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Commissioner of Indian Affairs Morris Thompson announced today that proposed regulations governing the administration and use of more million for education or socio-economic programs benefitting the Osage Indian Tribe of Oklahoma have been published in the Federal Register.

The funds are part of a \$13,250,000 award made to the tribe by the Indian Claims Commission for lands ceded by the tribe under treaties made more than 150 years ago. The balance of the award was distributed, as directed by Congress, on a per capita basis to tribal members.

According to the proposed regulations, only the interest or income from the fund will be expended and only descendants of persons listed on a 1908 tribal roll are eligible for assistance from the fund.

Written comments, suggestions or objections concerning the proposed may be submitted to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs within 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.
