

## **FUND DISTRIBUTION PROCESS**

**Program:** Forestry Projects - Students

**Type of Funding:** Non Recurring (one-time) – Based on number of approved interns in the Pathways Program.

**Funding Authority/Responsibility:**

The Deputy Bureau Director, Office of Trust Services is responsible for this funding, as authorized under the National Indian Forest Resources Management Act, P.L. 101-630. Forestry Projects - Students (A0N3E7070) funds are retained at Central Office and used in support of the Forestry Intern program managed by BIA Pathways in accordance with 25 CFR Part 163 subpart C.

**Criteria for Distribution:** Forestry Interns are funded at \$7,500 per year.

Student positions are posted on USA Jobs in the Spring for Fall Semester and students apply for the positions.

Current fiscal year:

- August - September: A portion of the projects funding, based on the previous year's costs, is retained at central office and is transferred to the Pathways program to cover the anticipated cost of the forestry interns.
- Salish Kootenai manages the intern program through 638 contract

**Distribution Process:**

Upon apportionment, OBPM moves Forestry Projects funding as a whole from the budget address directly to the Office of Trust Services. (within 5 days)

The Division of Forestry and Wildland Fire Management (DFWFM) determines the amount allocated to this sub-activity based on the number of students funded in the Pathways Program. (30 days to determine allocations)

Once the allocation is determined, the Salish Kootenai contract is modified with annual funding. (within 10 days)