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Regional Tribes receive over \$4M in EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grants

Tribes in EPA Region 8 developing plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

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DENVER – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recently awarded a total of \$4,027,500 to eleven Tribes in EPA’s Mountains and Plains ([Region 8](#)) states – Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming – to help fund climate pollution reduction action plans.

Authorized under the Inflation Reduction Act, [EPA’s Climate Pollution Reduction Grants](#) (CPRGs) program provides \$25 million in Tribal grants nationwide through the first of two funding phases. [CPRG Phase 1](#) includes noncompetitive funding for Tribes and U.S. territories to design greenhouse gas reduction plans across all sectors of their economies. EPA Region 8 finalized its CPRG Phase 1 Tribal grant allocations last month.

“EPA is focused on helping our Tribal partners plan for and address increasingly harmful effects of climate change,” said **KC Becker, EPA Regional Administrator**. “This CPRG funding will accelerate greenhouse gas

reductions and advance environmental justice efforts in Tribal communities across the Mountains and Plains region.”

Ten Tribes in the EPA Mountains and Plains region each received \$371,750 in CPRG planning grants: Blackfeet Nation; Chippewa Cree Tribe; Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation; Northern Arapaho Tribe; Northern Cheyenne Tribe; Northwest Band of the Shoshone Nation; Rosebud Sioux Tribe; Southern Ute Indian Tribe; Spirit Lake Nation; and Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. The Fort Peck Tribe requested and received a \$310,000 CPRG planning grant.

Phase 1 of the CPRG program supports Tribes regardless of where they are in their climate planning and implementation process. Planning grant recipients will use the funding to design action plans to reduce emissions in economic sectors such as electricity generation, industry, transportation, buildings, waste management and agriculture/natural and working lands.

[The second CPRG phase](#) is open through May 1, 2024, and involves competitions for grants to help Tribes and territories implement their climate action plans.

[More information](#) about the CPRG Phase 1 planning grants for Tribes and territories and a national list of all grantees are available online.

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