

RESOLUTION OF THE  
RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council --- Fourth Year, 2018

AN ACTION

RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; APPOINTING AND  
CONFIRMING MR. DANNY SIMPSON TO SERVE ON THE NAVAJO AGRICULTURAL  
PRODUCTS INDUSTRY BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS  
REPRESENTING DISTRICT 19

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. See 2 N.N.C. §500 (A).
- B. The President of the Navajo Nation appoints and the Resources and Development Committee confirms the directors to the Navajo Agricultural Products Industry. See 2 N.N.C. §501(B)(9). See also 5 N.N.C. §1603 (A).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. In the event of a vacancy on the Board of Directors, pursuant to Navajo Nation Council Resolution CJA-05-10 which amended the Navajo Agricultural Products Industry's ("NAPI") Plan of Operation: "... the President of the Navajo Nation shall appoint a qualified candidate on or before thirty (30) working days. The [Resources and Development Committee] of the Navajo Nation Council shall fill vacancies where the President has not made an appointment within thirty (30) working days by appointing and confirming a candidate that meets the qualifications stated above."
- B. The five members of the Board of Directors shall possess substantial business experience and be from the Western, Chinle and Eastern Agencies. At least three of the Directors shall have substantial experience in successful agribusiness commercial farming, provided that such experience not be through employment with NAPI. At least one Director shall be educated in the field of agriculture, one director shall reside in District 13 and one Director shall reside within District 19. All Directors shall have at least a Bachelor of

Science degree except those Directors representing District 13 and District 19. Preference in the appointment of Directors shall be given to Navajo members. No person who has been employed by NAPI will be eligible to become a Director until six years after the date of separation from NAPI. See NAPI Plan of Operation. See also CJA-05-10.

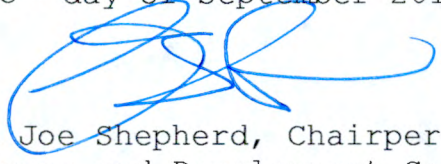
- C. The President of the Navajo Nation has not submitted an appointee for confirmation to the Resources and Development Committee within the thirty day requirement.
- D. Mr. Danny Simpson has submitted his letter of interest as well as his résumé for consideration for appointment to the NAPI Board of Directors. See Letter of Interest, Résumé and Certificate of Navajo Indian Blood attached hereto as **Exhibits A, B, and C**, respectively.
- E. The former NAPI Board of Director representing District 19 has a term that expired on October 28, 2017. See RDCO-98-14.
- F. The Huerfano and Nageezi Chapters recommend the appointment and confirmation of Mr. Danny Simpson to the NAPI Board of Directors to represent District 19. See Huerfano Chapter Resolution #HUE-071-18 and Nageezi Chapter Resolution #NC-18-056 attached hereto as **Exhibits D and E**, respectively.
- G. Mr. Danny Simpson meets the qualifications to be a Director for the Navajo Agricultural Products Industry as required by NAPI Plan of Operation Art. 6 (C).

### **SECTION THREE. APPOINTING AND CONFIRMING MR. DANNY SIMPSON AS A DIRECTOR**

- A. The Resources and Development Committee hereby appoints Mr. Danny Simpson to the Navajo Agricultural Products Industry Board of Directors representing District 19 for a term of three years pursuant to the NAPI Plan of Operation Art. 6 (D) (1).
- B. The Resources and Development Committee hereby confirms the appointment of Mr. Danny Simpson to the Navajo Agricultural Products Industry Board of Directors representing District 19 for a term of three years to commence on October 28, 2017, and expire on October 28, 2020.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, hereby, certify that the following resolution was duly considered by the Resources and Development Committee of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at the Navajo Nation Council Chambers, Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 3 in favor, and 2 opposed, on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018.



Alton Joe Shepherd, Chairperson  
Resources and Development Committee  
of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council

Motion: Honorable Walter Phelps  
Second: Honorable Benjamin Bennett

Chairperson Alton Joe Shepherd voted to break tie vote.



Danny Simpson  
P.O. Box  
Bloomfield, NM 87413

April 26, 2018

Dear Selection Committee:

This letter is written to express my interest in serving on the Navajo Agriculture Products Industry (NAPI) Board representing ENA District 19 Chapters.

I have proven leadership initiative by serving as a Navajo Nation Council Delegate for three terms. During this tenure, I had the opportunity to serve on various standing committees which included the Budget & Finance and the Government Service. While serving in these capacities, I was able to meet the needs of the Navajo Nation and its people. It is important to note that I have direct knowledge in the ENA checkboard land statuses and its relation to the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project (NIIP).

I have a strong background in taking initiative, collaborating, communicating, building relationships, and problem solving. I have a high value of integrity, professionalism, and accountability. I am confident that I can apply my background, values and experience to meeting the needs and objectives of NAPI.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Danny Simpson".

Danny Simpson



## Danny Simpson

P.O. Box  
Bloomfield, NM 87413

### Career Objective:

To obtain a position as a Navajo Agricultural Product Industry Board Member that would allow me to demonstrate my existing skills and talents that I have acquired from my work experience.

### Education

Bloomfield High School, Bloomfield      High School Diploma: May 1985

San Juan College, Farmington, NM      Credit Hours: 80 credit hour  
Major: Liberal Arts

### Military Service

United States Army 1985-1988

### Work Experience

**Chapter Coordinator (October 2015 – current)**  
*Nageezi Chapter House*

- Communicates effectively with team members of all levels to meet the needs of the organizations.
- Actively coordinates community meetings
- Actively plans and implements community events
- Consistently utilizes computer skills: Microsoft Word, Power Point, Excel, Publisher, and Outlook
- Identifies and meets priorities and objectives of the chapter
- Creates and maintains partnerships inside and outside the chapter
- Develops and maintains necessary documentation to protect the Chapter
- Remain updated with policies and procedures
- Attends meetings as required

**Council Delegate (January 2003 – January 2015)**  
*Eastern Navajo Agency*

- Actively participated in council, committee, and chapter meetings.
- Communicated effectively with all levels of community officials
- Discussed issues and developed plans to address community concerns
- Reviewed and proposed new legislations to the council
- Supported and participated community events
- Identified and met the priorities and objectives of the Navajo Nation
- Created and maintained partnerships inside and outside the Navajo Nation

**Chapter Coordinator (October 1995 – January 2003)**  
*Huerfano Chapter House*

- Communicated effectively with team members of all levels to meet the needs of the organizations.
- Actively coordinated community meetings
- Actively planned and implemented community events
- Consistently utilized computer skills: Microsoft Word and Excel
- Identified and met priorities and objectives of the chapter
- Created and maintained partnerships inside and outside the chapter
- Developed and maintained necessary documentation to protect the Chapter
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## THE NAVAJO NATION

BEN SHELLY  
PRESIDENT

REX LEE JIM  
VICE PRESIDENT

UNACCEPTABLE IF ALTERED

### CERTIFICATE OF NAVAJO INDIAN BLOOD

PART A (To be used if applicant is enrolled)

EASTERN NAVAJO  
AGENCY

February 6, 2015  
DATE

I certify that DANNY SIMPSON is listed on the Navajo Indian Census Roll, dated  
January 01, 1940, Which is an official record of this office as being of 4/4 Degree Navajo  
Indian blood, with Roll Number, \_\_\_\_\_, Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_.

RECORDED: OCTOBER 30, 1967

  
VITAL STATISTICS MANAGER  
VST/

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THIS DOCUMENT  
HAS BEEN TAKEN FROM THE OFFICIAL TRIBAL ROLL OF THE NAVAJO NATION.

VITAL RECORDS & TRIBAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM  
THE NAVAJO NATION ♦ PO BOX 3240 ♦ WINDOW ROCK, ARIZONA 86515



## **HUERFANO CHAPTER # 91**

**P.O. BOX 968 \* BLOOMFIELD, NEW MEXICO 87413 \* (505) 960-1400 \* FAX (505) 960-3044**

### **RESOLUTION OF HUERFANO CHAPTER RESOLUTION # HUE-071-18**

**RECOMMENDING DANNY SIMPSON TO SERVE ON THE NAVAJO AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRY (NAPI) BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPRESENTING HUERFANO, NAGEEZI, COUNSELOR AND OJO ENCINO CHAPTERS OF THE ENA DISTRICT 19 CHAPTERS FOR A FOUR (04) YEAR TERM.**

#### **WHEREAS:**

1. Huerfano Chapter is a certified governmental entity of the Navajo Nation charges with the responsibility to solicit, promote, and protect the interest and the welfare of the chapter and its community pursuant to the Navajo Nation Resolution CJ20-55, December 02, 1995 and Resolution CAP 34-98, adopting the Local Governance Act (LGA); and
2. Huerfano Chapter has a population of 3000 plus residents, both registered voters and non-registered community members. The chapter is one of the largest land based chapters comprised of 553,528 acres in Eastern Agency, Navajo Nation and has nine (09) sub-communities including Adobe, Blanco, Bisti, Carson, Gallegos, Jacquez, Hogback, Huerfano, and Otis; and
3. Huerfano Chapter membership supports and recommend Mr. Danny Simpson to serve on the Navajo Agricultural Products Industry (NAPI) Board of Directors representing the ENA District 19 Chapters; and
4. Mr. Danny Simpson has served with diligence on the Navajo Nation Council for three (03) terms, for a total of 12 years; and
5. Mr. Danny Simpson served on various standing committees of the Navajo Nation Council, including Budget & Finance Committee, Government Services Committee, Law & Order Committee, and
6. Mr. Danny Simpson has vast knowledge in serving and addressing the needs of the Navajo Nation communities; and
7. Mr. Danny Simpson has vast knowledge in the ENA checkboard land status(s) including the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project (NIIP) land withdrawal for Navajo Agricultural Products Industry (NAPI) business.

**BEN WOODY JR.  
CHAPTER PRESIDENT**

**JONATHAN PERRY  
COUNCIL DELEGATE**

**IRENE L. HARVEY  
CHAPTER VICE PRESIDENT**

**VERONICA PABLO-TSO  
LAND BOARD**

**LOIS Y. WERITO  
SECRETARY & TREASURER**

**JERRY CASTIANO  
LAND BOARD**

**NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT:**

The Huerfano Chapter hereby approves and supports the recommendations for Mr. Danny Simpson to serve on the Navajo Agricultural Products Industry (NAPI) Board of Directors representing the Four (04) District 19 Chapters of the ENA Agency for a term of four (04) years.

**CERTIFICATION**

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and discussed at a duly called meeting of Huerfano Chapter, Navajo Nation (New Mexico), at which a quorum was presented, and that the same was passed by a vote of 23 in favor, 00 opposed, and 03 abstained this 08<sup>th</sup> day of April 2018.

Motion by: Joseph Jimmie  
Second by: Marilyn C. Benally

  
Ben Woody Jr., Chapter President

  
Irene L. Harvey, Chapter Vice-President

  
Lois Y. Werito, Secretary/Treasurer

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Jonathan Perry, Council Delegate





**NAGEEZI CHAPTER  
EASTERN NAVAJO AGENCY  
DISTRICT 19**



**Russell Begaye, Navajo Nation President**

**Jonathan Nez, Navajo Nation Vice-President**

**RESOLUTION OF NAGEEZI CHAPTER  
EASTERN AGENCY, DISTRICT 19**

**RESOLUTION # NC-18-056**

**SUPPORTING DANNY SIMPSON TO BE APPOINTED AND CONFIRMED TO  
THE NAVAJO AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRY BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS TO REPRESENT DISTRICT 19**

**WHEREAS:**

1. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C. §1(B), the Nageezi Chapter is delegated the governmental authority to make decisions over local matters consistent with Navajo Law, Custom, and Tradition and under 11 N.N.C., Part 1, Section 10, is delegated authority to make local decisions in the best interest and welfare of the community members; and
2. Nageezi Chapter with the population of 2500 to 3000 residents, registered and non-registered voters, is made of up of nine (09) sub-communities including and not limited to: Nageezi, Lybrook, Twin Pines, Blanco, Kimbeto, Chaco Canyon, Escavada, Betoni Wash, Kinnadiz, and Dzilh-na-o-dith-hle, being one of the largest land base chapter in the Eastern Agency of the Navajo Nation; and
3. Navajo Agricultural Products Industry ("NAPI") is managed by a Board of Directors which provides governance and oversight of the organization subject to the restrictions of the NAPI Plan of operation and applicable law. The Board consist of five (5) members who represent District 13, District 19, Eastern Agency, Western Agency, and Chinle Agency; and
4. Danny Simpson is registered voter at Huerfano Chapter which the Chapter is part of District 19. Mr. Simpson has worked with different governmental entities while he served three terms on the Navajo Nation Council which will be very beneficial to NAPI in continuing their success in the agribusiness and advocacy to have the Federal Government complete the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project; and
5. Danny Simpson fully supports NAPI's mission of: Continue the legacy of Navajo farming, producing superior products, practicing stewardship and creating value for our people. Mr. Simpson also fully supports NAPI's vision of: Farming sustainably across generations to cultivate a healthy Nation.

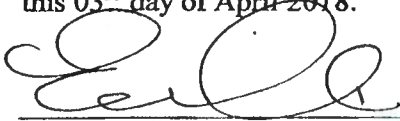
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESLOVED THAT:**

1. **NAGEEZI CHAPTER HEREBY SUPPORTS DANNY SIMPSON TO BE APPOINTED AND CONFIRMED TO THE NAVAJO AGRICULTURAL**

**PRODUCTS INDUSTRY BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO REPRESENT DISTRICT  
19.**

**CERTIFICATION**

**WE HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION #NC-18-056 was duly presented and discussed at a duly called meeting of Nageezi Chapter, Navajo Nation (New Mexico), at which a quorum was present, motioned by Marie Herbert, seconded by Howard Lopez, was voted on with 13 in favor, 00 opposed, and 02 abstained, this 03<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2018.**

  
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**Ervin Chavez, Chapter President**

  
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**Jessica Platero, Secretary/Treasurer**

# **RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**Regular Meeting  
September 5, 2018**

## **ROLL CALL VOTE TALLY SHEET:**

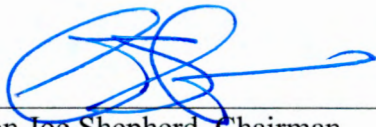
**Legislation # 0264-18:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development;  
Appointing and Confirming Mr. Danny Simpson to Serve on the Navajo  
Agricultural Products Industry Board of Directors for a Term of Three  
Years Representing District 19 *Sponsor: Honorable Leonard Tsosie*

**MAIN MOTION:** Walter Phelps S: Benjamin Bennett V: 3-2-0 (**Chair Voted to Break Tie Vote**)

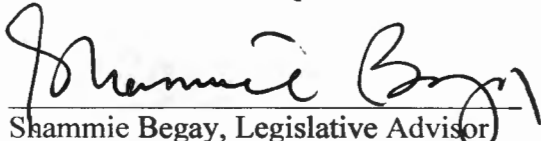
**YEAS:** Benjamin Bennett; Walter Phelps and Chairman Alton Joe Shepherd

**NAYS:** Leonard Pete and Jonathan Perry

**EXCUSED:** Davis Filfred



Alton Joe Shepherd, Chairman  
Resources and Development Committee



Shammie Begay, Legislative Advisor  
Resources and Development Committee