

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

Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes

Project Location: Poplar, MT

Project Title: FPT Recycling Program Upgrade and

Expansion

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 8

Grant Funding: \$744,810

Highlights

- Creates four new jobs.
- Purchases new equipment to help expand programs and services offered.
- Establishes an additional plastic recycling center and increases the capacity for cardboard recycling.

The Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes will expand materials management infrastructure and identify end markets. The Tribes will achieve these objectives by hiring up to four additional full-time staff members, establishing a new recycling collection facility, purchasing equipment to help expand the recycling programs for Tribe members, and researching end markets and community partnerships for previously unrecycled materials. These steps will encourage and expand recycling throughout the reservation to reduce contamination in the solid waste stream.

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 Justice 40 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 Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.