

APPENDIX A—FISCAL YEAR 2008 FUNDING AWARDS FOR HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES GRANT PROGRAM—Continued

Recipient	City/State/ZipCode	Award
Voorhees College, Mr. Willie Owens, PO Box 678, 422 Beech Avenue	Demark, SC 29042–2602	700,000
West Virginia State University Research and Development Corporation, Ms. A. Jenny Fertig, 201 ACEOP Administration Building, PO Box 1000.	Institute, WV 25112–1000	700,000
Virginia University of Lynchburg, Dr. Doris Crawford, 2058 Garfield Avenue	Lynchburg, VA 24501–6417	600,000

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5200–FA–16]

Announcement of Funding Awards for Fiscal Year 2008; Tribal Colleges and Universities Program

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, HUD.

ACTION: Announcement of funding awards.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this document notifies the public of funding awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP). The purpose of this document is to announce the names and addresses of the award winners and the amount of the awards which are to be used to enable Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCU) to build, expand, renovate, and equip their own facilities, and expand the role of the TCUs into the community through the provision of needed services such as health programs, job training, and economic development activities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Brunson, Office of University Partnerships, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 8106, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 402–3852. To provide service for persons who are hearing-or-speech-impaired, this number may be reached via TTY by Dialing the Federal Information Relay Service on 800–877–8339 or 202–708–1455 (Telephone number, other than “800” TTY numbers are not toll free).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Tribal Colleges and Universities Program was approved by Congress under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008 (Pub. L. 110–161) and is administered by the Office of University Partnerships under the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research. In addition to this program, the Office of University Partnerships administers HUD’s ongoing grant programs to institutions of higher education as well as creates initiatives through which colleges and universities can bring their traditional missions of teaching, research, service, and outreach to bear on the pressing local problems in their communities.

The Tribal Colleges and Universities Program assist tribal colleges and universities to build, expand, renovate, and equip their own facilities, and expand the role of the TCUs into the community through the provision of

needed services such as health programs, job training, and economic development activities.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 14.519.

On May 12, 2008 (FR Vol. 73, No. 92) HUD published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) announcing the availability of \$5 million in Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 for funding the Tribal Colleges and Universities Program. The Department reviewed, evaluated and scored the applications received based on the criteria in the NOFA. As a result, HUD funded seven applications.

The Department reviewed, evaluated, and scored the applications received based on the criteria in the NOFA. As a result, HUD has funded the applications below, in accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545). More information about the winners can be found at <http://www.oup.org>, the Department is publishing the names, addresses, and amounts of those awards as shown in Appendix A.

Dated: October 14, 2008.

Darlene F. Williams,

Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research.

APPENDIX A—FISCAL YEAR 2008 FUNDING AWARDS FOR TRIBAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES GRANT PROGRAM

Recipient	City/State/Zip Code	Award
Tohono O’odham Community College, Ms. Olivia Vanegas-Funcheon, Mile Post 115.5 North HWY 86, P.O. Box 3129.	Sells, AZ 85634–3129	\$750,000
Bay Mills Community College, Michael Parish, 12214 W. Lakeshore Drive	Brimley, MI 49774	504,800
Salish Kootenai College, Dr. Joseph McDonald, 58138 U.S. Highway 93	Pablo, MT 59855	750,000
United Tribes Technical College, Mr. Russell Swagger, 3315 University Drive	Bismarck, ND 58504	745,200
Institute of American Indians Art, Laurie Logan Brayshaw, 83 Avan Nu Po Road	Santa Fe, NM 87508	750,000
Northwest Indian College, Mr. Dave Oreiro, 2522 Kwina Road	Bellingham WA 98226	750,000
College of Menominee Nation, Ms. Jill Martin, P.O. Box 1179	Keshena, WI 54135	750,000

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Approved Tribal-State Gaming Compact Amendment.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes the Approval of the Tribal-State Compact for Class III Gaming Amendments

between the State of Washington and the Snoqualmie Tribe.

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 22, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paula L. Hart, Acting Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary—Policy and Economic Development, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Public Law 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish in the **Federal Register** notice of the approved Tribal-State compact Amendment for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. This Amendment extends the six month conditional waiting period to twelve months, increases the gaming stations, incorporates the agreement to transfer gaming stations and allows the Tribe to operate one more gaming facility on its Indian lands. This Amendment is hereby approved.

Dated: October 14, 2008.

George T. Skibine,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Economic Development—Indian Affairs.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to form a negotiated rulemaking committee; request for nominations for tribal representatives for No Child Left Behind Negotiated Rulemaking Committee membership.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of the Interior is announcing the Department's intent to form a negotiated rulemaking committee to develop recommendations for proposed regulations regarding Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)-funded school facilities under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. As required by the No Child Left Behind Act, the Secretary will select representatives of Indian tribes for the committee from among individuals nominated by tribes whose students attend BIE-funded schools either operated by the bureau or by the tribe through a contract or grant. To the maximum extent possible, the proportional representation of tribes on the committee will reflect the proportionate share of students from

tribes served by the BIE-funded school system. In addition, the Secretary will consider the balance of representation with regard to geographical location, size, and type of school and facility, as well as the interests of parents, teachers, administrators, and school board members, in selecting tribal committee representatives.

As required in the NCLB Act, the committee shall prepare and submit to the Secretary of the Interior a report or reports setting out:

- A method for creating a catalog of school facilities;
- The school replacement and new construction needs of the interested parties, and a formula for the equitable distribution of funds to address those needs;
- The major and minor renovation needs of the interested parties, and a formula for the equitable distribution of funds to address such needs; and
- Facilities standards for home-living (dormitory) situations.

DATES: Nominations from tribes for membership in the negotiated rulemaking committee and comments on the establishment of this committee, including additional interests other than those identified in this notice, must be postmarked or faxed no later than December 8, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Send nominations and comments to the Designated Federal Official, at the following address: Michele F. Singer, Director, Office of Regulatory Management, Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, 1001 Indian School Road, NW., Suite 312, Albuquerque, NM 87104. Or fax to (505) 563-3811.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michele F. Singer, Designated Federal Official. Telephone: (505) 563-3805. Fax: (505) 563-3811.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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I. Introduction

The purpose of the No Child Left Behind Negotiated Rulemaking Committee is to serve as an advisory committee under the Federal Advisory

Committee Act (FACA) and the Negotiated Rulemaking Act (NRA) to provide recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior for proposed report(s) under the No Child Left Behind Act (Pub. L. 107-110, codified at 25 U.S.C. 2001 *et seq.*). The objectives of the committee are to represent the interests that will be significantly affected by the final report or regulations, to negotiate in good faith, and to reach consensus, where possible, on recommendations to the Secretary for the report or proposed regulations.

The NCLB directs the Secretary to conduct a negotiated rulemaking pursuant to the NRA. The NRA requires an agency head to give consideration to seven factors when determining whether a negotiate rulemaking is appropriate, specifically, whether:

- (1) There is a need for a rule;
- (2) There are a limited number of identifiable interests that will be significantly affected by the rule;
- (3) There is a reasonable likelihood that a committee can be convened with a balanced representation of persons who—

(A) Can adequately represent the interests identified under paragraph (2); and

(B) Are willing to negotiate in good faith to reach a consensus on the proposed rule;

(4) There is a reasonable likelihood that a committee will reach a consensus on the proposed rule within a fixed period of time;

(5) The negotiated rulemaking procedure will not unreasonably delay the notice of proposed rulemaking and the issuance of the final rule;

(6) The agency has adequate resources and is willing to commit such resources, including technical assistance, to the committee; and

(7) The agency, to the maximum extent possible consistent with the legal obligations of the agency, will use the consensus of the committee with respect to the proposed rule as the basis for the rule proposed by the agency for notice and comment.

Upon reviewing the analysis of these seven considerations set out in the convening report, the Secretary, through the authority delegated to George Skibine, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Economic Development—Indian Affairs, has determined that a negotiated rulemaking is appropriate.

II. Background

In the fall of 2006, the Department sought assistance with this effort from the U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution (U.S. Institute), an