



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 13-116

of the

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its lands, its enterprises and its agencies by the authority of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; **and**

WHEREAS, under the Constitution, Bylaws and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of the tribal members, and with protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; **and**

WHEREAS, The Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self government;

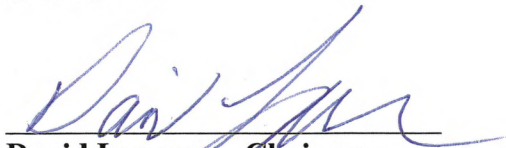
WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the creation of ordinances and resolutions in order to fulfill their duty of protecting the health, security, education, and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources of the Tribe; **and**

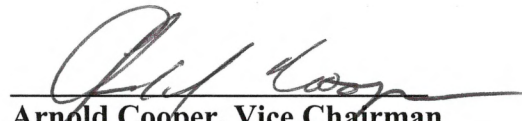
WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council authorizes the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Northwest Regional Offices (NWRO), to allocate Pacific Salmon Treaty (PST) funds for the Fiscal Year 2013 (FY13), to the Squaxin Island Tribes coho smolt research and data- gathering projects in South Puget Sound.

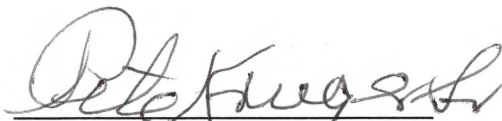
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council adopts the recommended FY13 PST Proposal for funds and the FY12 PST Progress Report presented in the attached documents submitted by Joseph Peters, Fish Biologists of the Squaxin Island Tribe.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 28 day of February, 2013 at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 6 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.


David Lopeman, Chairman


Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman


Pete Kruger, Sr., Secretary



IN REPLY REFER TO:

United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
Northwest Regional Office
911 N.E. 11th Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97232-4169



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Honorable David Lopeman
Chairman
Squaxin Island Tribe
10 Southeast, Squaxin Lane
Shelton, Washington 98584-9200

Dear Chairman Lopeman:

Please be advised that Fiscal Year 2013 (FY 2013) funds are available to the Squaxin Island Tribe for Pacific Salmon Treaty (PST) research and data-gathering projects.

As of this date, Congress has not adopted a budget for FY 2013. However, we have received a small amount of PST funding from the continuing resolution. It is on that basis, as well as the fact that we're already into the fifth month of the fiscal year, that we are initiating the request-for-proposal (RFP) process, even without knowing what the final amount will be.

To access these funds, please submit a project proposal, a budget proposal, a performance report for activities associated with the use of these funds in Fiscal Year 2012 (FY 2012), and a tribal resolution. These documents should be submitted so that they arrive in this office no later than April 12, 2013. Please mail the originals of all required documents to:

Bureau of Indian Affairs
Northwest Regional Office
Attention: Rick Cook, Fisheries
911 Northeast 11th Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97232

If desired, proposals, budgets and performance reports may also be submitted electronically, in pdf format, to richard.cook@bia.gov. However, the original of the authorizing resolution must be submitted, as it is the only official expression of the Tribal Council's endorsement.

Funds for which we do not receive a project proposal, a budget proposal, a performance report, and a tribal resolution by April 12, 2013, will be re-allocated.

A courtesy copy of your research proposal and performance report should also be submitted to the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, Attention: Ron Olson, 6730 Martin Way East, Olympia, Washington 98516.

In order to facilitate a consistent approach to proposal development, please base your proposals and budgets on the amount(s) you received in 2012. Once we know final amounts, we'll pass that information along and, if needed, also provide opportunities for proposal and budget modifications.

Please refer to the enclosed PST Research Project Criteria when developing project proposals, bearing in mind that this funding is intended only for research, data gathering, and fishery improvement projects. In addition, to the extent practicable, project proposals and performance reports should be prepared in a manner that is consistent with the format outlined in the enclosed examples. Finally, please do not include indirect costs in your submissions. These funds are calculated separately by the BIA Northwest Regional Office and the Office of Self Governance.

This process addresses only Pacific Salmon Treaty (PST) research and data-gathering project funding available in FY 2013. No commitment is made, or intended, to the availability of these funds in future years. For that reason, the tribal resolution should include the following statement:

The (name of the tribe) acknowledges that this proposal addresses only funds available for Pacific Salmon Treaty (PST) research and data-gathering projects in FY 2013, and further acknowledges that no guarantee is made, or implied, that funds will be available for that purpose beyond the current year.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Rick Cook, Fisheries Biologist, at (503) 872-2878.

Sincerely,

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Northwest Regional Director

Enclosures

PACIFIC SALMON TREATY RESEARCH PROJECT CRITERIA

Data Collection and Research: Projects designed to acquire information on stocks and fisheries of relevance to implementation of the Pacific Salmon Treaty.

For example:

1. Stock marking/tagging evaluation studies (i.e. mark fish to determine population size, catch distribution rates);
2. Fishery evaluation studies (i.e. sample fisheries to determine stock composition, estimate catch, recover tags, etc.);
3. Evaluate stock productivity;
4. Develop, improve, or evaluate field procedures for quantifying population parameters (e.g. escapement, smolt production, hatchery releases);
5. Develop or test marking techniques.

Analysis of Data and Information:

For example:

1. Develop, improve, or evaluate statistical methods and procedures for analyzing fisheries data;
2. Develop, improve, or evaluate models that simulate fishery impacts and management options;
3. Develop, improve, or evaluate pre-season and in-season management tools (e.g. forecasts, run-size updates);
4. Incorporate new data into existing data bases and management systems;
5. Compile, assimilate, and summarize previous research.

Production Evaluation:

For example:

1. Plan and/or evaluate new production designed to implement specific goals and objectives identified by the U.S. section;
2. Evaluate new production concepts which could be applied on a regional basis to address management constraints;
3. Evaluate programmatic implications if production-related options for resolving U.S./Canada problems.

Enhancement (including fish production, stock enhancement and habitat improvement projects):

For example:

1. Develop new fish production projects designed to address production-related fishery problems;
2. Develop or expand projects designed to directly improve the status of limiting or depressed stocks.

Fisheries Management: Develop and conduct activities to improve management of fisheries

For example:

1. Develop, implement and monitor new management frameworks that would be consistent with abundance-based management regimes being furthered by the PSC;
2. Develop, implement, or improve fishery data collection/reporting programs;
3. Develop stock assessment projects;
4. Review escapement goals;
5. Assimilation of data to help guide tribal actions in implementing PSC fisheries or decisions.

EXAMPLE FORMAT
PROJECT PERFORMANCE REPORT
FOR
PACIFIC SALMON TREATY IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS

Name of Project.

Year of Report.

Description of project accomplishments.

The analytical results and/or conclusions (with particular reference to the project objectives).

Reasons why any established objectives were not met.

Other pertinent information including, when appropriate, analysis and explanation of cost overruns or other factors, which may affect the attainment of project objectives.

Notes on Reports: The Tribe shall submit the Annual Project Performance Report to the BIA, Northwest Regional Office. A courtesy copy should also be sent to the Northwest Indian Fish Commission, 6730 Martin Way East, Olympia, Washington, 98516.

These reports may be brief. For many projects, a one or two page report should be sufficient.

It is understood that the intent of many of these projects is to present the results in a formal Technical Report. A Technical Report, accompanied by a cover letter (to describe the above items that were not deemed appropriate to include in the report), will serve to meet the Project Performance Report requirement.