



NATIVE AMERICAN FISH & WILDLIFE SOCIETY

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Native American Fish & Wildlife Society RESOLUTION

Title: Support for BIA Resilience Grant Workshop Proposal

Resolution No. 19-005

WHEREAS, the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society ("NAFWS") was established in recognition of the importance and respect accorded to fish and wildlife by Native American people; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS is composed of Indian Tribes, organizations and people as well as federal and state agency representatives forming "a national Native American organization to aid in the development and protection of Native American fish and wildlife resources"; and

WHEREAS, climate change is altering key habitats that are critical to wildlife survival and putting natural resources in jeopardy as Tribes prepare for a changing climate to take significant action to protect wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the effects of climate change, evident on global and regional scales, may significantly impact the Tribes due to local climate, and other associated effects on the local fish and wildlife on which Tribes has traditionally relied; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty and responsibility of the Tribes to provide for the well-being of the community, its local environment, natural resources, and social systems; and

WHEREAS, through traditional knowledge, practice, experience, and relationships with nature Tribes has an important role in defending and healing the natural environment; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS has considered the potential and current impacts of climate change on its people, environment, and resources, and has registered these impacts as a concern; and

WHEREAS, Tribes are proven leaders in the protection of these landscapes and their wildlife that provides a model and lessons for other natural resource managers; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS works with Tribes to identify and advocate for the tools and resources to monitor fish and wildlife resources and mitigate the effects of climate change

WHEREAS, The BIA Tribal Resilience Program (TRP) provides federal-wide resources to Tribes to build capacity and resilience through leadership engagement, delivery of data and tools, training and tribal capacity building;

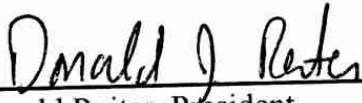
WHEREAS, TRP provides direct funding that supports tribes, tribal consortia, and authorized tribal organizations to build resilience through competitive awards for tribally designed resilience training, adaptation planning, vulnerability assessments, supplemental monitoring, capacity building, and youth engagement

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society hereby supports the submission of the BIA Resilience Grant Proposal to provide climate adaptation training to its Tribal members.

Certification


This resolution was enacted by the affirmative vote of the Society membership who attended the National Business Meeting held on May 23, 2019. The vote is 48 voting in favor, 0 voting against and 0 members abstaining.

Dated this 23rd day of May, 2019.



Donald Reiter, President
Native American Fish & Wildlife Society

Attest:



Mitzi Reed, Secretary/Treasurer
Native American Fish and Wildlife Society