



Division of Energy & Mineral Development

Construction Aggregate Development Is Vital For A Robust Tribal Economy

Tribes are constantly building: roads, casinos, houses, hospitals, schools, municipal buildings, ball fields, gas stations. Every single construction project, on every single Reservation, requires construction aggregate. Aggregates make up the largest component of nonfuel mined materials consumed in the United States. The only resource more often utilized is water.

Construction aggregate development is vital for a robust local economy, and can and should serve as the cornerstone for all Tribal economic development:

- 1) Aggregate is required in all construction projects
- 2) Aggregate development provides good-paying Tribal jobs and income and cost-savings to the tribal administration
- 3) Developing aggregate resources retains money in the local economy, helping to general a robust, diversified local economy

Local aggregate production meets many Tribes' desire to strengthen their sovereignty, to utilize local materials for the benefit of their own people, and to strengthen their local economies.

The Division of Energy and Mineral Development is the only government agency with the unique ability and mandate to assist Tribes in 1) locating and evaluating construction aggregate resources, 2) identifying and assisting with required permitting requirements, and 3) drafting portions of technical requirements (such as mine and reclamation plans) for aggregate development, and 4) locating potential business partners (as needed).



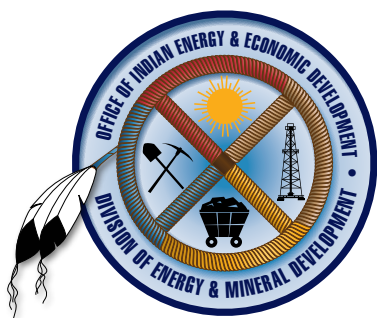
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About us:

The Division of Energy and Mineral Development provides the best technical and economic advice and services to assist Indian mineral owners in gaining economic self-sufficiency by creating sustainable economies through the environmentally sound development of their energy and mineral resources. Indian reservations – largely unexplored lands – hold vast natural resources, and our staff members are uniquely poised to offer services no other agency can provide.

Currently we offer technical advice in assisting tribes to explore and develop nearly 2 million acres of energy and mineral resources. An additional 15 million acres of undeveloped lands could hold the potential for further energy and mineral exploration.

The Division is committed to identify tribal needs and how they best fit with their long-term desires. Once identified, the Division helps tribes build their resources by finding the best companies to fit with tribal goals. The Division also helps Indians diversify and re-invest their money with other profitable enterprises that can create employment for their people.

We are uniquely poised to offer energy and mineral solutions that no other government agency can provide - on the reservation, where it counts.

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