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### **U.S. Department of Transportation**

**Federal Transit Administration** 

## **Application**

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	CA-2024-031-00
Temporary Application Number	6900-2023-2
Award Name	Quechan Indian Tribe FY23 5311 Tribal Transit Formula - Operating Assistance
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A		
Original Period of Performance End Date	12/31/2024		
Current Period of Performance End Date	12/31/2024	Revision #: 0	Approved?: No

Budget Period Start Date	N/A
Budget Period End Date	12/31/2024

## **Part 1: Recipient Information**

Name: Ql	Name: QUECHAN INDIAN TRIBE					
Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS		
6900	Indian Tribe	Quechan Indian Tribe	CUSXZCJV3XK5	073364358		

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Headquarters	350 Picacho Rd	Winterhaven	CA	92283
Physical Address	350 PICACHO RD	WINTERHAVEN	CA	92283
Mailing Address	P.O. BOX 1899	YUMA	AZ	85366

## **Union Information**

## **Part 2: Application Information**

# Title: Quechan Indian Tribe FY23 5311 Tribal Transit Formula - Operating Assistance

FAIN	Application Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
CA-2024- 031-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	Region 9	1/30/2023	1/30/2023	No

### **Application Executive Summary**

This application to request FY2023 Tribal Transit Formula funds apportioned to Quechan Indian Tribe, Arizona and California, in the amount of \$34,573.

The purpose of this application is to assist with operational funds to continue the existing transit service in the Yuma, Arizona, region from July 1, 2023, to December 31, 2024.

The activities will cover the operating expenses of our continuing project, with transit services provided by the Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority (YCIPTA) under a Memorandum of Understanding between YCIPTA and the Tribe.

Federal Funds: Operating Assistance, FY2023 Tribal Transit Formula funds apportioned to Quechan Indian Tribe, California, in the amount of \$34,573.

Local match: \$0

Total Project Cost: \$34,573.

### Frequency of Milestone Progress Reports (MPR)

Annual

### Frequency of Federal Financial Reports (FFR)

Annual

### Does this application include funds for research and/or development activities?

This award does not include research and development activities.

### **Pre-Award Authority**

This award is not using Pre-Award Authority.

### Does this application include suballocation funds?

Recipient organization is directly allocated these funds and is eligible to apply for and receive these funds directly.

### Will this Grant be using Lapsing Funds?

No, this Grant does not use Lapsing Funds.

### Will indirect costs be applied to this application?

This award does not include an indirect cost rate.

Indirect Rate Details: N/A

### Requires E.O. 12372 Review

No, this application does not require E.O. 12372 Review.

### **Delinquent Federal Debt**

No, my organization does not have delinquent federal debt.

## **Award Description**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this application is to assist with operational funds to continue the existing transit service in the Yuma, Arizona, region from July 1, 2023, to December 31, 2024

### Activities to be performed:

The activities will cover the operating expenses of our continuing project, with transit services provided by the Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority (YCIPTA) under a Memorandum of Understanding between YCIPTA and the Tribe.

### **Expected outcomes:**

The outcomes of having this grant application approved will be to continue the existing transit service serving the Quechan Indian Tribe and consisting of a Local Circulator, the Blue Route 5, serving residents of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation and Winterhaven, California, as well as employees of the Quechan Casino Resort and Paradise Casino. The service also consists of a Regional Connector, the Turquoise Route 10, connecting the Reservation and Winterhaven, California residents with the Imperial County seat, El Centro, California.

### Intended beneficiaries:

The benefits of this grant award will improve the Quechan Indian Tribes Tribal Transit Program by continuing to provide reliable transportation service to area transit riders that connect them to employment, shopping, medical services, and other transit systems in Yuma and the Imperial County seat in El Centro, California.

### **Subrecipient Activities:**

None

## **Application Point of Contact Information**

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
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Brian	Golding	EDA Director	b.golding@quechantribe.com	760-572-5270

## **Application Budget Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$34,573
Local			\$0

Local/In-Kind	\$0
State	\$0
State/In-Kind	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$34,573

## **Application Budget**

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
CA-2024-031-01- 00	600-00 (600-A1) OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$34,573.00	\$0.00	\$34,573.00	1
CA-2024-031-01- 00	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	\$34,573.00	\$0.00	\$34,573.00	1

## **Discretionary Allocations**

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

## **Part 3: Project Information**

# **Project Title: Quechan Indian Tribe FY23 5311 Tribal Transit Formula - Operating Assistance**

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	<b>Date Created</b>	Start Date	End Date
CA-2024-031-01-00	6900-2023-2-P3	1/3/2024	7/1/2023	12/31/2024

### **Project Description**

This funding fuels the Quechan Indian Tribe's commitment to accessible transportation and continuing existing transit services in Eastern Imperial County that it initiated in 2012 - a local circulator and regional connector. It maintains the vital YCAT Blue Route 5, connecting Reservation residents, Winterhaven, Andrade, and Quechan Casino Resort and Paradise Casino employees, and the regional connector YCAT Turquoise Route 10, bridging Winterhaven with El Centro and Yuma, fostering seamless access to jobs, education, and essential services.

### **Project Benefits**

Maintaining Eastern Imperial County's transit services empowers the Fort Yuma Tribe's 2,200 members. It connects them to jobs, education, healthcare, and leisure while boosting local businesses and offering professional growth opportunities. The service adapts to the Reservation's needs and expected low demand.

### **Additional Information**

n/a

### **Location Description**

Home to diverse communities in Winterhaven (CA), Yuma (AZ), and El Centro (CA), the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation, covering 45,000 acres across Arizona and California, sits beside the mighty Colorado River. The Reservation embraces a rich cultural heritage by flowing south towards Baja California (a Mexican state), Mexico. Our project aims to empower these communities, enriching their lives within the Reservation and beyond.

## **Project Location (Urbanized Areas)**

UZA Code	Area Name	
040000 043930	Arizona	
043930	Yuma, AZCA	
060000	California	

## **Congressional District Information**

District	State
7 51	Arizona
51	California

## **Program Plan Information**

### STIP/TIP

Date: Not Provided

Description: TIP/STIP exemption per Tribal Formula program.

**UPWP**Date: N/A
Description: N/A

**Long Range Plan** 

Date: N/A
Description: N/A

## **Project Control Totals**

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5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$34,573
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0

Total Eligible Cost \$34,573

## **Project Budget**

Project Number		Budget Item			Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
CA-2024-031-01- 00	600-00 (600- A1)	OTHER PROG	GRAM COSTS	\$34,573.00	\$0.00	\$34,573.00	1
CA-2024-031-01- 00		30.09.02	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	\$34,573.00	\$0.00	\$34,573.00	1

## **Project Budget Activity Line Items**

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.02 - SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)
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Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.02	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	1

### **Extended Budget Description**

This application is to request FY2023 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Formula funds apportioned to the Quechan Indian Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation, Arizona & California, in the amount of \$34,573 (FY 2023), for a total of \$34,573.

These FY 2023 TTP Formula Funds will continue an existing contract for Tribal services for local (YCAT Blue 5) and regional (YCAT Turquoise 10) routes.

Federal Funds: Operating Assistance, FY2023 Tribal Transit Formula funds apportioned to Quechan Indian Tribe, California, in the amount of \$34,573.

Local match: \$0

Total Project Cost: \$34,573

### Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

Yes, 3rd Party Contractors will be used for this line item.

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$34,573
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0

State/In-Kind	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$34,573

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	7/1/2023	Start date for transit services for both routes.
End Date	12/31/2024	The project will be completed on 12/31/2024.

## **Project Environmental Findings**

Finding: Class II(c) - Categorical Exclusions (C-List)

### **Class Level Description**

Class II(c) consists of projects that do not have a significant environmental impact on the human or natural environment and are therefore categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement. FTA requires a sufficient project description to support a CE determination. The project may require additional documentation to comply with other environmental laws.

### **Categorical Exclusion Description**

Type 04: Planning and administrative activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction, such as: training, technical assistance and research; promulgation of rules, regulations, directives, or program guidance; approval of project concepts; engineering; and operating assistance to transit authorities to continue existing service or increase service to meet routine demand.

Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	1/3/2024

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.02	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	1	\$34,573.00	\$34,573.00

## **Part 4: Fleet Details**

No fleet data exists for this application.

## **Part 5: FTA Review Comments**

### **FTA Comments for DOL**

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment DOL Review for Information

Type

Date

Date 2/26/2024

Department of Labor (DOL) certification is not required. It is for informational purposes— Comment

as with regular Section 5311 Program applications.

### **Application Review Comments**

2/26/2024

#### Comment By **Alan Pruitt**

Comment **Application Details** Type

RFP - See Application Documents > Milestone Details > attached documents

Contract Award - See Application Documents > Milestone Details > attached documents

Comment Project Start -

Project End **Contract Closeout** 

#### Comment By **Alan Pruitt**

Comment **Application Details** Type

Date 2/26/2024

Additional Requested Milestone Information:

RFP - See Application Documents > Milestone Details > attached documents Contract Award - See Application Documents > Milestone Details > attached documents

Comment Project Start - 0701/2023

Project End - 12/31/2024 Contract Closeout - 06/30/2029