

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

RESOLUTION # 040603-__

Requesting Funding From the Administration for Native Americans for the Development of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Fisheries Enhancement Program

- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) is a Federally recognized Tribe reaffirmed by the United States Congress on September 21, 1994 in Public Law 103-324 “Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Act;”
- WHEREAS** the Native American Programs Act 1974 was enacted as Title VIII of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, PL 88-452, to promote the goal of economic and social self-sufficiency for American Indians;
- WHEREAS** the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans has available grant funds designated for Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) stated in Program announcement 93612-2003 Dated September 23, 2002;
- WHEREAS** the Administration for Native Americans Governance Goal is to assist tribal governments and local leadership to exercise local control and decision-making over their own resources;
- WHEREAS** the Administration for Native Americans Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) has designated funds specifically to: 1) assist tribal leadership to exercise local control and decision-making over their resources; 2) support local access to, control of, and coordination of services and programs which safeguard the health, well-being and culture of people, provide support services and training so people can work, and which are essential to a thriving and self-sufficient community in the spirit of respect for indigenous peoples cultural and intellectual property rights; and 3) foster the development of stable, diversified local economies and economic activities that will provide jobs and promote economic well being;
- WHEREAS** in 2001 the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) developed a Tribal strategic plan;
- WHEREAS** that strategic plan states the following as Natural Resource Global Goal I: *Protect, preserve, and manage the Tribal Natural Resource for the benefit of the LTBB Tribal members through the Natural Resource Programs;*”
- WHEREAS** the strategic plan also states the following in Great Lakes Fisheries Program Goal

6: *Development of LTBB Fisheries Enhancement Program (FEP);*”

WHEREAS the Natural Resource Department’s mission statement provides that “*We will wisely utilize our natural resources in order to promote, honor and respect our traditional, spiritual and physical relationship with the land and waters. We will implement management strategies that protect our resources on, above, below and within the land and waters for the future benefit of our Tribe;*”

WHEREAS the LTBB Tribal Council has approved allocation of \$235,000 in Consent Decree funds for development of an updated Fishery Enhancement Facility;

WHEREAS this proposal requests funding for the development of a Lake Trout Enhancement Management Plan essential in supporting the Tribe’s commercial and subsistence fishery through direct contribution to lake trout rehabilitation in 1836 Treaty Waters;

WHEREAS this proposal also requests funding for securing equipment essential for implementing the Lake Trout Enhancement Management Plan;

WHEREAS this proposal also requests funding for development of a Hatchery Intern Program strategic plan;

WHEREAS community input has been and will be sought in development of the Fisheries Enhancement Program strategies at regularly scheduled meetings of the Natural Resource Commission;

WHEREAS the Natural Resource Department staff hired under the Administration for Native Americans Grant will be selected under the Tribe’s “Tribal Preference Policy” and may be offered a retirement plan;

WHEREAS the Tribal Council is authorized to enter into agreements and contracts in the best interest of the Tribe;

WHEREAS the Tribe recognizes its obligation to contribute a minimum of 20% of the total sum of the project. The Tribe will provide an in-kind contribution of \$58,738 toward the Administration for Native Americans project;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is requesting financial assistance in the amount of \$200,556 through the Administration for Native Americans to address the Tribe’s local control of their natural resources, create self-sufficiency for indigenous peoples’ cultural and intellectual property rights, and develop stable and diversified economic activities that will provide jobs and promote economic well being;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the LTBB Tribal Chairman, or his designee, is authorized to negotiate and sign the Administration for Native Americans contract, and any amendment, and

is authorized to serve as the Tribal senior official representative for the purposes of this contract.

Certification

As Tribal Secretary I certify that this Resolution was duly adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held on April 6, 2003 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of ____ in favor, ____ opposed, ____ abstentions, and ____ absent as recorded by this roll call.

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
George Anthony	_____	_____	_____	_____
Gerald Chingwa	_____	_____	_____	_____
Frederick Harrington, Jr.	_____	_____	_____	_____
Beatrice Law	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rita Shananaquet	_____	_____	_____	_____
Janet Shomin	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alice Yellowbank	_____	_____	_____	_____

Date: _____

Beatrice Law., Tribal Secretary