



Leveraging Funding for WQS

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Funding Sources for WQS

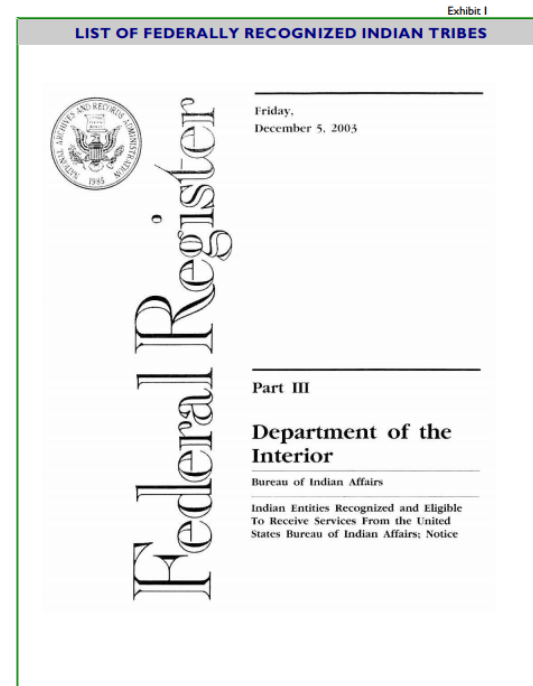
- Clean Water Act Section 106
- Clean Water Act Section 319
- General Assistance Program
- Multipurpose Grant





Clean Water Act Section 106 and 319 Financial Assistance Eligibility Requirements

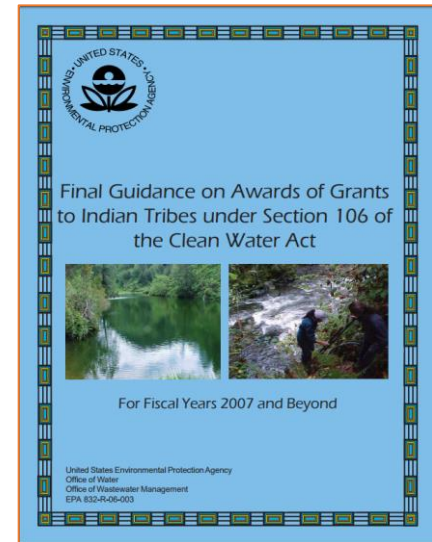
- **Federally recognized**
- **Governing body**
- **Capable of managing program**
- **Jurisdiction/authority over water resources**





Clean Water Act Section 106 Program Basics

- Section 106 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) authorizes EPA to provide financial assistance to states and eligible interstate agencies to establish and administer programs for the prevention, reduction, and elimination of water pollution.
- In 1987, Congress amended CWA to include provisions that allow EPA to treat an Indian tribe in a manner similar to a state (i.e., treatment in a manner similar to a state, or TAS) for the purpose of providing Section 106 funding.





Common CWA 106 Program Activities

- Water Quality Monitoring
- Outreach and Education
- Training/Travel

**+Water Quality
Standards!**





CWA 319 Program

Funding

- Base: \$30,000 or \$50,000
- Competitive: ≤\$100,000

WQS Activities

- Include WQS in NPS Assessment Report
- Watershed Planning
- Use CWA 319 funding to implement management practices in waters not meeting WQS

Not for:

- Meeting permit requirements or routine monitoring

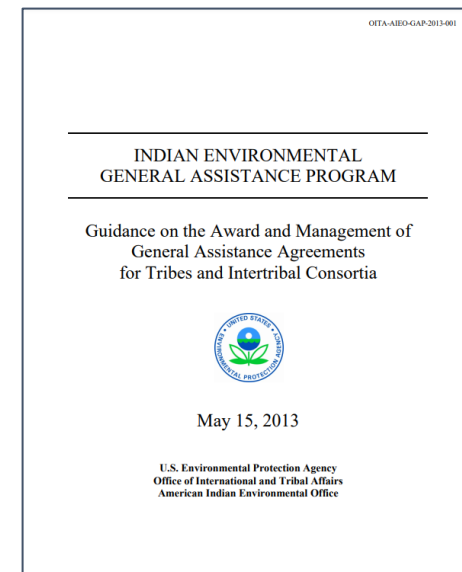




WQS Planning Activities under the General Assistance Program

- Developing TAS package for EPA-approved WQS.
- Developing draft water quality standards
- Obtaining tribal council adoption of initial water quality standards.
- Conducting a survey to determine fish consumption rates for the purpose of setting or revising water quality criteria for human health effects from bioaccumulative pollutants.

[-2013 Guidance on the Award and Management of General Assistance Agreements for Tribes and Intertribal Consortia](#)



(No TAS requirement)





Multipurpose Grants (MPG)

Funds to support tribes with TAS for regulatory programs, such as Water Quality Standards.

FY18 And 19 (Combined)	FY20
\$794K to Tribes in R9	\$577K to Tribes in R9
19 Tribes eligible	25 Tribes eligible
\$28K-\$39K per program	\$18K per program

FY21 expected to provide ~**\$16K** per program

No Match Requirement





Questions?

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