FUND DISTRIBUTION PROCESS

Program: Conservation Law Enforcement Officers (CLEO) - Criminal Investigation Police Services (A0J30 – distributed by Trust Natural Resources)

Type of Funding: Recurring Non Base – Proposal/Criteria Based (5 year agreements)

Funding Authority/Responsibility: 25 U.S.C. 13 (The Snyder Act of November 2, 1921), 42 Stat. 208, Pub.L. 67-85; 90 Stat. 2233, Pub.L. 94-48 25 U.S.C. 450 (The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act), 88 Stat. 2203, Pub.L. 93-638, Pub.L. 100-472; 102 Stat. 2285, Pub.L. 103-413.2; 18 U.S.C. 3055 (Act of June 25, 1948), 62 Stat. 817, Pub.L. 80-722; Pub.L.103-322. 25 U.S.C. 2801 et seq. (Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act), 104 Stat. 473, Pub.L. 101-379, as amended; 124 Stat. 2262, Pub.L. 111-211 (Tribal Law and Order Act). 5 U.S.C. 5305 (Federal Law Enforcement Pay Reform), 104 Stat. 1465, Pub.L. 101-509, Title IV; Pub.L. 103-322.

The Deputy Bureau Director, Office of Justice Services has authority over this funding, but transfers the responsibility of this funding to the Deputy Bureau Director, Office of Trust Services for distribution.

The Branch of Fish Wildlife and Parks is responsible for coordinating all calculations and distribution to the regions and OSG.

Criteria for Distribution:

This funding is non-recurring; however, future funding would be prioritized to continue funding selected projects for a period of at least five years from the start date, or less than five years if the applicant falls out of compliance or no longer desires to participate.

To receive consideration for funding under this program, the applying entity must have an existing tribal contract or self-governance compact with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). Additionally, four eligibility criteria must be met.

- 1. Must have the responsibility for management of fish and wildlife resources. This responsibility would be demonstrated through exercise of established Treaty rights, or lands held in Trust for a particular Tribe, or group of tribes.
- 2. Must have a set of established Tribal Fish and Wildlife Codes that are enforceable through an established court system. Please describe how you meet this criterion.
- 3. The CLEO positions supported under this program must commit to obtaining Federal Law Enforcement Training Certification, or recognized equivalent within one year of the position being filled. Funds acquired through this program can be utilized to assist in this training. The BIA provides successful applicants with base funding per year per position.
- 4. Must have an established Law Enforcement Handbook, or adoption of the BIA, Law Enforcement Handbook, covering required training and general conduct of CLEOs funded under this announcement.

A selection committee comprised of Regional Biologists assesses projects aligned by criteria and identifies awards. Received on Feb 15th along with all other competitive programs and distribution process begins. All funds to be processed out by end of March.

Distribution Process:

Upon apportionment, Office of Budget and Performance Management (OBPM) moves funding

- directly to the Office of Trust Services. (within 5 days)
- Award amounts are conveyed to Central OTS DNR FWR for submission to OTS Program
 Management (PM) Office for generation into FBMS Entry Document (FED) 26 IAM 3. (within 3
 days)
- PM creates the FED and obtains authorizing signatures and submits the Regional FED to OBPM for processing and the Office of Self Governance (OSG) FED to OSG for approval. (within 3 days)
- OBPM processes the FED to move funding to the appropriate BIA Region. (within 3 days)
- OSG approves the FED and forwards to OBPM for processing. (within 3 days)
- OBPM processes funds to OSG. (within 3 days)

Regional Processing:

- Indian Self Determination (ISD) Awarding Official negotiates terms, conditions of award, including payments. They calculate Contract Support Costs and prepare contract award/modifications in PRISM. (within 5 days)
- The ISD Awarding Official prints and mails the award/modification to tribe for review and acceptance. (within 5 days)
- Tribal elected official approves award/modification and returns the documentation to the Region/Agency.
- The ISD Awarding Official executes the award/modification and releases the obligation in PRISM. PRISM interfaces with ASAP and funds are available to tribes. (within 3 days of receipt of signed document)

OSG Processing:

- Once both OSG and OBPM are in agreement with the distribution list, a FED document is processed to OSG for distribution. (within 3 business days.)
- OSG will process the FED, subsequent PR, and obligate funding. (within 7 business days.)

Tribes log into ASAP to draw funds into their account.