

Stimulus Funding for Tribal Water Infrastructure



All Proposed Tribal Stimulus Funds

\$456-527M Water Projects (EPA, BOR, BIA) 445M Healthcare (IHS) 325M Public Safety (DOJ, BIA) 327M Education (BIA) 487M Roads and Bridges (BIA, DOT) 65M Irrigation and Dams (BIA) 530M Housing (HUD) 170M Food, Training, Development, Other (USDA, DOI, BIA, Treasury) \$2.8B Total

Proposed EPA Stimulus Funds

\$4-6B (Senate/House) Clean Water Act

- 2.0B Safe Drinking Water
- 0.8B Superfund
- 0.2B Leaking Underground Storage Tanks
- 0.1B Brownfields
- 0.3B Diesel Emissions
- \$7-9B Total

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H.R. Bill 1	Senate Report		
\$88M	\$ 59M	CWTSA	
<u>29M</u>	<u> 29M</u>	DWTSA	
\$117M	\$ 88M		
	<u> 100M</u>	Indian Health Service	
	\$188M		

Also proposed:

\$522M HUD tribal block grants (water infrastructure eligible)
\$274M BOR tribal water projects (water infrastructure eligible)
\$1.4B USDA Rural Development grants/loans (tribes eligible)
\$6-8B State SRF loans and incentives including principal forgiveness

R9 Tribal Allocation of Proposed Water Infrastructure Stimulus Funds

	FY09 Normal Appropriation	H.R. 1	Senate Proposal	FY09 funds
CWTSA	\$4M	\$33M	\$22M	\$26-37M
DWTSA	\$3M	\$8M	\$8M	\$11M
Total	\$7M	\$41M	\$30M	\$37- 48M

Funding Priorities

Ready to proceed

- Senate report says priority will be given to "shovel ready" projects which can begin construction within 180 days of enactment
- > Achieve access
 - As defined by SDS Deficiency Levels 4 and 5
- For drinking water projects
 - Increase the number of people connected to public water systems that meet all health based standards

Project Selection

> EPA and IHS will develop list of projects using the IHS SDS list

ASAP but no later than 2/16, tribes can submit information about projects not on the SDS list that meet the funding priorities

EPA Region 9 will select projects based on the funding priorities and available funding

Award Process

Funds will primarily be awarded in two global Interagency Agreements from EPA HQ to IHS HQ

To the extent possible considering any requirements, funding may also be awarded by grant from EPA Region 9 to a Tribe

Weekly R9 Tribal Stimulus Calls

- First call: 2/9 11 PST / 12 MST
- Call-in number will be sent via email
- > RSVP so we have enough conference lines available
- Email questions so we are prepared to respond
- RSVP and submit questions to: mayo.laura@epa.gov

Other Tribal Outreach

- > 1/22/09 EPA Region 9 letter to Tribal Chairs and Environmental Directors
- Access Workgroup calls (12/17, 12/23, 1/22)
- National Tribal Water Council and Tribal Caucus (1/12, 1/27)
- National EPA webcasts with States (12/3, 1/15)

Next Steps

ASAP, no later than 2/16 - Tribes submit information on projects

Weekly calls Mondays 11 PST/ 12 MST

> 2/16 - Recovery and Reinvestment Plan expected to be signed



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