

**The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL  
of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES**

NUMBER 99-21

**WHEREAS,**

the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes is an organization which unites the tribal governments of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee (Creek), and Seminole Nations, representing over 300,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and

**WHEREAS,**

The Indian Tribes participate in the Department of Housing and Urban Development Drug Elimination Program in their efforts to insure the safety and well being of its Housing participants through prevention, intervention and security programs funded by the Drug Elimination grant, and

**WHEREAS,**

The Proposed Rule 24 CFR 761 (Docket Number) Fr-4451-P-02 would cause a hardship in our efforts to continue funding the programs necessary to educate, provide treatment and security to our housing participants and in fact eliminate some of the services offered to our housing participants. The proposed formula cuts the funding from \$260.00 per housing unit to \$220.00 per housing unit, and lowers the minimum award to \$25,000.00 from \$50,000.00, and

**WHEREAS,**

Already limited resources restrict Indian Tribes ability to fund Drug Elimination Programs in Indian Country, and

**WHEREAS,**

The Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes agrees that the proposed fund will significantly harm Drug Elimination Efforts in Indian Country, as well as Rural America, by reducing Grant amounts tribes have obtained traditionally through the Competitive grant process funding based on \$260.00/unit and a minimum funding of \$50,000.00; and

**WHEREAS,**

The Inter-Tribal Council requests the Secretary to amend the formula to maintain the current allocation of \$260.00/unit and to seek additional funding for Drug Elimination activities, to allow for formula funding, so as to not deplete already scarce Resources for Drug Elimination activities in Indian Country and Rural America.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,**

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma call upon the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to cause a further study of the impact of the proposed funds on Indian Housing Drug Elimination Programs in Indian Country and to increase funding for Drug Elimination activities to allow the formula to maintain the amount of \$260,00/unit and minimum funding of \$50,000.00

**CERTIFICATION**

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting at Fountainhead Lodge, by a vote of 21 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

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Joe Byrd, Principal Chief  
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