

**LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS**  
**7500 Odawa Circle**  
**Harbor Springs, MI 49740**

**CERTIFIED MOTION # 031915-02**

Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
FY 2015 Rights Protection Implementation

- WHEREAS** the Waganakising Odawak, known in English as Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is a nation of citizens with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance and;
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians ("LTBB") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe under Public Law 103-324, and is a party to numerous Treaties with the United States the most recent of which being the Treaty of Washington of March 28, 1836 (7 Stat. 491) and the Treaty of Detroit of 1855 (11 Stat. 621);
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council is the elected legislative body of the Tribe;
- WHEREAS** the Tribe has established a Natural Resources Department (NRD) and a Natural Resources Commission whose purpose is to provide oversight and regulation of utilization of natural resources within the LTBB's jurisdiction and to provide community input in development and fulfillment of project objectives at regularly scheduled meetings of the Natural Resource Commission;
- WHEREAS** the Natural Resources Department mission statement is to *"wisely utilize our natural resources in order to promote, honor and respect our traditional, spiritual and physical relationship with the land and waters. We will implement management strategies that protect our resources on, above, below and within the land and waters for the future benefit of our Tribe;"*
- WHEREAS** the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Department has developed a five year Strategic Plan that provides direction and guidance for the Department that includes a goal to identify, assess, and monitor fish and wildlife communities within the inland lakes, streams and wetlands within the LTBB Reservation;
- WHEREAS** the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs is providing FY 2015 funding for Rights Protection Implementation (RPI) activities to implement the 2000 Great Lakes Consent Decree and the 2007 Inland Consent Decree as a part of its Trust Responsibility to LTBB;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians authorizes application for and acceptance of FY 2015 Rights Protection Implementation funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the LTBB Tribal Chair, Vice Chair, Tribal Administrator, or another designee from the Tribal Chair is authorized to execute any documents necessary to apply for, receive, and administer funds under the grant.

**CERTIFICATION**

Received by the Executive Office on 2-18-15 by [Signature]

The Executive concurs and recommend this action of the Tribal Council.

Date: 2-23-15  
[Signature]  
Executive, Tribal Chair/Vice Chair

Received by the Legislative Office on 02-24-15 by [Signature]

As Tribal Council Treasurer and Tribal Council Secretary, we certify that this Certified Motion was duly approved by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held March 19, 2015 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, 1 absent as recorded by this certification as an official action on behalf of Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

Date: 3-19-15  
[Signature]  
Marcela R. Reyes, Treasurer

Date: 3-19-15  
[Signature]  
Julie Shananaquet, Secretary