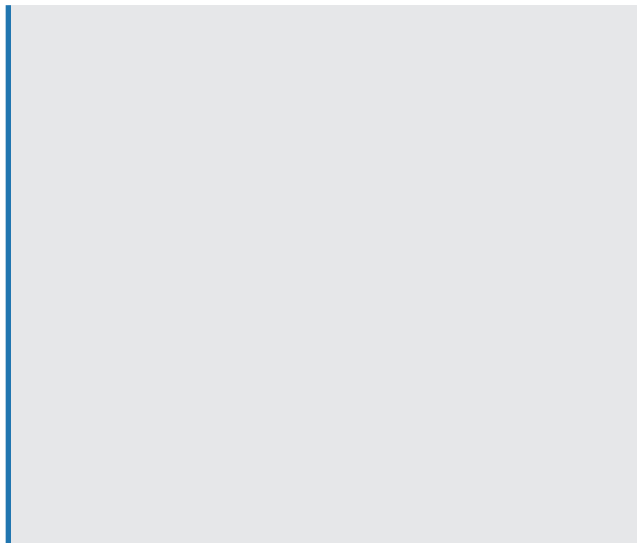


DIVISION OF ENERGY & MINERAL DEVELOPMENT

Tribal Energy Development Capacity (TEDC) Grant



This program provides financial assistance for tribes to:

1. Establish business entity structures and/or organizational structures related to energy resource development; and/or
2. Develop or enhance key regulatory activities

Activities eligible for TEDC grant funding:

1. Eligible business entity formation activities
 - + Developing legal infrastructure for business formation
 - + Establishing tribally chartered corporations under tribal corporation codes with an energy resource development focus
 - + Establishing tribal business charters under federal law (IRA Section 17 corporation)
 - + Establishing tribal utility authorities (TUAs)
2. Eligible regulatory activities:
 - + Developing or enhancing tribal policies, codes, regulations, or ordinances related to regulating and developing energy resource(s), including land lease regulations enacted pursuant to the Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal Homeownership (HEARTH) Act for energy development purposes or for business purposes attendant to an energy project
 - + Adopting secured transaction codes and subsequent joint power agreement with the tribe's respective state

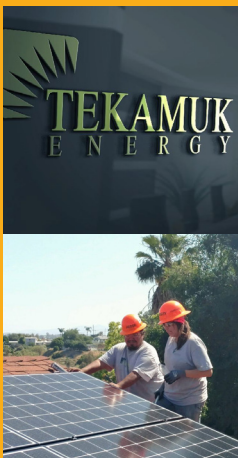
SUCCESS STORY

Mesa Grande Solar Company

“Tekamuk Energy is a tribal company that was formed and has been operating as a direct result of the TEDC granting opportunity. This now employs several tribal members who have completed a rigorous training course and national certification into solar installation on both commercial and residential installation. The company has a complete policy and procedure completion as well as updates to the tribal policies and procedures for personnel. It is operating today as a direct result of this TEDC program.

Overall the TEDC program has been a tremendous success for the Mesa Grande Band and has directly benefited the tribal citizens in both overall governance reform and improvement, business opportunity improvement, generation and continued job placement, tribal success in business relations with surrounding communities, planning and anticipation for future growth, and stabilization of political and economic cultures. It is without hesitation and great respect that the Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians endorses the TEDC grant program and its mission to better Native communities throughout the Nation.”

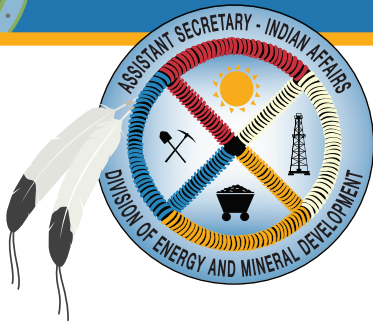
-Curtis V. La Chusa- Vice Chairman Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians



For more information, visit the TEDC webpage: bia.gov/tedcp



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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.

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

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.

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