

**General Provision**

None of the funds distributed per capita or made available under this plan for programing shall be subject to Federal, State or local income taxes or be considered as income or resources in determining either eligibility for or the amount of assistance under the Social Security Act or any Federal or federally assisted programs."

Kenneth Smith,

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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**Confederated Tribes of Colville Reservation; Plan for the Use and Distribution of Confederated Tribes of Colville Reservation Judgment Funds in Docket 178-A Before the United States Court of Claims**

July 1, 1983.

This notice is published in exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

The Act of October 19, 1973 (Pub. L. 93-134, 87 Stat. 466), as amended, requires that a plan be prepared and submitted to Congress for the use or distribution of funds appropriated to pay a judgment of the Indian Claims Commission or Court of Claims to any Indian tribe. Funds were appropriated on October 28, 1982, in satisfaction of the award granted to the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation in United States Court of Claims Docket 178-A. The plan for the use and distribution of the funds was submitted to the Congress with a letter dated February 25, 1983, and was received (as recorded in the Congressional Record) by the Senate on March 9, 1983, and by the House of Representatives on March 10, 1983. The plan became effective on May 20, 1983, as provided by Section 5 of the 1973 Act since Congress did not adopt a resolution disapproving it.

The plan reads as follows: "The funds appropriated on October 28, 1982, in satisfaction of an award granted to the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation in Docket 178-A before the United States Court of Claims, including all interest and investment income accrued, less attorney fees and litigation expenses, shall be distributed as herein provided.

**Per Capita Aspect**

The Colville Confederated Tribes' latest approved membership roll shall be brought current to include all eligible members born on or prior to and living on the effective date of this plan.

Subsequent to the preparation and approval of this roll, the Secretary shall make a per capita distribution of eighty (80) percent of the funds, in a sum as equal as possible, to each enrollee. Any amount remaining after the per capita payment to the enrollees shall revert to the Colville Business Council for use in ongoing programs.

The per capita shares of living competent adults shall be paid directly to them. Shares of deceased individual beneficiaries shall be determined and distributed in accordance with 43 CFR, Part 4, Subpart D. Per capita shares of legal incompetents and minors shall be handled as provided in the Act of October 19, 1973, 87 Stat. 466, as amended January 12, 1983, by Pub. L. 97-458.

**Programing Aspect**

Twenty (20) percent of the funds shall be utilized in a Land Purchase Program under the Land Consolidation Ordinance of the tribe, subject to the approval of the Secretary.

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*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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**Receipt of Petition for Federal Acknowledgment of Existence as an Indian Tribe**

July 1, 1983.

This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Pursuant to 25 CFR 83.8(a) (formerly 25 CFR 54.8(a)) notice is hereby given that the Mowa Band of Choctaw Indians, c/o Mr. Framon Weaver, P.O. Box 268, McIntosh, Alabama 36553, has filed a petition for acknowledgment by the Secretary of the Interior that the group exists as an Indian tribe. The petition was received by the Bureau of Indian Affairs on May 27, 1983. The petition was forwarded and signed by members of the group's governing body.

This is a notice of receipt of petition and does not constitute notice that the petition is under active consideration. Notice of active consideration will be by

mail to the petitioner and other interested parties at the appropriate time.

Under § 83.8(d) (formerly § 54.8(d)) of the Federal regulations, interested parties may submit factual or legal arguments in support of or in opposition to the group's petition. Any information submitted will be made available on the same basis as other information in the Bureau of Indian Affairs files.

The petition may be examined by appointment in the Division of Tribal Government Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 18th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20242.

Kenneth Smith,

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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**Bureau of Land Management**

**Reorganization of the Field Structure of the Eastern States Office**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) hereby announces changes in the field structure of the Eastern States Office. Field offices in Duluth, Minnesota and Tuscaloosa, Alabama will close permanently on Friday, July 22, 1983. New district offices in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Jackson, Mississippi will open officially on Monday, July 25, 1983. The location of Eastern States Office headquarters, Alexandria, Virginia, will not change.

The reorganization of the Eastern States Office is a result of Secretarial Order 3087, dated December 3, 1982, which merged the onshore minerals activities of the Minerals Management Service into BLM. The Milwaukee District Office will administer BLM programs in Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia and Wisconsin. The Jackson District Office will administer BLM programs in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

**Locations:** The address of the Milwaukee District Office is as follows: Bureau of Land Management, Milwaukee District Office, 310 West Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 220, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203. Office