



**FY 2014 Budget Formulation
Rocky Mountain Region Presentation
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Budget Priority Crosswalk

TRIBAL PRIORITY ALLOCATION “T P A”

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Natural Resources

- Natural Resources
- Water Resources
- Forestry
- Agriculture & Range

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Tribal Government

- Aid to Tribal Gov't
- Road Maintenance
- Indian Self Determination Fund

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Human Services

- HIP
- Social Services
- Welfare Assistance

We cannot prioritize the need disparities of our people. Our people are impacted by the lack of funding in Natural Resources, Tribal Government, and Human Services, etc. Increase TPA funding will help cover most of all these need disparities.

NATURAL RESOURCES

- **Natural Resources-Tribal governments can manage their own resources to provide opportunities to tribal members for oil and gas production and tribal natural resource operations**
- **Water Resources – Increase to assist in maintaining water quality, operation and maintenance of various water systems on the reservations**



NATURAL RESOURCES

- Agriculture and Range-Improve grazing permit compliance and lease compliance and adequately control invasive species



NATURAL RESOURCES

- Forestry - Enhance and protect forest health on our reservations



TRIBAL GOVERNMENT

- Aid to Tribal Gov't: Increase staff, upgrade office computer equipment & software, enhance & strengthen Tribal governments & programs to improve the quality of our communities



Bring Tribal development to Tribes to support programs, prepare and assist Tribal members





TRIBAL GOVERNMENT

Road Maintenance-Our tribes are dealing with road overuse of heavy equipment – even with active permits, enforcing is an issue. We also deal with natural disasters all which become public safety issues.



HUMAN SERVICES

- **Housing Improvement Program (HIP)-** Improve safe quality homes to make them livable. There are many applications that go unfilled each year due to inadequate funding. Tribes also need qualified inspectors. Building of new homes on our reservations would also create jobs.



HUMAN SERVICES

- **Social Services**-Assist in continuation to provide services to abuse victims. To conduct training and awareness to community and schools and be able to improve communication and coordination of cases between tribal state and federal agencies. Higher rates of crime due to people moving in and through the communities.



HUMAN SERVICES

- **Welfare Assistance**-Lack of economic development increases poverty where there is a decline in self-sufficient tribal members and emotional lost children. Need to increase self-sufficiency and increase child protection in our communities without the fear of running out funding.



Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) Representation

- Rocky Mountain Region Tribes take a stand that only Elected Tribal Leaders will represent Tribes on FACA committees.
- Non Elected Tribal Leaders such as technical assistance do not and cannot represent Tribes.



Other RMR Priority Issues

- OST Budget – Where is it? And will it be Sunset? When?
- Tribal Budget Training Bi-Annual per Region
- Budget Reform - *Needs* based budget rather than a *Priority* based budget
- Computer access to availability of funding for all DOI programs for tribal use

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**In the Rocky Mountain Region
Everything are PRIORITIES!!!!**



OR Else you become Confused!!!