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**SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY**

**Re: 2018 Tribal Infrastructure Project Fund - Notice of Funding Availability**

Greetings Honorable Tribal Leaders and Tribal Administrative Staff:

The New Mexico Indian Affairs Department (IAD) is pleased to announce the availability of grant funding for qualified tribal infrastructure projects. Enclosed with this letter is the FY 2018 Tribal Infrastructure Project Fund (TIPF) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). The NOFA announces the availability of an estimated \$8,800,000.00 in Severance Tax Bond Funding to be made available to the TIPF for allocation in the FY 2018 funding cycle. The Board will award grants to qualified projects submitted by a federally recognized Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo located wholly or partially in New Mexico or in the case of the Navajo Nation, each chapter. Agreements are entered into with the executive branch of the nation, tribe or pueblo, and in the case of Navajo Nation chapters; with the Navajo Nation itself.

Tribal entities seeking consideration for TIPF funding may submit a Tribal Infrastructure Fund Application (TIFA) to the Tribal Infrastructure Fund Application Portal commencing February 2, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. **The deadline to submit a TIFA is March 5, 2018, by 5:00 p.m.** If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mr. Lawrence John, Tribal Infrastructure Fund Administrator at 505-476-1629 or [lawrence.john@state.nm.us](mailto:lawrence.john@state.nm.us). Understandably, the TIPF is a competitive process, therefore please consider all criteria identified in the application.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

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Cc: TIPF NOFA FY 2018