posited into the Crow Tribal Trust Fund shall not exceed, in the aggregate, \$85,000,000, excluding—

- (A) any interest earned on moneys in the Crow Tribal Trust Fund; and
- (B) the funds transferred to the Suspension Accounts pursuant to section 1776h of this title.

# (3) Payments of royalties received and retained by the United States

Subject to paragraph (2) and the requirements of section 1776h of this title, the royalties received and retained by the United States from the East Decker, West Decker, and Spring Creek coal mines shall be paid, transferred or deposited into the Crow Tribal Trust Fund not later than 30 days after the date on which the royalties are due and paid.

## (4) Additional payments

The Federal Government shall make payments, in addition to the payments referred to in paragraph (3), from the royalties received and retained by the United States from other coal mines within the State of Montana into the Crow Tribal Trust Fund in an amount equal to any lost interest income (as determined by the Secretary), if any portion of the sums described in paragraph (3) are not paid, transferred or deposited into the Crow Tribal Trust Fund within the 30-day period prescribed in paragraph (3).

## (c) Investment

At the request of the Secretary, the Secretary of the Treasury shall invest all sums deposited into, accruing to, and remaining in, the Crow Tribal Trust Fund in accordance with section 161a of this title.

# (d) Distribution of interest

## (1) In general

Only the interest received on funds in the Crow Tribal Trust Fund shall be available for distribution by the Secretary to the Crow Tribe for use for education, land acquisition, economic development, youth and elderly programs or other tribal purposes in accordance with plans and budgets developed and approved by the Crow Tribe and approved by the Secretary.

## (2) Requirements for distribution of interest

Commencing with fiscal year 1996 and for each fiscal year thereafter, without fiscal year limitation, the interest received on monies in the Crow Tribal Trust Fund shall be available for distribution under this subsection only if—

- (A) the United States and the Crow Tribe enter into the Settlement Agreement; and
- (B) the requirements of section 1776g of this title relating to the approval and execution of the Settlement Agreement are satisfied.

# (3) Prohibition

No portion of the Crow Tribal Trust Fund or the interest earned on the Crow Tribal Trust Fund may be distributed to members of the Crow Tribe on a per capita basis.

# (e) Use of interest for economic development

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Crow Tribe may, subject to approval by the Secretary, assign the right of the Crow Tribe to the interest earned on monies in the Crow Tribal Trust Fund to a third party in connection with loans made for economic development projects on or near the Crow Indian Reservation.

#### (f) Limitation

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no portion of the principal of the Crow Tribal Trust Fund shall be available for withdrawal or disbursement or used for any purpose other than the purposes specified in this section and section 1776h of this title.

(Pub. L. 103–444, §6, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4638; amended Pub. L. 103–435, §23, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4575.)

### AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 103–435 amended subsec. (c) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (c) read as follows: "At the request of the Secretary, the Secretary of the Treasury shall invest all sums deposited into, accruing to, and remaining in, the Crow Tribal Trust Fund in accordance with sections 161a to 161d of this title."

## § 1776e. Eligibility for other Federal services

No payments made or benefits conferred pursuant to this subchapter shall result in the reduction or denial of any Federal services or programs to any tribe or to any member of a tribe to which the tribe or member of the tribe is entitled or eligible because of the status of the tribe as a federally recognized Indian tribe or the status of a member of such tribe as a member.

(Pub. L. 103-444, §7, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4640.)

# § 1776f. Exchanges of land or minerals

# (a) In general

- (1) Subject to approval by the Secretary, the Crow Tribe may exchange any land or minerals to which its title is recognized in or obtained pursuant to this subchapter for other land or minerals of substantially equivalent value within the Crow Indian Reservation (including parcel number 1).
- (2) Lands or minerals received by the Crow Tribe in any exchange made pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be—
  - (A) vested in the United States in trust for the sole use and benefit of the Crow Tribe; and
  - (B) recognized as part of the Crow Indian Reservation.

## (b) Ownership by non-Indians

Any land or minerals received by a person who is not an Indian in an exchange referred to in subsection (a) of this section shall be owned in fee.

(Pub. L. 103–444, §8, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4640.)

# § 1776g. Applicability

## (a) In general

This subchapter shall take effect upon the occurrence of the following conditions:

- (1) The Settlement Agreement is approved and executed by the Secretary.
- (2) The Settlement Agreement is approved and executed by the Crow Tribe.