

# Tribal Engagement Opportunities for National and Regional\* Water Actions

# November 2024

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17	18	19	20	21 US EPA R9 & Tribal Clean Water Workgroup 1:00pm – 2:30pm PST <a href="#">Join Meeting Here.</a>	22	23
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## HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS

### US EPA R9 & Tribal Clean Water Workgroup

**Meeting topic:** Tribal Environmental Department  
Panel Discussion Developing and Sustaining a  
successful Water Quality Program

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## Active National Consultations

- **EPA Tribal Consultation Opportunity: National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP)** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is initiating consultation and coordination with federally recognized Indian Tribes on the renewal of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) for stormwater discharges associated with industrial activities under the Clean Water Act. EPA renews this permit every five years, and the current MSGP is scheduled to expire on February 28, 2026. More information about the MSGP can be found at the [NPDES Stormwater Discharges from Industrial Activities website](#).

Any questions about the MSGP renewal or engagement in government-to-government consultation with EPA should be directed to Lauren Mosesso by email at [mosesso.lauren@epa.gov](mailto:mosesso.lauren@epa.gov) (and cc the MSGP email at [MSGP@epa.gov](mailto:MSGP@epa.gov)) or by phone at 202-564-1012.

## Updates on National Actions

No updates on National Actions at this time.

## State-Wide and Region 9 Consultation Opportunities\*

No updates on State-Wide and Region 9 Consultation Opportunities at this time.

## Upcoming State-Wide and Region 9 Actions

- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding under the San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund (SFBWQIF) is now open. The [BIL-SFBWQIF FY 2024-2025 NOFO](#) (also known as 'notice of funding opportunity') is funding from Congress to build resiliency in underserved communities. Proposed projects must be within the nine Bay Area counties that drain to San Francisco Bay. EPA is accepting applications for approximately \$14 million in grant funding to support projects in the range of \$500,000 to \$2 million to advance the Biden Administration's goal of delivering environmental and public health benefits for communities with environmental justice concerns.

Federally and non-federally recognized Tribes are eligible to apply. There is NO match requirement. Proposals must be submitted through Grants.gov on or before the submission deadline of April 17, 2025 at 9:00pm Pacific Standard Time. The NOFO can be found on our website at <https://www.epa.gov/sfbay-program>.

## For More Information on Tribal Consultation Opportunities

[EPA Policy on Consultation with Indian Tribes](#): On December 7<sup>th</sup>, EPA published a revised EPA Policy on Consultation with Indian Tribes and Guidance on Treaty Similar Rights. This Policy establishes national guidelines for consultation across EPA. Program and regional office consultation procedures must be consistent with this Policy.

Resources:

- [Factsheet](#)
- [Revised Policy](#)
- [Executive Order 13175](#)
- [Guidance for Discussing Tribal Treaty or Similar Rights](#)

Visit [TCOTS website](#) to find Consultation Letters for all listed consultations here and others outside of Office of Water. Sign up for the newsletter to get upcoming consultation notifications: [Join-epa\\_tcots@lists.epa.gov](mailto:Join-epa_tcots@lists.epa.gov).