

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

General

What's the difference between a funding opportunity and a grant?

TEDC and EMDP are considered funding opportunities because funds will be dispersed through the 638 process.

NABDI is considered a grant because funds will be dispersed using the standardized federal assistance process for grants and cooperative agreements.

When are proposals due?

All applications are due **July 8, 2016** by **9pm EST** at IEEDgrants@bia.gov. Applications received after this time will not be considered for funding.

The announcement says salaries or fringe benefits for tribal employees cannot be paid, but you ask for a list of key personnel. What does this mean?

For all programs, applicant organizations include costs for contracted personnel and consultants that tend perform most if not all the work. Although IEED can provide suggestions for consulting groups or organizations, this should not be interpreted as endorsements of these groups or their work. Applicants should choose contracted personnel and consultants based existing protocols and procedures. IEED will NOT intervene in any disputes with contract awarding.

Specifically for NABDI projects, applications that do not specify specific contracted personnel and consultants will have to complete Justification for Other than Full and Open Competition (JOFOC) document and be approved by the awarding official prior to funds being spent.

What is the minimum and maximum amount for awards?

There is no minimum or maximum limit for projects.

What if my tribe doesn't or cannot provide a tribal resolution by the due date?

TEDC and EMDP applications require a duly enacted Tribal Resolution.

NABDI applications can include a current Tribal Resolution or a Letter of Support from Tribal leadership.

Can a tribe submit more than one application?

Yes, a tribe can submit more than one application however each application should be for a separate project. For multiphase projects, a tribe can apply for phase one in FY '16 and apply for phase two in FY '17, however it is not guaranteed that phase two will be awarded just because phase one was.

What is the average award amount for a project?

In FY '15, the average awarded TEDC project was \$155,760.

In FY '15, the average awarded EMDP project was \$98,797.

In FY '13, the average awarded NABDI project was \$61,556.

When do you expect the start date to be for projects?

Awarded projects are expected to be in one year (12 months). Expected start date for projects will be between August and October 2016.

NABDI Specific

In addition to completing the feasibility analysis for a project, can a "Business Development Plan" also be completed?

No. NABDI Funding for FY '16 is only available for feasibility studies, not business plans.