

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants

Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet

Bay Mills Indian Community

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Bay Mills Indian Community

Project Location: Brimley, MI

Project Title: Bay Mills Indian Community EPA Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 5

Grant Funding: \$970,000

The Bay Mills Indian Community will increase recycling and waste diversion rates and reduce environmental contamination. The Tribe will do so by building a new waste transfer station, developing a fish waste composting facility and operation, buying supplies and equipment, and implementing staff training and recycling programs throughout the Tribe. The objective is to expand materials management infrastructure, create a more accessible recycling infrastructure, and reduce the rate of contamination in recycling streams.

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 Bay Mills Indian Community once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

Highlights

- Builds a new waste transfer station.
- Constructs a fish waste composting facility.
- Supports recycling collection in high-traffic areas.

