

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0474-17

DATE: November 28, 2017

SUBJECT RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE,
REQUESTING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH OF ROADS AND THE
NAVAJO DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION ADD THE REPLACEMENT OF THE
NAVAJO ROUTE 26 BRIDGE IN NAZLINI CHAPTER TO THE PRIORITY LEVEL
LISTING

PURPOSE: The purpose of this legislation is to approve placing the replacement of the N26
Bridge on the priority list.

**This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the
standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate review
the proposed resolution in detail.**

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL—Third Year, 2017

INTRODUCED BY


Primary Sponsor

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ROUTE 26 BRIDGE IN NAZLINI CHAPTER TO THE PRIORITY LEVEL LISTING

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

The Resources and Development Committee has oversight over roads on the
Navajo Nation and the Division of Transportation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 500(C), 501(B)
(2) (g).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Navajo Route 26 Road under the Bureau of Indian Affairs Road Inventory is
the main access from the west to the community of Nazlini and the only access
with a bridge.
- B. The Navajo Route 26 Bridge has been in the Agency Bridge Replacement System
for several years, necessary pre-engineering requirements having been satisfied.

- 1 C. The Nazlini Chapter has formally requested the Resources and Development
2 Committee to approve the listing of the replacement of the bridge on the priority
3 level listing. See Exhibit "A".
- 4 D. Correspondence to the Nazlini Chapter from the Navajo Regional Office of the
5 United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs cites an
6 October 24, 2016 bridge inspection report conducted by Infrastructure Engineers,
7 Inc. as recommending the bridge structure be replaced due to several noted
8 deficiencies. See Exhibit "B", Paragraph 4.
- 9 E. The Navajo Regional Office of the United States Department of the Interior,
10 Bureau of Indian Affairs has recommended, by letter dated May 5, 2017, that the
11 Navajo Nation pass a resolution to add Navajo Route N26 back on the Navajo
12 Nation's TTIP given that "...the majority of the survey, design, etc. are about
13 100% complete." See Exhibit "B".
- 14 F. The Resources and Development Committee finds it in the best interest of the
15 Navajo Nation to approve the placement of the replacement of the Navajo Route
16 26 Bridge within the Nazlini Chapter on a priority listing.
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18 **SECTION THREE. Approval**

19 The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby
20 approves placement of the replacement of the Navajo Route 26 Bridge within the
21 Nazlini Chapter on a priority listing with respect to the listed projects of the
22 Navajo Division of Transportation and Bureau of Indian
23 Affairs.

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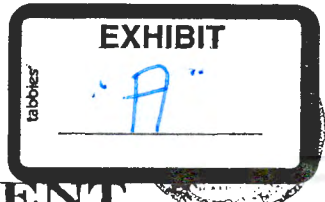
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RESOLUTION OF THE NAZLINI CHAPTER
NAZL-2017- 02 - 002
NAZLINI CHAPTER GOVERNMENT

LEE VINCENT BIGWATER
 PRESIDENT

JOSEPH DEDMAN, JR.
 VICE PRESIDENT

JOANN DEDMAN
 SECRETARY/TREASURER

KEE ALLEN BEGAY, JR.
 COUNCIL DELEGATE

IRVIN SHIRLEY
 DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

LAYBELLE KELEWOOD
 CHAPTER MANAGER

**REQUESTING BIA BRANCH OF ROADS, RESOURCES &
 DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE NN COUNCIL & NAVAJO
 DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION TO ADD THE OLD AGING BRIDGE
 ON NAVAJO ROUTE 26 TO PRIORITY LIST FOR A NEW BRIDGE**

WHEREAS:

1. The Nazlini Chapter is a Local Governance (LGA) certified chapter Per 26 N.N.C. 102 and CO-45-12 Sec 5(B), approved by Resource and Development Committee Resolution RDC-02-15, AND
2. The N26 Road under the BIA Road inventory is the main access from the west to the Community of Nazlini and the only access with a bridge, AND
3. The Navajo Route (N26) Bridge has been in Agency Bridge Replacement system for many years, and all the necessary pre-engineering requirement has been satisfied, AND
4. It was chapter belief that design and cost has been prepared and traffic study and count is recorded.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Nazlini Chapter hereby request BIA Branch of Roads and Navajo Division of Transportation to prioritize N26 Bridge to a Priority Level for replacement of aging bridge.
2. The Nazlini Chapter requests the two agency to coordinate the bridge construction project and Nazlini Chapter will assist in every steps to move this project at a faster pace.

CERTIFICATION

We, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Nazlini Chapter at a duly called chapter meeting, which was held at the Nazlini Chapter, Navajo Nation, Arizona, at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 30 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstained, this 8th day of February, 2017.

Motioned by: Ann Haskie

Seconded by: Larry Benally


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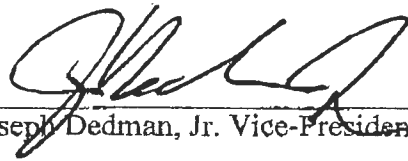
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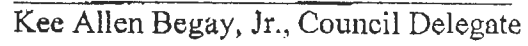
Navajo Region

Division of Transportation



Lee Vincent Bigwater, President

JoAnn Dedman, Secretary/Treasurer

Joseph Dedman, Jr. Vice-President

Kee Allen Begay, Jr., Council Delegate



NAZLINI CHAPTER GOVERNMENT



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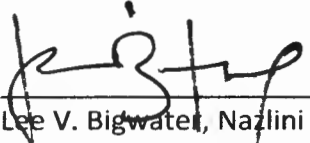
IRVIN SHIRLEY
GRAZING REPRESENTATIVE •

MAYBELLE KELEWOOD
CHAPTER MANAGER •

May 12, 2017

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Delegate, Kee Allen Begay, Jr.

FROM: 
Lee V. Bigwater, Nazlini Chapter President

SUBJECT: United States Department of the Interior

On behalf of the Chapter we would like, to get a legislation for Resources & Development Committee (RDC) approval and present Resolution NO. NAZL-2017-02-002 for Navajo Department of Transportation to have N26 bridge added on the list of Transportation Priority Project list.

Nazlini Chapter Government Resolution No. NAZL-2017-02-002 wherein the Nazlini Chapter is requesting the BIA Navajo Regional Division of Transportation (NRDOT), Resources & Development Committee (RDC), and Navajo Division of Transportation (NDOT) to add Navajo Route N26 bridge to priority list for new bridge.

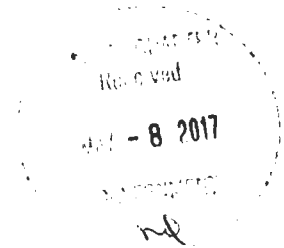
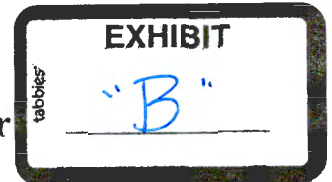
The Community of Nazlini Chapter would greatly appreciate it. Attached is a letter from BIA and the Chapter Resolution.



IN REPLY REFER TO:
Division of Transportation
M/C: N370

United States Department of the Interior
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
Navajo Regional Office
P.O. Box 1060
Gallup, New Mexico 87301

MAY 6 5 2017



Mr. Lee Vincent Bigwater, Chapter President
Nazlini Chapter
P.O. Box 7367
Nazlini, Arizona 86540

Dear Mr. Bigwater:

This letter is in response to the Nazlini Chapter Government Resolution No. NAZL-2107-02-002 wherein the Nazlini Chapter is requesting the BIA Navajo Regional Division of Transportation (NRDOT), Resources & Development Committee (RDC), and Navajo Division of Transportation (NDOT) to add Navajo Route N26 to the priority list for a new bridge.

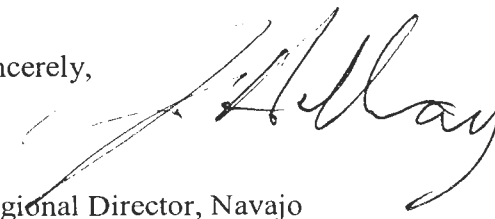
On January 6, 2006, Paiki completed the preliminary drawings for the Bisilah Wash Bridge and submitted for a 100 percent review. The NRDOT was in the process of reviewing the preliminary drawings; however, this project was no longer considered a priority project for the Navajo Nation. Therefore, all work conducted by NRDOT on this project ceased.

Also, during the fall of 2008, the Chinle Agency Division of Transportation completed the elevation checks, horizontal alignment, and established control points for N26 project beginning from US191 towards Navajo Route N27, which is a total distance of 15.6 miles. The completed survey data was submitted to the NRDOT and was under review until the project was taken off of the Navajo Nation Tribal Transportation Improvement Program (TTIP) as a priority project.

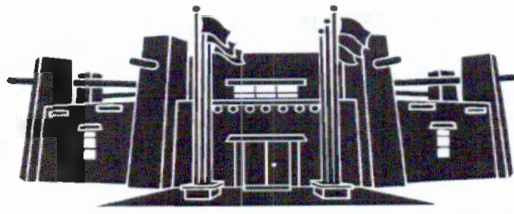
Additionally, the bridge inspection report conducted by Infrastructure Engineers, Inc. dated October 24, 2016 recommended the bridge structure be replaced due to several noted deficiencies.

We recommend that the Nazlini Chapter pass a Resolution and have the representing Delegate for the Chapter sponsor the resolution before the RDC and NDOT to add Navajo Route N26 back on the Navajo Nation's TTIP since the majority of the survey, design, etc. are about 100% complete.

Sincerely,

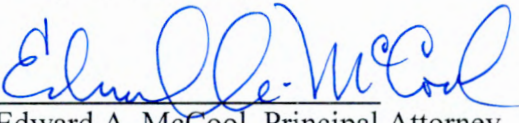

Regional Director, Navajo

Enclosure



MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Kee Allan Begay, Jr.
Navajo Nation Council

FROM: 
Edward A. McCool, Principal Attorney
Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: November 28, 2017

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As requested, I have prepared the above-referenced proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet pursuant to your request for legislative drafting. Based on existing law and review of documents submitted, the resolution as drafted is legally sufficient. As with any action of government however, it can be subject to review by the courts in the event of proper challenge. Please ensure that this particular resolution request is precisely what you want. You are encouraged to review the proposed resolution to ensure that it is drafted to your satisfaction.

The Office of Legislative Counsel confirms the appropriate standing committee(s) based on the standing committees powers outlined in 2 N.N.C. §§500, 501. Nevertheless, "the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council shall introduce [the proposed resolution] into the legislative process by assigning it to the respective oversight committee(s) of the Navajo Nation Council having authority over the matters for proper consideration." 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(5).

If the proposed resolution is unacceptable to you, please contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel and advise me of the changes you would like made to the proposed resolution.

THE NAVAJO NATION
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW PUBLICATION



LEGISLATION NO: 0474-17

SPONSOR: Kee Allen Begay, Jr.

TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee, Requesting the Bureau of Indian Affairs Branch of Roads and the Navajo Division of Transportation add the replacement of the Navajo Route 26 Bridge in Nazlini Chapter to the Priority Level Listing

Date posted: November 30, 2017 at 4:14pm

Digital comments may be e-mailed to comments@navajo-nsn.gov

Written comments may be mailed to:

Executive Director
Office of Legislative Services
P.O. Box 3390
Window Rock, AZ 86515
(928) 871-7590

Comments may be made in the form of chapter resolutions, letters, position papers, etc. Please include your name, position title, address for written comments; a valid e-mail address is required. Anonymous comments will not be included in the Legislation packet.

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**THE NAVAJO NATION
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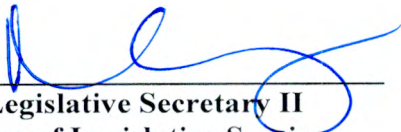
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5 DAY Comment Period Ended: December 5, 2017

Digital Comments received:

Comments Supporting	<i>None</i>
Comments Opposing	<i>None</i>
Inclusive Comments	<i>None</i>



**Legislative Secretary II
Office of Legislative Services**

12/16/17 8:16 am

Date/Time

**RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

THIRD YEAR 2017

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker,

The **RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned:

Legislation # 0474-17: An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee; Requesting the Bureau of Indian Affairs Branch of Roads and the Navajo Division of Transportation Add The Replacement of the Navajo Route 26 Bridge In Nazlini Chapter To The Priority Level Listing. *Sponsor: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.*

Has had it under consideration and report the same that the matter was TABLED to January 2018. RDC has a scheduled meeting with NDOT on December 28, 2017 to discuss the NN road and bridge inventory and further receive a transition report from both BIA and NDOT on the road issues. Navajo Route 26 Bridge could possibly already be listed on the bridge inventory list.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Benjamin Bennett', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Benjamin Bennett, Vice-Chairperson
Resources and Development Committee of
the 23rd Navajo Nation Council

Date: December 19, 2017
Meeting Location: NDOT Administrative Complex, Tse Bonito

Main Motion: Honorable Leonard Pete
Second: Honorable Jonathan Perry
Vote:

TABLING MOTION: Davis Filfred
SECOND: Jonathan Perry
VOTE: 3-0-1 (VCNV)

**RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

FOURTH YEAR 2018

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker,

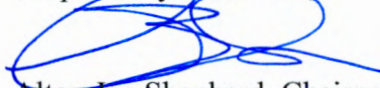
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Has had it under consideration and reports a **DO NOT PASS** with no amendment;

And thereafter the matter was disapproved.

Respectfully submitted,



Alton Joe Shepherd, Chairperson
Resource and Development Committee of
the 23rd Navajo Nation Council

Date: November 7, 2018 - Regular Meeting

Meeting Location: Blue Gap-Tachee Chapter, Blue Gap-Tachee, Arizona

MAIN MOTION (Established 12/19/17 RDC Regular Meeting):

M: Benjamin Bennett S: Jonathan Perry V: 0-3-1 (CNV)

YEAS: Leonard Pete, Benjamin Bennett and Davis Filfred

NAYS:

EXCUSED: Jonathan Perry and Walter Phelps

Motion for Reconsideration:

M: Leonard Pete S: Benjamin Bennett V: 3-0-1 (CNV)

YEAS: Leonard Pete, Benjamin Bennett and Davis Filfred

NAYS:

EXCUSED: Jonathan Perry and Walter Phelps

MAIN MOTION VOTE: 0-3-1 (CNV) (November 7, 2018)

YEAS: NONE

NAYS: Leonard Pete, Benjamin Bennett and Davis Filfred (CNV)

RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

November 7, 2018

ROLL CALL

VOTE TALLY SHEET:

Legislation # 0474-17: An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee; Requesting the Bureau of Indian Affairs Branch of Roads and the Navajo Division of Transportation add the replacement of the Navajo Route 26 Bridge in Nazlini Chapter to the Priority Level listing. *Sponsor: Honorable Kee Allen Begay*

MAIN MOTION (Established 12/19/17 RDC Regular Meeting): Benjamin Bennett

S: Jonathan Perry V: 0-3-1 (CNV)

YEAS: Leonard Pete, Benjamin Bennett and Davis Filfred

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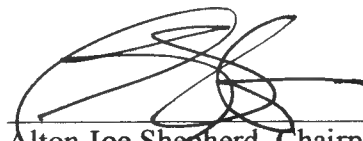
NAYS:


EXCUSED: Jonathan Perry and Walter Phelps

MAIN MOTION VOTE: 0-3-1 (CNV) (November 7, 2018)

YEAS: NONE

NAYS: Leonard Pete, Benjamin Bennett and Davis Filfred (CNV)



Alton Joe Shepherd, Chairperson
Resources and Development Committee

Shammie Begay, Legislative Advisor
Resources and Development Committee