

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Second Year, 2024

AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF NADINE CLAH TO THE NAVAJO TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council has oversight authority with respect to communications and utilities. 2 N.N.C. § 500(C).
- B. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to confirm all appointments to boards and commissions. 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A), 701(A)(1).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. The Navajo Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (or the "Commission") is established under 2 N.N.C. §§ 3451-3455.
- B. The Commission consists of seven (7) Commissioners appointed by the President of the Navajo Nation and confirmed by the appropriate committee of the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. § 3454(A).
- C. An appointment to the Commission shall be for a period of four (4) years. 2 N.N.C. § 3454(B).
- D. The President of the Navajo Nation has reappointed Nadine Clah to the Navajo Telecommunications Regulatory Commission. The appointment letter is attached as Exhibit A, Ms. Clah's letter of interest is attached as Exhibit B and Ms. Clah's resume is attached as Exhibit C.
- E. Ms. Clah has previously served on the Commission, with his previous term ending on September 30, 2023.
- F. The Navajo Nation finds it in the best interest of the Navajo Nation to confirm the reappointment of Ms. Nadine Clah to the Navajo Telecommunications Regulatory Commission for a period beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2027.

SECTION THREE. CONFIRMATION

The Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, on the recommendation of Resources and Development Committee, hereby confirms the reappointment of Nadine Clah to the Navajo Telecommunications Regulatory Commission for a term beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2027.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of 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 11th day of April 2024.



Honorable Crystalyne Curley, Chairwoman
Naabik'íyáti' Committee

4/12/2024

Date

Motion: Honorable Curtis Yanito
Second: Honorable Shaandiin Parrish

Chairwoman Crystalyne Curley not voting



The Navajo Nation **DR. BUU NYGREN** *PRESIDENT*
Yideeskáadi Nitsáhákees **RICHELLE MONTOYA** *VICE PRESIDENT*

December 11, 2023



Nadine Clah

P.O. Box [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Dear Ms. Clah:

Thank you for submitting a letter of interest to serve another term on the Navajo Nation Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (NNTRC). I am pleased to reappoint you to the NNTRC for another four-year term.

With your background and experience in the industry and with the Navajo Nation, I believe you are qualified and will continue to do good work for the Navajo Nation and Navajo people as a Commissioner on the NNTRC.

This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Naabi'k'iyati' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.

Thank you for your willingness to serve the Navajo Nation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Buu Nygren, *President*
THE NAVAJO NATION

October 18, 2023



Nadine Clah

P.O. Box [REDACTED]
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Honorable Navajo Nation President Dr. Buu V. Nygren,

I am submitting my letter of interest to continue as a Board of Commissioner for the Navajo Nation Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (NNTRC). I do not believe my knowledge, experience and skills have been utilized to its fullest to assist members of the Navajo Nation. The NNTRC is the center for building the foundation for technological growth and advances on the Navajo Nation.

In my position of GIS Manager for a Global Architecture, Engineering and Construction firm my knowledge of working with tribes is assisting many tribes throughout the United States and Canada. Having dedicated 12 years to Navajo Housing Authority to implement, develop and create Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Information Technology (IT) platforms to assist with the management of public rental, homeownership and mutual help housing was where I excelled in my field. Before Navajo Housing Authority I worked 14 years for the Gila River Indian Community where I created and maintained Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Information Technology (IT) platforms and public safety applications. Working for two tribes has given me insights to technologies that are needed and required on the Navajo Nation, and I would like to continue as a Board of Commissioner so that I am a part of bringing broadband, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Information Technology (IT) processes for the Navajo Nation to thrive and assist my fellow members of this great tribe.

With over 25 years of experience in Project Management, Geographic Information Systems, and Information Technology (IT) platform and network development while working for AECOM, Navajo Housing Authority and the Gila River Indian Community. I possess a comprehensive knowledge of software, hardware and peripherals that has allowed me to gain the organizational skills and industry expertise that can be effectively utilized for the NNTRC. Working for a Global company has widened my perspective and sharpen my knowledge and skills to work with tribes as they finalize their American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) expenditures for U.S Treasury reporting by December 31, 2024. Understanding the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) or the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) is key to assisting my clients with federal grants management.

I believe that telecommunications should be available to Navajo members because they deserve this type of technology. Affordable telecommunication services are a fundamental foundation that will support the economic ambitions of sustaining our growing Nation.

Therefore, I am submitting this letter of interest to continue as a Board of Commissioner of the NNTRC. I appreciate the opportunity to utilize my skills and knowledge to assist the Navajo Nation, my family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nadine Clah". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nadine Clah

NADINE CLAH

Post Office Box [REDACTED]
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With over 24 years of experience in Project Management, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Information Technology (IT) while working for AECOM, Navajo Housing Authority and the Gila River Indian Community. I have a comprehensive knowledge of IT protocols for software, hardware and peripherals that has allowed me to gain the organizational skills and industry expertise that can be effectively utilized as a Board Member of the Navajo Nation Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (NNTRC). Working at AECOM, the world's trusted infrastructure consulting firm, partnering with clients to solve the world's most complex challenges and build legacies for generations to come. I am now prepared to continue to apply my knowledge and experience as a Board of Commissioner with the NNTRC.

EXPERIENCE

MARCH 2022 – PRESENT

GIS MANAGER, AECOM

- Provides direction to the team leaders to ensure the financial reporting, administrative requirements and project controls are attained.
- Typically manages team leaders and individual contributors, with an overall headcount of less than 25 people.
- Actively participates in professional and industry organizations as a board member and industry event organizer or speaker.
- Contributes on a regular basis to industry thought leadership through publications, social media, or speaking.
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- Actively involved with clients and supports tribal business development initiatives.

AUGUST 2010 – MARCH 2022

IT ANALYST/GIS COORDINATOR, NAVAJO HOUSING AUTHORITY

- Project managed over \$17 million in projects from GIS, Floodplains, and Solar Street Lights over ten years.
- Led the development and implementation of an organization-wide GIS system that houses all the imagery and data for the land information management system called the Land Information Management System or LIMS. These datasets are necessary to plan, design, construct and maintain housing assets across the Navajo Nation.
- Led the design and construction of a state-of-the-art data center to house an Enterprise GIS data system and document management system that modernized the organization's operational efficiency.

- Implemented a GIS portal and the development of web dashboards, mobile applications, interactive mapping tools, and other software applications for improved business efficiency and operations.
- Coordinates GIS functions with other departments, divisions, and outside agencies and organizations; works in conjunction with users to ensure that end product needs with appropriate user interfaces are met.
- Directs and coordinates data development and information gathering from external sources; develops procedures to ensure efficient transfer and use of external information; interacts with agencies and the public to disseminate information.
- Conducts needs analyses to develop and implement effective methods and technologies, GIS application software, data standard forms, and data entry procedures.
- Provides technical guidance to divisional staff and end-users of GIS systems; and offers technical support to departmental staff for the storage and maintenance of district maps, survey plats, and as-built drawings.
- As project lead/manager, communicates project objectives, plans, and status to all members of the project team and senior management.
- Monitors use and operation of department GIS hardware, software, and databases; including, evaluating, and investigating prospective solutions (i.e., hardware, software training, procedures, and maintenance) and makes recommendations for purchases and upgrades.

NOVEMBER 1995 – OCTOBER 2009

CARTOGRAPHER, GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY

- As a Lead member of the Enhanced 9-1-1 Task Force and Public Safety Task Force, we implemented Enhanced 9-1-1 service to 3,500 structures on the Gila River Indian Reservation by managing \$350,000 in the State of Arizona funding.
- Developed a unique, never before implemented nested-grid addressing scheme. The addressing method utilized was the first in the United States.
- Created, maintained, and updated, pertinent GIS data and imagery for the Enhanced 9-1-1 project, including the Public Safety Answer Point (PSAP) for the GRIC Dispatch Center and mobile computers for the Gila River Police Department Fire Department, Gila River Emergency Medical Services, and GRIC offices.
- Facilitated a \$4.5 million digital radio system upgrade by working with a 6-person team to determine equipment purchases to develop a digitally-trunked 800 MHz radio system. The radio system was completed in three years and saved half a million dollars for future development.
- Participated in developing the Public Safety Task Force Capital Project budget and forecasted additional funds needed for staffing, equipment, materials, and supplies.
- Assisted with the research of Public Safety telecommunication companies to provide portable and mobile solutions for the Gila River Police Department (GRPD), Gila River Fire Department (GRFD), and Gila River Emergency Medical Services (GREMS).
- As a member of a 5-person team to evaluate Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) companies for the GRPD Dispatch Department after the installation and use of Intrado Positron Suite of E9-1-1 Call Handling Equipment, and services which include Positron Power 9-1-1®, Positron Power Map®, Positron MIS®, and Positron VIPER®.
- Trained to maintain and administrate the Intrado Positron Suite of E9-1-1 Call Handling Equipment, and services which include Positron Power 9-1-1®, Positron Power Map®, Positron MIS®, and Positron VIPER®.

- I assisted with developing a Memorandum of Agreement and Understanding with cities surrounding the boundaries of the Gila River Indian Community regarding the use of Telecommunication Towers and associated information.
- I assisted with continuing cooperative efforts between the State of Arizona 9-1-1 Program, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Gila River Indian Community, major Public Safety Companies, and surrounding cities.
- Responsible for project analysis and evaluation, determining data sources and establishing priorities for data entry, verifying the accuracy of data, establishing quality control policies for product generation and project output, and supporting data transfer between user groups.
- Ensured developed products met Federal Geographic Data Committee and Inter-Geographic Data Committee standards.
- I performed tests and evaluations on new programs, equipment procedures, and techniques designed to increase the efficiency of operations and accuracy of data produced; recommended adoption, modification, or rejection based on conclusions drawn from test applications.

EDUCATION

MAY 2002

BACHELOR OF ARTS-MATHEMATICS, ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY, TEMPE, ARIZONA

Minor in Probability and Statistics. Upper-level Geographic Information Systems (GIS) courses completed for elective classes.

MAY 1989

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE-MATHEMATICS, NAVAJO COMMUNITY COLLEGE (DINÉ COLLEGE), TSAILE, ARIZONA

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE-COMPUTER SCIENCE, NAVAJO COMMUNITY COLLEGE (DINÉ COLLEGE), TSAILE, ARIZONA

CERTIFICATIONS

Geographic Information Systems Professional (GISP) #00068052 – GIS Certification Institute, Des Plaines, IL. Expires June 25, 2026.

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4/11/2024

Naa'bik'iyati' Committee Regular Meeting

11:17:03 AM

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New Business: Item A.

PASSED

MOT Yanito, C

CONSENT AGENDA > 0069-24,0078-24

SEC Parrish, S

0040-24,0062-24,0064-24,0065-24

0066-24,0074-24,0077-24

Yeas : 17

Nays : 0

Excused : 6

Not Voting : 0

Yea : 17

Aseret, L

Johnson, C

Simonson, G

Tso, O

Begay, H

Nez, A

Simpson, D

Yanito, C

Crotty, A

Notah, N

Slater, C

Yazzie, C

Daniels, H

Parrish, S

Tolth, G

Yazzie, L

James, V

Nay : 0

Excused : 6

Arviso, S

Charles-Newton, E

Jesus, B

Nez, R

Begay, N

Claw, S

Not Voting : 0

Presiding Speaker: Curley, C