The goals of the IRR Program are to:

- Provide safe and efficient transportation and public road access to and within Indian reservations, Indian lands, Alaskan Native villages, and communities;
- Develop the necessary transportation system to foster and support economic development;
- Rehabilitate or replace deficient bridges which restrict the mobility on or near Indian reservations, lands, Alaskan Native villages and communities;
- Improve the condition of gravel and paved roads;
- Grade, gravel, or stabilize existing earth roads;
- Reduce the number and severity of traffic accidents through an improved transportation system;
- Provide for and to increase opportunities for employment of members of Indian tribes and Alaskan Native villages; and
- Develop Indian tribal government capabilities for managing and increasing their participation in the improvement of their transportation system.

Indian Reservation Roads Program Stewardship Plan, July 1996, FHWA and BIA

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