

Clean Water Act §106 FY2015

# Water Pollution Control Program Grants

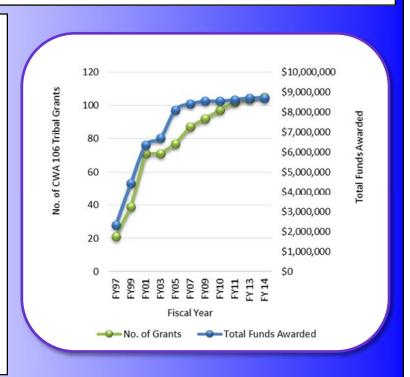
The **Water Pollution Control Program** assists Federally-recognized Indian Tribes with achieving environmental results by developing institutional capacity for administering water quality programs to protect, improve, and enhance natural resources.

# **Funding Availability**

Approximately \$8.5M is anticipated to be allocated for CWA §106 Tribal programs, the same as last fiscal year's allocation. This will allow EPA to award grants between \$40K-\$200K; first-time eligible applicants may receive grants for \$40K.

# Eligible Activities (but not limited to):

- Hiring qualified staff to identify and prioritize water quality issues;
- Leasing/renting office space and purchasing equipment and supplies;
- Developing a Nonpoint Assessment and Management Program;
- Performing water quality monitoring and assessments and associated data management;
- Conducting studies related to water pollution control;
- Implementing and enforcing pollution control measures;
- Developing and implementing groundwater programs;
- Developing a Water Quality Assessment Report;
- Travel and training.



#### **Eligible Applicants:**

Federally Recognized Indian Tribes

## **CWA §106 Grant Program Eligibility Requirements:**

Tribes must meet the following Financial Assistance Eligibility (FAE) requirements:

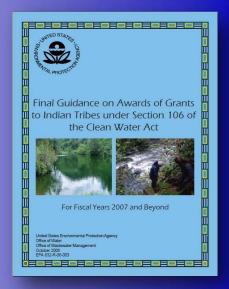
- 1. Federal recognition;
- 2. Substantial governmental duties and powers;
- 3. Legal authority and jurisdiction over Tribal lands or reservation;
- 4. Capability to carry out functions to be exercised in the manner consistent with the terms and purposes of the Clean Water Act and all applicable regulations.

For more information, please refer to EPA Region 9's FAE Eligibility Handbook for Indian Tribes at: <a href="http://www.epa.gov/region09/water/tribal/tribal-cwa.html">http://www.epa.gov/region09/water/tribal/tribal-cwa.html</a>



Tribes interested in receiving CWA §106 funds must submit a proposal to EPA Region 9-Water Division, per *Region 9's FY 2015 Funding Opportunity for Tribal Water Pollution Control Program Grants* http://www.epa.gov/region09/water/tribal/tribal-cwa.html that includes:

- A detailed workplan and budget describing how the requested CWA §106 funds will be used and target dates for accomplishing specific project milestones. The workplan should identify short-term and long-term environmental results.
- A Tribal *match* of 5% of the total project cost must be reflected in the application, workplan, and budget.



## **FY2015 Submission Schedule**

**First time applicants** must submit a complete Financial Assistance Eligibility (FAE) application to be reviewed and approved by EPA prior to receiving CWA §106 funding (refer to *EPA Region 9's FAE Eligibility Handbook for Indian Tribes for instructions*:

http://www.epa.gov/region09/water/tribal/tribal-cwa.html

All Applicants submit draft workplans and proposed budgets per EPA Region 9's FY 2015 Funding Opportunity for Tribal Water Pollution Control Program

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http://www.epa.gov/region09/water/tribal/tribal-cwa.html

All Applicants submit final grant application (i.e., SF-424, workplan, budget, and required forms/certifications), per *EPA Region 9's FY 2015 Funding Opportunity for Tribal Water Pollution Control Program Grants*: http://www.epa.gov/region09/water/tribal/tribal-cwa.html

\*The Tribe's registration in SAM.gov must be current and active (new system for CCR registration).

#### **Due October 31, 2014**

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ATTN: Danielle Angeles

### **Due February 2, 2015:**

U.S. EPA, Region 9 (WTR-3-4) 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105 ATTN: (your Project Officer)

Due April 3, 2015:

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