AGENCY: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

TITLE: OFFICE OF LAND AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (OLEM) TRIBAL PROGRAM SUPPORT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

ACTION: Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) - Questions and Answers.

NOFO NO: EPA-OLEM-OCPA-24-03

ASSISTANCE LISTING NOS.: 66.808; 66.813; 66.814; 66.816

SUMMARY: The following are formal Agency responses to questions/comments received regarding the subject NOFO.

1. "It looks as though this grant is focused primarily at cleanup and not necessarily at source control or stormwater management."

That's correct, this funding opportunity is not focused on source control or stormwater management.

The NOFO covers OLEM-related programs and collaborative efforts between EPA and Tribal governments to safely manage solid and hazardous wastes; develop and operate underground storage tank programs; oversee Resource Conservation and Recovery Act facilities; prepare for, prevent and respond to chemical and oil spills, accidents, and emergencies; respond to contamination on sites; assess, clean up and revitalize brownfields; coordinate cleanup of Superfund sites affecting Tribes and Tribal lands; and work on new and emerging issues, including responding to a changing climate.

For more information on the programs and statutory authorities for the assistance agreements awarded by EPA under this funding opportunity, see *Section 1.H. Statutory Authorities*, pg. 17 of the NOFO.

2. Are there additional resources to help applicants fully understand the scope of the funding opportunity and how to apply?

Per Section 4.E.–Pre-Application Assistance, pg. 28: OLEM will host one virtual webinar to assist potential applicants for this funding opportunity. The webinar will be held on September 11, 2024, at 3:00 pm ET. The webinar will review the funding opportunity, key sections of the application, and the application process. We encourage potential applicants seeking funding under this competitive funding opportunity to participate. Register online here.

Additionally, all questions and answers will be updated and posted regularly on OLEM's Grants and Funding page at: <u>https://www.epa.gov/grants/office-land-and-emergency-management-grants-and-funding</u> under the NOFO listing. We encourage potential applicants to check this page regularly.

