



**BIA Budget Formulation 2019**

# **Tribes Served by the BIA Western Region**

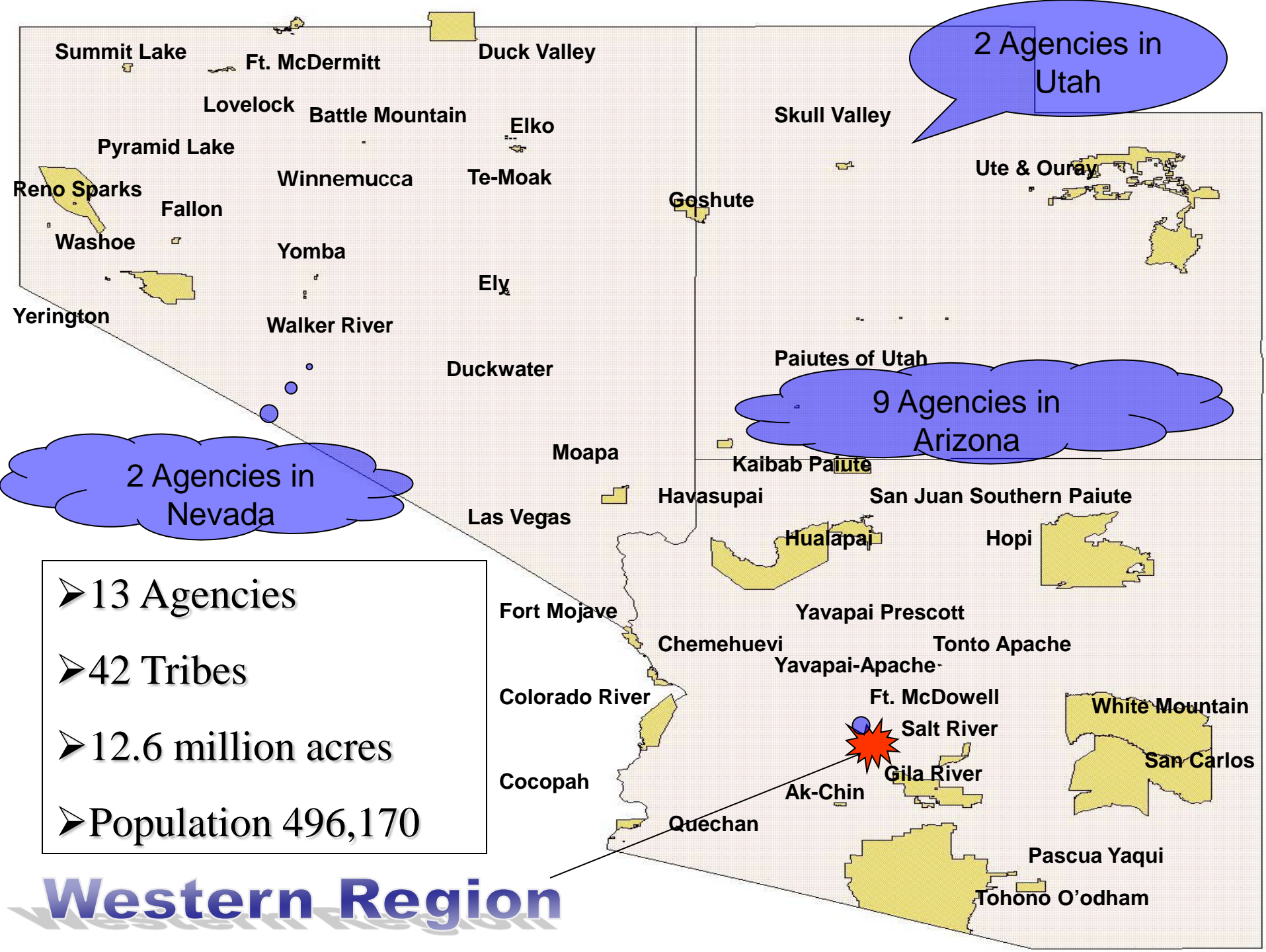
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**There is a need for an  
across the board budget  
increase for all line  
items.**





**Tribes served by  
the BIA Western  
Region oppose  
any funding  
decreases in the  
BIA budget.**





# Methodology

To determine the top 10 priorities for the region, the Budget Formulation team factored in a weighted ranking of the preferred programs and unobligated amount requests.



All budget requests were incorporated into the budget formulation proportionately to an 8% funding increase.

# Top Ten Budget Requests

<b>1</b>	<b>Road Maintenance (TPA)</b>	<b>\$1,830,000</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Criminal Investigations and Police Services</b>	<b>\$1,801,000</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Tribal Courts (TPA)</b>	<b>\$1,758,000</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Detention/Corrections</b>	<b>\$853,000</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Social Services (TPA)</b>	<b>\$382,000</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Housing Program (TPA)</b>	<b>\$296,000</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Scholarships and Adult Education (TPA)</b>	<b>\$206,000</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Aid to Tribal Government (TPA)</b>	<b>\$122,000</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Forestry Program (TPA)</b>	<b>\$126,000</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Johnson O'Malley Assistants Grants (TPA)</b>	<b>\$106,000</b>

# Road Maintenance

For the Western Region:

- 356.2 miles out of a total of 6,297.9, 5.6%, miles of BIA roads are in acceptable condition.
- 95% of roads are in unacceptable condition.
- 127 Bridges out of 212, 59%, are in acceptable condition

Bad roads are especially a concern since many of the Tribes are located in remote locations and are rural in nature.



## Funding Request - \$1,830,000

- Tribes don't receive enough Roads Maintenance funding to complete any one Road Maintenance project
- Funding is often supplanted by Tribal funds or through FHWA
- Increased funding can support staff and equipment



# Criminal Investigations and Police Services

- Not enough funding to hire police officers
- Response time is not effective
- Out-dated equipment and IT infrastructure

## Funding Request - \$1,801,000

- Hire police officers
  - Provide active patrolling 24 hours a day – 7 times as week
  - Greater community presence
- Accountability will be enhanced with this increase in funding for investigative reports with case management.





# Tribal Courts

- Equipment is failing and outdated
- Need for new staffing to address backlog
  - Training is needed for staff
- Increased costs due to the enactment of the Tribal Law and Order Act
- Need to support Wellness Courts

# Funding Request

**\$1,758,000**



# Detention/Corrections

- In the Western Region, there are two BIA facilities and one holding facility and 8 tribally-run facilities. Of the 8 tribally-run facilities, six include juvenile facilities.
- Tribes served by the BIA Western Region support initiatives that address "alternatives to incarceration" strategies that seek to address underlying causes of repeat offenses.

## Funding Request - \$853,000

- Increase funding would be used to support staffing, and update obsolete equipment and computer software.



# Social Services

Native families are exposed to domestic violence and child endangerment situations at a higher rate than in non-native communities due to the interrelated problems of poverty, violence, and substance & child abuse faced by native communities.



## Funding Request \$382,000

- Need for more staff
  - Case management
  - Salaries do not meet national standards
- Training is needed for foster parents to increase foster youth placements
- Training is needed to train families on life skills and prevention programs
- Services for alcohol and substance abuse awareness and education
- Vehicles are needed for transport to and from services
- Increase in funding would result in
  - less child removals
  - elders remaining healthy and safe
  - Reduction in recidivism



# Thank you

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