

**TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE FY25 ENVIRONMENTAL
REGULATORY ENHANCEMENT GRANT (ERE)**

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO APPROVE the application to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans for the FY25 Environmental Regulatory Enhancement (ERE) grant funding opportunity (FOA: HHS-2025-ACF-ANA-NR-0113).

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nation (the "Nation") acknowledges value through the continuation of the Environmental Regulatory Enhancement (ERE) grant program which has been used to develop and expand tribal codes to Tribal Facilities, Nation associates, and Tribal Members to strengthen the sovereignty and environmental presence of the tribe;

WHEREAS, the maximum federal budget is \$300,000.00 per budget period for 3 years for a maximum award of \$900,000.00 with a tribal match of no more \$60,000.00 per budget period for a maximum tribal match of \$180,000.00;

WHEREAS, funds for ERE meets the Nation's strategic goals of increasing environmental response and strengthening the sovereignty of the Nation through environmental protection.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval to apply to the United States Department of States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans for the FY25 Environmental Regulatory Enhancement (ERE) grant funding opportunity for a maximum federal award of \$900,000.00 (Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars and 00/100).

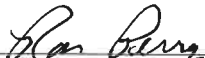
BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Council that this Bill be cited as approval to allocate up to \$180,000.00 (One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars and 00/100) for a required tribal match if awarded funds from the Environmental Regulatory Enhancement grant opportunity.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Council that this Bill be cited as an acknowledgement that the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, is authorized to prepare, execute, deliver and file any and all agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, in such form and with such terms and provisions as the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, may approve, and to take such other action as he, she or they may deem proper or appropriate, to carry out the intent and purposes of the foregoing enactments.

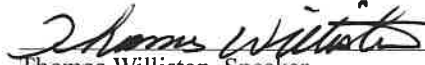
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CERTIFICATION


I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tvshka Homma, Oklahoma on March 8, 2025. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 41 -25 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.



Ronald Perry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 3-10-25

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Purpose/Need of Council Bill: To approve the application to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans for the FY25 Environmental Regulatory Enhancement Grant.

ERE funding will expand the value of previously awarded funding by which has been used to develop and expand tribal codes to Tribal Facilities, Nation associates, and Tribal Members to strengthen the sovereignty and environmental presence of the tribe.

Strategic Goal: This grant program will meet the strategic goals of increasing environmental response and strengthening the sovereignty of the Nation through environmental protection.

Title of Council Bill: TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE FY25 ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY ENHANCEMENT GRANT (ERE)

Agency: Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans

CNO Department: Environmental Compliance

Maximum Federal Award: \$300,000.00/budget period for 3 years

CNO Match: \$60,000/budget period for 3 years

Maximum Federal Award for Total Project: \$900,000.00

Maximum CNO Match for Total Project: \$180,000.00

Request by Project Director/SEO: Tracy Horst, Project Director; Tye Baker, Senior Director of Environmental Compliance; Daron Sharp, Executive Director of Risk Management; Brian Danker, SEO of Legal and Compliance