



The Navajo Nation **DR. BUU NYGREN** **PRESIDENT**
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February 7, 2024

Honorable Crystalyne Curley, Speaker
Office of the Speaker
Navajo Nation Council
P.O. Box 3390
Window Rock, AZ 86515

RE: CJA-02-24, An Action Relating to the Health, Education, and Human Services, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'íyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$500,000 from the Síhasin Fund to Utah State University Towards a New Education Building Located in Monument Valley; Approving the Related Expenditure Plan.

Dear Honorable Delegates of the 25th Navajo Nation Council,

I am excited to sign Resolution CJA-02-24 into law and am proud of the Navajo Nation that this is the second resolution of Council in 2024. The Navajo Utah Commission has also expressed its support for this resolution.

The Navajo Nation will be providing \$500,000 from the Síhasin Fund to Utah State University for the construction of a new education facility at Monument Valley. This is a smart act of leveraging Síhasin funds to help Utah State University reach the total funding amount of \$14 million. The State of Utah has already appropriated \$5 million for this new facility, and I am proud that the Navajo Nation is acting in concert with its sister State of Utah to provide funding for education.

Utah State University has been providing education to residents of Monument Valley for over 40 years and since 2003 has been leasing a building that was formerly a hospital. The new Utah State University facility will be state-of-the art and will be located across the parking lot from the Monument Valley High School on San Juan School District property. The building will support the priorities of education, economic development, and behavioral and mental health.

This funding is not a handout. As mentioned, it is leveraging Síhasin funding, and the funding will be provided to Utah State University on a drawdown basis. The Office of Navajo Nation Scholarship and Financial Assistance (ONNSFA) will administer this funding by ensuring an appropriate grant agreement is entered into, the expenditure plan is followed, and that drawn downs are appropriately undertaken. I thank ONNSFA for taking on this responsibility.

I am excited that this is a partnership with the State of Utah. This partnership with Utah is an excellent model for others. I look forward to similar partnership opportunities across the Navajo Nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'B. Nygren', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dr. Buu Nygren, *President*

THE NAVAJO NATION

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - SECOND YEAR, 2024

AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, COMMITTEE, THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING \$500,000 FROM THE SÍHASIN FUND TO UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY TOWARDS A NEW EDUCATION BUILDING LOCATED IN MONUMENT VALLEY; APPROVING THE RELATED EXPENDITURE PLAN

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Budget and Finance Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with the responsibility to "review and recommend to the Navajo Nation Council the budgeting, appropriation, investment and management of all funds." 2 N.N.C. § 301(B) (2) .
- B. The Health, Education, and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with authority over education matters, including colleges and universities within the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 400(C) (1), 2 N.N.C. § 401(C) (3) .
- C. The Health, Education, and Human Services Committee also has authority to recommend to the Navajo Nation Council resolutions related to education. 2 N.N.C. § 401(B) (6) (a) .
- D. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council that considers all proposed final actions by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 164(A) (9) .
- E. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 102(A) . As such, the Council may approve appropriations from the Navajo Nation's Síhasin Fund.
- F. 12 N.N.C. § 2502, as amended by CJA-03-18, states the purpose of the Navajo Nation Síhasin Fund ("Síhasin Fund") as follows:

§ 2502 Purpose

- A. The purposes of this Fund are to provide financial support and/or financing for:
 - 1. The planning and development of economic development and regional infrastructure supporting economic

development and community development, including such infrastructure as, but not limited to, housing, commercial and government buildings, waterline, solid waste management development, powerline Projects, and transportation and communication systems, within the Navajo Nation; and

2. Education opportunities for members of the Navajo Nation.
- B. For the Purpose in § 2502(A)(1), Fund expenditures for infrastructure shall not be limited by 12 N.N.C. § 1310(F) or TCDCJY-77-99.
 - C. Leveraging the Fund by way of guaranteeing loans, match funding, direct funding in part, and other weighted uses of the Fund, including loan financing from the Fund, for the purposes in § 2502(A)(1), shall be favored over direct funding in whole.
 - G. The Síhasin Fund provides that "Fund Principal" shall consist of all deposits made to the Síhasin Fund and that "Fund Income" shall consist of all earnings (interest, dividends, etc.) generated and realized by the Fund Principal, and that Síhasin Fund Income shall be deposited in, and added to, the Fund Principal until such time as a Fund Expenditure Plan is duly approved. 12 N.N.C. § 2504 and § 2505(C).
 - H. The Síhasin Fund also provides that "Fund Principal and Income shall not be expended except pursuant to a Fund Expenditure Plan consistent with the purposes set forth in § 2502 of this Chapter and adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members of the Navajo Nation Council." 12 N.N.C. § 2505(A).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. Utah State University is requesting \$500,000 from the Síhasin Fund as a contribution from the Navajo Nation to construct a new education building at Monument Valley (the "Project").
EXHIBIT A.
- B. Utah State University has provided a description for this Project. **EXHIBIT B.**
- C. Utah State University has also provided a detailed cost estimate and feasibility study for the Project. **EXHIBIT C.**
- D. Approving the \$500,000 for this Project satisfies the preference for leveraging of funds in 12 N.N.C. § 2502(C),

because the University will be raising funds from other sources for the total amount of \$14,000,000 needed for the Project. See EXHIBIT A.

- E. Providing the \$500,000 in Síhasin funds will enable Utah State University to serve more Navajo students and bring more higher education, training, and other learning opportunities to the community and the Navajo People.
- F. The requested funding meets the criteria for education opportunities for Navajos, as required in 12 N.N.C. § 2502(A)(2).
- G. The Navajo Utah Commission passed a resolution approving the University's plans for constructing the new facility in Monument Valley. Resolution No. NUCJUN-852-21 is attached as EXHIBIT D.
- H. The Navajo Nation finds the approval of the requested Síhasin funds to be in the best interests of the Navajo Nation and the Navajo People.

SECTION THREE. APPROVING \$500,000 FROM THE SÍHASIN FUND TO UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY TOWARDS A NEW EDUCATION BUILDING LOCATED IN MONUMENT VALLEY; APPROVING THE RELATED EXPENDITURE PLAN

- A. Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. § 2505(A), the Navajo Nation hereby approves \$500,000 from the Síhasin Fund to Utah State University for partial costs to build a new education building in Monument Valley, as explained in the attached EXHIBITS A-C. The Navajo Nation hereby approves the related Expenditure Plan as detailed in EXHIBITS A-C.
- B. The Navajo Nation Controller shall determine whether the source of the \$500,000 amount from the Síhasin Fund will be from Fund Principal or Fund Income or a combination of both.
- C. The Síhasin funds allocated for the Expenditure Plan approved herein may be further leveraged by bond or loan financing pursuant to the Navajo Nation Bond Financing Act, at 12 N.N.C. § 1300 *et seq.*, as amended, using Síhasin Fund earnings for repayment and financing costs upon the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee and approval by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members of the Navajo Nation Council.
- D. The Síhasin funds approved herein shall be made available to the Office of Navajo Nation Scholarship and Financial Assistance ("ONNSFA"), within 30 business days of Utah State

University's written notification to the Navajo Nation Office of the Controller and ONNSFA that the construction phase of the Project has commenced. The Síhasin funds shall thereafter be made available for the University's use on a drawdown basis. Upon first receipt of any amount of the funds approved herein, Utah State University shall promptly implement the Expenditure Plan approved herein.

- E. Drawdown of the approved Síhasin funds shall be governed by an appropriate grant agreement, memorandum of agreement, or other legal document executed by Utah State University and the Navajo Nation. Said agreement shall be binding upon the parties, shall be approved by the Controller and the Navajo Nation Department of Justice, and shall establish a project schedule, payment or drawdown plan, fund management plan, or other relevant procedures governing the Project.
- F. ONNSFA shall have administrative oversight authority over the expenditure of the Síhasin funds approved herein, and shall monitor the University's implementation of the approved Expenditure Plan.
- G. As a condition of receiving the approved Síhasin funds, Utah State University shall allow the Navajo Nation full access to its financial records related to the Síhasin funds it has received, for the purpose of the Navajo Nation's review and audit of the University's expenditures of the Síhasin funds.
- H. The Lieutenant Governor of the State of Utah has provided a letter affirming Utah's support for this project, which is attached as EXHIBIT E.
- I. The approved Síhasin funds shall not be comingled with any other funds, and shall be used by the University strictly for the Expenditure Plan approved herein. Utah State University shall be responsible for ensuring that all expenditures comply with the approved Expenditure Plan, and with all provisions of the legal agreement described in Section Three (E) above.
- J. Unspent and unencumbered Síhasin funds shall not lapse at the end of any Navajo Nation Fiscal Year, as might otherwise occur under 12 N.N.C. § 820(N), so long as all Síhasin funds are accounted for as of September 30th of every year, starting with September 30, 2024.

SECTION FOUR. DIRECTIVE

As a condition of receiving the Síhasin funds approved herein, Utah State University shall submit written reports, and verbal reports if so requested, explaining the ongoing status of the Expenditure Plan approved herein and its expenditures of the \$500,000. Said reports shall be provided to the Health, Education, and Human Services Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, and the Naabik'íyáti' Committee, by the end of each Fiscal Year Quarter starting as of March 30, 2024, until all approved Síhasin funds are exhausted. A copy of each report shall also be provided to ONNSFA and the Office of the Controller.

SECTION FIVE. EFFECTIVE DATE


This Action and the related Expenditure Plan shall become effective pursuant to 12 N.N.C. § 2505(A) and 2 N.N.C. § 221(B).

SECTION SIX. SAVING CLAUSE

If any part of this Action is invalidated by the Supreme Court of the Navajo Nation, or by any Navajo Nation District Court without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, the remainder of this Action shall be the law of the Navajo Nation.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the 25th Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 17 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 23rd day of January 2024.


Honorable Crystalyne Curley, Speaker
25th Navajo Nation Council

1/29/2024

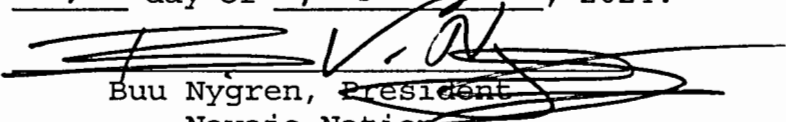
Date

Motion: Honorable George H. Tolth
Second: Honorable Andy Nez

Speaker Crystalyne Curley not voting

ACTION BY THE NAVAJO NATION PRESIDENT:

1. I, hereby, sign into law the foregoing legislation, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1005 (C)(10), on this 7th day of February, 2024.


Buu Nygren, President
Navajo Nation

2. I, hereby, veto the foregoing legislation, pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1005 (C)(11), on this _____ day of _____, 2024 for the reason(s) expressed in the attached letter to the Speaker.

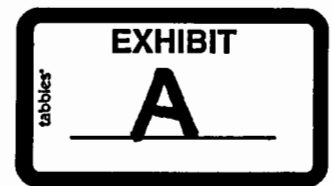
Buu Nygren, President
Navajo Nation

3. I, hereby, exercise line-item veto pursuant to the budget line-item veto authority delegated to the President by vote of the Navajo People in 2009, on this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Buu Nygren, President
Navajo Nation



Utah State University Monument Valley



Sept 26, 2023

Dear Honorable Council Delegate Daniels,

I would like to express my gratitude for your unwavering support of the USU Monument Valley academic building.

I am pleased to provide you with an overview of the estimated construction costs for the building. (document titled *Construction Budget*)

Please keep in mind this is a working document, as we are currently collaborating with AJC Architecture to design and engineer the structure. The attached document, prepared by AJC, offers an initial breakdown of the project costs. As we progress through the architectural and engineering process, minor adjustments to the figures may occur. However, I want to assure you that we have set a firm budget of \$14,000,000, and we are committed to keeping the project's total cost below this threshold.

Regarding the allocation of the \$500,000 funds received from the Navajo Nation, I would like to clarify they will be dedicated entirely to construction expenses. Although I cannot provide a detailed breakdown of which aspects of the building will be covered by these funds, at this time we have established a separate construction account housing funds that will only be utilized to build the building.

This account will exclusively be utilized to cover the construction costs of the building and will not be allocated towards staff salaries, equipment purchases, or any other miscellaneous expenses. The \$500,000, along with other funds we raise for the project, will be devoted solely to construction expenses. Including areas such as the nursing lab, CNA lab, and welding lab.

Should we receive the funds, we are willing to provide updated details on the status of the project, budget expenses, and information on the utilization of the funds. USU has a long track record of being good stewards of funds raised for building projects and directing those funds solely to construction expenses.

As we work through the building design process we are committed to creating a structure that honors the Navajo People and reflects the culture of Monument Valley.

Once again, I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation for your tireless efforts in supporting Monument Valley and the communities in the Four Corners area. Your leadership is invaluable, and I am genuinely grateful for all that you do.

Sincerely,

Kristian

Senior Associate Vice President
Utah State University



Utah State University Monument Valley

Date: September 26, 2023

Monument Valley Funding Request

Utah State University is applying to the Navajo Nation for funds to support the completion of a new higher education facility in Monument Valley, Utah. The facility will benefit those who live in the Monument Valley, Oljato, and Kayenta service regions of the Navajo Nation.

Established in 1888, Utah State University is Utah's land grant institution of higher education. As Utah's Land Grant institution our mission is to provide educational opportunities to all residents of the state. We have 3 residential campuses (Logan, Price, Blanding) and 30 centers that provide certificates, associate, baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degrees. This includes four sites in San Juan County, Utah: Monument Valley, Montezuma Creek, Blanding, and Monticello.

The proposed project incorporates traditional classrooms and distance learning connections. Students will have access to a vast array of certificates and degrees, ranging from technical certifications to doctorate degrees, as well as academic guidance and support, counseling services, and career mentoring. In addition, the proposed project will benefit local high school students by expanding the concurrent enrollment courses and programs offered through Monument Valley, UT high school. USU will also expand its support for small businesses in the area through the Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

The USU educational facility will be built on San Juan School District land and supported in collaboration with the San Juan School District and Monument Valley Utah High School. Monument Valley residents will benefit through the following features:

- Delivery of education through face-to-face, online, and broadcast classes for career technical training and higher education degrees. A list of programs and degrees are provided in Appendix B and include:
 - 28 certificate programs
 - 10 associate degrees
 - 29 bachelor's degrees
 - 27 master's degrees
 - 3 doctoral degrees
 - 3 professional education licensures

- Assistance to students from locally hired staff who are located in the same building, providing skill assessment, career guidance, goal setting, tracking progress and follow-through, as well as qualitative forms of support such as mentoring, encouragement, and coaching.
- Expansion of USU's collaboration with the San Juan School District, providing high school concurrent enrollment courses and career technical education programs, which help high school students gain employment skills and experiences at an extremely important developmental stage of their lives.
- Creation of a facility that allows the entire community to engage in and witness the progress of students. As such, students become peer role models for other community members, especially the youth.
- Expansion of USU Extension Services that will increase resources, training, and education for community residents in the areas of husbandry and agriculture.

Included is a PDF with a rendering of what the building may look like. This is not the final design, nor have final decisions been made. The rendering gives a sense for what the building may look like, possible office locations, and where the building will be located on the San Juan School District property.

A building of approximately 13,963 square feet is estimated to cost \$14,000,000 to build. The building size and associated cost reflects what is necessary to house a broad spectrum of programs that will benefit students in the region while at the same time keeping costs reasonable. To date the State of Utah has pledged \$5,000,000 towards the project and the university is committing another \$5,000,000. USU is in the process of raising additional funds. The Ray and Tye Noorda Foundation have discussed a commitment of \$750,000. Fidelity have also discussed a \$750,000 donation. The Mariner Eccles Foundation have donated \$100,000 to go towards developing community agriculture trainings and workshops.

Assistance from the Navajo Nation in the form of a financial contribution would allow USU to approach other philanthropic organizations. Therefore, we humbly ask the Navajo Nation for a contribution of \$500,000 toward this dynamic and impactful project.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to meet with me and my team. We are available to meet in person or remotely at your request.

Thank you for consideration of this important partnership to help serve the educational needs of Navajo Nation residents.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Cantwell
President
Utah State University

Current Degrees Offered through the USU Statewide System and Available in Monument Valley

Bachelor's Degrees:

- Accounting
- Agribusiness
- Anthropology
- Business Education
- Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education
- Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education (Online 2nd BS)
- Economics
- Elementary Education
- English
- Environmental Studies
- Geology
- Health Education and Promotion
- History
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Human Experience Design and Interaction
- Information Systems
- Integrated Studies
- Journalism
- Liberal Arts
- Management
- Marketing
- Mathematics Education
- Psychology
- Recreation Resource Management
- RN to BSN Completion Program
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Special Education
- Technology Systems

Associate Degrees:

- Agricultural Science
- Criminal Justice
- General Studies
- General Technology
- Nursing (some travel to Blanding required)

Certificates:

- Certified Nursing Assistant Certificate (proposed with new building)
- Deafblind Intervener Training Certificate
- Gerontology Certificate

- Inclusive Leadership
- Interfaith Leadership
- IT Support and Web Development
- Law and Society Area Studies Certificate
- Medical Assistant Certificate
- Practical Nursing Certificate (Some travel to Blanding required)
- Welding (proposed concurrent enrollment program)

Endorsements:

- Chemistry
- Utah Mathematics Project

Master's Degrees:

- Agricultural Extension and Education
- Applied Environmental Geoscience
- Aviation Science
- Business Administration
- Career and Technical Education
- Computer Science
- Curriculum and Instruction
- Dietetics Administration
- Educational Technology and Learning Sciences
- Family and Consumer Sciences Education and Extension
- Food Safety and Quality
- Health Education and Promotion
- Horticulture
- Human Resources
- Instructional Leadership
- Instructional Technology and Learning Sciences
- Master of Technical Communication
- Natural Resources
- Physical and Sport Education
- Psychology
- Public Health Nutrition
- Rehabilitation Counseling
- Social Work
- Special Education
- Sports Management
- Technology and Engineering Education
- Veterinary Public Health

Doctoral Degrees:

- Career and Technical Education
- Curriculum and Instruction
- Education

Professional Education Licensures:

- Administrative Supervisory Licensure
- Alternative Teacher Preparation Licensure
- Secondary Teacher Education Program (STEP) Licensure





USU Monument Valley Building Project Overview

Utah State University has been providing education to the residents in the Monument Valley area for over 40 years. Since 2003, USU has been offering classes and services in a leased building that was previously a Seventh Day Adventist hospital. That building suffers greatly from age including structural flood damage that renders its continued use problematic. The space was not designed as an educational facility. This limits what programs the university can offer. The dilapidated building is not a resource that is representative of USU's dedication to the residents of Monument Valley.

The new USU facility will directly support priorities important to people who live in the area.

- **Education:** Education is one of the key ways to reduce poverty, improve opportunity, and create positive change. Higher levels of education increase the chance a person will find a job and acquire the skills needed in today's economy. An investment in higher education in Monument Valley will provide residents with the opportunity to gain an education that will allow them to improve their individual situations.
- **Economic Development:** USU has plans to provide a Small Business Development Center in the new facility. The Center will be available to residents in the area and will focus on assisting individuals and businesses develop, grow, and create job opportunities for others.
- **Behavioral and Mental Health:** USU Blanding offers programs in psychology, social work, nursing, and health professions. In fact, two residents of Monument Valley recently completed their Masters of Social Work studies while attending the current USU Monument Valley facility. Additionally, USU works closely with the Utah Navajo Health System (UNHS) to provide mental health services to USU students in the San Juan County, Utah area. All of these programs support improved health education for residents in the Monument Valley area.

Purpose

A new University building in the Monument Valley area will allow USU to provide more programs of relevance in the Four-Corners region, improve educational delivery, and provide spaces for community meetings and economic and business development. The building will reflect the local culture, strengthen ties to the school district, enhance concurrent enrollment opportunities, and serve the Navajo community with greatly improved educational infrastructure.

Progress to Date

USU has an agreement with the San Juan School District to locate USU's new building on district property very close to Monument Valley High School and the Utah Navajo Health Services Clinic. USU is currently working with AJC Architects to design the new facility.

General Information

- Proposed Building Size: 13,963 square feet
- Budget: \$14 million
- Student Profile: Native American

- Employment: Employees in the building will be hired by USU from the local residential population
- Housing: No student or employee housing will be provided at this time

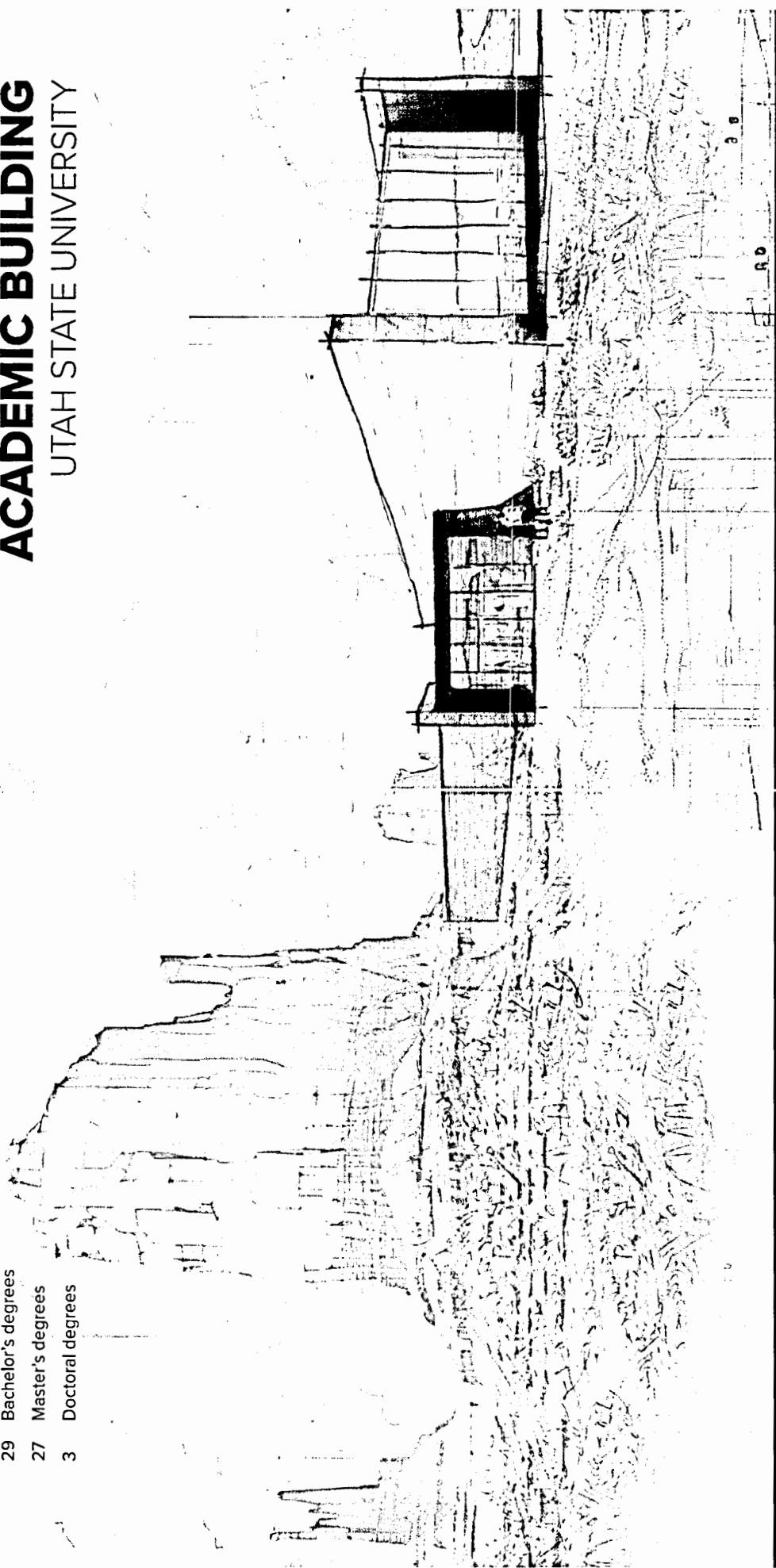
Current and Potential Partners

- Business Resources and Development
- San Juan School District
- San Juan County Economic Development
- Utah Navajo Health Services
- Goulding's Travel and Lodging
- The Navajo Nation
- Oljato Chapter
- Adult Education
- State of Utah
 - Utah Offices of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor
 - Utah State Legislature

- USU has served Monument Valley since 1977
- USU is designated as a Carnegie R1 research institution
- 100% of students and employees are Native American
- Students can chose from:
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MONUMENT VALLEY ACADEMIC BUILDING

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY

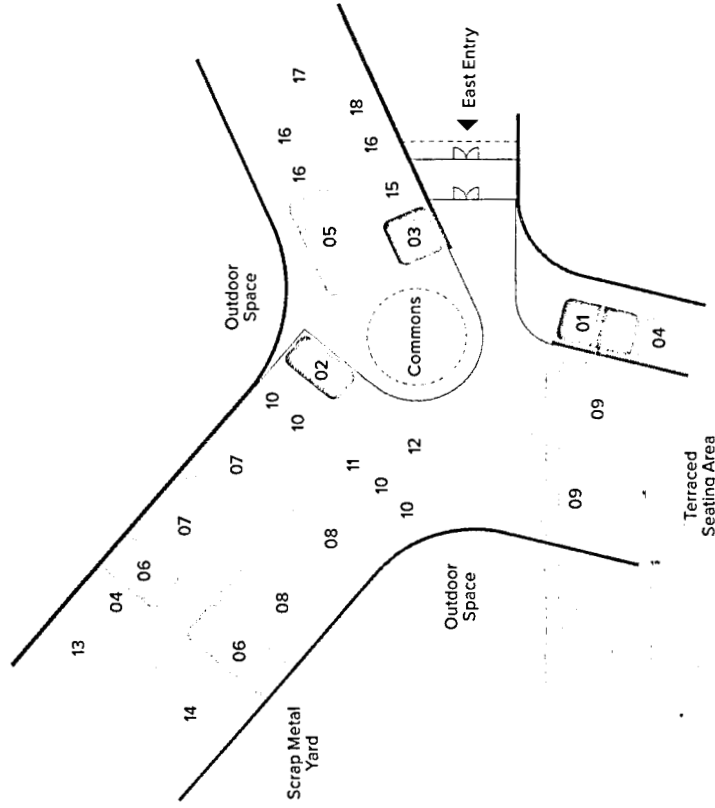
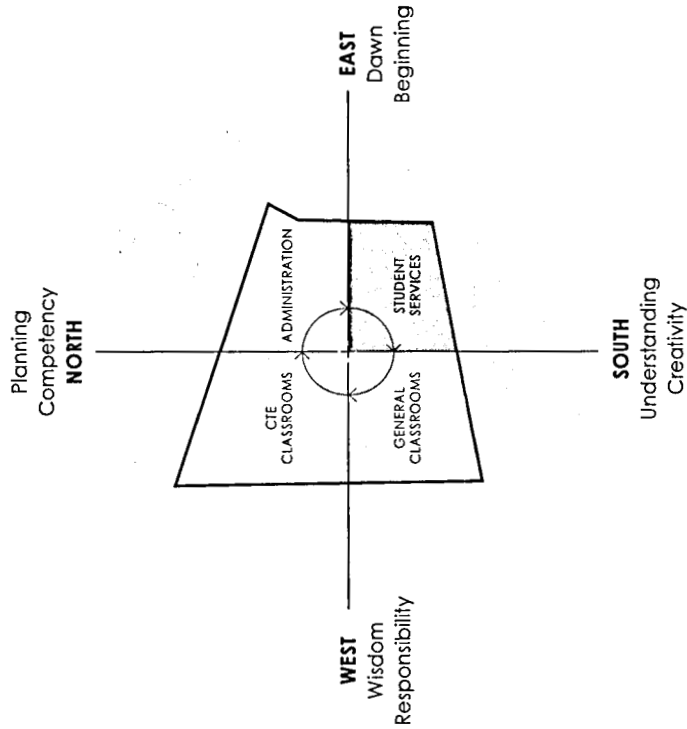


Utah State University



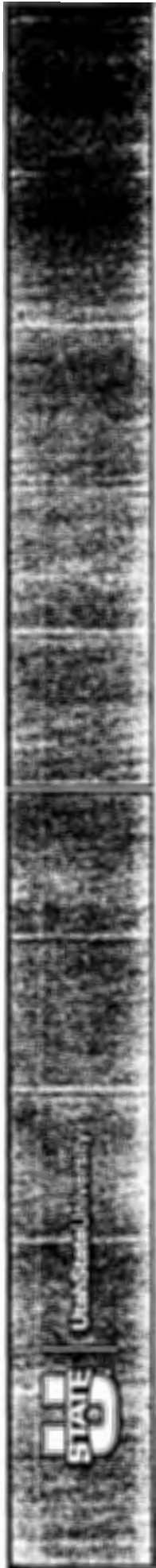
NEW ACADEMIC BUILDING

Utah State University is building a modern educational center to serve and honor the communities of Monument Valley. The 12,671 square foot facility will be located on San Juan School District land adjacent to Monument Valley High School and Tsébi'indzisa' Elementary School.



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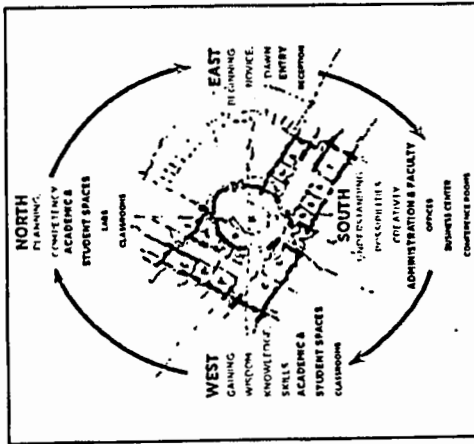
01	Reception Area	07	Small Classroom	13	Nursing & CNA Lab
02	Break Room	08	Medium Classroom	14	Welding Lab
03	Testing	09	Large Classroom	15	Adult Education
04	Storage	10	Group Study	16	Office
05	Restrooms	11	Phone Rooms	17	Conference Room
06	Support	12	Computer Lab	18	Business Development



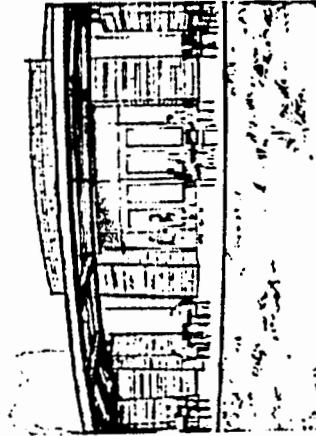


PROJECT ESTIMATE		CONSTRUCTION CONTROL CORPORATION		6/8/2023	
PROJECT NAME.....		USU MONUMENT VALLEY CAMPUS			
LOCATION.....		MONUMENT VALLEY , UTAH			
ARCHITECT.....		AJC		13,963 SF	
STAGE OF DESIGN.....		PROGRAMMING			
CSI #	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT COST	TOTAL
BUILDING COST SUMMARY					
02	EXISTING CONDITIONS			\$ 1.65	\$ 23,085
03	CONCRETE			\$ 75.06	\$ 1,048,030
04	MASONRY			\$ -	\$ -
05	METALS			\$ 44.88	\$ 626,686
06	WOODS & PLASTICS			\$ 26.09	\$ 364,229
07	THERMAL & MOISTURE PROTECTION			\$ 39.56	\$ 552,359
08	DOORS & WINDOWS			\$ 30.51	\$ 425,972
09	FINISHES			\$ 55.69	\$ 777,547
10	SPECIALTIES			\$ 4.05	\$ 56,550
11	EQUIPMENT			\$ 12.57	\$ 175,500
12	FURNISHINGS			\$ -	\$ -
13	SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION			\$ -	\$ -
14	CONVEYING SYSTEMS			\$ -	\$ -
21	FIRE SUPPRESSION			\$ -	\$ -
22	PLUMBING			\$ 13.50	\$ 188,501
23	HVAC			\$ 64.80	\$ 904,802
26	ELECTRICAL			\$ 105.19	\$ 1,468,714
27	COMMUNICATION			\$ 10.80	\$ 150,800
28	ELECTRONIC SAFETY & SECURITY			\$ 8.17	\$ 114,043
31	EARTHWORK			\$ 21.26	\$ 296,836
32	EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS			\$ 126.06	\$ 1,760,205
33	UTILITIES			\$ 108.61	\$ 1,516,500
	SUBTOTAL			\$ 748.43	\$ 10,450,359
	GENERAL CONDITIONS	8%		\$ 59.87	\$ 836,029
	BONDS & INSURANCE	1.7%		\$ 13.74	\$ 191,869
	OVERHEAD & PROFIT	3.5%		\$ 28.77	\$ 401,739
	DESIGN CONTINGENCY	15%		\$ 112.26	\$ 1,567,554
	TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST			\$ 963.08	\$ 13,447,549
	ALTERNATE #1 GROUND SOURCE HEAT PUMP IN LIEU OF VRF				\$ 275,004
	ALTERNATE # 2 REDUCE PHOTOVOLTAIC TO 100 KW				\$ (978,127)
	Building Perimeter	730			
	Slab on Grade	13,963			
	Floor Structure area	-			
	Floor to Floor Height	16			
	Level	1			
	Curtain Wall Percentage	0%			
	Storefront Percentage	30%			
	CIP Concrete Exterior	65%			
	EIFS	0%			
	Exterior Paneling	5%			

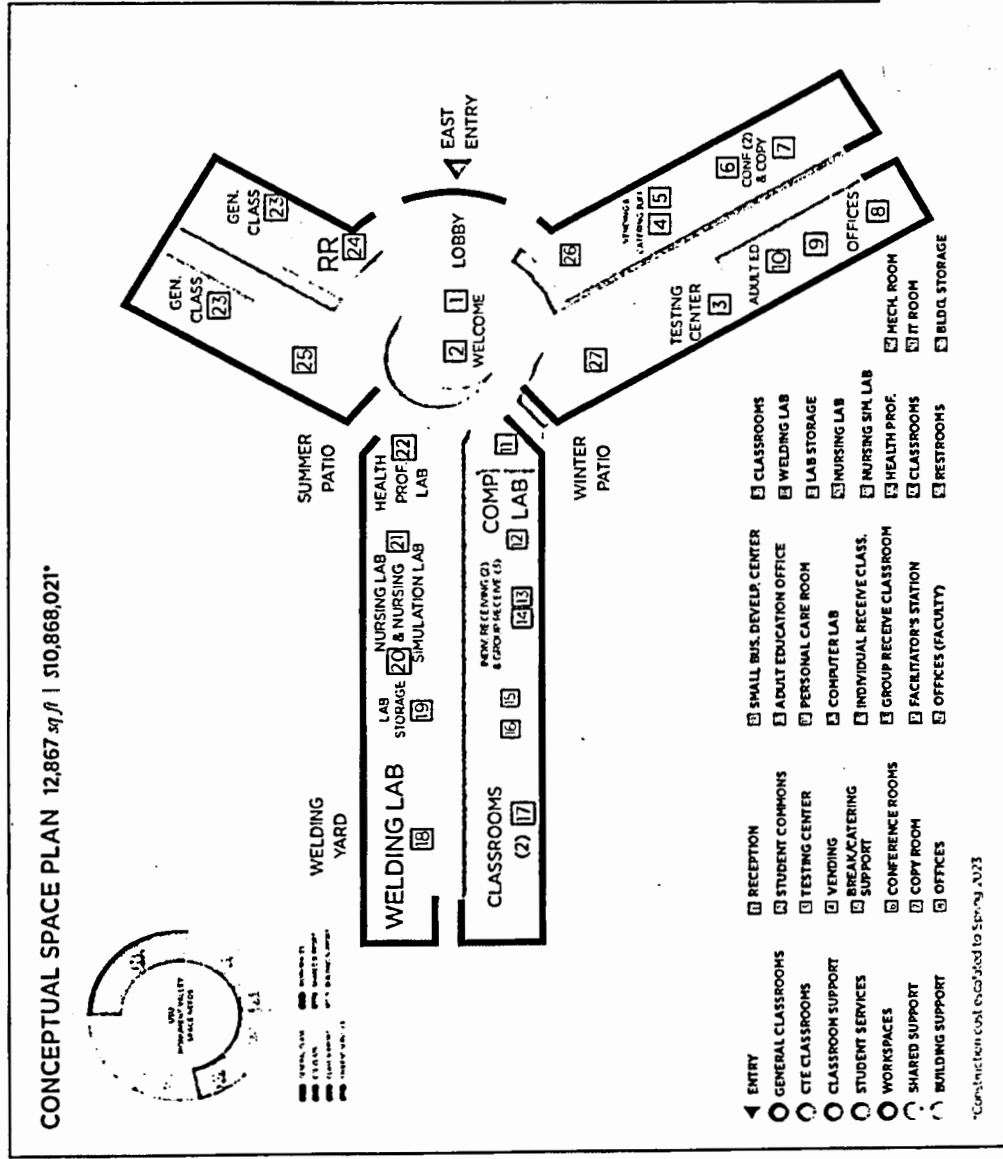
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY
MONUMENT VALLEY BUILDING FEASIBILITY STUDY



Sketch directs The New York For Universal Directories project of the New York Council on the Arts



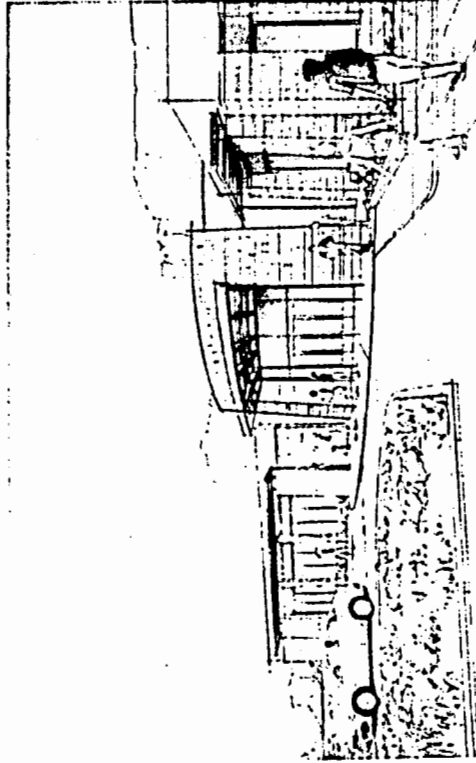
Concept Reviewing - Smith Pates



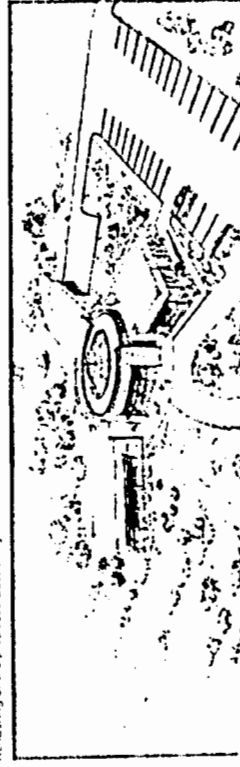
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY MONUMENT VALLEY BUILDING FEASIBILITY STUDY

SEPTEMBER 2021

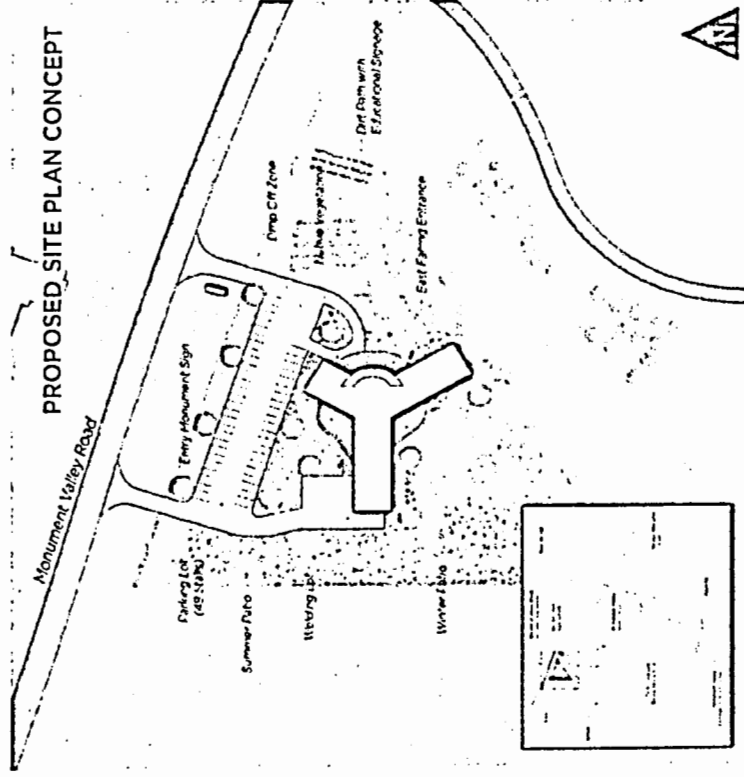
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Rendering of the proposed East entry

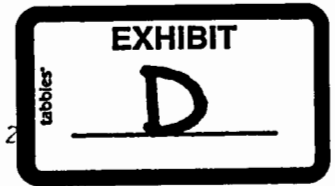


Bird's eye view from the northeast



Utah State University (USU) Monument Valley campus is currently located in an old hospital. The student body consists primarily of Native Americans, the majority of whom are part of the Navajo Nation. The old hospital signifies death and illness in the Navajo culture, which hinders students' educational performance. To better serve the Native American population and others in the Monument Valley area, USU is considering building a new educational facility that better meets the needs of the local student body. Working with USU, the San Juan School District, and the Navajo Nation, the Team created a conceptual space list, generating a conceptual massing, floor plans, and site plans for each site, analyzing availability of site utilities. The outcome of the project will indicate a clear and insightful plan for the development of the USU Monument Valley building.

Selecting the right site for the USU Monument Valley building is as important as the design. The consultant team worked with USU and the San Juan School District to rank three different sites based on location and site characteristics. The Navajo Nation was involved in the process by providing insight into their culture, each site, and finally recommending their preferred sites. All three sites are adjacent to the existing roadways. After the analytical process, the northern site was selected as most aligned with USU's priorities. The northern site is embedded alongside the community and existing facilities, such as the High School and utilities. The site provides excellent sightlines from all directions to ensure visibility of Monument Valley is maintained. The site ensures the main entrance can face east, which is vital to incorporate in the building concept to respect and embrace the Navajo culture.



**RESOLUTION OF THE
NAVAJO UTAH COMMISSION
OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

NUCJUN-852-21

**SUPPORTING THE PLAN AND EFFORT OF UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY TO
CONSTRUCT A NEW ACADEMIC FACILITY IN MONUMENT VALLEY TO
ENHANCE HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR NAVAJO STUDENTS.**

WHEREAS:

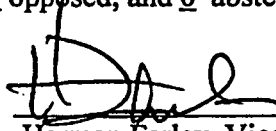
1. The Navajo Utah Commission (NUC) is a governmental subdivision of the Navajo Nation and is subject to oversight of the Navajo Nation Council – Naabik'iya'ti Committee pursuant to resolution no. NABIAP-21-15; and
2. Education is a priority for the Navajo Nation and is also a shared responsibility for tribal, state, and federal entities; and
3. USU-Blanding have provided post-secondary education for San Juan County since 1977 and have historically serve a predominately Native American enrollment; and
4. Navajo students residing on the Navajo Nation often have limited educational resources and encounter challenges associated with educational expenses including commuting expense and residential internet access; and
5. Access to a local higher education facility is the best option for Navajo students who prefer to stay in the community and still pursue a higher education; and
6. USU is finalizing an agreement with the San Juan School District to sublease school district lands in Monument Valley to construct a new USU academic facility and ensure long-term presence in the community; and
7. The academic facility proposed for Monument Valley will include classrooms, faculty offices, broadband access, and parking lot to serve college students and high school students pursuing a dual-credit curriculum; and
8. The Oljato Chapter pursuant to Resolution no.OLJ08-21-2020 expresses support for this educational endeavor and partnership with USU and others.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Navajo Utah Commission hereby supports the plan and effort of Utah State University to construct a new academic facility in Monument Valley to enhance higher education opportunities for Navajo students.

CERTIFICATION

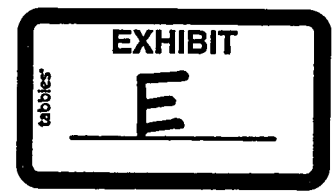
We, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by Navajo Utah Commission at a duly called regular meeting by teleconference at which a quorum was present and the same was passed by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstention, this 08^h day of June, 2021.



Herman Farley, Vice-Chairperson
NAVAJO UTAH COMMISSION

MOTION: Herman Daniels
SECOND: Brenda Brown

Chair not voting



STATE OF UTAH

SPENCER J. COX
GOVERNOR

OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH
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DEIDRE M. HENDERSON
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Dear Honorable Council Delegate Daniels,

This letter is to confirm the State of Utah's appropriation of five million dollars in funding for the construction of the new Utah State University Monument Valley academic building. These funds were appropriated in the 2022 legislative session and have been dispersed to Utah State University.

This state-of-the-art academic facility will be strategically situated on San Juan School District property, across the parking lot from the Monument Valley High School, creating a robust educational block within the community. With the elementary school, high school, and university all located adjacent to each other, we envision a thriving educational hub that will not only enhance the quality of education but also foster a sense of community and shared purpose.

The State of Utah recognizes the vital importance of this project for Monument Valley and the surrounding areas. We firmly believe in the long-term benefits that will result from the establishment of a modern higher education facility in the heart of the community. This new academic building will serve as a beacon of opportunity, offering a wide range of educational resources and opportunities to college students, high school students, and the local community at large.

Some of the key benefits and features of the new academic building include:

Diverse Educational Offerings: The facility will provide a wide array of classes, courses, and programs tailored to meet the unique needs and aspirations of students at different levels.

Skills Training: It will serve as a center for skills training and technical education, helping residents acquire practical skills that are essential for career development and economic empowerment.

Community Engagement: The building will be designed to accommodate community events, meetings, and gatherings, creating a central hub for residents to come together, exchange ideas, and strengthen social bonds.

Modern Infrastructure: Equipped with state-of-the-art technology and facilities, the academic building will offer an optimal learning environment, ensuring that students have access to the resources they need to excel.

Economic Growth: By expanding educational opportunities in the region, we anticipate that this project will contribute to economic growth and development.

The State of Utah is honored to sponsor this project, and we are excited to work in partnership with the Navajo Nation on the project's successful completion. We believe that investing in education is an investment in the future, and we look forward to witnessing the positive impact this new academic building will have on the Monument Valley community.

My regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deidre M. Henderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "M".

Deidre M. Henderson
Utah Lieutenant Governor

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Yeas : 17

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