

§ 170.171 How are tribal advisory technical panel members selected?

(a) The Indian LTAP center requests nominations from tribal governments and consortia within the service area for tribal transportation representatives to serve on the technical panel.

(b) Tribes from the service area select tribal panel members from those nominated.

INDIAN LTAP-SPONSORED EDUCATION AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

§ 170.175 What Indian LTAP-sponsored transportation training and educational opportunities exist?

There are many programs and sources of funding that provide tribal transportation training and education opportunities. Each program has its own terms and conditions of assistance. For further information on these programs and their use for tribal transportation education and training opportunities, contact the regional Indian LTAP center or BIA regional road engineer. Appendix B to this subpart contains a list of programs and funding sources.

§ 170.176 Where can tribes get scholarships and tuition for Indian LTAP-sponsored education and training?

Tribes can get tuition and scholarship assistance for Indian LTAP-sponsored education and training from the following sources:

- (a) Indian LTAP centers;
- (b) BIA-appropriated funds (for approved training); and
- (c) IRR Program funds (for education and training opportunities and technical assistance programs related to developing skills for performing IRR Program activities).

APPENDIX A TO SUBPART B—ALLOWABLE USES OF IRR PROGRAM FUNDS

A. IRR Program funds can be used for the following planning and design activities:

- 1. Planning and design of IRR transit facilities eligible for IRR construction funding.
- 2. Planning and design of IRR roads and bridges.
- 3. Planning and design of transit facilities that provide access to or are located within an Indian reservation or community.

4. Transportation planning activities, including planning for tourism and recreational travel.

5. Development, establishment, and implementation of tribal transportation management systems such as safety, bridge, pavement, and congestion management.

6. Tribal transportation plans and transportation improvement programs (TIPS).

7. Coordinated technology implementation program (CTIP) projects.

8. Traffic engineering and studies.

9. Identification and evaluation of accident prone locations.

10. Tribal transportation standards.

11. Preliminary engineering studies.

12. Interagency program/project formulation, coordination and review.

13. Environmental studies and archeological investigations directly related to transportation programs and projects.

14. Costs associated with obtaining permits and/or complying with tribal, Federal, state, and local environmental, archeological and natural resources regulations and standards.

15. Development of natural habitat and wetland conservation and mitigation plans, including plans authorized under the Water Resources Development Act of 1990, 104 Stat. 4604 (Water Resources Development Act).

16. Architectural and landscape engineering services related to transportation programs.

17. Engineering design related to transportation programs, including permitting activities.

18. Inspection of bridges and structures.

19. Indian local technical assistance program (LTAP) centers.

20. Highway and transit safety planning, programming, studies and activities.

21. Tribal employment rights ordinance (TERO) fees.

22. Purchase or lease of advanced technological devices used for transportation planning and design activities such as global positioning units, portable weigh-in-motion systems, hand held data collection units, related hardware and software, etc.

23. Planning, design and coordination for Innovative Readiness Training projects.

24. Transportation planning and project development activities associated with border crossings on or affecting tribal lands.

25. Public meetings and public involvement activities.

26. Leasing or rental of equipment used in transportation planning or design programs.

27. Transportation-related technology transfer activities and programs.

28. Educational activities related to bicycle safety.

29. Planning and design of mitigation of damage to wildlife, habitat, and ecosystems caused by a transportation project.

30. Evaluation of community impacts such as land use, mobility, access, social, safety,