

AGENCY: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

TITLE: “Building the Capacity of Tribes to Address the Health Impacts of Climate Change”

ACTION: Request for Proposals (RFP) Questions and Answers (Q/A)

RFA #: EPA-OAR-OAP-16-05

SUMMARY: Formal Agency responses to questions regarding the subject RFP

DATE: June 8, 2016

- Q1)** We are reviewing the RFP EPA-OAR-OAP-16-05 (*Building the Capacity of Tribes to Address the Health Impacts of Climate Change*) and have a question regarding the available funding. The RFP states that “total estimated funding for this competitive opportunity is approximately \$600,000” and that one to three agreements will be awarded. However, it also states that the agreements will range “in value from approximately \$50,000 to \$150,000.” Even if three agreements are awarded at the maximum amount, the total is not \$600,000. Can you please clarify the expected award amounts? They seem rather low for a project that may be up to 5 years in length.
- A1)** The request for proposals (RFP) has been amended to reflect a clarification. The total estimated funding for this competitive opportunity is approximately \$600,000. EPA anticipates awarding one to three cooperative agreement(s) from this announcement, ranging in value from approximately \$50,000 to \$120,000, annually, subject to the availability of funds, quality of evaluated proposals, and other applicable considerations. Proposals should specify the applicant’s planned period of performance, which may be up to 5 years, as described in the RFP.
- Q2)** My organization is interested in applying for this grant opportunity regarding and climate change resiliency, engagement and capacity-building with tribes. Given the impacts of climate change in South Florida and my organization's credentials linking health, socio-economic vulnerability and sea-level rise as well as working toward climate resiliency in low-income communities, we would be very interested to expand outreach and resilience work. However, we are interested to know if the EPA has specific tribes that would be prioritized?
- A2)** No; this is an open, competitive process and, as such, EPA does not have specific tribes that will be prioritized under this funding opportunity. Proposals should specify the applicant’s plan for engaging specific tribes in the pilot trainings as described in the RFP.