# RESOLUTION OF THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Of the 23rd Navajo Nation Council---First Year 2015

### AN ACTION

RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE FOR TWIN ARROWS DEVELOPMENT AND TO IMPLEMENT THE TWIN ARROWS MASTER PLAN AS APPROVED BY THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE IN COMMITTEE RESOLUTION RDCD-106-14.

### BE IT ENACTED:

### Section One. Findings

- A. The Resources and Development Committee ("RDC") has oversight authority over gaming and legislative oversight over the Gaming Regulatory Office. 2 N.N.C. §500(C); 2 N.N.C §501(C)(1).
- B. On December 30, 2014, the RDC of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council passed Resolution RDCD-106-14 "Approving the Twin Arrows Master Plan; and Directing Its Implementation and Development." See RDCD-106-14 attached as Exhibit A.
- C. In RDCD-106-14, the RDC approved the Twin Arrows Master Plan, approved the roadway planning and design of a by-pass highway to Twin Arrows, and directed the Navajo Nation enterprises to commercially develop Twin Arrows. See Exhibit A.
- D. To encourage this process of implementation of the Twin Arrows Master Plan, it is necessary to establish a Task Force with monthly reporting requirements to RDC to ensure that Twin Arrows is moving towards commercial development.

### Section Two. Task Force Establishment; purpose; membership

A. The Navajo Nation hereby establishes a Task Force for purposes of:

- 1. Implementing development of the Twin Arrows lot for projects including but not limited to tracts for housing, commercial businesses, golf courses, access roads and byways, and government offices.
- 2. Planning phases of development for projects listed in the Twin Arrows Master Plan.
- 3. Providing feedback to the RDC on a monthly basis concerning the progress of developments to Twin Arrows and the surrounding area.
- 4. To accomplish the task set forth as global overview items identified at a meeting between the Resources and Development Committee and the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise & Partnership, including but not limited to acquiring all land identified, creating a financial plan, and identifying the lengthy development processes and creating timelines for those processes.

### B. Task Force membership; meetings

- 1. It is recommended that the Task Force hereby established shall consist of the following Navajo Nation employees or their designees:
  - i. Derrick Watchman, Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise;
  - ii. Aneva Yazzie, Navajo Housing Authority
  - iii. Louis Denetsosie, Navajo Nation Oil and Gas
  - iv. Rex Knotz, Navajo Tribal Utility Authority
  - v. Nathan Begaye, Navajo Nation Shopping Centers, Inc.
  - vi. Raymond Nopah, Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development
  - vii. Mike Halona, Navajo Nation Land Department
  - viii. Darryl Bradley, Navajo Division of Transportation
  - ix. Louis Shepherd, Navajo Nation Division of Community Development

- x. Thomas Benally, Navajo Hopi Land Commission Office
- xi. Arval McCabe, Department of Tourism Development
- xii. Barbara McGough, Navajo Arts and Crafts Enterprise
- Xiii. Eugenia Quintana, Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency
- xiv. Honorable Walter Phelps, Council Delegate from Leupp Chapter;
- xv. Stan Sapp, CEO, Navajo Nation Hospitality Enterprise
- 2. The Task Force shall meet biweekly.
- 3. Rules governing meetings, including selection of a Chairperson shall be determined by the Task Force. Provided every member of the Task Force shall be allowed to participate, debate and vote on all matters.

### Section Three. Reimbursement

The members of the Task Force, for its meetings attendance and in fulfilling its delegated functions, shall be compensated (where permitted by law, rule or regulation) and reimbursed for expenses from the respective programs there are employed with.

### Section Four. Directives

A. The Task Force shall provide to RDC a brief written report on a monthly basis, which provides feedback as to progress of development of the Twin Arrows site.

### Section Five. Approval

The Navajo Nation Council's Resources and Development Committee hereby authorizes the creation of a Task Force for Twin Arrows development and to begin implementation of the Twin Arrows Master Plan as set forth in Resolution RDCD-106-14.

### CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing 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 Navajo Nation Council Chambers, Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained this 23rd day of June, 2015.

Benjamin Bennett, Vice-Chairperson Resources and Development Committee Of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council

Motion: Honorable Davis Filfred
Second: Honorable Leonard Pete
Vote: 4-0 (Chairman Not Voting)



RDCD-106-14

## RESOLUTION OF THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Of the 22nd Navajo Nation Council---Fourth Year 2014

### AN ACTION

## APPROVING THE TWIN ARROWS MASTER PLAN; AND DIRECTING ITS IMPLEMENTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

### BE IT ENACTED

### SECTION ONE. FINDINGS

- Pursuant to 2 N.N.C § 501 (C), the Resource and Development Committee has oversight authority over water, land, environment, environmental protection, cultural resources, agriculture, livestock, wildlife, roads and transportation, transportation, communications and utilities, information technology, chapter activities, economic and community development, commerce and rights-of-way, minerals, public utilities, gaming, telecommunication, housing for the Navajo Nation.
- B. During 2010, the Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise purchased and gifted approximately 405 acres, more or less, of fee land near Twin Arrows, AZ to the Navajo Nation, and worked with the Navajo Nation and the U.S. Secretary of the Interior to place such land ("Twin Arrows parcel") in Navajo Nation trust land status on December 23, 2010.
- C. In January 2011, the Navajo Nation approved a Business Site Lease to NNGE for the Twin Arrows parcel for the purpose of developing, constructing and operating the Twin Arrows Navajo Casino Resort, hotel, spa and other related facilities.
- D. In 2013, pursuant to a request by the Resource and Development Committee to the Navajo Nation (Division of Economic Development, Division of Natural Resources Navajo Land Department, Division of Transportation, Division of Community Development, Office of the Navajo-Hopi Land Commission and Leupp Chapter), Navajo Housing Authority, Navajo Tribal Utility Authority, Navajo Nation Oil and Gas Company, Navajo Nation Shopping Centers Inc., and Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise (collectively the Navajo Nation enterprises), the Twin Arrows Master Plan Vision was collectively developed and finalized. See Exhibit A.
- E. The Twin Arrows Master Plan Vision contemplates the Business Site Lease area and lands around the Twin Arrows parcel to provide for development of tracts for housing, commercial businesses, golf courses, access roads and by-way, governments offices, interstate interchanges.

- F. The Navajo Nation and Navajo Nation enterprises support the Twin Arrows Master Plan.
- G. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation that the Twin Arrows Master Plan Vision be authorized, adopted and developed.

### SECTION TWO. APPROVALS

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves the Twin Arrows Master Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- B. The Navajo Nation hereby approves the road way planning and design of a by-pass highway from Cameron, Navajo Nation (Arizona) through Grand Falls, to Leupp, Navajo Nation (Arizona) and then to Twin Arrows, Navajo Nation (Arizona), and such road way system shall be added to the Long Range Transportation Plan and the TTIP.

### SECTION THREE. DIRECTIVES

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby directs the Navajo Nation Enterprises, consistent with the business site lease, their plans of operation, and business planning, to commercially develop Twin Arrows.
- B. The Navajo Nation hereby directs the Navajo Nation Division of Transportation to coordinate and seek an Interstate-40 overpass to connect Interstate-40 to the Twin Arrows location then to the Leupp, Navajo Nation (Arizona) and then to Cameron, Navajo Nation (Arizona).
- C. The Navajo Nation hereby directs the Navajo Land Department to pursue the acquisition of private and state lands located within and near the Twin Arrows Master Plan area.

### CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Resources and Development Committee of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting at Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 5 in favor, 0 oppose, 0 Abstain this 30<sup>th</sup> Day of December, 2014.

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Honorable Roscoe D. Smith, Vice Chairperson Resources and Development Committee

Motion: Honorable Leonard H. Pete Second: Honorable George Apachito



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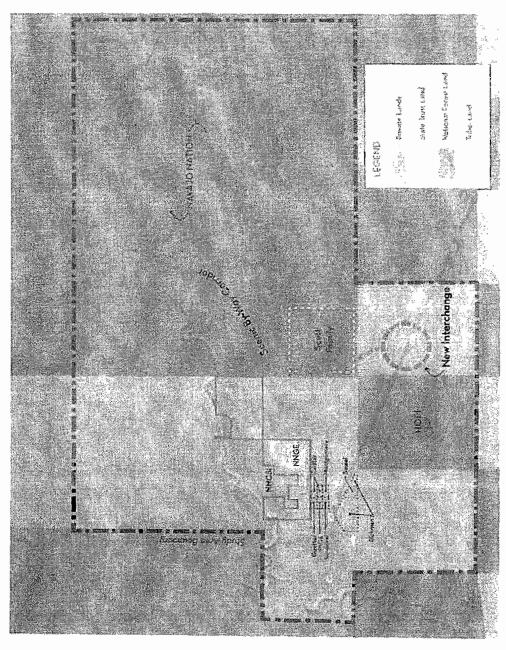
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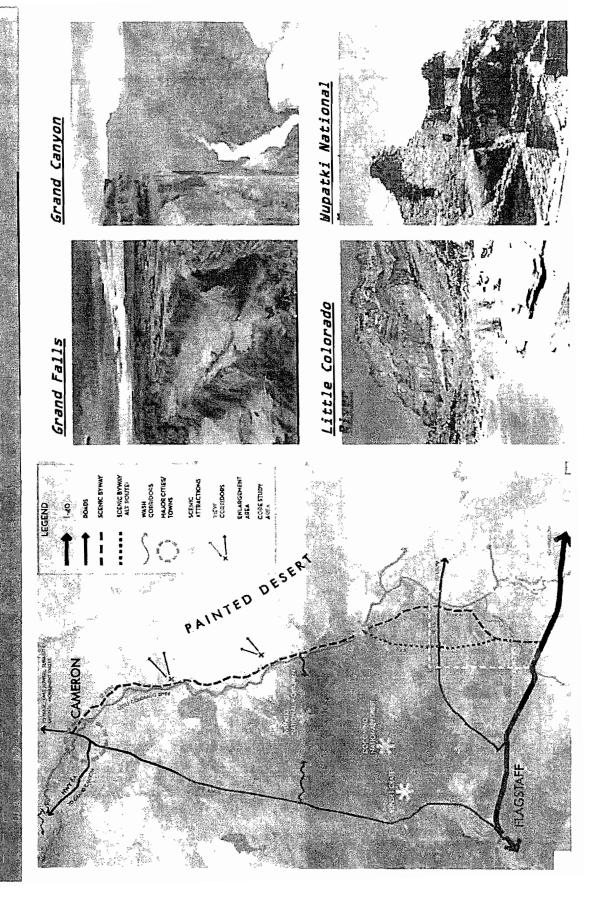
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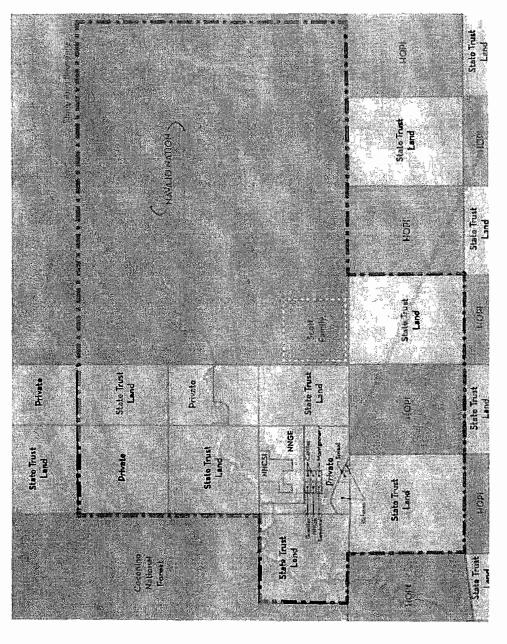
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# REGIONAL GATEWAY CONNECTION





Property ownership map highlights the study area boundary and the land ownership within.