## Funding Available to Help Native American Tribes Protect Plant Health: Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention Program

Under the Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention Program (PPDMDPP), the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) provides up to \$63 million annually to support projects that protect specialty crops, nursery systems, forestry, other agricultural production systems, and natural resources from destructive and invasive plant pests and diseases.



- ▲ The 2008 Farm Bill established the PPDMDPP, which was later codified under Section 7721 of the Plant Protection Act (PPA 7721).
- Native American Tribes, Tribal organizations, and Tribal colleges and universities may apply.
- ▲ Tribal programs can submit multiple project proposals.
- ▲ The open period for submitting suggestions typically starts in late spring or early summer.
- ▲ There are no cost-sharing requirements.
- ▲ APHIS will offer training webinars.
- Funding decisions will be released the following calendar year.
- ▲ All time frames are tentative and require USDA approval.



## **About PPDMDPP**

The PPDMDPP supports projects that strengthen Tribal Nations' infrastructure for plant pest and disease detection, surveillance, response, and related activities. Tribal programs can use PPDMDPP funding to enhance pest exclusion systems, optimize domestic pest management and eradication programs, and move commodities without spreading pests and diseases.

Many organizations play a crucial role in protecting agriculture, environment, and natural resources from plant pests and diseases. APHIS works closely with numerous Tribal Nations, Federal agencies, State governments, industries, and academia to develop and implement scientifically-sound approaches to protect plant health.



Under PPDMDPP, APHIS funds projects that address critical needs and opportunities to prevent, detect, and mitigate invasive plant pests and diseases in the following goal areas:

- Enhancing plant pest and disease analysis and survey
- ▲ Targeting domestic inspection activities at vulnerable points in the safeguarding continuum



- Enhancing and strengthening pest identification and technology
- Safeguarding nursery production
- ▲ Conducting targeted outreach and education
- Increasing mitigation and rapid response capabilities

For more information, including open funding opportunity announcements, guidance documents, application assistance and instructions, frequently asked questions, templates, help session webinar information, and more, go to www.aphis.usda.gov/funding/ppdmdpp

## **Contact Us**

To ask questions about this funding opportunity or PPDMDPP, send an email to **ppa-projects@usda.gov**.

To learn more about how APHIS works with Tribes, visit www.aphis.usda.gov/mission/tribal-relations or contact the Office of National Tribal Liaison: APHIS-ONTL@usda.gov.

## **APHIS Funding Opportunities: Are You Ready to Apply?**



