

M. How Much Time do Grant Recipients Have to Complete the work Proposed?

Activities must be completed within the time frame specified in the grant award, usually one or two years from award date. Grant project periods may be approved for up to two years.

N. Who Will Develop and Manage the Partnerships?

Grant recipients are responsible for the successful development and management of all projects. All applications must identify a project manager. The recipient's project manager is subject to approval by the EPA project officer, but EPA may not direct that any particular person be the project officer. The lead institution (applicant) is recognized as the grantee and as such is responsible for all activities under the agreement.

O. What Reports Must Grant Recipients Complete?

Recipients of grants will be expected to report on quarterly progress, as well as final project completion. All recipients must submit final reports for EPA approval prior to the expiration of the project period. Specific reporting requirements will be detailed in the award agreement. EPA plans to collect, evaluate, and as appropriate, disseminate grantees' final reports to serve as model programs. Since networking is crucial to the success of the program, grantees may be asked to transmit an extra copy to a central collection point.

P. What is the Expected Time frame for the Review and Awarding of the Grants?

December 1, 1995

Request for Applications Published in the Federal Register

December 1, 1995–March 2, 1996

Eligible grant recipients develop their proposals

March 2, 1996

Proposals must be postmarked or received by EPA by this date

March 2, 1996–May 1, 1996

Federal Agency Officials and review panel evaluate and recommend award selection

May 1, 1996–June 30, 1996

EPA Grants Administration Division processes grants. Applicants will be contacted by the grants office if their proposals were selected for funding. Additional information may be required from the selectees.

August 1, 1996

EPA anticipates the awarding of the grants and the beginning of the partnership projects/activities.

Fiscal Year 1997 Grants

To Receive Information on the Fiscal Year (FY) 1997 Environmental Justice Community/University Partnership (CUP) Grants Program and future year grants, please mail or fax your request along with your name, organization, address, and phone number to the Office of Environmental Justice (OEJ), FY 1997 CUP Grants. OEJ's address is provided in Section H. OEJ's fax number is (202) 260-0852. You may also obtain this information by calling OEJ's 24 hour hotline number 1-800-962-6215

Available Translations

A Spanish translation of this announcement is available upon request. Please call the Office of Environmental Justice at 1-800-962-6215 for a copy.

Hay traducciones disponibles en español. Si usted está interesado en obtener una traducción de este anuncio en español, por favor llame a la Oficina de Justicia Ambiental conocida como "Office of Environmental Justice", línea de emergencia (1-800-962-6215).

Working Definitions

Tribes—all federally recognized American Indian tribes (including "Alaskan Native Villages"), pueblos, and rancherios. Although the term "tribe," as defined in this notice, refers to only "federally recognized tribes," state recognized tribes or indigenous peoples organizations are able to apply for grant assistance as "other eligible grass-roots organizations" as long as they meet the definition of an incorporated, nonprofit organization.

Nonprofit—means any corporation, trust, association, cooperative, or other organization which (1) is operated primarily for scientific, educational, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public interest; (2) is not organized primarily for profit; and (3) uses its net proceeds to maintain, improve, and/or expand its operations.

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[FRL-5340-3]**State of New Jersey; Final Partial Program Determination of Adequacy of State/Tribal Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Permit Program**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Final Partial Program Determination of Adequacy on New Jersey's Application.

SUMMARY: Section 4005(c)(1)(B) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) of 1984, requires States to develop and implement permit programs to ensure that Municipal Solid Waste Landfills (MSWLFs) which may receive hazardous household waste or small quantity generator waste will comply with the revised Federal MSWLF Criteria (40 CFR 258). RCRA section 4005(c)(1)(C) requires the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to determine whether States have adequate "permit" programs for MSWLFs, but does not mandate issuance of a rule governing such determinations. EPA has drafted and is in the process of proposing a State/Tribal Implementation Rule (STIR) that will provide procedures by which EPA will approve, or partially approve, State/Tribal landfill permit programs. The Agency has approved and will continue to approve adequate State/Tribal MSWLF permit programs as applications are submitted. Thus, these approvals are not dependent on final promulgation of the STIR. Prior to promulgation of the STIR, adequacy determinations will be made based on statutory authorities and requirements. In addition, States/Tribes may use the draft STIR as an aid in interpreting these requirements. The Agency believes that early approvals have an important benefit. Approved State/Tribal permit programs provide for interaction between the State/Tribal and the owner/operator regarding site-specific permit conditions. Only those owner/operators located in States/Tribes with approved permit programs can use the site-specific flexibility provided by Part 258 to the extent the State/Tribal permit program allows such flexibility. EPA notes that regardless of the approval status of a State/Tribal and the permit status of any facility, the federal landfill criteria will apply to all permitted and unpermitted MSWLF facilities.

The State of New Jersey applied for a partial program determination of adequacy under Section 4005 of RCRA. EPA reviewed New Jersey's application and made a tentative determination of adequacy for those portions of the MSWLF permit program that are adequate to ensure compliance with the revised MSWLF Criteria. After reviewing all comments received, EPA today is granting final partial approval to New Jersey's program.