

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants

Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet

Tribal Solid Waste Advisory Network, Inc.

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Tribal Solid Waste Advisory Network, Inc.

Project Location: Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation, Sauk Suiattle Indian Tribe Reservation, Coeur d'Alene Tribe Reservation, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Spokane Tribe, Suquamish Tribe

Project Title: Growing Together: A Tribal Composting Alliance for Sustainable Organics Management

Highlights

- Creates at least 15 jobs.
- Supports recycling operations for 6+ Tribes.
- Diverts an estimated 300-500 tons of organic materials from landfills each year.

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 10

Grant Funding: \$1,500,000

The Tribal Solid Waste Advisory Network (TSWAN) will expand the Tribal Recycling Alliance organics recycling infrastructure across the Pacific Northwest by strengthening Tribal capacity to manage post-consumer organic waste. The project will install five aerated static composting systems, provide hands-on technical assistance and workforce training, and support the hiring of four Tribal Compost Specialists through subawards to operate and sustain pilot composting sites. The project will also establish a Tribal Composting Alliance and train at least 15 Tribal compost facility operators to support peer learning and long-term sustainability. This project establishes Tribal-led, on-site processing of organic waste, reducing dependence on off-reservation disposal and creating closed-loop systems that return nutrients to Tribal lands.

SWIFR Grants for Tribes and Intertribal Consortia

The Save Our Seas 2.0 Act provides investments in recycling to support the implementation of the National Recycling Strategy and build a circular economy for all. This funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing for more efficient resource use and less environmental impact from waste materials. The SWIFR 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.

