

Letters of Intent Received as of February 15, 2007

*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	11
1997	9
1998	21
1999	17
2000	15
2001	13
2002	19
2003	12
2004	9
2005	12
2006	10
***2007	2
Total –to- Date	324

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

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

314 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 letters of intent in 1978, (67 letters of intent/9 years) = 7.4 per year.

Average number of letters of intent since 1988 (203 letters of intent/18 years) = 11.2 per year.

Overall average number of letters of intent since 1979, not including the original 40 letters of intent in 1978, (270 letters of intent/27 years) = 10 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.

***Only one petitioner submitted a letter of intent, as of February 15, 2007.

