CWA SECTION 106
TRIBAL GUIDANCE REVISION
PROJECT STATUS #4

Background

EPA is revising the Final Guidance on Awards of Grants to Indian Tribes under Section 106 of the Clean Water Act (Section 106 Tribal Guidance). More information about EPA’s revision process can be found on the CWA Section 106 Revision website.

What are the next steps for the revised Guidance?

November: The work group is finishing the initial drafts of the revised Guidance chapters.

December and January: EPA will review and format the drafts, insert tribal program stories and photos.

February: EPA expects to share the draft revised Guidance for the second public comment period.

We still need your help!

The revised Guidance would benefit from having a variety of tribal program examples, stories, and photos representing a range of tribal experience.

We are looking for stories of how you:

- Overcame obstacles to move your program forward
- Used traditional ecological knowledge to support your program
- Used innovative approaches in your program to address a priority
- Used your program to inform water quality decisions or educate the public
- Initiated your program and any challenges you faced

We are looking for photos of:

- Section 106 funded activities
- Tribal water resources

Please send your tribal program stories and photos to: Robyn Delehanty at delehanty.robyn@epa.gov.

For More Information

Visit the CWA Section 106 Revision website or contact your Regional Tribal Coordinator.

Goals for the Tribal Guidance Revision

- Develop clear, comprehensive, updated, and succinct language that is relevant and applicable to tribes
- Describe the Section 106 program and provide context around the CWA generally
- Describe the benefits of water quality program development and implementation
- Provide practical guidance in program implementation
- Provide consistent messaging on national program requirements to help tribes more effectively negotiate workplans with EPA