



**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE
DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO APPLY FOR
FAST-41 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW IMPROVEMENT
FUND FROM THE FEDERAL PERMITTING
IMPROVEMENT STEERING COUNCIL EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR TO FINANCE FAST 41 PROJECT
ENGAGEMENT**

RESOLUTION 2024-31

Sponsored by Tonya Anna

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribal Council is authorized by Article V of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians to represent and act in all matters that concern the general welfare of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians, the Tribe's governing body is the Delaware Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council (Permitting Council) Executive Director (ED) is accepting applications for the FAST-41 Environmental Review Improvement Fund (ERIF); and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe of Indians desires to participate in this grant program to the greatest extent possible as a means of enhancing tribal engagement in the environmental review and authorization process for FAST-41 projects by building personnel capacity and training to make project review timelier and more efficient; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Department has identified FAST-41 projects that the Tribe is currently engaged in: Atlantic Shores North, Atlantic Shores South, Empire Wind, Maryland Offshore Wind, Ocean Wind I, Coastal Virginia; and yet to be identified projects in other sectors; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Department will fulfill funds obligations by reporting to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Trust Services and Permitting Council ED (ERIF@fpisc.gov) on a biannual report the following:

- Identify the FAST-41 covered project(s) by name that the Tribe engaged in during the reporting period;
- Progress against each of the planned activities, including contract support costs, identified in the original application. The Permitting Council ED recognizes circumstances may change, so the Tribe should document any deviations and provide context for altered or new activities.
- Provide an accounting of how the funding was used during the reporting period and what resources the funding was expended on.
- The success of the work, i.e., extent to which the funding was used to make the environmental review and authorization process for the project timelier and more efficient (photos/videos welcome).


Program contacts Historic Preservation Director, Susan Bachor and Executive Director of Tribal Operations, Shana Robedeaux: 5100 Tuxedo Blvd., Bartlesville, OK 74006; and


WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Department will address and implement funds to build departmental capacity through additional personnel, training, and contracting enabling timelier review and more meaningful engagement; Project includes review of projects, site visits, meeting attendance, reporting, etc.; can be achieved by 2 new grant funded hires – 1 Bartlesville, 1 homelands; and 1 specialized contract position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians does hereby authorize and approve the application submission for the FAST-41 Environmental Review Improvement Fund, the maximum funding amount of \$862,500, from the Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council Executive Director and designates the Chief of the Delaware Tribe of Indians as the Authorizing Official to sign all documents relating to the FAST-41 Environmental Review Improvement Fund.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing was considered by the Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians and adopted this 28 day of FEBRUARY 2024 with a vote of 6 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstaining.


Brad KillsCrow, Chief


Attested by: Tonya Anna, Assistant Chief

