



US DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR – INDIAN AFFAIRS  
OFFICE OF INDIAN ENERGY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
**DIVISION OF ENERGY AND MINERAL DEVELOPMENT**

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# TRIBAL ENERGY DEVELOPMENT CAPACITY PROGRAM (TEDC)

- Grant program to develop tribal managerial, organizational and technical capacity to maximize the economic impact of energy resource development on Indian land
  - Establish business entity structures and/or organizational structures related to energy resource development Business development capacity
  - Develop or enhance key regulatory activities
- FY 2015 over \$1.5 Million awarded
  - 10 Total Project Awards
- FY 2016 over \$1.4 Million awarded
  - 16 Total Project Awards

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# Tribal Energy Development Capacity (TEDC) Projects

**Colville, Spokane–**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Spirit Lake–**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Bad River Band of Chippewa–**  
Establish regulatory infrastructure that will support its development and management of a major biomass facility

**Passamaquoddy Tribe–**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Blue Lake Rancheria–**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Seneca Nation–** Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Big Valley Rancheria–**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Hualapai–**  
Utility Rate Design

**Ute Mountain Ute–**  
Development of Fracking Regulations

**Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska –**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Mashpee Wampanoag–**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Nambe Pueblo–**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Citizen Potawatomi–** Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Pechanga–** Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Mesa Grande–** Enhance capacity to manage Tribal solar enterprise

**Chemehuevi Indian Tribe–**  
Formation of a Tribal Power Exchange

**Zia Pueblo, Jemez Pueblo–**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

**Pascua Yaqui–**  
Tribal Utility Authority Formation

# BUSINESS ENTITY FORMATION ACTIVITIES (TEDC)

## Examples:

- Developing legal infrastructure for business formation
- Establishing tribally chartered corporations under tribal corporation codes
- Establishing tribal business charters under federal law (IRA Section 17 corporation)
- Establish Tribal Utility Authority



# REGULATORY ACTIVITIES (TEDC)

## Examples:

- Developing or enhancing tribal policies, codes, regulations, or ordinances related to regulating and developing energy resource(s)
  - Land lease regulations for energy development purposes
  - Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal Homeownership (HEARTH) Act

<http://www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/BIA/OTS/HEARTH/index.htm>

- Adopting secured transaction codes and subsequent joint power agreement with the tribe's respective state.



# INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Salaries or fringe benefits for tribal employees;
- Establishing or operating a tribal office/ and/or purchase of office equipment;
- Purchasing or leasing equipment or hardware such as drilling equipment, computers and
- vehicles;
- Paying legal fees;
- Paying application fees associated with permitting;
- Academic research projects;
- Training;
- Conducting studies related to meeting NEPA requirements for project development; and
- Attending conventions or travel to foreign countries.



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