# Tribal Capacity Building Pilot Program: Application Workshop

November 28, 2023



### Welcome

# Thank you for joining us!

We invite introductions from everyone joining us today.

We would love to start with introductions from any **tribal** leaders and elders who may be in our shared virtual space.



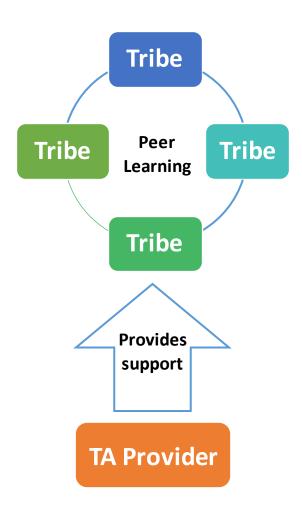


# Program Overview



# **Pilot Program Summary**

- The Tribal Capacity Building Pilot
   Program is a new grant program that provides funding & technical assistance to California Native American tribes
- The program includes two interconnected components:
  - Tribal Grants (\$1M)
  - TA Provider Contract (\$500K)





# **Pilot Program Services**





# **Pilot Program Objectives**

Build Tribal Staff
Capacity to
Advance &
Sustain Climate
Action



Secure Funding to Develop & Implement Tribal-led Climate Projects

Enhance Peer
Learning
Relationships
Between Tribes



# \$1.5 Million Available for Pilot Round Awards

Grant Amount for <b>Tribes</b>	Contract Amount for <b>TA Provider</b>
\$1M	\$500,000

- Grant Term: 2 years
- Tribes may receive funding between \$150,000-\$250,000
- Payment: Reimbursement;
   Advanced Payment for 501(c)(3)
   nonprofit

• Contract Term: **2.5 years** 



# **Eligible Applicants**

#### California Native American Tribes

Native American tribes listed on the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) Contact List, including federally recognized & non-federally recognized tribes.

A non-federally recognized tribe is eligible if they are registered as a **nonprofit**, a **for-profit corporation**, or a **limited liability company**.



# **Eligible Project Area**



Program activities must be located in the **State of California** and apply funds towards activities involving one or more of the following:

- Tribally owned lands, building, or facilities
- Lands over which a tribe exercises jurisdiction, or lands that the Bureau of Indian Affairs holds in trust for tribes
- Public domain allottees
- Lands managed for the benefit of tribes through conservation easements, lease agreements, co-management agreements, or partnership agreements
- Lands that hold cultural relevance or are used for culturally relevant activities (e.g., lands used for prescribed or ceremonial burning)



# **Eligible Costs**

#### Staff

Staff costs, including salary at an hourly rate, benefits, taxes, & leave

- Existing staff
- Hire new staff
- Full or part-time employees
- Volunteers, interns, or fellows

#### **Travel**

#### Tools, Subscriptions, & Software

#### **Indirect Costs**

• Indirect Cost Rate will follow the tribe's federally negotiated rate OR up to 30% if the tribe does not have a federally negotiated rate



# **Ineligible Costs**

- Costs that occur outside of the Grant Agreement term
- Direct & indirect construction costs
- Advocacy work, such as direct lobbying for the passage of specific bills or local propositions
- Indirect costs in excess of the Grantee's federally negotiated rate OR up to 30% of total direct costs

- Costs associated with community engagement & outreach:
  - Direct cash benefits or subsidies to participants
  - Alcoholic refreshments
  - Participant incentives, such as door prizes, which are unrelated to specific community work products
  - General meetings that do not specifically discuss or advance implementation of the Tribal Capacity Building Pilot Program



## **Eligible Activities**

#### **Mandatory Activities**

- 1. Participate in trainings, workshops, & peer learning
- 2. Tribal Capacity Building Pilot Program reporting

#### **Customized Activities**

#### 1. Grant-Related Activities

• Develop climate-related grant applications; conduct climate-related grant implementation; develop a grant management system

#### 2. Partnership & Economic Development

Build partnerships; conduct economic development planning & project implementation

#### 3. Planning & Analysis

• Develop a tribal community needs assessment; conduct climate-related strategic planning, land use planning, or data collection & analysis



# **Project Deliverables**

#### **Action Plan**

- Action plan that outlines the tribe's capacity building plan & implementation strategy to build capacity and achieve program objectives
- Developed at beginning of grant term

#### **Regular Reports**

- Includes regular invoices & high-level reports
- Developed at an interval determined by SGC and the Grantee

#### **Final Report**

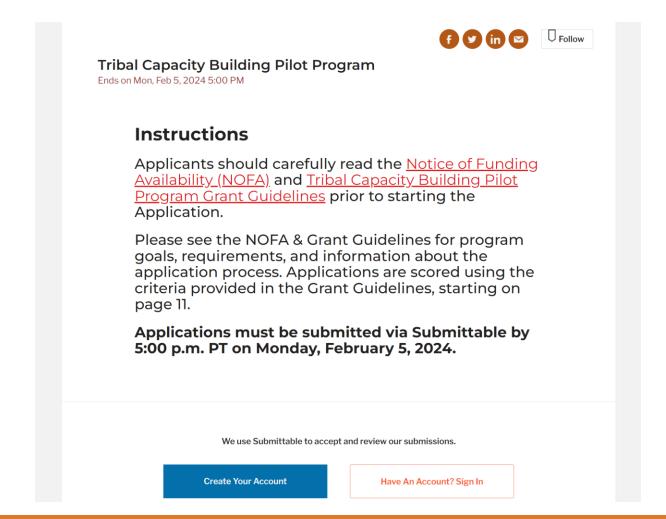
- Final report to
   SGC that gives
   update on
   grant activities,
   activity outcomes,
   & narrative
   description of
   positive
   outcomes,
   challenges, and
   lessons learned
- Developed at end of grant term



# Application Process & Components



# Submittable Walkthrough





# **Application Components**

□ Point of Contact
 □ Narrative Responses
 □ Budget Worksheet
 □ Project Area Map
 □ Project Area Eligibility Documentation
 □ Landowner Letter of Support (if applicable)

**Resolution or Letter of Authorization by the Tribal Government** 



# **Pilot Program Timeline**

Pilot
Program
Guidelines
Adopted by
SGC
October 26,

2023

NOFA & Application Release
November 7, 2023

Application
Workshop &
Office Hours

November
2023 –
January
2024

Application
Due
February 5,
2024

Interagency
Application
Review &
Scoring
Period
February
2024

Finalist Interviews March 2024 Expected
Notice of
Recommended
Awards
Adopted
April 2024



# Threshold & Scoring Criteria



## **Threshold Criteria**

General Completeness
☐ All application materials are submitted & complete
☐ Requested funding amount falls within the funding award range
Eligible Applicants
☐ The tribe is listed on the NAHC Contact List per Chapter 905 of the Statutes of 2004 (Pub. Resources Code, § 21073)
☐ The tribe is federally recognized OR registered with the California Secretary of State as a nonprofit, a for-profit corporation, or a limited liability company if non-federally recognized
$\Box$ The tribe provides appropriate documentation confirming ability to apply for & receive program funds if awarded (e.g., tribal leadership letter of authorization, tribal governing body resolution)
Eligible Project Area
☐ The program activities are located within the boundaries of the State of California and follow the requirements listed in <i>II. Before Applying</i> — <i>E. Eligible Project Area</i>



# **Scoring Criteria**

Application Components	Total Points Possible
Introduction & Vision	15
Capacity Building Need	30
Program Activities	20
Budget & Timeline	15
Finalist Interview	20
Full Application Total	80
Application & Interview Total	100



# **Application Resources**



# **Applications Now Open**







NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

APPLICATION ON SUBMITTABLE PLATFORM

**GRANT GUIDELINES** 

**DUE: FEBRUARY 5, 2024** 



## **Application Resources**

**Guidance Documents** 

Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

**Grant Guidelines** 

**Templates** 

**Application Template** 

Letter of Authorization Template

Tribal Resolution Template

Landowner Letter of Support Template

Budget Support

**Budget Worksheet** 



# **Application Support**

#### **Application Office Hours**

- November 16, 2023 through January 25, 2024
- Biweekly, every other Thursday from 2:00 3:00 p.m. PT

Register here: <u>tinyurl.com/TCBP-APPOH</u>



### SGC Seeks a Technical Assistance Provider



**Evaluate Capacity Building Needs** 



Provide Technical Assistance Services



Facilitate Peer Learning

Review the Request for Quotes: <u>tinyurl.com/TCBP-RFQ</u>

Proposals Due: January 19, 2024, 5:00 p.m. PT





# Questions?

Contact: CACE@sgc.ca.gov

