

improve the performance of personal protective equipment other than respirators; (2) develops and validates test methods necessary to evaluate interventions and to increase the performance of personal protective equipment; (3) develops recommendations for relevant constituent groups on the use of effective personal protective equipment other than respirators; (4) assists in preparing technical informational packages to facilitate the proper use of all types of personal protective equipment.

*Safety Controls Section (HCCB76).* (1) Conducts research in the laboratory, simulated workplace, and actual workplace to identify effective approaches and/or interventions to increase the performance levels and proper use of engineering controls for protecting workers from all types of trauma; (2) analyzes potentially hazardous operations using systems safety and/or other engineering techniques to identify safety engineering control and safe work practice strategies; (3) develops and validates test and measurement methods necessary to evaluate interventions, performance standards, and regulations that involve the performance of controls and practices for protecting workers from acute, subacute, chronic, or cumulative trauma; (4) evaluates safety engineering controls and work practices to ensure that they meet established criteria; (5) develops recommendations for the use of effective safety engineering controls and work practices by relevant constituent groups; (6) assists in preparing technical informational packages to facilitate the proper use of safety engineering controls and work practices.

Delete in its entirety the title and functional statement for *Respiratory*

*Protection Section (HCCB75), Protective Technology Branch (HCCB7), Division of Safety Research (HCCB).*

Dated: August 30, 1996.

David Satcher,

Director.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-3999-N-02]

**Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing; Announcement of Funding Awards Indian HOME Program for Indian Applicants Fiscal Year 1996**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, 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 1996 for the Indian HOME Program for Indian applicants. The purpose of this notice is to publish the names and addresses of the award winners and the amount of the awards made available by HUD to provide assistance to the Indian applicants under the HOME Program.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dom Nessi, Office of Native American Programs, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room B-133, 451 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20410. Telephone (202) 755-0032 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing- or

speech impaired persons may use the Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf (TDD) by contacting the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Indian HOME Program funding for Fiscal Year 1996 is authorized by the HOME Investment Partnerships Act (the HOME Act) signed into law on November 28, 1990 (Pub. L. 101-625). The HOME Act was amended by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-550, approved October 28, 1992) and the Multifamily Housing Property Disposition Reform Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 102-233, approved April 11, 1994).

This Notice announces FY 1996 funding of \$14,000,000 to be used to assist in the funding to Indian tribes to expand the supply of affordable housing for very low-income and low-income persons. The FY 1996 awards announced in this Notice were selected for funding consistent with the provisions in the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) published in the Federal Register on March 27, 1996 (61 FR 13574).

The Indian HOME Program for Indian Applicants is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance as number 14.239.

In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (Pub. L. 101-235, approved December 15, 1989), the Department is hereby publishing the names, addresses, and amounts of those awards as shown in Appendix A.

Dated: September 9, 1996.

Kevin Emanuel Marchman,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

APPENDIX A

FY 96 Indian HOME Program—Grantee's name and address	Grant amount awarded
Quinault Indian Nation, POB 189, Taholah, WA 98587 .....	\$818,750
Bois Forte Reservation, Gary W. Donald, Tribal Chairman, POB 16, Nett Lake, MN 55772 .....	260,000
Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, Marge Anderson, Chief Executive, HCR 67, Box 194, Onamia, MN 56359 .....	741,000
Minominee Tribe of Wisconsin, John Teller, Tribal Chairman, POB 910, Keshena, WI 54135 .....	85,250
Artic Village Council, POB 50, Arctic Village, AK 99722 .....	295,000
Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc., 670 Fireweed Lane, Ste 200, Anchorage, AK 99503 .....	868,750
Winnebago Tribe of the Winnebago Reservation of Nebraska, POB 687, Winnebago, NE 68017 .....	561,000
Devils Lake Sioux Tribe, Fort Totten, ND 58335 .....	800,000
Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, POB 590, Eagle Butte, SD 57625 .....	264,760
Oglala Sioux Tribe, POB H, Pine Ridge, SD 57770 .....	344,000
Salish-Kootenai Tribes, POB 278, Pablo, MT 59855 .....	150,000
Three Affiliated Tribes, Fort Berthold Reservation, POB HC 3 Box 2, New Town, ND 58763 .....	88,990
Mescalero Indian Reservation, Wendell Chino, President, POB 176, Mescalero, NM 88340 .....	707,250
Pascua Yaqui Indian Tribe, Arcadio Gastelum, Chairperson, 7474 S. Camino de Oeste, Tucson, AZ 85746 .....	1,500,000
White Mountain Apache Tribe, Ronnie Lupe, Chairperson, POB 700, Whiteriver, AZ 85941 .....	810,000
Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation, Dale Risling, Chairman, POB 1348, Hoopa, CA 95546 .....	319,769
Augustine Indian Reservation, Maryann Martin, Chairman, 1185 N. Hargrave St., Banning, CA 92220-2633 .....	57,736

## APPENDIX A—Continued

FY 96 Indian HOME Program—Grantee's name and address	Grant amount awarded
Jicarilla-Apache Indian Reservation, Leonard Atole, President, POB 507, Dulce, NM 87528 .....	1,000,000
Tohono O'odham Nation, Edward Manuel, Chairman, POB 837, Sells, AZ 85634 .....	691,495
Pala Band of Mission Indians, Robert Smith, Chairman, POB 43, Pala, CA 92059 .....	347,000
San Carlos Apache Tribe, Raymond Stanley, Chairman, POB "O," San Carlos, AZ 85550 .....	663,000
Cherokee Nation, POB 948, Tahlequah, OK 74465 .....	419,623
Creek Nation, POB 580, Okmulgee, OK 74447 .....	1,035,000
Choctaw Nation, PO Drawer 1210, Durant, OK 74702 .....	1,171,627

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Request for Nominations

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council is soliciting nominations for the Public Advisory Group, which advises the Trustee Council on decisions related to the planning, evaluation, and conduct of injury assessment and restoration activities using funds obtained for purposes of restoration as part of the civil settlement pursuant to the T/V Exxon Valdez oil spill of 1989. Public Advisory Group members will be selected to serve a two-year term beginning in October 1996.

**DATES:** All nominations should be received on or before October 14, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be sent to the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, 645 G Street, Anchorage, Alaska 99501 (fax: 907/276-7178).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Douglas Mutter, Designated Federal Officer, Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, 1689 "C" Street, Suite 119, Anchorage, Alaska, 99501, (907) 271-5011; or Cherri Womac, Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, 645 G Street, Anchorage, Alaska, (907) 278-8012 or (800) 478-7745. A copy of the charter for the Public Advisory Group is available upon request.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Public Advisory Group was created by Paragraph V.A.4 of the Memorandum of Agreement and Consent Decree entered into by the United States of America and the State of Alaska on August 27, 1991 and approved by the United States District Court for the District of Alaska in settlement of *United States of*

*America v. State of Alaska*, Civil Action No. A91-081 CV. The Public Advisory Group was created to advise the Trustee Council on matters relating to decisions on injury assessment, restoration activities, or other use of natural resource damages recovered by the governments.

The Trustee Council consists of representatives of the State of Alaska Attorney General; Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game; Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation; the Secretary of the Interior; the Secretary of Agriculture; and the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce. Appointment to the Public Advisory Group will be made by the Secretary of the Interior with unanimous approval of the other Trustees.

The Public Advisory Group has openings for 17 members, representing the public at large (5 members) and the following special interests: aquaculture, commercial fishing, commercial tourism, forest products, environmental, conservation, local government, Native landowners, recreation users, sport hunting and fishing, subsistence users, and scientists and academics. Two additional ex officio non-voting members are from the Alaska State House of Representatives and the Alaska State Senate.

Parties who wish to make nominations must submit the following information to the Trustee Council:

1. A biographical sketch of the nominee (education, experience, address, telephone, fax);
2. Information about the nominee's knowledge of the region, peoples, or principal economic and social activities of the area affected by the T/V Exxon Valdez oil spill, or expertise in public lands and resource management;
3. Information about the nominee's relationship/involvement (if any) with the principal interest to be represented;
4. A statement explaining any unique contributions the nominee will make to the Public Advisory Group and why the

nominee should be appointed to serve as a member;

5. Any additional relevant information that would assist the Trustee Council in making a recommendation; and

6. Answers to the conflict of interest questions listed below. Public Advisory Group members and their alternates are chosen to represent a broad range of interests. It is possible that action could be taken by the Public Advisory Group when one or more of the members have a direct personal conflict of interest which would prejudice and call into question the entire public process. To avoid this and to enable the Trustee Council to choose appropriate individuals as members and/or alternates to members, it is necessary that each nomination packet provide the following information. If the answer to any of these questions is "yes," please provide a brief explanation. A "yes" will not necessarily preclude any nominee from being appointed to serve on the Public Advisory Group.

a. Do you, your spouse, children, any relative with whom you live, or your employer have, or are you defending, a claim filed before any court or administrative tribunal based upon damages caused by the T/V Exxon Valdez oil spill?

b. Do you, your spouse, children, any relative with whom you live, or your employer own any property or interest in property which has been, or is likely to be, proposed for acquisition by the Trustee Council?

c. Have you, your spouse, children, any relative with whom you live or your employer submitted, or are you likely to submit, a proposal for funding by the Trustee Council; are you or are you likely to be a direct beneficiary of such a proposal?

d. Do you know of any other potential actions of the Trustee Council or the Public Advisory Group that would have a direct bearing on the financial condition of yourself, your spouse,