

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

Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

Project Location: Bayfield, WI

Project Title: Red Cliff Transfer Station - Recycling Services Expansion Project

Highlights

- Creates one full-time job.
- Builds a reuse center.
- Reduces contamination of recycled materials.

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 5

Grant Funding: \$396,732

The Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa will upgrade recycling equipment, expand materials management infrastructure, and provide educational opportunities. The Tribe will pursue these objectives by purchasing updated equipment, such as a front-end loader, a conveyor belt system for a vertical baler, and hand tools. They will build a reuse center to decrease the waste volume entering the landfill. These activities will provide adequate recycling services; encourage the reuse of items; promote proper recycling; and ensure the safety of staff and users onsite.

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 Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

