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PETITIONS - ACTIVE STATUS - 9

(as of July 31, 2012)

Department's Action Items: 6:

Petitioners Awaiting Proposed Findings (PF): 4

Piro/Manso/Tiwa Indian Tribe of the Pueblo of San Juan de Guadalupe (formerly Tiwa Indian Tribe), NM (#5); (letter of intent 1/18/71; ready 5/29/97; active 1/4/10, ASIA suspended active consideration on PF on 10/17/2011 to allow ASIA review)

Meherrin Tribe, NC (#119b); (letter of intent 6/27/95; ready 10/6/97; active 11/1/10; ASIA suspended active consideration on PF on 4/30/2011 to allow ASIA review)

Southern Sierra Miwuk Nation (formerly American Indian Council of Mariposa County, aka Yosemite), CA (#82); (letter of intent 4/24/82; ready 1/16/98; active 11/1/10; ASIA suspended active consideration on PF until **10/29/12**)

Muscogee Nation of Florida (formerly Florida Tribe of Eastern Creek Indians), FL (#32); (letter of intent 6/2/78; Ready 1/29/03; active 12/5/2011; PF due on or before **12/5/2012**)

Petitioners Awaiting Final Determinations (FD): 2

Brothertown Indian Nation, WI (#67) (letter of intent 4/15/80; ready 2/28/96; active 6/23/08; PF issued on 8/17/09; comment period began 8/24/09, comment period closed 2/22/10, extended at request of petitioner to 8/23/10; response period ended 10/23/10, FD began on February 21, 2010, ASIA extended preparation of FD to allow ASIA and SOL review, now due on or before **8/21/2012**)

Tolowa Nation, CA (#85); (letter of intent 1/31/83; ready 7/30/96; active 8/3/09; PF issued 11/18/10; comment period ended November 21, 2011, response period ended January 21, 2012)

Petitioners' Action Items: 3:

Commenting on Amended Proposed Finding: 3

Biloxi, Chitimacha Confederation of Muskogees, Inc., LA (#56a) (Withdrew from the United Houma Nation, Inc. (UHN #56) letter of intent 9/6/95; responding to same proposed finding; comment period closed 5/12/97; active 2/4/05; proposed negative finding published 5/30/08; comment period suspended on 8/27/2008, to resume after states of emergency lapse)

Pointe-au-Chien Indian Tribe, LA (#56b) (Withdrew from the UHN #56 letter of intent 7/22/96; responding to same proposed finding; comment period closed 11/6/97; active 2/4/05; proposed negative finding published 5/30/08; comment period suspended on 8/27/2008, to resume after states of emergency lapse)

United Houma Nation, Inc., LA (#56) (letter of intent 7/10/79; ready 4/4/89; active 5/20/91; negative proposed finding published 12/22/94; comment period closed 11/13/96; resp. to 3rd-party comments rec'd 2/4/97; waiting to comment on amended proposed findings for #56a and #56b; to resume after states of emergency lapse)

PETITIONS - READY STATUS - 5

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Administrative Note: These petitioners have responded to technical assistance (TA) review letters and stated their petitions should be considered "ready" for active consideration. Priority among "ready" petitions is based on the date that the Department determines the petition to be "ready." Under the regulations at 83.10(d), "The order of consideration of documented petitions shall be determined by the date of the Department's notification to the petitioner that it considers that the documented petition is ready to be placed on active consideration." These petitions are "Ready, Waiting for Active Consideration."

<u>Ready Date</u>	<u>Name of Petitioner</u>
01/03/12	Pamunkey Indian Tribe, VA (#323); (letter of intent; doc'n rec'd 10/14/10; TA ltr 4/11/11; Resp. rec'd 12/7/11; Acting ASIA moved to top of Ready list on 7/20/2012)
06/09/03	Georgia Tribe of Eastern Cherokees, Inc. (aka Dahlonega, Cane Break Band), GA (#41); (letter of intent 01/09/79; doc'n rec'd 2/5/80; OD ltr 8/22/80; resp. rec'd 8/10/98; TA ltr 1/19/99; resp. rec'd 2/14/02 and 2/14/03)
09/15/03	Amah Mutsun Band of Ohlone/Coastanoan Indians, CA (#120); (letter of intent 9/18/90; doc'n rec'd 8/22/95; TA ltr 5/21/96; partial resp. rec'd 9/26/96, 6/10/98; TA ltr 2/16/99; partial resp. rec'd 5/20/02, 8/15/03, and 9/15/03)
03/29/07	Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians (formerly Grand River Band Ottawa Council), MI (#146); (letter of intent 10/16/94; doc'n rec'd 12/8/00; TA ltr 1/26/05; resp. rec'd 6/9/06 and 3/28/07)
09/06/11	Fernandeno Tataviam Band of Mission Indians, CA (#158); (letter of intent 4/24/95; doc'n rec'd 1/16/96; TA ltr 3/3/97; partial doc'n rec'd 11/09/09; partial doc'n rec'd 7/12/11)

PETITIONS - RESOLVED - 73

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By the Department of the Interior: 54

Status Determined through Acknowledgment Process: 50

Acknowledged through 25 CFR 83: 17

Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa, MI (#3) (eff. 5/27/80)

Jamestown Clallam Tribe, WA (#19) (eff. 2/10/81)

Tunica-Biloxi Indian Tribe, LA (#1) (eff. 9/25/81)

Death Valley Timbi-Sha Shoshone Band, CA (#51) (eff. 1/3/83)

Narragansett Indian Tribe, RI (#59) (eff. 4/11/83)

Poarch Band of Creeks, AL (#13) (eff. 8/10/84)

Wampanoag Tribal Council of Gay Head, MA (#76) (eff. 4/11/87)

San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe, AZ (#71) (eff. 3/28/90)

Mohegan Indian Tribe, CT (#38) (eff. 5/14/94)

Jena Band of Choctaws, LA (#45) (eff. 8/29/95)

Huron Potawatomi Inc., MI (#9) (eff. 3/17/96)

Samish Indian Tribe, WA (#14) (eff. 4/26/96)

Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of MI (#9a) (eff. 8/23/99)

Snoqualmie Indian Tribe, WA (#20) (eff. 10/6/99)

Cowlitz Tribe of Indians, WA (#16) (eff. 1/4/02)

Mashpee Wampanoag, MA (#15) (eff. 2/15/07)

Shinnecock Tribe, NY (#4) (eff. 10/1/10)

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Denied acknowledgment through 25 CFR 83: 33

Lower Muskogee Creek Tribe-East of the MS, GA (#8) (eff. 12/21/81)
Creeks East of the Mississippi, FL (#10) (eff. 12/21/81)
Munsee-Thames River Delaware, CO (#26) (eff. 1/3/83)
Principal Creek Indian Nation, AL (#7) (eff. 6/10/85)
Kaweah Indian Nation, CA (#70a) (eff. 6/10/85)
United Lumbee Nation of NC and America, CA (#70) (eff. 7/2/85)
Southeastern Cherokee Confederacy (SECC), GA (#29) (eff. 11/25/85)
Northwest Cherokee Wolf Band, SECC, OR (#29a) (eff. 11/25/85)
Red Clay Inter-tribal Indian Band, SECC, TN (#29b) (eff. 11/25/85)
Tchinouk Indians, OR (#52) (eff. 3/17/86)
MaChis Lower AL Creek Indian Tribe, AL (#87) (eff. 8/22/88)
Miami Nation of Indians of IN, Inc., IN (#66) (eff. 8/17/92)
Ramapough Mountain Indians, Inc., NJ (#58) (eff. 1/7/98)
MOWA Band of Choctaw, AL (#86) (eff. 11/26/99)
Yuchi Tribal Organization, OK (#121) (eff. 3/21/00)
Duwamish Indian Tribe, WA (#25) (eff. 5/8/02)
Chinook Indian Tribe/Chinook Nation, WA (#57) (eff. 7/5/02)
Muwekma Ohlone Tribe of San Francisco Bay, CA (#111) (eff. 12/16/02)
Snohomish Tribe of Indians, WA (#12) (eff. 3/9/04)
Golden Hill Paugussett Tribe, CT (#81) (eff. 3/18/05)
Eastern Pequot Indians of Connecticut, CT (#35) (eff. 10/14/05)
Paucatuck Eastern Pequot Indians of Connecticut, CT (#113) (eff. 10/14/05)
Schaghticoke Tribal Nation, CT (#79) (eff. 10/14/05)
Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Inc., MI (#101) (eff. 1/3/07)
St. Francis/Sokoki Band of Abenakis of Vermont, VT (#68) (eff. 10/1/07)
Nipmuc Nation (Hassanamisco Band), MA (#69a) (eff. 1/28/08)
Webster/Dudley Band of Chaubunagungamaug Nipmuck Indians, MA (#69b) (eff. 1/28/08)
Steilacoom Tribe, WA (#11) (eff. 6/17/08)
Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, MT (#31) (issued 10/27/09; FR notice 11/3/09;before IBIA)
Juaneno Band of Mission Indians, Acjachemen Nation, CA (#84a) (issued 3/15/11; FR notice 3/21/11;before IBIA)
Juaneno Band of Mission Indians, CA (#84b) (issued 3/15/11; FR notice 3/21/11)
Choctaw Nation of Florida, FL (#288) (issued 4/21/11; FR notice 4/27/11;before IBIA)
The Central Band of Cherokee (#227) (eff. 7/24/12)

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Status Clarified by Legislation at Department's Request: 1

Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, MI (#6) (legis. clarification 9/8/88)

Status Clarified by Other Means: 3

Texas Band of Traditional Kickapoos, TX (#54) (determined part of recognized tribe 9/14/81; petition withdrawn)

Ione Band of Miwok Indians, CA (#2) (status confirmed by Assistant Secretary 3/22/94)

Tejon Indian Tribe, CA (#230)(status confirmed by Assistant Secretary 12/30/11)

By Congress: 9

Legislative Restoration : 2

Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, OR (#17) (legis. restoration 10/17/84)

Federated Coast Miwok, CA (2/8/95)(#154) (restored under the name Graton Rancheria) (legis. restoration 12/27/00)

Legislative Recognition: 7

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, OR (#72) (legis. recog'n 12/29/82)

Western (Mashantucket) Pequot Tribe, CT (#42) (legis. recog'n 10/18/83 in association with eastern land claims suit)

Aroostook Band of Micmacs, ME (#103) (legis. recog'n 11/26/91)

Pokagon Potawatomi Indians of Indiana & Michigan, IN (#78) (legis. recog'n 9/21/94)

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, MI (#115) (legis. recog'n 9/21/94)

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, MI (#125) (legis. recog'n 9/21/94)

Loyal Shawnee Tribe, OK (#203) (legis. recog'n 12/27/00)

By Other Means: 10

Merged with another petitioner: 4

Potawatomi Indians of IN & MI, Inc., MI (#75) and Potawatomi Indian Nation, Inc., MI (Pokagon), (#78) merged; became Pokagon (#78)

Cane Break Band of Eastern Cherokees (#41a) (1/9/79; rejoined #41, 7/16/97)

Creek-Euchee Band of Indians of the Blountstown Indian Community of Florida (#218) (11/23/99; rejoined #32, 10/20/00)

Hatteras Tuscarora Indians, NC (#34) (6/24/78; merged with Petitioner #215, 3/22/04)

Withdrew from process: 4¹

Esselen Tribe of Monterey County, CA (#131) (11/16/92; withdrawn 11/15/96)

Tuscola United Cherokee Tribe of Florida and Alabama, Inc., FL (#43) (1/19/79; withdrawn 11/24/97)

Costanoan Tribe of Santa Cruz and San Juan Bautista Missions, CA (#210) (5/11/99; withdrawn 5/10/00)

Chukchansi Yokotch Tribe of Coarsegold, CA (#99) (5/9/85; enrolled with Picayune Rancheria after 1988; withdrawn 9/06/00)

¹ One group was never included in official count: SouthEastern Indian Nation, GA (#164) (incomplete letter of intent 1/5/96; withdrawn 11/10/97)

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Dissolved formally: 1

Tuscarora Indian Tribe, Drowning Creek Res., NC (#73) (2/25/81; group formally dissolved; withdrawn 02/19/97)

Removed from process: 1

Federation: Moorish Science Temple of America, Inc. [Ancient Moabites or Moors], MD (#167) (By letter 5/15/97 the Department determined not to treat this group as a petitioner since it does not seek identification as an Indian tribe and does not fall within the scope of the 25 CFR Part 83 regulations)

IN POST-FINAL DECISION APPEAL PROCESS – (3)

Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of MT (#31)(issued 10/27/09; FR notice 11/3/09;before IBIA 2/1/10)

Juaneno Band of Mission Indians, Acjachemen Nation, CA (#84a)(issued 3/15/11; FR notice 3/21/11; before IBIA 6/28/11)

Choctaw Nation of Florida, FL (#288)(issued 4/21/11; FR notice 4/27/11;before IBIA 7/18/11)

DECISIONS IN LITIGATION - (2)

(Department resolved)

Duwamish Indian Tribe, WA (#25) (denied eff. 5/8/02)

Muwekma Ohlone Tribe of San Francisco Bay, CA [formerly Ohlone/Coastanoan Muwekma Tribe] (#111)
(denied eff. 12/16/02)

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