

Tribal Wildlife Grant Program

1. Enabling Legislation:

- Annual Appropriations Act

2. Purpose:

- Provide funding to federally recognized Tribes for development and implementation of programs that the benefit wildlife and their habitat, including species of tribal cultural or traditional importance and species that are not hunted or fished.

3. Eligible Grantees:

- Federally recognized Tribes in all parts of the United States, including Federally recognized Tribes, pueblos, rancheros, and Alaska native villages or traditional councils as defined by the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act

4. Eligible Projects:

- Development and implementation of programs for the benefit of wildlife and their habitat, including species of tribal cultural or traditional importance and species that are not hunted or fished.
- Activities may include, but are not limited to, planning for wildlife and habitat conservation, ongoing and/new fish and wildlife management actions, fish and wildlife related laboratory and field research, natural history studies, habitat mapping, field surveys and population monitoring, habitat preservation, land acquisition, conservation easements, and outreach efforts.

5. Source of funds:

Land and Water Conservation Fund (annual appropriation) – revenues from:

- Outer Continental Shelf Oil & Gas

6. Distribution method:

- Competitive based on Request for Grant Proposals and Final Policy and Implementation Guidelines

7. Spending mandates, fund matching requirements, and/or limitations on availability of funds:

- Cost reimbursement
- Provides up to 100% federal funding
- Annual appropriation available for 2 years

8. Special conditions or requirements:

- Eligible grantees submit application including Tribal resolution of support to Regional Native American Liaisons of USFWS

9. Governing Guidance:

- Appropriations Act
- Tribal Wildlife Grant Program Implementation Guidelines
- 43 CFR Part 12
- USFWS Manual Chapters