

Dear West Coast Collaborative Partners,

2018 Tribal DERA Grant Competition Now Open!

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has announced the availability of \$2.0 million in grant funding for tribal applicants. Under this grant competition, each applicant may request up to \$800,000 in federal funding.

<u>Priority</u> - Priority is given to projects that achieve significant reduction in diesel emissions and exposure in areas designated as having poor air quality, and in areas receiving a disproportionate quantity of air pollution from diesel fleets.

<u>Eligibility</u> - Tribal governments (or intertribal consortiums) and Alaskan native villages, which have jurisdiction over transportation or air quality, are eligible to apply for Tribal Clean Diesel grants.

Use of Funding - Eligible diesel vehicles, engines and equipment may include:

- School buses
- Class 5 Class 8 heavy-duty highway vehicles
- Locomotive engines
- Marine engines
- Nonroad engines, equipment or vehicles used in construction, handling of cargo (including at ports or airports), agriculture, mining or energy production (including stationary generators and pumps).

Proposal packages must be submitted electronically to EPA through <u>Grants.gov</u> no later than Thursday, **September 6, 2018**, at 11:59 p.m. (ET) in order to be considered for funding.

More information, including the RFP and important documents and upcoming webinars on this RFP, can be found at the <u>EPA Clean Diesel Tribal Grants website</u>.

Additionally, please click this <u>link</u> for diesel and alternative fuel articles.

Thank you,

West Coast Collaborative Team

About the West Coast Collaborative (WCC)

The WCC, staffed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Pacific Southwest Region 9 and Pacific Northwest Region 10 Offices, protects public health by reducing diesel emissions and promoting clean air technologies and practices through public-private partnerships in Western North America. The Collaborative is an ambitious partnership between leaders from federal, state, local and tribal government, the private sector, and environmental groups committed to reducing diesel emissions along the West Coast. Our partners come from all over Western North America, including: California, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Arizona, Idaho, Nevada, Hawaii, Canada, Mexico, Asian Pacific regions, and Pacific Islands that include the Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marina Islands, and the Territory of American Samoa. The Collaborative is focused on creating, supporting and implementing diesel emissions reductions projects by providing technical assistance and funding opportunities. Visit us at http://www.westcoastcollaborative.org/

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