

**Southwest Tribal Housing Association**  
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**Scottsdale, Arizona**

**SWONAP Website:** ( Google SWONAP to find our website) ONAP, I think is doing a better job keeping the website up to date. We want to encourage you all to:

- Visit What's New for the latest happenings in our region
- Visit Partners and Providers Section for finance and technical assistance opportunities.
- Upcoming Trainings
- Funding Opportunities
- SWONAP Information Bulletin
- Environmental Resources (WISER Module) and (HEROS)

**Status on monitoring reviews for FY 2018:**

§1000.503 What is an appropriate extent of HUD monitoring?

(a) Subject to any conflicting or supplementary requirement of specific legislation, and upon the effective date of this regulation, the frequency of HUD monitoring of a particular recipient will be determined by application of the HUD standard risk assessment factors, provided that when a recipient requests to be monitored, HUD shall conduct such monitoring as soon as practicable. The HUD standard risk assessment factors may be but are not limited to the following:

- (1) Annual grant amount;
- (2) Disbursed amounts—all open grants;
- (3) Months since last on-site monitoring;
- (4) Delinquent audits under 2 CFR part 200, subpart F;
- (5) Open 2 CFR part 200, subpart F, or Inspector General audit findings;
- (6) Conclusions of 2 CFR part 200, subpart F, auditor;
- (7) Open monitoring findings;

- (8) Delinquent Annual Performance Reports or Annual Status and Evaluation Reports;
- (9) Status of Corrective Action Plan (CAP) or Performance Agreement (PA);
- (10) Recipient Self-Monitoring;
- (11) Inspection of 1937 Act units;
- (12) Preservation of 1937 Act units; and
- (13) Any other additional factors that may be determined by HUD, consistent with HUD's Tribal Consultation Policy, by which HUD will send written notification and provide a comment period. Such additional factors shall be provided by program guidance.

- 20 on-site reviews are planned
- The first review was scheduled to take place beginning January 22<sup>nd</sup> but was postponed due to the Government Shutdown.
- Generally, we perform more monitoring during the year that what is planned. Some grantees request that we come on-site to monitor and sometimes we become aware of situations that prompt on-site monitoring.
- ONAP has limited travel funds due to the continuing resolutions.
- Schedule of monitoring reviews are on the ONAP Codetalk website

#### **SWONAP Free Technical Assistance and Trainings:**

- Don't forget about the Technical Assistance for Tribes and TDHEs for a wide variety of Indian housing and related issues. To request specialized Technical Assistance and/or Training, contact Debbie Broermann or John Fernandes.
- Most of the time that TA will be done by a contractor.
- But every now and then SWONAP staff will provide the on-site training.

#### **Up Coming Training:**

- NAHASDA Intermediate: January 23-25 – Albuquerque
- Tribal Housing Board of Commissioner Training: Feb 6-7 – Sacramento
- NAHASDA Essentials: Feb 6-8 – Oklahoma City
- Environmental Review for Tribal Housing Rehabilitation: Feb 27-28 – Denver

- Environmental Review: March 13-15 – Salt River – more info to come.
- Pathways Home: March 19-23 – Sacramento
- Tribal Housing Admission and Occupancy: March 27-29 – Phoenix
- Credit Counseling: March 27-28 – Port Angeles, WA
- Leveraged Funding, Title VI and Strategic Planning: April 10-12 – Phoenix
- Federal Procurement and Contract Management: April 25-26 – Sacramento
- Tribal Housing Maintenance: May 15-16 – Reno
- IHP/APR: May 16-17 – Phoenix
- ANY RECOMMENDATIONS/SUGGESTIONS
- Strategic Planning TA requests are on hold. Headquarters is working on a group training to offer.

**SECTION 184 LOANS:**

**FY 2017 ONAP Total:**

TYPE	LOANS	LOAN AMOUNT
Fee Land:	3,908	\$747,995,200
Tribal Trust:	136	\$ 20,572,437
Allotted Trust:	<u>36</u>	<u>\$ 19,361,909</u>
Total:	4,080	\$787,929,546

**FY 2017 SWONAP Total:**

STATE	FEE LAND	TRUST	TOTAL	LOAN AMOUNT
ARIZONA	163	2	165	\$33,587,120
CALIFORNIA	187	12	199	\$48,726,867
NEW MEXICO	139	4	143	\$28,410,295
NEVADA	34	7	41	\$ 8,033,403
TEXAS	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>\$ 285,105</u>
Total:	525	26	551	\$119,042,790

**SWONAP Cumulative Total:**

STATE	FEE LAND	TRUST	TOTAL	LOAN AMOUNT
ARIZONA	1,469	1,108	2,577	\$353,140,567
CALIFORNIA	2,042	268	2,310	\$666,538,271
NEW MEXICO	1,013	313	1,326	\$222,506,746
NEVADA	201	33	234	\$ 46,669,300
TEXAS	9	6	15	\$ 2,201,460
<b>Total:</b>	<b>4,734</b>	<b>1,728</b>	<b>6,462</b>	<b>\$1,291,056,344</b>

**Staffing Update:**

- Cheryl Dixon Zuni was promoted to the Deputy Administrator Position in Albuquerque. Cheryl has been with ONAP for 6 ½ years as a Grants Management Specialist. She came to ONAP from the Pueblo of Isleta and is a member of the tribe. That leaves us with a vacant Grants Management Specialist position in Albuquerque that we hope to replace.
- Lead Grants Management Specialist in Phoenix. Closes January 24<sup>th</sup>.
- ONAP has had several retirements: Jennifer Bullough, HQ Grants Evaluation Director; Bill Zachares, Administrator in Alaska.

**SWONAP Disaster Point of Contact:**

- If your tribe is hit or threatened by fire, floods, or other disasters; please contact John Fernandes at SWONAP at (623) 326-6914 to brief him on the situation even though HUD is not the main contact for disaster relief. He will need the following information:
- Reporting data like the number of damaged units or the number of displaced people if available, even during recovery.

**Indian Community Development Block Grant:**

- Headquarters has begun the clearance process for the 2018 NOFA.
- We are hopeful that it will be published in early spring but really that's just a guess at this point.

### **Indian Housing Block Grant:**

- We have received 131 2018 Indian Housing Plans so far and expect about a half a dozen more.
- You can expect your 2019 Formula Response Form with estimated amounts after the final 2018 formula has been ran. We generally get those estimated amounts out on June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- We will issue the final 2018 amounts approximately 60 days after a budget deal is worked out in Congress that will go through the end of the fiscal year.
- Interim funding is available. PIH Notice 2013-29 explains the process. Contact your Grants Management Specialist for more information.
- There was a Dear Tribal Leader letter dated December 1, 2017 issued. The letter seeks comments on implementing a new IHP/APR system. I want to go through the letter with you.

### **HUD Environmental Review Online System (HEROS)(WISER):**

The HEROS system makes it easier for responsible entities and their partners to develop, document, and manage environmental reviews. HEROS guides users through the analysis, determinations and documentation required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the related laws and authorities. HUD will issue a Dear Tribal Leader letter in the near future.

- HEROS has drop-down menus, check boxes, auto-fill data fields, and numerous data quality checks, which streamlines data entry and reduces errors.
- HEROS closely resembles the HUD environmental review worksheets and formats, so users will find it familiar.
- HEROS is Internet-based, allowing recipients and HUD staff to work on documents in real time
- The HUD Office of Environment and Energy has developed several HEROS training resources. A HEROS User Guide is available, as are several short “how-to” videos to introduce and demonstrate the system. There are also several recorded Q&A sessions on HEROS, and it is possible to practice using HEROS in a separate training environment. In addition, the HUD Exchange has an Ask a Question function that can be used to resolve questions about using the system.
- The rollout is expected in the fall of 2018 but prior to the rollout of

HEROS, the system will be piloted by several tribes and tribally designated housing entities around the country.

- Web-Based Instructional System for Environmental Review (WISER)  
<https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/wiser/>
- WISER teaches grantees how to understand and address all aspects of the environmental review process required for all HUD-assisted projects. This set of self-paced online learning modules can be completed in any order. Each module includes its own learning assessment and opportunity for obtaining a certificate of completion.

It will assist you in understanding the overall requirements for assessing the environmental impacts of any HUD-assisted project and how to conduct particular components of an environmental review process, including concerns related to: endangered species; environmental justice; airport hazards; noise abatement and control; water elements; explosive and flammable materials; farmland; wild and scenic rivers; air quality; historical preservation; site contamination; and environmental assessment factors.