

PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 1974

COMMUNICATION

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

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PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR  
1974 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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THE WHITE HOUSE,  
Washington, November 6, 1973.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Sir: I ask the Congress to consider proposed supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 1974 in the amount of \$8,900,000 for the Department of the Interior.

The details of these proposals are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, with whose comments I concur.

Respectfully,

RICHARD NIXON.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET,  
Washington, D.C., November 6, 1973.

The PRESIDENT,  
The White House.

Sir: I have the honor to submit for your consideration proposed supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1974 in the amount of \$8,900,000 for the Department of the Interior, as follows:

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

## SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and expenses," \$250,000.

## DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

For an additional amount for "Departmental operations," \$400,000.

## OFFICE OF TERRITORIES

## TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

For an additional amount for "Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands," \$8,250,000.

The proposed supplemental appropriations for the Office of the Secretary would provide for the Department's participation in Federal Regional Councils as provided for by Executive Order 11647, as amended July 23, 1973, and for the Department's responsibilities in reviewing disputes relating to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

The proposed supplemental appropriation for the Office of Territories would provide for several high-priority capital improvement projects and for three items in support of the continuing progress in the political future negotiations between the United States and the Trust Territory. Those three items are: an accelerated land and survey effort on public lands; assistance for the Micronesians to hold a Constitutional Convention; and an accelerated program of education for self-government.

I have carefully reviewed the proposals for appropriations contained in this document and am satisfied that these requests are necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that the proposals be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

Roy L. ASH, *Director*.

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