

LEGISLATION SUMMARY SHEET

TRACKING NO. 0252-21

DATE: November 19, 2021

TITLE OF LEGISLATION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; ALLOCATING \$1,962,149 FROM THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE TO THE NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR DROUGHT MITIGATION FOR THE NAVAJO NATION'S COLORADO RANCHES

PURPOSE OF THIS LEGISLATION: to approve \$1,962,149 out of the UUFB for the Division of Natural Resources for drought mitigation efforts at the Navajo Nation's Colorado ranches.

OLC No. 21-350-1

5-DAY BILL HOLD PERIOD: 18 Redhorse
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Eligible for Action: November 28, 2021

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Naabik'iyáti' Committee
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Navajo Nation Council

PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Third Year, 2021

Introduced by:


(Prime Sponsor)

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AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND
FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO
NATION COUNCIL; ALLOCATING \$1,962,149 FROM THE
UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE TO THE NAVAJO
NATION DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR DROUGHT
MITIGATION FOR THE NAVAJO NATION'S COLORADO RANCHES

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with the authority to oversee all matters involving water, land, environment, agriculture, livestock, economic and community development, among other responsibilities. 2 N.N.C. §500(C).
- B. The Budget and Finance Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council that is empowered 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).
- C. The Naabik'iyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council that is responsible for reviewing proposed resolutions that require final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(9).

1 D. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §102(A).

2 E. The Navajo Nation Council has the authority to approve supplemental appropriations. “The
3 Navajo Nation Council may adopt and approve supplemental appropriations to the Annual
4 Comprehensive Budget during the fiscal year. Supplemental appropriations of General
5 Funds within the current fiscal year are permitted, if and when additional sources of
6 revenues above and beyond the initial or current revenue projections are projected and
7 which are also in excess of the reserve amount set forth at §820(J).” 12 N.N.C. §820(L).

8 F. The restrictions on supplemental appropriations include:

9 1. Supplemental appropriations from non-recurring revenues shall be approved only for
10 non-recurring expenses. 12 N.N.C. §820(F). The Controller designates which revenues
11 are recurring and which are non-recurring. 12 N.N.C. §820(L).

12 2. The Navajo Nation shall budget all recurring operating expenses, including capital
13 maintenance costs, from recurring revenues only. Long-term debt shall not be used to
14 finance recurring operating expenses. 12 N.N.C. §820(E).

15 3. The Navajo Nation Code further provides, “. . . non-recurring revenues will be budgeted
16 only after an examination by the Controller to determine whether or not the revenues are
17 subsidizing an imbalance between recurring revenues and expenditures, and
18 expenditures may be authorized only if a long-term (three-five year) forecast shows that
19 the operating deficit will not continue. Otherwise, non-recurring revenues will be added
20 to the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance. This provision may be amended or
21 waived by a two-thirds vote of the full Navajo Nation Council.” 12 N.N.C. §820(F).

22 4. All requests for supplemental funding shall be submitted to the Office of Management
23 and Budget (“OMB”) for budget impact analysis. 12 N.N.C. §820(M).

24 25 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

26 A. The Navajo Nation Division of Natural Resources (“DNR”) has prepared a Supplemental
27 Funding Proposal Summary (Appendix K) dated June 21, 2021. DNR seeks \$1,962,149 out
28 of the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to address drought conditions at the Navajo
29 Nation’s Colorado ranches in Huerfano and Custer counties, where the Boyer Ranch and the
30 Wolf Springs Ranch are located. **EXHIBIT A.**

1 B. The DNR has also submitted Budget Forms 1, 2, and 4. **EXHIBIT B.** A detailed description
2 of the need for drought mitigation efforts at the two ranches is included in all supporting
3 documents at Exhibit A and Exhibit B.

4 C. This supplemental funding request has been submitted through the Navajo Nation's Section
5 164 Review process, and the Office of Management and Budget, the Office of the
6 Controller, and the Department of Justice, have all determined that this request is proper and
7 legally sufficient. **EXHIBIT C.**

8 D. The Office of the Controller has also issued a memorandum dated July 27, 2021, satisfy the
9 requirements under 12 N.N.C. § 820(L). **EXHIBIT D.** The Controller has identified the
10 proposed expenditures by DNR as NON-RECURRING.

11 E. In accordance with 12 N.N.C. § 820(M), the Office of Management and Budget did review
12 this funding proposal during the Section 164 Review process, as shown in Exhibit C.

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14 **SECTION THREE. APPROVING \$1,962,149 IN UUFb SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING**
15 **TO THE NNDNR FOR DROUGHT MITIGATION AT THE COLORADO RANCHES**

16 A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves \$1,962,149 in supplemental funding from the
17 Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to the Division of Natural Resources for drought
18 mitigation efforts at the Navajo Nation's Boyer Ranch and Wolf Springs Ranch in Colorado.

19 B. This supplemental appropriation of \$1,962,149 shall be from that amount of funds that
20 exceeds the minimum fund balance of the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance as
21 determined by the Office of the Controller.

22 C. This supplemental appropriation of \$1,962,149 shall be available until fully expended and
23 shall not lapse on September 30, 2022.

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25 **SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE**

26 This legislation shall become effective in accordance with 2 N.N.C. §221(B) and 2 N.N.C.
27 §164(A)(17).

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29 **SECTION FIVE. SAVING CLAUSE**

30 If any provision of this legislation is determined invalid by the Supreme Court of the Navajo

1 Nation, or by the Navajo Nation District Court without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme
2 Court, the remainder of this legislation shall remain valid as the law of the Navajo Nation.
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Appendix K

THE NAVAJO NATION SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING PROPOSAL SUMMARY

EXHIBIT

A

PART I. Business Unit No.: NEW Program Title: Colorado Ranches Enterprise/Fish and Wildlife
 Division/Branch: Natural Resources/Exec. Amount Requested: \$1,962,149.00 Prepared By: Samuel Diswood
 Phone No.: (928) 871-7062 Email Address: sdiswood@nndfw.org


PART II. REASON FOR REQUEST AND STATEMENT OF NEED:

Boyer and Wolf Springs Ranches are located in Huerfano and Custer Counties. Both counties are in the D3 Extreme Drought & D4 Exceptional Drought designations by the National Drought Mitigation Center. With Livestock operations consisting of 314 bison and 274 cattle, the drought has significantly impacted production. This has lead to no holdbacks to increase herd and the sale of animals to reduce stress on the landscape. The lack of precipitation and water lead to no hay production and has also limited the grazing use of the pastures. Due to the drought and COVID 19 impacts, the Colorado Ranch Enterprise is in need of hay, range cake, mineral mix, herd health & COVID monitoring program and infrastructure development to improve production, protect the investment and begin development of food sovereignty for the Navajo Nation. Replace the old antiquated equipment & vehicles (20-25 years old) to improve production and minimize cost to repair existing equipment, and to improve agricultural production and supplemental feeding at both ranches. The additional equipment i.e.cake bins, gas tanks, tractor and baler will ensure improved hay production and eliminate the borrowing of equipment and transportation (roading) of farm equipment between Wolf Springs and Boyer Ranches.

PART III. LIST ALTERNATIVE FUNDING SOURCES BEING PURSUED AND CONTINGENCY PLAN IF REQUEST IS NOT FUNDED:

The COVID pandemic impacted the collaborative effort with external agencies and academia in cost shared programs, natural resources development and research. CRE will pursue funding with the Navajo Nation drought insurance program and USDA, NRCS programs in Colorado. Colorado Ranch Enterprise is planned to be managed under the Holistic Management concept of land/environmental stewardship, social wellness and financial returns. The cattle numbers have been reduced by 27% and the bison by 33% respectively. If not funded, further reduction in numbers is anticipated. This will impact future revenues and impact the calving success of both herds. The funding request will greatly improve ranch operations, provided needed hay, improve range management and protect the Navajo Nation investment.

PART IV. AFFIRMATION IS PROVIDED THAT THE BUDGET AND PROPOSAL INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE AND THE APPROPRIATE BRANCH CHIEF RECOMMENDS APPROVAL AS A PRIORITY.

 6-21-2021

REVIEWED BY: Division Director's Signature / Date



RECOMMEND SUPPLEMENTAL: Branch Chief's Signature / Date

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**THE NAVAJO NATION
PROGRAM BUDGET SUMMARY**

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BUDGET FORM 1

FY 2021

PART I. Business Unit No.: NEW		Office of Management & Budget The Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona		Colorado Ranch Enterprise	Division/Branch: Natural Resources/Exec.
Prepared By: Samuel F. Diswood	Phone No.:	Program Title:	Email Address:	sdiswood@nndfw.org	

PART II. FUNDING SOURCE(S)		Fiscal Year /Term	Amount	% of Total	PART III. BUDGET SUMMARY			Fund Type Code	(A) NNC Original Budget	(B) Proposed Budget	(C) Difference or Total
UUF8		10/1/20-9/30/21	1,962,149.00	100%	2001	Personnel Expenses					
					3000	Travel Expenses					
					3500	Meeting Expenses					
					4000	Supplies			334,531		334,531
					5000	Lease and Rental					
					5500	Communications and Utilities					
					6000	Repairs and Maintenance			46,000		46,000
					6500	Contractual Services			154,600		154,600
					7000	Special Transactions					
					8000	Public Assistance					
					9000	Capital Outlay			1,427,018		1,427,018
					9500	Matching Funds					
					9500	Indirect Cost					
					TOTAL			0	1,962,149		1,962,149

PART IV. POSITIONS AND VEHICLES		(D)	(E)
Total # of Positions Budgeted:			0
Total # of Vehicles Budgeted:			17

PART V. I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS BUDGET PACKAGE IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE.

SUBMITTED BY:	Gloria M. Tom, Department Manager III	APPROVED BY:	Dr. Rudolph Shebala, Division Director
	<i>Gloria M. Tom</i> 6/21/21		<i>Dr. Rudolph Shebala</i> 6.21.2021
	Program Manager's Printed Name		Division Director / Branch Chief's Printed Name
	Program Manager's Signature and Date		Division Director / Branch Chief's Signature and Date

EXHIBIT

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THE NAVAJO NATION

PROGRAM PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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BUDGET FORM 2

PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Business Unit No.: NEW

Program Name/Title:

Colorado Ranch Enterprise

PART II. PLAN OF OPERATION/RESOLUTION NUMBER/PURPOSE OF PROGRAM:

Resolution Number: BFJA-02-18: is for the use by the Department of Fish and Wildlife in carrying out the mandated responsibilities to manage, conserve, and protect fish, wildlife, agricultural products and plant resources and their habitats on land owned in Colorado.

PART III. PROGRAM PERFORMANCE CRITERIA:

1. Goal Statement:

Purchase 800 tons of hay, 75 tons range cubes and 4,500 lbs. of minerals.

Program Performance Measure:

Supplemental winter feeding, range cubes & Mineral program for Livestock

2. Goal Statement:

Purchase 10, 2-3 year old replacement black angus bull with PAP<41

Program Performance Measure:

Herd Health and Production Performance

3. Goal Statement:

Ensure the health of herds & provide surveillance and epidemiology work with Colorado State University

Program Performance Measure:

Herd Health, Veterinarian Services and COVID Surveillance

4. Goal Statement:

upgrade to 5 existing wells, maintenance of Hudson Ditch

Program Performance Measure:

Natural Resources Development-Grazing/Range

5. Goal Statement:

120 acres of cover crop and 1,600 acres of fertilization of hay fields

Program Performance Measure:

Natural Resources Development-Agricultural/Range

PART IV. I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED.

Gloria M. Tom, Department Manager III

Program Manager's Printed Name

Gloria M. Tom 7/13/21

Program Manager's Signature and Date

Dr. Rudolph Shebala, Division Director

Division Director/Branch Chief's Printed Name

Robert O. Allen 7/12/21

Division Director/Branch Chief's Signature and Date

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Office of Management & Budget
The Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona

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THE NAVAJO NATION
DETAILED BUDGET AND JUSTIFICATION

FY 2021

PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:			
Program Name/Title:		Business Unit No.:	
Colorado Ranch Enterprise		NEW	
PART II. DETAILED BUDGET:			
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)	Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6)	Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4)
4000 SUPPLIES			334,531
	Winter Supplement feeding for Bison and Cattle to maintain health of cows during gestation, calving and weaning. To purchase and replace bulls for both Angus cattle and bison. Fertilization of agricultural fields.		
4410	Operating Supplies	328,215	
	4420 General Operating Supplies		
	Delivery of 800 tons of hay @ \$200/ton		\$160,000.00
	Mileage \$4.50/mile x 33 loads x 200 loaded miles		\$29,700.00
	75 tons of 20% range cubes @ \$350/ton		\$26,250.00
	Redmond Mineral 4,500 lbs @ \$2.00/lbs		\$9,000.00
	Purchase of replacement bulls @ \$3,000 each		\$30,000.00
	Cover Crop @ \$28.39/acre x 270 acres		\$7,665.30
	Fertilization @ \$41.00/acre x 1600 acres		\$65,600.00
			\$328,215.30
4510 Veterinarian Supplies		6,316	
	RFID tags: \$2.85/tag x 725		\$2,066.25
	Readers @ \$1,500.00 each x 2		\$3,000.00
	Blood sampling vials @ \$1.00 x 1250		\$1,250.00
			\$0,998.25
6000 REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE			46,000
	Repair and maintenance on specialized vehicles - Heavy equipment, dozer, backhoe and tractors on the ranch.		
6410	Vehicle R&M - External	26,000	
	6430 Specialized Vehicles		
	D5H Dozer Oil Pan repair		\$6,000.00
	Cat Backhoe New Engine/Repair		\$20,000.00
	TOTAL	360,531	380,531

THE NAVAJO NATION
DETAILED BUDGET AND JUSTIFICATION

FY 2021

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Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)	Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6)	Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4)
6410	Vehicle R&M - External 6430 Specialized Vehicles 7710 Transmission Repair \$20,000.00	20,000	
6500	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES Veterinarian services for bison, horses and angus cattle on Wolf Springs and Boyer ranches. Contract water development services for livestock water and irrigation.		154,600
6910	Other Contractual Services 6921 Other Services Veterinarian services @ \$150/hr. x 220 hours Veterinarian assistant @ \$25/hr. x 160 = Pregnant check cattle @ \$3.00/head x 300 Pregnant check bison @ \$3.00/head x 400 Vehicle mileage @ \$3.00/mile x 1000 miles 2 tire drinkers, pump and water line to Boyer Solar pump @ 1000 acres pasture, Boyer Solar pump north pasture, Boyer Doc Watkins panel, pump and drinker, WSR Road ditch diversion & head gate, WSR Solar pump Wolf Springs, WSR Hudson Ditch maintenance, WSR Painting services for 6 ranch cabins @ \$9,250.00/ea. \$55,500.00 \$154,600.00	154,600	
TOTAL		174,600	154,600

THE NAVAJO NATION
DETAILED BUDGET AND JUSTIFICATION

PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION: Program Name/Title: <u>Colorado Ranch Enterprise</u> Business Unit No.: <u>NEW</u>			
PART II. DETAILED BUDGET:			
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Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)	Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6)	Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4)
	9000 CAPITAL OUTLAY		559,000
	Capital Outlay for: building improvements, farming equipment, tractors and trucks for ranch needs. Construction of a traditional hogan for cultural/holistic purposes used by visitors. Repair of the apartments for use by students in the externship programs.		
9050	Building 9052 Building Traditional Hogan Kit	\$10,000.00	10,000
	9054 Building Improvements Apartment repairs	\$21,000.00	21,000
9140	Equipment 9142 Equipment	238,000	238,000
	2 Hay buster tub grinder @ \$75,000/ea. V Ditcher 2 - 16 ton cake bins @ \$12,000/ea. Set fuel tanks gas/diesel 2 Gooseneck trailers 30 feet @ \$11,500/ea. Utility trailer 16 feet Dump trailer 12 feet	\$150,000.00 \$12,000.00 \$24,000.00 \$16,000.00 \$23,000.00 \$4,000.00 \$9,000.00 <hr/> \$238,000.00	
9160	Vehicles 9162 Automobile		290,000
	2 - 3/4 ton trucks - gas @ \$55,000/ea. 3 - 3/4 ton trucks - diesel @ \$60,000/ea.	\$110,000.00 \$180,000.00	
TOTAL		559,000	559,000

THE NAVAJO NATION
DETAILED BUDGET AND JUSTIFICATION

FY 2021

PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:			
Program Name/Title: <u>Colorado Ranch Enterprise</u>		Business Unit No.: <u>NEW</u>	
PART II. DETAILED BUDGET:			
(A) (B) (C) (D)			
Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)	Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6)	Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4)
9160	Vehicles		868,018
	9164 Specialized Vehicles		
	4 All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) @ \$7,000/ea.	\$28,000.00	
	3 Utility Terrain Vehicles (UTV) @ \$18,500/ea.	\$55,500.00	
	JD 6155M cab tractor - 172hp	\$134,618.00	
	JD 6145M cab tractor - 161hp	\$134,000.00	
	JD 5090E Utility tractor - 90hp	\$59,000.00	
	JD520M Loader	\$7,400.00	
	JD 330G Skid Steer	\$65,500.00	
	JD L341 Large Baler	\$157,000.00	
	JD410L Backhoe tractor	\$187,000.00	
	Tedder Rake-Kubota-RA2076	\$30,000.00	
	Tedder-Kubota-RA1042T	\$10,000.00	
		<u>\$668,018.00</u>	
TOTAL		868,018	868,018

Document No. 016685

Date Issued: _____

EXHIBIT**C****SECTION 164 REVIEW FORM**Title of Document: Supplemental Funding for Colorado Ranch Contact Name: COLE, JEFFREY AProgram/Division: DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCESEmail: jcole@nndfw.org Phone Number: 9288716595

Division Director Approval for 164A: _____

Check document category: only submit to category reviewers. Each reviewer has a maximum 7 working days, except Business Regulatory Department which has 2 days, to review and determine whether the document(s) are sufficient or insufficient. If deemed insufficient, a memorandum explaining the insufficiency of the document(s) is required.

Section 164(A) Final approval rests with Legislative Standing Committee(s) or Council

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	3. OAG: <u>V Blumhert</u>	Date: <u>8/6/21</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 164(B) Final approval rests with the President of the Navajo Nation

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DOCUMENT REVIEW REQUEST FORM



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CLIENT TO COMPLETE			
DATE OF REQUEST: 7/30/21		ENTITY/DIVISION: Natural Resources	
CONTACT NAME: Franklin Natonabah		DEPARTMENT: Fish & Wildlife	
PHONE NUMBER: (428) 871-7062		E-MAIL: fjohnson@nndfw.org	
TITLE OF DOCUMENT: 164 - Supplemental Funding for Colorado Ranches Ent.			
DOJ SECRETARY TO COMPLETE			
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DOJ ATTORNEY / ADVOCATE COMMENTS			
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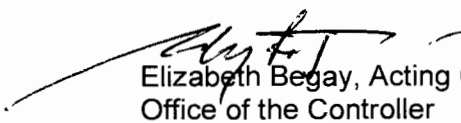
THE NAVAJO NATION

JONATHAN NEZ | PRESIDENT MYRON LIZER | VICE PRESIDENT



Memorandum:

To: 2 NNC § 164 Reviewers
Delegates & 2 NNC '164 Reviewers
Navajo Nation Government

From:  Elizabeth Begay, Acting Controller
Office of the Controller

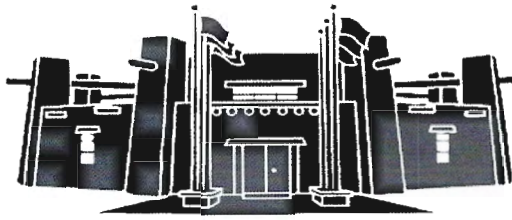
Date: July 27, 2021

Subject: 016685-0164-Supplemental Funding Request Colorado Ranch

The Office of the Controller has reviewed the above referenced document.


1. The balance of the UUFB is \$25,786,238 as of June 24, 2021.
2. This request is for a total of \$1,962,149 to Colorado Ranch. This is for drought conditions in Huerfano and Custer Counties where Boyer and Wolf Springs Ranches are located.
3. Colorado Ranch is an enterprise fund within the Navajo Nation. The amount available within the fund balance for this fund is \$579,777 as of June 30, 2021. The budget available in the Colorado Ranch is \$ 148,988 as of June 30, 2021. If this legislation is approved a new business unit in the General Fund will need to be established to fund this need. All the goals in Form 2 are for the 4th Quarter of FY 21.
4. This request would be considered **NON-RECURRING** for unmet needs of the program.

If you should have any questions, you can contact me at tribal extension X6308.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Hon. Delegate Raymond Smith, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Budget and Finance Committee
24th Navajo Nation Council

FROM: 
Luralene D. Tapahe, Principal Advocate
Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: November 19, 2021

SUBJECT: **AN ACTION AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; ALLOCATING \$1,962,149 FROM THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE TO THE NAVAJO NATION DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR DROUGHT MITIGATION FOR THE NAVAJO NATION'S COLORADO RANCHES**

Per your request, the Office of Legislative Counsel has prepared the above-referenced proposed legislation and related summary sheet. Based on existing Navajo Nation law and other applicable laws, and upon review of all supporting documents submitted to OLC, this legislation as drafted is legally sufficient. However, as with any action of government, this legislation may be subject to review by the Navajo Nation courts in the event of proper legal challenge.

Please ensure that this legislation is precisely what you want. You are encouraged to review this proposed legislation to ensure that it is drafted to your satisfaction.

OLC has reviewed the appropriate standing committees' authorities to consider this legislation, based on the standing committees' powers and responsibilities set forth in Title 2 of the Navajo Nation Code. Based on its review, OLC has listed those committees in the title of this legislation. Nevertheless, the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council may assign this legislation to committee(s) other than those shown in the title, pursuant to his authority under 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(5).

If you find this document unacceptable for any reason, please immediately contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel (at extension 7166) and advise me of the changes you would like made to this proposed legislation. Thank you.

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SPONSOR: Raymond Smith, Jr.

TITLE: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and the Navajo Nation Council; Allocating \$1,962,149 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to the Navajo Nation Division of Natural Resources for Drought Mitigation for the Navajo Nation's Colorado Ranches

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**THE NAVAJO NATION
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW SUMMARY**

LEGISLATION NO.: 0252-21

SPONSOR: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr.

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Comments Opposing	1) Ramona Begay 2) Lester Begay
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Legislation 0252-21

R Begay <begay413@yahoo.com>

Sat 11/27/2021 10:57 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Greetings,

I am an enrolled member of The Navajo Nation and a registered voter of White Rock Chapter, Eastern Navajo Agency.

I am submitting my comment in opposition of this Legislation 0252-21.

These are monies that belong to the Navajo people and therefore, we have a say in these financial issues and how our money should be spent.

There are enormous number of our own people who are farmers and ranchers on the Navajo Nation and they, too, are dealing with drought on the Navajo Nation land but yet there isn't this type of money being spent on them. Why should money be appropriated to non natives operating supposedly a ranch that was purchased or leased by the Navajo Nation. If it's not going to make a return of revenue why even have it, Get rid of it.

We, as Navajo people are not benefitting from it. As bad as it already is, our Navajo people are dealing with broken windmills, dried up windmills and dams here on the Navajo land along with many other lack of infrastructures but yet our leaders are not readily offering help to their own people on Navajo Land.

Therefore, this legislation is not benefitting the Navajo People and should not be approved.

Thank you

Ramona Begay

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Oppose Legislation 0252-21

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Tribal leaders should not support any tribal businesses that are in the red just like they scrutinized Winter Emergency Assistance that assist Navajo elders.

Navajo Nation collected over 170 million dollars in royalties from oil and gas, coal, power plants and other natural resources .., this is all Navajo People's money but tribal leaders think otherwise.., 85% is spend on Navajo central government and what ever tribal Enterprises needs, it don't matter if these tribal Enterprises are in the red.

If the ranch can't make enough income to support itself, it should start selling the buffalo herd and the cattle to pay its bills.

I don't want my Navajo elders money use to bail-out money-losing tribal Enterprises that have no benefits to my elders..,

Lester Begay.

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