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Earther – [Environmental Regulations Has Helped Cut Deaths from Air Pollution in Half, Study Finds](#)



Look at that 2002 Los Angeles smog. Photo credit: Getty

Anchorage Daily News - [The eerie song of Antarctic melting](#)



From yesterday's [NASA Ice Twitter Feed](#): A tabular iceberg can be seen on the right, floating among sea ice just off the Larsen C ice shelf. The iceberg's sharp angles and flat surface indicate that it probably recently calved from the ice shelf.

TOP STORIES

NPR – [EPA Boasts Of Reduced Greenhouse Gases, Even As Trump Questions Climate Science](#)

Yes! Magazine – [3 Things You Can Do to Help Avoid Climate Disaster](#)

HEADLINES

[Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes](#)

The Hill - [EPA puts science ‘transparency’ rule on back burner](#)

The New Republic - [Here is the hard truth about the air pollution report Trump tweeted](#)

Scientific American - [White House Pressured EPA on Changes to Methane Leak Rule](#)

NY Times – [A New Culprit Is Identified in China’s Choking Smog](#)

Indianz – [Thousands gather for annual meeting of Alaska Federation of Natives](#)

Splinter - [It's Been a Historic, Wild Week for Native Americans in Alaska](#)

Native Sun News – [KXL pipeline fight goes on Tribes, allies reunite](#)

EPA – [EPA Withdraws Last-Minute Obama-Era Uranium Proposal](#)

Colorlines – [Trump Administration to Suspend Dozens Of Environmental and Health Laws to Build Border Wall](#)

EPA – [Trump Administration Launches “Winning on Reducing Food Waste” Initiative](#)

KNOX News – [Kingston coal ash spill worker: 'They told us we would be fired if we wore a mask' — and he was](#)

National Association of Clean Air Agencies – [Washington Update](#)

Climate Change/Energy

National Geographic - [Changing climate forces desperate Guatemalans to migrate](#)

Axios – [The huge, untapped potential of energy efficiency](#)

Carbon Brief – [How the Greenland ice sheet fared in 2018](#)

E&E News – [Roads into Alaska’s Tongass can affect climate](#)

NPR – [What Migrants Displaced By the Dust Bowl and Climate Events Can Teach Us](#)

The Hill – [NASA chief: ‘No reason to dismiss’ recent UN climate report](#)

E&E News – [Supreme Court pauses kids’ case in win for Trump](#)

E&E News – [Right to safe climate ‘simply does not exist’ – DOJ lawyer](#)

The Guardian – [Climate change is exacerbating world conflicts, says Red Cross president](#)

CarbonBrief – [In-depth: Could ‘rewilding’ help to tackle climate change?](#)

NY Times – [Climate Change Is No Joking Matter. Except, This Week, It Was.](#)

NPR – [A Rural Colorado Coal County Was Struggling. Then A Tech Company Brought New Jobs](#)

Vogue – [If Climate Change Is Causing You Anxiety or Even Grief, Experts Say You Are Not Alone](#)

NY Times – Climate Fwd: [A Powerful Storm, and a Conversation with a Nobel Laureate](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

E&E News – [Boston contemplates car-free days](#)

Ensia – [Why Aren’t We Mining Landfills for Valuable Materials Like Metals and Soil?](#)

Science Daily - [Applying auto industry's fuel-efficiency standards to agriculture could net billions](#)

Indoor Air Quality

NPR – [Grandma Was Right: Sunshine Helps Kill Germs Indoors](#)

EPA – [EPA’s Indoor airPLUS Program Honors Partners with 2018 Indoor airPLUS Leader Award](#)

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UPCOMING CALLS/EVENTS/NOTICES

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

EPA's Acting Administrator signed a proposal to extend plan submission deadlines for the 2016 Emission Guidelines for existing Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Landfills. The proposed amendments would align state plan timing requirements with those recently proposed in the Affordable Clean Energy (ACE) rule. The new timing requirements would extend state plan submission deadlines to August 29, 2019. EPA would review submitted state plans for completeness within 6 months from submission and review for approval within 12 months of the completeness review. In aligning with the ACE proposal, the new timing requirements would also extend the timing to 2 years for the EPA to promulgate a federal plan for states that fail to submit an approvable state plan. In addition, EPA is taking comment on whether previously submitted state plans should be resubmitted in order to provide consistency and clarity for compliance. The pre-publication version of the proposal is available at <https://www.epa.gov/stationary-sources-air-pollution/municipal-solid-waste-landfills-new-source-performance-standards>.

Invitation to Provide Early Input to Inform EPA OAR's FY 2020-2021 National Program Guidance

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is beginning to develop its next two-year National Program Guidances for fiscal years 2020-2021 with expected issuance in late spring 2019. EPA's Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) would like to extend an invitation to your organization to provide early input on OAR's guidance. We are extending this invitation to state, local and tribal air agencies as well as other national, state, local and tribal air, public health, and radiation associations. Please send your suggestions to Marc Vincent at Vincent.Marc@epa.gov and Timothy Roberts at Roberts.Timothy-P@epa.gov by **October 26, 2018**. For your reference, OAR's previous FY 2018-2019 Guidance is [available here](#). You will also have an opportunity to submit written comments on the Agency's full set of draft guidances beginning in February 2019. OAR will also hold a conference call during the public comment period that you will be invited to participate in.

Introduction to Environmental Education Cornell University online course

5 weeks (Nov 6 – Dec 10, 2018)

Register now: <https://civicecology.org/course-iee>

Alaska Tribal Conference on Environmental Management: November 27-30

The Alaska Tribal Conference on Environmental Management, organized by the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, is Alaska's largest Tribal environmental conference that brings together Tribes, Non-profits, and State and Federal organizations, for a week of environmental conversations. The discussions focus on finding and implementing solutions to address the unique environmental concerns facing Alaskan communities. Session tracks include: Air Quality & Healthy Homes; My Changing Climate; Water Quality & Sanitation; Solid & Hazardous Waste; Sustainability & Resilience; Brownfields. November 27-30, 2018 / Anchorage, AK. / Anchorage Downtown Hilton. To register or submit an abstract go to: <http://www.atcemak.com/>. For questions contact atcem@anthc.org.

Tribal Grants Education and Technical Assistance Webinar Series Second Wednesday of Every Month at 1pm ET

[For more information, click here!](#)

NTAA Upcoming Calls. The toll-free number is 1-800-309-2350. If you do not need to call toll free, or would like to help conserve NTAA funding, you can call 1-805-309-2350. Both numbers use code 928-523-0526#.

Contact Andy.Bessler@nau.edu if you have any questions about any call!

Registration instructions When you register for the GoToWebinar, please remember to include your Tribe, Region, or Organization in parenthesis after your last name. This allows you to see everyone on the call and prevents us from conducting a roll-call, ultimately saving everyone's time.

<p>NTAA/EPA Air Policy Update Call: Receive air quality policy updates from EPA and NTAA</p>	<p>Thursday, October 25, 2pm ET</p>
<p>Wood Smoke Work Group: Join this newly formed work group to help address air quality issues arising from wood smoke</p>	<p>Wednesday, November 7, 3 pm ET <i>Note: this work group has a different call-in number: Dial-In Number: 1-866-299-</i></p>

	<i>3188</i> <i>Conference Code: 919-541-5497</i>
Volkswagen Settlement Work Group: Continue to track the ongoing developments and help guide the process	Thursday, November 8, 2pm ET

The Institute for Tribal Environmental Professional's (ITEP's) [Tribes and Climate Change Calendar](#) includes conferences, trainings, webinars and other events related to tribes and climate change.

[Click here](#) for ITEP's other trainings and events.

[Click here](#) for ITEP's new Tribal Environmental Management and Planning Online Courses. New courses have been added, so check it out!

ITEP's [2018-2019 AIAQTP Course Schedule](#)

Course Title	Dates	Location	Course Level
	2018		
Clean Air Act and Permitting	November 27-30	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	2
Air Quality in Alaska	December 11-14	Fairbanks, AK	1
	2019		
Air Quality Computations	January 29-February 1	Phoenix, AZ	1
IAQ Diagnostic Tools	February 12-15	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	2
Air Pollution Technology	March 12-15	Flagstaff, AZ	2
Air Quality Planning for Wildland Smoke (hybrid course)	March 26-27	TBD	2
Air Quality Project Planning, QAPPs, and Grants for Alaska	April 9-12	AK	2
Fundamentals of Air Monitoring	April 16-18	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	2
Meteorological Monitoring	April 30-May 2	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	3
NTF	May		
Air Pollution and Ecosystems	June 4-7	Flagstaff, AZ	2
Air Quality Planning for Wildland Smoke (hybrid course)	January-March	Webinars	NA

Indoor Air Quality – Independent Study	Anytime	Independent Study	1
Building Performance: Improving IAQ in Cold Climates	Open	Online	1
Building Performance: Improving IAQ in Warm Climates	In development	Online	1
Residential Building Science Review	Open	Online	1
Radon Fundamentals	Open	Online	1
Quality Assurance Fundamentals (QA 101)	Open	Online	1
Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) (QA 201-209)	Open	Online	2
Emissions Inventory (self-paced, instructor assistance as needed)	Open	Online	3

Note: This schedule is subject to change. [Click here](#) for up-to-date information, course descriptions, and applications. If you have questions regarding the pre-requisites or your eligibility for a course, please contact Patricia Ellsworth, Air Quality Curriculum Coordinator, at Patricia.Ellsworth@nau.edu or phone 928-523-6721. For more information, please visit [ITEP's website](#).

Climate Change / Energy

ENERGY STAR Webinars

October 24, Noon (ET) – Portfolio Manager: Ask the Expert

Most Wednesdays ENERGY STAR holds a live webinar that gives all Portfolio Manager users an opportunity to ask their questions directly to EPA experts in an open forum.

[Register](#)

U.S. Department of Energy Office of Indian Energy Policies and Programs Webinars

October 31, Distributed Energy Technology Trends and Costs

The capabilities and costs of distributed energy technologies continue to evolve rapidly. This webinar will provide tribes with a broad update on recent technological and cost trends for distributed energy. Speakers will discuss the latest developments in conventional and renewable distributed generation technologies, along with energy storage options that in some cases can make these energy sources more reliable and valuable. Attendees will learn unique characteristics of these technologies, find out how they are competing in the marketplace, and understand how to use them separately or combined for the greatest benefit of their tribal community.

[Register](#)

Register for the 2018 Office of Indian Energy Program Review

Register now for the 2018 Office of Indian Energy Program Review to be held December 10–14 at the Sheraton Denver West Hotel in Lakewood, Colorado. This annual event is a tremendous opportunity for Indian tribes to meet, learn from other Indian tribes that are pursuing energy self-sufficiency, and share in each other's successes. The 2018 Program Review will feature project status updates from tribes across the nation who are leveraging Office of Indian Energy grant funding to deploy energy technologies or initiate the first steps to energy development. Due to widespread interest in energy development, the Review is also open to all of Indian Country. There is no registration fee, but advanced registration is required to ensure seating and availability of food. [Register now](#). A block of rooms is available at the Sheraton Denver West Hotel. To book your room at the group rate, please visit the [Sheraton Denver West Hotel website](#). Note that the discounted group rate is only available until Nov. 12, 2018.

ITEP's Climate Change Adaptation Training Courses registration is online!
[Learn more about the courses and register here.](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources***Indoor Air Quality*****October is Healthy Lung Month**

Indoor air pollutants, such as [radon](#), [volatile organic compounds](#) and [secondhand smoke](#), including those that trigger [asthma attacks](#), can affect your lung health. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency [Indoor Environments Division](#) and the [American Lung Association](#) celebrate Healthy Lung Month and National Respiratory Care Week (October 21–27, 2018).

Attention Region 10 tribal housing/indoor air/asthma partners:

FYI: The National Center for Healthy Housing is conducting a survey of funding needs related to healthy housing and would like to ensure tribal voices and needs are included. They said the survey takes 7 minutes on average to complete <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/92SGFL6>.

R9 Tribal IAQ & Health Network Announcing Webinar: Addressing Mold and Moisture in Tribal Communities

When: Monday, November 5, 2018 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM PDT. Please use this [registration link](#).

The webinar is a collaboration between the US Environmental Protection Agency - Region 9 and the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP).

Presenters will share their experiences about dealing with mold and moisture, including approaches that have worked in tribal communities. Participants will have opportunities to ask presenters questions.

Participants will learn about:

- The basics about mold, its health effects, and impact on tribal communities
- The roles and responsibilities of residents and tribal staff
- Best practices and policies for mold prevention and remediation
- Ready-to-use guidance and education materials for dealing with mold and moisture

Questions about this webinar?

Please contact Priyanka Pathak (pathak.priyanka@epa.gov) or Mansel Nelson (mansel.nelson@nau.edu).

EPA's Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools and the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health present *Examining the Evidence: How School Buildings Influence Student Health, Thinking, and Performance*

Date: Thursday, November 29, 2018

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. EST

[Register here.](#)

Webinar participants will learn how to—

- Demonstrate that health and indoor air quality (IAQ) are foundational to student health, thinking and academic performance.
- Apply more than 30 years of scientific evidence gathered on the environmental factors that affect student health and performance.
- Promote the importance of establishing an IAQ management plan and motivating leadership and fellow team members to maintain a healthy school environment.
- Implement the tools and strategies provided to create a healthier environment for students and staff.
- Take action and commit to addressing the well-being of school occupants in current and future facility plans.

In 2017, The Healthy Buildings Team at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health released the report [Schools for Health: Foundations for Student Success](#), which clearly demonstrates that health is foundational to student thinking and performance. The report synthesizes more than 30 years of scientific research

findings from over 250 research articles and more than 70 health and performance metrics about the impacts of indoor environmental quality in schools.

Integrated Pest Management—A Simple Solution to Problem Pests in Elderly and Disabled Public Housing

Presenters: Dawn H. Gouge, Ph.D., Shujuan (Lucy) Li, Ph.D., Shakunthala (Shaku) Nair, Ph.D. - Arizona Pest Management Center, University of Arizona–MAC, Maricopa

Date: November 14, 2018

Time: 1:00pm – 2:30pm Eastern 12:00pm -1:30pm Central, 11:00am – 12:30pm Mountain, 10:00am – 11:30am Pacific

Registration: https://cornell.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dy_hKHuxRymPX6VAPIQdew

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RESOURCES

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HOST SITES NEEDED FOR SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals – Environmental Education Outreach Program at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, Arizona is seeking air quality focused offices and programs to host a college student for an 8-week summer internship. Tribal environmental offices, EPA offices, and other tribal environmental organizations are encouraged to apply. The interns will be highly motivated undergraduate or graduate students majoring in environmental or related careers from different colleges and universities nationwide. ITEP provides each student intern with a \$4,000 stipend, and limited housing and travel allowances. The host site provides a work place and supervision for the intern. The projects MUST focus on addressing air quality issues in tribal communities.

Submit an application online at:

http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/eeop/Internships/ssi_host

Deadline: Apply by January 18, 2019.

If you know of a college student that might be interested in being an intern,

encourage them to apply at: <http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/eeop/internships>

For detailed information on the internship and requirements, visit our internship web-site: <http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/eeop/internships>

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

ITEP Intern Coordinator Mansel A. Nelson, EEOP Program Coordinator
EEOP-INTERN@nau.edu 928-523-1275 (Please leave a message)
mansel.nelson@nau.edu.

**Interstate Transport Submittals for the 2015 Ozone NAAQS –
“Considerations for Maintenance Receptors” Memorandum Now Available**

In March 2018, EPA released a memorandum entitled “Information on the Interstate Transport State Implementation Plan Submissions for the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards under Clean Air Act Section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I).” In addition to providing projected air quality modeling results for ozone in 2023, including projected ozone concentrations at potential nonattainment and maintenance sites for the 2015 ozone NAAQS and projected upwind state contribution data, the March memorandum included in Attachment A a preliminary list of flexibilities related to analytical approaches for developing a “good neighbor” state implementation plan and indicated EPA’s intention to communicate closely with air agencies on these concepts as they prepare SIPs that address these provisions.

After careful consideration of stakeholder feedback received regarding the flexibilities identified in the March 27, 2018, memorandum, EPA has developed the supplemental work product, “Considerations for Identifying Maintenance Receptors for Use in Clean Air Act Section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) Interstate Transport State Implementation Plan Submissions for the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards.” This new memorandum presents information that states may consider as they evaluate the status of monitoring sites that EPA identified in the March memo as being potential maintenance receptors. Specifically, the memorandum discusses (1) using alternative technical methods for projecting whether future air quality warrants identifying monitors as maintenance receptors and (2) considering current monitoring data when identifying monitoring sites that, although projected to be in attainment, should be identified as maintenance receptors because of the risk that they could exceed the NAAQS due to inter-annual variability in meteorological conditions.

This new memorandum is available on EPA’s website at: <https://www.epa.gov/airmarkets/march-2018-memo-and-supplemental-information-regarding-interstate-transport-sips-2015-0>.

Please share this information with your state and tribal air agency contacts who work on interstate ozone transport. If you have any questions please contact Chris Werner at 919-541-5133, werner.christopher@epa.gov, or Norm Possiel at 919-541-5692, possiel.norm@epa.gov.

To view and/or receive ITEP's American Indian Air Quality Training Program newsletter, [Native Voices, click here!](#)

Climate Change/Energy

NTAA has published a **Policy Response Kit for Tribes to use to comment on [EPA's Proposed Affordable Clean Energy Rule \(ACE Rule\)](#)**.

EPA has proposed a replacement for the Clean Power plan, which is known as the Affordable Clean Energy (ACE) rule. If passed, the ACE rule would eliminate the emission reduction goals and emission standards for electric generating units (EGUs), and replace them with heat rate improvement (HRI) candidate technologies for coal-fired power plants. The proposed rules also include changes in regulations affecting the New Source Review Program. Comments are due to EPA on October 31, 2018

Sign up for the [Alliance for Green Heat's](#) newsletter!

To view and/or receive ITEP's [Climate Change newsletter, click here!](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

NTAA has now published a **[Policy Response Kit \(PRK\)](#) for the SAFE Vehicles Rule for a comment period that ends on October 26th**.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) jointly set and enforce the national program for greenhouse gas (GHG) standards for passenger cars and trucks (also known as the Corporate Average Fuel Economy, or CAFE) in order to reduce CO₂ and other GHG emissions, save families trillions in fuel costs, and reduce America's dependence on oil through fuel economy improvements. EPA has proposed a rulemaking, reversing the agreement among the Obama administration and major auto manufacturers that set the current standards. The proposed rule, the "Safer Affordable Fuel-Efficient Vehicles Rule for Model Years 2021 - 2026 Passenger Cars and Light Trucks (SAFE Vehicles Rule)", would freeze the standards in MY 2021 through 2025 at 37.0 mpg for average fuel efficiency requirement and set CO₂ targets maintained at 240 grams/mile instead of continued decreases to 163 grams/mile. Comments are due to EPA and NHTSA on October 26, 2018.

Indoor Air Quality

Smoke Sense App Update Now Available

EPA researchers developed the citizen science mobile app called Smoke Sense as part of a public health study that will further investigate the extent to which wildland fire smoke exposure affects health and productivity, discover how people protect their health during smoke exposure, and develop health risk communication strategies that improve public health outcomes.

The 2018 update includes:

- Time of last measurement of two air pollutants present during wildfires - fine particulate matter and ozone;
- Access to the most current information about individual fires;
- Maps of hourly forecasts of smoke and ozone across the continental U.S.;
- Smoke Smarts module to test your knowledge of wildfire smoke exposure; and
- Upgraded graphics and streamlined tutorials and information buttons.

How to get the app and more information:

- If you have downloaded the app, it will update automatically or you will need to update manually from your app store, depending on your settings.
- If you are a new user, visit epa.gov/air-research/smoke-sense to find the link to download the app for free from Google Play Store and the Apple App Store.
- Also available on the webpage is a list of frequently asked questions for additional information and resources for sharing, and preliminary data from the 2017 pilot of the app.

If you have any questions, contact us by emailing SmokeSense@epa.gov. Learn [more about Smoke Sense](#) from our lead scientist.

Air Quality Impacts of Wildfires: Mitigation and Management Strategies Hearing

The [recording of the entire hearing](#) is 2 hours (starts about 30+ minutes into the recording) but all of the testimony and other background materials are available at links.

Field Guide for Clean-up of Flooded Homes

National Center for Healthy Housing just re-circulated this (timely) resource. [Creating A Healthy Home: A FIELD GUIDE FOR CLEAN-UP OF FLOODED HOMES](#)

Be sure to sign up for [EPA's Healthy Indoor Air newsletter](#).

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Now Hiring!

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Applications for EPA's Clean Air Excellence Awards Now Being Accepted!

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is now accepting applications for the 2019 Clean Air Excellence Awards Program. Through this program, EPA recognizes and honors individuals and organizations whose efforts have helped to make progress in achieving cleaner air. The award recipients are selected for developing innovative, replicable, and sustainable programs; serving as pioneers in their fields; and improving air quality either directly or indirectly through reduced emissions of criteria pollutants, hazardous air pollutants, and/or greenhouse gases.

If your work falls into any of the award categories, please consider applying for one of these prestigious awards. The five awards categories are: (1) Clean Air Technology; (2) Community Action; (3) Education/Outreach (4) State/Tribal/Local Air Quality Policy Innovations; and (5) Transportation Efficiency Innovations. In addition, the Clean Air Excellence Award Program will recognize two special award categories: (1) the Gregg Cooke Visionary Program Award, honoring a former EPA Regional Administrator, is given to the air quality project or program that successfully blends two or more of the existing awards categories; and (2) the Thomas W. Zosel Outstanding Individual Achievement Award, honoring a former member of the CAAAC and environmental leader at 3M, recognizes one individual for their outstanding achievement, leadership, and lasting commitment to promote clean air and achieve better air quality.

Award applications and more information are available at <https://www.epa.gov/caaac/clean-air-excellence-awards-application-information>.

Applications must be emailed or postmarked by November 2, 2018.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to send their entries electronically to Catrice Jefferson (jefferson.catrice@epa.gov). EPA will also accept hard copies of applications mailed to Catrice Jefferson, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air and Radiation, MC-6103A, Room 5442-Q (WJC-North), 1200

Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20460. EPA will announce winners in 2019.

EPA 2018 Targeted Airshed Grant Program - \$40 million

Applications Due: January 4, 2019

Eligible Entities: local, state and/or tribal air pollution control agencies

This notice announces the availability of funds and solicits applications from eligible entities to compete for financial assistance through the Targeted Airshed Grant Program. This program will assist local, state and/or tribal air pollution control agencies to develop plans and conduct projects to reduce air pollution in nonattainment areas that EPA determines are the top five most polluted areas relative to ozone (O₃), annual average fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}), or 24-hour PM_{2.5} National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). The overall goal of the Targeted Airshed Grant Program is to reduce air pollution in the nation's areas with the highest levels of ozone and PM_{2.5} ambient air concentrations. For more information, visit the funding opportunity [description](#).

Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG)

Please note this NOFA is ONLY for *FY18 funds* with an application deadline date of January 7, 2019. Apply at: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=309778> Please send any ICDBG NOFA related questions to: ONAP-ICDBG@hud.gov

Climate Change/Energy

Toxics/Mobile Sources

2018 DERA School Bus Rebate Program Applications Being Accepted

Deadline to apply: November 6, 2018, 4pm ET

We are excited to announce a funding opportunity for school bus fleets that serve public schools. EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality is accepting applications nationwide for rebates to assist in replacing old, dirty diesel school buses with new school buses meeting the cleanest emission standards. EPA anticipates awarding over **\$9 million** in this funding opportunity.

Eligible Entities: Regional, state, or tribal agencies including school districts and municipalities; or private entities that operate school buses under a contract with an entity listed above. Applications are limited to 10 buses. Fleets that own more than 100 buses can submit two applications.

Selection Process: Lottery, with at least one selectee from each state/territory represented in the applicant pool.

[Click here to learn more and apply.](#)

EPA Tribal Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program FY18 – \$2 million

Applications Due: April 3, 2019

Eligible Entities: Tribal governments and Alaska Native Villages which have jurisdiction over transportation or air quality

EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality is soliciting proposals nationwide for projects that achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions in terms of tons of pollution produced by diesel engines and diesel emissions exposure, particularly from fleets located in areas designated as having poor air quality. Further, priority for funding will be given to projects which result in outcomes that benefit affected communities, those that engage affected communities with respect to the design and performance of the project, and those which can demonstrate the ability to promote and continue efforts to reduce emissions after the project has ended. For more information, visit the Clean Diesel Tribal Grants [web page](#).

DOI FWS Clean Vessel Act – \$12 million

Applications Due: December 24, 2018

Eligible Entities: States governments

The Clean Vessel Act of 1992 was signed November 4, 1992 (106 Stat. 5039) and codified in 33 U.S.C. 1322. The Act amended the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act (Wallop-Breaux Act; 16 U.S.C. 777) and established the Clean Vessel Act Grant Program to provide funding to the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Commonwealths, and territories of the United States of America (States). Funding allows States to construct, renovate, operate, and maintain pumpout stations and waste reception facilities for recreational boaters and to inform boaters about the use, benefits, and availability of pumpout stations and waste reception facilities. Subsequent reauthorizations of the Acts have allowed for the continuation of CVA. For more information, visit the funding opportunity [description](#).

Indoor Air Quality

The Tribal Healthy Homes Network (THHN) has a webpage dedicated to [Funding Opportunities!](#) Additionally, THHN has developed a [Funding Guide for American Indian and Alaska Native Communities](#).

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