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The Bureau of Indian Affairs has published eligibility criteria and application procedures for Indian tribes interested in participating in the Tribal Managers Corps program, Commissioner of Indian Affairs William E. Hallett said today.

The Federal Register notice of June 16 also briefly describes the nature of the program, which offers tribes the opportunity to obtain the assistance of professional managers and administrators who will assist them in their management needs and help develop the tribes' capabilities for self-determination According to the notice, initial selections of tribes eligible for the program will be made by September 1 and the first placement of managers will be completed by October 15, 1980.

The eligibility criteria require that the tribe have an updated comprehensive reservation development plan, that the tribal council formally express its desire to participate in the program and that the tribe have a plan to continue the position/ program once the assignment of the tribal manager is completed.

The professional managers to be made available to the tribes for one year assignments will be volunteers from private industry and Federal, State and local government agencies. For further information contact Leroy Fair, Tribal Managers Corps, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 18th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20245, (202/343-3163)