EPA funds Calif., Nev. native tribe water projects



Pyramid Lake Paiute members conduct a bio assessment of streams around Pyramid Lake earlier this year. Photo/EPA

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced more than $30 million in funding to native tribes in California and Nevada.

The announcement came at the 23rd Annual Regional Tribal Conference on Tuesday in Reno.

The funds provided to Nevada tribes will pay for water quality and other environmental projects. The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe was awarded $35,000 to reduce nitrogen loading on the Truckee River through a constructed wetlands project.

The EPA says half of federally-recognized U.S. tribes are concentrated in California, Nevada and Arizona.

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