

**RESOLUTION OF THE  
RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
of the 25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - First Year, 2023**

**AN ACTION**

**RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND RELATED MATTERS, TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NAVAJO NATION'S FY2024 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET**

**BE IT ENACTED:**

**SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with oversight authority over the Navajo Nation Division of Natural Resources. 2 N.N.C. §500(A); 2 N.N.C. §501(C)(1).
- B. The Resources and Development Committee shall review and make recommendations to the Budget and Finance Committee concerning the budget in accordance with the annual budget instructions. 12 N.N.C. § 840 (A).

**SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- A. Oversight Committee recommendations shall not exceed the base planning amounts. 12 N.N.C. §840(A). The base planning amounts were established by the Budget and Finance Committee through Resolution No. BFJY-15-23.
- B. The Resources and Development Committee held budget meetings and heard reports from Program staff and the Office of Management and Budget regarding the proposed FY2024 Budget for the Division of Natural Resources. 12 N.N.C. §840(A).
- C. The Resources and Development Committee reviewed and considered the proposed FY2024 Budget for the Division of Natural Resources, as compared to the base planning amounts, Resolution No. BFJY-15-23, and as recommended by the Office of Management and Budget.
- D. The Resources and Development Committee finds that approval of the proposed FY2024 Budget for the Division of Natural Resources and inclusion of such Budget in the Navajo Nation's FY2024 Comprehensive Budget is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation.

**SECTION THREE. APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND RELATED MATTERS**

- A. The Resources and Development Committee hereby approves the FY2024 Budget for the Division of Natural Resources, as detailed in the "Fund Type Budget Summary" attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
- B. The Resources and Development Committee hereby approves certain revisions to the Branch Chiefs' proposed FY2024 Budget amount for the Division of Natural Resources, as shown in Columns D and E in the "General Fund Comparative Summary" attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.
- C. The Resources and Development Committee recommends the changes to the General Fund Budget described in **Exhibit C**.
- D. The Resources and Development Committee recommends certain Conditions of Appropriation and Legislative Concerns, as listed in **Exhibit D**.
- E. The Resources and Development Committee recommends that certain Unmet Needs for the Division of Natural Resources be included in the FY2024 Comprehensive Budget, as explained in **Exhibit E**.
- F. The Resources and Development Committee recommends that the Budget and Finance Committee approve the Division of Natural Resources FY2024 Budget and all Committee recommendations as set forth in **Exhibits A-E**.
- G. The Resources and Development Committee hereby authorizes the Chairwoman and the Vice-Chairman to negotiate with the Budget and Finance Committee on these recommendations.

**SECTION FOUR. RECOMMENDATIONS.**

- A. The Resources and Development Committee hereby recommends to the Budget and Finance Committee and Navajo Nation Council allocating \$4 million from the \$21,555,000 Permanent Fund Income Excess for a Department of Water Resources modular building or permanent building.
- B. The Resources and Development Committee hereby recommends to the Budget and Finance Committee and Navajo Nation Council that the Navajo Nation Divisions and Departments with proprietary funds be allocated 100% of the funds in their proprietary funds.

C. The Resources and Development Committee hereby recommends to the Budget and Finance Committee and Navajo Nation Council that a report be made to Budget and Finance Committee and Navajo Nation Council as to why 915001 Navajo Nation Parks and Recreation, account 7110 subaccount 7220 lists depreciation expense of \$70,000. Why is this in the Navajo Nation Parks and Recreation budget for the past 10 years?

**SECTION FIVE. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Action shall become effective as provided in 2 N.N.C. §189(A).

**CERTIFICATION**

I, hereby, certify that the following resolution was duly considered by the Resources and Development Committee of the 25<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at St. Michaels, (Navajo Nation) Arizona, at which quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August 2023.



Casey Allen Johnson, Vice-Chairperson  
Resources and Development Committee  
Of the 25<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council

Motion: Honorable Rickie Nez  
Second: Honorable Casey Allen Johnson

EXHIBIT A

**DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2024**

**FUND TYPE BUDGET SUMMARY**

Business Unit Number	Program	FY 2023 General Fund Budget	Fiscal Year 2024 Navajo Nation Funds						
			Proposed General Fund Budget	Indirect Cost Fund	Personnel Lapse Fund	Proprietary Fund	Fiduciary Fund	Special Revenue Fund - Internal	Special Revenue Fund - External
115001	DIV OF NAT. RESOURCES - ADM	445,481	684,130	248,602				2,777,319	3,710,051
115004	MINERALS DEPARTMENT	800,046	800,046					4,908,657	5,708,703
115009	DWR - WATER RES. MGMT.	227,470	227,470					350,776,004	351,003,474
115011	DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES	323,903	323,903					2,412,315	2,736,218
115012	DWR-TECH/CONSTRUCTION	2,418,124	2,418,124					2,939,520	5,357,644
115013	DWR-OPS/MAINTENANCE	2,988,750	2,988,750					28,748,379	31,737,129
115016	PARKS AND RECREATION ENTERPR	250,000	0					0	0
115017	NN MUSEUM (G/F/F)	311,300	311,300					190,000	501,300
115018	DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE	947,878	947,878						947,878
115021	NAVAJO LAND DEPARTMENT	2,082,037	2,018,848						7,078,522
115023	FORESTRY DEPARTMENT	193,822	193,822						3,005,215
115024	HISTORIC PRESERV. DEPT	590,986	590,986						3,199,037
115025	DEPT. OF FISH & WILDLIFE	1,223,679	1,223,679						3,622,320
115026	DFW - ANIMAL CONTROL PROG.	1,805,171	1,805,171						4,213,306
115027	DEPT. OF RESOURCE ENFORCE	1,954,529	1,911,340						13,548,067
115034	NAVAJO VETERINARY & LIVESTOCK	485,949	485,949						14,771,746
115035	DFW - ZOO	1,196,308	1,196,308						1,829,171
115037	NAVAJO TITLE PLAN SYSTEM	562,452	562,452						1,911,340
115038	GENERAL LAND DEVELOPMENT	507,923	507,923						485,949
115039	ENERGY - DNR	250,000	250,000						1,196,308
415000	LAND ACQUISITION TRUST FUND							4,032,639	4,032,639
515005	WATER CODE SPECIAL REVENUE							725,000	725,000
915001	PARKS AND RECREATION ENTERPR							10,000,000	10,000,000
915003	RANCH & EASTERN LAND MGMT.							300,000	300,000
915008	DEPT. OF FISH & WILDLIFE							825,000	825,000
915009	LIVESTOCK CUSTODY FUND							200,000	200,000
915011	ANNUAL NN FAIR							600,000	600,000
915013	VETERINARY MEDICAL SALES							172,000	172,000
915014	COLORADO RANCH ENTERPRISE							750,000	750,000
K#	AML RECLAMATION DEPT.								9,766,934
	Total	19,545,808	19,448,079	248,602				4,757,639	429,748,201

**Fiscal Year 2024****EXHIBIT B**  
**The Navajo Nation**  
**General Fund Comparative Summary**

Branch:		EXECUTIVE		NATURAL RESOURCES		
Business Unit Number	Program Title	(B)	(C) Branch Chiefs Proposed FY 2024 General Fund Budget	(D) Oversight Committee's Recommended FY 2024 General Fund Budget	(E) Plus or minus \$ difference (Column D minus C)	
115001	DIV OF NAT. RESOURCES - ADM	684,130	684,130	684,130	0	
115004	MINERALS DEPARTMENT	800,046	800,046	800,046	0	
115009	DWR - WATER RES. MGMT.	227,470	227,470	227,470	0	
115011	DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES	323,903	323,903	323,903	0	
115012	DWR-TECH/CONSTRUCTION	2,418,124	2,418,124	2,418,124	0	
115013	DWR-OPS/MAINTENANCE	2,988,750	2,988,750	2,988,750	0	
115017	NN MUSEUM (GF/PF)	311,300	311,300	311,300	0	
115018	DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE	947,878	947,878	947,878	0	
115021	NAVAJO LAND DEPARTMENT	2,018,848	2,018,848	2,018,848	0	
115023	FORESTRY DEPARTMENT	193,822	193,822	193,822	0	
115024	HISTORIC PRESERV. DEPT	590,986	590,986	590,986	0	
115025	DEPT. OF FISH & WILDLIFE	1,223,679	1,223,679	1,223,679	0	
115026	DFW - ANIMAL CONTROL PROG.	1,805,171	1,805,171	1,805,171	0	
115027	DEPT. OF RESOURCE ENFORCE	1,911,340	1,911,340	1,911,340	0	
115034	NAVAJO VETERINARY & LIVESTOCK	485,949	485,949	485,949	0	
115035	DFW - ZOO	1,196,308	1,196,308	1,196,308	0	
115037	NAVAJO TITLE PLAN SYSTEM	562,452	562,452	562,452	0	
115038	GENERAL LAND DEVELOPMENT	507,923	507,923	507,923	0	
115039	ENERGY - DNR	250,000	250,000	250,000	0	
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>19,448,079</b>	<b>19,448,079</b>	<b>19,448,079</b>	<b>0</b>	

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**EXHIBIT C**

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Recommended Conditions of Appropriations and Legislative Concerns

EXHIBIT

**D**

Tables

Branch: EXECUTIVE Division: NATURAL RESOURCES

Business Unit Number	Program Title	Brief Narrative of Recommended Condition of Appropriation (COA) or Legislative Concern (L.C)
115001	DIV OF NAT. RESOURCES - ADM	
115004	MINERALS DEPARTMENT	
115009	DWR - WATER RES. MGMT.	
115011	DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES	
115012	DWR-TECH/CONSTRUCTION	
115013	DWR-OPS/MAINTENANCE	
115017	NN MUSEUM (GF/PF)	
115018	DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE	
115021	NAVAJO LAND DEPARTMENT	
115023	HISTORIC PRESEV. DEPT	
115023	FORESTRY DEPARTMENT	
115025	DEPT. OF FISH & WILDLIFE	
115026	DFW - ANIMAL CONTROL PROG.	
115027	DEPT. OF RESOURCE ENFORCE	
115034	NAVAJO VETERINARY & LIVESTOCK	
115035	DFW - ZOO	
115037	NAVAJO TITLE PLAN SYSTEM	
115038	GENERAL LAND DEVELOPMENT	
115039	ENERGY - DNR	

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# The Navajo Nation Recommended Unmet Needs Budgets

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# The Navajo Nation Recommended Unmet Needs Budgets

**Branch:** EXECUTIVE

Division:

NATURAL RESOURCES

**EXHIBIT E**

**RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

FIRST YEAR 2023

**ROLL CALL**  
**VOTE TALLY SHEET**

**LEGISLATION #0168-23: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND RELATED MATTERS, TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NAVAJO NATION'S FY2024 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET.** *Sponsor: Honorable Brenda Jesus Co-Sponsor: Honorable Danny Simpson*

Date: August 11, 2023 – Special Meeting (St. Michaels, Arizona)  
Location: Navajo Nation Land Department – 2B Taylor Road, Building #8966 – St. Michaels, Arizona.

### **Amendment #1:**

**M:** Rickie Nez                            **S:** Danny Simpson                            **V:** 4-0-1 (VCNV)  
**In Favor:** Shawna Ann Claw; Rickie Nez; Danny Simpson; Otto Tso  
**Opposition:** None  
**Excused:** Brenda Jesus  
**Not Voting:** Casey Allen Johnson, *Vice-Chairperson*

## Main Motion:

**M:** Rickie Nez                            **S:** Casey Allen Johnson                            **V:** 4-0-1 (VCNV)  
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**Opposition:** None  
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**Not Voting:** Casey Allen Johnson, *Vice-Chairperson*

Casey A. Johnson  
Honorable Casey Allen Johnson, Vice-Chairperson  
Resources and Development Committee

Rodney L. Tahe  
Rodney L. Tahe, Legislative Advisor  
Office of Legislative Services