Tribal ecoAmbassadors

This application is for the second year of EPA's Tribal ecoAmbassador Program, with the goal of conducting research in partnership with Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs). Professors from TCUs will receive funding and technical support from EPA to solve the environmental problems most important to their tribal communities. EPA and our Tribal partners aim to promote environmental protection and improve economic opportunities by supporting Tribal environmental research. Please submit by email or mail no later than July 22ND, 2012. You will receive confirmation of receipt when your application is received. Please feel free to contact Marissa McInnis by email or phone (202) 564-2467 if you have any questions.

Submitting by mail

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For more information about this program, please visit <u>www.epa.gov/ecoambassadors/tribal</u>.

1. PROJECT TITLE:

2. CATEGORY OF COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL and/or PUBLIC HEALTH CHALLENGE:

3. PRINCIPAL Tribal ecoAmbassador:

Name (last, first): Preferred Address:

Telephone: E-mail:

4. ORGANIZATION or ENTITY OF AFFILIATION DURING PROJECT:

5. TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDING REQUESTED:

For questions 6-9, please reference Application Instructions for further details.

6. PROJECT SUMMARY:

7. STUDENT ENGAGEMENT:

8. PARTNERSHIPS:

9. SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

10. Please indicate how you first learned about the EPA Tribal ecoAmbassadors program:

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. PROJECT TITLE -The project title should indicate in the simplest, non-technical terms what the planned project is about. We request that you develop a title that begins with an action word. For example: "Expanding Community Waste Management Practices".

2. CATEGORY - Applicants may indicate at least one category with which their project relates. The purpose of selecting a category(ies) is to help our staff assign appropriate points of contact for the Tribal ecoAmbassador if selected. The categories are:

- (1) Water Quality
- (2) Air Quality
- (3) Waste Minimization and Management
- (4) Climate Change Adaptation
- (5) Climate Change Mitigation
- (6) Pollution and Toxics
- (7) Environmental Education

Special Emphasis on EPA's Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Program (Optional). In addition to the categories mentioned above, EPA is seeking proposals that explore the relevance, utility and understanding of data and information from EPA's Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Program as it relates to Tribal communities and facilities located on Tribal lands. Issues relevant to TRI include (but are not limited to) environmental education, pollution prevention, community engagement, health science, and improving the context and understanding of TRI data. [www.epa.gov/tri/] Please contact Amanda Patterson at Patterson.amanda@epa.gov and visit www.epa.gov/tri for more details.

3. PRINCIPAL ecoAmbassador -The primary individual actually doing the proposed work should be identified as the Principal ecoAmbassador. Principal ecoAmbassadors must serve in the role of Professor or Administrator at a Tribal College or University.

4. ORGANIZATION OF AFFILIATION - Please include the name of the Tribal College or University, or other entity with which you will be affiliated during your tenure as an EPA Tribal ecoAmbassador

5. ESTIMATED BUDGET- Please include an estimated budget that itemizes estimated costs for the following:

- (1)Travel for ecoAmbassador and students
- (2) Equipment and supplies necessary to complete the research initiative
- (3) Administrative costs
- (4) Research execution
- (5) Other implementation costs
- (6) Total cost of proposal

6. PROJECT SUMMARY - These statements must be in non-technical terms. Please include the following:

(A) PURPOSE: State the problem your research will seek to resolve.

(B) PLAN: Summarize how you plan to proceed and what tangible/measurable results you are anticipating. Address how the solution is attainable through your work.

(C) BENEFITS: Communicate how your project will benefit environment and human health in your community. Indicate what lasting impacts your project can make.

7. STUDENT ENGAGEMENT: Please identify the estimated number of students that you anticipate will be supporting your research initiative. If possible, please also include their names and a brief biography.

8. PARTNERSHIPS: Please identify the existing and/or potential partnerships you would use to conduct this program.

9. SUPPORTING MATERIALS: Please include a CV or Resume. Also, please feel free to include any additional materials in support of your project.

10. EPA Tribal ecoAmbassadors PROGRAM - Please indicate how you first learned about the Tribal ecoAmbassadors Program, so that we may improve our continued outreach. Common responses are: website, colleagues, conference, press release, etc.