

Letters of Intent Received as of September 22, 2008

*1978	43
1979	24
1980	10
1981	7
1982	5
1983	7
1984	7
1985	5
1986	0
1987	2
1988	5
1989	6
1990	7
1991	5
1992	8
1993	7
1994	9
**1995	17
1996	14
1997	9
1998	21
1999	17
2000	15
2001	13
2002	19
2003	11
2004	9
2005	11
2006	10
2007	7
***2008	2
Total – to – Date	332

* 40 original groups, when 25 CFR Part 83 became effective in 1978.

291 new petitioners since October 1978 (3 of these new petitioners split from 3 of the original 40 groups).

331 Total letters of intent received to date.

Average number of letters of intent received per year between 1979 and 1987, not including the original 40 and 3 letters of intent in 1978, (67 letters of intent/9 years) = 7.44 per year.

Average number of letters of intent between 1988 and 2007 (219 letters of intent/20 years) = 10.95 per year.

Overall average number of letters of intent since 1979, not including the original 40 and 3 letters of intent (286 letters of intent/29 years) = 9.86 per year.

**The noticeable increase in letters of intent after 1994 may be a result of the promulgation of revisions to 25 CFR Part 83 (final rule published February 1994, effective March 1994); the White House Conference for unrecognized groups held in March 1995; active technical assistance leading to revised Guidelines to 25 CFR Part 83 in September 1997; and media coverage of Indian affairs.

*** Petitioners submitted letters of intent, as of September 12, 2008.