

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants
Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet
Snoqualmie Indian Tribe

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Snoqualmie Indian Tribe

Project Location: Snoqualmie, WA

Project Title: Snoqualmie Tribe Casino Recycling and Waste Reduction Project

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 10

Highlights

- Reduces the amount of waste going to local landfills by 40% over 3 years.
- Implements policies on waste management and reduction.
- Analyzes the waste being produced by the Tribe's casino hotel to identify areas for improvement.

Grant Funding: \$365,085

The Snoqualmie Indian Tribe will implement a waste identification, reduction, and recycling program. The Tribe will achieve this objective by buying necessary equipment, including a glass pulverizer, a recycling compactor, and collection and sorting bins. In addition, a “Green Team” will be formed to collaborate on waste reduction, recycling, and outreach, and will work to implement policies on waste management and reduction. These activities will reduce waste contamination, expand end-markets, and spread knowledge on waste reduction.

SWIFR Grants to Tribes and Intertribal Consortia

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing resources to be used more efficiently and reducing the impact on the climate. SWIFR Tribal grant funding can be used to develop or update post-consumer materials management plans; establish or optimize collection and management of materials; fund infrastructure, technology, or other improvements to reduce contamination; enhance markets for recycled commodities; and increase the diversion, recycling rate, and quality of materials collected. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments flow to communities that have historically been underserved and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

