XVII. Tribal High Priority Projects (THPP) Program

Overview. The intent of the THPP program is to provide funding to Tribal governments whose annual TTP allocation is insufficient to complete its highest priority projects and for emergency/disaster projects.

Statutory/Regulatory Requirements. The THPP is a special funding pool that can be used:

- 1. By a Tribe whose annual allocation is insufficient to complete its highest priority project;
- 2. By a governmental subdivision of a Tribe that is authorized to administer the Tribe's TTP Program funding and whose annual allocation is insufficient to complete its highest priority project; or
- 3. By any Tribe for an emergency/disaster on any TTP transportation facility.

Eligible applicants may have only one THPP application pending at any time. This includes emergency/disaster applications.

THPP funds cannot be used for transportation planning, research, routine maintenance activities,

Project funding is limited to a maximum of \$1 million per application.

D. Guidelines/Procedures.

- A Tribe may apply for THPP funds by submitting a complete application for a non-emergency disaster project (see **Exhibit 17.2**) to the FLHHPP Coordinator.
- However, an emergency/disaster application (see **Exhibit 17.3**) may be submitted at any time during the fiscal year.
- Eligible applicants may have only one THPP application pending at any time. This includes emergency/disaster applications.
- Projects will be ranked and funded based on the THPP scoring matrix shown on Table 17.1.
- THPP funds cannot be used for transportation planning, research, routine maintenance activities, purchase of equipment, and the condemnation of land for recreational trails.
- Applications are due no sooner than 60 days after funding is made available.
- Within the limit of funding, FHWA and BIA will jointly produce a funding priority list (FPL) approved projects.