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**LIST OF TRIBAL NATIONS AND STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICERS ELIGIBLE FOR GRANTS FROM POSITIVE TRAIN CONTROL CULTURAL RESOURCE FUND**

On May 19, 2014, the Federal Communications Commission announced that it had entered into Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with the seven Class I freight rail companies to address the railroads’ construction prior to May 31, 2013, of positive train control (PTC) facilities that may not have undergone the statutorily required environmental and historic preservation review. Through these landmark agreements, the freight railroads agreed to create a Cultural Resource Fund totaling ten million dollars to provide funding directly to Tribal Nations and State Historic Preservation Offices (SHPOs) to support cultural and historic preservation projects.[[1]](#footnote-1) The MOUs provide that the FCC will issue a notice of eligibility identifying the Tribal Nations and SHPOs that are qualified to apply for cultural and historic preservation grants from the Fund. This public notice officially identifies those Tribal Nations and SHPOs.

The purpose of the Fund is to support Tribal and State cultural and historic preservation programs. All federally-recognized Tribal Nations, and their entities, that, on or before December 31, 2013, registered in the FCC’s Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS) an interest in consultation in any area(s) where PTC wireless communications facilities were constructed prior to and including May 2013 (Eligible Tribes) will be eligible to apply for grants. SHPOs for each state where PTC wireless communications facilities were constructed prior to and including May 2013 will also be eligible to apply for grants.

Programs eligible for support from the Fund include existing cultural and historic preservation initiatives as well as new projects. Eligible Tribes and SHPOs can apply for grants from the Fund to conduct or commission field surveys, ethnographic studies or other cultural resource reports; to purchase or enhance existing hardware and /or software used for processing historic preservation review requests; to pay the salaries of employees or contractors hired by an Eligible Tribe or SHPO to increase its capacity to conduct any aspect of a cultural or historic preservation initiative, including future historic preservation review; for cultural or historic preservation staff training; or to engage in other related cultural and historic preservation activities.

The MICA Group has been selected by the Class I freight railroads to administer the Cultural Resource Fund grants program. Eligible Tribes and SHPOs will receive information letters that will include additional details about programs eligible for support from the MICA Group in early April. Grant applications will be available in early May. Additional information can be found at www.micagroup.org.

The following is the official list of Tribal Nations and their Entities eligible to receive grants from the Cultural Resource Fund:

Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma

Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

Ak Chin Indian Community Council

Akwesasne Mohawk Territory

Alabama Quassarte Tribal Town

Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas

Apache Tribe of Oklahoma

Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians

Big Sandy Rancheria Band of Western Mono Indians

Blackfeet Nation

Burns Paiute Tribe

Cabazon Tribe of Mission Indians

Caddo Nation

Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians

California Valley Miwok Tribe

Campo Band of Mission Indians

Carson Community Council

Catawba Indian Nation Cultural Preservation Project

Cayuga Nation

Chemehuevi Tribe

Cherokee Nation

Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe

Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma

Chickasaw Nation

Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation

Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana

Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Citizen Potawatomi Nation

Cocopah Indian Tribe

Coeur d'Alene Tribe

Cold Springs Rancheria

Colorado River Indian Tribes

Comanche Nation

Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Nation

Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians

Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation

Cortina Indian Rancheria

Coushatta Indian Tribe

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians

Cowlitz Indian Tribe

Crow Creek Sioux Tribal Council

Crow Tribe

Delaware Nation

Delaware Tribe of Indians

Duckwater Shoshone Tribe

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

Eastern Shoshone Tribe

Elko Band Council of the Te Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone

Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe

Forest County Potawatomi Community

Fort Belknap Indian Community

Fort McDermitt Tribal Council

Fort McDowell Yavapai Tribe

Fort Mojave Indian Tribe

Fort Peck Tribes

Fort Sill Apache Tribe of Oklahoma

Gila River Indian Community

Goshute Tribe

Hannahville Indian Community

Havasupai Tribe

Ho-Chunk Nation

Hopi Cultural Preservation Office

Hualapai Tribe

Huron Potawatomi

Ione Band of Miwok Indians

Iowa Tribe of Kansas & Nebraska

Jena Band of Choctaw Indians

Jicarilla Apache Nation

Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians

Karuk Tribe Dept. of Natural Resources

Kaw Nation

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community

Kialegee Tribal Town

Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas

Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma

Kiowa Indian Tribe of Oklahoma

Klamath Tribes

Koi Nation of Northern California

Kootenai Tribal Council

La Posta Band of Mission Indians

Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin

Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

Los Coyotes Reservation

Lower Brule Sioux Tribe

Lower Sioux Indian Community of Minnesota

Lummi Nation

Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Tribe

Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan

Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin

Mescalero Apache Tribe

Miami Tribe of Oklahoma

Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida

Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians

Modoc Tribe of Oklahoma

Morongo Band of Mission Indians

Muckleshoot Indian Tribe

Muscogee Creek Nation

Narragansett Indian Tribe

Navajo Nation

Nez Perce Tribe

Nisqually Indian Tribe

Nooksack Indian Tribal Council

North Fork Rancheria

Northern Arapaho

Northern Cheyenne Tribe

Oglala Sioux Tribe

Ohkay Owingeh (formerly known as San Juan Pueblo)

Omaha Tribe of Nebraska

Oneida Indian Nation

Oneida Nation of Wisconsin

Onondaga Indian Nation

Osage Nation

Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians

Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma

Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah Tribal Council

Pascua Yaqui Tribe

Pauma/Yuima Band of Mission Indians

Pawnee Nation

Pechanga Band of Mission Indians

Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma

Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians

Pit River Tribe

Poarch Band of Creek Indians

Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians

Ponca Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma

Ponca Tribe of Nebraska

Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

Prairie Island Indian Community

Pueblo of Acoma

Pueblo of Isleta

Pueblo of Laguna

Pueblo of Santa Clara

Pueblo of Tesuque

Pueblo of Zia

Pueblo of Zuni

Puyallup Tribe of Indians

Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma

Quartz Valley Indian Reservation

Quechan Indian Tribe

Ramah Navajo Chapter

Ramona Band of Cahuilla

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin

Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians of Minnesota

Rosebud Sioux Tribe

Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa

Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri

Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

Samish Indian Nation

San Carlos Apache Tribe

San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe

San Manuel Band of Mission Indians

San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Indians

Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians

Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians

Santee Sioux Nation

Sauk Suiattle Indian Tribe

Scotts Valley Rancheria

Seminole Nation of Oklahoma

Seminole Tribe of Florida

Seneca Nation of Indians

Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma

Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community of Minnesota

Shawnee Tribe

Shingle Springs Rancheria

Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, Cultural Resources

Shoshone-Paiute Tribes

Siletz Tribal Council

Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation

Skokomish Indian Tribe

Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians

Snoqualmie Tribe

Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians

South Fork Band Council

Southern Ute Tribe

Spirit Lake Nation

Spokane Tribe of Indians

Squaxin Island Tribe

St. Regis Mohawk Tribe

Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Council

Stewart Community Council

Stillaguamish Tribe

Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians

Suquamish Tribe

Swinomish Indian Tribal Community

Table Mountain Rancheria

Tejon Indian Tribe

Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone

The Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma

Thlopthlocco Tribal Town

Three Affiliated Tribes

Timbisha Shoshone Tribe

Tohono O'odham Nation

Tonawanda Band of Seneca

Tonkawa Tribe

Tonto Apache Tribal Council

Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians

Trenton Indian Service Area

Tulalip Tribes of the Tulalip Reservation

Tule River Reservation

Tunica-Biloxi Indians of Louisiana

Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa

Tuscarora Nation

Twenty Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians

United Auburn Indian Community

United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians

Upper Sioux Community of Minnesota

Upper Skagit Indian Tribe

Ute Indian Tribe

Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

Walker River Paiute Tribal Council

Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head-Aquinnah

Washoe Tribe of Nevada & California

Wells Band Council

White Earth Tribal Council

White Mountain Apache Tribe

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes

Wilton Rancheria

Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

Woodfords Washoe Community Council

Wyandotte Nation

Yakama Nation

Yankton Sioux Tribe

Yavapai-Apache Community Council

Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe

Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation

Ysleta del Sur Pueblo

The following is the official list of SHPOs eligible to receive grants from the Cultural Resource Fund:

Alabama Historical Commission

Arizona State Parks

Department of Arkansas Heritage

California Office of Historic Preservation

History Colorado, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation

Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources

Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Historic Preservation Division

Idaho State Historical Society

Illinois Historic Preservation Agency

Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology

State Historical Society of Iowa

Kansas State Historical Society

Kentucky Heritage Council

Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation & Tourism

Maryland Historical Trust

Massachusetts Historical Commission

Michigan State Housing Development Authority

Minnesota Historical Society

Mississippi Department of Archives & History, Division of Historic Preservation

Missouri State Historic Preservation Office

Montana State Historic Preservation Office

Nebraska State Historical Society

Nevada Historic Preservation Office

New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs, Historic Preservation Division

New York State Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation

North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office

State Historical Society of North Dakota

Ohio State Historic Preservation Office

State Historic Preservation Office, Oklahoma Historical Society

Oregon Parks & Recreation Department, State Historic Preservation Office

Pennsylvania Bureau for Historic Preservation

South Carolina Department of Archives & History

South Dakota State Historic Preservation Office

Tennessee Historical Commission

Texas Historical Commission

Utah State History

Virginia Department of Historic Resources

Washington Department of Archeology & Historic Preservation

West Virginia Division of Culture & History, Historic Preservation Office

Wisconsin Historical Society

Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office

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1. *See FCC Announces Two Actions to Facilitate Positive Train Control Implementation*, News Release (rel. May 19, 2014). Copies of the Memoranda of Understanding between the freight railroads and the FCC are available at <http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/positive-train-control-ptc>. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)