



National Tribal Air Association

NTAA Weekly Update

*Week of August 27th -
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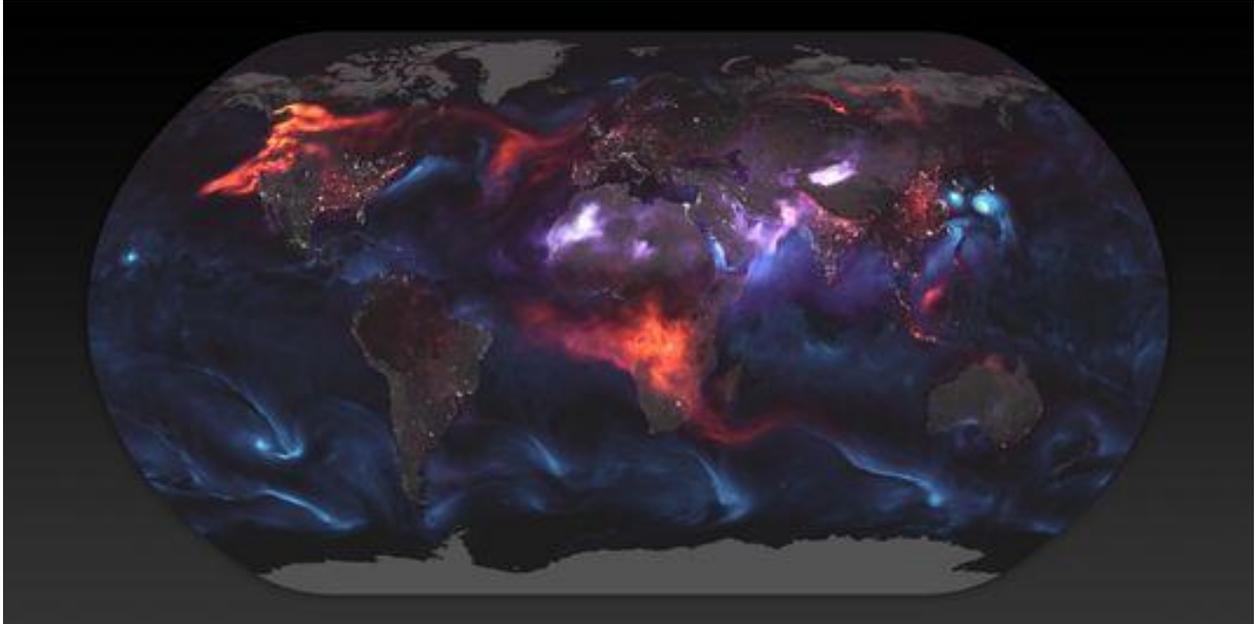
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PHOTOS FROM THE FIELD

USA Today - [NASA map shows glowing particle clouds over Earth from wildfires and hurricanes](#)



NASA map uses satellite and sensor data to show particles of dust, water and smoke in the atmosphere from dust storms, hurricanes and wildfires. Photo by NASA

TOP STORIES

NY Times – [E.P.A. Rule Change Could Let Dirtiest Coal Plants Keep Running \(and Stay Dirty\)](#)

NPR – [Air Pollution Exposure Harms Cognitive Performance, Study Finds](#)

The Spokesman-Review - [Spokane Tribe launches ‘Children of the Sun’ solar initiative, with long-range plans for energy independence](#)

Tribal Consultation on the National Program Guidances

The U.S. EPA is initiating consultation and coordination with federally recognized Indian Tribes on the EPA's Fiscal Year 2020-2021 National Program Guidances. The EPA invites you and your designated consultation representative(s) to

participate in this process, which will conclude on **March 18, 2019**. More information is available on *EPA's Tribal Consultation Opportunities Tracking System* at <https://tcots.epa.gov/>. If you have any questions or you would like to request alternate arrangements to the process outlined in the consultation and coordination plan, please contact Emily Heller, Office of the Chief Financial Officer Tribal Consultation Advisor, at heller.emily@epa.gov or (202) 564-3332.

Quality Assurance Project Plans (QAPPs) Questionnaire

The US EPA E-Enterprise Leadership Council has made streamlining and modernizing the process for reviewing all QAPPs from Tribes, states, and local agencies an FY18 priority area. EPA is hosting a Lean Kaizen event focused on accelerated approvals, improving transparency, and ensuring consistency, so that a QAPP that is accepted is always accepted, no matter who reviews it. Your input on this questionnaire will help ensure that Tribal concerns are brought to the EPA team. Please fill out the questionnaire by September 6, 2018. The questions can be found at <https://goo.gl/forms/vj22j0MhKieK7cii1>. Your responses will only be summarized, and no individuals will be identified in the summary provided to EPA. If you would like a copy of the summary, please provide an email address at the end of the survey, and/or email Kris Ray at kris.ray@colvilletribes.com.

HEADLINES

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

The Hill - [Overnight Energy: EPA asks justices not to take up case on Obama rule | Wheeler says new coal plan will 'level the playing field' | Pentagon warns against proposal on science transparency](#)

KTAR – [Navajo Nation solar facility expansion expected to double power output](#)

NY Times – [A Leader in the War on Poverty Opens a New Front: Pollution](#)

Pittsburgh-Post Gazette – [Here's how much a new study says air pollution is shortening your life](#)

NY Times – [Trump Put a Low Cost on Carbon Emissions. Here's Why It Matters](#)

Native News Online – [NCAI Remembers Sen. John McCain for His Service to Indian Country](#)

National Association of Clean Air Agencies – [Washington Update](#)

Climate Change/Energy

Vox - [The 6 things you most need to know about Trump's new climate plan](#)

Carbon Brief – [Planting a mix of tree species 'could double' forest carbon storage](#)

NPR – [Coal Country: EPA Plan Is Short Term Boost, No Solution for Industry Decline](#)

NY Times – [For a Climate and Food Reporter in Alaska, a New Unease in the Air](#)

NPR – [Some of the Oldest Ice in the Arctic Is Now Breaking Apart](#)

NPR – [World's Largest Shipping Company Heads Into Arctic As Global Warming Opens The Way](#)

Los Angeles Times - [California Assembly advances 100% clean energy bill](#)

NY Times – [Climate Change Policy Toppled Australia's Leader. Here's What It Means for Others](#)

E&E News – [Trump reshaped U.S. climate policy in one month: August 2018](#)

Yes! Magazine – [5 Ways Communities Are Coping With Climate Anxiety](#)

E&E News – [Shell Oil quietly urges lawmakers to support carbon tax](#)

NBC – [Can we turn carbon dioxide to stone to fight climate change?](#)

NPR – [As Planet Warms, Advocates Urge U.S. To Set Rules To Protect Workers from Heat](#)

NY Times – Climate Fwd: [What Trump's Coal and Car Plan Could Mean for Climate Change](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

Native Sun News Today – [The war to save water from oil pollution](#)

E&E News – [Trump team phasing out oil field enforcement initiative](#)

NY Times – [Pesticide Studies Won E.P.A.’s Trust, Until Trump’s Team Scored ‘Secret Science’](#)

Indoor Air Quality

Science Daily – [Mixed report card for low-cost indoor air quality home monitors](#)

Be sure to subscribe to [EPA's IAQ Bulletins](#)

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UPCOMING CALLS/EVENTS/NOTICES

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

Office of Grants and Debarment: Grants Award Process Webinar for Applicants/Recipients

At the end of August OGD will be hosting another Grants Award Process Webinar for EPA applicants and recipients. This is a high level webinar that covers topics related to finding and applying for grants, as well as the basics of managing an award. It will be very similar to previous webinars. Please pass this info along to anyone you think might be interested. We will be recording the webinar. Link to Webinar Info: <https://www.epa.gov/grants/epa-grants-award-process-webinars>

Date: Thursday August 30, 2018

Time: 2-3:30 pm ET

No registration is necessary.

EPA released the results of its 2014 National Air Toxics Assessment (NATA)

NATA helps assess which air toxics and emission source types may pose health risks. NATA also helps EPA and other agencies determine which places

may need further study to better understand risks. EPA uses NATA results in many ways, including to:

- help communities design their own local assessments;
- improve emissions inventories; and
- learn where we can expand and improve the air toxics monitoring network.

The 2014 NATA assessment includes emissions, ambient concentrations, and exposure estimates for about 180 of the 187 Clean Air Act air toxics plus diesel particulate matter (diesel PM). For about 140 of these air toxics (those with health data based on long-term exposure), the assessment estimates cancer risks, from the potential for noncancer health effects, or both. This includes noncancer health effects for diesel PM. We did not include eight air toxics in this NATA assessment because either no emissions data were reported for them in 2014 or we couldn't reliably make emissions or health-related estimates (radionuclides, for example).

NATA includes four steps:

1. Compile a national inventory of air toxics emissions from outdoor sources from emissions year 2014.
2. Estimate ambient concentrations of air toxics across the United States.
3. Estimate population exposures.
4. Characterize potential public health risks due to breathing air toxics (including both cancer and noncancer effects).

For information summarizing the 2014 assessment, see the [2014 NATA fact sheet](#).

Other NATA improvements include:

- a more realistic way to allocate mobile and nonpoint source emissions;
- more detailed emissions inventories for oil and gas wells;
- more complete weather data used in modeling;
- health benchmarks updated with the latest science; and
- an updated [NATA map app](#), designed to be more intuitive and easier to use.

Oklahoma NESHAP Delegation Update

On Friday, August 10, the Federal Register published the Proposed Oklahoma NESHAP Rule. The comment period and consultation period will close on [September 10, 2018](#). For your convenience, below is the relevant excerpt regarding the exclusion of Indian Country:

“EPA is proposing a determination that the NESHAP program submitted by Oklahoma meets the applicable requirements of CAA section 112(1)(5) and 40 CFR part 63, subpart E. This delegation to ODEQ to implement and enforce certain NESHAP does not extend to sources or activities located in Indian country, as defined in 18 U.S.C. 1151. Oklahoma is not seeking delegation for such areas,

and neither the EPA nor ODEQ is aware of any existing facilities in Indian country subject to the NESHAP being delegated. ODEQ may submit a request to expand this program to non-reservation areas of Indian country in the future, at which time the EPA would evaluate the request through the appropriate process.” 83 Fed. Reg. at 39642.

Questions about this proposal may be directed to Jeff Robinson at 214-665-6435. If you would like to engage in tribal consultation on this matter, please contact Randy Gee at 214-665-8355.

Tribal Children's Environmental Health Symposium October 16-18

EPA Region 6 and Cherokee Nation will be hosting the *Tribal Children's Environmental Health Symposium* that will be held at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino at 777 West Cherokee St. Catoosa, OK, 74015 October 16-18, 2018.

The theme of the symposium is “Protecting Children Where They Live, Learn and Play”.

To register online for the symposium go to www.itecmembers.org. Early registration is strongly recommended. If you have any questions about this event, please contact Karen Dye at 918-453-5109 or e-mail karen-dye@cherokee.org.

Travel scholarships are available only to employees of federally recognized tribes in EPA Region 6. Travel scholarships provide for airfare and lodging costs only. Please indicate if you are interested in the travel scholarship when you register online.

Below you will find your direct link that you and your guest can make reservations with. Please let us know if you have any questions.

DirectLink: <https://gc.synxis.com/rez.aspx?Hotel=79282&Chain=13924&group=EPAOCT2018>

1. Click on your direct link
2. Select your date of arrival
3. Click check availability
4. On the right hand side of the page (under the rate) click view availability rooms
5. Select your room type and click confirm.
6. Enter your information and method of payment
7. Click confirm reservation

Tribal Grants Education and Technical Assistance Webinar Series Second Wednesday of Every Month at 1pm ET

[For more information, click here!](#)

NTAA Upcoming Calls. The toll-free number is 1-800-309-2350. If you do not need to call toll free, or would like to help conserve NTAA funding, you can call 1-805-309-2350. Both numbers use code 928-523-0526#.

Contact Andy.Bessler@nau.edu if you have any questions about any call!

Registration instructions When you register for the GoToWebinar, please remember to include your Tribe, Region, or Organization in parenthesis after your last name. This allows you to see everyone on the call and prevents us from conducting a roll-call, ultimately saving everyone's time.

EPA Policy Update Call: Receive updates from EPA	Thursday, August 30, 2pm ET
Wood Smoke Work Group: Join this newly formed work group to help address air quality issues arising from wood smoke	Wednesday, September 5, 3 pm ET <i>Note: this work group has a different call-in number: Dial-In Number: 1-866-299-3188</i> Conference Code: 919-541-5497
Volkswagen Settlement Work Group: Continue to track the ongoing developments and help guide the process	Thursday, September 6, 2pm ET
NTAA IAQ Work Group: Help implement IAQ priorities with NTAA.	Thursday, September 20, 2pm ET

The Institute for Tribal Environmental Professional's (ITEP's) [Tribes and Climate Change Calendar](#) includes conferences, trainings, webinars and other events related to tribes and climate change.

[Click here](#) for ITEP's other trainings and events.

[Click here](#) for ITEP's new Tribal Environmental Management and Planning Online Courses. New courses have been added, so check it out!

ITEP's [2018-2019 AIAQTP Course Schedule](#)

Course Title	Dates	Location	Course Level
	2018		
Introduction to Tribal Air Quality	September 11-14	Flagstaff, AZ	1
Indoor Air Quality in Tribal Communities (Lower 48)	November 7-9	Sioux City, Iowa	1

Clean Air Act and Permitting	November 27-30	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	2
Air Quality in Alaska	December 11-14	Fairbanks, AK	1
	2019		
Indoor Air Quality in Tribal Communities (lower 48)	January 8-10	TBD	1
Air Quality Computations	January 29-February 1	Phoenix, AZ	1
IAQ Diagnostic Tools	February 12-15	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	2
Air Pollution Technology	March 12-15	Flagstaff, AZ	2
Air Quality Planning for Wildland Smoke (hybrid course)	March 26-27	TBD	2
Air Quality Project Planning, QAPPs, and Grants for Alaska	April 9-12	AK	2
Fundamentals of Air Monitoring	April 16-18	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	2
Air Pollution Modeling	April 30-May 2	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	3
NTF	May		
Air Pollution and Ecosystems	June 4-7	Flagstaff, AZ	2
Air Quality Planning for Wildland Smoke (hybrid course)	January-March	Webinars	NA
Indoor Air Quality – Independent Study	Anytime	Independent Study	1
Building Performance: Improving IAQ in Cold Climates	Open	Online	1
Building Performance: Improving IAQ in Warm Climates	TBD	Online	1
Residential Building Science Review	Open	Online	1
Radon Fundamentals	Open	Online	1
Quality Assurance Fundamentals (QA 101)	Open	Online	1
Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) (QA 201-209)	Open	Online	2
Emissions Inventory (self-paced, instructor assistance as needed)	Open	Online	3

Note: This schedule is subject to change. [Click here](#) for up-to-date information, course descriptions, and applications. If you have questions regarding the pre-requisites or your eligibility for a course, please contact Patricia Ellsworth, Air Quality Curriculum Coordinator, at Patricia.Ellsworth@nau.edu or phone 928-523-6721. For more information, please visit [ITEP's website](#).

Climate Change / Energy

ENERGY STAR Webinars

August 29, 1 PM (ET) – What changed in Portfolio Manager and why?

ENERGY STAR scores and metrics after the 8/26 update

On August 26, 2018 EPA will update the models in Portfolio Manager that power 1-100 ENERGY STAR scores with new data, based on the latest Commercial Building Energy Consumption Survey (CBECS0 from the U.S. Energy Information Administration. When metrics are updated, ENERGY STAR scores and other performance metrics will, on average, go down. A few days after these updates, join this session to learn about what information changed in the tool and why.

[Register](#)

August 30, 1 PM (ET) – Portfolio Manager 301

With a good background on the basic functionality of EPA's ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager tool, learn about some advanced features including: using spreadsheet upload templates to update property data; setting goals and targets to plan energy improvements for properties; creating custom reports; and using the Sustainable Buildings Checklist.

[Register](#)

U.S. Department of Energy Office of Indian Energy Policies and Programs Webinars

August 29, 1 PM (ET) – Utility-Scale Energy Development

Utility-scale energy development is similar in many ways to smaller-scale energy development, but it can present unique challenges in key areas such as permitting, financing, interconnection to the grid, and finding customers for the energy produced. In this webinar, attendees will hear about common challenges faced by tribes for utility-scale energy development, and ideas for how to approach these challenges.

[Register](#)

Clean Energy States Alliance Webinars

August 30, 1 PM (ET) – Community Solar Program Design and Implementation for Low- and Moderate-Income Customers

Guest speakers from NREL will discuss their new report, which reviews existing and emerging LMI community solar programs, discusses key questions related to program design, outlines how states can leverage incentives and finance structures to lower the cost of LMI community solar, and examines marketing and outreach considerations.

[Register](#)

[Renewable Energy Vermont](#)

Burlington, VT, October 18-19, 2018

REV2017 brought together leaders and experts from throughout the region to address the challenges and opportunities ahead.

Register for the 2018 Office of Indian Energy Program Review

Register now for the 2018 Office of Indian Energy Program Review to be held December 10–14 at the Sheraton Denver West Hotel in Lakewood, Colorado. This annual event is a tremendous opportunity for Indian tribes to meet, learn from other Indian tribes that are pursuing energy self-sufficiency, and share in each other's successes.

The 2018 Program Review will feature project status updates from tribes across the nation who are leveraging Office of Indian Energy grant funding to deploy energy technologies or initiate the first steps to energy development. Due to widespread interest in energy development, the Review is also open to all of Indian Country.

There is no registration fee, but advanced registration is required to ensure seating and availability of food. [Register now](#).

A block of rooms is available at the Sheraton Denver West Hotel. To book your room at the group rate, please visit the [Sheraton Denver West Hotel website](#). Note that the discounted group rate is only available until Nov. 12, 2018.

ITEP's Climate Change Adaptation Training Courses registration is online!

[Learn more about the courses and register here.](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

National Tribal Transportation Conference

This year's National Tribal Transportation Conference (NTTC) will be held in Oklahoma City, OK, on September 24-27. NTTC is sponsored by the US Federal Highway Administration and will include conference tracks on grants, gravel roads, road safety, finance, success stories, and transit. The NTTC will facilitate dialogue, provide training and technical assistance, and discuss tribal transportation challenges and success stories ultimately to improve transportation infrastructure and safety. <https://nttconference.org/>

Indoor Air Quality

Increasing Adoption of Residential Wood Energy

August 29, 2018, 2pm EST

This webinar will help you better understand issues regarding heating with wood and new developments and technology.

Free StopPests Webinar Series

Contact stoppests@cornell.edu for more information on any of the below webinars:

Developing a Pest Exclusion Program for Cockroaches and Rodents

Presenter: Matt Frye Ph.D. - NYS IPM Program, Cornell University Cooperative Extension

Date: September 12th 2018

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm Eastern

Register: https://cornell.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_x-C5zHgrSFqEuVziojCrcA

Integrated Pest Management—A Simple Solution to Problem Pests in Elderly and Disabled Public Housing

Presenters: Dawn H. Gouge, Ph.D., Shujuan (Lucy) Li, Ph.D., Shakunthala (Shaku) Nair, Ph.D. - Arizona Pest Management Center, University of Arizona–MAC, Maricopa

Date: November 14 2018

Time: 1:00pm – 2:30pm Eastern 12:00pm -1:30pm Central, 11:00am – 12:30pm Mountain, 10:00am – 11:30am Pacific

Registration: https://cornell.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dy_hKHuxRymPX6VAPIQdew

U.S. EPA has posted the IAQ Knowledge to Action Professional Training Webinar Series. The ongoing [IAQ Knowledge-to-Action Professional Training Webinar Series](#) comprises 1-hour technical, core-competency, web-based trainings designed to demonstrate how to translate the knowledge gained in the [IAQ Master Class Professional Training Webinar Series](#) into actions to improve or sustain an IAQ management program within your school or school district.

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RESOURCES

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Interstate Transport Submittals for the 2015 Ozone NAAQS – Stakeholder Comments Available on EPA Website

Information from the April 2018 conference call held by EPA’s Transport Team regarding the March 27, 2018 memorandum, *Information on the Interstate Transport State Implementation Plan Submissions for the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards under the Clean Air Act*, as well as the spreadsheet containing the updated contribution metrics, are available on EPA’s website at: <https://www.epa.gov/airmarkets/interstate-air-pollution-transport>. PDF copies of all stakeholder comments generated from the follow up conference call held on July 26, 2018, are now available on EPA’s website at:

<https://www.epa.gov/airmarkets/march-2018-memo-and-supplemental-information-regarding-interstate-transport-sips-2015>

Please share this information with your state and tribal air agency contacts who work on interstate ozone transport. If you have any questions please contact Chris Werner at 919-541-5133 or werner.christopher@epa.gov.

Rural Alaska Dust Toolkit

The Rural Alaska Dust Toolkit was co-developed and recently published by ADEC and EPA as a resource guide for Tribes and others working on road dust in Alaska. Download or request a copy of the Dust Toolkit to learn more about what steps you and your community can take to reduce dust in the air. You can download the Toolkit at <http://dec.alaska.gov/air/anpms/communities/pm10-rural/> or request a hard copy by emailing krauss.kayla@epa.gov.

To view and/or receive ITEP’s American Indian Air Quality Training Program newsletter, [Native Voices, click here!](#)

Climate Change/Energy

Sign up for the [Alliance for Green Heat](#)’s newsletter!

To view and/or receive ITEP’s [Climate Change newsletter, click here!](#)

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[**Housing Counseling Disaster Recovery Toolkit Now Available**](#) is a new online guide created to help Housing Counseling Agencies prepare for disaster events and engage with local partners that receive funding following disasters. The toolkit features two related guides: [Preparing for A Disaster](#) and [Operating Post Disaster](#).

[**HEROS for Tribes and Tribal Partners Webinar Recording**](#). HUD Environmental Review Online System (HEROS) for both Part 50 and Part 58 Environmental Reviews in [HEROS](#).

[**Check out IAQ Radio!**](#)

This is the place where the world discusses indoor air quality, the built environment and disaster restoration issues. Every Friday at noon ET the show is live. The show's host are Joe Hughes, President of IAQ Training Institute and Cliff Zlotnik, President of IDEAZ, LLC. Every week we interview experts from the indoor air quality, building sciences and disaster restoration industry.

Be sure to sign up for [**EPA's Healthy Indoor Air newsletter**](#).

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Now Hiring!

Grand Canyon Trust is hiring a Field Attorney

Application deadline: August 31, 2018

[More information on their website.](#)

Grand Canyon Trust is hiring an Ancestral Lands Program Manager

Application deadline: September 1, 2018

[More information can be found here.](#)

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration YouthBuild Grant Opportunity

Closing date: September 18, 2018

[More information here.](#)

National Academies' Gulf Research Program Announces \$10 Million Grant Opportunity for Enhancing Coastal Community Resilience in the Gulf of Mexico Region

The Gulf Research Program (GRP) of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine today announced a new grant opportunity focused on enhancing coastal community resilience and well-being in the Gulf of Mexico region. The GRP intends to award up to \$10 million to projects bringing together researchers and practitioners to collaborate on efforts that increase understanding of how community attributes and systems affect resilience and provide actionable information that can be used to implement policies and practices to enhance resilience.

Applications for this funding opportunity have two stages. A required letter of intent is due Sept. 19, 2018, by 5 p.m. EDT. For those who submit a letter of intent, a full proposal is then due by Nov. 28, 2018, by 5 p.m. EDT. Awards will be made to projects lasting up to 36 months. Announcement of the awards is expected in the spring or summer of 2019. For more information about this opportunity, how to apply, and past GRP grants awarded on this topic, visit www.nas.edu/gulf/grants.

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program Grants for Fiscal Year 2018 – Opens October 1, 2018

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is announcing that \$395.2 million in funding is available through two [Hazard Mitigation Assistance](#) (HMA) grant programs: [Flood Mitigation Assistance](#) (FMA) and [Pre-Disaster Mitigation](#) (PDM). These competitive grant programs assist state, local, tribal, and territorial governments in strengthening our nation's ability to reduce disaster losses and protect life and property from future disaster damages.

Beginning on August 3, potential applicants can review the FY 18 FMA and PDM Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for details such as eligibility, funding guidelines and evaluation criteria. The NOFO for FMA and PDM is available online at www.grants.gov and additional information is available at FEMA.gov.

Flood Mitigation Assistance

The National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 establishes the goal of reducing or eliminating claims under the [National Flood Insurance Program](#) (NFIP) through long-term mitigation actions. For the FMA program, the agency's predetermined

funding priorities include flood mitigation planning and efforts for repetitive as well as severe repetitive loss properties. In this application cycle, \$160 million is available in FMA grant funds. There is a set-aside of \$70 million for community advance assistance and flood mitigation projects. The remainder of the FY18 FMA grants will continue to focus on reducing or eliminating the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings and structures, flood hazard mitigation planning, as well as technical assistance for applicants who were awarded FMA grant program funds totaling at least \$1 million in the FY17 funding cycle.

Pre-Disaster Mitigation

As authorized under the [Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act](#) (Stafford Act), the PDM Program is designed to implement a sustained pre-disaster natural hazard mitigation program with the goal of reducing overall risk to the population and structures from future hazard events. FEMA selects eligible planning and project sub-applications for the PDM program which fulfill statutory requirements and competitive mitigation activities that limit duplication of other HMA grant programs as provided in the agency's predetermined priorities for funding. For FY18, FEMA has set-aside \$15 million of the \$235.2 million in PDM funding for federally recognized tribes.

As required in the Stafford Act, FEMA will provide the remainder of grant funding allocations to states and territories. These funds will be awarded on a competitive basis. FEMA's highest priority for competitive sub-applications is multi-state/tribal mitigation initiatives. In addition, FEMA's funding priorities are intended to avoid duplication of programs by providing pre-disaster funding to areas without post-disaster funding available through the HMGP; and funding mitigation activities that cannot be funded by the FMA grant program.

FEMA is offering a series of informational webinars for interested applicants to provide an overview of the grant programs and details about the agency's funding priorities and review process. Interested applicants can attend any one of the four planned sessions.

- Wednesday, September 12
Time: 2 p.m. Eastern Time (1 pm Central, 12 pm Mountain, 11 am Pacific)
Adobe Connect: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/nof18/>
Phone: 1-800-320-4330 Code: 338559#
- Thursday, September 13
Time: 12 p.m. Eastern Time (11 am Central, 10 am Mountain, 9 am Pacific)
Adobe Connect: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/nof18/>
Phone: 1-800-320-4330 Code: 338559#

Additional webinars are also scheduled about the eGrants program. For a complete list of dates and times, visit <https://www.fema.gov/2018-nof18-webinar-schedule>.

Climate Change/Energy

Tribal Energy Loan Guarantee Program: Apply by September 19

DOE's Loan Programs Office is accepting applications for the Tribal Energy Loan Guarantee Program, which supports economic opportunities to tribes through energy development projects and activities. Under this solicitation, DOE can guarantee up to 90% of the unpaid principal and interest due on any loan made to a federally recognized Indian tribe for energy development. The tribal borrower will be required to invest equity in the project and all project debt will be provided by non-federal lenders.

Eligible entities include Indian tribes, Alaska Native villages, regional or village corporations, other financial institutions or tribes meeting certain criteria established by DOE.

Eligible energy-related projects include fossil energy production and mining, renewable energy, transmission infrastructure, and energy storage projects. DOE is particularly focused on catalyzing the use of commercially available technologies in Indian country.

DOE will evaluate applications in two phases. Following a favorable determination based on this two-phase review, DOE will commence more extensive due diligence and the negotiation of transaction terms. DOE would then proceed to offer a term sheet and conditional commitment for a partial loan guarantee. Upon satisfaction of conditions precedent, DOE would then provide the partial loan guarantee.

[Learn more and apply.](#)

DOI Geological Survey National Climate Adaptation Science Center Program - \$2,700,000

Application Due: September 21, 2018

Eligible Entities: State governments, local governments, tribal entities

The National Climate Adaptation Science Center (NCASC), formerly known as the National Climate Change & Wildlife Science Center Program, is issuing this Announcement to identify organizations that propose to host or, as applicable, serve as consortium partners for a Department of the Interior (DOI) Climate Adaptation Science Center (CASC) in the regions indicated below, and to determine if their proposed science, partnership, and program support activities and strategies are appropriate to serve in these roles.

- Northeast Climate Adaptation Science Center (NE CASC)
- Pacific Islands Climate Adaptation Science Center (PI CASC)
- South Central Climate Adaptation Science Center (SC CASC)

The goal of each CASC is to work with managers of land; water; fish and wildlife; and nearshore, coastal, and cultural heritage resources to identify high priority resource management and decision needs for which information on climate/global change, impacts, and adaptation is needed, and to develop (through co-development where possible) scientific information and tools that can help managers develop strategies, policies, programs, and activities for responding to climate/global change. For more information, visit the funding opportunity [description](#).

Toxics/Mobile Sources

U.S. DOT Opportunity for Tribal Transit Projects

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) announced the opportunity to apply for [\\$5 million in competitive grant funding](#) to support transit for Native American tribes and Alaska Native villagers in rural areas. The funding program supports projects that will provide greater access to jobs, schools, and health care in tribal areas where transit is currently limited or nonexistent. Applicants should indicate how the funding will help improve the quality of life of the tribe through increased ridership, elimination of gaps in service, and increased reliability.

Date Posted: 7/11/2018

Date Closed: 9/10/2018

Opportunity ID:

FTA-2018-001-TPM-TR

Grant Program:

[Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program; Tribal Transit Program](#)

Opportunity Announcement TXT:

[Tribal Transit Program Opportunity Announcement \(text\)](#)

Opportunity Announcement PDF:

[Tribal Transit Program Opportunity Announcement \(PDF\)](#)

EPA Tribal Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program FY18 – \$2 million

Applications Due: September 6, 2018

Eligible Entities: Tribal governments and Alaska Native Villages that have jurisdiction over transportation or air quality

EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality is soliciting proposals nationwide for projects that achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions in terms of tons of pollution produced by diesel engines and diesel emissions exposure, particularly from fleets located in areas designated as having poor air quality. Further, priority for funding will be given to projects that result in outcomes that benefit affected communities, those that engage affected communities with respect to the design and performance of the project, and those which can demonstrate the ability to promote and continue efforts to reduce emissions after the project has ended. For more information, visit the Clean Diesel Tribal Grants [web page](#).

Indoor Air Quality

September 25, 2018, Is the New Extended Deadline for the HUD 2018 Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction NOFA

HUD is asking for your help on an important opportunity to improve children's lives. You may know of city, county or state leadership who should be aware of this opportunity.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes is extending the application period for its 2018 grants to state and local governments to control lead and other housing hazards in privately owned, low-income housing.

The new deadline for receiving applications is now September 25, 2018. First-time grantees can receive up to \$2.3 million for these 3½-year grants; previous grantees, up to \$4.1 million. Please [click here](#) for the funding notice and to apply.

[Click here](#) to register for an August 22, 2018, interactive webinar on this funding opportunity. The webinar will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. EDT. Again, HUD urges you to reach out to city, county or state leadership and encourage them to apply. Learn more about how to apply by contacting Shannon Steinbauer at shannon.e.steinbauer@hud.gov or 202-402-6885 (or by TTY at 800-877-8339). Also, please check out the [program website](#) for frequently asked questions and a link to additional resources about the program.

The Tribal Healthy Homes Network (THHN) has a webpage dedicated to [Funding Opportunities!](#) Additionally, THHN has developed a [Funding Guide for American Indian and Alaska Native Communities](#).

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