

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants

Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet

Skokomish Indian Tribe

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Skokomish Indian Tribe

Project Location: Skokomish, WA

Project Title: Establishing Solid Waste and Recycling Drop-Off Box Transfer Station Infrastructure on the Skokomish Indian Reservation

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 10

Grant Funding: \$1,354,922

The Skokomish Indian Tribe will build solid waste and recycling infrastructure on the Skokomish Reservation, increasing efforts within the Tribal community to promote healthy and ecologically sustainable ecosystems. The Tribe will achieve this objective by building a drop-off box transfer station for reuse and recycling that will replace the current recycling center and by purchasing and maintaining upgraded infrastructure. These activities will improve the Tribe's solid waste management and increase access to proper solid waste disposal for Tribal members and local communities.

SWIFR Grants to Tribes and Intertribal Consortia

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing resources to be used more efficiently and reducing the impact on the climate. SWIFR Tribal grant funding can be used to develop or update post-consumer materials management plans; establish or optimize collection and management of materials; fund infrastructure, technology, or other improvements to reduce contamination; enhance markets for recycled commodities; and increase the diversion, recycling rate, and quality of materials collected. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments flow to communities that have historically been underserved and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to the Skokomish Indian Tribe once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

Highlights

- Builds a drop-box transfer station for reuse and recycling.
- Builds solid waste and recycling infrastructure on the Reservation, increasing the Tribe's capacity to recycle and dispose of solid waste.

