

Course:**Developing a Tribal Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan****Course Description:**

The focus of this course is on developing a tribally-specific, effective, and sustainable Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan (ISWMP). Having an ISWMP that works for you and your tribe is a critical component of a successful solid waste program and greatly aids you in securing funds for your operations. Instructors for this course include ITEP staff as well as tribal professionals who have developed their own ISWMPs.

Course Content:

- Discussion of the state of solid waste management by participants
- Description of the "Five Elements of an ISWMP"
- Defining the Community Service Area
 - Populations, households, and economics
 - Community and natural resources
 - Geography, climate, and land use concerns
- Tribal Solid Waste Program - Structure and Administration
 - Program administration and management
 - Codes/ordinances and compliance/enforcement
- Tribe's Current and Proposed Waste Management Practices
 - Waste stream characterization
 - Open dumps and uncontrolled wastes
 - Special and hazardous wastes
 - Waste reduction strategies
 - Limitations of current operations and planning for the future
 - Public Participation
- Funding, Sustainability, and Long-Term Goals
 - Long-term goals and priorities
 - Improvements beyond basic compliance
- Obtaining Approval of the Plan
- Tribal Case Studies
- Small Group Activities

Participant Eligibility:

Applicants must be employed by a federally recognized tribe. The course is specifically developed for staff employed in all aspects of solid waste management.

Course Fees:

ITEP will pay for lodging expenses for up to 20 participants. Participants are responsible for their own travel and per diem costs.