditions and analysis of environmental and pollution problems:
- Projects to understand and assess a specific environmental issue or a specific environmental problem;
- Provision of training or related education for teachers, faculty, or related personnel in a specific geographic area or region; and
- Design and demonstration of projects to foster international cooperation in addressing environmental issues and problems involving the United States and Canada or Mexico.

Eligible Recipients: Local education agencies, colleges or universities, State education agencies or environmental agencies, not-for-profit organizations, or noncommercial educational broadcasting entities.

Application Process: Priority will be given to those projects which will develop:

- A new or significantly improved environmental education practice, method, or technique;
- An environmental education practice, method, or technique which may have wide application;
- An environmental education practice, method, or technique which addresses skill or scientific field identified as a priority in the report developed pursuant to Section 9 (d) of the National Environmental Education Act; and
- An environmental education practice, method, or technique which addresses an environmental issue which, in the judgment of the Administrator, is of a high priority.

Priorities are specified in the Solicitation Notice. Funds made available for this program cannot be used for the acquisition of real property (including buildings) or the construction or substantial modification of any building.

Contact: The Local EPA Regional Office, or the EPA Headquarters Office of Environmental Education, EPA, 401 M Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. Telephone: 202-260-8619.

OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION



Air Pollution Control Manpower Training

Available Assistance: Grants.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide training programs to increase the number of professionally trained pollution control abatement practitioners in State, Local and Tribal air pollution control agencies.

Eligible Recipients: Nonprofit academic institutions in the United States and territories. Traineeships are awarded to individuals by these grantee educational institutions. Trainees may be employees of Tribal, State, or Local governmental air pollution control agencies and others who desire a career in governmental air pollution control work, but priority in awards is assigned to State/Local air pollution control agency personnel. Recipients of assistance under the training grant must be citizens of the United States. The grantee shall not require the performance of personal services by trainees receiving financial grant assistance. Generally, grants provide for student support through loans which are forgivable if the student serves two years in a governmental air pollution program. The project period for a training grant may not exceed 3 years. Traineeships may not exceed one year of full-time study. Amount of support is announced in program guidance issued annually by the program office.

Application Process: For information concerning grant applications and procedures, contact Environmental Protection Agency, Grants Administration Division, 3903R, Washington, D.C. 20460.

Contact: Environmental Protection Agency, Grants Administration Division, 3903R, Washington, D.C. 20460. For specific air program information, contact your EPA Regional Office.



Air Pollution Training Institute

Available Assistance: Training.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical training to personnel from Tribal, State, and Local air pollution control agencies to ensure continued technical competence of Tribal, State, and Local agency personnel. Courses are offered primarily at university area training center sites across the nation. Self-instructional courses and correspondence courses are also available.

Eligible Recipients: Recipients must be employees of Tribal, State, or Local air pollution control agencies. Personnel from the Federal government and industry may also be eligible.

Application Procedure: Course applications and schedules may be obtained from the Air Pollution Training Institute, or the Education and Outreach Group, Information Transfer and Program Integration Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Telephone: (919) 541-3724. Course deadlines vary; file application at least 45 days before course begins. For more information, including an on-line catalogue, visit the APTI website at http://www.epa.gov/oar/oaqps/eog/apti.html.

Contact: Air Pollution Training Institute, or the Education and Outreach Group, Information Transfer and Program Integration Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Telephone: (919) 541-3724.



Air Pollution Distance Learning Network

Available Assistance: Training.

Purpose of Assistance: The Air Pollution Distance Learning Network (APDLN) is a digital "State-of-the-art" educational satellite broadcasting network of over 100 government and university broadcast affiliates located across the United States and Canada. The APDLN is the result of a collaborative partnership between the Environmental Protection Agency, State, Tribal and Local air pollution control agencies, and North Carolina State University.

Eligible Recipients: Timely workshops and up-to-date technical telecourses are delivered to State, Tribal and Local government environmental professionals as well as the private sector via this satellite network. Air quality issues are the focus of this convenient, timely and low cost training mechanism. Training is delivered to sites at a fraction of the cost of traditional classroom methods. Thus, saving participants travel, time, and money, not to mention tax dollars, while developing and enhancing their knowledge of and skills in air pollution control and environmental programs/policies.

Application Procedures: The APDLN is managed by the Education and Outreach Group (EOG), Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. EPA. The schedule of workshop and telecourse offerings on the Network is compiled on a three-month running basis. Course schedules and locations of downlink sites may be obtained from the Air Pollution Distance Learning Network, or the Education and Outreach Group, Information Transfer and Program Integration Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Telephone: (919) 541-3724. Course deadlines vary; file application at least 45 days before course begins. For more information, including an on-line catalogue, visit the APDLN website at http://www.epa.gov/oar/oaqps/eog/apdln.html.

Technology Transfer Network

Available Assistance: Technical

Purpose of Assistance: The Technology Transfer Network (TTN) is a collection of technical Web sites containing information about many areas of air pollution science, technology, regulation, measurement, and prevention. In addition, the TTN serves as a public forum for the exchange of technical information and ideas among participants and EPA staff. Users can find tools to estimate air pollutant emissions, download computer code for regulatory air models, download Office of Air and Radiation Policy and Guidance documents, or request technical support in implementing an air pollution control program.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone.

Application Procedures: Access the TTN directly at http://www.epa.gov/ttn.

Contact: The TTN is maintained by the Information Transfer Group, Information Transfer and Program Integration Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Telephone: (919) 541-5384.



National Ambient Air and Source Emission Data

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide data processing and analysis of raw air quality and source inventory data submitted by Tribal, State and Local air pollution control agencies or collected by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Eligibility Requirements: Federal, Tribal, State, and Local government agencies, profit, and nonprofit organizations, and individuals in each State, territory and possession of the U.S., including the District of Columbia.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Air Quality Trends Analysis Group, Emissions, Monitoring and Analysis Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Telephone: (919) 541-5558.



Air Pollution Project Grants (CAA Section 103 Grants)

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To support research, investigations, experiments, demonstrations, surveys, and studies, as well as training, related to air pollution. Most Regions use this grant authority to support Tribes for hiring and training staff, assessing air quality issues, and planning future monitoring or regulatory development. These grants are project grants with limited term and do not provide continued financial support (see entry below on CAA Section 105 Grants for more information on continued financial support).

Eligible Recipients: Any Tribal, municipal, inter-municipal, State, or inter-State agency.

Application Process: See contact listed below.

Contact: Regional Tribal Coordinator (see Appendix B) or Planning, Resources and Regional Management Staff, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711.

Air Pollution Control Program Grants (CAA Section 105 Grants)

Available Assistance: Financial. A Tribal cost share is required. Although the statue requires a 40% cost share, Tribes with eligibility under section 301(d) of the Clean Air Act may be provided up to 95% of the cost of developing and implementing a CAA program.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribal, State, municipal, inter-municipal, and inter-State air pollution control agencies in planning, developing, establishing, improving, and maintaining adequate programs for prevention and control of air pollution or implementation of national primary and secondary air quality standards.

Eligible Recipients: Any municipal, inter-municipal, State, inter-State or Tribal agency with legal responsibility for appropriate air pollution planning development and establishment of air pollution control activities and operation of activities for grant support. The determination of expenditures is subject to decisions based on provisions of the CAA and applicable grant regulations.

Application Process: Requests for application forms and completed applications must be submitted to the appropriate EPA Regional Grants Administration Branch. Application must meet the requirements of the grant regulations and will be reviewed to determine merit and relevance of the proposed project. The application must supply:

- evidence of legal authority for air pollution control;
- evidence of the availability of non-federal matching funds; and
- a workable program officially adopted by the agency.

Principles for determining allowable costs are set forth in applicable federal management circulars described in the general grant regulations and procedures, Title 40, Part 30 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Contact: Regional Tribal Coordinator (see Appendix B) or Planning, Resources and Regional Management Staff, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711.

OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE (OECA)

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

For general information about OECA's Tribal program, and OECA Grants available to Tribes, see http://es.epa.gov/oeca/tribal/grant.html.



Available Assistance: Financial. EPA Headquarters provides funds to the nine EPA Regions where Federally recognized Tribes exist. The EPA Regions may provide the funds directly to Tribal governments or use the money to support EPA programs that support Tribal municipal solid waste activities.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribal governments in addressing existing solid waste programs and/or designing new ones. The funds provide Tribal governments the opportunity to adopt or integrate existing solid waste management programs or try innovative approaches to establishing deterrents to pollution and greater compliance with the solid waste requirements of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. In the past, the EPA Regions have used the money to develop Tribal educational programs involving solid waste reduction and recycling and sponsor solid waste circuit riders that provide hands-on assistance and training to Tribes on solid waste management issues. The EPA Regions review, approve, and track individual projects. The EPA Regions submit descriptions of the projects to EPA Headquarters via the P2 Grant Tracking System.

Eligible Recipients: Federally-recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: The appropriate EPA Regional Solid Waste Indian Coordinator or the Chemical, Commercial Services and Municipal Division, Office of Compliance, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (Carolyn Young at 202-564-7062).

Tribal Multimedia Compliance Assistance and Enforcement Support

Available Assistance: Financial. EPA Headquarters provides funds to the nine EPA Regions where Federally recognized Tribes exist. The EPA Regions may provide the funds directly to Tribal governments or use the money to support EPA Tribal multimedia compliance assistance and enforcement programs.

Purpose of Assistance: To develop Tribal capacity to establish and operate multimedia compliance assistance and enforcement programs. The funds provide Tribal governments the opportunity to adopt or integrate existing compliance assistance or enforcement programs, or try innovative approaches to establishing deterrents to pollution and greater compliance with federal environmental laws. In the past, the EPA Regions have used the money to identify and address barriers to compliance with Federal environmental laws, equip and train Tribal environmental compliance and enforcement personnel, and assess the current status of environmental compliance on Tribal lands. The EPA Regions review, approve, and track individual projects. The EPA Regions submit descriptions of the projects to EPA Headquarters via the P2 Grant Tracking System.

Eligible Recipients: Federally-recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: The appropriate EPA Regional Tribal Coordinator or the Chemical, Commercial Services and Municipal Division, Office of Compliance, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (Carolyn Young at 202-564-7062).



Tribal Pesticide Program Support

Available Assistance: Project grants (Cooperative Agreements).

Purpose of Assistance: To foster cooperative agreements between EPA and Indian Tribes and Tribal Consortia to assist Tribes in developing and maintaining comprehensive pesticide programs that address all aspects of pesticide enforcement, sponsor cooperative surveillance, monitoring, analytical and enforcement procedures, and encourage pesticide regulatory activities on Tribal lands. Funds may be used to purchase inspection and laboratory supplies and equipment, reimburse travel and per diem expenses associated with the performance of grant outputs, paying salaries for Tribal personnel performing functions related to grant activities, and administrative costs associated with the performance of grant outputs.

Eligible Recipients: All Federally recognized Tribes, and any Tribal Consortia for which each member of the Consortium: (1) is recognized by the Secretary of the Interior, (2) has an existing government exercising substantial governmental duties and powers, (3) has adequate civil regulatory jurisdiction over pesticides and entities regulated, and (4) is reasonably expected to be

capable, in the Regional Administrator's judgment, of administering a pesticide enforcement program.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Jack Neylan (202-564-5033) or Karen Taimi (202-564-5046) in the Enforcement

Planning, Targeting, and Data Division.



Environmental Management Resources for Indian Tribes (Guide)

Available Assistance: Document.

Purpose of Assistance: The Office of Compliance Assurance (OC) is printing and distributing on the Internet a guidebook to assist EPA staff and management and Tribal professionals in developing environmental programs. The guidebook, titled Environmental Management Resources for Indian Tribes, can be used as a reference for information and can assist federal and State agencies and other organizations that work with Tribes on environmental issues and problems. The document is organized into environmental categories; multimedia, air, pollution prevention, toxics, waste, and water and then alphabetically within each category. Each entry provides the name of the tool and a brief description of the tool, and identifies sources for obtaining the tool. Each entry also features an icon that illustrates the type of tool that is being described such as; electronic media, publication and fact sheets, and training workshops and course material.

Contact: Melanie LaForce at (202)564-0146 for more information and or to obtain a copy.

OFFICE OF CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT, FORENSICS, AND TRAINING (OCEFT)



Criminal Investigations

Available Assistance: Technical. Evaluation of investigative leads, investigation of alleged criminal activities, and training of tribal law enforcement officials.

Purpose of Assistance: To promptly evaluate investigative leads concerning allegations of environmental crime, pursue investigations, as appropriate, and provide training to tribal law enforcement agencies.

Eligible Recipients: Federally-recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Investigative leads may be provided to the Special Agent in Charge of the OCEFT Criminal Investigation Division (202) 564-2490.



The National Enforcement Training Institute (NETI)

Available Assistance: Technical. NETI and its partners offer training courses in a number of areas such as case support, specific statute enforcement, inspector training, and environmental criminal enforcement. Most courses are available to any Tribal enforcement personnel. NETI does not charge registration fees.

Purpose of Assistance: To train Tribal lawyers, inspectors, civil and criminal investigators, and technical experts in the enforcement of the nation's environmental laws.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: Registration may be done via the Internet or by calling and requesting a registration form to be faxed or mailed to NETI.

Contact: Copies of the NETI Catalogue of Courses and Course Schedule can be requested by calling the NETI Information Line at 1-800-EPA-NETI, or (202) 564-2430. Course information is also available at http://es.epa.gov/oeca/neti.

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE



Environmental Justice Small Grants

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist community-based/grassroots organizations and tribal governments that are working on Local solutions to Local environmental problems.

Eligible Recipients: Community Based Grassroots Organizations (includes tribal grassroots environmental organizations) and Tribal Governments.

Application Process: The FY 98 OEJ Small Grants Program Request for Pre-Applications (RFA) opened on December 19, 1997 and closed on March 6, 1998. Applications will be reviewed by each regional office. Awards will be made on or before September 1999.

Contact: The EPA's national Office of Environmental Justice coordinates the small grants program. However, each of the regions has an Environmental Justice (EJ) Coordinator and EJ Grant Coordinator who are the primary contacts for information pertaining to the OEJ Small Grants Program. For a listing of these contacts, call the Office of Environmental Justice at 1-800-962-6215. See also http://es.epa.gov/oeca/oej/grants.html for more information.



State and Tribal Environmental Justice (STEJ) Grants Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist States and Tribes in ultimately achieving the following environmental justice goals and objectives:

- Enhance the State or tribal government's effectiveness in complying with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- Reduce or prevent disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on low-income communities and minority communities.
- Integrate environmental justice goals into a State's or Tribe's policies, programs and activities.
- Provide financial and technical resources to develop an enabling infrastructure at the State/Local community level and tribal/tribal community level.
- Set up model programs to address enforcement and compliance issues in affected EJ communities.
- Integrate measurable EJ goals within the annual Performance Partnership Agreements (PPAs) and Memorandums of Understandings (MOUs) between a State and EPA, or integrate measurable EJ goals within the Tribal Environmental Agreements (TEAs).
- Improve public participation in the decision-making processes (e.g. permitting processes, development of regulations and policies)

Eligible Recipients: Tribal and State government agencies.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Office of Environmental Justice, STEJ Grants Manager, Mail Code 2201-A, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, or call 1-800-962-6215.

OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES, AND TOXIC **SUBSTANCES**

OFFICE OF PESTICIDE PROGRAMS (OPP)



Available Assistance: Technical and financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical assistance and cooperative agreements (including funding) for enforcement certification and training and pesticide program initiatives in groundwater, endangered species, and worker protection programs. The OPP Tribal Team currently works with more than 20 Indian Tribes that have pesticide programs. Four of these Tribes have EPA approved certification and training plans in place. One Tribe has an EPA groundwater management plan developed. Approximately 25 more Tribes are expected to initiate pesticide programs within the next few years. OPP also works with Tribes across the United States that have no formal pesticide programs, but have continuing pesticide interests. For example, OPP works in conjunction with EPA's Region 9 on forestry and basket weaving pesticide issues that affect about 30 Tribes in the western United States.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes. The criteria for participation in an OECA cooperative agreement are similar to those for State governments and are set forth in the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) statute and the annual Consolidated Pesticide Cooperative Agreement Guidance established by OECA.

Application Process: The OECA Memorandum of Agreement on Consolidated Technical Guidance contains national priorities and specific guidance for the development of cooperative agreement work plans for pesticides and toxics compliance/enforcement activities for FY 1998/1999. This guidance assists Regions and tribal applicants in negotiating cooperative agreements that address tribal and national priorities. Information about cooperative agreements is also available in the catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance from the General Services Administration (GSA)

Contact: EPA Regional Pesticides staff or the OPP Tribal Team (Elizabeth Resek at (703) 305-6005 or Regina Langton at (703) 305-7161). See also http://www.epa.gov/oppfead1/rstfield.



Pesticide Regulatory Education Program (PREP)

Available Assistance: Technical training. EPA funds the cost of attendance of State/tribal representatives to PREP courses.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide practical, up-to-date information on technical, policy and management issues for senior management, senior scientists, managers and supervisors of field enforcement and compliance assurance programs, and those slated for management positions of pesticide regulatory and environmental management programs throughout the U.S. The PREP curriculum relies on the expertise of both private and public sector individuals to offer course participants current perspectives on the regulation of pesticides. The program includes classroom and field instruction covering new pesticide regulatory initiatives and other technical and policy issues. The 1998 program offered a PREP course specifically focused on tribal pesticide needs and issues.

Eligible Recipients: Attendance at a PREP course is determined by a nomination process. Prior to each course, EPA regional offices and State lead agencies are asked to nominate individuals for attendance. Representatives from EPA regions, Tribes, States and U.S. territories are eligible for nomination.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Jake Mackenzie at (707) 584-1195.

Pesticide Inspector Residential Training

Available Assistance: Technical training. EPA funds the cost of attendance of State/tribal representatives to PIRT courses.

Purpose of Assistance: To teach State, tribal and territory inspectors how to conduct different types of pesticide inspections and offer tips and tools to instruct other inspectors. There are three courses: (1) Pesticide Use Inspection Training; (2) Pesticide Product Enforcement; and (3) Worker Protection Inspector Training. The courses include lectures, written exercises and field trips for on site inspection training.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Amar Singh at (202) 564-4161.

OFFICE OF POLLUTION PREVENTION AND TOXICS

Tollution Prevention Incentives for States Grants

Available Assistance: Financial. Tribes must agree to contribute 50% of the cost of the project. In kind contributions are acceptable.

Purpose of Assistance: To promote the development of Tribal pollution prevention programs, information exchanges, technical assistance to businesses, and training.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes, State government agencies, State universities, the District of Columbia, and U.S. Territories.

Application Process: Contact EPA Regional Indian Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

Grants for Environmental Justice Through Pollution Prevention (EJP2 Grants)

Available Assistance: Financial. Tribes seeking funds from EJP2 grants can request up to \$100,000. No match is required for projects with a total cost up to and including \$50,000. For projects between \$50,000 and \$100,000, Tribes must contribute 10% of the total project cost.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide financial assistance to community groups and Tribal governments for projects that address environmental justice and use pollution prevention activities as the proposed solution which will have a direct impact on affected communities. Projects that can be funded include community education programs, technical assistance and demonstration projects in cooperation with other EPA voluntary programs, and sustainable agricultural projects such as the use of integrated pest management techniques to reduce pesticide use.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes, State and Local governments, non-profit environmental organizations, and academic institutions.

Application Process: Contact EPA Regional Indian Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

Purpose of Assistance: To ensure that individuals conducting lead-based paint activities in target housing and child-occupied facilities are properly trained and certified, that training programs provide instruction in such activities, and accreditation of these activities are conducted according to reliable, effective and safe work practice standards. The amount of grant monies are determined annually by the budget. EPA also give grants for Lead Poisoning Prevention and Lead Hazard Awareness Public Education and Outreach. These grants are available for everyone to apply and are announced in the Federal Register.

Eligible Recipients: Any Tribes are eligible for grant monies for conducting lead-based paint activities for accreditation, certification and training.

Application Process: Tribes must apply to EPA's Regional Office.

Contact: Contact the appropriate EPA Regional Office, or the EPA Headquarters-Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, National Program Chemical Assistance Division, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460. Telephone: 202-260-0961.

OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION OFFICE



Hazardous Waste Technical Assistance

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes in the development and application of Innovative Treatment Technologies for hazardous waste remediation. Technical assistance includes providing State-of-the-art information on field sampling, characterization and monitoring methods applicable to Superfund, RCRA Corrective Action and Underground Storage Tank Sites.

Eligible Recipients: Federally and non-federally recognized Tribes, State and Local governments.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Technology Innovation Office Tribal Coordinator (703-603-9910) or the EPA Regional Superfund and RCRA Training Coordinators. See also http://www.clu-in.org.

CERCLA Education Center

Available Assistance: Technical training.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical training on the following subjects:

- Fundamentals of Superfund;
- Removal Process;
- Remedial Process:
- Field Based Site Characterization;
- Transportation and Disposal;
- Remedial Design and Remedial Action;
- Community Relations;
- Federal Facility Remediation;
- Innovative Treatment Technologies;
- Leadership; and
- Enforcement Process.

Eligible Recipients: Tribal government site project managers and leaders (federally and non-federally recognized Tribes), EPA staff, or State environmental professionals.

Application Process: For a full description of the classes, course dates, and registration information, see http://www.trainex.org.

Contact: Technology Innovation Office Tribal Coordinator (703-603-9910) or the EPA Regional Superfund and RCRA Training Coordinators.

OFFICE OF WATER



$\label{eq:cwa} CWA\ Section\ 104(b)(3)\ \text{--Research, Investigations, Training and Information Grants}$

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To support the coordination and acceleration of research, training, demonstrations, and surveys relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, reduction and elimination of pollution. Thus far, CWA Section 104(b)(3) grants were awarded to accomplish the above in wetlands, non-point sources, wastewater treatment and sludge management. Section 104(b)(3) grants are <u>not</u> awarded on a scheduled annual cycle such as Water Pollution Control Program Grants under Section 106. They are irregularly occurring grants which may not be awarded in consecutive years, and usually have a Local match requirement (e.g., 5%).

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Application Process: Tribes need only submit grant applications for Section 104(b)(3) funds. The financial assistance criteria need not be addressed (e.g., federal recognition, governmental powers, jurisdiction and capability).

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.



Watershed Training Courses

Available Assistance: Technical training.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist the Tribes, States, Federal agencies, and private organizations in developing staff that are knowledgeable in watershed issues. The Inventory of Watershed Training Courses includes one-page summaries of 180 watershed-related training courses, sponsored by Federal and State agencies, as well as the private sector.

Contact: To access the Inventory of Watershed Training Courses, go to http://www.epa.gov/OWOW/watershed/wacademy/catalog.html.

AMERICAN INDIAN ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICE



Indian Environmental General Assistance Program

Available Assistance: Grants and technical assistance for environmental program development and capacity-building. The minimum amount for new grants is \$75,000, although amendments can be made in smaller amounts.

Purpose of Assistance: To plan, develop and establish the capability to implement environmental programs. Grants under this Act are used by EPA to help Tribes build environmental program infrastructure such as hiring staff with appropriate technical training.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes and Tribal consortiums.

Application Process: Contact EPA Regional Indian Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators or Ed Liu at the American Indian Environmental Office (202) 260-9872 or (202) 260-7939. For more information, see the AIEO home page at http://www.epa.gov/indian.

OFFICE OF GROUND WATER AND DRINKING WATER

Indian Public Water Supply Program

Available Assistance: Technical and financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To ensure the public safe drinking water supply by establishing the maximum level for a wide variety of contaminants. Public water systems in Indian country are subject to the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations. Systems must monitor and report results to EPA and if maximum contaminant levels are exceeded, systems must perform public notifications and take actions to correct the situation. The Indian Health Service and Bureau of Indian Affairs perform on site visits and greatly assist EPA in implementation activities. Historically, EPA's regional offices have implemented the Drinking Water Program on Tribal lands. In 1986, the Safe Drinking Water Act was amended authorizing EPA to treat Tribes in the same manner as States for purposes of administering the program and receiving grants. EPA is working with Tribes to help them develop the capacity to administer the drinking water program. This includes providing training and technical assistance to these Tribes.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes must meet the four criteria established in section 1451 of the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments. Alaska and Hawai'i Natives are not eligible for this program (with the exception of the Metlakatla Indian Community in Alaska), based on the eligibility requirements in the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1986). Criteria are as follows:

- 1. Federal recognition;
- 2. Demonstrated ability to carry out substantial governmental duties and powers;
- 3. Demonstrated jurisdiction; and
- 4. Demonstrated capability to administer the program.

Application Process: Final regulations establishing the process for Tribes to be treated as States and receive funds were published in the Federal Register, September 26, 1988. (See 40 CFR Parts 35, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, and 146).

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.



SDWA Section 1441--Public Water System Supervision Program

Available Assistance: Technical and financial. Funds are allocated at EPA regional offices each year to directly implement the public water system supervision program in Indian country. These funds are available for developmental grants and annual grants for program operation if a Tribe obtains primacy. There is a twenty-five percent match (in-kind match is acceptable). The Regional Administrator may reduce the Tribal match based on an application and a demonstration by the Tribe that it does not have adequate funds. In no case, however, shall the federal share be greater than 90 percent.

Purpose of Assistance: To fund a portion of the cost of the drinking water programs of Tribes with primacy. Under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), delegation (called "primacy") means that Tribes and States assume primary enforcement responsibility. Tribes with primacy assume primary responsibility for administration and enforcement of Tribal drinking water regulations applicable to public water systems. When Tribes or States do not have primacy, EPA directly implements and enforces the national primary drinking water regulations on Tribal or State lands. EPA provides workshops on drinking water regulations and technical assistance to build tribal capacity to regulate drinking water systems. EPA also operates the Drinking Water Hotline (I-800-426-4791) for additional assistance.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes with primacy under SDWA.

Application Process: To obtain primacy, a Tribe must be eligible for program authorization. The Tribe may apply for grants to fund the development of technical and managerial capacity necessary to adopt and enforce regulations at least as strict as EPA's. After the Tribe has developed its program, it may apply for primacy. In order to obtain this delegation, the Tribe must have adopted and be prepared to enforce drinking water regulations that are at least as strict as EPA's national primary drinking water regulations. To be eligible for developmental grants, Tribes must have a Public Water System Supervision Program or agree to establish one within three years of the initial grant award. Contact EPA Regional Indian Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

SDWA Section 1422--Underground Water Source Protection Program

Available Assistance: Technical and financial. Funds are allocated to EPA regional offices each year to directly implement the Underground Water Source Protection Programs in Indian country. These funds are available for developmental grants and annual grants for program operation if a Tribe obtains primacy. Tribes must provide 25% of the cost of drinking water program development costs (in-kind contributions are acceptable instead of cash). The matching requirement may be reduced to 10% if financial need is demonstrated. EPA provides technical guidance and workshops as interest warrants.

Purpose of Assistance: To fund a portion of the cost of the underground injection control programs of Tribes with primacy. Under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), EPA has issued regulations to control the potential contamination of underground sources of drinking water caused by the underground injection of wastes. EPA can delegate its legal authority to take enforcement actions and issue underground injection well permits to Tribes and States that meet specific requirements. If a Tribe or State does not have primacy, EPA implements the program directly on Tribal or State lands.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes with primacy under SDWA.

Application Process: The process by which Tribes obtain "primacy" parallels the requirements of the SDWA Public Water System Supervision Program. To obtain primacy, a Tribe must be eligible for program authorization. Grants are available for operating Underground Water Source Protection Programs and for development of these programs. To be eligible for development grants, Tribes must have an Underground Water Source Protection Program or agree to establish one within four years of the initial grant award. Contact EPA Regional Indian Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators

SDWA Section 1428--Wellhead Protection Program

Available Assistance: Technical. The Safe Drinking Water Act does not provide funding for wellhead protection programs, but these activities are funded through the Section 106 grants.

Purpose of Assistance: To support Tribal wellhead protection programs. The wellhead protection area is the surface and sub-surface area surrounding a well or well field supplying a public water system. This is the area through which contaminants are likely to move toward and reach the well or well field. Tribes are encouraged to established wellhead protection programs, to delineate the wellhead areas surrounding their public water supplies, and to develop and implement plans to protect these areas.

Eligible Recipients: All Tribes that have drinking water systems.

Application Process: Contact EPA Regional Indian Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

SDWA Section 1452(I) — Drinking Water Infrastructure Grants — Tribal Set-Aside Program

Available Assistance: Financial. Funds are allocated to EPA Regional offices each year for grants to public water systems that serve Indian Tribes, for the purpose of making capital improvements to those water systems. The SDWA allows EPA to use up to 1½ percent of the amounts annually appropriated to carry out Section 1452 for this Tribal grant program. The funds are allotted, by formula, among EPA Regions.

Purpose of the Assistance: Grants for capital improvements to the infrastructure of public water systems that serve Indian Tribes. In general, the funds are to be used for improvements, to eligible water systems, that will facilitate compliance with national primary drinking water regulations or otherwise significantly further the health protection objectives of the SDWA. EPA guidelines *EPA*

816-R-98-020 Drinking Water Infrastructure Grants - Tribal Set-Aside Program, dated October 1998, provide detailed information on eligible systems and eligible projects.

Eligible Recipients: Any federally recognized Indian Tribe, including an Alaska Native Village, is eligible to receive a grant for an approved project. EPA is also authorized to make a grant to the State of Alaska for the benefit of Native Villages. Tribes may also request that any grant funds for an approved project, be transferred to the Indian Health Service for administration and construction of the intended project.

Application Process: The application process, or process for identifying and selected projects varies among EPA Regional offices. Each EPA Regional Office is responsible for developing a program for identifying potential projects, for prioritizing those projects, and for selecting the ones to receive funding from its share of the Set-Aside program allotment. While Regions have flexibility in their programs, they must be consistent with the national guidelines referenced above, and they must develop their programs in consultation with the Tribes in their Region. Individual Regional Drinking Water Infrastructure Grant Tribal Set-Aside Coordinators should be contacted for information about their Regional program.

Contact: EPA Regional Drinking Water Infrastructure Grant Tribal Set-Aside Coordinators or EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



CWA Section 303--Water Quality Standards Programs

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes in developing water quality standards which are composed of designated uses for bodies of water, narrative and numeric criteria, and antidegradation procedures. Although the process of developing and enforcing water quality standards requires a substantial commitment of resources by a Tribe, it is also a powerful way for a Tribe to take control of and protect one of its most important natural resources. Section 303 of the Clean Water Act does not provide financial assistance for the development of water quality standards; however, Tribes typically use Section 106 funds for this purpose. EPA also provides several types of technical assistance, ranging from detailed scientific information about specific pollutants and their effects on water quality to participation in the EPA Water Quality Standards Academy, a week-long training program.

There are three ways in which Tribes can ensure the protection of Tribal waters by application of water quality standards:

• Through negotiation of agreements with an adjacent State (or States) to apply existing State standards;

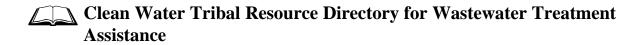
- By adoption of the standards of an adjacent State as the Tribe's own, with or without modification; or
- Through independent development and adoption of Tribal water quality standards.

Eligible Recipients: Tribal eligibility requirements for administering the Water Quality Standard program are contained in Section 518 of the Clean Water Act. Criteria are as follows: (1) Federal recognition; (2) Demonstrated ability to carry out substantial governmental duties and powers; (3) Demonstrated jurisdiction; and (4) Demonstrated capability to administer the program.

Application Process: Contact EPA Regional Indian Coordinators or Water Quality Standard Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators or Water Quality Standard Coordinators.

OFFICE OF WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT



Available Assistance: Document.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes in identifying sources of financial and technical assistance for Tribal wastewater treatment programs and infrastructure.

Contact: For a hard copy, contact the EPA Office of Water Resource Center at 202-260-7786 and refer to document number EPA-832-B-98-005. The document is also available at http://www.epa.gov/owm/indian.htm.



CWA Section 106--Water Pollution Control Program Grants

Available Assistance: Grants. Tribes must provide a 5% non-federal match of approved grant work plan costs. Recognizing that some Tribes will not be able to meet the match requirement with either Federal funds authorized by statute for matching purposes or with Tribal funds, EPA welcomes Tribal in-kind contributions toward the match. Regional Administrators may increase the maximum federal share if the Tribe or Intertribal Consortium can demonstrate in writing to the satisfaction of the Regional Administrator that fiscal circumstances within the Tribe or within each Tribe that is a member of an Intertribal Consortium are constrained to such an extent that fulfilling the match requirement (either matching funds or in-kind contributions) would impose undue hardship. Eligible Tribes or Intertribal Consortia are not required to meet the

maintenance of effort requirement under Section 106 (d) of the CWA, which requires maintaining a base-level of grantee expenditures.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Indian Tribes in carrying out effective water pollution control programs. Section 106 grants may be used to fund a wide range of water quality activities including: water quality planning and assessments; development of water quality standards; ambient monitoring; development of total maximum daily loads; issuing permits; ground water and wetland protection; nonpoint source control activities (including nonpoint source assessment and management plans); and Unified Watershed Assessments (UWA) under the Clean Water Action Plan (CWAP). Since EPA is encouraging Tribes to augment their expertise, contracting out is not encouraged and should be considered only on a case-by-case basis. Where a Tribe already has an established water pollution control program, it is encouraged to begin implementing specific program elements, e.g., developing nonpoint source controls, developing and revising Tribal water quality standards, or developing and implementing ground water programs.

Section 106 funds may be used to fund UWA activities under a Section 106 grant agreement, as approved by the Regional Administrator. A Tribe do not need to have an approved UWA to apply and receive a Section 106 grant.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes or Intertribal Consortia meeting the requirements for Treatment as a State (TAS), as set forth under Section 518(e) of the Clean Water Act. Each member of a Intertribal Consortium must meet the requirements for TAS.

Application Process: Contact EPA Regional 106 Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Section 106 Coordinators or Clarence Braddock of the Office of Wastewater Management at (202) 260-5828.



CWA Section 402--National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide technical assistance in the development and implementation of a Tribal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program, including on-site inspections of dischargers. Discharges and other releases of water containing natural and man-made pollutants through pipes and other conveyances create "point source pollution." EPA established the NPDES program to implement CWA Section 402 and regulate point source pollution. Under the NPDES program, dischargers receive permits from Tribes, States, or EPA. Permits contain effluent limitations, and monitoring and reporting requirements. Effluent limitations are restrictions on the amount of specific pollutants that a facility can discharge to a receiving water. NPDES permits must be renewed at least once every 5 years. Where Tribes do not have a NPDES Program, they may wish to consider asserting authority over State or federal

NPDES permits through Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. EPA offers training courses for NPDES permit writers. Guidance documents for establishment of water quality-based limits are available upon request. Tribes may seek funding to establish a Tribal NPDES program through CWA Section 104(b)(3), Section 106, or the Indian Environmental General Assistance Program. A Tribe may also consider establishing a system of fees to support its NPDES Program.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes eligible for program authorization.

Application Process: Contact EPA Regional Indian Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators



Available Assistance: Technical and financial. Under CWA Section 518(c), EPA has the authority to set-aside 0.5% of funds appropriated under Section 205(e) for an Indian Wastewater Treatment Set-Aside Program. No matching funds are required.

Purpose of Assistance: To help pay for planning, design and construction of wastewater treatment systems serving Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages. This program, called the Clean Water Indian Set-Aside (ISA) program, is administered under guidelines developed in consultation with the Tribes. Projects for funding through the ISA Program are selected from the Sanitation Deficiency System (the Indian Health Service's system of identifying wastewater treatment needs).

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Indian Tribes, Alaska Native Villages and Tribes on former reservations in Oklahoma.

Application Process: To be considered for EPA funding, Tribes must first have their wastewater treatment needs included in the IHS Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS). Contact your IHS area office at least 1 year ahead of the year the SDS list is due out. EPA will notify the Tribe -- usually between February and May of the fiscal year -- if its project has been selected for funding.

Contact: EPA Regional Clean Water Indian Set-Aside Coordinators or EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

OFFICE OF WETLANDS, OCEANS, AND WATERSHEDS

CWA Section 104(b)(3)--Wetlands Protection Development Grant Program

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist federally recognized Indian Tribes and intertribal associations in supporting wetlands development or augmentation, and enhancing existing wetlands programs. Grants can be used to develop new wetland protection programs or to refine existing wetland protection programs. Projects must clearly demonstrate a direct link to improving a Tribe's ability to protect its wetland resources. Because of the conditions in section 104(b)(3) of the Clean Water Act, these grants can only be used for the development of, and not for the operational support of, wetland protection programs. Project grants are used to fund individual projects. Tribes must provide a 25% nonfederal match of the total project cost.

Eligible Recipients: Federally recognized Tribes and intertribal entities.

Application Process: Contact EPA's Regional Wetland Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA's Regional Wetland Coordinators or EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

CWA 303(d) -- Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL)

Available Assistance: Technical/Financial Grants. Section 106 Pollution Control Program, and Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Program Grants can be used for developing TMDLs.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes with EPA-approved water quality standards (WQS) to list waters not meeting WQS within their jurisdictional areas and to develop TMDLs for those waters. TMDLs specify the amount of a pollutant that needs to be reduced to meet water quality standards, allocates pollution control responsibilities among pollution sources in a watershed, and provides a basis for taking actions needed to restore a waterbody. The EPA Region must approve the list of waters and TMDLs. As of January 1999, no regulatory authority addresses tribal participation in TMDLs, and no Tribe has yet submitted a TMDL for approval. EPA is currently reviewing tribal responsibilities for developing section 303(d) requirements. EPA also will target assistance to Tribes with approved WQS to develop joint EPA/tribal 303(d) lists and TMDLs, provide information to federally recognized Tribes on the TMDL program, and provide education and training on 303(d) requirements.

Eligible Participants: Federally recognized Indian Tribes; Tribes with EPA approved WQS and

with EPA approved NPS programs.

Contact: EPA Regional 303(d) Coordinators, EPA Regional Nonpoint Source Coordinators, or EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.



CWA 305(b) -- Water Quality Inventory

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To encourage Tribes to report on the extent to which waters within their jurisdiction support the designated uses established for those waters. Section 305(b) requires each State to prepare a biennial report on the quality of its waters. EPA summarizes the individual 305(b) reports into the *National Water Quality Inventory Report to Congress*. At this time, Tribes are exempted from the 305(b) reporting requirement but are recommended to participate in reporting their water quality data. Tribes that have collected monitoring data using EPA funds are required to provide summaries of these data into the 305(b) reporting process. Tribes may use money awarded under CWA 106 to support water quality monitoring and reporting activities.

Eligible Participants: Federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Contact: EPA Regional 305(b) Coordinators, EPA Nonpoint Source Coordinators, or EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

CWA 314 -- Clean Lakes Program

Available Assistance: Low-cost State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loans; also, where applicable, Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Program Grants.

Purpose of Assistance: To help Tribes in the identification and implementation of pollution controls to mitigate lake water quality problems. Grant funds under the Clean Lakes Program are currently not available; however, SRF loans and nonpoint source program grants can be used to assist implementation of nonpoint pollution controls in lake environments.

Eligible Participants: Federally recognized Indian Tribes with EPA approved nonpoint source assessment and management programs. See CWA section 319(h) program described below.

Application Process: See Application Process under CWA section 319(h) program.

Contact: EPA Regional Nonpoint Source Coordinators or EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

Available Assistance: Grants

Purpose of Assistance: To aid Tribes with the implementation of nonpoint source pollution (NPS) control programs. Major sources of nonpoint pollution include runoff from agricultural and grazing lands, mining, forestry, and residential lands, streets, and waterfront developments; all construction activities, faulty septic tanks, hydromodification of streams and open drainage systems, and air deposition of hydrocarbon emissions from factories and automobiles. Section 319(h) of the CWA is the principal source of EPA funding dedicated to NPS pollution control. Under section 319(h), Congress appropriates money to EPA for controlling sources of nonpoint pollution for distribution to eligible States, territories, and Tribes based on an allocation formula. Section 518 authorizes EPA to grant up to one-third of one percent of national 319(h) program funds for Tribes. Annual 319(h) grants of up to \$50,000 are awarded to Tribes with EPA approved nonpoint source pollution control programs. Each grant awarded under section 319(h) requires a 40% nonfederal match. If a Tribe demonstrates special financial need, a 10% nonfederal match may be approved by EPA.

Eligible Participants: Federally recognized Indian Tribes with approved NPS programs.

Application Process: Applicants must have an approved NPS program by the EPA Region in which the Tribe is located. Details on preparing and submitting applications for 319(h) funding are provided in the *Tribal Nonpoint Source Planning Handbook*, (EPA-841-B-97-004, August, 1997).

Application Schedule:

- October 1 Eligible Tribes submit project proposals to EPA Regional NPS and Indian Coordinators.
- October 30 EPA Regional review completed and forwarded to EPA Headquarters for technical panel review.
- December 15- Decision on project approvals sent to EPA Regions: Regions notify Tribes.
- January 30 Final work plans and official grant applications due to EPA Regions; Regions notify EPA Headquarters to award grant funds.

Contact: EPA Regional Nonpoint Source Coordinators or EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.

CWA Section

CWA Section 401 -- Water Quality Certification

Available Assistance: Technical

Purpose of Assistance: Assistance to Tribes with EPA approved water quality standards in the review of federal permits under the Clean Water Act. Section 401 requires that any applicant for a federal permit to conduct any action that may result in a discharge into waters of the United States shall provide the permitting agency certification that such discharge will comply with applicable water quality provisions under CWA sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307. Section 401 also authorizes Tribes to review permits for activities that may result in a discharge into tribal waters, including wetlands, to ensure that the activity is consistent with the Tribe's water quality standards. Dredge and fill may impact waters and aquatic habitats with excess sediments and other pollutants.

Eligible Participants: Federally recognized Indian Tribes with EPA-approved water quality standards

Contact: EPA Regional Wetlands Coordinators or EPA Regional Indian Coordinators.



CWA Section 404--Permits for Dredged or Fill Material

Available Assistance: Technical.

Purpose of Assistance: To assist Tribes in developing programs to manage the discharge of dredge and fill material. EPA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers jointly administer the CWA Section 404 permit program regulating the discharge of dredged (material that has been removed from the bottom of a waterbody) or fill materials into waters of the United States, including wetlands. Regulatory guidelines providing environmental criteria which must be met before a 404 permit can be issued have been established by EPA in consultation with the Corps of Engineers. Some activities, such as routine farming and maintenance practices may be exempt from the regulations. Generally, dredged or fill material cannot be discharged into an aquatic ecosystem (e.g., a waterbody or wetland) unless it can be demonstrated that such discharge will not adversely impact the ecosystem. Eligible Tribes have the right to maintain control over the discharge of dredged or fill material into navigable waters within their jurisdiction. Section 106 funds can be used to develop the Tribe's dredge and fill program.

Eligible Recipients: Tribes eligible for program authorization.

Application Process: Contact EPA Regional Indian Coordinators for more information.

Contact: EPA Regional Indian Coordinators, EPA Regional Wetland Coordinators, or EPA Regional 106 Coordinators.

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY



FEMA Tribal Hotline (202) 646-2776

Available Assistance: Training grants.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide training for Tribal members with hazardous materials preparedness and response duties. Funds may be used only for training delivery.

Eligible Recipients: All federally recognized Indian Tribes.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Office of Training, Emergency Management Institute, Phone: (301) 447-1194.



Emergency Management State and Local Assistance

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To encourage the development of comprehensive disaster preparedness and assistance plans, programs, capabilities, and organizations by the States and Local governments.

Eligible Recipients: States (including interState emergency preparedness authorities), the District of Columbia, and territories and possessions of the United States. Local governments and Indian Tribes are eligible to participate as subgrantees under their State's application.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: State and Local Preparedness Division, Preparedness, Training and Exercise Directorate, FEMA, 500 C Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 2047; (202) 646-3492.



Emergency Management Institute Training Assistance

Available Assistance: Financial.

Purpose of Assistance: To improve emergency management practices among State and Local government managers, in response to emergencies and disasters. Financial assistance is provided to defray travel and per diem expenses of Tribal, State and Local and emergency management personnel who attend training courses conducted by the Emergency Management Institute at the Emmitsburg, MD facility; Berryville, VA facility; and selected off-site locations.

Eligible Recipients: Individuals who need emergency management training and are assigned to an emergency management position in Tribal, State and Local government.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: National Emergency Training Center, Educational and Technology Services Branch, 16825 S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg, MD 21727; (301) 447-1000.



Independent Study Program

Available Assistance: Technical training.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide self-paced courses in emergency management for both the general public and people who have emergency management responsibilities. Courses are offered in various topics, including hazardous materials, radiological emergency response and management, and mitigation. There are no prerequisites or enrollment fees. Each Independent Study Course includes lessons with practice exercises and a final examination. Those who score 75% or better are issued a certificate of completion by EMI. The average course completion time is 10-12 hours. It is possible to earn academic and military points for completion of these courses.

Eligible Recipients: Anyone.

Application Process: The general public courses are available on the web at http://www.fema.gov/emi/crslist.htm. Emergency Management Professionals who want to inquire about audience specific courses must contact the Independent Study Office at the Emergency Management Institute by submitting a comment form, also available at the web site listed above.

Contact: Emergency Management Institute (301) 447-1251.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Small Business Administration home page http://www.sba.gov.

Available Assistance: Guaranteed Loans.

Purpose of Assistance: To provide loan guarantees of up to \$1,000,000 to eligible small business for the financing of the planning, design, or installation of a pollution control facility. This facility must prevent, reduce, abate, or control any form of pollution, including recycling. Reminder: pollution loans generally do not increase sales or decrease expenses, therefore, loan repayment should be historically demonstrated.

Eligible Recipients: While most small business are eligible for SBA financial assistance, some types of businesses are not eligible. The SBA must make a case-by-case determination.

Application Process: See contact below.

Contact: Local SBA office. For more information see

http://www.sba.gov/financing/frpollute.html.

For more information on general SBA lending requirements, see the link on "Financing Your

Business Workshop" at

http://www.sba.gov/textonly/business_finances/FinancingYourBusiness.html.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: TRIBAL ORGANIZATIONS

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fisheries Commission

Ted Strong, Executive Director 729 N.E. Oregon Street Suite 200 Portland, OR 97232 (503) 238-0067/FAX (503) 235-4228

Chippewa Ottawa Treaty Fisheries Management Authority

186 E Three Mile Road Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783 (906) 632-0043/FAX (906) 632-1141

Description: Manages and regulates the 1836 treaty fishery for the Bay Mills Indian Community, Sault Ste. Marie Band of Lake Superior Chippewas and the Grand Traverse Band of Chippewa and Ottawa Indians.

Council of Energy Resource Tribes (CERT)

David Lester, Executive Director 1999 Broadway Suite 2600 Denver, CO 80202 (303) 297-2378/FAX (303) 296-5690

Description: CERT promotes the general welfare of member Tribes through the protection, conservation, control and prudent management of their oil, coal, natural gas, uranium, and other resources. Activities include on-site technical assistance to Tribes in energy resource management; conducting programs to enhance tribal planning and management capacities and the sponsorship of workshops.

Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission

James Schlendler, Director P.O. Box 9 Odanahm, Wl 54861 (715) 682-6619/FAX (715) 682-9294 **Description:** Thirteen Chippewa Tribes in the Great Lakes Region form this Organization. They are concerned with the effective management of the resources and the effective implementation of tribal treaty rights in an environmentally sound and manner. The Commission promotes tribal self governance and protection of the ecosystem.

Inter-Tribal Agriculture Council (IAC)

Greg Smitman, Executive Director 100 North 27th Street, Suite 500 Billings, MT 5 91 01 (406) 259-3525/FAX (406) 256-9980

Description: The IAC's mission is to promote Indian use of Indian natural resources.

Inter-Tribal Bison Cooperative (ITBC)

Mark Heckert, Executive Director 2460 Deadwood Ave. Rapid City, SD 57702 (605) 394-9730/FAX (605) 395-7742

Description: The ITBC provides technical support (especially vetinary) to tribal bison management operations and assists Tribes in the acquisition, care and development of these animals. The cultural significance of Bison to Native Americans is a significant factor in the ITBC's advocacy of tribal management of bison.

Inter- Tribal Fisheries Assessment Program

Tom Gorenflo, Director Albert Leblanc Building 186 E. Three Mile Road Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783 (906) 632-0072/FAX (906) 632-1141

Description: The Inter-Tribal Fisheries Assessment Program's mission is to provide biological information and make management recommendations to the.

Inter-Tribal GIS Council

Bill Northhover, Executive Director P.O. Box 638 Pendelton, OR 97801 (541) 276-3165/FAX (541) 276-3095

Description: The Inter-Tribal GIS Council provides technical information digital data integration for tribal government.

Inter-Tribal Timber Council

Jamie A. Pinkham, Executive Director 4370 N.E. Halsey Street Portland, OR 97213 (503) 282-4296/FAX (503) 282-1274

Description: Advocates the conservation, enhancement and development of tribal timber resources for the benefit of tribal members.

Mni Sose Inter-Tribal Water Rights

Richard Bad Moccasin, Executive Director P.O. Box 2890 514 Mt. Rushmore Road Rapid City, SD 57709-2890 (605) 343-6054/FAX(605) 343-4722

National American Indian Cattlemen's Association

Tim Foster, President 1541 Foster Road Toppenish, WA 98948 (509) 854-1329

Description: Promotes the betterment of the Indian Cattle Industry and provides technical information to Native cattlemen.

National Congress of American Indians

Ron Allen, President 2010 Massachusetts 2nd Floor N.W. Washington, DC 20036 (202) 466-7767/FAX (202) 466-7797

Description: The NCAI supports the protection of Native American traditional, cultural and religious rights. It promotes the conservation and development of Indian natural and human resources as well as serving the legislative needs of Indian Tribes. The NCAI is also concerned with the health, education and economic environment of Native Americans. It is the oldest and largest inter-Tribal organization in the United States.

National Tribal Environmental Council (NTEC)

Jerry Pardilla, Executive Director 2221 Rio Grande Blvd. NW Albuquerque, NM 87104 (505) 242-2175/FAX (505) 242-2654 **Description:** NTEC supports the unification of Indian Tribes to the common purpose of not only protecting native homelands, but to enhance their capacity to regulate environmental activities on tribal land.

Native American Fish & Wildlife Society

Ken Poynter, Executive Director 750 Burbank Street Broomfield, Co 80020 (303) 466-1725/FAX (303) 466-5414 http://www.iex.net/nafws/nafws-I.html

Description: The Native American Fish & Wildlife Society (Society) promotes the protection, conservation and enhancement of Tribal natural resources and provides technical assistance through information dissemination, direct consultation, facilitation, training programs and networking opportunities, and serves as liaison between government agencies and Tribes. The Society conducts a National and several Regional Environmental Awareness Summer Youth Practicums for Native American teens.

Native American Rights Fund (NARF)

John EchoHawk, Director 1506 Broadway Boulder, CO 80302 (303) 447-8760/FAX (303) 443-7776

Description: NARF is concerned with the protection of Indian rights; the preservation of tribal existence; the protection of tribal natural resources; the promotion of human rights; the accountability of governments to Native Americans; and the development of Indian law.

Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission

James R. Anderson, Executive Director 6730 Martin Way East Olympia, WA 98516 (360) 438-1180/FAX (360) 753-8659 http-//mako.nwifc.wa.gov

Description: The Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission's role is to assist member Tribes to maintain an orderly and biologically sound treaty Indian fishery in the Pacific Northwest and provide them with a single, unified voice on fisheries management and conservation matters.

APPENDIX B: GOVERNMENT CONTACT LISTS

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