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## Measure Z Application for Funding 2025 - Submission #38234

Date Submitted: 2/13/2025

### MEASURE Z APPLICATION SUBMISSION

**Agency Name\***

Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria

**Mailing Address\***

266 keisner rd

**City\***

Loleta

**Zip\***

95551

**Contact Person\***

Amanda Gonzales

**Title\***

OES Manager

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**Project Title\***

2025 BRB OES Staffing

**Funding Available**

The estimated amount of Measure Z funding available for FY 2025-26 is \$1.3 million.

**1. Amount of Measure Z Funding Requested For FY 25-26\***

211669.10

**Agency Priority**

1 - Top Priority



Agencies are encourage to submit one project per application. If your agency is submitting more than one application, please rank this application in terms of your agency's priority here.

## SUMMARY OF EXPENSES

Item	\$ Amount	% of Total
<b>Salaries (wages)</b>	<b>Salaries Amount*</b>	<b>Salaries %*</b>
	106208	50.18
<b>Benefits</b>	<b>Benefits Amount*</b>	<b>Benefits %*</b>
	37172.80	17.56
<b>Overhead and Occupancy</b> (Administrative, Rent, Utilities, Phones, etc.)	<b>Overhead/Occupancy Amount*</b>	<b>Overhead/Occupancy %*</b>
	55788.30	26.36
<b>Equipment/Supplies/Services</b>	<b>Equip./Services/Supplies Amount*</b>	<b>Equipment/Services/Supplies %*</b>
	12500.00	5.9
<b>Transportation/Travel</b>	<b>Transportation/Travel Amount*</b>	<b>Transportation/Travel %*</b>
	00.00	0
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>Fixed Assets Amount*</b>	<b>Fixed Assets %*</b>
	00.00	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Total Amount of Application*</b>	<b>TOTAL 100%</b>
	211669.10	

**ENTITY TYPE\***☐

Humboldt County Department

☐

Contract Service Provider to Humboldt County

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Local Government Entity

☐

Private Service Provider

☐

Non-Profit Service Provider

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Other (please describe)

**ENTITY TYPE**

Tribal Government - Office of Emergency Services

If you selected other, please briefly describe the entity you represent.

**Is this application a renewal or related to a project that has been funded by Measure Z in the past? \***

No ▼

If you checked "yes" please include the following:

1. a report detailing results from the most recent year the project was funded, and:
2. a completed Staffing Report detailing when the funded positions were filled during the most recent year you received funding for this project.

These documents must be uploaded in the "Required Attachments" section of this application.

**Describe how the scope of your proposal fits the intent of Measure Z. Specifically, how will it maintain and improve public safety and essential services?\***

The Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria established the Office of Emergency Services (OES) during the COVID-19 pandemic in response to the critical need for coordinated emergency management and public safety. This effort exposed significant gaps in hazard response, resource coordination, and community preparedness. Through OES, the Tribe has built capacity to assess risks, identify vulnerabilities, and implement strategic solution to enhance emergency response. However, with the current uncertainty surrounding federal funding- particularly with potential cuts to FEMA and grants that support underserved and diverse communities- Measure Z funding is critical to sustaining these essential services. Without this support, the Tribe risks losing vital emergency management resources, training, and response capabilities that directly protect public safety. This funding will fill the gap left by federal uncertainty, ensuring continued disaster preparedness, response coordinating, and resilience-building efforts. By securing local investment in emergency services, the Tribe can maintain and improve public safety, not only for its members but also for the surrounding communities that rely on coordinated response efforts.

**Please provide a brief description of the proposal for which you are seeking funding.\***

This proposal seeks Measure Z funding to cover 50% of the Tribes Office of Emergency Services (OES) staff salaries, ensuring continuity of operations while staff work to secure long-term, sustainable funding sources. The remaining 50% is currently covered through a combination of general funds and federal grants, though ongoing federal funding uncertainties put future support at risk. By securing this Measure Z funding, OES can continue providing more stable funding streams. OES Plays a critical role in protecting public safety by coordinating disaster preparedness, response, and recovery efforts for the Tribe and the surrounding community. A key initiative is the development of a Resiliency and Community Hub, which will serve as a centralized space for emergency coordination, training, and disaster response. This hub will also support individuals with Access and Functional Needs by providing emergency shelter, food distribution, and equipment staging, strengthening regional disaster resilience. Additionally, OES Provide essential coordination and safety measures during Tribal ceremonies, which take place in remote locations beyond the range of cellular, broadband, and traditional radio services. To ensure effective communication and emergency response in these off grid areas, funding will also be used to procure a portable satellite terminal and a portable power station. These critical equipment investments will enhance overall emergency response capabilities, ensuring preparedness for both ceremonial events and broader disaster scenarios.

**How have you developed a plan for sustainability, including diversification of funding sources, for your proposal to carry on without reliance on future Measure Z funds? Please provide detail of your plan for sustainability here.\***

The Bear River Band - Office of Emergency Services is committed to securing long-term, sustainable funding to ensure operations continue without reliance on future Measure Z funds. OES Will actively pursue funding from a variety of sources that are independent of federal grants, including state, local, and private sector funding opportunities. Specifically, OES will seek support from: California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Grants, California Listos Grant, State Fire Prevention and Safety Grants-CALFIRE, private and philanthropic Foundations such as; Wildfire Resilience Fund, Humboldt Area Foundation. Tribal-Specific Funding Sources such as; First Nations Development Institute/Native American Agriculture Funds. In addition to diversifying funding sources, OES is working toward long-term sustainability by developing a Resiliency and Community Hub that will serve as a central resource for training, coordination, and emergency response. This facility will enhance our ability to provide services efficiently and may open additional revenue opportunities through facility use agreements, training programs, and strategic partnerships. By proactively seeking diversified funding sources- including Tribal, State, Local, and Private funding- and investing in infrastructure that supports long-term emergency management capabilities, OES Will ensure that vital public safety services remain operational and resilient without continued reliance on Measure Z funds.

**If this request is for the continuation or expansion of an existing program/service, what is the current source of funding for that program/service?\***

The Office of Emergency Services was initially funded through COVID-19 response funding. As those funds expired, the department transitioned to support from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) and the Tribal Homeland Security Grant (THSG).to sustain operations. Currently, OES Relies on a limited rollover of ARP funds, allocated under an agreement with the Tribal Government, to cover operational costs. However, these funds are temporary and will be fully expended in the near future. Additionally, the Tribal Homeland Security Grant is set to end in August of this year, creating a critical funding gap. To ensure long-term sustainability, OES Has actively pursued additional funding sources, including, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMPG) Pending application to support long-term risk reduction, Bureau of Reclamation Grant Approved funding for flood mitigation efforts, awaiting award letter, PG&E Resilience Grant - Application submitted to enhance emergency preparedness and infrastructure. Measure Z funding is essential to bridging this gap, ensuring continuity of operations while OES works to secure stable, diversified funding sources. This support will allow OES to maintain core services, expand emergency preparedness initiatives, and continue seeking additional grants, contributions and partnerships that will reduce reliance on short-term funding in the future

**If you are awarded Measure Z funds, how do you plan to leverage these funds to secure additional grants, contributions or community support? \***

Measure Z funding will provide stability for OES operations, allowing staff to focus on expanding funding sources and securing long-term sustainability. With this support, OES will: 1- Increase grant-seeking capacity, pursuing new funding from state, tribal, and private sources 2- Develop funding partnerships with local organizations and community stakeholders 3- Enhance eligibility for additional grants by building capacity and demonstrating program success 3-Gather community input on emergency response needs, ensuring OES programs, training, and resources are aligned with real-world challenges faced by residents. This will inform future funding applications and emergency planning efforts. By stabilizing operations now, Measure Z funding will ensure that OES can secure sustainable, diversified funding and reduce reliance on short-term grant cycles.

**Will this proposal require new or expanded activity on the part of another entity to be fully functional and effective? If so, name that entity and describe what that participation would look like. \***

No, this proposal will not require new or expanded activity from another entity to be fully functional and effective. The Office of Emergency Services (OES) operates as a self-sustaining department, with the Tribal Grants Department ensuring compliance with all funding requirements. OES will continue working with established local, Tribal, and regional partners to enhance emergency response without requiring additional resources.

**Are there recurring expenses associated with this application, such as personnel cost? \***

Yes ▼

**If you checked yes, please detail those expenses here.**

There are recurring personnel costs for the Tribal Emergency manager and the Tribal Emergency Manager Tech in the amount of \$102,983.80 The funding will cover their salaries for the next year. No new county positions are being proposed

Please note, the Citizens' Advisory Committee in May, 2023, adopted a stance that it would not recommend funding for new, ongoing county positions.

## REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

Be sure to include the following with your application.

### Prior Year Results

If your request is a continuation of a program funded with Measure Z in prior fiscal years, please provide the results of implementation. (one page maximum)

### Upload Prior Year Results Attachment

No file chosen

### Program Budget

[Download the budget narrative](#), then upload using the button at right.

### Upload Program Budget Attachment\*

Measure Z Proposed Budget Template - FY 2025-26.xlsx

### Staffing Report

If your request was previously funded, please [download and complete the staffing report](#), then upload it using the option provided here.

### Upload Staffing Report Attachment

No file chosen

### Letters of Support

If you have letters of support from members of the community you can upload them here.

### Upload Letters of Support

No file chosen

**I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above statements and all attachments are true and correct.**

**Date\***

2/13/2025

03:00 PM

**Signature\***

Amanda Gonzales

Type Approving Official's Name

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<b>Coordinator/Contact:</b>	<b>Amanda Gonzales</b>	<b>Phone:</b>	<b>707-296-3790</b>

Descriptions	Budget	Quarter	Quarter Costs	Balance
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**A. Personnel Costs**

Title: OES Manager				
Salary (separate from benefits cost)	61,318.40			61,318.40
Benefits	21,461.44			21,461.44
Duties Description:				
Resopnsible for overseeing Tribe's emergency management programs, identifying capability gaps, and securing funding for emergency preparedness, response, and recovery initiatives. This role involves project identification, grant acquisition, interagency coordination, and ensuring compliance with federal, state, and tribal emergency management standards. These are accomplished by Strategic Emergency Planning, Risk and Gap Analysis, Grant Management, Disaster Response and Recovery, Training/Exercieses/Outreach development and delevary, Regulatory Compliance.				

Title: OES Technician				
Salary (separate from benefits cost)	44,889.60			44,889.60
Benefits	15,711.36			15,711.36
Duties Description:				
Assists OES Manager in planning, funding acquisition, and emergency preparedness activites. This role supports project development, procurement of emergency supplies and equipment, and coordination of training and response efforts. These are accomplished by; Project Support, funding assistance, procurement and Inventory, NIMS compliance coordinator, Assists in Training/Exercise development and delevary, Response, Logistics and Administrative support.				

Title:				
Salary (separate from benefits cost)				0.00
Benefits				0.00
Duties Description:				
Salaries Subtotal	106,208.00	0.00	0.00	106,208.00
Benefits Subtotal	37,172.80	0.00	0.00	37,172.80
<b>Total Personnel:</b>	<b>143,380.80</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>143,380.80</b>

**B. Overhead and Occupancy Costs (Rent, Utilities, Phones, Administrative etc.)**

Title: Indirect Costs (Administrative)				
Description: Management and Administration -Federal Negotiated Indirect = 27.15% applied to total salaries and fringe and the portable power station. Rate is a fixed carryforward applied to total direct costs less capital expenditures, contractual or passthrough over \$5,000	55,788.30			
<b>Total Overhead and Occupancy Costs:</b>	<b>55,788.30</b>	<b>#REF!</b>	<b>#REF!</b>	<b>#REF!</b>

**C. Equipment/Supplies/Services (Equipment, Supplies and Services should be separate)**

Title: <b>Equipment</b>				
(Please be detailed regarding the equipment you plan to .				
Description: These expenses are generally over \$200, longer useful life)				
Title: Portalbe Satelite Terminal				
Description: Ground Control MCD-4800 - Portalbe, auto-pointing BGAN stelite terminal house in rugged case. Will provide WI-Fi hotspot, Support internet, email, phone, SMS and more for rrual response operations	11,000.00			
Title: Portable Power Station				
Description: High-capacity portable power station for off grid power needs	1,500.00			
<b>Equipment Subtotal:</b>	<b>12,500.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,500.00</b>
Title: <b>Supplies</b>				
(Please be detailed. These expenses are generally under				
Description: \$200, depleted or consumed within 1 year)				
Title:				
Description:	0.00			
<b>Supplies Subtotal:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Title: <b>Services/Other Operational Costs</b>				
(Please be detailed. These expenses are generally professional or				
Description: contracted services, or other expenses that are not equipment or supplies)				

Title:														
Description:														
Services/Other Subtotal: 0.00 0 0 0.00														
Total Equipment/Supplies/Services: 12,500.00 0 0 12,500.00														
D. Transportation/Travel (Local and Out-of-County should be separate)														
Title: Local Travel														
Description: Describe local travel and connection to your project														
Title: Out of County Travel														
Description: Describe out of county travel and connection to your project														
Total Transportation/Travel Costs: 0.00 0 0 0.00														
E. Fixed Assets (According to your agency's definition of a fixed asset)														
Title:														
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