

AGENCY: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

TITLE: OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (OSWER)
PROGRAM TRIBAL SUPPORT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS”

ACTION: Request for Proposals (RFP) - Questions and Answers.

RFP NO: EPA-OSWER- IPCO-14-03

CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE (CFDA) NO: 66.808; 66.813;
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SUMMARY: The following are formal Agency responses to questions/comments received regarding the subject solicitation.

1. Why are tribes and tribal consortia not eligible to submit proposals for the OSWER RFP No: EPA-OSWER-IPCO-14-03?

Based on the previous experience of EPA’s tribal program in working with tribal communities, EPA believes public and private non-profit universities, colleges and other public and private non-profit institutions are best positioned to effectively engage a large number and variety of tribes and tribal governments across the nation on waste issues.

2. Why are applicants required to submit two separate project proposals yet EPA will award two separate cooperative agreements to one successful applicant?

Under *Section 1(E)(3)(b), Prohibited Use of Funds, Project Two* (Page 13), “funds awarded under this agreement may not be commingled with other funding sources.” To avoid commingling of funding, EPA will award two cooperative agreements. All applicants must develop and submit separate proposals and separate applications for each project. One cooperative agreement will cover non-Superfund related activities (Project One). The second agreement will cover Superfund related activities only (Project Two).