

## DOE Funding Opportunity for Energy Infrastructure Deployment on Tribal Lands

### Key Findings

- The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), through the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs, has announced the availability of up to \$17 million in new grant funding to deploy energy infrastructure on tribal lands.
- Any “organization” of two or more entities, at least one of which is an Indian tribe, can apply for the grant.
- Applications are due May 1, 2019.

### What has changed?

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), through the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs, has announced the availability of up to \$17 million in new grant funding to deploy energy infrastructure on tribal lands.<sup>1</sup> The funding will support Indian tribes interested in using undeveloped energy resources on their lands. DOE will provide funding support for projects in the following topic areas:

- **Topic Area 1:** Install energy generating system(s) and/or energy efficiency measure(s) for tribal building(s)
- **Topic Area 2:** Deploy community-scale energy generating system(s) on tribal lands
- **Topic Area 3:** Install energy system(s) for autonomous operation (independent of the traditional centralized electric power grid) to power single or multiple essential tribal facilities during emergency situations or for tribal community resilience

### What is the impact on cooperatives?

Cooperatives who serve tribal lands – or are adjacent to tribal lands – and are interested in applying for the grant funding are encouraged to review the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) to determine their eligibility. While this FOA was developed for Indian tribes as the primary audience, any “**organization**” of two or more entities where at least one is an Indian tribe can apply for the grant.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.energy.gov/articles/doe-makes-17-million-available-energy-infrastructure-deployment-tribal-lands>

<sup>2</sup> Page 26 of the FOA

## What do cooperatives need to know or do about it?

Applications are due May 1, 2019. A webinar to provide applicants with information on the FOA is available on the DOE website. The webinar describes the FOA in detail and explains who is eligible to apply, what each application should include, cost share requirements, and how applications will be chosen for funding.

### Additional Resources:

- [ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE DEPLOYMENT ON TRIBAL LANDS - 2019](#)  
Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)  
Number: DE-FOA-0002032
- [2019 Energy Infrastructure Deployment on Tribal Lands FOA Information Webinar](#)

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