

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

**RESOLUTION # 041705-06**

Request for Funding from the United States Department of Agriculture,  
Natural Resources Conservation Service,  
Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP),  
Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians,  
Fish Hatchery Advancement Project

**WHEREAS:** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (“LTBB” or “Tribe”) is a Federally recognized Indian Tribe reaffirmed by the United States Congress on September 21, 1994 in Public Law 103-324, as amended, which exercises sovereign governmental authority over the people, land, and water within its jurisdiction and administers a wide range of governmental programs;

**WHEREAS:** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council is the elected governing body of the Tribe;

**WHEREAS:** the Tribe has established a Natural Resources Department (NRD) and a Natural Resources Commission (NRC) whose purpose is to provide oversight and regulation of utilization of natural resources within the LTBB’s jurisdiction and to provide community input in development and fulfillment of project objectives at regularly scheduled meetings of the Natural Resource Commission;

**WHEREAS:** the Natural Resource Department mission statement is to “*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 Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Department has developed as part of their Strategic Plan the NRC Great Lakes Fisheries Program 2004 that provides a work plan for the development and management of commercial fisheries and is reviewed on an annual basis;

**WHEREAS:** the 2004 Update of the NRC Great Lakes Fisheries Program Goal Number 6 calls for the development of the LTBB Fisheries Enhancement Program;

**WHEREAS:** the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) supports agriculture and environmental quality as compatible goals;

**WHEREAS:** each state annually establishes priorities for the EQIP program and the State of Michigan has expanded the definition and priorities for projects on agriculture

lands for Tribes with potential consideration for financial assistance with water-related issues associated with the establishment and operation of a Tribal fish hatchery.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians authorizes and supports this request for funding from the United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, FY 2005 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) for an LTBB Fish Hatchery Advancement Project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik or Tribal Administrator Albert Colby Jr., or another designee from the Tribal Chairman is authorized to execute any documents necessary to receive and administer funds under the grant.

**CERTIFICATION**

As Tribal Chairman and Tribal Secretary, we 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 April 17, 2005 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 absent as recorded by this roll call:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Frank Ettawageshik	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Beatrice Law	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Alice Yellowbank	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Dexter McNamara	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Fred Harrington, Jr.	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Rita Shananaquet	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Regina Bentley	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman

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Dexter McNamara, Tribal Secretary