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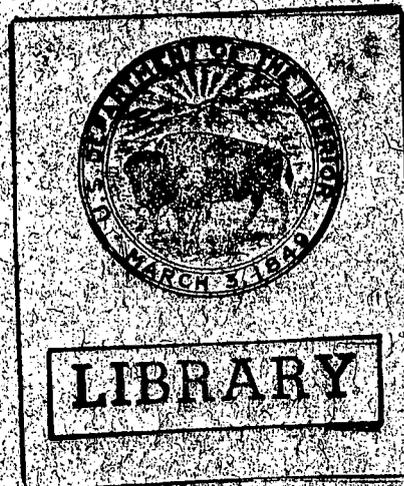
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED
AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1986

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 1985.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

WITNESSES

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Mr. YATES. Mr. Reporter, show the hearing as coming to order. This is the hearing on the appropriations for fiscal year 1986 for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Appearing in support of that appropriation is Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, Operations, John W. Fritz; and Mr. Thomas Stangl, Budget Officer for the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Mr. Stangl's biography may go into the record at this point.

That will be followed by Mr. Fritz' statement.

[The biography of Mr. Stangl and statement of Mr. Fritz follow:]

(1)

LAND ACQUISITION

Mr. YATES. You do not want any money for land acquisition; right?

Mr. FRITZ. Yes, sir.

Mr. YATES. Last year, we had money for land acquisition of the Mississippi Choctaw Tribe. Have many of the tribes asked for funds for land acquisition?

Mr. FRITZ. Yes, sir.

Mr. YATES. Why are you not giving it to them?

Mr. FRITZ. Just priorities.

Mr. YATES. What is the reason they asked for the land acquisition?

Mr. FRITZ. To try to consolidate holdings generally inside their reservation boundaries.

Mr. YATES. How important is it?

Mr. FRITZ. It is important to them, but, frankly, it is difficult for us to balance it off against the needs of the children in the schools, the needs of social welfare and other things. It is a tough balancing act, candidly.

Mr. YATES. How much money do you need to finish the Mississippi Choctaw case?

Mr. FRITZ. I do not know that off the top of my head.

Mrs. CROSBY. We have a request to complete the program that was in the area of \$500,000. However, that total program has not been analyzed by the Bureau yet.

Mr. YATES. Would you put in the record a list of your requests from the tribes?

Mr. FRITZ. I certainly will.

[The information follows:].

LAND ACQUISITION FUNDING REQUESTS

The following requests for land acquisition funds were received by the Bureau in the FY 1986 Budget planning process, with the exception of the Zuni request (see footnote regarding their request). The Bureau receives requests each year for land acquisition, either in the budget process or through correspondence direct from the tribes. The limit that the Bureau is authorized to request in the budget annually is \$2 million. However, within planning allowances, no requests for land acquisition have been made in recent years because of other high priority needs for ongoing tribal programs. A list of known requests by area and tribe, which is not in priority order, is as follows:

<u>ABERDEEN</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Cheyenne River	\$ 736,000
Fort Berthold	24,192,000
Lower Brule	1,536,000
Pine Ridge	48,960,000
Rosebud	38,192,000
Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska	1,000,000
Standing Rock	17,664,000
Turtle Mountain	375,000
Yankton Sioux	600,000
Total Aberdeen Area	\$133,255,000
<u>ALBUQUERQUE</u>	
Funding for use by any of the 24 tribes under jurisdiction of the Albuquerque Area Office.	\$ 575,000
Zuni Pueblo	1,470,000*
Total Albuquerque Area	\$2,045,000
<u>ANADARKO</u>	
Kaw	\$ 35,000
Otoe	1,850,000
Pawnee	1,800,000
Ponca	1,250,000
Tonkawa	65,000
Total Anadarko Area	\$5,000,000
<u>EASTERN</u>	
Mississippi Choctaw	\$930,509
Total Eastern Area	\$930,509

<u>MINNEAPOLIS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Bad River	\$ 35,100
St. Crois	208,000
Stockbridge-Munsee	<u>58,700</u>
Total Minneapolis Area	\$301,800
 <u>NAVAJO</u>	
Navajo	<u>\$125,000</u>
Total Navajo Area	\$125,000
 <u>PHOENIX</u>	
Chemehuevi	\$23,460,000
Colorado River	747,500
Salt River	<u>690,000</u>
Total Phoenix Area	\$24,897,500
 <u>SACRAMENTO</u>	
Round Valley, Covelo Indian Community	<u>\$10,000,000</u>
Total Sacramento Area	\$10,000,000
 TOTAL - ALL AREAS	 <u>\$176,554,809</u>

* The Zuni Pueblo has requested a loan of \$1,470,000 to purchase the "remaining private lands and leasehold interests within the Zuni Heaven Area" as authorized by the Act of August 28, 1984, P.L. 98-408.

While the Bureau did not receive specific requests from tribes in the Billings, Portland and Muskogee Areas, we are aware of some tribal interest in those areas for land acquisition funding. The groups in the Juneau Area would not be involved in such requests due to the land claims settlement in Alaska.

The requests for land acquisition funding were made for a variety of reasons. Some tribes wish to establish tribal land purchase programs, with their main objective being to preserve their reservation base by acquiring title to lands in their consolidation areas and to eliminate fractionated heirship lands. Most tribes wish to consolidate their land holdings in order to build a better economic future for themselves by acquiring land for grazing, agricultural, commercial and housing projects. Some tribes in the Michigan/Wisconsin area wish to purchase unimproved fee lands for wildlife and forestry resources. In the case of Navajo, they wish to purchase land for tribal members who are forced to relocate because of coal strip mining activities. None of the requests are under active consideration because funding for this purpose has a low priority in comparison with other bureau programs.

LOAN GUARANTY

Mr. YATES. You want a million four hundred eighty-five for interest subsidies, for management and technical assistance.

How have you provided these in the past?

Mr. FRITZ. I will let Mr. Krenzke speak to that on our Indian Financing Act.

Mr. KRENZKE. In the past these were provided from the funds that were appropriated back in the mid-1970's.

Mr. YATES. What is the basis of the requested amount, and are you asking for any funds for additional loans under the revolving fund?

Mr. KRENZKE. No. The basis for this request is to provide simply for the interest subsidy of those loan guarantees that were put into place since the passage of the Amendments to the Indian Financing Act, in the fiscal years 1985 and 1986, and to maintain the technical assistance at the same level it has been operating.

ADEQUATE FUNDING

Mr. YATES. Were you weak in funding?

Mr. Mills said you are weak in certain places. Are there other areas you think you are weak, where you need money desperately?

Mr. FRITZ. No. If I look at our budget, I think that our budget overall—

Mr. YATES. Well, you are weak—I know you are weak in Mr. Krenzke's and Ms. Elbert's department.

Mr. FRITZ. Social services.

Mr. YATES. Yes. You are certainly weak there and you are also weak in the question of funds for water rights and attorneys' fees, are you not?

Mr. FRITZ. We are trying our darnedest, Mr. Chairman, to get that amount up.

TRAINING OF INDIANS

Mr. YATES. I did not ask you if you were trying your darnedest. I asked you where you are weak.

Mr. FRITZ. In terms of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, if I were to categorize a weakness, in the macro sense, Mr. Chairman, the largest weakness we have is in training of our employees. That is obviously an incidental part and parcel of each and every program. What it seems to me is that it is incumbent upon the organization, its supervisors and its management to start training these people. You hit upon the question of how we go about training for minerals and mining. Mr. Mills has gone out and recruited what I think is one of the top Indian mineral hard rock experts in the country; brought him in from the State of Washington. We are bringing in people from the outside.

Now, what we need to do is focus and use our skills to bring up to speed the young and middle-aged and even older Indian employees who are in the organization. Training is going to be essential. The world is moving past us.