

## **FUND DISTRIBUTION PROCESS**

**Program:** Land Records Improvement (LRI) Central Program

**Type of Funding:** Recurring (Non Base)

**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. 94-482; 25 U.S.C. 5108 et seq. (The Indian Reorganization Act of 1934), 48 Stat. 984, Pub.L. 73-383; Pub.L. 103-263; 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.

The Deputy Bureau Director, Office of Trust Services has responsibility for this funding.

### **Criteria for Distribution:**

The Trust Asset and Accounting Management System (TAAMS) is the system of record for title and Indian trust land resource management within the DOI and the BIA. TAAMS functionalities include title, leasing, Indian Land Consolidation Act (ILCA), imaging, invoicing and distribution, interface to the Trust Fund Accounting System (TFAS), oil and gas royalty distribution, and Land Buy Back.

The Land Records Improvement (LRI) central fund program supports the operation and maintenance of the TAAMS. TAAMS stores up-to-date land ownership data online (including simultaneous display of title/legal interests and beneficial/equitable interests. Title and GIS oversight in concert with the administration of TAAMS ensures accountability and accurate energy and other lease generated payouts through TAAMS for the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians and information necessary for the DOI Office of Valuation and Appraisal Services Division of Mineral Evaluations, the Land Buy Back Program for Tribal Nations, and to support management of energy resources. The LRI program provides overall program policy, management, coordination, and guidance concerning land title and ownership certifications, title document recording and management, land title mapping for the regional LTROs, and a platform for the accurate and timely development and issuance of both surface and mineral conveyance documents and land use contracts. The program supports the land title needs and requirements for all tribal and restricted lands, and supports the delivery of title products and services to tribal and individual owners as required for real estate and other trust program transactions. The TAAMS provides mission critical land ownership information to process trust land-resource management conveyances and encumbrances, and to allocate trust income to the owners of trust and restricted lands and resources throughout all of Indian country.

### **Distribution Process:**

Indian Affairs OBPM transmits funding to the Office of Trust Services. (within 5 days of apportionment)