



Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act **Bipartisan Support for Tribes and Native Communities**

The bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act delivers targeted federal resources for critical infrastructure deployment and support in Native communities. It gives Tribes and Native-serving organizations access to more than \$11 billion to support transportation projects, energy development, broadband deployment, climate resiliency, natural resource management, environmental remediation, and water and sanitation facilities construction. Major highlights include:

Indian Water Rights Settlements. Provides the Reclamation Water Settlement Fund with **\$2.5 billion** to complete existing water settlement authorizations.

Tribal Transportation Program. Authorizes **over \$3 billion** for the Tribal Transportation Program over five years with an additional \$925 million for the **Tribal Transportation Facility Bridges program** (23 U.S.C. § 202(d)) over five years as supplemental appropriations

NTIA Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program Amendments. Authorizes **\$2 billion** for the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program and extends the deadlines for use of funds, removes the requirement that funds can only be used during the COVID-19 pandemic, and allows for new and subsequent funding rounds for additional appropriations.

Indian Health Service Sanitation Facilities Construction Program. Provides **\$3.5 billion** over five years for improvements and construction of IHS sanitation facilities.

Funding Topline: By the Numbers

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES

- **\$2 billion for Rural Utilities Service - Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program**
 - \$74 million for the cost of broadband loans authorized under the **Rural Electrification Act**.
 - \$1.926 billion for the **ReConnect Program**.
 - Matching funds waived by the Secretary for pilot program projects for Alaska Native corporations, federally-recognized Tribes on substantially underserved Trust areas.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES

- \$2 billion for the **Tribal Broadband Connectivity Fund**.
- \$2.75 billion for **Digital Capacity Grant Programs**
 - State Digital Equity Capacity Grant program (\$1.44 billion)
 - No less than 5% (\$72 million over 5 years) to be awarded for grants to or enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with Tribes, Alaska Native entities, and Native Hawaiian organizations.
 - Digital Equity Competitive Grant Program (\$1.25 billion)
 - 5% (\$62.5 million over 5 years) to award grants to or enter into cooperative agreements with Tribes, Alaska Native entities, or Native Hawaiian organizations.
- \$1 billion for **Middle Mile Deployment**
 - Tribes, Alaska Native Corporations, Native Hawaiian organizations, the Department of Hawaiian Homelands, and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs are eligible for grant funds for construction, improvement, or acquisition of middle mile infrastructure.
- \$400 million for **restoring fish passage** pursuant to section 117 of **Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act** of 2006.
 - Up to 15% (\$60 million) reserved for Tribes or partnerships with Tribes in conjunction with an institute of higher education, non-profit, commercial, organizations, U.S. territories, and states or local governments.
- \$172 million for **Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery**.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES

- \$30 million for states and Tribes for **project planning assistance from the Army Corps of Engineers**. Cost share requirements for Tribes are waived for amounts up to \$200,000.
- \$225 million for grants to implement **updated building energy codes**. Tribal energy offices are eligible entities.
- \$10 million for grants to institutions of higher education, including **Tribal Colleges and Universities** to build training and assessment centers; identify opportunities to optimize energy efficiency; and promote emerging technologies, among other things.
- \$150 million for **industrial research and assessment centers**; directs coordination with Indian Tribes.
- \$3.5 billion for the **Weatherization Assistance Program**. Tribes are eligible applicants for grants under this program.
- \$550 million for the **Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program** to reduce fossil fuel emissions in the jurisdiction of an eligible entity. Tribes are eligible entities.
- \$750 million for the **Advanced Energy Manufacturing and Recycling Grant Program**. Minority owned entities given priority.
- \$3 billion to remain available until expended for **Battery Material Processing Grants**. The Secretary is directed to prioritize grant awards to eligible entities that partner with Indian Tribes.
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- \$40 million for the research, development, demonstration, and commercialization of **wind energy technologies**. Indian Tribes, tribal organizations, and Native Hawaiian community organizations are eligible entities.
- \$40 million for research, development, demonstration, and commercialization of **solar energy technologies**. Tribal energy development organizations, Indian Tribes, tribal organizations, and Native Hawaiian community organizations are eligible entities.

- \$20 million for the Secretary of Energy to prioritize projects carried out in collaboration with Tribal energy development organizations, Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations, Native Hawaiian community-based organizations, minority-serving institutions, among others.
- \$20 million for **solar energy technology recycling, research, development, and demonstration projects**. Tribal energy development organizations, Indian Tribes, tribal organizations, and Native Hawaiian community organizations are eligible entities.
- \$250 million to carry out the **Cybersecurity for the Energy Sector Research, Development, and Demonstration Projects**. The Secretary of Energy is required to consult with Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations to develop and carry out this program.
- \$5 billion for grants for **Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid**. States and Indian Tribes are eligible entities.
- \$600 million to develop alternatives, promote efficient use and recycling, and ensure long-term secure and sustainable supplies of **critical minerals**. Upon request, the Secretary of the Interior may provide technical assistance to Tribes conducting resource assessments on non-federal lands.
- \$30 million for states and the federal government to **plug, remediate, and reclaim orphaned wells located on Federal land**.
 - The Secretary of the Interior shall work cooperatively with Tribes to carry out the program. Both the state and the federal government will identify and address disproportionate burdens of adverse human health or environmental effects of orphaned wells on tribal and indigenous communities, among others.
- \$5 billion to states, local governments, public utility commissions, and Indian Tribes for federal financial assistance for demonstration projects on **grid resiliency and reliability**.
- \$344 million for **Energy Storage Demonstration Pilot Program**. Tribes are eligible entities.
- \$75 million to remain available until expended for the **Denali Commission**.
- \$150 million for the **Northern Border Commission**. Tribes are eligible to apply for funding from the State Economic & Infrastructure Development Investment (SEID) Program.
- \$1.25 million for the **Southwest Border Regional Commission**. Tribes participate in the same manner and to the same extent as states.

FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- \$14.2 billion for the **Affordable Connectivity Fund**
 - Participating providers in high cost areas may provide an affordable connectivity benefit for an internet service offering provided on Tribal lands.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

- \$1 billion for the **State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Grant Program** improve cybersecurity and critical infrastructure over four years. Tribes are provided a 3% set-aside (\$30 million over four years).
- \$20 million per year for five years for the **Cyber Response and Recovery Fund**, which allows the Secretary of Homeland Security to declare a “significant incident”; Tribal entities are eligible for funding to respond and recovery from the declared significant incident.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES

- \$11.2 billion for grants to States and Tribes for **abandoned coal mine land and water reclamation projects**. Tribes with programs approved under Section 405 of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 are eligible to receive grants.
- \$216 million over 5 years for the **Tribal Climate Resilience Program** for climate resilience programs and community relocation.

- \$250 million over 5 years to remain available until expended for construction, repair, improvement, and maintenance of **irrigation and power systems, safety dams, water sanitation, and other facilities.**
- \$200 million to States and Indian Tribes for implementing **ecosystem restoration projects** on Federal land pursuant to the good neighbor authority.
- \$400 million to the Secretary of the Interior for grants to states, territories, and Tribes for implementing **voluntary ecosystem restoration projects on private or public land** in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture.
- \$50 million to the Secretary of Agriculture for grants to states and Tribes to establish **rental programs for skidder bridges, bridge mats, or other temporary water crossings.**
- \$80 million to the Secretary of the Interior for 5-year projects to establish a collaborative-based, landscape-scale restoration program to **restore water quality of fish passage** on federal land, including Indian forest land.
- \$45 million to the Secretary of the Interior and \$35 million to the Secretary of Agriculture to **restore, prepare, or adapt recreation sites on Federal land, including Indian forest land or rangeland.**
- \$178 million for Department of the Interior to carry out **hazardous fuels reduction projects**, including \$10 million for projects authorized under the **Tribal Forestry Protection Act.**
- \$1.458 billion for wildland fire management.
- \$150 million to establish a **Tribal grant program to plug, remediate, or reclaim an orphaned wells or to remediate and restore native species habitat degraded by orphaned wells** or associated pipelines, facilities or infrastructure on Tribal land.
- \$55.426 billion for **State and Tribal Assistance Grants.**
 - \$11,713,000,000 for **Drinking Water Revolving Fund Capitalization Grants.** By statute, Tribes have a 1.5% set-aside.
 - \$11,713,000,000 for **Clean Water Revolving Fund Capitalization Grants.** By statute, Tribes have a 2% set-aside.
 - \$15,000,000,000 for **Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Capitalization Grants.** By statute, Tribes have a 1.5% set-aside.
 - \$1,000,000,000 for **Clean Water State Revolving Fund Capitalization Grants.** By statute, Tribes have a 2% set-aside.
 - \$4,000,000,000 for **Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Capitalization Grants.** By statute, Tribes have a 1.5% set-aside.
 - \$5,000,000,000 for **grants addressing emerging contaminants of the Safe Drinking Water Act.** Tribes are eligible to apply for this grant.
 - \$100,000,000 over five years for all costs for carrying out Section 6605 of the **Pollution Prevention Act.**
 - \$275,000,000 for grants under **Save Our Seas 2.0 Act.**
 - The EPA Administrator may also provide grants to Tribes, Intertribal consortia consistent with the requirements in 40 CFR 35.504(a), former Indian reservations in Oklahoma, and Alaska Native villages as defined in Public Law 92-203.
- \$5 million over 5 years for the **Clean School Bus Program.**
 - Tribes, Tribal organizations, or Tribally controlled schools are eligible entities.
- \$2.115 million for **USDA Wildfire Risk Reduction and Ecosystem Reduction programs.** Tribes qualify for both programs.
- \$6.962 million for Wildland Fire Management to carry out activities in section 40803 of division D, **Wildfire Risk Reduction.** Tribes qualify for this program.

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES

- \$3.5 billion over 5 years for **Indian Health Service sanitation facilities**.
- \$500 million for making payments under subsection (b) of section 2602 of the **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act** of 1981.

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES

- \$5 billion for the **Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants**
 - Federally recognized Tribal governments are eligible for competitive grants to develop comprehensive safety plans that are aimed at preventing transportation-related fatalities and serious injuries in a locality.
- \$1 billion for **National Culvert Removal, Replacement, and Restoration Grants**
 - Tribes are eligible for this competitive grant program for projects for the replacement, removal, and repair of culverts or weirs.
- \$500 million for **Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation Grant Program**
 - Tribal governments are eligible for the Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grant Program to conduct demonstration projects focused on advance smart city or community technologies to improve transportation efficiency and safety.
- \$27.5 billion for **Bridge Replacement, Rehabilitation, Preservation, Protection, and Construction program**.
 - 3% (\$825 million) set aside for section 202(d) of Title 23, the Tribal Transportation Facility Bridges.
 - Federal share costs shall be 100%.
- \$9.235 billion for **Bridge Investment Program**
 - \$100 million set aside for Tribal bridge projects
 - Federal share costs shall be 100%.