

# Clean Air Mississippi Project











## **Priority Greenhouse Gas Reduction Planning Initiative**

Funded by the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant

The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians Office of Environmental Protection (MBCI OEP) in partnership with the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is participating in the <u>Clean Air Mississippi Project</u> (CAMP) and invites all tribal members to be involved. CAMP is a statewide clean air planning initiative funded by separate <u>Climate Pollution</u>





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Reduction Grants (CPRG) awarded to both MBCI OEP and MDEQ by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Through CAMP, MBCI and other participating tribes, states, and territories have the opportunity to gain access to competitive grant funding made available through EPA's \$5 billion CPRG program with a goal of addressing projects aimed at reducing emissions of greenhouse gases and related air pollutants. The MBCI OEP and MDEQ welcome all input related to emissions reduction measures, from simple ideas to more complete concepts, including shovel-ready projects.

CAMP has two phases:

## **Phase 1: Planning**

#### **Spring 2023 CPRG Program announced by EPA:**

- States, specific tribes, metropolitan areas, and territories were eligible for allocated planning funding.
- MBCI OEP and MDEQ both submitted grant applications.

#### Summer/Fall 2023 EPA makes CPRG Planning Grant Awards:

- MDEQ and MBCI received CPRG planning grants and are working collaboratively on key deliverables discussed below.
- The planning initiative was branded as the Clean Air Mississippi Project (CAMP) for ease in identification.
- Planning and outreach efforts commenced.

#### **Spring 2024 CAMP Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) Due:**

- Develop a simplified greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory.
- Prioritize measures to reduce GHG emissions and co-pollutants.
- Analyze emission reductions achieved through implementation of reduction measures.

#### **Summer 2025 CAMP Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (CCAP) Due:**

- Identify and quantify significant GHG sources/sinks and sectors present on tribal lands and across the State of Mississippi.
- Establish emission reduction goals.
- Provide strategies and identify measures to achieve those goals.

## **Phase 2: Implementation**

- Provides competitive funding to implement GHG reduction measures identified in the PCAP.
- EPA anticipates awarding grants between \$2 million and \$500 million to eligible entities.
- Additional information, including the funding notice, deadlines, and application details are available here <u>About CPRG Implementation Grants | US EPA</u> (https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/about-cprg-implementation-grants).

## **Camp Benefits**

- Cleaner air for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians and all Mississippians
- Job creation
- Lower energy costs

## About EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program

The CPRG program provides grants to governmental entities to develop and implement plans to reduce emissions and air pollution. The program was established as a \$5 billion investment in the Inflation Reduction Act. The program is funding \$250 million in noncompetitive planning grants and \$4.6 billion for competitive implementation grants.



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