

The background is a light blue gradient with several realistic water droplets of various sizes scattered across it. The droplets have highlights and shadows, giving them a three-dimensional appearance.

REGION 8 TRIBAL WPP PROGRAM

EPA TRIBAL WETLAND WORKSHOP

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REGION 8 TRIBAL WPPS

BLACKFEET NATION (2012-2017)

CHIPPEWA CREE TRIBE (2018-2020)

2020 AMENDMENT TO THE CHIPPEWA CREE WETLAND
PROGRAM PLAN

CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES (2021-
2025)

FORT BELKNAP INDIAN COMMUNITY (2010-2015)

NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE (2014-2019)

[HTTPS://WWW.EPA.GOV/WETLANDS/DEVELOPING-STATE-OR-TRIBAL-WETLAND-PROGRAM-PLAN](https://www.epa.gov/wetlands/developing-state-or-tribal-wetland-program-plan)

Wetland Program Plans: Basic Information

- WPPs are not required or mandated.
 - But the Region feels that they will help you strategize and prioritize your program
 - They are an excellent communication tool
- WPPs are reviewed, commented on, and approved by EPA, but are not “scored.”

WPPs do not need to cover all four Core Elements, it depends on your program and your program priorities

- The Region is available to provide assistance and discuss your WPP content and the process

You must have an approved WPP or plan to write a WPP to apply under Track One for Wetland Program Development Grants

WHAT IS YOUR WETLAND PROGRAM PLAN

- YOUR WETLAND PROGRAM PLAN AS A TOOL
 - PLANNING YOUR PROGRAM PRIORITIES
 - COMMUNICATIONS TO YOUR GOVERNMENT, COUNCIL, CITIZENS, EPA, OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES, PARTNERS
 - STRATEGY
 - PLANNING YOUR FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY
 - INTEGRATING WITH YOUR SURFACE WATER PROGRAM