

CENTRAL COUNCIL Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska

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Executive Council of the Central Council TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC 25-95

Title: Authorization to Apply for U.S. Department of Interior Fish and Wildlife Service Tribal Wildlife Program Grant

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 38,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, under Article IV of the Tlingit & Haida Constitution, the Executive Council is the governing body of Tlingit & Haida when the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

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WHEREAS, Tlingit and Haida peoples are the original stewards of their traditional lands, resources, and waterways; and

WHEREAS, today in Alaska, lands, resources, and waterways are primarily managed by non-tribal government entities, and tribes must engage in various management processes; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Interior has announced the availability of funding through the Fish and Wildlife Service Tribal Wildlife Program Grant to support activities that provide technical and financial assistance to federally recognized tribes for the development and implementation of programs that benefit fish and wildlife and their habitats; and

WHEREAS, this project will serve to promote the rights of the Southeast Alaska tribes in choosing how to continue to meet their nutritional, cultural and economic needs through sustainable marine mammal populations; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$200,000 in funds from the U.S. Department of Interior for a two-year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to use this funding to support the Tribe's capacity to engage in research and monitoring and to actively participate in policy and decision-making processes, including investigating co-management with federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, this grant will support a Tlingit & Haida staff position to aid in developing long-term, meaningful tribal participation, outreach, engagement in marine mammal science and research, and to support tribes in local harvest management planning, or to facilitate cultural education; and

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WHEREAS, this project will also support existing tribal initiatives, tribal engagement with the Seacoast Indigenous Guardians Network and communities, Traditional Food Security Program, Cultural Heritage and Education, and the foundation of a Southeast Alaska Tribal Stewardship Commission;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby authorizes the Tlingit & Haida President, or designee, to submit, negotiate, execute, and administer any and all documents, including any subsequent amendments, that are required by the U.S. Department of the Interior for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed project.

ADOPTED this 17th day of June 2025, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 0 absences.

CERTIFY

President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST

Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata