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# **Executive Summary**

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## **Executive Summary**

### **Introduction**

Within this budget request, the term “Indian Affairs” is meant to include the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE), the Bureau of Trust Funds Administration (BTFA), and the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs (AS-IA). The primary mission of Indian Affairs (IA) is to honor the country’s trust, treaty, and other responsibilities to American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) and improve the quality of life in Indian Country. These objectives are achieved by recognizing the wide dissimilarity of Indian Tribes and Alaska Native villages as distinct cultural and governmental entities, strengthening government-to-government relationships, and advancing self-governance and self-determination.

### **Bureau Mission Statement**

The mission of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is to enhance the quality of life, to promote economic opportunity, and to carry out the responsibility to protect and improve the trust assets of American Indians, Indian Tribes, and Alaska Natives.

### **Budget Overview**

The 2027 budget for BIA is \$1.8 billion in current appropriations. BIA estimates the budget will support staffing of 2,817 full-time equivalents (FTE) in 2027. The Bureau plays a primary role in carrying out Federal trust, treaty, and other responsibilities for 575 currently federally recognized Tribes, with a service population of nearly 2 million AI/AN in Tribal and native communities nationwide. The 2027 budget supports continuing core efforts to advance self-governance and self-determination, foster stronger economies and self-sufficiency, and support safe Indian communities through a wide range of activities. Operation of Indian Programs— The 2027 budget includes \$1.3 billion for the Operation of Indian Programs account. Priorities in this account are as follows.

Protect Indian Country— BIA’s Office of Justice Services (OJS) funds law enforcement, corrections, and court services to maintain safe Tribal communities. These programs support 198 law enforcement programs and 101 corrections programs run by Tribes and by BIA as direct services. OJS funding also supports the Missing and Murdered Unit, including Operation Spirit Return, an initiative implemented in the spring of 2025 by the Trump administration to help solve missing and unidentified persons cases involving AI/AN in the United States. The operation identifies unknown human remains located in or close to Indian Country that are believed to belong to either American Indian or Alaska Native persons and focuses on reuniting those remains with family members and returning them to their Tribal communities. Overall, BIA’s budget for Public Safety and Justice activities is \$560.3 million, which includes \$286.4 million for Criminal Investigation and Police Services and \$142.4 million for Detentions and Corrections.

Promote Tribal Self-Determination— The Department supports Tribal sovereignty. The BIA Tribal Government activity supports resources for Tribes and Alaska Native entities to strengthen and sustain Tribal government systems and support Tribal self-governance through the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA) (Pub.L. 93–638) contracting and self-governance compacting process.

On January 23, 2025, President Trump issued a memorandum of support for full Federal recognition for the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina. On December 18, 2025, when President Trump signed the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Pub.L. 119–60), which contained the Lumbee Fairness Act, the Lumbee Tribe attained full recognition. The budget includes \$5 million in the New Tribes program for the Lumbee Tribe, and the Department will work in consultation with the Tribe on a needs assessment to provide to Congress.

Manage Trust Resources, Lands, and Energy Development—BIA’s Trust-Natural Resources Management activity supports the stewardship and development of energy resources on trust lands in Indian Country. Natural resource programs assist Tribes in the management, development, and protection of Indian trust land and natural resources on 56 million surface acres and 59 million acres of subsurface mineral estates. These programs enable Tribal trust landowners to optimize the use of resources, providing benefits such as revenue, jobs, and the protection of traditional resources.

The budget includes funding to modernize the probate process and reduce the current decades-old backlog, which will unlock Indian lands for economic development and other uses. The funding will support probate surge operations and performance-driven incentive programs. This funding aligns with the Department’s broader modernization agenda and will be developed with Tribal partners to ensure cultural, legal, and operational relevance.

The Energy and Minerals activity within Trust-Natural Resources Management supports Executive Order (EO) 14154, *Unleashing American Energy*, and the Administration’s priority for domestic energy abundance and economic development, including management and development of energy resources on Tribal lands. Income from energy and mineral production is the largest source of revenue generated from natural resources on trust lands. The 2027 budget commits to the Indian Energy Service Center, which coordinates Indian energy development activities across Interior’s bureaus. The Center facilitates communication and coordination to enhance BIA’s ability to process leases, the Bureau of Land Management’s responsibility for Applications for Permit to Drill approval and monitoring, and the Office of Natural Resources Revenue’s responsibilities for revenue accounting.

The 2027 budget also supports EO 14225, *Immediate Expansion of American Timber Production*, and the Administration’s active forest management reforms on Indian forest lands, which are managed by 300 Tribes across 19.2 million acres. The funding supports the development, maintenance, and enhancement of forest resources in accordance with sustained yield principles included in forest management plans.

Tribal Priority Allocations—Tribal Priority Allocations (TPAs) give Tribes the opportunity to further Indian self-determination by establishing their own priorities and reallocating Federal funds among programs in this budget category. The 2027 budget proposes TPA funding of \$459.9 million.

Contract Support Costs—The President’s Budget maintains the Administration’s support for the principles of Tribal self-determination and strengthening Tribal communities across Indian Country by fully funding Contract Support Costs at \$215.9 million. Contract Support Costs enable Tribes to assume responsibility for operating Federal programs by covering the costs to administer the programs.

Payments for Tribal Leases—The budget fully funds \$147.6 million for Payments for Tribal Leases, which includes Tribal facility lease agreements under section 105(l) of the ISDEAA, in support of Tribal self-determination.

Construction—The 2027 budget proposes \$88.1 million for BIA’s Construction activities, including funding for facilities replacement and deferred maintenance projects for public safety and justice

facilities, irrigation projects and dams, and regional and agency offices serving Tribal programs and operations in Indian Country.

**Land and Water Claim Settlements**— The 2027 budget proposes \$58.9 million to meet Indian settlement commitments. The funding request covers the continuing implementation of the Truckee River Operating Agreement (Pub.L. 101–618), the White Earth Land Settlement Act (Pub.L. 99–264), and funding for Federal payments authorized in the Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2022 (Pub.L. 117–349).

**Fixed Costs**—Fixed costs are fully funded.

Summary Tab

<b>2027 President's Budget</b>				
Bureau of Indian Affairs				
<i>(Dollars in Thousands)</i>				
	<b>2025 Actual</b>	<b>2026 Enacted</b>	<b>2027 Request</b>	<b>Change from 2026 Enacted</b>
<b>Budget Authority</b>	<b>Budget Authority</b>	<b>Budget Authority</b>	<b>Budget Authority</b>	<b>Budget Authority</b>
Current	2,471,838	2,431,027	1,783,840	-647,187
Permanent	266,605	248,337	244,599	-3,738
<b>Subtotal, Budget Authority w/o Supplementals</b>	<b>2,738,443</b>	<b>2,679,364</b>	<b>2,028,439</b>	<b>-650,925</b>
<i>Supplemental - American Relief Act (P.L. 118-158)</i>	<i>17,765</i>	-	-	-
<i>Supplemental - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117-58)</i>	<i>92,734</i>	<i>92,734</i>	-	<i>-92,734</i>
<b>Total, Budget Authority w/ Supplementals<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>2,848,942</b>	<b>2,772,098</b>	<b>2,028,439</b>	<b>-743,659</b>
<b>FTE</b>	<b>3,820</b>	<b>3,577</b>	<b>2,817</b>	<b>-760</b>

<sup>1</sup>Supplemental funding reflects amounts made available in the fiscal year, not estimated allocations or obligations.

## Summary Tables

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## Summary Tables

### Comprehensive Budget Table (Dollars in Thousands)

ACCOUNT ACTIVITY	2025 Full Year CR <sup>1/2/</sup>	2026 Enacted	2027 Request
<b>TOTAL DIRECT FUNDS</b>	2,471,838	2,431,027	1,783,840
<b>OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS</b>	1,897,709	1,933,200	1,272,857
TRIBAL GOVERNMENT	401,296	398,987	270,982
HUMAN SERVICES	163,453	168,747	48,214
TRUST - NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	320,369	327,649	96,887
TRUST - REAL ESTATE SERVICES	170,008	169,887	89,827
PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE	560,263	570,059	560,263
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	30,524	32,746	9,760
EXECUTIVE DIRECTION & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	251,796	256,634	196,924
SPECIAL INITIATIVES (Congressionally Directed Spending)		8,491	
<b>INDIAN LAND CONSOLIDATION</b>	4,000	4,000	
<b>CONSTRUCTION</b>	133,780	135,780	88,097
PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE CONSTRUCTION	45,791	47,791	45,871
RESOURCES MANAGEMENT CONSTRUCTION	65,694	65,694	34,651
OTHER PROGRAM CONSTRUCTION	22,295	22,295	7,575
<b>INDIAN LAND &amp; WATER CLAIM SETTLEMENTS &amp; MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS</b>	976	976	58,897
<b>INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM</b>	13,329	13,329	500
<b>CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS ACCOUNT</b>	287,958	205,418	215,926
<b>PAYMENTS for TRIBAL LEASES</b>	134,086	138,324	147,563

<sup>1/</sup>Contract Support Costs and Payments for Tribal Leases amounts reflect actual amounts.

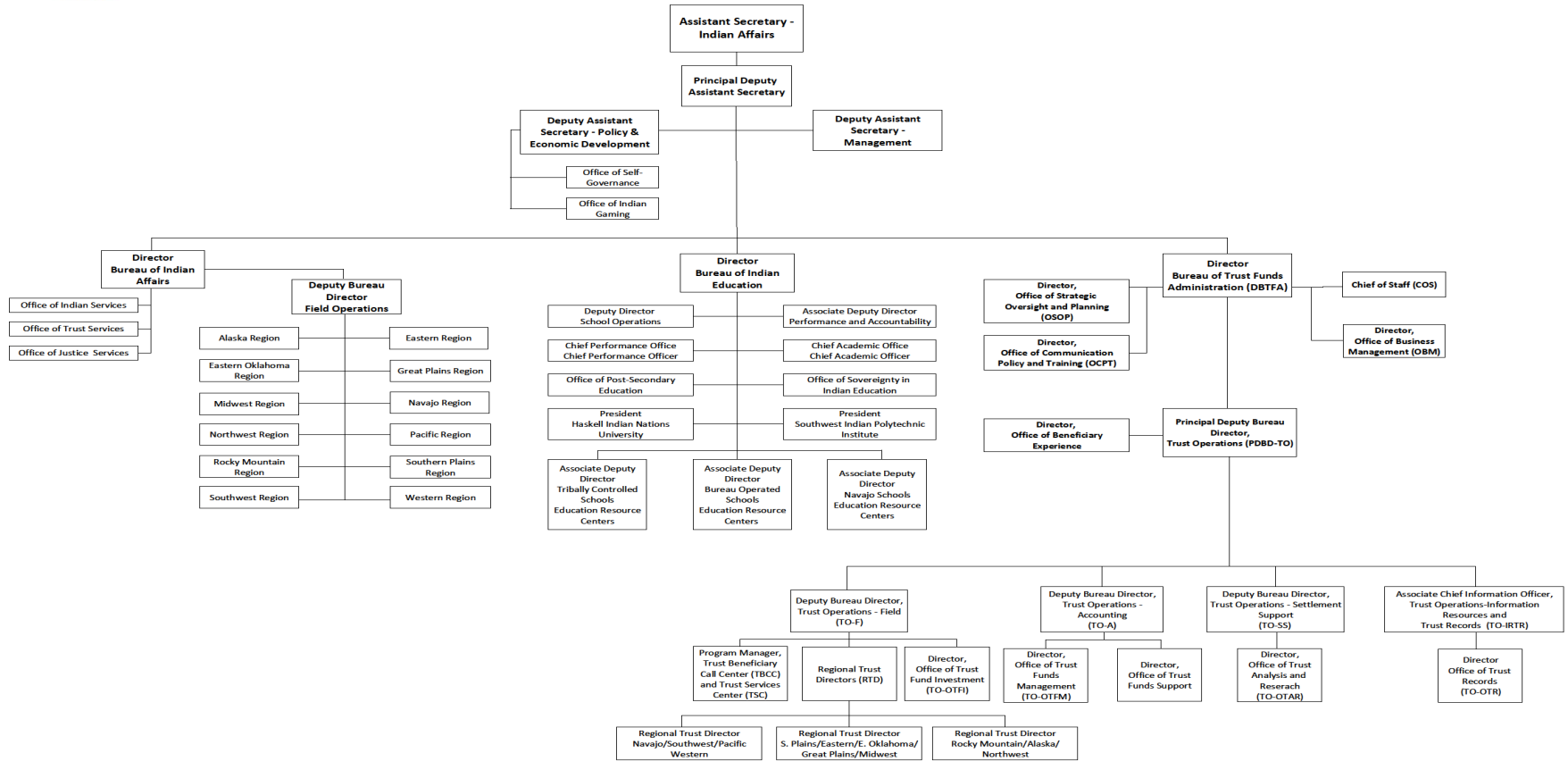
**Funding Availability Key:**

2-Year
No-Year [individual programs in OIP]
Indefinite

Organizational Chart



Indian Affairs Organizational Chart Fiscal Year 2027



# **Authorizing Statutes**

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## **Authorizing Statutes**

### **INDIAN AFFAIRS** Authorizing Statutes

#### **General Authorizations**

25 U.S.C. 13 (The Snyder Act of November 2, 1921), 42 Stat. 208, Pub.L. 67-85, 90 Stat. 2233, Pub.L. 94-482.

25 U.S.C. 5108 et seq. (The Indian Reorganization Act of 1934), 48 Stat. 984, Pub.L. 73-383, Pub.L. 103-263.

25 U.S.C. 450 (The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act), 88 Stat. 2203, Pub.L. 93-638, Pub.L. 100-472, 102 Stat. 2285, Pub.L. 103-413, Pub.L. 116-180 (PROGRESS for Indian Tribes Act).

25 U.S.C. 452 (The Johnson-O'Malley Act of April 16, 1934), 48 Stat. 596, Pub.L. 73-167, Pub.L. 103332.

In addition to the general authorizations listed above, the following programs have specific authorizing legislation as shown below:

### **OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS**

#### **Tribal Government**

##### Aid to Tribal Government

25 U.S.C. 1721 et seq. (The Maine Indian Claims Settlement Act of 1980), Pub.L. 96-420, Pub.L. 102-171.

25 U.S.C. 1401 et seq. (The Indian Judgment Fund Distribution Act of 1973), 87 Stat. 466, Pub.L. 93-134.

25 U.S.C. 651 (Advisory Council on California Indian Policy Act of 1992), 106 Stat. 2131, Pub.L. 102-416.

##### Self -Governance

25 U.S.C. 458aa et seq., 25 U.S.C. 5361 et seq. (Tribal Self-Governance Act), 108 Stat. 4272, Pub.L. 103-413, Title II.

Pub.L. 116-180 (PROGRESS for Indian Tribes Act).

##### Road Maintenance

25 U.S.C. 318a (The Federal Highway Act of 1921), 45 Stat. 750, Pub.L. 70-520.

23 U.S.C. 202 as amended by 126 STAT. 476, Pub.L. 112-141 (Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act). Pub.L. 111-322.

23 U.S.C. 202 as amended by H.R. 22 / Pub.L. 114-94 (Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act) (Dec. 4, 2015) 129 Stat. 1312.

23 U.S.C. 201 & 202 as amended by H.R. 3684/ Pub.L. 117-58 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, 135 Stat. 429, November 15, 2021, Division A – Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act of 2021, Title I- Federal-aid Highways, and Title IV – Indian Affairs, and Division J-Appropriations, Title VII-Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies.

5 U.S.C. 551, 25 U.S.C. 450b (Native American Tourism and Improving Visitor Experience Act), 130 Stat. 847-851, Pub.L. 114-221.

## **Human Services**

### Social Services

92 Stat. 3069, Pub.L. 95-608 (Family Support Act), 102 Stat. 2343, Pub.L. 100-485.  
25 U.S.C. 1300b (Texas Band of Kickapoo Act), 96 Stat. 2269, Pub.L. 97-429.

### Child Protection

25 U.S.C. 3210 (Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act), 104 Stat. 4531, Pub.L. 101-630, Title IV., Native American Children's Safety Act, 130 Stat. 415, Pub.L. 114.165.

### Indian Child Welfare

25 U.S.C. 1901 et seq. (Indian Child Welfare Act), 92 Stat. 3069.

### Individual Indian Money Accounts (IIM)

Indian Trust Fund Management Reform Act of 1994 (Pub.L. 103-412), 108 Stat. 4239.

## **Trust - Natural Resources Management**

### Tribal Climate Resilience

Pub.L. 117-58 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, November 15, 2021, Division J-Appropriations, Title VI-Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies.

Pub.L. 117-169 Inflation Reduction Act 2022, August 16, 2022, Title VIII— Committee on Indian Affairs, SEC. 80001. Tribal Climate Resilience.

Pub.L. 117-103 H.R.2471 - Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, March 15, 2022, Division G-Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022.

### Agriculture and Range

25 U.S.C. 3701 (American Indian Agriculture Resource Management Act), 107 Stat. 2011, Pub.L. 103-177.

25 U.S.C. §415, Act August 1955 (Long Term Leasing Act).

25 U.S.C. §3701 et seq. Act of December 3, 1993, (American Indian Agricultural Resource Management Act) as amended.

25 USC § 466 - Indian Forestry Units, Rules and Regulations.

25 U.S.C. § 3711 Management of Indian Farmlands and Rangelands.

25 U.S.C. § 3713 Indian Agricultural Lands Trespass Act, December 3,

1993. 7 USC § 2814, Management of Undesirable Plants on Federal Lands.

7 USC § 7781-7786, The Noxious Weed Control and Eradication Act of 2004. 7 USC § 7701 et seq., The Plant Protection Act of 2000.

25 U.S.C. §450, Act of January 1975, Pub.L. 93-638. 25 CFR 162, Leases and Permits.

25 CFR 166, Grazing Permits [General Grazing Regulations].

### Pathways Internship

25 U.S.C. 3113 Establishment of Indian and Alaska Native forestry education assistance (Pub.L. 101-630), 104 Stat. 4540.

25 U.S.C. 3731 Indian and Alaska Native agriculture management education assistance programs (Pub.L. 103-177, title II, §201) 107 Stat. 2018.

Forestry

25 U.S.C. 406 and 407 (The Act of June 25, 1910), 36 Stat. 857, 61-313, 78 Stat. 186-187, 25U.S.C. 413 (The Act of February 14, 1920), 41 Stat. 415, 47 Stat. 14170.  
18 U.S.C. 1853, 1855, and 1856, 62 Stat. 787 and 788, Pub.L. 100-690.  
25 U.S.C. 3117 (The National Indian Forest Management Act), 104 Stat. 4544, Pub.L. 101-630, Sec. 318.  
25 U.S.C §§ 5601 et seq. (Indian Trust Asset Reform Act).

Fish, Wildlife and Parks

16 U.S.C. 3631 (The U.S./Canada Pacific Salmon Treaty Act of 1985), 99 Stat. 7, Pub.L. 99-5.  
16 U.S.C. 3101 (The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act of 1980), 94 Stat. 2430, Pub.L. 96-487.  
42 U.S.C. 1966 (The American Indian Religious Freedom Act of 1978), 92 Stat. 469, Pub.L. 95-341, 108 Stat. 3125, Pub.L. 103-344.  
16 U.S.C. §§661-666c, Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act of 1934. 16 U.S.C. §§703-711, Migratory Bird Hunting Act of 1918.  
16 U.S.C. §742a-j, Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956.  
16 U.S.C. §668-668d, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act of 1940 16 U.S.C. §757a-f, Anadromous Fish Conservation Act of 1965.  
16 U.S.C. §1271, Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968.  
16 U.S.C. §§1531-1543, Endangered Species Act of 1973.  
16 U.S.C. §1801, Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976.  
16 U.S.C. §3101, Alaska National Interests Lands Conservation Act of 1980. 16 U.S.C. §4701, National Invasive Species Act of 1996.  
25 U.S.C. §495, Annette Island Fishery Reserve Act of 1891. 25 U.S.C. §500, Reindeer Industry Act of 1937.  
25 U.S.C. §677i, Ute Partition Act of 1954.  
42 U.S.C. §1966, American Indian Religious Freedom Act of 1978. Pub.L. 100-581 (102 Stat. 2944), Fishing Sites Act of 1995.

Minerals and Mining

25 U.S.C. 2106 (Indian Mineral Development Act (IMDA) of 1982), 86 Stat 1940, Pub.L. 97-382. 16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq. (Umatilla Basin Project Act), Pub.L. 100-557. Energy Policy Act of 2005, 25 U.S.C. 3501 et seq. (Pub.L. 102-486, Title XXVI – The Energy Policy Act of 1992, § 2601, as amended Pub.L. 109-58, Title V, § 503(a), Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 764).

**Trust – Cultural Resources**

16 U.S.C. 469-469c, Reservoir Salvage Act of 1960, as amended.  
16 U.S.C. 470aa–mm, Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979, as amended (ARPA).  
18 U.S.C. 1866(b), Historic, archeologic, or prehistoric items and antiquities.  
54 U.S.C. 300101 et seq., National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (NHPA).

54 U.S.C. 312501-312508, Preservation of Historical and Archeological Data, (Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974, as amended).  
54 U.S.C. 320301-320303, Monuments, Ruins, Sites, and Objects of Antiquity (Act for the Preservation of American Antiquities of 1906 (“Antiquities Act”).  
16 U.S.C. 703-712, Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918, as amended. 16 U.S.C. 668-668d, Bald Eagle Protection Act of 1940, as amended. 16 U.S.C. 1531-1543, Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.  
16 U.S.C. 1361-1407, Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended.  
18 U.S.C. 42, and 16 U.S.C. 3371-78, Lacey Act of 1900, as amended.  
19 U.S.C. 2601, Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act of 1983, as amended.  
25 U.S.C. 3001-3013, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990 (NAGPRA).  
44 U.S.C. 2109, Preservation, Arrangement, Duplication, Exhibition of Records. 44 U.S.C. 3101 et seq., Federal Records Act of 1950, as amended (“Records Management by Federal Agencies”).

#### **Trust – Environmental**

7 U.S.C. 136-136 y, Federal Insecticide, Fungicide & Rodenticide Act (FIFRA).  
15 U.S.C. 2641 et seq., Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) of 1986.  
15 U.S.C. 2602-2692, Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA).  
16 U.S.C. 1431-1434, Marine Protection, Research, & Sanctuaries Act of 1972, as amended.  
33 U.S.C. 1251-1387, Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended. 33 U.S.C. 2702-2761, Oil Pollution Act (OPA) of 1990.  
42 U.S.C. 300 f et seq., Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) of 1974 as amended.  
42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq., as amended, National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). 42 U.S.C. 4901-4918, Noise Control Act of 1972.  
42 U.S.C. 6901-6992, Solid Waste Disposal Act (SDWA).  
42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq, Resource Conservation & Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976. 42 U.S.C. 6961, Federal Facilities Compliance Act of 1992.  
42 U.S.C. 7401-7671 q, Clean Air Act (CAA), as amended.  
42 U.S.C. 9601-9675 et seq., Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability act, as amended in 42 U.S.C. 9601 35 seq. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SAR) amended the Comprehensive Environmental Response, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of October 17, 1986.  
42 U.S.C. 11011 et seq., Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA).  
42 U.S.C. 13101-13109, Pollution Prevention Act (PPA) of 1990. 49 U.S.C. 1801-1812, Hazardous Materials Transportation Act.  
Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990, Pub.L. 101-577, 101st Congress-Second Session.  
Government Management Reform Act of 1994, Pub.L. 103-356, 103rd Congress-Second Session.

Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009. Title VII General Provisions - Government-Wide  
Sec. 748. Pub.L. 111- 8, Mar. 11, 2009.

### **Land, Titles and Records**

25 U.S.C. § 4 (The Act of July 26, 1892) 27 Stat. 272.  
25 U.S.C. § 5 (The Act of July 26, 1892) 27 Stat. 272, Reorganization Plan No. 3 of  
1950 approved June 20, 1949 (64 Stat. 1262).  
25 U.S.C. § 6 (The Act of July 26, 1892) 27 Stat. 273.  
25 USCS § 7 (The Act of July 26, 1892) 27 Stat. 273, June 6, 1972, Pub.L. 92-310, Title  
II, Part 2, § 229(b), 86 Stat. 208.  
25 USCS § 8 (The Act of July 9, 1832) 4 Stat. 564.  
25 U.S.C. § 9 (The Act of June 30, 1834), 4 Stat. 738.  
25 USCS § 11 (March 3, 1911) 36 Stat. 1069.  
25 USCS § 355 (The Act of April 26, 1906), 34 Stat. 137, (The Act of May 27, 1908),  
35.  
Stat. 312, (The Act of August 1, 1914), 38 Stat. 582, 598 deal specifically with land  
records of the Five Civilized Tribes.

### **Trust – Real Estate Services**

#### Real Estate Services

25 U.S.C. 176 (Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1946), 60 Stat. 1097.  
25 U.S.C. 311 (The Act of March 3, 1901), 31 Stat. 1084, Pub.L. 56 382.  
25 CFR 169 (25 U.S.C. 323-328) (Rights-of-Way).  
25 U.S.C. 393 (The Act of March 3, 1921), 41 Stat. 1232, Pub.L. 66 359.  
25 U.S.C. 396 et seq (35 Stat. 783, 52 Stat. 347, 70 Stat. 774).  
25 U.S.C. 2201 et seq. (Indian Land Consolidation Act), 96 Stat. 2515, Pub.L. 97-459,  
98 Stat. 3171, Pub.L. 98-608, Pub.L. 102-238.  
25 U.S.C. 415 as amended by the Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal  
Home Ownership Act of 2012 (“HEARTH Act”), Pub.L. No. 112-151, 126 Stat.  
1150) (codified at 25 U.S.C. § 415(h)).  
25 U.S.C. 5108, The Indian Reorganization Act, 48 Stat. 984 (Land into Trust).  
25 U.S.C. 5110, The Indian Reorganization Act, 48 Stat. 986 (Proclamations).  
25 U.S.C. 5101, et seq. (The Indian Reorganization Act of 1934), 48 Stat. 984, Pub.L.  
73-383, Pub.L. 103-263.  
41 CFR Part 102-75 (Federal Property and Administration Services Act), 35 Stat. 783  
(Act of March 3, 1909), 52 Stat. 347 (Act of May 11, 1938).

#### Indian Rights Protection

28 U.S.C. 2415 (Statute of Limitations, The Indian Claims Limitation Act of 1982), 96  
Stat. 1976, Pub.L. 97-394, Pub.L. 98-250.  
16 U.S.C. 3101 (The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act), 94 Stat. 2371,  
Pub.L. 96-487.  
43 U.S.C. 1601 (The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act), 106 Stat. 2112-2125,  
Pub.L. 92-203.

25 U.S.C. 3907 (Indian Lands Open Dump Cleanup Act of 1994), 108 Stat. 4164, Pub.L. 103-399.

Probate

25 U.S.C. 2201 Pub.L. 97- 459 Title II Section 202 Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2517, as amended by Pub.L. 106-462 Section 103 (1) Nov. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 1992, as amended by 25 U.S.C. 2201 Pub.L. 108-374, Oct 27, 2004, 118 Stat. 1804 (American Indian Probate Reform Act of 2004).

Navajo-Hopi Settlement

25 U.S.C. 640 et seq. (The Navajo-Hopi Settlement Act of December 22, 1974), Pub.L. 93-531, Pub.L. 102-180, 105 Stat 1230.

**Public Safety and Justice**

Tribal Courts

25 U.S.C. 1721 et seq. (The Maine Indian Claims Settlement Act of 1980), Pub.L. 96-420, Pub.L. 102-171.

25 U.S.C. 3621 (Indian Tribal Justice Act), 107 Stat. 2004, Pub.L. 103-176, as amended, 114 Stat. 2778, Pub.L. 106-559.

25 U.S.C. 2801 (Tribal Law and Order Act) 124 Stat. 2261, Pub.L. 111-211.

25 U.S.C. 1301 et seq. (Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968), as amended. Most recent amendments included in the Violence Against Women reauthorization Act of 2022 (Pub.L. 117-103).

Law Enforcement

18 U.S.C. 3055 (Act of June 25, 1948), 62 Stat. 817, Pub.L. 80-722, Pub.L. 103-322.

25 U.S.C. 2801 et seq. (Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act), 104 Stat. 473, Pub.L. 101-379, as amended, 124 Stat. 2262, Pub.L. 111-211 (Tribal Law and Order Act).

5 U.S.C. 5305 (Federal Law Enforcement Pay Reform), 104 Stat. 1465, Pub.L. 101-509, Title IV, Pub.L. 103-322, as amended, Pub.L. 116-166 (Not Invisible Act of 2019.), Pub.L. 116-165 (Savanna's Act).

**Community Development**

25 U.S.C. 3402 et seq. (Indian Employment Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992), 106 Stat. 2302, Pub.L. 102-477, as amended, Pub.L. 106- 568, Title XI, Sections 101-104, Pub.L. 116-174 (Native American Business Incubators Program Act).

Economic Development

25 U.S.C. 1451 et seq. (The Indian Financing Act of 1974), Pub.L. 93-262, as amended, 98 Stat. 1725, Pub.L. 98-449.

2 U.S.C. 661 (Budget Enforcement Act of 1990, Title V - The Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, Section 13112), 104 Stat. 1388, Pub.L. 101 508.

25 U.S.C. 305 (The Act of August 27, 1935), 49 Stat. 891, Pub.L. 74-355, 104 Stat. 4662, Pub.L. 101-644 (Indian Arts and Crafts Act of 1990).

5 U.S.C. 551, 25 U.S.C. 450b (Native American Tourism and Improving Visitor Experience Act), 130 Stat. 847-851, Pub.L. 114-221.

Job Placement & Training

25 U.S.C. 309 (Vocational Training), 8/3/56, 70 Stat. 986, Pub.L. 84-959, 77 Stat. 471, Pub.L. 88-230, Pub.L. 90-252.

**CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS**

Contract Support

Title I of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA), 25 U.S.C. §§ 5301-5332, Title IV of the ISDEAA, 25 U.S.C. §§ 5361-5377.

**PAYMENTS FOR TRIBAL LEASES**

Section 105(l) Leases

25 U.S.C. 450 (The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act), 88 Stat. 2203, Pub.L. 93-638, Pub.L. 100-472, 102 Stat. 2285, Pub.L. 103-413, 105(l) Leases Sec. 900.69.

**INDIAN LAND CONSOLIDATION**

Indian Land Consolidation

25 U.S.C. 2201 et seq. (Indian Land Consolidation Act Amendments of 2000), 114 Stat. 1991, Pub.L. 106-462, (American Indian Probate Reform Act of 2004), 118 Stat. 1773, Pub.L. 108-374.

**General Administration**

Administration

Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990, Pub.L.101-577, 101st Congress-Second Session.

Indian Gaming

25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq. (Indian Gaming Regulatory Act), 102 Stat. 2467, Pub.L. 100-497, 105 Stat. 1908, Pub.L. 102-238.

Indian Arts & Crafts Board

Pub.L. 101-644 Indian Arts and Craft Act of 1990.

**CONSTRUCTION**

Facility Construction

25 U.S.C. 631(2)(12)(14) (The Act of April 19, 1950), 64 Stat. 44, Pub.L. 81-474, 72 Stat. 834, Pub.L. 85-740.

25 U.S.C. 465 (The Act of June 18, 1934), 48 Stat. 984, Pub.L. 73-383.

25 U.S.C. 2005 Facilities construction, Pub.L. 95-561, title XI, §1125, 115 Stat. 2021, amended Pub.L. 108-271, §8(b), July 7, 2004, 118 Stat. 814.

25 U.S.C. 2503 (b) Composition of Grants, Special rules, title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, or any Federal education law other than title XI of the Education Amendments of 1978.

25 U.S.C. 2507 (e) Pub.L. 100-297, Title V. 5208, as added Pub.L. 107 110, Title X, 1043, 115 Stat. 2076.

25 U.S.C. 2005 (b) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and with the American Disabilities Act 1990.

Irrigation Projects-Rehabilitation

25 U.S.C. Chapter 11 (§§ 381-390) – Irrigation of Allotted Lands.

130 Stat. 1753-54, Pub.L. 114-322, Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016, Title III, Subtitle B, Parts I & II, as amended.

Pub.L. 117–58, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

Safety of Dams

25 U.S.C. Chapter 40 (§§ 3801-3805) – Indian Dams Safety.

33 U.S.C. Chapter 9, Subchapter VII (§§ 467-467n) – Dam Inspection Program.

Pub.L. 117–58, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

Resources Mgmt Construction-Irrigation

Navajo Indian Irrigation Project (Navajo Indian Irrigation Project, San Juan Chama Project), 76 Stat. 96, Pub.L. 87-483.

Water Infrastructure

Pub.L. 117-58 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, November 15, 2021, Division J-Appropriations, Title VI-Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies.

**INDIAN LAND AND WATER CLAIM SETTLEMENTS AND  
MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS**

White Earth Reservation Claims Settlement Act

25 U.S.C. 331 (The Act of March 24, 1986), 100 Stat. 61, Pub.L. 99 264.

Truckee-Carson-Pyramid Lake Water Rights Settlement

Pub.L. 101-618, Truckee Carson Pyramid Lake Water Rights Settlement Act, 104 Stat. 3294.

Montana Water Rights Protection Act

Pub.L. 116-260, The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Division DD).

Indian Water Rights Settlement Completion Fund

Pub.L. 117-58, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, November 15, 2021 (Division G, Title I- Indian Water Right Settlement Completion Fund).

Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement

Pub.L. 117-349, Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act, 2022.

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF QUARTERS**

O & M Quarters

5 U.S.C. 5911, Federal Employees Quarters and Facilities Act of August 20, 1964, Pub.L. 88-459, Pub.L. 98-473, Pub.L. 100-446.

**LOAN ACCOUNTS**

INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT  
INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN FINANCING ACCOUNT  
INDIAN LOAN GUARANTY AND INSURANCE FUND LIQUIDATING ACCOUNT  
INDIAN DIRECT LOAN FINANCING ACCOUNT  
REVOLVING FUND FOR LOANS LOAN LIQUIDATING ACCOUNT

The credit accounts listed above include those authorized under the Indian Financing Act or authorized under the Credit Reform Act of 1990. These statutes are:

25 U.S.C. 1451 et seq. (The Indian Financing Act of April 12, 1974), Pub.L. 93-262, as amended by Pub.L. 98-449, Pub.L. 100-442, and Pub.L. 107-331, 116 Stat. 2834, Ceiling on Guaranteed Loans of \$500 million and raises the limitation on the loan amounts from \$100,000 to \$250,000, Pub.L. 109-221, Aggregate loans or surety bonds limitation of \$500,000,000 is increased to \$1,500,000,000 (Section 217(b) of the Indian Financing Act of 1974) (25 U.S.C. 1497(b)).

2 U.S.C. 661 (Budget Enforcement Act of 1990, Title V - The Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990), Pub.L. 101-508, Section 1320.

**GIFTS AND DONATIONS**

25 U.S.C. 451, Pub. L. 90-333, June 8, 1968, 82 Stat. 171.

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# **Operation of Indian Programs**

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**Account: Operation of Indian Programs**

**Summary of Requirements Table**

**Summary of Requirements  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Operation of Indian Programs**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Operation of Indian Programs</b>											
Tribal Government	401,296	194	398,987	194	-300	+2,309	-130,014	-31	270,982	163	-128,005
Human Services	163,453	95	168,747	95	-28	-294	-120,211	-28	48,214	67	-120,533
Trust - Natural Resources Management	320,369	379	327,649	379	-50	+1,485	-232,197	-76	96,887	303	-230,762
Trust - Real Estate Services	170,008	716	169,887	727	-56	+121	-80,125	-246	89,827	481	-80,060
Public Safety and Justice	560,263	773	570,059	785	-176	-1,950	-7,670	-12	560,263	773	-9,796
Community and Economic Development	30,524	22	32,746	22	-4	-22	-22,960	-9	9,760	13	-22,986
Executive Direction and Administrative Services	251,796	729	256,634	729	-5,215	-103	-54,392	-122	196,924	607	-59,710
Congressional Directed Spending Items	-	-	8,491	-	-	-	-8,491	-	-	-	-8,491
<b>Subtotal, Operation of Indian Programs w/o Supplementals</b>	<b>1,897,709</b>	<b>2,908</b>	<b>1,933,200</b>	<b>2,931</b>	<b>-5,829</b>	<b>+1,546</b>	<b>-656,060</b>	<b>-524</b>	<b>1,272,857</b>	<b>2,407</b>	<b>-660,343</b>

*Operation of Indian Programs*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<i>Supplemental - American Relief Act (P.L. 118-158)</i>	17,765	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Supplemental - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117-58)</i>	42,984	-	42,984	-	-	-	-42,984	-	-	-	-42,984
<i>Transfer to OIG (P.L. 117-58)</i>	[-216]	-	[-216]	-	-	-	[+216]	-	-	-	[+216]
<i>Supplemental - Inflation Reduction Act (P.L. 117-169)</i>	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total, Operation of Indian Programs w/ Supplementals<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>1,958,458</b>	<b>2,909</b>	<b>1,976,184</b>	<b>2,931</b>	<b>-5,829</b>	<b>+1,546</b>	<b>-699,044</b>	<b>-524</b>	<b>1,272,857</b>	<b>2,407</b>	<b>-703,327</b>

<sup>1</sup> Supplemental funding reflects amounts made available in the fiscal year, not estimated allocations or obligations.

**Fixed Costs and Internal Realignments Tables**

**Justification of Fixed Costs Changes  
Bureau of Indian Affairs, Operation of Indian Programs**

Dollars in Thousands (\$000)

<b>Fixed Cost Element</b>	<b>2026 Enacted Change</b>	<b>2026 Request to 2027 Request Change</b>	<b>Description</b>
Pay Raise	+12,489	+2,447	The President's Budget for 2027 includes one quarter (October-December 2026) of the 1.0% pay raise for 2026 and 0.0% pay raise for 2027. Pay raises are consistent with the published OMB Circular A-11.
FERS Employer Contribution Increase	0	-3,126	The estimates reflect adjustments to the employer contribution for FERS and Law Enforcement FERS for FY 2027. This information is consistent with the published OMB Circular A-11.
Departmental Working Capital Fund (WCF)	+1,326	-2,480	The estimates reflect Department decisions on the FY 2027 Working Capital Fund Central Bill.
Workers' Compensation Payments	+571	+52	The amount reflects final chargeback costs of compensating injured employees and dependents of employees who suffer accidental death while on duty. This amount reflects the final Workers Compensation bill for FY 2027 payable to the Department of Labor, Federal Employees Compensation Fund, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 8147(b) as amended by Public Law 94-273.
Unemployment Compensation Payments	-232	0	The amount reflects projected changes in the costs of unemployment compensation claims to be paid to the Department of Labor, Federal Employees Compensation Account, in the Unemployment Trust Fund, pursuant to Public Law 96-499. This estimate reflects an applied annual inflation factor of 3.0% to the 5-year average of actuals between 2020-2024.
GSA and Non-GSA Rents	+196	-2,722	This estimate reflects the FY 2027 President's Budget Exhibit 54s as submitted. The amounts reflect changes in the costs payable to General Services Administration (GSA) and others for office and non-office space as estimated by GSA, as well as the rental costs of other currently occupied space. These estimates reflect Udall Building rent, Security, Federal Reserve Parking, and Operations and Maintenance, distributed by bureau and office, based upon OFAS provided Udall Building occupancy levels. Costs of mandatory office relocations, i.e. relocations in cases where due to external events there is no alternative but to vacate the currently occupied space, are also included.
<b>Total, Account 2027 Fixed Costs</b>	<b>+14,350</b>	<b>-5,829</b>	

**Justification of Internal Realignments**  
**Bureau of Indian Affairs**  
**Operation of Indian Programs**  
Dollars in Thousands (\$000)

<b>Internal Realignments and Non-Policy/Program Changes (Net-Zero)</b>	<b>2027 (+/-)</b>	<b>Description</b>
Tribal Transfers	+46	Net Tribal transfers from BIE Operation of Indian Education Programs (OIEP) account to BIA Operation of Indian Program account. These reflect Tribal reprioritization and subsequent redistribution of base funding as directed by Tribes and regional field sites as a result of Indian Self-Determination and the associated authority to spend base funds to best meet the specific needs of individual Tribes.
Self-Governance Compacts		Net Tribal Transfers from OIEP to Self-Governance Compacts, pursuant to Title III of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Pub.L. 103-413).
TRUST-NATURAL RESOURCES - Resource Management Program Oversight	+1,500	The Office of the Secretary (OS) is transitioning funding for the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation (ONHIR) to IA.
PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE - Criminal Investigations & Police Services	+11,050	IA proposes to move all Missing and Murdered Unit (MMU) operational funding from the Law Enforcement Special Initiatives program into the Criminal Investigations and Police Services budget line to enhance program management and accountability of these funds. This will consolidate all of our MMU operational funding under a single budget line.
PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE - Law Enforcement Special Initiatives	-11,050	IA proposes to move all MMU operational funding from the Law Enforcement Special Initiatives program into the Criminal Investigations and Police Services budget line to enhance program management and accountability of these funds. This will consolidate all of our MMU operational funding under a single budget line. Funding for MMU training at the Advanced Training Center represents a different purpose, therefore will remain under Law Enforcement Special Initiatives.
Net Account Total, Internal Transfers	+1,546	

## Appropriations Language

### OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

*For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian programs, as authorized by law, including the Snyder Act of November 2, 1921, as amended (25 U.S.C. 13), and the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975, Public Law 93-638, as amended (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), \$1,272,857,000, to remain available until September 30, 2028, except as otherwise provided herein; of which not to exceed \$15,000 may be for official reception and representation expenses; of which not to exceed \$1,500,000 shall be available for the assumption of functions and activities formerly performed by the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation (ONHIR) as authorized by the Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-351, as amended), to ensure the full and complete discharge of the functions of ONHIR, including the functions and responsibilities of ONHIR relating to certified relocation applications, appeals pending with ONHIR, records management, and support services for households relocated pursuant to the Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Act of 1974: Provided, That any funding made available in this or prior Acts to the Office of the Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation or the "Department of the Interior — Indian Affairs — Bureau of Indian Affairs — Operation of Indian Programs" for the Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program may be used by the Department for such purposes including through reprogramming or transfer: Provided further, That federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations of federally recognized Indian tribes may use their tribal priority allocations for unmet welfare assistance costs: Provided further, That not to exceed \$37,888,000 shall remain available until expended for road maintenance, land records improvement, hearings and appeals, and the NavajoHopi Settlement Program: Provided further, That any forestry funds allocated to a federally recognized tribe which remain unobligated as of September 30, 2028, may be transferred during fiscal year 2029 to an Indian forest land assistance account established for the benefit of the holder of the funds within the holder's trust fund account: Provided further, That any such unobligated balances not so transferred shall expire on September 30, 2029: Provided further, That in order to enhance the safety of Bureau field employees, the Bureau may use funds to purchase uniforms or other identifying articles of clothing for personnel: Provided further, That not to exceed \$6,938,000 of funds made available under this heading may, as needed, be transferred to "Office of the Secretary—Departmental Operations" for trust, probate, and administrative functions: Provided further, That the Bureau of Indian Affairs may accept transfers of funds from United States Customs and Border Protection to supplement any other funding available for reconstruction or repair of roads owned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs as identified on the National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory, 23 U.S.C. 202(b)(1).*

**Justification of Proposed Language Changes**  
***Operation of Indian Programs***

Addition of language to provide the Bureau of Indian Affairs funding for activities formerly performed by the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation (ONHIR).

*\$1,500,000 shall be available for the assumption of functions and activities formerly performed by the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation (ONHIR) as authorized by the Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Act of 1974 (Public Law 93–351, as amended), to ensure the full and complete discharge of the functions of ONHIR, including the functions and responsibilities of ONHIR relating to certified relocation applications, appeals pending with ONHIR, : Provided, That any funding made available in this or prior Acts to the Office of the Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation or the "Department of the Interior — Indian Affairs — Bureau of Indian Affairs — Operation of Indian Programs" for the Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program may be used by the Department for such purposes including through reprogramming or transfer:*

The FY 2027 Budget request includes an internal transfer of \$1.5 million from the Office of Secretary to Resources Management Program Oversight. The funding ensures that any remaining functions or responsibilities of ONHIR authorized by the Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Act of 1974 that the Secretary has assumed are fully completed and it also allows BIA to carry out any necessary actions to close out these responsibilities. Funding provided in this or previous funding bills to ONHIR or to the BIA for the Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program can be used by the Department for these purposes, including by shifting or transferring funds as needed.

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Tribal Government  
Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Tribal Government**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Tribal Government</b>											
Aid to Tribal Government	26,928	46	28,923	46	-16	-1,995	+4,110	-9	31,022	37	+2,099
Consolidated Tribal Gov't Program (TPA)	85,489	-	83,415	-	-44	+2,074	-33,105	-	52,340	-	-31,075
Self-Governance Compacts (TPA)	232,238	-	230,008	-	-223	+2,230	-85,882	-	146,133	-	-83,875
New Tribes (TPA)	-	-	-	-	-	-	+5,000	-	5,000	-	+5,000
Small Tribes Supplement (TPA)	7,002	-	7,002	-	-	-	-7,002	-	-	-	-7,002
Road Maintenance (TPA)	39,190	91	39,190	91	-13	-	-11,971	-19	27,206	72	-11,984
<b>Tribal Government Program Oversight</b>											
Central Oversight	2,742	10	2,742	10	-1	-	-286	-2	2,455	8	-287
Regional Oversight	7,707	47	7,707	47	-3	-	-878	-1	6,826	46	-881
<b>Total, Tribal Government</b>	<b>401,296</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>398,987</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>-300</b>	<b>+2,309</b>	<b>-130,014</b>	<b>-31</b>	<b>270,982</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>-128,005</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Tribal Government overview and program description**

### **Subactivity - Aid to Tribal Government (TPA)**

The Aid to Tribal Government (TPA) (ATG) subactivity provides assistance to federally recognized Tribes to achieve and maintain stable government programs and operational services, helping Tribes ensure adherence and compliance with their own governing documents. The line item assists Tribal government systems by providing baseline funding for Tribal government programs and operational services.

### **Subactivity - Consolidated Tribal Government Program (TPA)**

The Consolidated Tribal Government Program (TPA) (CTGP) seeks to promote Indian self-determination and improve the quality of life of Tribal communities by allowing approximately 275 Tribal entities to combine various contracted programs and grants of a similar or compatible nature under one funding vehicle line item. The activities funded by this program range from natural resources to real estate services to job placement and training programs and education. By merging and consolidating several programs into a single contract activity, Tribes are able to engage in a simpler and more flexible method for setting priorities, goals, and objectives. The combination of activities of similar character gives Tribes the most effective means of setting priorities and operating programs consistent with Tribal goals and objectives, as well as with Federal laws and regulations.

### **Subactivity - Self-Governance Compacts (TPA)**

Self-governance compacts implement the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994 (Pub.L. 103-413), by providing resources to new and existing self-governance Tribes, enabling them to plan, conduct, consolidate, and administer programs, services, functions, and activities for Tribal citizens. Under Tribal self-governance compacts, Tribes have control and flexibility in the use of these funds and reduced reporting requirements compared to Tribes that have the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA), Pub.L. 93-638 contracting and self-governance compacting process. The activities funded by this program range from natural resources to real estate services to job placement and training programs and education. Self-governance Tribes are also subject to annual trust evaluations to monitor the performance of the trust functions they perform and are subject to annual audits pursuant to the Single Audit Act Amendments (Pub.L. 104-156). The Office of Self Governance, a component office under Assistant Secretary Support, manages Self-Governance Compacts (TPA) funding.

Tribal Self Governance funding is negotiated on the same basis as funding provided to Tribes via the Pub.L. 93-638 contracting process. Self-governance Tribes are subject to the same incremental adjustments of base funding as self-determination Tribes.

### **Subactivity - New Tribes (TPA)**

The New Tribes (TPA) line item provides funding to support new Federally Recognized Tribes and the BIA Regions or Agencies servicing them in their respective administrative area. This line item provides TPA base funding for a newly recognized Tribe to establish and carry out the day-to-day responsibilities of a Tribal government. The 2027 Budget requests funding for this program to support the newly Federally Recognized Tribe, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina (Lumbee Tribe).

### **Subactivity - Road Maintenance (TPA)**

The Road Maintenance program (TPA) subactivity allows the BIA to maintain BIA transportation facilities (roads and bridges) on Tribal lands through the following functions: road maintenance, routine maintenance, bridge maintenance, snow and ice removal, emergency maintenance, ferry boat operation, and program management. The program supports the Tribal communities with public access to critical functions/activities in the lives of the traveling public and Tribal members. Access to schools, jobs, and economic and resource development are a few of the critical areas impacted by safe and well-maintained roads and bridges.

The BIA has maintenance responsibility for 29,300 miles of BIA roads and 1,080 bridges. The road mileage consists of approximately 7,400 miles of paved, 5,000 miles of gravel, and 16,900 miles of unimproved and earth surface roads. The total public road network serving Indian Country is over 156,000 miles according to the National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory. The Department of Transportation's Tribal Transportation Program, which the BIA jointly administers, addresses eligible public roads in Indian Country.

The BIA provides oversight and distributes funding for the Road Maintenance (TPA) program. The maintenance funds are allocated by formula to BIA Regions, which then distribute the funding to the BIA agencies in that Region or provide funding to Tribes under ISDEAA Pub.L. 93-638, as amended. Over 90 percent of the eligible Tribal governments contract the Road Maintenance program, which allows their priorities to be addressed but also provides jobs to Tribal members and capacity building.

The major work components for roads maintenance in the Great Plains, Rocky Mountain, and Northwest Regions include snow and ice control, interior pavement sealing, pavement maintenance, gravel maintenance, and remedial work on improved earth roads. In some severe winter seasons, snow and ice control activities have consumed the majority of maintenance funds.

### **Subactivity - Tribal Government Program Oversight**

This subactivity supports and maintains the staff responsible for fulfilling the BIA Tribal government duties at both the Headquarters and Regional offices. The staff is responsible for developing and implementing policies and initiatives strengthening a Tribe's capacity to effectively administer Federal programs funded by the BIA, as well as negotiating, monitoring, and providing technical assistance to nearly 3,200 contracts and/or compacts as authorized by ISDEAA Pub.L. 93-638, as amended. Other duties include the responsibilities of administering Secretarial Elections, facilitating a resolution to Tribal leadership disputes, managing judgment fund distributions, and aiding Tribal governments to develop or modify governing documents.

### **Central Oversight**

Central Oversight provides the headquarters direction, management, and coordination of the Office of Indian Services activities necessary for the Director of the BIA to carry out IA's mission including: Indian self-determination services/technical assistance, interpretation of Tribes' organic documents, Secretarial elections, Pub.L. 477 Plans and associated work with other Federal agencies, and maintenance of the Federally Recognized Tribal list. The Central Oversight subactivity allows Office of Indian Services' leadership and staff to provide leadership and guidance on the wide range of Tribal government activities among Human Services, Workforce Development, Tribal Government Services, Indian Self

Determination, and Transportation programs, including establishing and effecting policies and procedures for each program area to be administered on a nationwide basis.

**Regional Oversight**

Regional Oversight provides frontline support to Tribes exercising their Tribal sovereignty through the administration of ISDEAA Pub.L. 93-638 contracts. Awarding Officials ensure Pub.L. 93-638 contracts are issued timely, are properly accounted for, and meet Federal reporting requirements, such as the submission of the annual Single Audit. This, in turn, ensures good administration and operation of the programs themselves. This activity also funds BIA regional and agency offices (frontline field personnel) to provide Tribal government services with technical assistance and advice; examine Tribal resolutions, ordinances, and other government documents; and support Secretarial elections. Regional Oversight ensures Tribal governments have the necessary technical advice, expertise, and assistance to maintain a functioning stable government.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Tribal Government**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Tribal Government**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Aid to Tribal Government (TPA)	+4,110	-9
Consolidated Tribal Government Program (TPA)	-33,105	-
Self-Governance Compacts (TPA)	-85,882	-
New Tribes (TPA)	+5,000	-
Small Tribes Supplement (TPA)	-7,002	-
Road Maintenance (TPA)	-11,971	-19
Tribal Government Program Oversight		
Central Oversight	-286	-2
Regional Oversight	-878	-1
<b>TOTAL Program Changes</b>	<b>-130,014</b>	<b>-31</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Tribal Government**

The FY 2027 budget request for the Tribal Government activity is \$270,982,000 and 163 FTE, a program change of -\$130,014 and -31 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Aid to Tribal Government (TPA) (+\$4,110,000/ -9 FTE)**

**Tribal Radio Operations [+ \$11,000,000]** – The 2027 budget supports funding for Tribally operated or affiliated radio stations in Indian Country. This funding will support operations, equipment, and technical support for radio stations that provide public service communications including communications in the event of natural disasters or other emergencies.

**Tribal Base [-\$4,890,000]** – The program will continue to provide aid to federally recognized Tribes to achieve and maintain stable government programs and operational services.

**Aid to Tribal Government Operations [-\$2,000,000/ -9 FTE]** – The program will continue to provide Federal support to aid federally recognized Tribes to achieve and maintain stable government programs and operational services.

**Consolidated Tribal Government Program (TPA) (-\$33,105,000)** – The program will continue to promote Indian self-determination by allowing Tribal entities to combine similar or compatible contracted programs under one funding vehicle line item.

**Self-Governance Compacts (TPA) (-\$85,882,000)** – The program will continue to implement its statutory responsibilities to new and existing self-governance Tribes, enabling them to plan, conduct, consolidate, and administer programs, services, functions, and activities for Tribal citizens.

**New Tribes (TPA) (+\$5,000,000)** – The FY 2027 budget requests an increase to support the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina after the Tribe recently receiving Federal recognition.

**Small Tribes Supplement (TPA) (-\$7,002,000)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

**Road Maintenance (TPA) (-\$11,971,000 / -19 FTE)** – The program will continue to support routine, preventive, and safety inspections on roads and bridges, especially on critical roads providing access to health care, schools, and goods and services.

### **Tribal Government Program Oversight**

**Central Oversight (-\$286,000 / -2 FTE)** – The program will continue to support the activities necessary for the Director of the BIA to carry out Indian Affairs’ mission in meeting program responsibilities including providing Indian self-determination services/technical assistance, providing interpretation of Tribes’ organic documents, supporting Secretarial elections, development of Pub.L. 477 Plans which requires working with other Federal agencies, and maintenance of the Federally Recognized Tribal list. The Central Oversight subactivity allows Office of Indian Services leadership and staff to provide leadership and guidance on the wide range of Tribal government activities, including establishing and effecting policies and procedures for each program area to be administered on a nationwide basis.

**Regional Oversight (-\$878,000 / -1 FTE)** – The program will continue to support costs for Awarding Officials to ensure Pub.L. 93-638 contracts are issued, properly accounted for, and meet Federal reporting requirements.

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Human Services  
Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Human Services**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Human Services</b>											
Social Services (TPA)	52,989	83	56,454	83	-20	+35	-22,194	-27	34,275	56	-22,179
Welfare Assistance (TPA)	78,494	-	78,494	-	-	-	-78,494	-	-	-	-78,494
Indian Child Welfare Act (TPA)	16,575	-	16,903	-	-7	-328	-5,696	-	10,872	-	-6,031
Housing Improvement Program (TPA)	11,939	-	13,439	-	-	-	-13,439	-	-	-	-13,439
Human Services Tribal Design (TPA)	217	-	218	-	-	-1	-217	-	-	-	-218
<b>Human Services Program Oversight</b>											
Central Oversight	986	2	986	2	-	-	-95	-	891	2	-95
Regional Oversight	2,253	10	2,253	10	-1	-	-76	-1	2,176	9	-77
<b>Total, Human Services</b>	<b>163,453</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>168,747</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>-294</b>	<b>-120,211</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>48,214</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>-120,533</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Human Services overview and program description**

### **Subactivity - Social Services (TPA)**

Social Services (TPA) funding is provided annually to Tribes and/or BIA field sites across the country. Under the umbrella of Social Services, Tribes operate a multitude of programs, including Financial Assistance and Social Services, Child Protection Services and Child Welfare (CPS/CW), Adult Protection Services (APS), supervised IIM Services, and front-line responders handling child and domestic violence in Indian Country.

### **Subactivity - Indian Child Welfare Act (TPA):**

The Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) (TPA) program is provided to Tribes as authorized under Pub.L. 95-608, the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978. All BIA-funded ICWA programs are Tribally operated. Tribes receive ICWA TPA funding to prevent the separation of Indian families and aid with family reunification. Funded ICWA activities include intervening in involuntary child custody proceedings and providing reunification and prevention services to Indian families. Tribal ICWA programs are the central contact point for Tribes and AI/AN families seeking assistance for temporary and permanent placement of Indian children, including foster care. Tribal ICWA staff also serve as the liaison between State and Tribal court systems and are the first responders to incidences of child endangerment, neglect, and abuse. The activities and work of Tribal ICWA staff have resulted in improved coordination and compliance with the law.

### **Subactivity - Human Services Program Oversight**

Human Services staff work with Tribes to ensure individual Indians residing on or near reservations receive emergency assistance for essential items such as food, clothing, shelter, and utility payments. The long-term goal of this program is to improve the living conditions of AI/AN individuals and families.

Program Oversight staff manage and distribute program funds, which requires monitoring and working with Tribal and BIA Regional and Agency staff on a regular basis. BIA Regional social workers have combined efforts with Headquarters staff in the development and continued enhancements of an automated database, the Financial Assistance and Social Services Case Management Cloud System (FASS-CMS Cloud) that provides a centralized platform to streamline the management and reporting of cases. This automated database integrates key features such as application submission, case updates, and comprehensive reporting tools, making it easier to identify trends and improve service delivery. The FASS-CM Cloud enhances accountability and transparency by enabling real-time tracking of funds distribution, supports data-driven decision-making, ensures compliance with federal regulations, and fosters collaboration among Tribal, BIA Regional, and Agency staff.

Social workers are among the few critical first responders available on Tribal lands and remote areas servicing Tribes, and coordinate services from Federal agencies for these communities. The unique circumstances of these areas necessitate a heightened focus on their safety. Program Oversight staff develop and maintain compliance with safety protocols to ensure social worker well-being and enable them to continue their critical work.

Social workers also monitor supervised IIM accounts at the field level in compliance with 25 CFR § 20 and 25 CFR § 115 in coordination with BTFA. Staff are also responsible for inspecting Tribal and Federal compliance with regulations and policies by providing oversight and monitoring during the various phases/components of contracts, project activities, and inspections.

**Central Oversight**

Central Oversight funding supports staff and costs associated with headquarters functions including the annual operational and maintenance costs of the FASS-CMS Cloud.

**Regional Oversight**

Regional Oversight funding provides for regional staff and costs associated with the technical assistance, training, and monitoring. The program provides oversight on the various social services programs operated by Tribes and Tribal consortia and by BIA agency programs within each respective region. The regional staff is responsible for the various administrative activities associated with these programs, including managing Performance Reporting, budgeting, Awarding Official Technical Representative (AOTR) monitoring for Social Services contracts, and providing social workers to support front-line responders.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Human Services**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Human Services**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Social Services (TPA)	-22,194	-27
Welfare Assistance (TPA)	-78,494	-
Indian Child Welfare Act (TPA)	-5,696	-
Housing Program (TPA)	-13,439	-
Human Services Tribal Design (TPA)	-217	-
Human Services Program Oversight		
Central Oversight	-95	-
Regional Oversight	-76	-1
<b>TOTAL, Program Changes</b>	<b>-120,211</b>	<b>-28</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Human Services**

The FY 2027 budget request for the Human Services activity is \$48,214,000 and 67 FTE, a program change of -\$120,211 and -28 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Social Services (TPA) (-\$22,194,000 / -27 FTE)** – The program will continue to support Tribal Social Services programs at sites across the nation.

**Welfare Assistance (TPA) (-\$78,494,000)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

**Indian Child Welfare Act (TPA) (-\$5,696,000)** – The program will continue to provide services as authorized under the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 including prevention of family separation, family reunification, intervention in child custody proceedings, and foster and adoption placement.

**Housing Program (TPA) (-\$13,439,000)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

**Human Services Tribal Design (TPA) (-\$217,000)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

**Human Services Program Oversight**

**Central Oversight (-\$95,000)** – The program will continue to conduct oversight, monitoring, distribution of program funds, management of information technology and data systems, and other management functions.

**Regional Oversight (-\$76,000 / -1 FTE)** – The program will continue to perform administrative activities associated with these programs, award and monitor contracts, manage Performance Reporting, develop and monitor budgets, and other functions.

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Trust – Natural Resources Management**  
**Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Trust – Natural Resources Management**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Trust - Natural Resources Management</b>											
Natural Resources (TPA)	12,985	35	13,985	35	-5	-	-9,385	-12	4,595	23	-9,390
Irrigation Operations and Maintenance	15,269	3	15,269	3	-2	-	-6,251	-	9,016	3	-6,253
Rights Protection Implementation	49,200	-	51,000	-	-11	-	-43,405	-	7,584	-	-43,416
Tribal Management/Development Program	18,544	1	19,044	1	-	-	-19,044	-1	-	-	-19,044
Endangered Species	5,993	3	5,993	3	-	-	-5,993	-3	-	-	-5,993
Tribal Climate Resilience	26,291	14	34,291	14	-	-	-34,291	-14	-	-	-34,291
Integrated Resource Info Program	2,954	6	2,954	6	-	-	-193	-	2,761	6	-193
<b>Agriculture and Range</b>											
Agriculture Program (TPA)	28,647	92	27,147	92	-9	-	-13,224	-	13,914	92	-13,233
Invasive Species	12,291	-	14,291	-	-	-	-14,291	-	-	-	-14,291
<b>Forestry</b>											
Forestry Program (TPA)	34,626	111	34,628	111	-10	-2	-19,508	-11	15,108	100	-19,520
Forestry Projects	30,759	28	28,259	28	-4	-	-18,232	-9	10,023	19	-18,236

Trust – Natural Resources Management

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Water Resources</b>											
Water Resources Program (TPA)	8,255	2	8,269	2	-2	-14	-5,554	-1	2,699	1	-5,570
Water Mgmt., Planning & Predevelopment	9,736	5	9,736	5	-	-	-9,736	-5	-	-	-9,736
<b>Fish, Wildlife and Parks</b>											
Wildlife & Parks Program (TPA)	10,784	1	10,783	1	-3	+1	-8,689	-	2,092	1	-8,691
Fish, Wildlife & Parks Projects	12,968	-	12,968	-	-	-	-12,968	-	-	-	-12,968
<b>Energy &amp; Minerals</b>											
Energy & Minerals Program (TPA)	4,426	24	4,426	24	-1	-	-2,309	-19	2,116	5	-2,310
Energy & Minerals Projects	19,842	4	19,842	4	-1	-	-7,991	-	11,850	4	-7,992
Energy & Minerals Central Oversight	7,657	15	5,622	15	-1	-	+388	+2	6,009	17	+387
Energy & Minerals Regional Oversight	924	5	924	5	-	-	-924	-5	-	-	-924
<b>Resource Management Program Oversight</b>											
Central Oversight	3,507	9	3,507	9	-	-	-246	-	3,261	9	-246
Regional Oversight	4,711	21	4,711	21	-1	+1,500	-351	+2	5,859	23	+1,148
<b>Total, Trust - Natural Resources Management</b>	<b>320,369</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>327,649</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>-50</b>	<b>+1,485</b>	<b>-232,197</b>	<b>-76</b>	<b>96,887</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>-230,762</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Trust – Natural Resources Management overview and program description**

### **Subactivity - Natural Resources (TPA)**

The Trust-Natural Resources Management program fulfills Indian trust responsibilities through the improved management, protection, and development of Indian land and natural resource assets. The Tribal programs manage their own natural resources in compliance with Federal regulatory requirements and operate under Pub.L. 93-638 contract or compact. The staff funded within this budget subactivity are located at the agency level to provide direct service to Tribes that do not have Pub.L. 93-638 contracts or compacts.

### **Subactivity - Irrigation Operations and Maintenance**

The Irrigation Operations and Maintenance program manages water resources on Indian lands. Activities include operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of irrigation infrastructures in accordance with accepted industry standards. A portion of the budget request is comprised of payments required by established legal directives. These payments are made to both revenue-generating irrigation projects and to a few smaller irrigation systems. The program also provides reimbursement to the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) for water storage costs on behalf of the Tribes served; continued delivery of water by and to irrigation systems as required by law, court order, or contractual agreement; and proportionate cost-share payments legally required to be made to Indian projects that are a part of, or adjacent to, non-Indian irrigation facilities.

### **Subactivity - Rights Protection Implementation**

The Rights Protection Implementation (RPI) program supports the implementation of Federal court actions that resulted from decisions in complex, off-reservation treaty rights litigation. IA monitors and provides technical assistance annually for 49 rights protection contracts and compacts. This program ensures compliance by implementing treaty-related effective Tribal self-regulatory and co-management systems. These cases recognize and protect court decisions and orders implemented through this program including *United States v. Washington*, *United States v. Michigan*, *Lac Courte Oreilles v. Voigt*, *United States v. Oregon*, *Minnesota v. Mille Lacs*, and *Grand Portage v. Minnesota*. In addition, this program supports the implementation of the U.S./Canada Pacific Salmon Treaty (PST) and reserved treaty rights to hunt, fish, and gather within and without reservation territories. These rights apply beyond reservation boundaries and are shared among multiple Tribes. Therefore, they have intertribal co-management implications as well as implications for resource management within other jurisdictions. This PST program is carried out by Tribes and Tribal organizations according to individual needs toward fulfillment of their treaty rights.

The goal of this program is to ensure compliance with Federal court orders by assisting Tribes with self-regulatory and co-management system implementation. Contract agreements are designed to ensure proper regulation and management of off-reservation fish, wildlife, shellfish, and plant gathering activities, provide conservation enforcement, and perform the necessary assessment and habitat protection activities that help ensure abundant and healthy populations of ceded territory resources. The benefits of these programs impact Tribes and wider communities because protection and enhancement of ceded territory natural resources and habitats benefit all users of those resources. There are 49 Tribes whose off-

reservation hunting, fishing, and gathering rights in the Pacific Northwest and Great Lakes regions are supported by this program.

### **Subactivity - Integrated Resource Info Program**

The Branch of Geospatial Services (BOGS) is the single geospatial technical center for the BIA which operates under the Office of Trust Services to deliver accurate, timely, and cost-effective Federal land title services and natural resources data to Indian beneficiaries and Tribes. This program provides Geographic Information Services (GIS) software, training, technical support including geospatial database management, and programming and project support. This work is required for land status title mapping and sound management of natural resources on over 10 million acres belonging to individual Indians and 50 million acres held in trust or restricted status for Indian Tribes. BOGS is developing new authoritative National Trust Land Boundary data to be shared across the Department of the Interior (DOI) with Tribes, and other Federal and State agencies through a new IA Spatial Data Strategy Plan. Partnerships and delivery of this information avoids duplication of efforts between agencies, establishes one authoritative source, eliminates the distribution of inaccurate and misinformation, and improves and increases the delivery of professional trust services. GIS can accurately and rapidly translate and graphically display land ownership and encumbrance information from alphanumeric Trust Asset Accounting Management System (TAAMS) data. This data is used to create land status maps, conduct analyses, modeling, reporting, and monitoring to support future web mapping applications.

### **Subactivity - Agriculture & Range**

#### **Agriculture Program (TPA):**

The Agriculture and Rangeland Management program promotes co-stewardship, conservation, multiple use and sustained-yield management on over 46 million acres of trust Indian land dedicated to crop and livestock agriculture. Program responsibilities are carried out by IA agency personnel or by individual Tribes through Indian self-determination agreements under Pub.L. 93-638.

Activities include soil and vegetation inventories and noxious weed surveys that provide data to support programmatic and lease/permit-level planning, land-use management decisions, and program review and development. IA staff provide technical assistance to and participate with Indian landowners, Tribal governments, and land users to develop, update, and amend land use plans under the principles of sustained-yield and multiple-resource management. The program supports programmatic resource management planning (Integrated and Agricultural Resource Management Plans), which incorporates reservation-level goals for resources and activities designed to meet those goals. Conservation planning for individual leases and permits is also supported where specific land-unit goals, activities, and responsibilities are described. Technical support is provided for the design, engineering, and implementation of cropland and rangeland improvements, such as drainage systems, erosion control, fencing, and livestock water sources. Staff work to secure financial assistance for the implementation of agricultural improvement projects as well. The program also supports a student intern program as required under the American Indian Agriculture Resource Management Act (AIARMA) Pub.L. 103-177.

### **Subactivity - Forestry**

The Forestry program conducts management on Indian forest land in accordance with sustained yield principles to develop, maintain, and enhance forest resources. Indian Forestry has a unique standing

among Federal land management programs because the United States has a trust responsibility toward the management of Indian forest lands pursuant to the National Indian Forest Resources Management Act of 1990 (NIFRMA) (Pub.L. 101-630, Title III, 104 Stat. 4532). This responsibility extends to the management of Indian forests covering a total of 19.2 million acres in 33 States, with a commercial timber volume of approximately 66 billion board feet with an allowable annual harvest of 732 million board feet.

Creating resilient, productive forest lands within and adjacent to Indian reservations requires collaboration with Federal, State, and private landowners. The Tribal Forests Protection Act of 2004 (Pub.L. 108-278, 118 Stat. 868) was intended to protect Tribal forest assets by authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to enter into agreements or contracts with Indian Tribes to carry out projects to protect Indian forest land. Current Federal efforts aimed at creating healthy, resilient forests and preventing large-scale resource loss due to wildfire are expected to better facilitate Tribal work with the U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) as larger cross-jurisdictional land management treatments are developed and implemented. Planning and executing forest land management activities, including commercial timber sales, is the best mechanism to gain support for infrastructure investments by forest products companies who rely on a steady, dedicated supply stream to ensure economic viability.

### **Forestry Program (TPA)**

The Forestry Program (TPA) subactivity funds work associated with the preparation and administration of forest products sales, and the management and technical oversight of those activities on Indian forest land to develop, maintain, and enhance forest resources in accordance with the principles of sustained yield and with the standards and objectives set forth in forest management plans. The program encompasses all elements of sale preparation, sale administration, and supervision of forest product harvesting contracts. Staff and resources funded through the Forestry Program (TPA) account are dedicated to the preparation and administration of forest product sales. This program supports the protection and enhancement of Indian forest land and natural resource assets by assisting Tribes with the management of their lands, consistent with Tribal goals and objectives identified in forest management plans or integrated resource management plans.

The sale of forest products is a key source of Tribal revenue, Tribal employment, and employment of others who benefit from the sale of Indian forest products. Forest product harvesting is essential to promote self-sustaining communities, maintain forest health, and protect Indian forests and communities from wildfire, insect, and disease. The ability to restore forest health and create adaptive ecosystems is enhanced by IA's ability to effectively assist Tribes in the management of their forest lands.

### **Forestry Projects**

Forestry Projects funding provides support for: Forest Development; Forest Management - Inventory and Planning; Woodland Management; and the Timber Harvest Initiative.

*Forest Development* - Funding supports activities that include pre-commercial thinning of overstocked forests, as well as tree planting; both essential post-harvest activities that provide for healthy, vigorous forests, and protect young stands from wildfire, insects, and disease. The thinning of overstocked stands

also accelerates growth rates of remaining trees, increases future volume yield, and improves species composition. Post-harvest tree planting is a critical management activity. Adequate stocking levels at the time of planting ensures a healthy future forest resource capable of providing wood fiber, important habitats, clean water supply, and recreational opportunities. Frequently, tree planting strategies include planting a mix of tree species to broaden potential future market opportunities and help ensure a healthy forest in the future.

*Forest Management, Inventory and Planning* – Funding supports geospatial analysis, measurement of trees and other forest vegetation, determination of tree growth, and documentation of long-term trends. BIA and Tribes currently use continuous forest inventories and stand exams to develop forest-wide estimates of regeneration, growth, mortality, and forest health. The inventory data is used to calculate the allowable annual cut (annual sustained yield harvest), and to develop environmental compliance documents, forest management plans, and forest histories. Generally, inventory data is collected across forest lands held in trust status for Tribes and provides the foundation for management decisions on those lands. The program also has integrated the use of Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) which helps BIA and Tribal foresters attain highly accurate landscape level data across ownership boundaries in a more cost-effective manner, and in a shorter time frame. This information can be used to assess forest health, areas at risk of wildfire, identify areas where restoration projects would be beneficial, and promote collaborative efforts with other Federal land managers.

*Woodland Management* – The activities funded are forested areas where traditional logging operations are considered uneconomical. However, these areas, such as the pinyon-juniper woodlands of the Southwest, have important fuelwood, cultural, spiritual, and traditional characteristics important to Tribes. Woodland acres may also include valuable niche market products including beams, vigas, latillas, transplants, and species conducive to the manufacture of specialty woodworking lumber. Indian woodlands encompass over 10 million acres. Treatments in Tribal woodlands include density and stand composition treatments that improve resilience, water yield and water quality, control of invasive species, and preserve important plants and animals. Over the past decades, many woodlands areas have degraded and restoration efforts are increasingly important to ensure that woodland resources are protected and preserved for the future benefit of Tribes.

*Timber Harvest Initiative* - Funds are used to improve the implementation of forest land management activities and promote the harvest of forest products on reservations where BIA and Tribal forestry staff are unable to meet their allowable annual cut. Factors that contribute to declining harvests include , lack of training, shifting forest products markets, and loss of local infrastructure. BIA Forestry established a Timber Team in FY 2020 to help BIA and Tribal forestry staff meet their allowable annual cut and develop training and recruitment opportunities for BIA and Tribal foresters. The Timber Team travels to field units to provide assistance and expertise in preparing and managing timber sales and other forest management activities. This funding provides additional resources to BIA Agencies or Tribes to prepare and offer timber sales, and administer timber sales.

### **Subactivity - Water Resources**

#### **Water Resources Program (TPA):**

The Water Resources program allows Tribes and BIA Regional Offices to protect and manage Tribal water resources. The program helps Tribes develop and maintain a managerial water environment which ensures water resources are conducted in a manner consistent with applicable laws and regulations. Funding supports the administration, management and use of regional water resources appurtenant to Tribal and Indian trust lands, including public domain allotments.

### **Subactivity - Fish, Wildlife and Parks**

#### **Wildlife & Parks Program (TPA):**

This program supports the Wildlife and Parks program at the Agency or Tribal level. Funding is provided to Tribes through a local priority setting process determined by the Tribe and IA to fund Tribal activities in the areas of fisheries, wildlife, outdoor recreation, Tribal youth in natural resources, and public use management, conservation enforcement, and related fields. Tribes, determine any changes in the allocation of annual funding and performance through the local priority setting process.

### **Subactivity – Energy and Minerals**

#### **Energy & Minerals Program (TPA):**

This program provides Tribal base funding for Energy and Minerals programs that directly contribute to energy and mineral management on the reservations and is administered at the Tribal organizational level. Non-base funding within this TPA line supplements the Tribal Energy Development Capacity program funded under the Energy & Minerals Projects line. This capacity-building program facilitates the development of energy programs with a focus on self-determination opportunities for Tribes.

#### **Energy & Minerals Projects:**

The Division of Energy and Minerals Development (DEMD) supports IA grant and technical assistance programs supporting Tribal economic development interests through balanced stewardship of their energy and mineral resources. DEMD solicits proposals from Tribes, and grantees are selected through a competitive review process based on criteria that emphasize economic stimulus, job creation, and the likelihood of the project's commercial success. DEMD monitors awarded projects to ensure funds are prudently spent and offers technical assistance to grantees. DEMD programs work with Tribes to build resilience, spur economic growth, realizing a circular economy, and drive them towards a more sustainable economic future.

*Direct Technical Assistance* - DEMD maintains a staff of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) professionals with expertise in energy and mineral development to fulfill BIA's responsibility to provide information and capacity building to Tribes. Available resources focus on all phases of Tribal energy and mineral development including resource development planning, economic assessments, mineral agreement negotiations, and more.

*Planning, Consultation, and Engagement* –DEMD planning activities have identified opportunities to consult with Tribes regarding proposed oil and gas well spacing programs. DEMD provides technical assistance and grant funding to Tribes or individual Indians on planning coordination, electrification, oil and gas permitting, integrated conventional-renewable energy permitting, electrical generation,

transmission planning, and other plans applicable that would assist an Indian Tribe in the development or use of energy resources.

*Energy and Minerals Development Grant Program (EMDP)* - DEMD offers Tribes the opportunity to obtain grant funding for energy and mineral assessment projects by way of the EMDP. This funding helps Tribes develop all available commodities according to each respective Tribe's goals and strengthens economic development using the best available scientific information and data. This includes modernizing conventional energy programs and boosting the identification of areas with potential critical mineral resources.

*Tribal Energy Development Capacity Grant Program (TEDC)* - This annual funding opportunity enables Tribes to develop or enhance their management and business environment for energy resource development. By focusing on capacity building, the program aims to equip Tribal governments and organizations with the necessary legal, regulatory and business infrastructure to manage energy resources effectively. Grants may fund various initiatives, such as establishing Tribal Utility Authorities or Tribal Energy Development Organizations, and developing or enhancing Tribal policies, codes, regulations, or ordinances related to regulating and developing energy resource(s). Capacity development ultimately empowers Tribes to make informed decisions about their energy futures while fostering sustainable economic development in their communities.

*National Indian Oil & Gas, Energy, and Minerals System (NIOGEMS)*- The NIOGEMS application provides GIS and data analysis functionality to Tribes and Federal agencies to support energy and mineral development. Currently, NIOGEMS has 50 Tribal users on eight reservations and 161 Federal users. NIOGEMS is the best tool for the necessary regulatory analysis needed for oil and gas development. It is the only platform available to Indian Country that brings land ownership and lease data together with Communitization Agreements and well/production data. NIOGEMS aggregates tract, lease agreement, energy and mineral resource features, and data from other sources and combines them with a suite of analysis tools and inter-relational data tables. The application supports energy and mineral resource determinations and offers a useful mapping utility to show lease locations, leases by company, well locations, lease data, production data, rights-of ways, and other key information. This enables users to track critical data and make effective decisions regarding leasing, developing, and managing energy and mineral resources.

**Energy & Minerals Central Oversight:**

Energy & Minerals Central Oversight provides funding for staff to meet specific legislative requirements concerning trust responsibilities. The DEMD assists the Federal government in meeting two separate trust responsibilities under the Indian Mineral Development Act.

First, the DEMD reviews proposed minerals agreements authorized under the Indian Mineral Development Act (IMDA) and submitted by Tribes for BIA approval. BIA reviews submissions with respect to Tribal best interest regarding potential economic return and economic assessment, such as those under the Linowes Commission and IMDA, including:

- Providing economic evaluations of energy and mineral resources to Indian mineral owners as requested;

- Furnishing expert technical advice on geology, mining engineering, petroleum engineering, geophysics, feasibility studies, market analyses, and mineral economics to Indian mineral owners; and,
- Dispensing expert technical advice to the Indian mineral owners in negotiating IMDA agreements with respective developers.

### **Subactivity - Resource Management Program Oversight**

#### **Central Oversight:**

This funds the natural resources services coordination at the BIA Central Office level . The program enhances Tribal management of Indian natural resources through the use of resource management plans, conducts annual program reviews, and ensures compliance with regulations and requirements related to Indian natural resource trust asset management. The program also focuses on reforms outlined in the American Indian Agricultural Resources Management Act, 25 U.S.C. 3701 et seq. (1994) and implementation of regulations, 25 CFR §§ 162, 166. Funding also supports a Natural Resources Youth Program Coordination Office to ensure the development and continued efficient operation of the various Natural Resources youth programs.

In addition, funds support subject matter expertise in the sciences, engineering, environmental science, natural resource management, forest management, and other affiliated areas. This expertise provides the regulatory and technical background to mitigate the environmental impact of sources of pollution, ensure compliance with regulations, and manage and preserve natural ecosystems. Additional support provides enhancement of current initiatives that integrate resource management actions applied to a Tribe's natural resources and other resources of value.

#### **Regional Oversight:**

This program funds natural resources services and coordination at the regional office level. Funds are used to support natural resource programs, ensure Tribal participation at national conferences, support field biologists that assist Tribal programs, and support endangered species compliance work.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Trust – Natural Resources Management**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Trust – Natural Resources Management**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Natural Resources (TPA)	-9,385	-12
Irrigation Operations and Maintenance	-6,251	-
Rights Protection Implementation	-43,405	-
Tribal Management/Development Program	-19,044	-1
Endangered Species	-5,993	-3
Tribal Climate Resilience	-34,291	-14
Integrated Resource Info Program	-193	-
Agriculture and Range		
Agriculture Program (TPA)	-13,224	-
Invasive Species	-14,291	-
Forestry		
Forestry Program (TPA)	-19,508	-11
Forestry Projects	-18,232	-9
Water Resources		
Water Resources Program (TPA)	-5,554	-1
Water Mgmt., Planning & Predevelopment	-9,736	-5
Fish, Wildlife and Parks		
Wildlife & Parks Program (TPA)	-8,689	-
Fish, Wildlife & Parks Projects	-12,968	-
Energy & Minerals		
Energy & Minerals Program (TPA)	-2,309	-19
Energy & Minerals Projects	-7,991	-
Energy & Minerals Central Oversight	+388	+2
Energy & Minerals Regional Oversight	-924	-5
Resource Management Program Oversight		
Central Oversight	-246	-
Regional Oversight	-351	+2
<b>TOTAL, Program Changes</b>	<b>-232,197</b>	<b>-76</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Trust – Natural Resources Management**

The FY 2027 budget request for the Trust – Natural Resources Management activity is \$96,887,000 and 303 FTE, a program change of -\$232,197,000 and -76 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Natural Resources (TPA) (-\$9,385,000 / -12 FTE)** – The program will support Indian trust responsibilities through improved management, protection, and development of Indian land and natural resource assets.

**Irrigation Operations & Maintenance (-\$6,251,000)** – The budget supports operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of irrigation infrastructures in accordance with accepted industry standards.

**Rights Protection Implementation (-\$43,405,000)** - Funding will support continued work on implementation of Federal court actions through effective Tribal self-regulatory and co-management activities.

**Tribal Management / Development Program (-\$19,044,000 / -1 FTE)** - Funding for this program is not requested.

**Endangered Species (-\$5,993,000 / -3 FTE)** - Funding for this program is not requested.

**Tribal Climate Resilience (-\$34,291,000 / -14 FTE)** - Funding for this program is not requested.

**Integrated Resource Info Program (-\$193,000)** - This program provides Geographic Information Services (GIS) software, training, technical support including geospatial database management, and programming and project support This work is required for land status title mapping and sound management of natural resources belonging to individual Indians and held in trust or restricted status for Indian Tribes. This funding provides support for three main program areas: Geospatial Helpdesk Extended Technical Support and Services, GIS Software and Resources, and Geospatial Training.

### **Agriculture & Range**

**Agriculture Program (TPA) (-\$13,224,000)** – This program will promote continued support of co-stewardship, conservation, multiple use and sustained-yield management on over 46 million acres of trust Indian land dedicated to crop and livestock agriculture.

**Invasive Species Program (-\$14,291,000)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

### **Forestry**

**Forestry Program (TPA) (-\$19,508,000 / -11 FTE)** – This program will provide continued support and conducts management on Indian forest land in accordance with sustained yield principles to develop, maintain, and enhance forest resources.

**Forestry Projects (-\$18,232,000 / -9 FTE)** - The budget provides support for: Forest Development; Forest Management - Inventory and Planning; Woodland Management; and the Timber Harvest Initiative.

### **Water Resource**

**Water Resources Programs (TPA) (-\$5,554,000 / -1 FTE)** – Funding will support administration, management, and use of regional water resources appurtenant to Tribal and Indian trust lands, including public domain allotments.

**Water Management, Planning & Pre-Development (-\$9,736,000 / -5 FTE)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

### **Fish, Wildlife & Parks**

**Wildlife & Parks Program (TPA) (-\$8,689,000)** - Funding will support Tribal activities in fisheries, wildlife, outdoor recreation, public use management, and other related fields.

**Fish, Wildlife & Parks Projects (-\$12,968,000)** - Funding for this program is not requested.

### **Energy & Minerals**

**Energy & Minerals Program (TPA) (-\$2,309,000 / -19 FTE)** – This program supports Tribal base funding for Energy and Minerals programs that directly contribute to energy and mineral management on the reservations.

**Energy & Minerals Projects (-\$7,991,000)** – Funding will support investments that promote energy development, including management of the National Indian Oil and Gas, Energy and Minerals System (NIOGEMS) application. Funds will also support Tribal Energy Development Capacity (TEDC) grants which maximize the impact of energy resource development, and Energy and Mineral Development Program (EMDP) grants which help Tribes complete energy and mineral resource exploration. The program will continue to provide technical assistance to synchronize industry expertise with Tribal needs.

**Energy & Minerals Central Oversight (+388,000 / +2 FTE)** – This funding will support targeted investments to promote energy development including further support for the Indian Energy Service Center (IESC) to expedite leasing, permitting, and reporting for conventional energy on Indian lands. This increase supports Executive Order (EO) 14154, *Unleashing American Energy*, and the Administration’s priority for American Energy Dominance and economic development which includes management and development of energy resources on Tribal lands.

**Energy & Minerals Regional Oversight (-\$924,000 / -5 FTE)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

### **Resource Management Program Oversight**

**Central Oversight (-\$246,000)** – BIA’s Trust Natural Resources Central Office will continue to coordinate all the natural resources services including enhancing Tribal management of Indian natural

resources through the use of resource management plans, conducting annual program reviews, and ensuring compliance with various regulations and requirements related to the management of Indian natural resource trust assets.

**Regional Oversight (-351,000 / +2 FTE)** – BIA’s Trust Natural Resources Regional Offices will continue to coordinate the services performed at the regional office level which support the natural resources services in this section. Funds are used to support natural resource programs, including providing travel funds to ensure Tribal participation at conferences, providing support for field biologists to assist Tribal programs, and supporting endangered species compliance work.

**Internal Transfer Functions Formerly Performed by the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation (ONHIR). (+\$1,500,000)** – The FY 2027 Budget request includes an internal transfer of \$1.5 million from the Office of Secretary to Resources Management Program Oversight, The funding ensures that any remaining functions or responsibilities of ONHIR authorized by the Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Act of 1974 that the Secretary has assumed are fully completed and it also allows BIA to carry out any necessary actions to close out these responsibilities. Funding provided in this or previous funding bills to ONHIR or to the BIA for the Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program can be used by the Department for these purposes, including by shifting or transferring funds as needed.

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Trust – Real Estate Services**  
**Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Trust – Real Estate Services**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Trust - Real Estate Services</b>											
Trust Services (TPA)	10,322	44	10,219	44	-3	+103	-6,163	-8	4,156	36	-6,063
Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program	1,303	6	1,303	6	-	-	-80	-	1,223	6	-80
Probate (TPA)	14,140	105	17,140	113	-7	-	-9,009	-35	8,124	78	-9,016
Office of Hearings and Appeals	7,096	-	7,096	-	-3	-	-155	-	6,938	-	-158
Land Title and Records Offices	16,425	106	16,425	106	-7	-	-7,841	-8	8,577	98	-7,848
Land Acquisitions	2,000	-	2,000	-	-	-	-2,000	-	-	-	-2,000
<b>Real Estate Services</b>											
RES Program (TPA)	38,786	254	38,196	254	-20	+90	-15,979	-126	22,287	128	-15,909
RES Projects	2,802	-	2,802	-	-	-	-1,802	-	1,000	-	-1,802
<b>Land Records Improvement</b>											
LRI - Central	4,511	20	4,511	20	-3	-	-1,987	-5	2,521	15	-1,990
LRI - Regional	2,156	15	2,156	15	-	-	-2,156	-15	-	-	-2,156

Trust – Real Estate Services

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Environmental Quality</b>											
EQ Program (TPA)	5,007	10	5,007	10	-1	-	-3,122	-	1,884	10	-3,123
EQ Projects	27,541	43	27,041	46	-3	-	-17,006	-22	10,032	24	-17,009
Alaskan Native Programs (TPA)	1,521	7	1,521	7	-1	-	-875	-2	645	5	-876
<b>Rights Protection</b>											
Rights Protection (TPA)	4,281	9	4,249	9	-2	+32	-1,717	-	2,562	9	-1,687
Water Rights Negotiations/Litigation	11,268	11	11,268	11	-	-	-11,268	-11	-	-	-11,268
Litigation Support/Attny Fees	1,800	-	1,800	-	-	-	-1,800	-	-	-	-1,800
Other Indian Rights Protection	267	2	267	2	-	-	-267	-2	-	-	-267
<b>Trust - Real Estate Services Oversight</b>											
Central Oversight	5,501	14	3,501	14	-1	-	+7,073	+7	10,573	21	+7,072
Regional Oversight	13,281	70	13,385	70	-5	-104	-3,971	-19	9,305	51	-4,080
<b>Total, Trust - Real Estate Services</b>	<b>170,008</b>	<b>716</b>	<b>169,887</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>-56</b>	<b>+121</b>	<b>-80,125</b>	<b>-246</b>	<b>89,827</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>-80,060</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Trust – Real Estate Services overview and program description**

### **Subactivity – Trust Services (TPA)**

This program supports the overall management responsibility for operation of trust functions at the BIA Regions and Agencies and Tribes regarding real estate services, probate, environmental and cultural resource compliance, and rights protection programs. This subactivity also supports regional lockbox coordinators who coordinate distribution of trust funds to individual Indian beneficiaries.

### **Subactivity – Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program**

The Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program works to implement the Navajo-Hopi Settlement Act of 1974, as amended (Pub.L. 93-531), and to further BIA's mission by providing for management, protection, and preservation of agricultural and rangeland resources on the Navajo and Hopi Partitioned Lands. The Program provides support to the Tribes, and Indian farmers and ranchers through BIA staffing and Pub.L. 93-638 contracting,.

### **Subactivity – Probate (TPA)**

The BIA probate program provides the staff and tools to administer probate services to AI/AN beneficiaries. Probate staff prepare comprehensive trust estate packages for adjudication by DOI's Office of Hearing and Appeals (OHA). The success of the program is dependent upon successful collaboration between OHA, BIA's Division of Land Title & Records (DLTR), the Bureau of Trust Funds Administration (BFTA), and the family of the decedent.

The probate management process consists of five major activities: pre-case preparation, case preparation, case adjudication, case closure, and post-decision adjudication, as needed. The BIA performs pre-case preparation, case preparation, and coordinates case closing; OHA performs the case adjudication activity. If needed, OHA, BIA, and BFTA support post-decision adjudication. The probate business process will continuously improve as new tools and research methods are implemented to improve the efficiency of probate services.

Completing the probate process for our deceased landowners is imperative to maintaining current land ownership records in the Trust Asset Accounting Management System (TAAMS), which allows for effective management of trust assets and any associated income generated for Tribal members. Completing aged probate cases not only provides resolution for the estates of deceased landowners and their heirs but also is key to successful land consolidation and development efforts. Most new Tribal trust landowners, as established in the TAAMS, are from the probate program.

### **Subactivity – Office of Hearing and Appeals**

The Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) exercises the delegated authority of the Secretary of the Interior to conduct hearings and decide appeals from decisions of the bureaus and offices of the Department of the Interior. OHA provides an impartial forum for parties who are affected by the decisions of the Department's bureaus and offices to obtain independent review of those decisions. OHA also handles the probating of Indian trust estates, ensuring that individual Indian interests in allotted lands, their proceeds, and other trust assets are conveyed to the decedents' rightful heirs and beneficiaries.

Funding supports OHA's Probate Hearings Division to provide independent adjudication services for Indian probate cases to BIA's Probate Real Estate function

### **Subactivity – Land Title and Records Offices**

The Land Titles and Records Office (LTRO) is the office of record for land title documents for Indian lands. Accurate title is critical to the management of over one billion dollars belonging to Tribes and individual Indians. LTRO products provide security to real estate investors, especially as rapid and dramatic developments drive the real estate market. From a single-family home purchase to a multi-million-dollar commercial transaction, real estate investors in Indian Country receive title protection through the LTRO.

### **Subactivity – Real Estate Services**

#### **RES Program (TPA):**

The Real Estate Services (RES) Program has a positive impact on reservation economies. The program improves information of ownership and administers and manages all land held in trust and restricted status for the benefit of individual Indians and Tribes. Field staff initiate all land transfer actions, which are often complicated by highly fractionated surface ownership. Program staff provide real property management counseling and land use planning services to individual Indian landowners, Tribes and Alaska Natives who own an interest in the approximately 56 million surface acres and 59 million acres of mineral estates held in trust by the United States and in restricted status. Decision-making processes are developed through cooperative efforts with Indian landowners for the proper use, development, and enhancement of Indian trust lands.

#### **RES Projects:**

This program element provides technical advice and assistance to Indian landowners on issues related to cadastral surveys and processed transactions that reflect accurate land ownership information for Tribes and individual Indian beneficiaries.

The RES Projects subactivity funds the management, oversight and implementation associated with Federal land surveys, land boundaries, cadastral surveys and management of those activities. Real Estate Services manages the RES Projects program budget line in partnership with BLM. Indian Trust Lands Boundary regulations and policy apply to all activities that impact an existing boundary through modification or establishment on Indian trust or restricted lands. Precise boundary information is critical for home building on trust lands, the establishment of contracts, border protection, law enforcement, forestry, fire and fuels management, gaming, and creating broadband rights-of-ways and many other mission critical management activities. This program creates confidence in boundary identification and resolves issues which may arise from poor land descriptions, or lack of legally defined land descriptions.

### **Subactivity – Land Records Improvement**

#### **Land Records Improvement (LRI) – Central:**

This program supports trust digital document management and data improvement projects, including through continued support to the Trust Asset Accounting Management System (TAAMS), which stores up-to-date land ownership data online (including simultaneous display of title/legal interests and beneficial/equitable interests). This TAAMS support reduces or eliminates errors; reduces or eliminates

liability arising from reliance on out-of-date land title ownership and encumbrances information; allows for online drafting and execution of land title documents reducing time and costs; and increases output and customer satisfaction. Title and GIS oversight in concert with the administration of TAAMS ensures accountability and accurate energy and other lease-generated payouts through TAAMS for BTFA and information necessary for the DOI Appraisal and Valuation Services Office, Division of Mineral Evaluations, and supports energy resource management.

TAAMS exists as the cornerstone of trust resource and information management, supporting direct service Tribes and Tribally managed programs. TAAMS is an integral part of our mission and designed to support the Department's goal of meeting trust responsibilities to Indian Tribes and Alaska Natives. TAAMS provides comprehensive information and business actions pertaining to land title, lease management, trust income and royalty management data for planning, management, and reporting of trust and restricted Indian lands. This system is foundational to multiple entities and organizations within the Department of the Interior including BLM's cadastral program, the Office of Natural Resources Revenue, the Office of the Secretary, the Indian Land Consolidation Program, and BTFA's trust asset financial system. The functionality of TAAMS is integral to daily activities affecting over a billion dollars of trust revenue and royalties.

TAAMS provides mission-critical land ownership information to process trust land resource management conveyances and encumbrances, and to allocate trust income to the owners of trust and restricted lands and resources throughout Indian Country. The LRI program provides overall program policy, management, coordination, and guidance concerning land title and ownership certifications, title document recording and management, land title mapping for the regional LTROs, and a platform for the accurate and timely development and issuance of surface and mineral conveyance documents and land use contracts. The program supports the land title needs and requirements for all Tribal and restricted lands and supports the delivery of title products and services to Tribal and individual owners as required for real estate and other trust program transactions.

### **Subactivity – Environmental Quality**

#### **EQ Program (TPA):**

The Environmental Quality Program (EQ) is tasked with the protection, restoration, and preservation of environmental and cultural resources of AI/AN. Through enforcement of applicable laws and regulations and assessment of activities impacting these resources, the program provides direction and guidance to Tribes and other IA programs to protect those resources most important to Tribal communities.

The program's 12 Regional Scientists, along with program support staff, provide technical assistance for production and review of environmental documents, conduct training, and ensure IA projects and activities comply with applicable laws and regulations, including the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Pub.L. 89-665. Central office staff, in coordination with the Regions, are responsible for program oversight, and policy development and guidance.

The EQ Program also provides funding support and training to 12 Regional Archaeologists and program support staff, who are responsible for administering archaeological permits in accordance with the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (ARPA) Pub.L. 96-95. The EQ Program also provides

training and support for IA law enforcement activities. Regional archaeologists identify and assess conditions of archaeological sites under Section 106 and Section 110 of NHPA and determine if archaeological sites are eligible for listing on the National Register. The IA Central Office Archaeologist serves as the Federal Preservation Officer for IA and works directly with Tribal and State Historic Preservation Officers to establish historic preservation programs in Indian Country.

**EQ Projects:**

The Environmental Quality Projects (EQP) has primary responsibility for monitoring IA activities for compliance with applicable environmental regulations and standards and identifying hazardous contaminated sites for remedial cleanup actions.

The Environmental Management, Assessment, and Performance (EMAP) program monitors BIA program operations and activities to ensure environmental regulatory compliance. Facilities potentially covered by these audits include BIA Regional offices, BIA agencies, Law Enforcement/Detention Centers, and Irrigation Projects.

The EQP supports implementation of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Pub.L. 101-601. NAGPRA requires museums and Federal agencies to identify Native American human remains, funerary items, and objects of cultural significance in their collections and consult with Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations to repatriate the human remains and objects of cultural patrimony. Federal NAGPRA regulations (43 CFR 10) provide a systematic process for returning Tribal artifacts to Native American and Alaska Native Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations.

**Subactivity – Alaskan Native Programs**

The Alaskan Native Program administers three programs: Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) Pub.L. 92-203, Historical Places and Cemetery Sites; Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) Pub.L. 96-487; and the Native American Allotment.

*Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) Historical Places and Cemetery Sites* – This program protects cultural and natural heritage resources and increases knowledge of cultural and natural heritage resources managed or influenced by the Department. The program investigates Alaska Native historical places and cemetery sites, Native groups, and Native primary places of residence, and certifies all such claims. Certifications are based on field investigations of the claimed lands and associated historical, archeological, and ethnographic research; the combined findings of which are presented in final reports of investigation.

The primary emphasis of the program is to ensure completion of the ANCSA land conveyance process; however, this program also manages the ANCSA museum collection for long-term preservation. Data contained in the ANCSA collection is shared to support Alaska Native cultural heritage and educational programs, Federal and State subsistence management programs, and the protection of Alaska's cultural resources.

*ANILCA Programs* – This program provides funding for coordination and consultation with Alaska's Federal land managing agencies, the State of Alaska, Alaska Tribal governments, and the Federal

Subsistence Program's Regional Advisory Councils on the subsistence preference for rural Alaskans. This includes Alaska Natives living in rural areas and the administration of programs affecting Native allotments under the 1906 Native Allotment Act (1906 Act).

A major component of the ANILCA program is providing subsistence support. BIA is a member of the Federal Subsistence Board (FSB) and Federal Interagency Staff Committee, and Alaska Natives hold seats on the Program's Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) and the Federal Subsistence Board. The RACs were established by Congress to provide opportunities for rural resident involvement in subsistence management. The Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture must accord deference to RAC recommendations regarding subsistence taking of fish/wildlife. FSB also provides assistance to Tribes and Native organizations for research on the animal populations which serve as subsistence resources, the patterns of subsistence resource use and sharing (both historical and modern), the methods used for the harvest/preparation of subsistence resources, potential impacts to subsistence harvest activities, and the requirements necessary to maintain a subsistence lifestyle. Funds are provided in the form of grants, contracts, and/or compacts to Tribes and Native organizations.

*Native Allotments* – The Native Allotment program aids Native allotment applicants in acquiring title to his/her lands. The amount of restricted land conveyed totaled over 1.2 million acres. These allotments, along with new Native Veteran Allotment applications, are subject to negotiation of recovery of title through the adjudication process with BLM, the State of Alaska, or the Regional and Village Native Corporations.

Acquisition services provided by the program include collecting evidence of use and occupancy within prescribed timeframes, accompanying applicants and the BLM staff on field exams, performing probates and contacting heirs to notify them of inherited claims, contesting appeals to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, and approving easements for trespass abatement. Of the work being completed in partnership with the BLM, Tribal realty offices address much of the work for Native allotment parcels.

The Native Allotment program also provides regular and necessary technical assistance to the 7 Pub.L. 93-638 contract and 16 Pub.L. 103-413 compact Tribal organizations throughout the State. These 23 organizations have entered into agreements with the BIA to operate trust realty programs.

### **Subactivity – Rights Protection**

#### **Rights Protection (TPA):**

BIA field staff provide advice and technical assistance to Tribes and other agency personnel in various rights protection issues. Funds under the program are also provided to Tribes through the contracting and self-governance compacting processes authorized under ISDEAA. Staff consult and cooperate with Tribes involved in negotiating or litigating their water rights; establishing and protecting Tribal treaty hunting, fishing and gathering rights; addressing issues concerning trespass on Tribal trust lands; protecting Tribal cultural resources; and addressing natural resource damage claims and other unresolved land management issues. The functions performed by program personnel depend on the services and technical expertise required by the Tribes that is not available in other programs within the jurisdiction of Trust Services.

### **Subactivity – Trust – Real Estate Services Oversight**

#### **Central Oversight:**

The BIA Central Office staff formulates Real Estate Services policy, performs oversight reviews, evaluates the effectiveness of regional real estate functions, administers appeals, and reviews and approves HEARTH Act regulations and reservation proclamations. The program manages the acceptance of real estate on behalf of Tribes under the Base Closure and Realignment Act and the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act. Real Estate Services staff also process waivers for real estate regulations, review and make recommendations for contested real estate transactions, develop regulations and policies affecting trust lands and resources, develop policies for HEARTH Act procedures, and process Tribal HEARTH Act submissions. Real Estate Services staff coordinate national training and the development of resources for field staff. In addition, the program also provides assistance in the development and use of trust and restricted Indian-owned lands, including acquisitions, disposals, tenure of land, rights-of-ways, and surface leases. The program also provides guidance and implementation for standardized data entry in and use of TAAMS. Real Estate Services is the primary source of national data and information regarding Indian lands.

#### **Regional Oversight:**

Within the 12 BIA Regional offices, there are Real Estate Services programs that protect, maintain and preserve the integrity of trust lands and trust resources. Regional offices provide policy direction, technical assistance, training, and administrative review, and monitor agency real property operations.

Additionally, regional office duties include supporting appeals of agency decisions, offering litigation assistance, and reviewing and approving real estate transactions, such as acquisitions, disposals, surface and mineral leases, and rights-of-way. They also review and approve land use planning proposals for Tribes that have contracted or compacted the program, ensuring that all processes adhere to established standards and regulations.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Trust – Real Estate Services**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Trust – Real Estate Services**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Trust Services (TPA)	-6,163	-8
Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program	-80	-
Probate (TPA)	-9,009	-35
Office of Hearings and Appeals	-155	-
Land Title and Records Offices	-7,841	-8
Land Acquisitions	-2,000	-
Real Estate Services		
RES Program (TPA)	-15,979	-126
RES Projects	-1,802	-
Land Records Improvement		
LRI – Central	-1,987	-5
LRI – Regional	-2,156	-15
Environmental Quality		
EQ Program (TPA)	-3,122	-
EQ Projects	-17,006	-22
Alaskan Native Programs (TPA)	-875	-2
Rights Protection		
Rights Protection (TPA)	-1,717	-
Water Rights Negotiations/ Litigation	-11,268	-11
Litigation Support/Attny Fees	-1,800	-
Other Indian Rights Protection	-267	-2
Trust - Real Estate Services Oversight		
Central Oversight	+7,073	+7
Regional Oversight	-3,971	-19
<b>TOTAL, Program Changes</b>	<b>-80,125</b>	<b>-246</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Trust – Real Estate Services**

The FY 2027 budget request for the Trust – Real Estate Services activity is \$89,827,000 and 481 FTE, a program change of -\$80,125,000 and -246 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Trust Services (TPA) (-\$6,163,000 / -8 FTE)** – This program will continue to support overall management responsibility for real estate services, probate, environmental and cultural resource compliance, and rights protection programs at BIA Regions and Agency and Tribal levels.

**Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program (-\$80,000)** – The budget requests funding for Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program for the management, protection, and preservation of agricultural and rangeland resources.

**Probate (TPA) (-\$9,009,000 / -35 FTE)** – Program funding will fund staff and tools to administer probate services to American Indian and Alaska Native beneficiaries.

**Office of Hearings & Appeals (-\$155,000)** – The budget request will continue to fund the Office of Hearings and Appeals Probate Hearings Division to provide independent adjudication services to BIA's probate program.

**Land Title & Records Offices (-\$7,841,000 / -8 FTE)** – This funding will support the office of record for land title documents and provide technical assistance to real estate investors.

**Land Acquisitions (-\$2,000,000)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

### **Real Estate Services**

**Real Estate Services Program (TPA) (-\$15,979,000 / -126 FTE)** - The program will improve ownership information and administer and manage all land held in trust and restricted status for the benefit of individual Indians and Tribes.

**RES Projects (-\$1,802,000)** – The funding supports efforts to provide technical advice and assistance to Indian landowners on issues related to cadastral surveys and processed transactions that reflect accurate land ownership information for Tribes and individual Indian beneficiaries.

### **Land Records Improvement**

**LRI Central (-\$1,987,000 / -5 FTE)** – The budget request for LRI Central supports trust digital document management and data improvement projects through continued support to TAAMS.

**LRI – Regional (-\$2,156,000 / -15 FTE)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

### **Environmental Quality**

**EQ Program (TPA) (-\$3,122,000)** – This program is tasked with protection, restoration, and preservation of environmental and cultural resources of AI/AN.

**EQ Projects (-\$17,006,000 / -22 FTE)** – The funding supports environmental compliance monitoring of IA activities with applicable environmental regulations and standards and identifying hazardous contaminated sites for remedial cleanup actions.

**Alaska Native Programs (TPA) (-\$875,000 / -2 FTE)** – The budget request provides funding for the administration of three programs: ANCSA Historical Places and Cemetery Sites; ANILCA; and the Native American Allotment.

**Rights Protection**

**Rights Protection (TPA) (-\$1,717,000)** – This program provides support to Tribes involved in negotiating or litigating their water rights; establishing and protecting Tribal treaty hunting, fishing and gathering rights; addressing issues concerning trespass on Tribal trust lands; protecting Tribal cultural resources; and addressing natural resource damage claims and other unresolved land management issues.

**Water Rights Negotiations / Litigation (-\$11,268,000 / -11 FTE)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

**Litigation Support / Attorney Fees (-\$1,800,000)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

**Other Indian Rights Protection (-\$267,000 / -2 FTE)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

**Trust – Real Estate Services Oversight**

**Central Oversight (+\$7,073,000 / +7 FTE)** - Indian Affairs proposes to modernize probate processes and reduce the current decades old backlog, which will unlock Indian lands for economic development. Funding will support surge operations and performance-driven incentive programs. This funding aligns with the Department’s broader modernization agenda and will be co-developed with Tribal partners to ensure cultural, legal, and operational relevance.

**Regional Oversight (-\$3,971,000 / -19 FTE)** - Regional Real Estate Service offices will continue to help protect, maintain and preserve the integrity of trust lands and trust resources. These staff will continue to provide policy directions, technical assistance, training, administrative review, and monitoring in the evaluation of the agency real property operations.

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Public Safety and Justice**  
**Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Public Safety and Justice**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)			
<b>Public Safety and Justice</b>											
<b>Law Enforcement</b>											
Criminal Investigations and Police Services	275,306	405	284,152	414	-88	+11,050	-8,758	-9	286,356	431	+2,204
Detention/ Corrections	142,379	198	136,879	198	-50	-	+5,550	-	142,379	198	+5,500
Inspections/ Internal Affairs	3,751	17	3,751	17	-1	-	+1	-	3,751	17	-
Law Enforcement Special Initiatives	25,094	58	27,094	58	-7	-11,050	-1,993	-	14,044	32	-13,050
Indian Police Academy	5,163	12	5,663	15	-1	-	-499	-3	5,163	12	-500
Tribal Justice Support	34,836	5	34,836	5	-	-	-	-	34,836	5	-
Law Enforcement Program Management	7,391	32	7,391	32	-4	-	+4	-	7,391	32	-
Facilities Operations & Maintenance	19,579	34	19,579	34	-3	-	+3	-	19,579	34	-
Tribal Courts (TPA)	45,309	12	49,101	12	-21	-1,792	-1,979	-	45,309	12	-3,792
Fire Protection (TPA)	1,455	-	1,613	-	-1	-158	+1	-	1,455	-	-158
<b>Total, Public Safety and Justice</b>	<b>560,263</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>570,059</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>-176</b>	<b>-1,950</b>	<b>-7,670</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>560,263</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>-9,796</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Public Safety and Justice overview and program description**

### **Subactivity - Law Enforcement:**

The Law Enforcement budget subactivity is comprised of six operational areas:

- Police and Corrections
- Inspections/Internal Affairs
- Indian Police Academy
- Tribal Justice Support
- Program Management
- Facilities Operations and Maintenance

This subactivity increases safety in Indian Communities through critical law enforcement activities at the local and national levels. Most resources in this subactivity support local law enforcement, detention/corrections, and court services for Indian communities. Many Tribes operate their own law enforcement programs, through Pub.L. 93-638 contracts and self-governance compacts; IA provides direct services to other Tribes that choose not to contract for public safety services. Most resources are distributed based on historical funding amounts.

The Tribal Law and Order Act (Pub.L. 111-211) continues to influence efforts to address crime in Tribal communities, and it places a strong emphasis on decreasing violence against American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) women. The Act encourages the hiring of more law enforcement officers for Indian lands and provides additional tools to address critical public safety needs. Specifically, the law enhances Tribes' authority to prosecute and punish criminals; expands efforts to recruit, train and keep BIA and Tribal police officers; and provides BIA and Tribal police officers with greater access to criminal information sharing databases. It authorizes new guidelines for handling sexual assault and domestic violence crimes, from training for law enforcement and court officers, to boosting conviction rates through better evidence collection, to providing better and more comprehensive services to victims.

The 2013 and 2022 reauthorizations of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) had a significant impact on Tribal justice systems. The laws amended, among other statutes: the Indian Civil Rights Act, 25 U.S.C. 1301; the Federal Assault provisions under 18 U.S.C. 113; and the Domestic Violence and Stalking Chapter, specifically addressing the full faith and credit given to Tribal protection orders, under 18 U.S.C. 2265.

The Office of Justice Services (OJS) is also addressing the high rates of violent crime by establishing an Indian Country Violent Crime Task Force and a Predatory Crimes Unit. These specialized programs will focus on investigating and preventing violent crimes such as homicides, shootings, drug trafficking, armed robberies, aggravated assaults, sexual assaults, human trafficking, and gang-related violence.

*Criminal Investigations and Police Services:* The Office of Justice Services is responsible for enforcing laws and investigating crimes committed on or involving Indian Country, primarily where States lack local criminal jurisdiction. Programs address major Federal crimes as well as State crimes assimilated into Federal statutes, such as murder; manslaughter; child sexual abuse; kidnapping; rape; assault; arson;

burglary; robbery; and the production, sale, or distribution of illegal drugs. The OJS Branch of Criminal Investigations maintains highly trained Special Agents throughout Indian Country to investigate these major crimes. In addition to investigating crimes, OJS provides oversight and technical assistance to Tribal law enforcement agencies.

The program supports 198 total law enforcement offices, which include 25 full-function agencies operated directly by OJS, 166 agencies that are contracted or compacted for operation by Tribes, and 7 OJS sub-agencies that do not have defined service populations. Approximately 66 percent of the funds under Criminal Investigations and Police Services are expended by Tribes under Pub.L. 93-638 contracts and self-governance compacts. Unlike other IA programs, Criminal Investigations & Police Services is a mobile program where personnel respond to immediate life/safety protection needs on a 24/7 basis 365 days/year for over 200 Tribes in 10 IA regions that include over 1.6 million people living on Indian land across the United States.

In addition to the nearly two hundred local law enforcement offices, this program funds management and administrative infrastructure that provides critical support at the regional and national levels. These components are necessary to engage with Tribes on law enforcement issues, ensure accountability, and maintain efficient administrative support for local law enforcement offices throughout Indian Country. The mid-level teams represent key linkages in areas such as coordinating strategic planning, consistent procurement and management of vehicles, firearms, and other controlled equipment, and tracking policy-related requirements for BIA-funded law enforcement programs across the country.

In addition to local reservation law enforcement efforts, OJS also operates the largest nationwide network of drug enforcement agents dedicated solely to Indian Country. Drug trafficking and drug related crime, including the ongoing opioid and methamphetamine crises, continue to escalate throughout Indian Country. Tribal officials have consistently called for action to address an increasingly common cause of Indian Country crime by strengthening drug enforcement capabilities throughout the country. Jurisdictional complexities and resulting challenges to prosecution continue to make Indian communities disproportionately vulnerable to systematic infiltration by drug cartels.

Currently, the OJS Division of Drug Enforcement is comprised of criminal investigator positions and K-9 officer positions strategically located throughout the country. Drug enforcement agents are responsible for managing investigations and implementing interdiction programs to reduce drug use, distribution, and drug related crime. Agents perform activities that include conducting complex criminal investigations, carrying out surveillance of criminals, infiltrating drug trafficking networks, developing and implementing undercover techniques, executing search warrants, confiscating illegal drug supplies, and collecting and processing evidence. The annual funding and activities associated with drug enforcement, intelligence sharing, school resource officers, and victim witness coordination are reported to the Office of National Drug Control Policy as IA contributions to combating drug trafficking and crime in Indian Country.

*Detention/Corrections:* The safe and secure confinement of offenders sentenced by hundreds of Tribal courts throughout Indian Country each year is a fundamental aspect of public safety. The OJS

Detention/Corrections program oversees 101 detention programs nationwide, of which 74 are Tribally operated and 27 are operated by BIA as a direct service to Tribes.

The program requires correctional supervisors, officers, cooks, and administrative personnel, along with food service contracts, inmate surveillance and other computer systems, communications equipment and service, bedding, and uniforms. In addition, the program funds four teams of armed transport officers to enable police officers to remain in their respective communities, patrolling, and enforcing the law rather than traveling long distances to transport prisoners.

IA is responsible for providing Detention/Corrections services or funding to approximately 232 Tribes. Of those, 48 Tribes have compacted or contracted detention center funding and BIA directly operates detention centers that serve roughly 21 Tribes. The detention needs of the remaining 163 Tribes are handled via “direct service”, whereby IA funds commercial contracts with local county or Tribal facilities to house Tribal inmates.

BIA and the Department of Justice (DOJ) Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) continue to coordinate the planning and renovation of jails in Indian Country. Currently, the organizations continue to conduct meetings to discuss Tribes’ grant requests received by DOJ. BIA participation in these meetings is critical to ensure that each individual grant request can be evaluated within an accurate regional or nationwide context. Previous Tribal grant recipients are included in the discussions to update the Federal partners on planning, development, construction, and opening schedules of funded facilities. The Indian Health Service is another integral Federal partner brought in at the planning stages to ensure effective coordination of services to Indians.

Juvenile Detention Center education funding supports education activities in BIA detention centers by coordinating with the student’s home, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Office of Tribal Justice Support to allow for the continuous education of the student in the core subjects of math and language arts during the student’s absence from school. This ensures that these students will have an easier transition back into their communities and offer them a stronger foothold towards future success.

*Inspections/Internal Affairs:* The Office of Justice Services maintains an internal affairs program that investigates all allegations of misconduct by BIA officers, and any officer receiving funding and/or authority from the BIA. The internal affairs program also investigates officer-involved shootings and in-custody deaths that occur in Indian Country. This oversight function emphasizes standardization and professionalism of BIA and Tribal law enforcement, criminal investigations, and corrections programs.

OJS program staff conduct annual audits on Federal investigative case file reviews, detention program reviews, police program reviews, and law enforcement facility vulnerability assessments to include operational inspections/audits and physical security audits of Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) schools and Indian Affairs Federal buildings. These inspections/audits conducted by independent staff provide an objective appraisal that illustrates the level to which professional standards are incorporated within each specific program.

Inspection reports identify the compliance of BIA standards applicable to each specific program, review areas of high liability, evaluate practices of well performing operations, and identify areas of deficiency that require improvement. The law enforcement, criminal investigations, and detention audit process also includes a review of equipment checklist (vehicles, firearms, emergency equipment, etc.), evidence room standard compliance, and personnel/administrative requirement review (employee development, performance appraisals, training records, etc.).

*Law Enforcement Special Initiatives:* This program targets resources for specific initiatives including addressing the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons crisis, victim and witness services, data collection, and land mobile radio communication. The special initiative line allows OJS to dedicate funding for focused strategic efforts directed to a specific purpose.

*Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives:* In coordination and consultation with AI/AN, this initiative is developing protocols for new and unsolved cases and improving responses to investigative challenges, as well as collecting and managing data across jurisdictions.

The Missing and Murdered Unit (MMU) pursues justice for Missing and Murdered AI/AN by identifying gaps in information sharing and data collection. The unit provides leadership and direction for cross-departmental and interagency collaboration involving missing and murdered AI/AN putting the full weight of the Federal government into investigating these cases and marshalling law enforcement resources across Federal agencies. The MMU works collaboratively with other agencies, including DOJ's National Missing and Unidentified Persons System, and develops strategic partnerships with additional stakeholders such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Behavioral Analysis Units, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Forensic Laboratory, the U.S. Marshals Missing Child Unit, and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The MMU also draws on the experience and expertise of those on the frontlines of this crisis, including Tribal governments, law enforcement agencies, survivors, families of the missing, and all communities throughout Indian Country.

Within BIA, the OJS MMU funds BIA and Tribal Criminal Investigator positions located throughout Indian Country. These agents represent a second investigative tier developed to ensure that each case is pursued until all solvability factors have been exhausted, or until further evidence is discovered and the case can be solved. Supplementing the MMU's efforts is funding to support five BIA Regional Evidence Recovery Teams (ERTs), including specialized vehicles, equipment, and supplies. As the ERTs are activated, Indian Country investigators will get more rapid access to these crucial crime scene and evidence resources, rather than waiting for an FBI ERT to travel from several States away to process a crime scene in Indian Country.

Law Enforcement Special Initiatives funding to expand the OJS training footprint and bring advanced training programs to Tribes in more parts of the United States also supports the goals of the MMU. The new advanced training focuses on advanced Police, Corrections, and Criminal Investigations training opportunities for Tribes in several IA Regions. The increased training capacity enables advanced courses such as: Missing Person Investigation, Human Trafficking, Evidence Collection and Processing, Forensic Training, Opioid Educational Programs, Drug Identification and Investigations, Lieutenant Command

School, Executive Command School, Police Officer In-Service, Correction Officer In-Service and Police Chief In-Service.

*Victim/Witness Assistance program:* This program aids victims and witnesses who are involved with criminal prosecutions in Tribal or Federal courts within Indian Country during the investigative stages of violent and/or drug crimes; the ability of witnesses or victims to cooperate with law enforcement is critical to the success of many prosecutions. The program administers and promotes overall victim services by analyzing the needs of victims and the needs of law enforcement agencies, ensuring that victims are afforded their rights under the Crime Victims' Rights Act of 2004 as required for Federal law enforcement agencies. This program funds victim specialists that provide initial response and follow-up services to victims and their families during their involvement with the criminal justice system.

*Land Mobile Radio:* The land mobile radio communication system is a wireless communication network within Indian Country and is an instrumental component of public safety, education, public works, and wildfire programs in Tribal communities. This program funds the support, repair, and replacement of radio equipment installed in hundreds of BIA vehicles across the Nation, as well as hundreds of hand-held radio units, all used in primarily remote locations with limited or no cell phone coverage. Support activities occur on a 24-hour/365-day basis to ensure connectivity among dispatch stations and police or correctional officers, as well as other emergency personnel in the field.

*Reducing Recidivism Initiative:* This initiative has been incorporated into the BIA Tiwahe Initiative since 2019 and includes efforts to reduce prison recidivism. The reducing recidivism initiative employs a comprehensive "alternatives to incarceration" strategy that seeks to address underlying causes of repeat offenses, including substance abuse and social service needs, through Tribal and Federal partnerships.

*Indian Police Academy:* The Indian Police Academy (IPA) is located at the Department of Homeland Security Federal Law Enforcement Training Center at Artesia, New Mexico and provides basic police, criminal investigation, telecommunications, and detention training programs at no cost to Tribal or Federal personnel serving the critical public safety needs of Indian Country. The Academy offers a wide range of collaborative training opportunities at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC)-Artesia (New Mexico) and Glynco (Georgia) Centers for instructor-led and e-FLETC courses and on-site training in specialized courses.

As BIA enhances its training center capabilities in the northern United States, the IPA continues to offer advanced courses, including child abuse investigation, domestic violence investigation, sex crime investigation, field training officer certification, management/leadership, peer support/critical incident debriefing, community policing and drug investigation. Other advanced courses include use of force, firearms instruction, archeological resource protection, executive leadership, crime scene processing, interview and interrogation techniques, criminal jurisdiction in Indian Country, advanced detention, and dispatcher training courses for both Tribal and BIA law enforcement officers.

*Tribal Justice Support:* The Office of Tribal Justice Support (TJS) is a contributor to the BIA initiative to target rising criminal justice issues impacting Native American communities. In the past, this has included

providing technical assistance to Tribal courts and Courts of Indian Offenses, ensuring compliance with VAWA, performing court assessments, and supporting Healing to Wellness courts.

*Law Enforcement Program Management:* BIA is the Federal entity most directly responsible for maintaining law and order throughout Indian Country. This funding supports the Office of Justice Services' national leadership team and several administrative or support services to manage the activity effectively for Tribes. The team collaborates with other Federal partners and develops and disseminates standards, policies, and procedures for IA implementation of the law enforcement, corrections, emergency management, land mobile radio, Tribal court, and justice training programs.

Recruiting and retention of OJS personnel continues to be an on-going priority that is also funded from Program Management. The resources are used to support a team of human resources personnel dedicated to OJS recruitment efforts to ensure critical law enforcement and detention vacancies are filled. Program management also funds the IA Office of Emergency Management (BIA OEM) which is responsible for policy development and program management of IA activities concerning continuity of operations, disaster preparedness, planning, response and recovery. BIA OEM represents IA in coordinating across organizational elements of IA and interagency emergency management activities relating to Tribal affairs. This includes coordinating with and among federally recognized Tribes, Federal agencies, States, and other jurisdictions to enhance preparedness and resilience of Tribal communities from disasters.

*Facilities Operations & Maintenance:* Public safety facility operations funds are used to operate facilities that run law enforcement and detention programs. These operational costs include janitorial services, utilities, refuse disposal, fire protection, maintenance of vehicles, communications, pest control, personnel services, equipment, materials and supplies, travel, training, and products required to keep these services operational. The program funds are also used for costs necessary to comply with Occupational Safety and Health Act standards.

Public safety facility maintenance funds are used to conduct preventive, routine, scheduled and unscheduled maintenance on equipment, utility systems, ground structures, and buildings that house law enforcement and detention programs. In addition to the buildings themselves, the most common uses of this funding include maintenance on:

- Equipment such as heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, boilers and other pressure vessels, furnaces, fire alarms and sprinklers, radio repeaters, and security systems.
- Utility systems such as potable water wells, water treatment plans, and water storage tanks.
- Horizontal infrastructures including sidewalks, driveways, parking lots, and landscaping.

**Subactivity - Tribal Courts (TPA):**

The Tribal Courts (TPA) program provides funding to about 200 Tribal courts in Alaska and the Lower 48 primarily through Pub.L. 93-638 contracts and self-governance compacts. Tribes use this funding for judges, prosecutors, public defenders, court clerks, court administrators, pre-trial and probation officers, juvenile officers, victim witness specialists, and other court support staff and administrative costs that contribute to the operation of Tribal justice systems.

Tribal court facilities operation and maintenance needs are budgeted for FY 2027 in a manner similar to law enforcement offices, detention centers, and other facilities. This facility funding component enables preventive, routine, scheduled, and unscheduled maintenance for BIA-funded Tribal courts as well as janitorial services, utilities costs, refuse disposal, fire protection, pest control, equipment, materials and supplies, and products required to keep these services operational. These costs are necessary to comply with Occupational Safety and Health Act standards and ensure safe and functional court facilities in Indian Country.

In FY 2027, Tribal judicial systems will address everything from violent crimes and drug use to domestic and family issues, and an array of civil claims. Courts throughout Indian Country will process caseloads and address filings of criminal cases, tort claims, Tribal probate claims, and family law issues including the ICWA. OJS will continue to interact with the Tribally run courts and directly administer all Courts of Indian Offenses to support justice systems for Tribes.

**Subactivity - Fire Protection (TPA):**

Fire Protection (TPA) funds cover 40 Tribal fire protection programs. The Fire Protection program supports Tribal fire staff, trains volunteer firefighters, repairs existing firefighting equipment, and purchases additional equipment. Funding is also used to purchase smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, and emergency lights to ensure the fire safety of Tribal buildings.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Public Safety and Justice**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Public Safety and Justice**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Law Enforcement		
Criminal Investigations and Police Services	-8,758	-9
Detention/Corrections	+5,550	-
Inspections/Internal Affairs	+1	-
Law Enforcement Special Initiatives	-1,993	
Indian Police Academy	-499	-3
Law Enforcement Program Management	+4	-
Facilities Operations & Maintenance	+3	-
Tribal Courts (TPA)	-1,979	-
Fire Protection (TPA)	+1	-
<b>TOTAL Program Changes</b>	<b>-7,670</b>	<b>-12</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Public Safety and Justice**

The FY 2027 budget request for the Public Safety and Justice activity is \$560,263,000 and 773 FTE, a program change of -7,670,000 and -12 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Law Enforcement**

**Criminal Investigations and Police Services**

**Internal Transfer Missing and Murdered Unit (+\$11,050,000/ +26 FTE)** The FY 2027 budget proposes to move all MMU operational funding currently in the Law Enforcement Special Initiatives program, \$11,050,000 and 26 FTE, into the Criminal Investigations and Police Services budget line to enhance program management and accountability of these funds. This transfer will consolidate all of IA’s MMU operational funding under a single budget line. Funding for MMU training at the Advanced Training Center represents a different purpose and will remain under Law Enforcement Special Initiatives.

**Operational Capacity (-8,758,000 / -9 FTE)** –This funding will continue to support law enforcement operations and crucial public safety services on a 24/7 basis in Indian Country.

**Detentions/Corrections (+\$5,550,000)** – This funding will support the operational needs of Indian Country detention and corrections programs encountering growing personnel, equipment, and technology costs. Detention and corrections programs support safe and secure confinement of offenders sentenced by hundreds of Tribal courts and other courts throughout Indian country each year.

**Inspections/Internal Affairs (+\$1,000)** –This mandatory program is crucial to investigate misconduct of officers, which ensures an effective and trusted law enforcement force. Additional resources will help to process and complete investigations.

### **Law Enforcement Special Initiatives**

#### **Internal Transfer Missing and Murdered Unit (-\$11,050,000/ -26 FTE)**

The FY 2027 budget proposes to move all MMU operational funding currently in the Law Enforcement Special Initiatives program, \$11,050,000 and 26 FTE, into the Criminal Investigations and Police Services budget line to enhance program management and accountability of these funds. This transfer will consolidate all of IA's MMU operational funding under a single budget line. Funding for MMU training at the Advanced Training Center represents a different purpose and will remain under Law Enforcement Special Initiatives.

**Operational Capacity (-1,993,000)** – This program will continue to support special initiatives including MMU training, the Victim/Witness Assistance Program, and the Land Mobile Radio initiative.

**Indian Police Academy (-\$499,000 / -3 FTE)** – The Indian Police Academy will continue to support training for officers in Indian Country.

**Law Enforcement Program Management (+\$4,000)** – This funding supports the Office of Justice Services' national leadership team and support services to manage the activity effectively for Tribes.

**Facilities Operations and Maintenance (+\$3,000)** – The program will provide the services and products required to keep law enforcement facilities, such as detention centers, open.

**Tribal Courts (TPA) (-1,979,000)** –To support safe Indian communities, this funding will support Tribal courts primarily through Pub.L. 93-638 contracts and self-governance compacts. This funding will support courts throughout Indian Country to process caseloads and address filings of criminal cases, tort claims, Tribal probate claims, and family law issues.

**Fire Protection (TPA) (+\$1,000)** – Funding will support the program by covering expenses which may include Tribal fire staff, training volunteer firefighters, repairing existing firefighting equipment, and purchasing additional equipment. Funding will also be used to purchase smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, and emergency lights to ensure the fire safety of Tribal buildings.

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Community & Economic Development  
Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Community & Economic Development**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Community and Economic Development</b>											
Job Placement and Training (TPA)	13,686	16	13,686	16	-2	+4	-7,302	-9	6,386	7	-7,300
Economic Development (TPA)	2,829	-	2,855	-	-1	-26	-296	-	2,532	-	-323
Economic Development Projects	13,175	-	15,371	-	-	-	-15,371	-	-	-	-15,371
<b>Community Development Oversight</b>											
Central Oversight	834	6	834	6	-1	-	+9	-	842	6	+8
<b>Total, Community and Economic Development</b>	<b>30,524</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>32,746</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-22</b>	<b>-22,960</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>9,760</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-22,986</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Community & Economic Development overview and program description**

### **Subactivity - Job Placement and Training (TPA)**

The Job Placement and Training (TPA) (JP&T) program is designed to assist individuals in securing jobs at livable wages, thereby reducing their dependence on federally subsidized programs such as childcare assistance, food stamps, and welfare. The JP&T funding aims to assist eligible applicants in obtaining job skills and in finding and retaining a job, thereby leading to self-sufficiency. The funding provides vocational training and employment assistance to individuals to improve job skills and provide increased employment. This includes client assessments, career counseling, planning, costs for travel, training stipends, and unsubsidized job placements.

Participating Tribes are encouraged to provide services directly to their members by either entering into a Pub.L. 93-638 contract with the BIA or a compact with the Office of Self-Governance. Tribes may also consolidate JP&T funds in accordance with the provisions of the 477 program.

Pub.L. 102-477 as amended, is a self-determination statute that allows Tribes greater control over the delivery of workforce development services. These laws permit federally recognized Tribes to consolidate into a single funding stream through DOI employment-and-training-related grant funds from multiple Federal programs within the BIA and BIE, the Department of Labor, Department of Education, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Agriculture, Department of Commerce, Department of Energy, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of Transportation, Department of Veterans Affairs, and Department of Justice. The 477 program allows participating Tribes to save administrative time and expense by consolidating funding streams and reporting requirements, thus affording more support for job placements and case management activities. The grant money that BIA contributes to the 477 program includes Job Placement & Training (TPA) funding.

### **Subactivity - Economic Development (TPA):**

The Economic Development (TPA) subactivity consists of Tribal base economic development funding. The funding assists Tribes in developing programs to build business and commercial capacity for individual Tribal members, as well as opportunities to enhance reservation economies. This funding also facilitates technical assistance for Tribes and individual Indians on accessing Federal and non-Federal resources that support entrepreneurship, capacity-building, access to capital, and business development.

### **Subactivity - Community Development Oversight:**

The Office of Indian Economic Development (OIED) Central Office staff provide management and oversight for all of the DOI's Indian economic development programs and coordinates intergovernmental collaboration. It is responsible for the day-to-day management of its wide range of projects, creation of new initiatives and monitoring methods, addressing economic development issues as they arise, conducting internal control reviews, and other operational matters.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Community & Economic Development**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Community & Economic Development**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Job Placement and Training (TPA)	-7,302	-9
Economic Development (TPA)	-296	-
Economic Development Projects (TPA)	-15,371	-
Community Development Oversight Central Oversight	+9	-
<b>TOTAL Program Changes</b>	<b>-22,960</b>	<b>-9</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Community & Economic Development**

The FY 2027 budget request for Community & Economic Development activity is \$9,760,000 and 13 FTE, a program change of -\$22,960,000 and -9 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Job Placement and Training (TPA) (-\$7,302,000 / -9 FTE)**

**Job Placement and Training Operations [-\$2,849,000 / -9 FTE]** – The program will continue to support contracts for Job Placement and Training programs through contracts or specialized Pub.L. 102-477 programs. The program change will impact general funding for the JP&T account.

**Tribal Base [-\$2,903,000]** – The program will continue to provide assistance to federally recognized Tribes to provide Job Placement and Training services.

**Job Placement and Training Tiwahe Program [-\$1,550,000]** – Funding for this program is not requested.

**Economic Development (TPA) (-\$296,000)** – The program will continue to provide assistance to federally recognized Tribes to support businesses, develop local economic opportunities, provide access to capital, or other related services.

**Economic Development Projects (-\$15,371,000)** – Funding for this program is not requested.

**Community Development Oversight (+9,000)** – This funding supports the management and oversight of economic development programs.

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Executive Direction & Administrative Services**  
**Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Executive and Direction and Administrative Services**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Change from 2026 Enacted		
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	Program Changes FTE (+/-)		Budget Authority	FTE
<b>Executive Direction and Administrative Services</b>											
Assistant Secretary Support	12,409	55	15,409	55	-8	-	-7,017	-	8,384	55	-7,025
<b>Executive Direction</b>											
Executive Direction (TPA)	16,500	80	16,603	80	-5	-103	-7,241	-28	9,254	52	-7,349
Executive Direction (Central)	1,918	10	1,918	10	-1	-	-274	-2	1,643	8	-275
Executive Direction (Regional)	3,499	13	3,499	13	-1	-	-609	-	2,889	13	-610
<b>Administrative Services</b>											
Administrative Services (TPA)	13,862	91	13,862	91	-7	-	-5,921	-30	7,934	61	-5,928
Administrative Services (Central)	25,427	104	24,627	104	-9	-	-9,227	-16	15,391	88	-9,236
Administrative Services (Regional)	14,716	85	14,716	85	-7	-	-3,569	-23	11,140	62	-3,576

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Change from 2026 Enacted		
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	
<b>Safety and Risk Management</b>											
Central Safety & Risk Management	801	4	801	4	-1	-	-33	-	767	4	-34
Regional Safety Management	2,403	12	2,403	12	-1	-	-104	-	2,298	12	-105
Information Resources Technology	52,337	110	52,337	110	-12	-	-10,323	-19	42,002	91	-10,335
<b>Human Capital Management</b>											
Human Resources	10,995	85	10,995	85	-7	-	-547	-	10,441	85	-554
Labor-Related Payments and Training	13,154	-	13,154	-	+52	-	-2,031	-	11,175	-	-1,979
<b>Facilities Management</b>											
Regional Facilities Management	4,559	25	4,559	25	-2	-	-204	-2	4,353	23	-206
Operations and Maintenance	14,820	55	14,820	55	-4	-	-2,286	-2	12,530	53	-2,290
Intra-Governmental Payments	20,742	-	23,577	-	-2,480	-	-1,990	-	19,107	-	-4,470
Rentals [GSA/Direct]	43,654	-	43,354	-	-2,722	-	-3,016	-	37,616	-	-5,738
<b>Total, Executive Direction and Administrative Services</b>	<b>251,796</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>256,634</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>-5,215</b>	<b>-103</b>	<b>-54,392</b>	<b>-122</b>	<b>196,924</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>-59,710</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Executive Direction & Administrative Services overview and program description**

### **Subactivity – Assistant Secretary Support**

Several offices support the Assistant Secretary in overseeing and implementing IA budget and programs:

The *Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs (OCLA)* oversees and coordinates the legislative planning and congressional relations activities for IA. OCLA provides legislative research and assistance to program offices in developing proposed legislation, preparing testimony, and providing legislative histories on various issues. OCLA also works with Congressional committees and responds to requests for information from congressional staff, DOI, other Federal agencies, Tribal leadership and the public at large on various issues concerning AI/AN.

The *Office of Public Affairs (OPA)* liaises with media, Tribes, the public and other government agencies in need of information regarding IA. OPA creates and disseminates all press releases to news media outlets, websites and interested stakeholders. OPA serves as IA Web Content Manager as well as monitoring content uploaded by BIA and BIE content managers. OPA also serves as internal communications coordinator for IA and approves broadcast communications.

The *Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action (RACA)* reviews and revises all regulations governing IA programs, facilitating the development and implementation of consistent policies and procedures governing the performance of the Assistant Secretary's Indian trust responsibilities. RACA is also responsible for the oversight of regular and meaningful consultation with Tribes on these policies and procedures. Collaboration with Tribal officials in the development of Federal policies that have Tribal implications and on the establishment of criteria for programs that benefit Tribes is essential to strengthening the government-to-government relationship with Tribes. RACA also provides tools necessary to meet the trust management goals identified in statute, manages all Federal Register Notices for the organizations reporting to and for AS-IA, and is responsible for the development and implementation of the IA Conflict Resolution program.

The *Office of Federal Acknowledgement (OFA)* implements Title 25 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 83 – Procedures for Federal Acknowledgment of Indian Tribes. On July 1, 2015, DOI issued a final rule regarding Federal acknowledgment which became effective on July 31, 2015. Section 83.7 of these 2015 regulations allows petitioners that have submitted a complete petition but have not yet received a final agency decision to choose whether to proceed under the current 2015 regulations, applying those standards and processes, or the standards and processes of 25 CFR, Part 83 revised as of April 1, 1994 (superseded regulations). The 2015 regulations allow OFA to post to its website: petition materials, comments, guidance, and advice to the extent feasible and allowable under Federal law, except documentation and information protected from disclosure under Federal law. These postings allow petitioning groups, other parties (such as State and local governments) and the public to have access to the administrative record.

The *Office of Indian Gaming (OIG)* acts as the primary advisor to the Secretary and Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs on Indian gaming and implements the Secretary's responsibilities under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), Pub.L. 100-497. OIG's duties and responsibilities include the

administrative review and analysis of the statutory and regulatory requirements of IGRA and related statutes, policy development and technical assistance to Tribal and State stakeholders.

The *Office of Self-Governance (OSG)* provides for the oversight and management of self-governance compacts which provide Tribal governments with greater flexibility and responsibility to meet the social, economic and cultural needs of their people and are a cornerstone of Tribal sovereignty for many Indian Nations and Alaska Native Villages. Many federally recognized Tribes have entered into self-governance funding agreements, electing to negotiate these agreements and receive funding from OSG, rather than have BIA provide direct services or to enter into an Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA), Pub.L. 93-638 contract. OSG combines financial assistance and compacting services for Tribes in a one-stop shop for IA programs.

In addition, OSG conducts a range of fiscal and contracting responsibilities:

- Negotiating annual and multi-year funding agreements with eligible self-governance Tribes and consortia, calculating contract support and resolving issues identified in financial and Tribal operations.
- Scheduling and reconciling fund transactions with IA program and account managers and with partner Federal agencies.
- Satisfying the program accountability requirements of other Federal agencies by reviewing pass-through funding for program funding consistency.
- Assisting in the growth of self-governance by marketing and developing educational products.
- Recruiting additional Tribes to enter into self-governance compacts.
- Managing any appeals and conflicts in funding and contractual language.
- Reviewing and resolving annual audit and evaluation reviews.

OSG provides a central point of coordination on policy and practical issues with other non-IA offices that engage in self-governance compacting with Tribes for non-IA services and programs.

The *Deputy Assistant Secretary – Management Office (DASM)* provides executive leadership, guidance and direction to the following operations: Office of the Chief Financial Officer; Office of Budget and Performance Management; Office of Information Management Technology; Office of Human Capital Management; and the Office of Facilities, Property, and Safety Management. DASM provides general guidance and direction on policy and administrative management to all areas of IA to ensure consistency in implementation and response by all bureaus and offices in providing services to Tribes and in coordinating with other Federal agencies. In addition, this office provides logistic and facility management support to the Assistant Secretary organization and subordinate programs.

### **Subactivity – Executive Direction**

#### **Executive Direction (TPA)**

This funding supports the Offices of the Superintendent at 83 BIA agency locations located across the country. Agency Superintendents serve Tribes at the local level providing planning, direction and line management leadership for the day-to-day implementation of policy initiatives and program operations. Agency Superintendents also provide decision-making, direction, public relations, BIA representation to

other governmental agencies and private sector organizations and overall management of assigned resources at the local level.

### **Executive Direction (Central)**

The BIA senior leadership at the Central Office management level provide organizational direction and coordination to ensure all programs are effectively integrated in areas of policy formulation and review, Tribal consultation, representation of BIA to other governmental agencies and private sector organizations and the overall management of assigned resources. BIA senior leadership provides policy direction and advises on all matters regarding mission, program, functional and managerial policy matters. They also develop and execute policies; administer the employee ethics program; review and evaluate the achievements of BIA, Central Office and all field offices; and coordinate BIA activities with other Federal agencies for direct, efficient, and effective operations.

### **Executive Direction (Regional)**

The BIA's Regional Directors Offices (RDO) and their immediate support staff are located in 12 Regional Offices throughout the United States. The RDO functions primarily on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior, AS-IA, the Director and BIA on a daily basis by maintaining the government-to-government relationship with Tribes and upholding the Indian Trust responsibility. Activities include policy review and formulation, Tribal consultation, representing BIA in activities involving other governmental agencies and private/public organizations, determination of BIA administrative and Tribal program appeals and all administrative functions.

### **Subactivity – Administrative Services**

#### **Administrative Services (TPA)**

This program provides administrative services at the Agency level either through direct program services or Pub.L. 93-638 contracts.

#### **Administrative Services (Central)**

The *Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO)* is responsible for the IA annual financial audit in compliance with the Chief Financial Officers (CFO) Act of 1990, and the development of systems, policies and procedures to guide the IA Central and Regional Offices' operations in the areas of financial management, accounting and payments, contracts and procurements, and commercial grant administration. The CFO Act, the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR), the Federal Managers Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA), the Government Management Reform Act and various Office of Management and Budget regulations largely guide activities of the OCFO.

The *Division of Internal Evaluations and Assessment (DIEA)* provides guidance and oversight to ensure internal controls are established and maintained for IA programs, organizations and functions for financial audits of Tribal contractors and grantees. DIEA also monitors programs and resources for compliance with laws, regulations, policies and procedures. DIEA conducts internal IA reviews to ensure programs achieve intended results and resources are used consistently with the agency mission and are protected from waste, fraud and mismanagement. DIEA provides financial guidance and assistance to IA organizations on the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133 (A-133), Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations. DIEA also ensures financial compliance with the Single

Audit Act and 2 CFR Part 200 Uniform Administrative Requirement, Cost Principle and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.

The *Office of Facilities, Property, and Safety Management (OFPSM) Division of Property Management (DPM)* is responsible for providing leadership, oversight and advice on property management policies and procedures to IA senior management and property management personnel to assure compliance with laws, regulations and internal controls for the Federal Management Regulation (FMR), Department of the Interior, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the General Services Administration. DPM ensures IA real and personal property and fleet assets serve the mission of IA through strategic management for assets' life cycles such as planning, budgeting, acquisition, utilization and disposal. OFPSM is also responsible for the oversight and management of the 105(l) leasing program and the negotiation, approval and implementation of those leases.

The *Office of Budget and Performance Management (OBPM)* is responsible for planning, formulating and justifying the IA budget submissions in consultation with Tribes. The office ensures Tribal priorities are collected and considered in all budget deliberations and determines how best to balance those priorities with those of the Administration. OBPM coordinates and executes budget requirements to ensure timely distribution of funds to Tribes. The Office is also responsible for oversight and management of the strategic planning and performance management efforts of the agency. In carrying out these responsibilities, OBPM is required to manage and track all Tribal requests for Tribal Priority Allocation (TPA) fund transfers, manage Tribal pay-cost data to ensure Tribes receive proper pay increase funding for programs they operate under contract/compact, establish budget codes within the financial system for all programs as necessary, track funds status for all budget lines to advise managers on balances, manage and maintain the budgets for AS-IA programs, prepare responses to congressional and audit inquiries, work with programs to develop goals and objectives for their programs, collect quarterly performance information, prepare Annual Performance Plans and Reports and maintain automated budget tools for use by managers agency-wide. OBPM develops policies, handbooks and guidelines to standardize and govern the formulation and execution of funds as well as the collection and use of performance information to ensure consistency agency-wide.

### **Administrative Services (Regional)**

The Regional Offices provide administrative services in 4 key areas: finance, budget, acquisitions and property management. The Administrative Services (Regional) program regulates and accounts for resources used to achieve IA mission and uphold mandates as required by Federal statutes such as ISDEAA, as amended. Each function is a direct operating service in support of Federal trust program activities. To maximize resources, the Regional Offices work with agency sites to coordinate resources to meet programmatic responsibilities. Staff also provides technical advice and assistance to Tribes within their servicing areas, specifically related to Pub.L. 93-638 contract and grant programs.

### **Subactivity – Safety and Risk Management**

#### **Central Safety and Risk Management**

The *Office of Facilities, Property, and Safety Management (OFPSM) Division of Safety and Risk Management (DSRM)* provides senior leadership, policy and oversight for IA safety programs required by law including occupational safety and health, industrial hygiene and public safety (non-law enforcement).

DSRM reviews architectural and engineering drawings, specifications, shop design submittals and all other documents for construction and major rehabilitation or repair of facilities and of existing facilities for compliance with applicable health and safety codes and standards. DSRM conducts acceptance inspections for new construction and major renovation projects for issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy. DSRM also collects statistics, analyzes information, prepares reports, provides training, and maintains a safety management information system. The Motor Vehicle Operator, Workers Compensation and Loss Compensation programs are also administered by DSRM.

### **Regional Safety Management**

The Regional Safety and Health program ensures IA employees comply with applicable safety procedures, health laws and regulations to provide a safe and healthy working environment. The program's efforts are focused on developing courses of action to eliminate or reduce hazards to an acceptable level. The program conducts annual workplace inspections, monitors Office of Workers Compensation Program chargebacks and provides training and technical assistance to all locations with IA-owned or Tribally owned facilities serving IA-funded programs. Other duties include processing annual driving record history verifications, workers' compensation claims, loss compensation claims and conducting safety and health training.

### **Subactivity – Information Resources Technology**

The Information Resources Technology (IRT) program provides Information Technology (IT) services to IA programs and is responsible for compliance with the Federal Financial Management Improvement Act, Federal Management Financial Integrity Act, OMB Circular A-123 and Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act (FITARA), as well as cybersecurity requirements and priorities. The IRT program funds the operation and maintenance of core systems and services for IA programs to fulfill their obligations to the 575 federally recognized Tribes. The program provides IT support and services to IA locations nationwide, supporting a diverse set of mission needs, including business services, social services, transportation, irrigation, power, trust, forestry, justice services, detention centers and wildland firefighters.

### **Subactivity - Human Capital Management**

#### **Human Resources**

Human Resources consists of the Office of Human Capital Management which provides all human resources operational services to all of IA and the Center for Personnel Security.

The *Office of Human Capital Management (OHCM)* provides all recruitment, on-boarding, personnel staffing, position classification, employee benefit administration and has in-sourced retirement services, personnel action processing, records management, managing and maintaining the personal identity verification card credentialing program, nationwide labor relations administration and contract negotiations and employee relations including representation before third parties. OHCM develops, interprets and issues human resources and employee development policy. The Office also monitors, evaluates, and implements initiatives to improve human resource management processes, services and organizations in IA.

The *Center for Personnel Security* is responsible for determining position sensitivity level for each position occupied and ensuring the appropriate background investigation and reinvestigation is conducted for appointees, employees, contractors, consultants, volunteers and Tribal users for IA. This office is also responsible for policies and procedures related to suitability and clearance determination and processes.

### **Labor-Related Payments and Training**

The Labor-Related Payments and Training program consists of the following components:

*Workers' Compensation Payments:* Provides reimbursements to the Department of Labor (DOL) for on-the-job injury payments based on the DOL's annual charge back.

*Unemployment Compensation:* Provides reimbursements to the DOL for unemployment compensation payments based on a prorated share. Allocations are based on percentages obtained from the contractor's match of actual State charges with the DOL's payroll records annually.

*Employee Displacement Costs:* Pursuant to Section 205 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act Amendments of 1988 (Pub.L.100-472), this program covers the payment of separation costs to IA employees who are separated from Federal employment due to Tribal contracting or compacting of Federal programs under Pub.L. 93-638, as amended. These costs include severance pay and lump sum annual leave payments.

*Training:* Within available amounts, IA will assist in providing necessary training to meet employee development needs in response to administrative, technical and managerial training gaps as identified in Risk Assessments and Workforce plans.

### **Subactivity - Facilities Management**

#### **Regional Facilities Management**

The IA Regional Facilities Management programs, operating under the direction of BIA Regional Directors, provide guidance, technical assistance and oversight on construction, renovation, operations and maintenance of IA-funded facilities to local education, public safety and justice and IA Agency facilities management programs. The programs also assist local programs with data gathering and reporting and project development and prioritization to support the IA-Facilities Management System (IA-FMS).

#### **Operation and Maintenance**

The Operations and Maintenance (O&M) program funds daily operations and maintenance at IA facilities at 91 locations across 10 IA Regions. The inventory of facilities includes 767 buildings that include administrative offices, warehouses, maintenance shops, fire stations, communication facilities and storage facilities with approximately 2.4 million gross square feet. O&M services keep buildings in safe, healthy and environmentally compliant conditions.

*Facilities Operations:* Operations activities and costs include janitorial services, utilities expenses, refuse disposal, fire protection, maintenance vehicles, communication services expenses and pest control. Utility

expenses include electrical power, natural gas, propane, heating oil, potable water, sewer and refuse collection.

*Facilities Maintenance:* Funding covers annual routine maintenance activities and preventive, cyclical, and emergency unscheduled repairs and replacement projects below \$10,000 addressing needs at IA structures, equipment and utility systems. In addition to buildings, structures include telecommunication radio repeater towers, water towers, underground and above ground fuel storage tanks, parking lots, landscaping, sidewalks and fencing. Equipment includes heating; ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC); boilers; furnaces; fire alarm panels; sprinkler controls; security lights/camera and emergency lights and sirens; and master control systems. Utility systems include electrical systems, potable water treatment and distribution systems, sewer treatment and collection systems, storm drainage, fire hydrants, gas distribution, street lighting and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition.

#### **Subactivity – Intra-Governmental Payments**

IA makes contributions to the DOI Working Capital Fund for services provided or administered by the Department, the Interior Business Center (IBC), the United States Postal Service (USPS) and the General Services Administration (GSA). Department-wide services include oversight of major administrative systems such as the Federal Personnel and Payroll System, DOI University, Employee and Public Services, Security Program, Facilities Management Services, Support Services, Space Management Services, Technology and Telecommunications services and the Financial Business and Management System (FBMS). The GSA charges include voice and data services. USPS charges consist of all classes of mail used by IA.

#### **Subactivity – Rentals [GSA/Direct]**

This program provides the core funding for BIA and BIE office and special purpose spaces, which include occupancy agreements with GSA and direct leases, primarily with Tribes. Funding covers rental costs for all IA programs including office space for IA central, regional and agency offices, Indian education schools and offices and Office of Justice Services law enforcement and detention centers.

*GSA Rentals:* Funds support approximately 88 GSA occupancy agreements and associated mandatory Department of Homeland Security (DHS) security fees for nearly one million rentable square feet of office, warehouse, and parking space, as well as building and storage lots. Funding also supports rent expenses for the Central Office headquarters space at the Main Interior Building (MIB).

*Direct Rentals:* Funds cover lease contract costs for 41 spaces directly leased by IA under GSA's delegation of lease authority program with approximately 583,131 rentable square feet of office and warehouse space as well as four land leases/easements and three detention centers/police stations which contain an additional 145,000 square feet of space.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Executive Direction and Administrative Services**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Executive Direction and Administrative Services**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Assistant Secretary Support	-7,017	-
Executive Direction		
Executive Direction (TPA)	-7,241	-28
Executive Direction (Central)	-274	-2
Executive Direction (Regional)	-609	-
Administrative Services		
Administrative Services (TPA)	-5,921	-30
Administrative Services (Central)	-9,227	-16
Administrative Services (Regional)	-3,569	-23
Safety and Risk Management		
Central Safety & Risk Management	-33	-
Regional Safety Management	-104	-
Information Resources Technology	-10,323	-19
Human Capital Management		
Human Resources	-547	-
Labor-Related Payments and Training	-2,031	-
Facilities Management		
Regional Facilities Management	-204	-2
Operations and Maintenance	-2,286	-2
Intra-Governmental Payments	-1,990	-
Rentals [GSA/Direct]	-3,016	-
<b>TOTAL, Program Changes</b>	<b>-54,392</b>	<b>-122</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Executive Direction & Administrative Services**

The FY 2027 budget request for Executive Direction and Administrative Services activity is \$196,924,000 and 607 FTE, a program change of -\$54,392,000 and -122 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Assistant Secretary Support (-\$7,017,000)** – The program will continue to support Assistant Secretary Support programs including the Offices of Congressional and Legislative Affairs, Public Affairs, Regulatory Affairs, Collaborative Action, Self-Governance, Indian Gaming, Federal Acknowledgement and the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Management and Administration.

**Executive Direction**

**Executive Direction TPA (-\$7,241,000/ -28 FTE)** – The program will continue to support the Offices of Superintendent at various BIA agency locations across the country. Agency Superintendents serve Tribes at the local level, providing planning, direction and line management leadership for the day-to-day implementation of policy initiatives and program operations.

**Executive Direction (Central) (-\$274,000/ -2 FTE)** – The program will continue to support BIA senior leadership at the Central Office management level that provide organizational direction and coordination to ensure all programs are effectively integrated in areas of policy formulation and review, Tribal consultation, representation of BIA to other governmental agencies and private sector organizations and the overall management of assigned resources.

**Executive Direction (Regional) (-\$609,000)** – The program will continue to support BIA’s Regional Directors Offices (RDO) and their immediate support staff that are located in 12 Regional Offices throughout the United States. The RDO functions primarily on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior, AS-IA, the Director and BIA on a daily basis by maintaining the government-to-government relationship with Tribes and upholding the Indian Trust responsibility. Activities include policy review and formulation, Tribal consultation, representing BIA in activities involving other governmental agencies and private/public organizations, determination of BIA administrative and Tribal program appeals and daily administration of all administrative functions

### **Administrative Services**

**Administrative Services (TPA) (-\$5,921,000/ -30 FTE)** – The program will continue providing administrative services at the Agency level, either through direct program services or Pub.L. 93-638 contracts.

**Administrative Services (Central) (-\$9,227,000/ -16 FTE)** – The program will continue to support the following offices: the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, the Division of Internal Evaluations and Assessment, the Office of Facilities, Property and Safety Management Division of Property Management and the Office of Budget and Performance Management .

**Administrative Services (Regional) (-\$3,569,000/ -23 FTE)** – The Regional Offices will continue to provide administrative services in finance, budget, acquisitions and property management.

### **Safety and Risk Management**

**Central Safety & Risk Management (-\$33,000)** – The program will continue to provide senior leadership, policy and oversight for IA’s safety programs required by law including occupational safety and health, industrial hygiene and public safety (non-law enforcement).

**Regional Safety Management (-\$104,000)** – The program will continue to ensure IA employees comply with applicable safety procedures, health laws and regulations to provide a safe and healthy working environment.

**Information Resources Technology (-\$10,323,000/ -19 FTE)** – The program will continue to provide Information Technology (IT) services to IA programs.

### **Human Capital Management**

**Human Resources (-\$547,000)** – The program will continue to provide all human operational services to all of IA and the Center for Personnel Security.

**Labor-related payments (-\$2,031,000)** – The program will continue to provide workers’ compensation payments, and unemployment compensation, employee displacement costs and training.

**Facilities Management**

**Regional Facilities Management (-\$204,000/ -2 FTE)** – The program will continue to provide guidance, technical assistance, and oversight on construction, renovation, operations, and maintenance of IA-funded facilities to local education, public safety and justice and IA Agency facilities.

**Operations & Maintenance (-\$2,286,000/ -2 FTE)** – The program will continue to support the daily operation and maintenance of IA federal administrative buildings.

**Intra-Governmental Payments (-1,990,000)** –The program will continue to provide contributions to the DOI Working Capital Fund for services provided or administered by the Department.

**Rentals [GSA/Direct] (-3,016,000)** – The program will provide the core funding for BIA and BIE office and special purpose spaces, which include occupancy agreements with GSA and direct leases, primarily with Tribes. Funding will cover rental costs for all IA programs including office space for IA central, regional and agency offices, Indian education schools, and offices and Office of Justice Services law enforcement and detention centers.

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# **Indian Land Consolidation**

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**Account: Indian Land Consolidation**

**Summary of Requirements and Introductory Funding Table**

**Summary of Requirements and Introductory Funding**  
**Bureau of Indian Affairs**  
**Indian Land Consolidation**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Total, Indian Land Consolidation</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>13</b>	-	-	<b>-4,000</b>	<b>-13</b>	-	-	<b>-4,000</b>

**Indian Land Consolidation overview and program description**

**Subactivity – Indian Land Consolidation**

The Indian Land Consolidation Program (ILCP) is authorized under the Indian Land Consolidation Act Amendments of 2000 (Pub.L. 106–462), the American Indian Probate Reform Act of 2004 (Pub.L. 108–374), and other authorities.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Indian Land Consolidation**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Indian Land Consolidation**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027</b>	
	<b>Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Indian Land Consolidation	-4,000	-13
<b>TOTAL Program Changes</b>	<b>-4,000</b>	<b>-13</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Indian Land Consolidation**

**Indian Land Consolidation (-\$4,000,000 / -13 FTE) - Funding for this program is not requested.**

# Construction

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**Account: Construction**

**Summary of Requirements Table**

**Summary of Requirements  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Construction**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Construction</b>											
Public Safety and Justice Construction	45,791	-	47,791	-	-	-	-1,920	-	45,871	-	-1,920
Resource Management Construction	65,694	35	65,694	35	-1	-	-31,042	-8	34,651	27	-31,043
Other Program Construction	22,295	24	22,295	24	-3	-	-14,717	-17	7,575	7	-14,720
<b>Subtotal, Construction w/o Supplementals</b>	<b>133,780</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>135,780</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-47,679</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>88,097</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>-47,683</b>
<i>Supplemental - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub.L. 117-58)</i>	<i>49,750</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>49,750</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-49,750</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-49,750</i>
<i>Transfer to OIG (Pub.L. 117-58)</i>	<i>[-250]</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>[-250]</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>[+250]</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>[+250]</i>
<b>Total, Construction w/ Supplementals<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>183,530</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>185,530</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-97,429</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>88,097</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>-97,433</b>

<sup>1</sup> Supplemental funding reflects amounts made available in the fiscal year, not estimated allocations or obligations.

**Fixed Costs and Internal Realignments Tables**

**Justification of Fixed Costs Changes  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Construction**

Dollars in Thousands (\$000)

<b>Fixed Cost Element</b>	<b>2026 Enacted Change</b>	<b>2026 Request to 2027 Request Change</b>	<b>Description</b>
Pay Raise	+108	+17	The President's Budget for 2027 includes one quarter (October-December 2026) of the 1.0% pay raise for 2026 and 0.0% pay raise for 2027. Pay raises are consistent with the published OMB Circular A-11.
FERS Employer Contribution Increase	0	-21	The estimates reflect adjustments to the employer contribution for FERS and Law Enforcement FERS for FY 2027. This information is consistent with the published OMB Circular A-11.
Total, Account 2027 Fixed Costs	+108	-4	

## Appropriations Language

### CONSTRUCTION

#### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

*For construction, repair, improvement, and maintenance of irrigation and power systems, buildings, utilities, and other facilities, including architectural and engineering services by contract; acquisition of lands, and interests in lands; and preparation of lands for farming, and for construction of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project pursuant to the Act of June 13, 1962, Public Law 87-483, as amended; \$88,097,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That such amounts as may be available for the construction of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project may be transferred to the Bureau of Reclamation: Provided further, That any funds provided for the Safety of Dams program pursuant to the Indian Dams Safety Act of 1994, Public Law 103-302, as amended (25 U.S.C. 3804), shall be made available on a nonreimbursable basis: Provided further, That this appropriation may be reimbursed from the Bureau of Trust Funds Administration appropriation for the appropriate share of construction costs for space expansion needed in agency offices to meet trust reform implementation: Provided further, That of the funds made available under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be derived from the Indian Irrigation Fund established by section 3211 of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act, Public Law 114-322, as amended: Provided further, That amounts provided under this heading are made available for the modernization of Federal field communication capabilities, in addition to amounts otherwise made available for such purpose.*

## Appropriations Language Citations

### General Authorization

25 U.S.C. 13 (The Snyder Act of November 2, 1921) is the basic authority under which the Secretary provides services, including construction of facilities, to support operating programs to federally recognized Tribes. This Act also provides for the enlargement, extension, improvement, and repair of the buildings and grounds of existing plants and projects. In addition, most of the major projects have specific authorizations.

### 1. Indian irrigation and other water-related systems

Including, but not limited to, the following citations:

*Pub.L. 106-382*

*Pub.L. 87-483*

*Pub.L. 114-322*

*Pub.L. 117-58*

*Pub.L. 106-382* (The Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 2000) provides that the Federal share of construction of the Assiniboine and Sioux Rural Water system shall be 100 percent and shall be funded through annual appropriations to the Bureau of Reclamation; then 100 percent of the Federal share of the cost of operation and maintenance of the Assiniboine and Sioux Rural Water System shall be funded through annual appropriations to the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

*Pub.L. 87-483 (76 Stat.96)*, as amended, provides for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project.

*Pub.L. 114-322 (130 Stat. 1753-54)* (Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016, as amended) established in the Treasury of the United States a fund, to be known as the “Indian Irrigation Fund” for the “completion of repairing, replacing, modernizing, or performing maintenance on [certain Indian irrigation] projects”. The America’s Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 (S. 3021) amended Sections 3212(a), 3213(a), 3216, 3221(b), 3224(d), and 3226 of the WIIN Act (130 Stat. 1750) to extend the date for accomplishments to each of fiscal years 2017 through 2028.

### 2. For the Operations and Maintenance of Indian Affairs facilities.

*25 U.S.C. 13*

*25 U.S.C. 13* provides generally for the use of funds for the operation and maintenance of Indian Affairs facilities.

**3. Acquisition of lands, and interests in lands.**

*25 U.S.C. 5108*

25 U.S.C. 5108 provides that the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, in his discretion, to acquire, through purchase, relinquishment, gift, exchange, or assignment, an interest in lands, water rights, or surface rights to lands, within or without existing reservations, including trust or otherwise restricted allotments, whether the allottee be living or deceased, for the purpose of providing land for Indians. Such sum may not exceed \$2,000,000 in any one fiscal year.

**4. Indian Roads Program.**

*25 U.S.C. 318a*

*23 U.S.C. 201-204*

25 U.S.C. 318a authorizes material, equipment, supervision and engineering in the survey, improvement, construction, and maintenance of Indian reservation roads.

23 U.S.C. 201 et seq. (The Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987) provides for the expenditure of Federal funds on Indian reservation roads. Section 202 of the Act provides for a portion of the funds appropriated for Indian reservation roads to be used by the Secretary of the Interior for program management and project related administrative expenses. Section 203 of the Act identifies a three-year period of availability after the close of the fiscal year for which authorized, for Indian reservation roads projects. Section 204 provides that Highway Trust funds for Indian reservation roads may be used by the Secretary of the Interior for the cost of construction and improvement of such roads.

**5. Dams.**

*25 U.S.C. 3801-3805*

*Pub.L. 117-58*

25 U.S.C. 3801-3804 (The Indian Dams Safety Act of 1994) authorizes appropriations to establish and operate a dam safety maintenance and repair program to ensure maintenance and monitoring of the condition of dams and to maintain the dams in a satisfactory condition on a long-term basis.

25 U.S.C. 3805 (Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016, as amended) established two funds (high- and low-hazard) to address deferred maintenance. Funds expire on September 30, 2030 and are subject to appropriations.

**6. Quarters Program.**

*5 U.S.C. 5911 et seq.*

5 U.S.C. 5911 et seq. (Federal Employees Quarters and Facilities Act) provides for the use of Federal quarters and collection of rent, for the Operations and Maintenance of such structures.

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Public Safety and Justice Construction**  
**Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Public Safety and Justice Construction**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Public Safety and Justice Construction</b>											
Facilities Replacement/New Construction	33,500	-	35,500	-	-	-	-2,000	-	33,500	-	-2,000
Employee Housing Facilities Improvement and Repair	3,500	-	3,500	-	-	-	-	-	3,500	-	-
Fire Safety Coordination and Repair	6,620	-	6,620	-	-	-	+80	-	6,700	-	+80
Fire Safety Coordination	171	-	171	-	-	-	-	-	171	-	-
Fire Protection	2,000	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	-
<b>Total, Public Safety and Justice Construction</b>	<b>45,791</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>47,791</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-1,920</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45,871</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-1,920</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Public Safety and Justice Construction overview and program description**

### **Subactivity - Facilities Replacement/New Construction**

The PS&J Facilities Replacement/New Construction program provides funding to replace detention centers, Tribal courts, and law enforcement facilities in poor condition based on prioritization criteria jointly developed by DFMC and OJS. The program utilizes the Site Assessment Capital Investment (SA-CI) process, similar to that used in the BIE Education Construction program. This strategy allows IA to utilize a data-driven process to identify and prioritize PS&J facilities in developing multi-year execution plans.

### **Subactivity - Employee Housing**

PS&J Employee Housing is constructed using a pre-approved standard design that meets IA-adopted building codes and standards, including health and safety standards. This approach accelerates the preliminary design review and acceptance process. Employee Housing projects will be selected based on existing prioritization criteria established by OJS.

### **Subactivity - Facilities Improvement and Repair (FI&R)**

The FI&R program prioritizes health and safety deficiency improvements, repairs, and renovation projects at law enforcement, detention, and court facilities. The funds support the following:

*Minor Improvement and Repair (MI&R):* The MI&R program assists in maintaining the IA real property portfolio assets at an operational level and extends the useful life of IA assets. MI&R projects support IA compliance with the American Correctional Association Core Jail Standards, accessibility requirements, EPA requirements, and other life, safety, and health code requirements. The MI&R program funds the disposal of assets no longer needed for the program and the abatement of any environmental hazards required to support demolition. MI&R projects are prioritized based on data derived from facility condition assessments and the SA-CI program. This strategy allows IA to utilize a data-driven process to identify and prioritize PS&J facilities in developing multi-year execution plans.

*Facilities Condition Assessments (FCA):* The FCA program funds comprehensive facility assessments of law enforcement, detention, and court facilities. FCA identify new Deferred Maintenance (DM) needs, validate existing DM items, and include a computation of the Current Replacement Value (CRV) of each asset, which is critical in calculating the asset's Facility Condition Index (FCI). FCA includes the inspection of critical elements such as life safety systems, HVAC systems, electrical systems, structural integrity, and other elements.

*Emergency Repair:* The Emergency Repair program provides funding for facilities-related expenses necessary to mitigate or correct immediate threats to life or property at law enforcement, detention, and court facilities.

*Environmental Projects:* The Environmental Projects program funds correction of environmental-related deficiencies at law enforcement, detention, and court facilities. Key areas for compliance include storage tank management, toxic substance management, hazardous materials/waste management, water quality management, and air quality management.

*Portable Office Buildings:* The Portable Office Buildings program funds the construction, transportation, repair, installation, and relocation of portable office buildings at law enforcement, detention, and court facilities. The program includes the construction of infrastructure associated with law enforcement, detention, and court facilities, to include utilities, vehicle accommodation, and pedestrian walkways. The program was introduced to provide temporary space for programs when the operations are critical to public safety and new construction funding is not available.

**Subactivity – Fire Safety Coordination**

The Fire Safety Coordination (FSC) program promotes fire safe facilities and protection of federal property and persons from the adverse effects of fire. The FSC contributes to the prevention of loss of life and property from the harmful effects of structural fire by maintaining fire prevention, education, training, and suppression programs; to comply with all applicable federal laws and regulations, and Department of the Interior policies and procedures on fire safety; and to ensure that resources are available to facilitate compliance.

The FSC Manager oversees all aspects of program implementation, ensuring effective execution and strategic alignment. This investment supports the salaries of skilled professionals, essential support contracts, and access to specialized expertise and services, enabling the program to operate efficiently and achieve measurable outcomes.

**Subactivity - Fire Protection**

The Structural Fire Protection Program (SFPP) promotes and monitors compliance with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes, Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) requirements, and Federal law. The SFPP provides structural fire protection systems for law enforcement, detention, and court facilities. This includes upgrading or replacing fire alarm and automatic sprinkler systems as necessary. The SFPP provides ongoing replacement and repairs of eligible fire trucks, stations, and equipment. The SFPP also funds the assessment of fire protection systems and provides training to maintenance staff on preventive maintenance requirements to ensure the functionality of life safety systems.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Public Safety and Justice Construction**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Public Safety and Justice Construction**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Facilities Replacement / New Construction	-2,000	-
Facilities Improvement and Repair	+80	-
<b>TOTAL, Program Changes</b>	<b>-1,920</b>	<b>-</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Public Safety and Justice Construction**

The FY 2027 budget request for the Public Safety and Justice Construction activity is \$45,871,000 and a program change of -\$1,920,000 from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Facilities Replacement / New Construction (-\$2,000,000)**

The program will continue to provide funding to replace detention centers, Tribal courts, and law enforcement facilities in poor condition.

**Facilities Improvement & Repair (+\$80,000)**

The program will continue to prioritize health and safety deficiency improvements, repairs, and renovation projects at law enforcement, detention, and court facilities.

**Real Property Asset Management**

Indian Affairs Public Safety and Justice Construction Five Year Plan FY 2027 – 2031

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2027	1	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Window Rock Detention Center	AZ-01	TBD	14,200	TBD	TBD				80	TBD
2027	2	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Warm Springs Detention Center	OR-05	TBD	0	TBD	TBD				89	TBD
			<i>Facilities Replacement / New Construction</i>				33,500						
2027		Employee Housing and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				3,500						
			<i>Employee Housing</i>				3,500						
2027		Minor Facilities Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				4,140		Ongoing				
2027		Condition Assessments	Multiple projects at various locations				1,180		Ongoing				
2027		Emergency repair projects	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
2027		Environmental projects	Multiple projects at various locations				380		Ongoing				
2027		Portable LE/Detention buildings	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Facilities Improvement and Repair</i>				6,700						
2027		Fire Safety Coordination	IA Fire Protection Program				171		Ongoing				
2027		Other Fire Protection	Multiple projects at various locations				2,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Fire Protection</i>				2,171						
			<b>Total Public Safety &amp; Justice Construction</b>				<b>45,871</b>						<b>TBD</b>

Indian Affairs Public Safety and Justice Construction Five Year Plan FY 2027 – 2031

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2028	1	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Warm Springs Detention Center	OR-05	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				89	TBD
			<i>Facilities Replacement / New Construction</i>				33,500						TBD
2028		Employee Housing and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				3,500						
			<i>Employee Housing</i>				3,500						
2028		Minor Facilities Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				4,140		Ongoing				
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2028		Emergency repair projects	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
2028		Environmental projects	Multiple projects at various locations				380		Ongoing				
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			<b>Total Public Safety &amp; Justice Construction</b>				<b>45,871</b>						<b>TBD</b>

Indian Affairs Public Safety and Justice Construction Five Year Plan FY 2027 – 2031

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2029	1	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Warm Springs Detention Center	OR-05	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				89	TBD
2029	2	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Cheyenne River Detention Center	SD-03	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				89	TBD
2029	3	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Standing Rock Detention Center	ND-01	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				87	TBD
			<i>Facilities Replacement / New Construction</i>				33,500						
2029		Employee Housing and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				3,500						
			<i>Employee Housing</i>				3,500						
2029		Minor Facilities Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				4,140		Ongoing				
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Indian Affairs Public Safety and Justice Construction Five Year Plan FY 2027 – 2031

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2030	1	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Standing Rock Detention Center	ND-01	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				87	TBD
2030	2	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Truxton Canyon Agency (Supai Jail)	AZ-04	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				83	TBD
			<i>Facilities Replacement / New Construction</i>				33,500						
2030		Employee Housing and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				3,500						
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2030		Minor Facilities Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				4,140		Ongoing				
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Indian Affairs Public Safety and Justice Construction Five Year Plan FY 2027 – 2031

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2031	1	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Truxton Canyon Agency (Supai Jail)	AZ-04	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				83	TBD
2031	2	Facilities Replacement / New Construction	Winnebago Detention (Omaha Tribal Police Dept.)	NE-03	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				91	TBD
			<i>Facilities Replacement / New Construction</i>				33,500						
2031		Employee Housing and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				3,500						
			<i>Employee Housing</i>				3,500						
2031		Minor Facilities Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				4,140		Ongoing				
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			<i>Fire Protection</i>				2,171						
			<b>Total Public Safety &amp; Justice Construction</b>				<b>45,871</b>						<b>TBD</b>

**Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Project Data Sheet**

Total Project Score/Ranking: 80  
Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD  
Funding Source: Public Safety & Justice Construction - Facility Replacement / New Construction

**Project Identification**

Project Title: Window Rock Detention Center  
Project Number: TBD  
Unit/Facility Name: Window Rock Detention Center  
Region/Area/District: Navajo  
Congressional District: 1st  
State: AZ

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before:
1	TBD			

**Project Description:**

Window Rock Detention Center is located in Window Rock, AZ. This project is planned to replace the current Detention Center with a 45-bed detention facility. Upon completion of the new facility, the existing structures will be demolished or transferred.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The construction of the new Window Rock Detention Center will improve the safety and functionality of facilities for the program’s stakeholders and will support the Department’s plan to improve Public Safety and Justice programs by ensuring that facilities are in fair or better condition as measured by the Facility Condition Index (FCI).

This project supports Indian Affairs’ (IA) core mission by administering its trust responsibilities and implementing self-determination policies on behalf of Tribal Governments, American Indians, and Alaskan Natives; and by strengthening Tribal communities through the development of self-sustaining economies and improved human and physical infrastructure.

- 1.1 Restore & Protect High Visitation / Public Use Facilities
- 1.2 Improve ADA Accessibility
- 1.4 Remediate Poorest FCI Facilities
- 2.1 Reduce Deferred Maintenance
- 2.2 Leverage Funding / Pursue Partnering Opportunities
- 2.3 Reduce Annual Operating Costs
- 2.4 Replacement of Assets
- 3.1 Address Safety Issues

- 3.2 Protect Employees / Improve Retention
- 4.1 Modernize Infrastructure

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

- The entire project would be considered capital improvement.
- The current existing Deferred Maintenance Work Order list, upon completion of the project, will be reduced to zero.
- The new facility will reduce the Operations and Maintenance (O&M) costs to those related to ongoing maintenance of new equipment, which will provide a net reduction in O&M funding from current levels.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Without this project, costs will continue to increase due to increasingly poor system performance. Employee and Inmate safety will also continue to be impaired by inadequate facilities incapable of addressing modern detention requirements.

**Ranking Categories:**

Category	Percent	Score
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.2886
API Rating:	n/a	64
API/FCI Score:	(40%)	26
SB Score:	(20%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	14
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>80</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.40 x API/FCI score) + (0.20 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning:**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: Yes  
 VE Study: Scheduled TBD Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

Activity	Dollars in thousands	Percent
Maintenance/Repair Work :	\$ TBD	0
Modernization / Renewal Work:	\$ TBD	100
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

History	Dollars in thousands
Funded to Date:	\$ 14,200
FY 2027 Public Safety & Justice New Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ 0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: D**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2025/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: \$330,000

Design Funds Received: \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones:**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet:**

Prepared/Last Updated: 04/26

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

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Current:	\$	TBD
Projected:	\$	TBD
Net Change:	+/- \$	TBD

**Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Project Data Sheet**

Total Project Score/Ranking: 89

Planned Funding: FY 2027: TBD

Funding Source: Public Safety & Justice Construction - Facility Replacement / New Construction

**Project Identification**

Project Title: Warm Springs Detention Center

Project Number: TBD

Unit/Facility Name: Warm Springs Detention Center

Region/Area/District: Northwest Region

Congressional District: 05

State: OR

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI- Before:
1	35220000 : Bldg Prisons and Detention Centers	P09R0101030	100	0.8628
2	35410600 : Laboratory, Dark Room	Maximo ID: AB107859 Structure # 1031	100	0.0000
3	Grounds/Site Work	Maximo ID: AB108575	N/A	N/A

**Project Description:**

Warm Springs Detention Center consists of 2 permanent structures and is located in Warm Springs, OR. This project replaces the current Detention Center with a 60-bed detention facility. In the design phase, laboratory and site infrastructure will be assessed to identify any undocumented improvement or replacement needs. Upon completion of the new facility, the existing structures will be demolished or transferred.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The construction of the new Detention Center will improve the safety and functionality of facilities for the program's stakeholders and will support the Department's plan to improve Public Safety and Justice programs by ensuring that facilities are in fair or better condition as measured by the Facility Condition Index (FCI).

This project supports Indian Affairs (IA) core mission by administering its trust responsibilities and implementing self-determination policies on behalf of Tribal Governments, American Indians and Alaskan Natives and by strengthening Tribal communities through the development of self-sustaining economies and improved human and physical infrastructure.

- 1.1 Restore & Protect High Visitation / Public Use Facilities
- 1.2 Improve ADA Accessibility
- 1.4 Remediate Poorest FCI Facilities
- 2.1 Reduce Deferred Maintenance

- 2.2 Leverage Funding / Pursue Partnering Opportunities
- 2.3 Reduce Annual Operating Costs
- 2.4 Replacement of Assets
- 3.1 Address Safety Issues
- 3.2 Protect Employees / Improve Retention
- 4.1 Modernize Infrastructure

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

- The entire project would be considered capital improvement.
- The current existing Deferred Maintenance Work Order (DMWO) list, upon completion of the project, will be reduced to zero.
- New facility will reduce the Operations and Maintenance (O&M) costs to those related to ongoing maintenance of new equipment, which will provide a net reduction in O&M funding from current levels.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Without this project costs will continue to increase due to increasingly poor system performance. Employee and inmate safety will also continue to be impaired by inadequate facilities incapable of addressing modern detention requirements.

**Ranking Categories:**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Score</b>
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.8628
API Rating:	n/a	100
API/FCI Score:	(40%)	40
SB Score:	(20%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	16
CFA Score:	(20%)	13
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>89</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.20 x API/FCI score) + (0.40 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning:**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: YES  
VE Study: Scheduled TBD, Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

Activity	Dollars in thousands	Percent
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ 0	0
Modernization/Renewal Work:	\$ TBD	100
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

History	Dollars in thousands
Funded to Date:	\$ 0
FY 2027 Public Safety & Justice New Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
FY 2027 [FLREA/FLTP/Donation, etc.] Funding:	\$ 0
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ TBD
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: D**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2025/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: \$ 406,000

Design Funds Received : \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 Budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones:**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet:**

Prepared/Last Updated: 04/2026

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs**

Current:	\$	186,291
Projected:	\$	139,717
Net Change:	-\$	46,574

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Resources Management Construction**  
**Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Resources Management Construction**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Resource Management Construction</b>											
<b>Irrigation Project Construction</b>											
Navajo Indian Irrig. Project	2,987	1	2,987	1	-	-	-487	-	2,500	1	-487
Irrigation Projects- Rehabilitation	21,532	1	21,532	1	-	-	-10,532	-	11,000	1	-10,532
Engineering and Supervision	2,758	11	2,758	11	-	-	-758	-3	2,000	8	-758
Survey and Design	1,016	-	1,016	-	-	-	-516	-	500	-	-516
Federal Power Compliance [FERC]	671	3	671	3	-	-	-171	-1	500	2	-171
<b>Dam Projects</b>											
Safety of Dams	32,730	16	32,730	16	-1	-	-16,078	-2	16,651	14	-16,079
Dam Maintenance	4,000	3	4,000	3	-	-	-2,500	-2	1,500	1	-2,500
<b>Total, Resource Management Construction</b>	<b>65,694</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>65,694</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-31,042</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>34,651</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>-31,043</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Resources Management Construction overview and program description**

### **Subactivity - Irrigation Project Construction**

This program provides management, oversight, and engineering technical assistance to the irrigation projects under IA's jurisdiction. The program addresses deferred maintenance needs at 17 congressionally authorized irrigation projects. These 17 irrigation projects are located on Indian reservations across the Rocky Mountain, Northwest, Southwest, Navajo and Western Regions. IA also has irrigation systems in its inventory which are non-revenue-generating that are mainly used for subsistence gardening.

Indian irrigation projects provide water vital to agricultural production in the western United States. Serving over 25,000 customers in 10 western States, irrigation projects provide irrigation water to over 800,000 acres through over 52,000 structures and 6,000 miles of canals and drains. The IA owns, operates, and maintains the projects, providing the manpower, materials, and equipment to operate and maintain these projects.

The current water users on IA projects include the Tribes, individual Indian landowners, non-Indian landowners, and Indian and non-Indian lessees of Indian lands. The mix of fee and trust lands, along with the delivery of Indian and non-Indian water rights to both Indian and non-Indian customers, makes IA irrigation different from most other irrigation projects. The funds support the following:

*Navajo Indian Irrigation Project:* This program funds construction and deferred maintenance rehabilitation of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project (NIIP). All work is accomplished by IA staff through a reimbursable agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation or a Pub.L. 93-638 contract with the Navajo Nation. The construction of the NIIP is authorized under Pub.L. 87-483, as amended (Pub.L. 111-11), for the purposes of delivering water for the irrigation of irrigable and arable lands. The legislation authorized the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the NIIP for the principal purpose of furnishing irrigation water for up to 110,630 acres of land. The NIIP design is comprised of 11 blocks; with each block delivering water to approximately 10,000 acres. Construction of the project began in 1964. Currently, the irrigation delivery system can deliver water to approximately 80,488 acres, through eight completed blocks and a portion of block 9.

*Irrigation Projects-Rehabilitation:* The irrigation rehabilitation program addresses critical deferred maintenance, construction work and emergency failures on IA owned and operated irrigation facilities, with an emphasis placed on infrastructure rehabilitation that addresses health and safety concerns for IA employees and the public. Projects are prioritized in accordance with the Department and IA Asset Management Plan, the rehabilitation priority index (RPI), FCI, Asset Priority Index (API), and considers the risk associated with the loss of water delivery to all or a portion of the irrigation facility. Modernization Study results are incorporated into all rehabilitation projects to improve resource utilization and water delivery service as most facilities are reaching 100 years old.

### **Subactivity - Engineering and Supervision**

This subactivity provides oversight and technical support to the 17 irrigation and three power projects at both Regional and project levels to ensure Federal assets are protected and in compliance with laws and regulations. The program also ensures projects are operated and maintained in an efficient manner, while

providing good customer service. Support and assistance include asset management, budgeting, technical assistance, operations and maintenance billing and collection activities, program oversight and reviews, and a variety of other technical support functions. This account funds the IA Irrigation and Power staff within Central and Regional irrigation engineering positions.

### **Subactivity - Survey and Design**

This program provides the planning and technical support activities for Irrigation Resources Management Construction and develops information required for rehabilitation and maintenance efforts for the irrigation projects owned, operated, and maintained by IA. The program 1) conducts modernization studies on irrigation projects to assist in prioritization of deferred maintenance project activities; 2) performs comprehensive condition assessments on power utilities and irrigation projects to meet the Department and IA Asset Management responsibilities; 3) implements project financial sustainability studies to assist Tribal efforts to improve and promote local and regional agricultural economies; 4) maintains project inventories and data, including the development of map data books and decision support systems specific to the Irrigation and Power Projects; 5) undertakes irrigated land classification studies, mapping, and other technical activities, in direct support of developing critical information used to manage irrigation projects and systems; and 6) updates construction cost estimates for the asset management database that provides deferred maintenance estimates.

### **Subactivity - Federal Power Compliance**

There are approximately 200 hydroelectric and other facilities currently on, or affecting, Indian lands and resources. This program partners with affected Indian Tribes to implement Secretarial authorities under Part I of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 739a-825r) to improve Tribal capacity to conduct research and participate in governmental efforts affecting or potentially affecting important Indian resources. Actions under this program generally include: 1) identification of non-Federal hydroelectric projects affecting Indian reservations, Indian trust resources (e.g., land, fish, wildlife, and cultural resources) and/or other resources important to Indian Tribes; 2) development and implementation of studies to address potential effects of existing or proposed hydroelectric projects on fish and wildlife, water supply, cultural resources, and Tribal economies; 3) development of settlement agreements, license recommendations, terms and conditions, and amendments to address project effects on Indian resources; and 4) long-term implementation of settlement agreements and other measures necessary to protect Tribal interests. Program activities also cover Trial-Type Hearings and Alternatives Analyses pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPA Act of 2005).

### **Subactivity - Dam Projects**

#### **Safety of Dams:**

The Indian Dams Safety Act of 1994 (Pub.L. 103-302) established that IA is responsible for all dams on Indian lands. The Safety of Dams (SOD) inventory currently includes 141 high hazard potential dams on 42 Indian reservations. Additionally, through responses to inventory request letters the program sent to Indian Tribes as required by the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016, there are over 1,000 unclassified, potentially hazardous dams. It is expected that some of these dams may become program dams in the future.

The SOD program is responsible for the safety of all high and significant-hazard potential dams on Tribal lands. These dams form a significant part of water resources and trust assets for Indian reservations. The SOD program conducts yearly workshops to educate Tribal community leaders and members about potential dam safety risks and demonstrate how floodplain management measures can and will be helpful for them in mitigating risks.

The primary emphasis of the SOD program is to protect downstream residents from undue risks associated with the dams. This requires identifying dams that pose unacceptable risks and utilizing a risk-informed decision process to prioritize risk reduction actions. These actions include correcting identified safety deficiencies to mitigate hazards in accordance with the Indian Dams Safety Act of 1994 and the Department's SOD program, Secretarial Order No. 3048. The program is developing emergency action plans and early warning systems on all of its high and significant hazard dams, performing maintenance, enhancing security, and rehabilitating dams in poor condition. Dams under the jurisdiction of IA have more than 100,000 people living below these dams with hundreds of millions of dollars in assets.

**Dam Maintenance:**

The Dam Maintenance program supports reducing the potential loss of human life and property damage caused by dam failure by making IA dams as safe as practically possible. Funds are used to perform routine maintenance and repairs of high- and significant-hazard potential dams on Indian lands. The program also performs annual maintenance on Early Warning Systems.

The funding will support resources to address non-routine maintenance activities and address identified dam safety issues at high-risk program dams. Correction of identified non-routine issues often entail large scale design and construction activities, as opposed to minor maintenance actions. Dam maintenance work is accomplished through a combination of Pub.L. 93-638 contracts, Federal acquisitions, and Federal staffing.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Resources Management Construction**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Resources Management Construction**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Irrigation Project Construction		
Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	-487	-
Irrigation Projects-Rehabilitation	-10,532	-
Engineering & Supervision	-758	-3
Survey & Design	-516	-
Federal Power Compliance (FERC)	-171	-1
Dam Projects		
Safety of Dams	-16,078	-2
Dam Maintenance	-2,500	-2
<b>TOTAL Program Changes</b>	<b>-31,042</b>	<b>-8</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Resources Management Construction**

The 2027 Budget request for Resources Management Construction is \$34,651,000 and 27 FTE, a program change of -\$31,042,000 and -8 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Irrigation Project Construction**

**Navajo Indian Irrigation Project (-\$487,000)** – Funding supports construction and deferred maintenance rehabilitation of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project (NIIP) for the principal purpose of furnishing irrigation water.

**Irrigation Projects-Rehabilitation (-\$10,532,000)** – Funding addresses critical deferred maintenance, construction work and emergency failures on IA owned and operated irrigation facilities, with an emphasis placed on infrastructure rehabilitation that addresses health and safety concerns for IA employees and the public.

**Engineering & Supervision (-\$758,000 / -3 FTE)** – Funding provides oversight and technical support to irrigation and power projects at both Regional and project levels to ensure Federal assets are protected and in compliance with laws and regulations.

**Survey & Design (-\$516,000)** – Funding continues planning and technical support activities for Irrigation Resources Management Construction and develops information required for rehabilitation and maintenance efforts for the irrigation projects owned, operated, and maintained by IA.

**Federal Power Compliance [FERC] (-\$171,000 / -1 FTE)** – Funding supports affected Indian Tribes to implement Secretarial authorities under Part I of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 739a-825r) to

improve Tribal capacity to conduct research and participate in governmental efforts affecting or potentially affecting important Indian resources.

**Dam Projects**

**Safety of Dams (-\$16,078,000 / -2 FTE)** – Funding supports the Safety of Dams (SOD) inventory which includes high hazard potential dams located on various Indian reservations. The program is responsible for the safety and protection of downstream residents from undue risks associated with the dams on Tribal lands.

**Dam Maintenance (-\$2,500,000 / -2 FTE)** – Funding supports routine maintenance and repairs of high- and significant-hazard potential dams on Indian lands, including annual maintenance on Early Warning Systems.

**Real Property Asset Management**

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2027		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Program Coordination	NM - 03			916		Ongoing				
2027		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Correction of Office of Inspector General audit and transfer stipulation deficiencies	NM - 03			100						TBD
2027		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Automation and power factor correction	NM - 03			500						TBD
2027		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Block 9 Stage 2 Design Updates	NM - 03		25,000	984						TBD
			<i>Navajo Indian Irrigation Project</i>				<i>2,500</i>						<i>3,009</i>
2027		Fort Belknap Irrigation Project	Milk River Main Diversion	MT - 01		5,500	TBD						TBD
2027		Fort Hall Irrigation Project	Bannock Pumping Plant Rehabilitation	ID - 01		8,050	TBD						TBD
2027		Fort Hall Irrigation Project	Main Canal Rehabilitation	ID - 01		0	TBD						TBD
2027		Pine River Indian Irrigation Project	Ceanabo - Beaver Creek Siphon Dump	CO - 03		0	TBD						TBD
2027		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Lateral 3 Repair and Rehabilitation	WA - 04		0	TBD						TBD
2027		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Wapato Diversion Dam Rehabilitation and Modernization	WA - 04		9,900	TBD						TBD
2027		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Kutz West Siphon Repair	NM - 03		0	TBD						
2027		Wind River Indian Irrigation Project	Crowheart Bench Unit Rehabilitation	WY-01		0	TBD						
2027		All 17 Irrigation Projects	Program Coordination, Planning / Predesign, Engineering Oversight, Technical Assistance, Minor Construction, Required Contracting Officer Representative (COR) Activities			N/A	TBD		N/A				TBD
2027		Emergency Projects, Expedited Issues - Safety Improvement Projects	Multiple projects at various locations			N/A	TBD		N/A				TBD
			<i>Irrigation Projects - Rehabilitation</i>			N/A	<i>11,000</i>						<i>17,412</i>
			<i>Irrigation Project Construction</i>				<i>13,500</i>						<i>20,421</i>

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2027		Engineering and Supervision	Multiple projects at various locations				2,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Engineering and Supervision</i>				2,000						0
2027		Survey and Design	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Survey and Design</i>				500						0
2027		Federal Power Compliance (FERC)	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Federal Power Compliance (FERC)</i>				500						0
2027		Safety of Dams Program Coordination					3,373		Ongoing				
2027		Expedited Issues - Mitigation of high risks failure modes	Multiple projects at various locations				817		Ongoing				
2027		Issues Evaluations	Multiple projects at various locations				141		Ongoing				
2027		Security	Multiple projects at various locations				35		Ongoing				
2027		Emergency Management Systems	Multiple projects at various locations				4,760		Ongoing				
2027		Safety of Dams Inspection/Evaluations	Multiple projects at various locations				7,525		Ongoing				
			<i>Safety of Dams</i>				16,651						
2027		Dam Maintenance	Routine Nation-Wide Maintenance				1,500		Ongoing				
			<i>Dam Maintenance</i>				1,500						
			<i>Dam Projects</i>				18,151						
			<b>Total Resources Management Construction</b>				<b>34,651</b>						<b>TBD</b>

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2028		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Program Coordination	NM - 03			916		Ongoing				
2028		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Correction of Office of Inspector General audit and transfer stipulation deficiencies	NM - 03			100						TBD
2028		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Automation and power factor correction	NM - 03			500						TBD
2028		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Block 9 Stage 2 Design Updates	NM - 03			984						TBD
			<i>Navajo Indian Irrigation Project</i>				<i>2,500</i>						<i>3,186</i>
2028		Colorado River Indian Irrigation Project	Lateral 90 Check 3	AZ - 04			TBD						TBD
2028		Pine River Indian Irrigation Project	Butsbaugh Flume Replacement	CO - 03			TBD						TBD
2028		Fort Hall Irrigation Project	Main Canal Repair and Rehabilitation	ID - 01			TBD						TBD
2028		Fort Hall Irrigation Project	Reservation Canal Headworks Rehabilitation	ID - 01			TBD						TBD
2028		Fort Belknap Irrigation Project	Milk River Main Diversion	MT - 01			TBD						TBD
2028		Fort Peck Irrigation Project	Lateral 42 Repair and Rehabilitation	MT - 01			TBD						TBD
2028		Walker River Indian Irrigation Project	Canal 2- B Repair and Rehabilitation	NV - 02			TBD						TBD
2028		Uintah Irrigation Project	Grey Mountain Canal Flume and Canal Lining Design & Construction	UT - 01			TBD						TBD
2028		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Lateral 2 Repair and Rehabilitation	WA - 04			TBD						TBD
2028		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Main Canal Repair and Rehabilitation	WA - 04			TBD						TBD
2028		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Wapato Diversion Construction	WA - 04			TBD						TBD
2028		All 17 Irrigation Projects	Program Coordination, Planning / Predesign, Engineering Oversight and Technical Assistance and Required COR Activities				N/A	TBD	N/A				TBD
2028		Emergency Projects, Expedited Issues -	Multiple projects at various locations				N/A	TBD	N/A				TBD

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		Safety Improvement Projects											
			<i>Irrigation Projects - Rehabilitation</i>				11,000						TBD
			<i>Irrigation Project Construction</i>				13,500						TBD
2028		Engineering and Supervision	Multiple projects at various locations				2,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Engineering and Supervision</i>				2,000						0
2028		Survey and Design	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Survey and Design</i>				500						0
2028		Federal Power Compliance (FERC)	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Federal Power Compliance (FERC)</i>				500						0
2028		Safety of Dams Program Coordination					3,373		Ongoing				
2028		Expedited Issues - Mitigation of high risks failure modes	Multiple projects at various locations				817		Ongoing				
2028		Issues Evaluations	Multiple projects at various locations				141		Ongoing				
2028		Security	Multiple projects at various locations				35		Ongoing				
2028		Emergency Management Systems	Multiple projects at various locations				4,760		Ongoing				
2028		Safety of Dams Inspection/Evaluations	Multiple projects at various locations				7,525		Ongoing				
			<i>Safety of Dams</i>				16,651						0
2028		Dam Maintenance	Routine Nation-Wide Maintenance				1,500		Ongoing				TBD
			<i>Dam Maintenance</i>				1,500						
			<i>Dam Projects</i>				18,151						0
			<b>Total Resources Management Construction</b>				<b>34,651</b>						<b>TBD</b>

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2029		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Program Coordination	NM - 03			916		Ongoing				
2029		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Correction of Office of Inspector General audit and transfer stipulation deficiencies	NM - 03			100						TBD
2029		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Automation and power factor correction	NM - 03			500						TBD
2029		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Block 9 Stage 2 Construction	NM - 03			984						TBD
			<i>Navajo Indian Irrigation Project</i>				2,500						3,186
2029		Colorado River Indian Irrigation Project	Lateral 90 Check 4	AZ - 04			TBD						TBD
2029		Pine River Indian Irrigation Project	Butsbaugh Flume Replacement	CO - 03			TBD						TBD
2029		Fort Hall Irrigation Project	Bannock Pumping Plant Rehabilitation	ID - 01			TBD						TBD
2029		Fort Peck Irrigation Project	Lateral 56 Repair and Rehabilitation	MT - 01			TBD						TBD
2029		Walker River Indian Irrigation Project	Canal 2- Repair and Rehabilitation	NV - 02			TBD						TBD
2029		Uintah Indian Irrigation Project	North Fork Dry Gulch Canal	UT - 01			TBD						TBD
2029		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Lateral 2 Repair and Rehabilitation	WA - 04			TBD						TBD
2029		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Main Canal Repair and Rehabilitation	WA - 04			TBD						TBD
2029		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Wapato Diversion Construction	WA - 04			TBD						TBD
2029		Wind River Indian Irrigation Project	Crow Heart Bench Unit Repair and Rehabilitation	WY - 01			TBD						TBD
2029		All 17 Irrigation Projects	Program Coordination, Planning / Predesign, Engineering Oversight and Technical Assistance and Required COR Activities			N/A	TBD		N/A				TBD

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2029		Emergency Projects, Expedited Issues - Safety Improvement Projects	Multiple projects at various locations			N/A	TBD		N/A				TBD
			<i>Irrigation Projects - Rehabilitation</i>				11,000						TBD
			<i>Irrigation Project Construction</i>				13,500						TBD
2029		Engineering and Supervision	Multiple projects at various locations				2,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Engineering and Supervision</i>				2,000						0
2029		Survey and Design	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Survey and Design</i>				500						0
2029		Federal Power Compliance (FERC)	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Federal Power Compliance (FERC)</i>				500						0
2029		Safety of Dams Program Coordination					3,373		Ongoing				
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2029		Dam Maintenance	Routine Nation-Wide Maintenance				1,500		Ongoing				TBD
			<i>Dam Maintenance</i>				1,500						
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2030		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Program Coordination	NM - 03			916		Ongoing				
2030		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Correction of Office of Inspector General audit and transfer stipulation deficiencies	NM - 03			100						TBD
2030		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Automation and power factor correction	NM - 03			500						TBD
2030		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Block 9 Stage 2 Construction	NM - 03			984						TBD
			<i>Navajo Indian Irrigation Project</i>				<i>2,500</i>						<i>3,009</i>
2030		Colorado River Indian Irrigation Project	Station 11 Spill	AZ - 04			TBD						TBD
2030		Pine River Indian Irrigation Project	Ceanabo Heading	CO - 03			TBD						TBD
2030		Fort Hall Irrigation Project	Bannock Pumping Plant Rehabilitation	ID - 01			TBD		Ongoing				TBD
2030		Fort Hall Irrigation Project	Owl and Bannock Lateral Pipelines	ID - 01			TBD		Ongoing				TBD
2030		Fort Peck Irrigation Project	Lateral 56 Repair and Rehabilitation	MT - 01			TBD		Ongoing				TBD
2030		Walker River Indian Irrigation Project	Canal 1- A Repair and Rehabilitation	NV - 02			TBD						TBD
2030		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Lateral 1 Repair and Rehabilitation	WA - 04			TBD		Ongoing				TBD
2030		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Wapato Diversion Construction	WA - 04			TBD		Ongoing				TBD
2030		Wind River Indian Irrigation Project	Crow Heart Bench Unit Repair and Rehabilitation	WY - 01			TBD						TBD
2030		All 17 Irrigation Projects	Program Coordination, Planning / Predesign, Engineering Oversight and Technical Assistance and Required COR Activities			N/A	TBD		N/A				TBD
2030		Emergency Projects, Expedited Issues - Safety Improvement Projects	Multiple projects at various locations			N/A	TBD		N/A				TBD

Resources Management Construction

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
			<i>Irrigation Projects - Rehabilitation</i>				11,000						TBD
			<i>Irrigation Project Construction</i>				13,500						TBD
2030		Engineering and Supervision	Multiple projects at various locations				2,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Engineering and Supervision</i>				2,000						0
2030		Survey and Design	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Survey and Design</i>				500						0
2030		Federal Power Compliance (FERC)	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Federal Power Compliance (FERC)</i>				500						0
2030		Safety of Dams Program Coordination					3,373		Ongoing				
2030		Expedited Issues - Mitigation of high risks failure modes	Multiple projects at various locations				817		Ongoing				
2030		Issues Evaluations	Multiple projects at various locations				141		Ongoing				
2030		Security	Multiple projects at various locations				35		Ongoing				
2030		Emergency Management Systems	Multiple projects at various locations				4,760		Ongoing				
2030		Safety of Dams Inspection/Evaluations	Multiple projects at various locations				7,525		Ongoing				
			<i>Safety of Dams</i>				16,651						0
2030		Dam Maintenance	Routine Nation-Wide Maintenance				1,500		Ongoing				TBD
			<i>Dam Maintenance</i>				1,500						
			<i>Dam Projects</i>				18,151						0
			<b>Total Resources Management Construction</b>				<b>34,651</b>						<b>TBD</b>

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Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2031		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Program Coordination	NM - 03			916		Ongoing				
2031		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Correction of Office of Inspector General audit and transfer stipulation deficiencies	NM - 03			100						TBD
2031		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Automation and power factor correction	NM - 03			500						TBD
2031		Navajo Indian Irrigation Project	Block 9 Stage 2 Construction	NM - 03			984						TBD
			<i>Navajo Indian Irrigation Project</i>				2,500						3,186
2031		Colorado River Indian Irrigation Project	Station 11 Spill	AZ - 04			TBD						TBD
2031		Pine River Indian Irrigation Project	Dr. Morrison Diversion	CO - 03			TBD						TBD
2031		Fort Hall Irrigation Project	Bannock Pumping Plant Rehabilitation	ID - 01			TBD						TBD
2031		Fort Hall Irrigation Project	Owl and Bannock Lateral Pipelines	ID - 01			TBD						TBD
2031		Fort Peck Irrigation Project	Lateral 56 Repair and Rehabilitation	MT - 01			TBD						TBD
2031		Uintah Indian Irrigation Project	Dry Gulch Canal Rehabilitation	UT - 01			TBD						TBD
2031		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Lateral 1 Repair and Rehabilitation	WA - 04			TBD						TBD
2031		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Unit 2 Pumping Plant Discharge Line	WA - 04			TBD						TBD
2031		Wapato Indian Irrigation Project	Wapato Diversion Construction	WA - 04			TBD						TBD
2031		All 17 Irrigation Projects	Program Coordination, Planning / Predesign, Engineering Oversight and Technical Assistance and Required COR Activities			N/A	TBD		N/A				TBD
2031		Emergency Projects, Expedited Issues - Safety Improvement Projects	Multiple projects at various locations			N/A	TBD		N/A				TBD

Resources Management Construction

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
			<i>Irrigation Projects - Rehabilitation</i>				11,000						TBD
			<i>Irrigation Project Construction</i>				13,500						TBD
2031		Engineering and Supervision	Multiple projects at various locations				2,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Engineering and Supervision</i>				2,000						0
2031		Survey and Design	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Survey and Design</i>				500						0
2031		Federal Power Compliance (FERC)	Multiple projects at various locations				500		Ongoing				
			<i>Federal Power Compliance (FERC)</i>				500						0
2031		Safety of Dams Program Coordination					3,373		Ongoing				
2031		Expedited Issues - Mitigation of high risks failure modes	Multiple projects at various locations				817		Ongoing				
2031		Issues Evaluations	Multiple projects at various locations				141		Ongoing				
2031		Security	Multiple projects at various locations				35		Ongoing				
2031		Emergency Management Systems	Multiple projects at various locations				4,760		Ongoing				
2031		Safety of Dams Inspection/Evaluations	Multiple projects at various locations				7,525		Ongoing				
			<i>Safety of Dams</i>				16,651						0
2031		Dam Maintenance	Routine Nation-Wide Maintenance				1,500		Ongoing				TBD
			<i>Dam Maintenance</i>				1,500						
			<i>Total Resources Management Construction</i>				18,151						0
			<b>Total Resources Management Construction</b>				<b>34,651</b>						<b>TBD</b>

**Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Project Data Sheet**

Total Project Score/Ranking: 100  
 Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD  
 Funding Source: Resources Management Construction / Navajo Indian Irrigation Project

**Project Identification**

Project Title: Navajo Indian Irrigation Project, Block 9 Stage 2 Design Updates  
 Project Number: NIIP  
 Unit/Facility Name: Navajo Indian Irrigation Project  
 Region/Area/District: Navajo Region  
 Congressional District: 3  
 State: NM

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before:
1	40160000	NIIP	100	0.8

**Project Description:**

The Navajo Indian Irrigation Project (NIIP) is an on-going irrigation construction project on the Navajo Indian Reservation in northwest New Mexico. The NIIP started construction in 1964. The NIIP was authorized by Pub.L. 87-483 (76 Stat.96), signed into law on June 13, 1962, as a settlement of a specific issue and is the initial stage of the San Juan Chama Project in New Mexico and Colorado. This legislation authorized the delivery of irrigation water to 110,630 acres.

Currently, the irrigation system can deliver up to 77,685 acres of irrigated land. The NIIP has been under construction for approximately 62 years. IA funds the operation and maintenance of the NIIP. Currently, the irrigation delivery system can deliver water to 80,488 acres through eight of the 11 blocks, and Block 9, Stage 1. The addition of Block 9, Stage 2 will allow the development of approximately 10,000 acres.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The NIIP supports the Interior/IA's core mission by:

- Supporting IA's mission to enhance the quality of life, to promote economic opportunity, and to carry out the responsibility to protect and improve the trust assets of American Indians, Indian Tribes, and Alaska Natives. This is to be accomplished through the delivery of quality services, and by maintaining government-to-government relationships within the spirit of Indian self-determination.
- Carrying out the mission of the Office of Trust Services in protecting and preserving Trust lands and Trust resources. This project protects and preserves trust resources through the on-going construction of the NIIP.
- Carrying out the authorization under the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project: San Juan Chama Project (*Pub.L. 87-483, as amended*) and the initial stage of the San Juan Chama Project in New Mexico and Colorado. This legislation authorized the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project.

The project clearly demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and IA, aligning with specific outputs and outcomes detailed in the strategic plans for the San Juan Chama Project. The NIIP beneficially impacts the economy of the geographic area and the Navajo Nation, including employment and multiple benefits to local, regional, and national economies. The NIIP has four Pub.L. 93-638 contracts with the Navajo Agricultural Products Industry (NAPI), Navajo Nation’s Tribal farming and agri-business enterprise. The NAPI provides operation, maintenance, corrects transfer deficiencies, and performs minor construction to irrigation systems on the completed segments. NAPI impacts not just the local economy but other areas through national and international marketing of consumer goods produced by the NAPI. The NIIP fulfills the location and partnership initiatives of the Department and IA.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and the Bureau.

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

NIIP investment strategy demonstrates a steady state position on operation and maintenance costs and a moderate leveraging of non-DOI resources.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Failure to complete the NIIP would have a major and measurable direct impact on public or employee health and safety.

**Ranking Categories:**

Category	Percent	Score
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.8
API Rating:	n/a	100
API/FCI Score:	(40%)	40
SB Score:	(20%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	20
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>100</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.40 x API/FCI score) + (0.20 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: N/A

VE Study: Scheduled TBD, Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

Activity	Dollars in thousands	Percent
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ TBD	100
Modernization/Renewal Work:	\$ TBD	100
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

<b>History</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>
Funded to Date:	\$ 25,000
FY 2027 Resources Management Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
FY 2027 [FLREA/FLTP/Donation, etc.] Funding:	\$ 0
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ TBD
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: C**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2027/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: TBD

Design Funds Received: \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 Budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet**

Prepared/Last Updated: 08/2024

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

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Current:	\$	5,500
Projected:	\$	5,500
Net Change:	\$	0

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Project Data Sheet**

Total Project Score/Ranking: 100

Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD

Funding Source: Resources Management Construction / Irrigation Projects – Rehabilitation

**Project Identification**

Project Title: Milk River Main Diversion

Project Number: TBD

Unit/Facility Name: Fort Belknap Irrigation Project (FBIP)

Region/Area/District: Rocky Mountain Region

Congressional District: 01

State: MT

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before:
1	AD80248	C551700S	100	0.20

**Project Description:**

The Milk River (Main) Diversion structure consists of an overflow dam (weir) across the Milk River which controls the water level for the diversion structure. There is a radial gate on the diversion side of the weir for flushing sediment and debris. A 14' flashboard/stop-log structure is located on the opposite side of the diversion dam, with a depth of approximately 4 feet from the bottom of the bay to the top of the weir crest. Stop-logs are removed in the winter, to pass sediment, debris and ice as the ice breaks up in the winter. Throughout the season most of the flow not diverted into FBIP goes over the stop-logs, not the main dam structure. The diversion has 4 manual sluice gate bays. Only two bays are used (those closest to the weir and radial gate). One bay does not have a gate stem or gearhead opener. Both unused gates are covered with sediment. The work consists of replacing the existing diversion dam with new headgates, handrails, access points, walkways, flow bypass and sluicing functions.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The rehabilitation and modernization of the Dam will improve worker safety, increase operational efficiency, prolong the structure's service life, and potentially enhance fish passage. The project demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and the Bureau.

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

The Milk River Main Diversion Dam investment strategy demonstrates an on-going position on operation and maintenance costs and a moderate leveraging of non-DOI resources through the use of Operation and Maintenance funds. The project demonstrates a major and measurable net savings for the Government, strongly supports financial sustainability efforts, or leverages significant non-DOI resources.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Failure to rehabilitate the Dam could have a major and measurable direct impact on employee health and safety. The effect on the local economy would be catastrophic as well.

**Ranking Categories:**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Score</b>
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.20
API Rating:	n/a	100
API/FCI Score:	(40%)	40
SB Score:	(20%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	20
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>100</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.40 x API/FCI score) + (0.20 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: NO

VE Study: Scheduled TBD, Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ TBD	100
Modernization / Renewal Work:	\$ 0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

<b>History</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>
Funded to Date:	\$ 5,500
FY 2027 Resources Management Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
FY 2027 [FLREA/FLTP/Donation, etc.] Funding:	\$ 0
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ TBD
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: C**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2027/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: TBD

Design Funds Received: \*TBD

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**Major Milestones**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: FY 2028/Q1
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: FY 2032/Q4
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet**

Prepared/Last Updated: 08/2024

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

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Current:	\$	25,000
Projected:	\$	5,000
Net Change:	-\$	20,000

**Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Project Data Sheet**

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Total Project Score/Ranking: 100

Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD

Funding Source: Resources Management Construction / Irrigation Projects – Rehabilitation

**Project Identification**

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Project Title: Bannock Pumping Plant Rehabilitation

Project Number: TBD

Unit/Facility Name: Fort Hall Indian Irrigation Project

Region/Area/District: Northwest Region

Congressional District: 01

State: ID

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before:
1	AD9840	P04I06OS	80	0.15

**Project Description:**

This structure is a pumping plant that supplies the Bannock Canal as well as the High Lift Line. The trash racks are mostly rusted out and should be replaced. There needs to be a handrail above the intake. Each of the High Lift and Low Lift Lines have three units apiece including three pumps. Many of the pump bowls have bolts that are completely corroded away. These bolts should be replaced with stainless steel. There is no security fencing around the site. Two of the ventilation fans in the building are missing. The three low lift pumps serve separate discharge pipes that convene in a stand tower on the bench above the pumping plant. The three 36" flap gates within this tower should be sandblasted and recoated. Also, the ladder going into the tower is badly corroded making it unsafe. A single pipe leaves the stand tower and conveys flows to the Bannock Canal. The three discharge pipes from the High Lift pumps combine within a thrust block near the pumping plant and flows continue in a 42" concrete pipe.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and the Bureau.

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable net savings for the Government, strongly supports financial sustainability efforts, or leverages significant non-DOI resources.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Failure to complete this project would have major direct impacts on public or employee health and safety.

**Ranking Categories:**

Category	Percent	Score
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.75
API Rating:	n/a	100
API/FCI Score:	(40%)	40
SB Score:	(20%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	20
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>100</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.40 x API/FCI score) + (0.20 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: NO

VE Study: Scheduled TBD, Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

Activity	Dollars in thousands	Percent
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ TBD	100
Modernization / Renewal Work:	\$ 0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

History	Dollars in thousands
Funded to Date:	\$ 8,050
FY 2027 Resources Management Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
FY 2027 [FLREA/FLTP/Donation, etc.] Funding:	\$ 0
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ TBD
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: C**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2027/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: TBD

Design Funds Received: \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 Budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: FY 2028/Q1
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: FY 2033/Q1
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet**

Prepared/Last Updated: 08/2024

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

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Current:	\$	75,000
Projected:	\$	65,000
Net Change:	-\$	10,000

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Project Data Sheet**

Total Project Score/Ranking: 100

Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD

Funding Source: Resources Management Construction / Irrigation Projects – Rehabilitation

**Project Identification**

Project Title: Main Canal Rehabilitation

Project Number: TBD

Unit/Facility Name: Fort Hall Indian Irrigation Project

Region/Area/District: Northwest Region

Congressional District: 01

State: ID

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before:
1	AD6913	P04I06OS	100	0.72

**Project Description:**

Replace existing structure including but not limited to the five 5' x 5' slide gates, overshot gate, handrail, expanded steel walkway, trash rack, and concrete structure.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and the Bureau.

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable net savings for the Government, strongly supports financial sustainability efforts, or leverages significant non-DOI resources.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Failure to complete this project would have major direct impacts on public or employee health and safety.

**Ranking Categories:**

Category	Percent	Score
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.72
API Rating:	n/a	100
API/FCI Score:	(40%)	40
SB Score:	(20%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	20
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>100</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.40 x API/FCI score) + (0.20 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: NO

VE Study: Scheduled TBD, Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

Activity	Dollars in thousands	Percent
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ TBD	100
Modernization / Renewal Work:	\$ 0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

History	Dollars in thousands
Funded to Date:	\$ 0
FY 2027 Resources Management Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
FY 2027 [FLREA/FLTP/Donation, etc.] Funding:	\$ 0
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ TBD
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: C**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2027/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: TBD

Design Funds Received: \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 Budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: FY 2027/Q4
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: FY 2032/Q4
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet**

Prepared/Last Updated: 08/2024

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

Current:	\$ 32,000
Projected:	\$ 5,000
Net Change:	-\$ 27,000

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Total Project Score/Ranking: 50

Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD

Funding Source: Resources Management Construction – Irrigation Projects - Rehabilitation

**Project Identification**

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Project Title: Ceanabo - Beaver Creek Siphon Dump

Project Number: PRIP

Unit/Facility Name: Pine River Indian Irrigation Project

DOI Unified Region/Area/District: Southwest

Congressional District: 03

State: CO

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before:
1	AD10222		60	0.20

**Project Description:**

This is a siphon crossing Beaver Creek. The inlet end is connected to a wasteway check structure and the outlet end is connected to a Typical Type C structure. The siphon is 36" Reinforced Concrete Pipe (RCP) with an inlet headgate and trash rack. The siphon extends approximately 660 feet. The inlet wasteway check has severe breakout of the sidewalls and corners. The bottom and the side wall also have spilling. The wasteway wall is eroded and the structure does not have a walkway or handrails for personal safety. The outlet check structure is in good shape overall with the only deficiency being erosion of the structure downstream. For replacement, the miscellaneous costs are associated with the removal of the existing Corrugated Steel Pipe (CSP). The difference between the structural excavation and structural fill quantities accounts for the removal of the existing RCP pipe. RCP costs have fill quantities already calculated into the cost.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and the Bureau.

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable net savings for the Government, strongly supports financial sustainability efforts, or leverages significant non-DOI resources.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Failure to complete this project would have major direct impacts on public or employee health and safety.

**Ranking Categories:**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Score</b>
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.20
API Rating:	n/a	60
API/FCI Score:	(20%)	16
SB Score:	(40%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	20
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>76</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.20 x API/FCI score) + (0.40 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: No

VE Study: Scheduled TBD / Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ TBD	100
Modernization / Renewal Work:	\$ 0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

<b>History</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>
Funded to Date:	\$ 0
FY 2027 Resources Management Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
FY 2027 [FLREA/FLTP/Donation, etc.] Funding:	\$ 0
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ 0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: A B C D**

Estimate Escalated to: FY2027/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: TBD

Design Funds Received: \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 Budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet**

Prepared/Last Updated: 08/2024

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

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Current:	\$	20,000
Projected:	\$	6,000
Net Change:	-\$	14,000

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Project Data Sheet**

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Total Project Score/Ranking: 76

Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD

Funding Source: Resources Management Construction / Irrigation Projects – Rehabilitation

**Project Identification**

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Project Title: Lateral 3 Repair and Rehabilitation

Project Number: WIIP

Unit/Facility Name: Wapato Indian Irrigation Project

Region/Area/District: Northwest Region

Congressional District: 04

State: WA

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before
1	AD17382		60	0.20

**Project Description:**

Repair and rehabilitate Lateral 3, and all appurtenant structures.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The rehabilitation and modernization of the lateral will improve worker safety, increase operational efficiency, prolong the structure’s service life, and potentially enhance fish passage. The project demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and the Bureau.

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

The investment strategy demonstrates an on-going position on operation and maintenance costs and a moderate leveraging of non-DOI resources using Operation and Maintenance funds. The project demonstrates a major and measurable net savings for the Government, strongly supports financial sustainability efforts, or leverages significant non-DOI resources.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Failure to rehabilitate would have a major and measurable direct impact on employee health and safety. The effect on the local economy would be catastrophic as well.

**Ranking Categories:**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Score</b>
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.20
API Rating:	n/a	60
API/FCI Score:	(40%)	40
SB Score:	(20%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	20
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>76</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.40 x API/FCI score) + (0.20 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: NO

VE Study: Scheduled TBD, Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ TBD	100
Modernization / Renewal Work:	\$ 0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

<b>History</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>
Funded to Date:	\$ 0
FY 2027 Resources Management Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
FY 2027 [FLREA/FLTP/Donation, etc.] Funding:	\$ 0
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ TBD
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: C**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2027/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: TBD

Design Funds Received: \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 Budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet**

Prepared/Last Updated: 08/2024

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

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Current:	\$	25,000
Projected:	\$	5,000
Net Change:	-\$	20,000

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Total Project Score/Ranking: 100

Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD

Funding Source: Resources Management Construction / Irrigation Projects – Rehabilitation

**Project Identification**

Project Title: Wapato Diversion Dam Rehabilitation and Modernization

Project Number: TBD

Unit/Facility Name: Wapato Indian Irrigation Project

Region/Area/District: Northwest Region

Congressional District: 04

State: WA

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before:
1	AD106574	P08I01OS	100	0.75

**Project Description:**

The Wapato Diversion Dam and Headworks is the main irrigation facility that serves approximately 132,000 acres on the Yakama Nation located in central Washington.

The Wapato Dam is the major diversion structure serving the Wapato Irrigation Project (WIP). It supplies water to most of the irrigated acreage. It is located on the Yakima River at RM 106.6, a mile south of Union Gap, near the northwest corner of the Yakama Reservation. It consists of two structures, referred to as the east and a west segment, as the Yakima River is split into two branches (east and west) at this point by an island. The crest length of the east segment is 420 feet, and the crest length of the west segment is 200 feet. Both segments are concrete structures; the west segment was originally 14 feet high and the east segment, 12 feet high (BOR 1984a). During the construction of fish ladders in the 1980s, the crest of both segments was raised approximately 1 foot, resulting in a hydraulic height of approximately 9 feet for both segments. The two segments are connected by a cross dike that traverses the island, containing a sheet pile cutoff wall.

The dam was constructed in the early part of the 20th century. In 1916, Congress appropriated \$200,000 for the construction of a diversion dam on the Yakima River to divert water for a major expansion of irrigation on the Yakama Reservation. Construction of the dam was completed in 1917. In its existence, Wapato Dam has been the subject of relatively little maintenance activity. Corrective actions are currently in the planning stage, after inspections of the dam from floods revealed significant undercutting and scouring at various locations.

The Main Canal Headwork's and intake are located immediately upstream of and adjacent to the right abutment of the west segment of Wapato Dam. The headworks consist of six concrete intake bays with slide gates, a building situated atop the intake bays that houses the controls for the sliding gates, and a sluice gate on the far-right side of the dam immediately adjacent to the right abutment. The slide gates are adjusted by electric motors. To prevent large debris from entering the intake bays, a trash rack structure is

located in the fore-bay approximately 30 feet out from the intake bays. The trash rack is cleaned by a motorized rake that runs on tracks situated on top of the structure.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The rehabilitation and modernization of the Diversion Dam and Headworks will improve worker safety, increase operational efficiency, prolong the structure’s service life, and potentially enhance fish passage. The project demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and the Bureau.

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

The Wapato Diversion Dam and Headworks investment strategy demonstrates an on-going position on operation and maintenance costs and a moderate leveraging of non-DOI resources using Operation and Maintenance funds. The project demonstrates a major and measurable net savings for the Government, strongly supports financial sustainability efforts, or leverages significant non-DOI resources.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Failure to rehabilitate the Wapato Diversion Dam and Headworks could have a major and measurable direct impact on employee health and safety. The effect on the local economy would be catastrophic as well. The economic benefits generated by the Wapato Irrigation Project to the local economy are estimated to be as high as \$900,000,000 on an annual basis. As alluded to earlier, most of the acres within the Wapato Irrigation Project are served by water that flows through the Wapato Diversion Dam and Headworks. Failure to complete this project would have major direct impacts on public or employee health and safety.

**Ranking Categories:**

Category	Percent	Score
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.75
API Rating:	n/a	100
API/FCI Score:	(40%)	40
SB Score:	(20%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	20
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>100</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.40 x API/FCI score) + (0.20 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: NO  
 VE Study: Scheduled TBD, Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

Activity	Dollars in thousands	Percent
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ TBD	100
Modernization / Renewal Work:	\$ 0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

<b>History</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>
Funded to Date:	\$ 9,900
FY 2027 Resources Management Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
FY 2027 [FLREA/FLTP/Donation, etc.] Funding:	\$ 0
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ TBD
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: C**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2027/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: TBD

Design Funds Received: \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 Budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: FY 2027/Q1
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: FY 2032/Q1
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet**

Prepared/Last Updated: 08/2024

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

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Current:	\$ 52,000
Projected:	\$ 25,000
Net Change:	-\$ 27,000

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Total Project Score/Ranking: 100

Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD

Funding Source: Resources Management Construction – Irrigation Projects – Rehabilitation

**Project Identification**

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Project Title: West Kutz Siphon Repair

Project Number: TBD

Unit/Facility Name: Navajo Indian Irrigation Project

Region/Area/District: Navajo

Congressional District: 03

State: NM

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before:
1	AD149097	NAV0059141	100	0.20

**Project Description:**

The 2017 inspections of West Kutz Siphon revealed that six (6) 20ft sections of 210-inch diameter PCCP required repair. The wire breaks detected in West Kutz Siphon are similar to the ones detected in the Kutz Siphon in 2003. The risk of failure in these siphons is higher than previously assessed. This pipe must remain in service, as it delivers water to 72,800 irrigated acres. NAPI proposes to complete an interior repair on these sections to eliminate excavation requirements. Interior repairs are accomplished by draining the siphon and relining the interior of the 20ft sections at a time with carbon fiber composite.

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and the Bureau.

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable net savings for the Government, strongly supports financial sustainability efforts, or leverages significant non-DOI resources.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Failure to complete this project would have major direct impacts on public or employee health and safety.

**Ranking Categories:**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Score</b>
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.20
API Rating:	n/a	100
API/FCI Score:	(40%)	40
SB Score:	(20%)	20
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	20
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>100</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.40 x API/FCI score) + (0.20 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning:**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: TBD  
 VE Study: Scheduled 2011. Completed 2011

**Project Costs and Status**

**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ TBD	100
Modernization / Renewal Work:	\$ 0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

<b>History</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>
Funded to Date:	\$ 3,598
FY 2027 Resources Management Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ TBD
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: C**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2028/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: TBD  
 Design Funds Received: \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones:**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: TBD

- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet:**

Prepared/Last Updated: 04/2026

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

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Current:	\$	50,000*
Projected:	\$	40,000*
Net Change:	-\$	10,000*

\*BIA provides \$2,987,000 in annual funding for Irrigation Project Operations and Maintenance. BIA does not have specifics on the dollar amount allocated to the West Kutz siphon yearly. Dollar amounts are estimated.

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Total Project Score/Ranking:

Planned Funding FY 2027: TBD

Funding Source: Resources Management Construction / Irrigation Projects – Rehabilitation

**Project Identification**

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Project Title: Crowheart Bench Unit Rehabilitation

Project Number: WRIP

Unit/Facility Name: Wind River Indian Irrigation Project

DOI Unified Region/Area/District: Rocky Mountain Region

Congressional District: 01

State: WY

**Project Justification**

#	DOI Asset Code	FRPP Unique ID #	API:	FCI-Before:
1	Multiple		90	0.20

**Project Description:**

Improvements to various structures on the Crowheart Bench Unit.

Specifics of some significant assets:

Crowheart Bench Unit - Willow Creek Slide Area

Crowheart Bench Unit - 11 Drop structures Replacement Project

Crowheart Bench Unit - Dry Creek Diversion - Trash Rack System

Crowheart Bench Unit - Main Canal Check Structure Safety Rehab.

Crowheart Bench Unit - Dinwoody Tunnel - Overflow Safety Rehab.

Crowheart Bench Unit - Rehab. - Tunnel lining and venting

**Scope of Benefits (SB):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable contribution to established goals and objectives of the Department and the Bureau.

**Investment Strategy (IS):**

The project demonstrates a major and measurable net savings for the Government, strongly supports financial sustainability efforts, or leverages significant non-DOI resources.

**Consequences of Failure to Act (CFA):**

Failure to complete this project would have major direct impacts on public or employee health and safety. It would also have a direct impact on the farmers and their crops.

**Ranking Categories:**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Score</b>
FCI Rating:	n/a	0.20
API Rating:	n/a	90
API/FCI Score:	(20%)	20
SB Score:	(40%)	40
IS Score:	(20%)	20
CFA Score:	(20%)	20
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>(100%)</b>	<b>100</b>

Combined ranking factors = (0.20 x API/FCI score) + (0.40 x SB score) + (0.20 x IS score) + (0.20 x CFA score)

**Capital Asset Planning**

Capital Plan Business Case Required: No

VE Study: Scheduled TBD, Completed TBD

**Project Costs and Status**

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**Project Cost Estimate (this PDS):**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Maintenance/Repair Work:	\$ TBD	100
Modernization / Renewal Work:	\$ 0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>	<b>100</b>

**Project Funding History (entire project):**

<b>History</b>	<b>Dollars in thousands</b>
Funded to Date:	\$ 0
FY 2027 Resources Management Construction Funding (this PDS):	\$ TBD
FY 2027 [FLREA/FLTP/Donation, etc.] Funding:	\$ 0
Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$ 0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ TBD</b>

**Class of Estimate: A B C D**

Estimate Escalated to: FY 2027/Q4

**Planning and Design Funds:**

Planning Funds Received: TBD

Design Funds Received: \*TBD

\* These amounts for planning and design are included in the total formulated to the FY 2027 Budget on this project data sheet.

**Major Milestones**

Construction Award/Start

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

Project Complete

- Scheduled: TBD
- Actual: TBD

**Project Data Sheet**

Prepared/Last Updated: 08/2024

DOI Approved: Yes

**Annual Operations & Maintenance Costs \$**

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Current:	\$	78,000
Projected:	\$	32,000
Net Change:	-\$	46,000

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Other Program Construction**  
**Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Other Program Construction**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Other Program Construction</b>											
Telecommunications Improvement & Repair	1,419	-	2,419	-	-	-	-1,600	-	819	-	-1,600
Facilities/Quarters Improvement and Repair	4,619	-	4,619	-	-	-	-3,619	-	1,000	-	-3,619
Construction Program Management	10,497	24	9,497	24	-3	-	-3,738	-17	5,756	7	-3,741
Water Safety & Sanitation	5,760	-	5,760	-	-	-	-5,760	-	-	-	-5,760
<b>Total, Other Program Construction</b>	<b>22,295</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>22,295</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-14,717</b>	<b>-17</b>	<b>7,575</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-14,720</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Other Program Construction overview and program description**

### **Subactivity - Telecommunications Improvement & Repair**

IA operates telecommunication sites that are critical to the Bureaus' mission. Identifying and remediating telecommunication issues are critical to the continuity of operations. Telecommunication projects target the repair or replacement of radio towers, base stations, and infrastructure; correction of safety conditions; and damage caused by fire, acts of nature, vandalism, etc. Telecommunication projects ensure compliance with regulations, correct identified life safety deficiencies, replace systems that fall outside the narrowband requirements, and provide emergency repairs.

### **Subactivity - Facilities/Quarters Improvement & Repair**

IA performs facilities/quarters improvement and repair (F/QI&R) work on existing administrative facilities. The program prioritizes projects to improve safety and protect the health of employees and the public in administrative buildings. The funds support the following:

*Minor Improvement and Repair:* Funds are used to correct priority deficiencies and support code compliance repairs necessary to provide safe, functional facilities and minimize program personnel's exposure to potential life, safety, and health hazards. The program will focus on the disposal backlog of facilities that are ready for demolition or transfer to Tribes within the General Administration portfolio.

*Facility Condition Assessments:* The purpose of the program is to complete a comprehensive condition assessment and inventory validation of all IA-owned or -leased real property assets on a three-year cycle. Assessments identify new deficiencies and validate existing deficiencies tracked in IA-FMS for assets that provide Trust Services to Tribes and Tribal members. Condition assessments identify DM needs and include a computation of the current replacement value of each asset, which is necessary to calculate the asset's FCI. Condition assessments include major building systems such as fire and life safety, HVAC, and electrical systems, as well as structural integrity evaluations.

*Emergency Repairs:* The Emergency Repairs program provides reimbursement funds to mitigate or eliminate immediate threats to life, safety, health or property.

*Environmental Projects:* The Environmental Projects program addresses environmental clean-up in accordance with environmental laws and regulations. Specifically, funds are used to assess, characterize, remediate, and monitor potential or actual releases of environmental contaminants at IA-owned general administration facilities. Environmental projects include the upgrade or replacement of storage tanks, wastewater systems, water systems, water towers, or wells; removal and disposal of contaminated soils and hazardous or toxic materials; abatement of asbestos and lead paint; and sampling and analysis of environmental contaminants, including testing for and mitigation of radon gas.

### **Subactivity – Construction Program Management**

Construction Program Management provides for national strategic, operational, and liaison support for facilities programs. Staff will assist the program to ensure all major construction or renovation projects materially contribute to effective resource protection and improved overall operation of programs in the most cost effective and environmentally responsible manner possible. The program also manages and

oversees all maintenance programs, which are accomplished through commercial contracts, Pub.L. 93-638 contracts, Pub.L. 100-297 grants, or compacts with Tribes or Tribal organizations across the IA inventory which includes 61,024 buildings—more than 30.6 million square feet—nation-wide and includes all associated site utilities. The buildings are located in 28 States and are distributed over approximately 407 sites that are often remote and isolated.

*Fort Peck Water System:* In accordance with the requirements of the Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 2000, the Bureau funds operations, maintenance, and repair for the completed sections of the Fort Peck Water System located within the Fort Peck Indian Reservation boundaries. This system ensures a safe and adequate municipal, rural, and industrial water supply for the residents of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation in the State of Montana, as well as the citizens of Roosevelt, Sheridan, Daniels, and Valley counties in the State, outside the Fort Peck Indian Reservation.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Other Program Construction**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Other Program Construction**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Telecommunications Improvement & Repair	-1,600	-
Facilities/Quarters Improvement and Repair	-3,619	-
Construction Program Management	-3,738	-17
Water Safety & Sanitation	-5,760	-
<b>TOTAL, Program Changes</b>	<b>-14,717</b>	<b>-17</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Other Program Construction**

The 2027 budget request for Other Program Construction is \$7,575,000 and 7 FTE, a program change of -\$14,717,000 and -17 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Telecommunication Improvement & Repair (-\$1,600,000)** –Telecommunication Improvement and Repair funding will ensure compliance with regulations, help correct identified life safety deficiencies, replace systems that fall outside the narrowband requirements, and provide emergency repairs.

**Facilities / Quarters Improvement & Repair (-\$3,619,000)** – Funding will support facilities/quarters improvement and repair (F/QI&R) work on existing administrative facilities. The program prioritizes projects to improve the safety and protect the health of employees and the public in administrative buildings.

**Construction Program Management (-\$3,738,000 / -17 FTE)** – Funding supports Construction Program Management which provides for national strategic, operational, and liaison support for facilities programs.

**Water Safety & Sanitation (-\$5,760,000)** –Funding for this program is not requested.

*Other Program Construction*

**Real Property Asset Management**

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Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2027		Telecommunications Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				819						
			<i>Telecommunications Improvement and Repair</i>				819						
2027		Facilities/Quarters Improvement and Repair	Minor Improvement and Repair				625		Ongoing				
2027		Facilities/Quarters Improvement and Repair	Facility Condition Assessments				375		Ongoing				
2027		Facilities/Quarters Improvement and Repair	Emergency Repairs				0		Ongoing				
			<i>Facilities / Quarters Improvement and Repair</i>				1,000						
2027		Program Management	Oversight for all IA Facilities Programs				290		Ongoing				
2027		Indian Affairs-Facility Management System	Facility/Asset Management Software				201		Ongoing				
2027		[Ft. Peck Water System]	OM&R of completed portions of the water system	MT - AL			5,265		Ongoing				
			<i>Construction Program Management</i>				5,756						
			<b>Total Other Program Construction</b>				<b>7,575</b>						

*Other Program Construction*

Indian Affairs Other Program Construction Five Year Plan FY 2027 – 2031

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2028		Telecommunications Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				819						
			<i>Telecommunications Improvement and Repair</i>				819						
2028		Facilities Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				1,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Facilities / Quarters Improvement and Repair</i>				1,000						
2028		Program Management	Oversight for all IA Facilities Programs				290		Ongoing				
2028		Indian Affairs-Facility Management System	Facility/Asset Management Software				201		Ongoing				
2028		[Ft. Peck Water System]	OM&R of completed portions of the water system	MT - AL			5,265		Ongoing				
			<i>Construction Program Management</i>				5,756						
			<b>Total Other Program Construction</b>				<b>7,575</b>						

*Other Program Construction*

Indian Affairs Other Program Construction Five Year Plan FY 2027 – 2031

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2029		Telecommunications Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				819						
			<i>Telecommunications Improvement and Repair</i>				819						
2029		Facilities Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				1,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Facilities / Quarters Improvement and Repair</i>				1,000						
2029		Program Management	Oversight for all IA Facilities Programs				290		Ongoing				
2029		Indian Affairs-Facility Management System	Facility/Asset Management Software				201		Ongoing				
2029		[Ft. Peck Water System]	OM&R of completed portions of the water system	MT - AL			5,265		Ongoing				
			<i>Construction Program Management</i>				5,756						
			<b>Total Other Program Construction</b>				<b>7,575</b>						

*Other Program Construction*

Indian Affairs Other Program Construction Five Year Plan FY 2027 – 2031

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2030		Telecommunications Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				819						
			<i>Telecommunications Improvement and Repair</i>				819						
2030		Facilities Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				1,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Facilities / Quarters Improvement and Repair</i>				1,000						
2030		Program Management	Oversight for all IA Facilities Programs				290		Ongoing				
2030		Indian Affairs-Facility Management System	Facility/Asset Management Software				201		Ongoing				
2030		[Ft. Peck Water System]	OM&R of completed portions of the water system	MT - AL			5,265		Ongoing				
			<i>Construction Program Management</i>				5,756						
			<b>Total Other Program Construction</b>				<b>7,575</b>						

*Other Program Construction*

Indian Affairs Other Program Construction Five Year Plan FY 2027 – 2031

Fund Year	Priority Within the FY	Facility or Unit/Program Name	Project Title	Congressional District	Total Project Cost	Funded to Date	Funding Request	Remaining to be Funded	Future Years of Plan with Funding	Investment Category/ Work Classification	Funding Sources for Other Phases	DOI Score	Estimated DM&R Addressed
2031		Telecommunications Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				819						
			<i>Telecommunications Improvement and Repair</i>				819						
2031		Facilities Improvement and Repair	Multiple projects at various locations				1,000		Ongoing				
			<i>Facilities / Quarters Improvement and Repair</i>				1,000						
2031		Program Management	Oversight for all IA Facilities Programs				290		Ongoing				
2031		Indian Affairs-Facility Management System	Facility/Asset Management Software				201		Ongoing				
2031		[Ft. Peck Water System]	OM&R of completed portions of the water system	MT - AL			5,265		Ongoing				
			<i>Construction Program Management</i>				5,756						
			<b>Total Other Program Construction</b>				<b>7,575</b>						

**Indian Land & Water Claim Settlements & Miscellaneous  
Payments to Indians**

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**Account: Indian Land & Water Claim Settlements & Miscellaneous Payments to Indians**

Summary of Requirements Table

**Summary of Requirements  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Indian Land and Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Change from 2026 Enacted	
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)		
<b>Indian Land and Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians</b>										
Land Settlements	625	-	625	-	-	-	-	-	625	-
Water Settlements	79	-	79	-	-	-	+57,921	-	58,000	-
Miscellaneous Payments	272	-	272	-	-	-	-	-	272	-
<b>Total, Indian Land and Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>+57,921</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,897</b>	<b>-</b>

**Appropriations Language**

INDIAN LAND AND WATER CLAIM AND MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS

*For payments and necessary administrative expenses for implementation of Indian land and water claim settlements pursuant to the White Earth Reservation Land Settlement Act of 1985, Public Law 99–264, as amended (25 U.S.C. 331 note), the Truckee-Carson-Pyramid Lake Water Rights Settlement Act, title II of Public Law 101–618, and the Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2022, Public Law 117–349, and for implementation of other land and water rights settlements, \$58,897,000, to remain available until expended.*

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Indian Land & Water Claim Settlements & Miscellaneous Payments to Indians**  
**Introductory Funding Table**

**Activity: Indian Land Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request					Change from 2026 Enacted	
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority		FTE
<b>Land Settlements</b>											
White Earth Land Settlement Act (Adm.)	625	-	625	-	-	-	-	-	625	-	-
<b>Water Settlements</b>											
Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement	79	-	79	-	-	-	+57,921	-	58,000	-	+57,921
<b>Miscellaneous Payments</b>											
Truckee River Operating Agreement	272	-	272	-	-	-	-	-	272	-	-
<b>Total, Indian Land Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>+57,921</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,897</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>+57,921</b>

## **Indian Land & Water Claim Settlements & Miscellaneous Payments to Indians overview and program description**

### **Subactivity - Land Settlements**

*White Earth Land Settlement Act (Administration) (Pub.L. 99-264)*: The White Earth Land Settlement Funds are used to investigate and verify questionable transfers of land by which individual Indian allottees or their heirs were divested of ownership and to achieve the payment of compensation to allottees or heirs in accordance with Pub.L. 99-264. A major portion of work is contracted under the authority of Pub.L. 93-638, as amended, to the White Earth Reservation Business Committee.

### **Subactivity - Water Settlements**

BIA implements provisions of enacted water rights settlements that authorize appropriations. These investments improve the health and well-being of Tribal members and preserve existing economies and over the long-term, bring the potential for jobs and economic development.

Currently, the Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement is the only water rights settlement requiring BIA payment through discretionary appropriations. The Hualapai settlement was enacted in 2023.

*Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2022 (Pub.L. 117-349)*: The Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2022 settles the Tribe's water rights claims in Arizona and is the result of over a decade of dedicated, good-faith negotiations among the Tribe, the Federal government, the State of Arizona and other parties. The bill approves a settlement agreement that will provide much needed water to the Tribe. The enacted settlement establishes the Hualapai Water Trust Fund Account with authorized funding of \$312 million plus indexing that the Tribe can use to develop water infrastructure on its Reservation. The Act's provisions provide certainty to the Tribe and surrounding communities regarding access to water resources, enable Tribal economic growth and promote Tribal sovereignty and self-sufficiency. The Settlement has an enforcement date of April 15, 2029.

### **Subactivity – Miscellaneous Payments**

*Truckee River Operating Agreement (TROA) (Pub.L. 101-618)*: Funds will be used to pay the BIA share of ongoing administrative fees for the Truckee River Operating Agreement authorized in Section 205 of the Truckee-Carson-Pyramid Lake Water Settlement Act (Pub.L. 101-618) for services provided to implement the settlement. In addition, funds will be used to pay the BIA share of the cost of operation and maintenance of Boca Dam and Reservoir pursuant to Section 7 of the Truckee River Operating Agreement.

Part of TROA administrative fees pay to retain a Special Hearing Officer, whose responsibility it is to hear disagreements among all TROA parties. The TROA administration fee also pays for the TROA Administrator to operate and maintain the Truckee River Operations model, a 15-month model, the output from which is used by all TROA parties to plan storage and use of their water.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Indian Land & Water Claim Settlements & Miscellaneous Payments to Indians**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Land and Water Rights Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians**

*(Dollars in Thousands)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
<i>Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Need</i>	+57,921	-
<b>TOTAL, Program Changes</b>	<b>+57,921</b>	<b>-</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Indian Land & Water Claim Settlements & Miscellaneous Payments to Indians**

The FY 2027 budget request for Indian Land and Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians activity is \$58,897,000, a program change of +\$57,921,000 from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2022 (Pub.L. 117-349) (+\$57,921,000)** – The request proposes an increase of \$57.9 million, for a total of \$58.0 million, for Federal payment authorized in the Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2022 (Pub.L. 117-349).

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# **Indian Guaranteed Loan Program**

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**Account: Indian Guaranteed Loan Program**

**Summary of Requirements Table**

**Summary of Requirements  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Indian Guaranteed Loan Program**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)			
<b>Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account</b>											
Subsidies	11,204	-	11,204	-	-	-	-11,204	-	-	-	-11,204
Program Management	2,125	11	2,125	11	-	-	-1,625	-9	500	2	-1,625
<b>Total, Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account</b>	<b>13,329</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13,329</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-12,829</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-12,829</b>

**Fixed Costs and Internal Realignment Tables**

**Justification of Fixed Costs Changes  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Indian Guaranteed Loan Program  
Dollars in Thousands (\$000)**

<b>Fixed Cost Element</b>	<b>2026 Enacted Change</b>	<b>2026 Request to 2027 Request Change</b>	<b>Description</b>
Pay Raise	+18	0	The President's Budget for 2027 includes one quarter (October-December 2026) of the 1.0% pay raise for 2026 and 0.0% pay raise for 2027. Pay raises are consistent with the published OMB Circular A-11.
Total, Account 2027 Fixed Costs	+18	0	

**Appropriations Language**

INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

*For the cost of administrative expenses, as authorized by the Indian Financing Act of 1974, Public Law 93–262, as amended (25 U.S.C. 1451 et seq.), and of guaranteed loans and insured loans, \$500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2028: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, Public Law 93–344, as amended.*

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Indian Guaranteed Loan Program**  
**Introductory Funding Table**

**Account: Indian Guaranteed Loan Program**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account</b>											
Subsidies	11,204	-	11,204	-	-	-	-11,204	-	-	-	-11,204
Program Management	2,125	11	2,125	11	-	-	-1,625	-9	500	2	-1,625
<b>Total, Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account</b>	<b>13,329</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13,329</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-12,829</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-12,829</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

**Indian Guaranteed Loan Program overview and program description**

The Indian Guaranteed Loan Program (IGLP) is part of the Office of Indian Economic Development (OIED) and is managed by the Division of Capital Investment (DCI). Funding for IGLP supported subsidies of new loans issued under the Loan Guarantee, Insurance and Interest Subsidy program, part of the Indian Financing Act of 1974 (Pub.L. 93-262), as amended. In addition to IGLP loans, the program's credit portfolio includes loan guarantees issued prior to FY 1992, originally supported by the Indian Loan Guarantee and Insurance Fund, which is no longer in existence.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Indian Guaranteed Loan Program**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Indian Guaranteed Loan Program**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
<i>Subsidies</i>	-11,204	-
<i>Program Management</i>	-1,625	-9
<b>TOTAL Program Changes</b>	<b>-12,829</b>	<b>-9</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Indian Guaranteed Loan Program**

The 2027 budget request for Indian Guaranteed Loan Program is \$500,000 and 2 FTE, a program change of -\$12,829,000 and -9 FTE from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Subsidies (-\$11,204,000)** – The Budget eliminates the subsidies part of the Indian Guaranteed Loan program for Tribal business development because it is duplicative of several other programs across the Federal Government that offer loans to small businesses and which Tribal businesses are eligible for and receive.

**Program Management (-\$1,625,000 / -9 FTE)** – The FY 2027 Budget request proposes to retain \$500,000 in the Program Management subactivity. With these funds, the program will continue to manage past loan guarantees or insurance, coordinate with financial institutions, and conduct any contractually required activities.

# **Contract Support Costs**

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**Account: Contract Support Costs**

**Summary of Requirements Table**

**Summary of Requirements  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Contract Support Costs**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Change from 2026 Enacted		
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)			
<b>Contract Support Costs</b>											
Contract Support (TPA)	282,958	-	200,418	-	-	-	+10,508	-	210,926	-	+10,508
Indian Self-Determination Fund (TPA)	5,000	-	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-	-
<b>Total, Contract Support Costs</b>	<b>287,958</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>205,418</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>+10,508</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>215,926</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>+10,508</b>

**Appropriations Language**

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

*For payments to tribes and tribal organizations for contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, Public Law 93–638, as amended (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), agreements with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Education for fiscal year 2027, such sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2028: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under this heading shall be available for transfer to another budget account.*

**Activity/Sub-Activity: Contract Support Costs  
Introductory Funding Table**

**Account: Contract Support Costs**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Activity/Sub Activity/Program Element/Budget Element	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Change from 2026 Enacted		
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)		Budget Authority	FTE
Contract Support	282,958	-	200,418	-	-	-	+10,508	-	210,926	-	+10,508
Indian Self-Determination Fund	5,000	-	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-	-
<b>Total, Contract Support Costs</b>	<b>287,958</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>205,418</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>+10,508</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>215,926</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>+10,508</b>

<sup>1</sup> Table does not include supplemental funding.

## **Contract Support Costs overview and program description**

### **Subactivity: Contract Support**

The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (ISDEAA), as amended (Pub.L. 93-638) authorizes Indian Tribes to take over the administration of programs that had been previously administered on their behalf by the Department of the Interior. In passing ISDEAA, Congress recognized that the Federal Government's administration of Indian programs prevented Tribes from establishing their own policies regarding program services. The ISDEAA removed that impediment and allows Tribes to contract for a range of Indian programs that are managed by BIA on their behalf. Once a program is contracted, a Tribe assumes responsibility for all aspects of its management, such as hiring program personnel, conducting program activities, delivering program services, and establishing and maintaining administrative and accounting systems. Typical BIA programs that are contracted by Tribes include law enforcement, social services, road maintenance and natural resource programs.

Congress amended the Act in 1988 and 1994 to provide that, under self-determination contracts, Tribes will receive eligible funding for Contract Support Costs in addition to the base program amounts. Since 1988, Congress has provided funding for Contract Support Costs in annual appropriations acts. The funding included in a Tribe's contract is the sum of program funds transferred by BIA plus the eligible contract support funds provided for that Tribe's allowable administrative and managerial costs. In implementing the Act's provisions for contract support costs, BIA commonly refers to the following three categories of contract support costs: (1) indirect costs, which are the costs incurred for a common or joint purpose benefitting more than one contract objective, or which are not readily assignable to the contract objectives specifically benefitted without effort disproportionate to the results achieved; (2) direct Contract Support Costs, which are the costs of the activities Tribes incur but are not provided in program funding or indirect funding, such as the cost of program-specific training; and (3) startup costs, which are the one-time costs incurred during the initial year an agreement is in effect. The request for startup costs shall be reasonable, allowable, and allocable as it applies to the program, service, function or activity (PSFA) eligible to be included in a contract.

As the fiscal year progresses, and in the event of an overpayment of contract support funds, BIA will recoup the funds and may redistribute the funding to Tribes that have an increased Contract Support Cost need.

Fully funding Contract Support Costs allows BIA to meet ISDEAA's legal requirement to pay these costs; advances the Administration's policy of strengthening Indian self-determination; enhances BIA contracting programs; complies with the Supreme Court's decision in *Salazar v. Ramah Navajo Chapter*, 567 U.S. 182 (2012), that payment of Contract Support Costs is a legally enforceable contract obligation; and reduces BIA's exposure to breach of contract lawsuits.

### **Subactivity: Indian Self-Determination Fund**

Each year BIA estimates the amount of funds each Tribe with existing contracts should receive for Contract Support Costs. Beginning in FY 1995, BIA established a separate Indian Self-Determination (ISD) fund to provide funding for Contract Support Costs for new and expanded contracts during the first year of operation. The ISD fund enables BIA to assist with startup costs for the new or expanding PSFAs.

The funding includes allowable start-up costs, without decreasing the funding for ongoing contracts. In the second year of a contract, the funding amount is added to the Contract Support Cost calculation and the Tribe receives a share of contract support funding for ongoing contracts.

The ISD may include the allowable costs to: (1) provide an initial transfer of a program previously operated by IA to the Tribe or Tribal organization; (2) expand current Tribal operations through the assumption of additional programs previously operated by IA; or (3) provide initial contract support funding for all new and expanded awards under the Act, including the assumption of programs previously operated by other Tribes or Tribal organizations, and for newly recognized Tribes.

Regional staff begin discussions with the proposing Tribes or Tribal organizations early to identify the amount of need and allowable startup contract support costs. Once the amount of need is identified, and before the end of the proposal's review period, a request for this amount is submitted to the Division of Self-Determination Services for approval and for a determination if funds are available. The BIA Central Office determines approval of ISD proposals and startup funds by request from the Regional Office, after the Regional Office recommends approval of proposals for new and expanded contracts.

The ISD supports two IA goals: (1) fostering strong and stable Tribal governments, and (2) providing Tribes with the resources they need to enhance their basic government infrastructure. The ISD complements other cross-cutting budget programs such as Contract Support Costs and the New Tribes program. These activities are dependent on each other for meeting the goal of strengthening Indian self-determination.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Contract Support Costs**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Contract Support Costs**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
Contract Support	+10,508	-
<b>TOTAL, Program Changes</b>	<b>+10,508</b>	<b>-</b>

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Contract Support Costs**

The FY 2027 budget request for the Contract Support Costs is \$215,926,000 a program change of +10,508,000 from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Contract Support (+\$10,508,000)** – The proposed amount is estimated to fully fund 2027 Contract Support Costs for program areas including public safety and justice, real estate services, and human services, thus strengthening Tribal Communities across Indian Country and enabling Tribes to assume responsibility for operating Federal programs by covering the costs to administer the program.

# **Payments for Tribal Leases**

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**Account: Payments for Tribal Leases**

**Summary of Requirements and Introductory Funding Table**

**Summary of Requirements and Introductory Funding  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Payments for Tribal Leases  
Dollars in Thousands (\$000)**

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)			
<b>Payments for Tribal Leases</b>											
Payments for Tribal Leases	134,086	-	138,324	-	-	-	+9,239	-	147,563	-	+9,239
<b>Total, Payments for Tribal Leases</b>	<b>134,086</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>138,324</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>+9,239</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>147,563</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>+9,239</b>

**Appropriations Language**

PAYMENTS FOR TRIBAL LEASES

*For payments to tribes and tribal organizations for leases pursuant to section 105(l) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, Public Law 93–638, as amended (25 U.S.C. 5324(l)), for fiscal year 2027, such sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2028: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under this heading shall be available for transfer to another budget account.*

## **Payment for Tribal Leases overview and program description**

### **Subactivity: Payment for Tribal Leases**

The Payments for Tribal Leases activity funds facility lease agreements under section 105(*l*) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA) in support of Tribal self-determination. ISDEAA requires the BIA and the BIE to enter into a section 105(*l*) lease upon the request of a Tribe or Tribal organization for a facility used by the Tribe or Tribal organization in support of its Tribally operated ISDEAA contract or compact, or Tribally Controlled Schools Act (25 U.S.C. § 5324(*l*)(1)) grant. The Payments for Tribal Leases program supports Tribally requested leases for programs, functions, activities, and services related to public safety and justice, education, and other administrative and Tribal government services.

Section 105(*l*) of ISDEAA requires that upon the request of a Tribe or Tribal organization, the Secretary shall enter into a lease with the Tribe or Tribal organization for a facility used by the Tribe to carry out a self-determination contract, self-governance funding agreement, or Tribally Controlled Schools Act grant. Lease costs must be reasonable and not duplicative of other Tribal payments.

The Payments for Tribal Leases program helps to fulfill the ISDEAA mandate for the Federal government to support Tribal nations in their efforts to achieve self-sufficiency. IA recognizes the importance of 105(*l*) leases as a mechanism for infrastructure development in Indian Country as it ensures Tribes and Tribal organizations have the proper facilities in place to carry out Federal functions under a self-determination contract or self-governance compact with the Department of the Interior for functions such as education, general administration, public safety, and others. The process to negotiate 105(*l*) leases strengthens our government-to-government relationship with sovereign Tribal nations and supports a spirit of cooperation.

**Summary of Program Changes Table: Payment for Tribal Leases**

**Summary of 2027 Program Changes for Payments for Tribal Leases**

*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

<b>Program Changes</b>	<b>2027 Request Change</b>	<b>FTE Change</b>
<i>Payments for Tribal Leases</i>	+9,239	-
<b>TOTAL Program Changes</b>	<b>+9,239</b>	-

**Justification of Program Changes Narrative: Payments for Tribal Leases**

The 2027 budget request for Payments for Tribal Leases is \$147,563,000, a program change of +\$9,239,000 from the 2026 Enacted level.

**Program Change Description: Payments for Tribal Leases (+\$9,239,000)** – This funding will support additional leases in areas including law enforcement, education, Tribal Administration/mixed use, economic development, and real estate. These payments are a statutory requirement.

# **Permanent Appropriations**

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## **Account: Permanent Appropriations**

- 14-2204      White Earth Settlement Fund
  
- 14-9925      Miscellaneous Permanent Appropriations
  - 14-5468      Power Revenues, Indian Irrigation Projects
  - 14-5240      Operations and Maintenance, Irrigation Systems
  - 14-5442      Alaska Resupply Program
  - 14-2623      Claims and Treaty Obligations
  
- 14-5051      Operation and Maintenance of Quarters
  
- 14-5740      Selis-Qlispe Ksanka Settlement Trust Fund
  
- 14-2628      Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account
  - 14-4409      Revolving Fund for Loans Liquidating Account
  - 14-4410      Indian Loan Guaranty and Insurance Fund Liquidating Account
  - 14-4415      Indian Guaranteed Loan Financing Account
  - 14-4416      Indian Direct Loan Financing Account
  
- 14-8361      Gifts and Donations

**Account: White Earth Settlement Fund**

**Summary of Requirements Table**

**Summary of Requirements  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
White Earth Settlement Fund**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)			
<b>Total, White Earth Settlement Fund</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## **White Earth Land Settlement Fund overview and program description**

### **White Earth Land Settlement Fund**

The White Earth Reservation Land Settlement Act of 1985 (Pub.L. 99-264) authorizes the payment of funds to eligible allottees or heirs as defined in the Act. The payment of funds shall be treated as the final judgment, award, or compromise settlement under the provisions of Title 31, United States Code, section 1304. Compensation is paid for the fair market value as of the date of questionable taking of allotted land, less any compensation actually received, plus compound interest to the date of payments.

**Account: Miscellaneous Permanent Appropriations**

Summary of Requirements Table

**Summary of Requirements  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Miscellaneous Permanent Appropriations**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
Power Systems, Indian Irrigation Projects	100,398	80	105,418	80	-	-	-1,000	-	104,418	80	-1,000
Operation and Maintenance, Indian Irrigation Systems	41,453	141	43,526	141	-	-	-	-	43,526	141	-
Alaska Resupply Program	-	1	1,000	1	-	-	-	-	1,000	1	-
Claims and Treaty Obligations	41	-	41	-	-	-	-	-	41	-	-
<b>Subtotal, Miscellaneous Permanent Appropriations</b>	<b>141,892</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>149,985</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>148,985</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>-1,000</b>
<i>Sequestration</i>	-2,286	-	-2,286	-	-	-	+277	-	-2,009	-	+277
<i>Previously Unavailable BA</i>	2,056	-	1,119	-	-	-	-	-	1,119	-	-
<b>Total, Miscellaneous Permanent Appropriations</b>	<b>141,662</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>148,818</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-723</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>148,095</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>-723</b>

## **Miscellaneous Permanent Appropriations overview and program description**

### **Activity – Power Revenues, Indian Irrigation Projects**

The BIA owns three power projects: two in Arizona and one in Montana. The BIA operates and maintains the San Carlos Irrigation and Power Project and the Colorado River Power Project in Arizona. The Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation operate Mission Valley Power in Northwest Montana under a Pub.L. 93-638 contract. The BIA-owned power projects distribute power to approximately 38,000 customers, both on and off the reservations.

These power projects generate revenue through the issuance of bills and associated collections from power consumers and users of the three power projects based on statutory requirements pursuant to section 4 of the Permanent Appropriation Repeal Act (48 Stat. 1227), signed June 26, 1934. Power rates are reviewed annually and published as necessary in the Federal Register when changes are proposed. As authorized by the FY 1984 Appropriations Act (Pub.L. 98-146), collections are invested in interest-bearing securities until needed by a project.

The collected revenues are deposited in the U.S. Treasury for use by the respective projects. BIA administers the revenues to operate, maintain, and rehabilitate power system infrastructure on each project. Infrastructure includes power generating facilities, power substations, electrical switching stations, transmission lines, distribution lines, and other related equipment including deteriorated infrastructures.

### **Activity – Operations and Maintenance, Irrigation Systems**

These receipts are obtained through the annual collection from water users. Applicable law allows assessments to be levied on irrigation projects constructed and owned by the United States for delivering service to Indian and non-Indian landowners and water users. Fifteen of the irrigation projects owned by the BIA charge their water users an annual operation and maintenance (O&M) fee to fund the cost of operating and maintaining the project and are considered self-supporting. The per acre assessment rate is calculated by estimating the cost of O&M for the project, divided by the acreage. Assessment rates are published annually in the Federal Register notice. The collected funds are deposited in the U.S. Treasury, which BIA administers for operations and maintenance of the respective projects. The collections are invested in interest-bearing securities until required for project operations.

Indian Affairs operates and maintains the irrigation infrastructure to deliver available water during the irrigation season for the authorized users at each project. Infrastructure includes 1) water storage reservoirs, diversion structures, and pumping plants and 2) canals and water control structures.

### **Activity – Alaska Resupply Program**

The Alaska Resupply Program (Pub.L. 77-457, as amended by Pub.L. 102-154) provides a supply of essential life-sustaining commodities, such as heating fuel and gasoline, to remote Alaskan Native villages and IA facilities. The commodities are purchased by the recipients and collected revenues are deposited into a special fund in the U.S. Treasury, to be available to carry out the provisions of the Alaska Resupply Program. The program is managed by IA's Seattle Support Center in Seattle, Washington.

**Activity – Claims and Treaty Obligations**

This appropriation allows annual payments to fulfill continuing treaty requirements as follows:

*Treaties with the Seneca Tribe of Indians of New York* - Funds are paid in equal shares to members of the Seneca Nation as provided by the Act of February 19, 1831 (4 Stat. 442).

*Treaties with the Six Nations of New York* - The Six Nations are comprised of the Seneca, Tonawanda Band of Seneca, Tuscarora, Onondaga, Oneida, and Cayuga Tribes. The funds are allocated as follows: \$2,700 to the New York Indians for the purchase of dress goods, implements of husbandry, and other utensils suited to their circumstances. The remaining of \$1,800 is distributed per capita to the Oneida Indians under the jurisdiction of the Great Lakes Agency, Wisconsin, as provided by the Treaty of November 11, 1794, and the Act of February 25, 1799 (1 Stat. 618, 619).

*Treaties with the Pawnees of Oklahoma* – This money is distributed per capita to the Pawnees as provided by the Treaty of September 24, 1857, Article 2 (11 Stat. 729).

**Account: Operation and Maintenance of Quarters**

**Summary of Requirements Table**

**Summary of Requirements  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Operation and Maintenance of Quarters**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)			
<b>Subtotal, Operation and Maintenance of Quarters</b>	<b>3,509</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3,684</b>	<b>13</b>	-	-	-74	-	<b>3,610</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-74</b>
<i>Sequestration</i>	-330	-	-330	-	-	-	+144	-	-186	-	+144
<i>Previously Unavailable BA</i>	218	-	330	-	-	-	-	-	330	-	-
<b>Total, Operation and Maintenance of Quarters</b>	<b>3,397</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3,684</b>	<b>13</b>	-	-	<b>+70</b>	-	<b>3,754</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>+70</b>

## **Operation and Maintenance of Quarters overview and program description**

### **Operation and Maintenance of Quarters**

The Federal Employees Quarters Facilities Act (Pub.L. 98-473, as amended (5 U.S.C. 5911)), authorizes Federal agencies to provide housing and related conveniences to their employees when conditions of employment or availability of housing warrant such action. The Law requires collection of rent and charges for related conveniences made available in connection with the occupancy of the housing unit. Funds collected are deposited into an account in the U.S. Treasury and made available to the IA Operation and Maintenance (O&M) of Quarters. These funds are distributed to the servicing quarter's management program and expended for daily O&M activities at the location where the monies were collected.

The O&M Quarters program oversees management of over 2,500 housing units leased to IA employees, including single family houses, duplexes, triplexes, apartments, mobile homes, and trailer spaces. Rental rates for government-owned housing are determined through the Internet Quarters Management Information System (iQMIS), a centralized, web-based database and management tool. Rental rates take into consideration such factors as remoteness, age, and physical conditions of the quarters. The iQMIS interfaces with the Financial Business and Management System (FBMS), creating transparency coupled with improved audits, reconciliation, tracking, and distribution of funds. This system provides real time data for management and reporting. The Office of Facilities, Property, & Safety Management (OFPSM) provides management oversight for the O&M of quarters and maintains the national iQMIS database. Regions and agencies provide oversight at the local level.

Quarters operation activities and costs include administrative services, utility system services/expenses, refuse disposal, fire protection, maintenance vehicle costs, communications costs, and pest control. Maintenance and repair activities and costs include routine preventive, routine cyclical, and unscheduled (emergency) work for quarters units and related structures (i.e., detached quarters garages), equipment and utility system repairs.

**Account: Selis-Qlispe Ksanka Settlement Trust Fund**

**Summary of Requirements Table**

**Summary of Requirements**  
 Bureau of Indian Affairs  
**Appropriation: Selis-Qlispe Ksanka Settlement Trust Fund**  
*(Dollars in Thousands)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request				Change from 2026 Enacted	
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)		
<b>Total, Selis-Qlispe Ksanka Settlement Trust Fund</b>	<b>111,705</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>90,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>90,000</b>	<b>-</b>

**Selis-Olispe Ksanka Settlement Trust Fund overview and program description**

**Selis-Olispe Ksanka Settlement Trust Fund**

The Montana Water Rights Protection Act included in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Pub.L. 116-260) settles water rights claims of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Indian Reservation. The Act establishes the Selis-Olispe Ksanka Settlement Trust Fund (Fund) and authorizes appropriations to rehabilitate and modernize the existing Flathead Indian Irrigation Project, among other things. The Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) settlement authorizes \$1.0 billion in discretionary appropriations and \$900 million in mandatory appropriations to be deposited into the Fund. Final discretionary amounts to satisfy settlement must be appropriated by FY 2030 to meet the terms of the settlements. The Act authorizes mandatory payments be funded at \$90 million per year for 10 years, FY 2021-2030.

**Account: Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account**

**Summary of Requirements Table**

**Summary of Requirements  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account**  
*Dollars in Thousands (\$000)*

Treasury Account/Activity	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<b>Total, Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account</b>	<b>3,085</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,085</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-3,085</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-3,085</b>

## **Indian Guaranteed Loan Program overview and program description**

### **Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account**

As required by the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661, Pub.L. 101-508) , this account supports the subsidy costs associated with guaranteed and insured loans committed in 1992 and beyond (including modifications of loan guarantees that resulted from obligations or commitments in any year), as well as administrative expenses of this program including improvements to information technology systems.

### **Revolving Fund for Loans Liquidating Account**

As required by the Federal Reform Act of 1990, this account records all cash flows to and from the Government resulting from direct loans obligated prior to 1992. This account is shown on a cash basis. All new activity in this program in 1992 and beyond (including modifications of direct loans that resulted from obligations or commitments in any year) is recorded in corresponding program and financing accounts.

The Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661) changed the Revolving Fund for loans to a Liquidating Account for loans made prior to FY 1992. The program collects repayments, interest, and fees from borrowers of pre-1992 direct loans. Receipts from loans made from 1935 to 1991 are deposited into the Revolving Fund and returned to the General Fund of the U.S. Treasury. The liquidating account does not make new loan disbursements.

### **Indian Loan Guaranty and Insurance Fund Liquidating Account**

As required by the Federal Reform Act of 1990, this account records all cash flows to and from the Government resulting from direct loans obligated prior to 1992. This account is shown on a cash basis. All new activity in this program in 1992 and beyond (including modifications of direct loans that resulted from obligations or commitments in any year) is recorded in corresponding program and financing accounts.

### **Indian Guaranteed Loan Financing Account**

As required by the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, this non-budgetary account records all cash flows to and from the Government resulting from loan guarantees and insured loans committed in 1992 and beyond (including modifications of loan guarantees and insured loans that resulted from commitments in any year). The amounts in this account are a means of financing and are not included in the budget totals.

### **Indian Direct Loan Financing Account**

As required by the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, this non-budgetary account records all cash flows to and from the Government resulting from direct loans committed in 1992 and beyond (including modifications of direct loans that resulted from obligations in any year). The amounts in this account are a means of financing and are not included in the budget totals.

## Account: Gifts and Donations

### Summary of Requirements Table

**Summary of Requirements**  
 Bureau of Indian Affairs  
**Appropriation: Gifts and Donations**  
*(Dollars in Thousands)*

	2025 Actual		2026 Enacted		2027 Request						
	Budget Authority	FTE	Budget Authority	FTE	Fixed Costs (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (\$)	FTE Changes (+/-)	Budget Authority	FTE	Change from 2026 Enacted
<i>Treasury Account/Activity</i>											
<b>Total, Gifts and Donations</b>	<b>6,650</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**Gifts and Donations overview and program description**

**Gifts and Donations**

The Secretary of the Interior may accept donations of funds or other property and may use the donated property in accordance with the terms of the donation in furtherance of any programs authorized by other provision of law for the benefit of Indians (25 U.S.C. 451).

**Appendix B – Section 403 Compliance/  
Employee Count by Grade**

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## Appendix B – Section 403 Compliance

### Compliance with Section 403

This exhibit fulfills the statutory reporting requirements for B/Os directed in Section 403 of the Commerce, Justice, Science; Energy and Water Development; and Interior and Environment Appropriations Act, 2026 (Pub.L. 119-74) as shown below.

### DISCLOSURE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

SEC. 403. The amount and basis of estimated overhead charges, deductions, reserves, or holdbacks, including working capital fund charges, from programs, projects, activities and subactivities to support government-wide, departmental, agency, or bureau administrative functions or headquarters, regional, or central operations shall be presented in annual budget justifications and subject to approval by the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. Changes to such estimates shall be presented to the Committees on Appropriations for approval.

### External Administrative Costs (Working Capital Fund)

Activity	Working Capital Fund					
	Dollars in Thousands (\$000)					
	2026 Estimate			2027 Estimate		
	Central	Direct	TOTAL	Central	Direct	TOTAL
OS Shared Services	1,261.1	8.6	1,269.7	820.4	9.3	829.7
OS Activities	9,536.7	3,093.2	12,629.9	8,834.0	3,047.5	11,881.5
IT Shared Services	9,975.1	7,885.4	17,860.5	8,796.5	8,813.5	17,610.0
Interior Business Center	1,970.2	1,167.9	3,138.0	1,977.7	1,138.3	3,115.9
<b>TOTAL, WCF Billing</b>	<b>22,743.1</b>	<b>12,155.0</b>	<b>34,898.1</b>	<b>20,428.6</b>	<b>13,008.5</b>	<b>33,437.1</b>

## Appendix B –Employee Count by Grade

### Employee Count by Grade Table

**Bureau of Indian Affairs**  
**Employee Count by Grade**  
*(Total Employment)*

Employee Count by Grade	2025 Actual	2026 Enacted	2027 Request Estimate
Executive Level V .....	0	0	0
SES .....	28	24	20
<b>Subtotal .....</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>20</b>
SL-00 .....	1	1	1
ST-00 .....	0	0	0
<b>Subtotal .....</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
GS/GM -15 .....	110	96	79
GS/GM -14 .....	270	235	194
GS/GM -13 .....	506	441	365
GS -12 .....	682	595	491
GS -11 .....	637	555	459
GS -10 .....	7	6	5
GS - 9 .....	319	278	230
GS - 8 .....	101	88	73
GS - 7 .....	242	211	175
GS - 6 .....	156	136	113
GS - 5 .....	120	105	87
GS - 4 .....	68	59	49
GS - 3 .....	7	6	5
GS - 2 .....	2	2	2
GS - 1 .....	0	0	0
<b>Subtotal .....</b>	<b>3,227</b>	<b>2,813</b>	<b>2,327</b>
Other Pay Schedule Systems .....	599	522	432
<b>Total employment (actuals &amp; estimates) <sup>1</sup> .....</b>	<b>3,855</b>	<b>3,360</b>	<b>2,780</b>

<sup>1</sup>The FY 2026 and FY 2027 columns reflect the realignment of wildland fire management personnel from BIA to the U.S. Wildland Fire Service during FY 2026, in fulfillment of Executive Order 14308, Empowering Commonsense Wildfire Prevention and Response, Secretary's Order (SO) 3443, Elevating and Unifying DOI's Wildland Fire Management Program, and SO 3448, Establishment of the U.S. Wildland Fire Service.