



October 7, 2022

Dear Tribal Leader:

On June 22, 2022, FEMA hosted a virtual tribal consultation regarding the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/ Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) preparedness grant programs. We appreciate your feedback on eligibility requirements for the [Emergency Management Performance Grant Program](#) (EMPG) and the [Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program](#) (THSGP). The input, which is critical to our understanding of the issues that Tribal Nations face when seeking and managing preparedness grant funding.

We invite you to attend our follow-up virtual tribal consultation on November 9, 2022. During this consultation, we will discuss key elements of a draft legislative proposal to amend the [Homeland Security Act of 2002](#) to increase tribal access to the THSGP and gather your feedback on that proposal.

The tribal consultation will be hosted by FEMA Resilience senior leadership. Topics include:

- An overview of previous feedback received from Tribal leaders and representatives regarding the DHS/FEMA preparedness grant programs; and
- A summary of the Proposed legislative changes to amend the [Homeland Security Act of 2002](#) to increase the scope of the THSGP.

The virtual tribal consultation will be conducted via Zoom on for Government Wednesday, November 9, 2022. Below is the webinar information:

- Time: 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET)
- [Register to attend](#)
- Zoom Meeting ID: 160 126 8616
- Passcode: 473251
- Join by phone: (669) 254-5252

A framing paper with questions for Tribal leader consideration will be available on the FEMA website at www.fema.gov/about/tribes/consultations.

The consultation record will remain open for 30 days after the virtual session for Tribal leaders to submit feedback or comments to FEMA's Grants Program Directorate at gpd-comms@fema.dhs.gov. Final feedback and comments are due by Friday, December 9, 2022.

We look forward to your participation and receiving your feedback as we work to support Tribal Nations' access to grant funding before, during, and after disasters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "P.S. Williams". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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cc: Tribal Emergency Managers, FEMA Regional
Tribal Liaison Specialists