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The Indian Trust Asset Reform Act (ITARA), Title II – Indian Trust Asset Management Demonstration Project



- Title II of ITARA authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to establish and carry out a Demonstration Project.
 - Tribal consultation is a critical step in ensuring the Tribes have the opportunity to provide input and work collaboratively with the Department to develop necessary guidelines for the Demonstration Project, including refining:
 - Participation criteria; and
 - Necessary elements of the Indian Trust Asset Management Plan (ITAMP).
 - Following Tribal consultation, Interior will incorporate Tribal input and establish the Demonstration Project, and provide written notice to the Tribes.

Once the Demonstration Project has been established under Title II – What Next?



- Step 1:
 - Interested Tribes may submit an application to participate in the project pursuant to the requirements of Section 203(c)(2).
- Step 2:
 - The Secretary will send written notice to the Tribes that their applications have been received, and that the applications are being evaluated for eligibility.
- Step 3:
 - After the applications have been evaluated, the Secretary will send written notice to the Tribes to inform them of approval or disapproval of their application.

Title II, Next Steps (cont.)



- Step 4:
 - Tribes approved to participate in the Demonstration Project may submit to the Secretary an Indian Trust Asset Management Plan (ITAMP), pursuant to Section 204.
- Step 5:
 - Once a proposed ITAMP has been submitted and received, the Secretary will make a determination to approve or disapprove within 120 days. In accordance with section 204(c), an ITAMP, and any activity carried out under the ITAMP, shall not be approved unless the ITAMP is consistent with any treaties, statutes, and executive orders that are applicable to the trust assets, or the management of the trust assets, identified in the plan.

What is Needed to be Eligible to Participate in the Demonstration Project?



Tribes must fully assume all of the forest land management and/or Surface Leasing program functions covered under the proposed ITAMP.

Tribes must demonstrate the resource capacity to support and execute the programs and activities covered under the proposed ITAMP.

Tribes must possess the financial ability to support and execute the programs and activities covered under the ITAMP.

Tribes must currently have trust status forest land and/or other trust status lands available for surface leasing activities.

Tribal programs covered under the ITAMP must currently be in full compliance with Bureau standards.

Questions, Comments, Input.



Eligibility

The ITAMP Template

Process

Other

Written input due to consultation@bia.gov by March 15, 2018.