

A stylized, colorful illustration of a landscape. The foreground features rolling green hills in various shades of green, with a brown path winding through them. On the left, there are several plants: a green tree with rounded foliage, a purple flower, and an orange flower. A small red bird is flying in the sky above the tree. The background consists of light blue and white wavy bands representing the sky.

EPA IGAP Grants and Air Quality Projects

AK Tribal Air Summit • 2019

Elements for Success



EPA's IGAP Grants

Goal: to assist tribes and consortia in developing the capacity to manage their own environmental protection programs, and develop and implement solid and hazardous waste programs.

Often involves EPA technical assistance to tribes and consortia to address environmental concerns.

What are some examples of air and other environmental work that your tribe does under IGAP?

- setting goals and designing a program,
- planning, developing, and establishing the administrative, technical, legal, enforcement, and communications capacities
- environmental education and outreach, and
- solid and hazardous waste implementation activities (i.e. recycling, etc.).

EPA's IGAP Grants

GAP Guidance

2013 *Guidance on the Award and Management of General Assistance Agreements for Tribes and Intertribal Consortia* (GAP Guidance) describes how EPA administers the IGAP program.

<https://www.epa.gov/tribal/2013-guidance-award-and-management-general-assistance-agreements-tribes-and-intertribal>

- Outlines grant requirements.
- Requires tribes to develop joint EPA-Tribal Environmental Plans (ETEPs).
- Requires use of capacity indicators in workplans.

IGAP Air Quality Resources

Air Quality Workplan Templates (example activities)

- ✓ Air quality assessment
- ✓ Healthy homes
- ✓ School environmental health assessment
- ✓ Residential woodsmoke reduction
- ✓ Road dust reduction
- ✓ Emergency preparedness for wildfire smoke
- ✓ Diesel emissions reduction

Success Stories

NTAA's Status of Tribal Air (STAR) report highlights air projects in AK.

<https://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/ntaa/ResourcesPDF/STAR19>

Mentor Tribes

Find other experienced IGAP staff who are willing to provide advice and support.

IGAP News & Events

Updated GAP Guidance Draft – October 2019

<https://www.epa.gov/tribal/indian-environmental-general-assistance-program-gap>

FY 2021 IGAP Notice of Funding Announcement – November 2019 (TBD)

<https://www.epa.gov/tribal/region-10-tribal-environmental-gap-funding>

Alaska Tribal Conference on Environmental Management (ATCEM) – November 19-22 • Anchorage, AK • <http://www.atcemak.com/>

BIA Tribal Providers Conference – December 3-5 • Anchorage, AK

<https://biaprovidersconference.org/>

ITEP Air Quality in AK Communities – December 3-6 • Bethel, AK

https://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training_air

IGAP Grants Management Workshop – December 10-12 • Anchorage, AK

IGAP Air Quality Resources

EPA Region 10 Tribal Programs

<https://www.epa.gov/tribal/region-10-tribal-programs>

EPA Region 10 Tribal Newsletter

<https://www.epa.gov/tribal/region-10-tribal-newsletter>

EPA IGAP Tools

<https://www.epa.gov/tribal/region-10-tribal-environmental-gap-tools>

Clean Air, Healthy Villages Videos and AK Tribal Air Toolkit

<https://www.epa.gov/tribal/alaska-tribal-air-toolkit>

Tribal Healthy Homes Network IAQ Funding Guide

<http://thhnw.org/funding/2017-tribal-guide-to-iaq-funding/>

ANTHC Air & Healthy Homes Program

<https://anthc.org/what-we-do/community-environment-and-health/healthy-homes/>

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IGAP Air Quality Activity

Instructions:

1. Go to the topic group that interests you

Road Dust • Wildfire Smoke • Woodstoves • Indoor Air/Healthy Homes

2. Introduce yourselves

3. Vision: List a vision or goal.

In a perfect world, what would you like to see for this issue in your community?

4. Obstacles: List at least 1-2 problems in your community related to the topic.

5. Actions: What could you do to fix those problems? List at least 3 actions.

6. Find and list a capacity indicator related to one of the actions.