BUREAU OF

TRUST FUNDS ADMINISTRATION

TIBC Briefing

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Bureau Snapshot - August 2026

BTFA manages financial assets held in trust by the Department of Interior for federally recognized Tribes, and individual Indian and Alaska Native beneficiaries

- Manages almost $9 billion daily
- Disburses about $1 billion annually
- Supports 389,000 unique beneficiary and nearly 4,400 Tribal accounts
  - Across 50 States, 3 U.S. Territories 27 Countries
  - 47,000 Whereabouts Unknown

Tribal Trust funds are the result of claims and judgment awards, investment income, or revenues from 56 million acres of trust lands and 59 million acres of subsurface mineral estates

- Revenues derive from subsurface mineral extractions (e.g., coal, oil, gas, and uranium), timber, grazing, and other surface leases

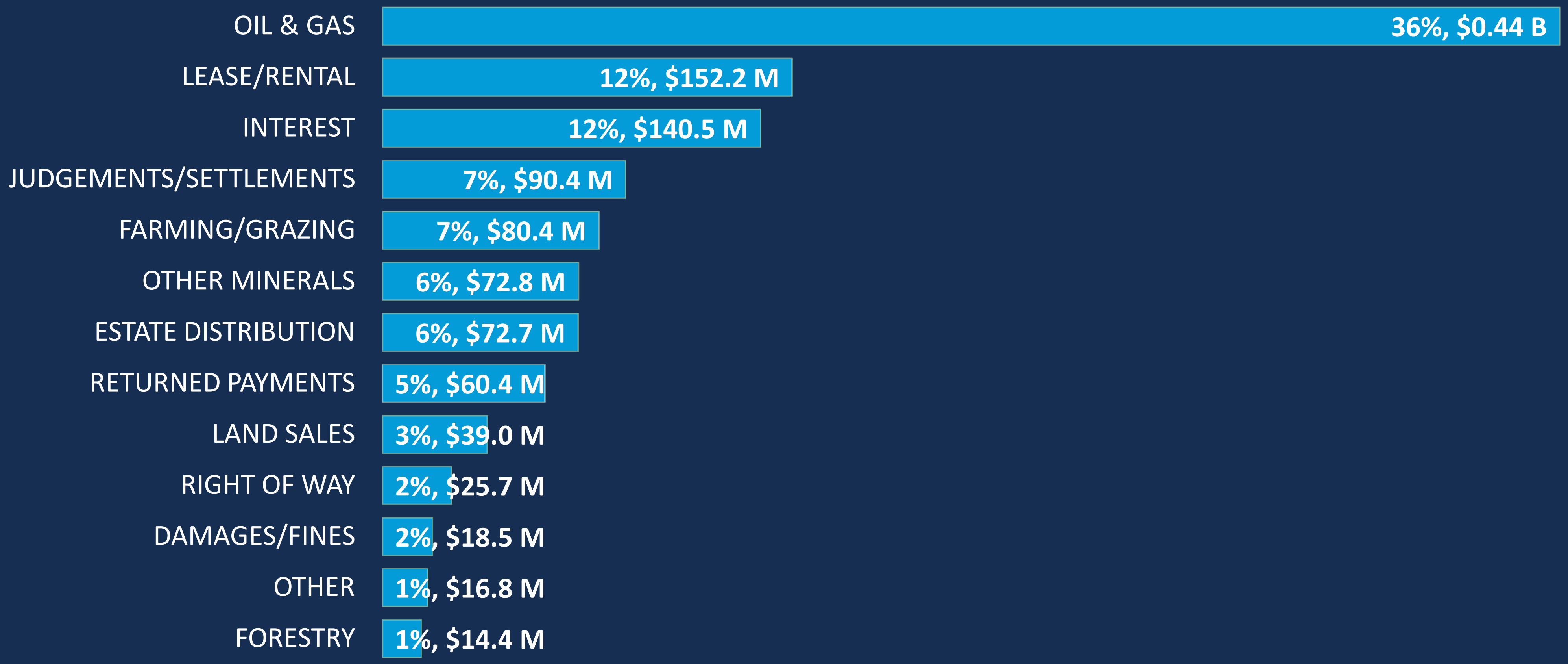
Core Mission

- **Accounting** - provides leadership, guidance, and oversight to ensure proper management of trust funds on behalf of beneficiaries by providing timely and accurate financial account information, timely recording of oil and gas royalties in the trust accounting system, and accurate processing of financial information in trust beneficiary accounts
- **Field Operations** - serves as primary point of contact for all trust beneficiaries trust asset information, and liaison to other Federal agencies on questions or inquiries Tribes and individual beneficiaries may have about their trust assets managed by the Secretary
- **Trust Records** – stores, archives and digitizes trust and historical records, with approximately 321,301 boxes at the AIRR, and approximately 400,000 boxes in the field, recent management change will improve services and performance
- **Trust Audit & Compliance** – performs Tribal Trust Evaluations for self-governance compact Tribes and Trust Records Assessments within Indian Affairs, evaluating for deficiencies, identifying findings, and monitoring corrective actions.

Accounting Operations

IIM and Tribal Receipts - $1.22B

January – July 31, 2026



Accounting Operations

IIM and Tribal Disbursements - $812M

January – July 31, 2026

Type	$ Disbursements		# Disbursements	
CHECK	$55 M	7%	108,264	30%
ACH	$467 M	57%	248,581	70%
WIRE	$290 M	36%	149	0.04%
Total	**$812 M**	**100%**	**356,994**	**100%**

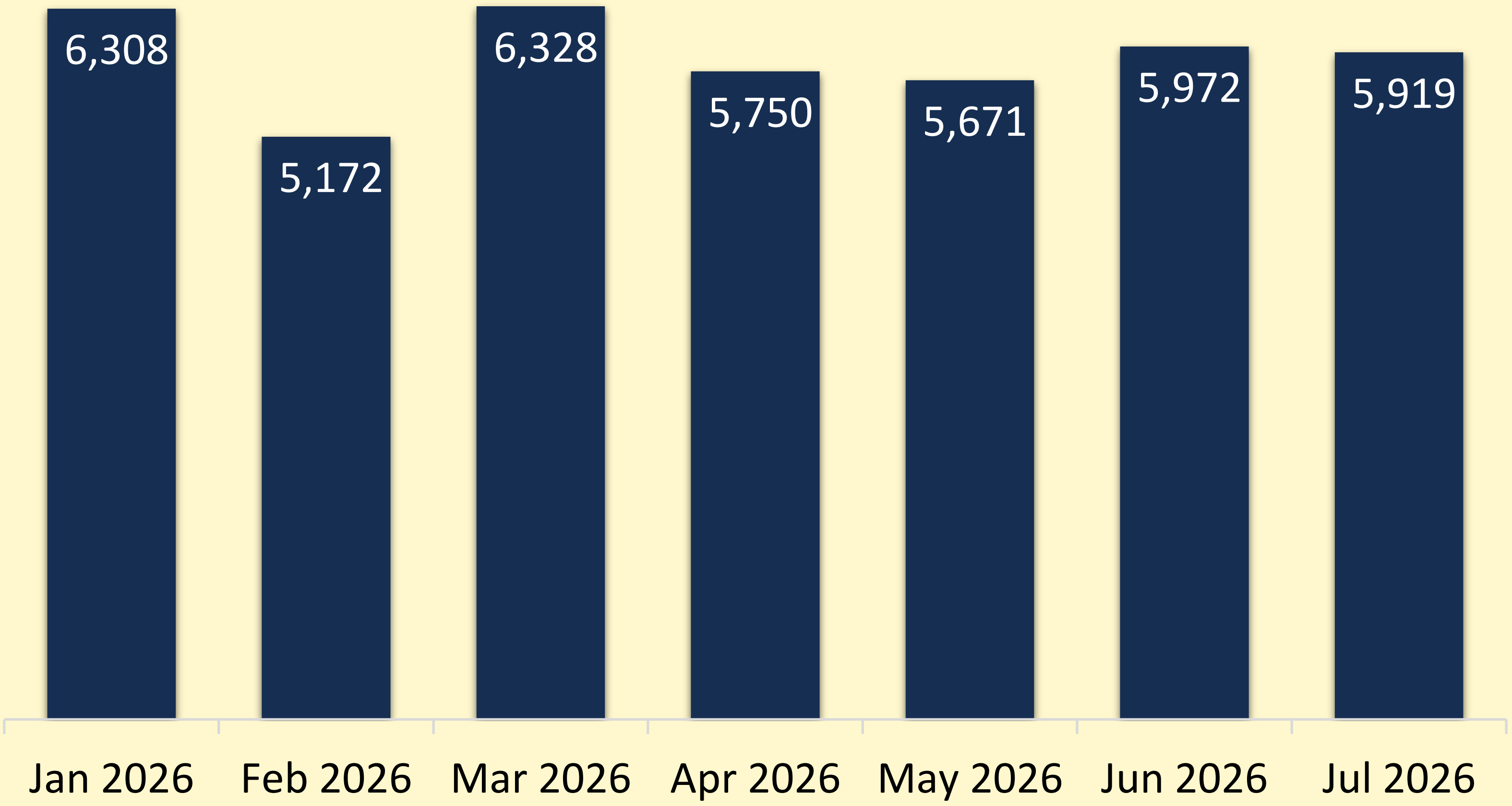
Beneficiary Experience

5,900

CALLS PER MONTH

Trust Beneficiary Call Center
January - July 31, 2026

■ 41,120 Calls Handled



High Impact Service Provider

BTFA is designated as a High Impact Service Provider (HISP) focusing on the core beneficiary service

- **Managing Individual Indian Monies (IIM) accounts**: An IIM account is an interest-bearing account that BTFA establishes and manages on behalf of an individual with monetary assets generated from assets that the Federal Government holds in trust

As a High Impact Service Provider, BTFA designates key services, gathers ongoing customer feedback, and reports that information to OMB each quarter to drive service improvements

BTFA also conducts an annual customer experience assessment, develops an annual action plan to strengthen capacity and enhance beneficiary services, and continually incorporates customer-focused practices into how services are designed and delivered

EO 14247: Modernizing Payments to and from America's Bank Account

Under Executive Order 14249, federal payments must transition to fully electronic methods to improve efficiency, security, and reduce costs. The goal is to eliminate paper-based federal payments, such as checks and money orders, and replace with secure electronic payment methods.

- However, there may be circumstances in which paper payments are still relevant to our beneficiaries.

BTFA payment optimization will leverage U.S. Treasury's Digital Pay Tool Box, which will:

- Reduces administrative and financial burden of paper checks,
- Expands digital options (virtual cards, direct-to-debit, mobile wallets),
- Improves access for unbanked beneficiaries through cash-app capabilities,
- Enables faster, more reliable payments,
- Lowers fees that currently discourage debit card use.

EO 14249: Protecting America's Bank Accounts from Fraud, Waste, and Abuse

Under Executive Order 14249, the Treasury’s Bureau of the Fiscal Service (BFS) requires large groups of payments processed through their payment system to include a valid Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), such as a valid Social Security Number (SSN).

- Effective September 30, 2026, all payments missing TIN/SNN will not be disbursed and will be returned to the originating agency via existing cancellation processes.
- BTFA has requesting a two-year extension to collect TIN data, coordinate with Federal partners on the data collection process, and continue internal proactive efforts to strengthen and streamline TIN data management.
- There will be clear and regular communications to out beneficiaries on this activity, with an official launch in late Fall 2026.

Energy Dominance

This administration priority aims to accelerate Tribal energy development through stronger governance and streamlined processes.

As part of the Indian Energy Service Center, Executive Management Group, BTFA helps shape governance, planning, and accountability supporting Tribal energy projects.

BTFA also:

- ensures financial integrity and trust compliance for activities tied to energy development, contributing to transparent oversight and beneficiary protection,
- collaborates support of Tribes by aligning financial processes with new energy priorities, facilitating timely approvals and reducing bottlenecks,
- increase focus on trust record digitization, storage, and secure access.

Budget Overview

To support the execution of Federal Trust Responsibilities to Native American Tribes, individuals Indians, and Alaska Natives, the FY 2027 budget request includes:

- $90.1 million in current funding
- 335 Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)
- Based on an evaluation of program needs and priorities, aligned with the Administration’s objectives and focused on efficiency and cost reduction.

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BTFA Budget Overview

Summary of Requirements

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Appropriation: Federal Trust Programs

(Dollars in Thousands)

	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
Treasury Account/Activity	**Budget Authority**	***FTE***	**Budget Authority**	***FTE***	**Fixed Costs** (+/-)	**Internal Transfers** (+/-)	**Program Changes** **($)**	***FTE Changes (+/-)***	**Budget Authority**	***FTE***	**Change from 2026 Enacted**
Federal Trust Programs											
Executive Direction	1,802	*5*	1,459	*5*	-	-	+166	-	1,625	*5*	+166
Trust and Program Operations	98,207	*394*	98,550	*394*	+101	-	-10,186	*-67*	88,465	*327*	-10,085
Total, Federal Trust Programs	**100,009**	***399***	**100,009**	***399***	**+101**	-	**-10,020**	***-67***	**90,090**	***332***	**-9,919**

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