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Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall today announced approval of $1,000,000 in community and urban development projects on 36 Indian reservations and communities in 12 States under the Accelerated Public Works Program.

The projects will provide nearly 1,700 man-months of needed employment for the Indian areas, which are administered by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. They will, in addition, bring long-range benefits to the Indians by promoting the advancement of social and civic standards in their ·communities.

Since inception of the Program, Accelerated Public Works on Indian reservations have amounted to more than $20,000,000 in total funds spent or obligated, and are expected to provide a total of 34,000 man-months of employment when all projects are completed.

Following is a State-by-State description of the newly scheduled projects:

ALASKA

Southeast

The villages of Saxman, Hydaburg, Klawock, Kake and Angoon will have $18,000 with which to complete community buildings under construction with previous APW funds.

The projects will provide an additional 30 man-months of employment Kwethluk An investment of $13,000 will be made to upgrade the Kwethluk community-owned electric plant and distribution system. The work will require 24 man-months.

ARIZONA

Colorado River Indian Reservation

Under a $25,000 program providing 38 man-months of employment, community center facilities will be constructed and ground improvements made at Blue Water Park in Yuma County.

Gila River Indian Reservation

A total of $48,000 is scheduled for construction of community centers at Gila Crossing in Maricopa County and at Cosa Blanca and Santan in Pinal County. The project will provide 84 man-months of employment.

Hopi Indian Reservation

A community center project valued at $35,000 is planned for construction and will result in 60 man-months of employment. The work will take place in Navajo County.

Hualapai Indian Reservation

An estimated 28 man-months of employment will be provided in Mohave County under a $15,000 street improvement project at Peach Springs.

Papago Indian Reservation

Expenditure of $109,000, creating a total of 188 man-months of work, is planned for construction or improvement of community centers in three counties; Pima County ($95,000; 165 man-months of work); Pinal County ($4,000; 8 man-months of employment); and Maricopa County ($10,000; 15 man-months of employment).

IDAHO

Fort Hall Indian Reservation

A $15,000 street and sidewalk improvement project at Fort Hall will result in 28 man-months of employment.

MINNESOTA

Leech Lake Indian Reservation

A community center project valued at $18,000 will benefit the village of Onigum in Cass County and provide 30 man-months of work. Similar projects, representing an investment of $38,000, are scheduled for Ball Club and Inger in Itasca County. These will create 65 man-months of employment.

MISSISSIPPI

Choctaw Indian Reservation

The Mississippi Choctaw community of Pearl River in Neshoba County will benefit by a community center construction project valued at $113,000. The activity will create 177 man-months of work.

MONTANA

Blackfeet Indian Reservation

Improvements to a community center, representing an investment of $17,000, will provide .30 man-months of employment. Work will be done at Heart Butte in Pondera County.

Fort Belknap Indian Reservation

A community center will be constructed at Hays, in Blaine County. Valued at $30,000, it will provide 50 man-months of employment.

Flathead Indian Reservation

A $25,000 community center improvement project scheduled at Elmo in Lake County will create 45 man-months of employment.

Fort Peck Indian Reservation

Two community center improvement projects totaling $20,000 will result in .30 man-months of work. The projects will benefit Frazer, in Valley County, and Poplar, in Roosevelt County.

Rocky Boys Indian Reservation

In Hill County, a community center project valued at $25,000 will create 45 man-months of work.

NEBRASKA

Winnebago Indian Reservation

Two Thurston County towns will benefit from an investment totaling $20,000 and providing 30 man-months of employment. Winnebago is scheduled for a $10,000 community center improvement project, and Macy will receive street improvements valued at $10,000.

NEVADA

Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation

Community center improvements at Pyramid Lake in Washoe County will represent an investment of $10,000 and provide 16 man-months of employment.

NEW MEXICO

Acoma Indian Reservation

A $15,000 community park will be constructed in the vicinity of Acomita, Valencia County. The project will provide 24 man-months of work.

Isleta Indian Reservation

Street improvements valued at $20,000 will benefit the Isleta Pueblo in Bernalillo County; 35 man-months of work will be created.

Jemez Indian Reservation

Ghost Springs in Sandoval County will be the site of a park and playground project totaling $15,000. The project will require 24 man-months.

Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation

In Rio Arriba County, construction of a $20,000 community building will create 35 man-months of work.

Laguna Indian Reservation

Construction of a $50,000 community park and playground at Eucinal Canyon in Valencia County will require 90 man-months of work.

Picuris

This Indian community in Taos County will have a park and playground project valued at $10,000, It will create 15 man-months of employment.

Ramah

A community park and playground activity is scheduled for this Navajo village in McKinley County. The project, valued at $10,000, will create 15 man-months of employment.

Santo Domingo

The Pueblo of Santo Domingo in Sandoval County will receive the benefits of a $10,000 street improvement project requiring 15 man-months of work.

San Juan

Domestic water improvements valued at $15,000 will result in 24 man-months of employment at this Pueblo. Work will be done in Rio Arriba County.

Taos

Needed improvements to the water system of this Taos County Pueblo will be made possible by funds totaling $20,000. The project will provide 35 man-months of employment.

Santa Clara Indian Reservation

An investment of $15,000 will be made to provide a community park and playground at Santa Clara canyon in Rio Arriba County. The activity will create 24 man-months of work.

NORTH DAKOTA

Fort Berthold Indian Reservation

Community center projects valued at $15,000 and $30,000 each are scheduled for Twin Buttes in Dunn County and White Shield in McLean County. The projects will provide 24 and 48 man-months of employment respectively.

Fort Totten Indian Reservation

In Benson County, a community center and park valued at $50,000 will be constructed. About 76 man-months of employment will result.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Rosebud Indian Reservation

Valued at $24,000, a sewer facility project in Todd County will provide 44 man-months of work.

Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

Kyle, Manderson and Wounded Knee in Shannon County are scheduled for a

$50,000 water and utility project that will create 90 man-months of employment.

Sisseton Indian Reservation

A $15,000 community center to be built at Old Agency will provide 24 man-months of work.

WISCONSIN

Red Cliff Indian Reservation

Improvements will be made to a community center at the Indian community near Bayfield, in Bayfield County, by an investment of $7,000. The project will provide 12 man-months of work.

Danbury

A $10,000 community center will be built near Danbury in Burnett County. The Work will require 15 man-months.

Lac Courte Oreilles Indian Reservation

Community center improvements valued at $5,000 will be made on this reservation in Sawyer County, providing 8 man-months of employment.