

**RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

REGULAR MEETING

**Monday, June 10, 2024
10:00 a.m.**

**APPROVED AGENDA
(REVISED)**

PRESIDING: Honorable Brenda Jesus, *Chairperson*
Honorable Casey Allen Johnson, *Vice-Chairperson*

LOCATION: **Navajo Agricultural Products Industry**
10086 New Mexico Highway 371
Farmington, New Mexico 87499

via Telecommunication

Call-In Number: 1-669-900-6833
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1. Call Meeting to Order; Roll Call; Invocation; and Announcements:

<input type="checkbox"/> Brenda Jesus (C)	<input type="checkbox"/> Casey Allen Johnson (VC)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shawna Ann Claw
<input type="checkbox"/> Rickie Nez	<input type="checkbox"/> Danny Simpson	<input type="checkbox"/> Otto Tso

2. Recognizing Guests and Visiting Officials:

3. Reviewing and Approving the Agenda:

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

4. Reviewing and Approving Journal(s): None.

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

5. Receiving Reports:

- A. Report from Navajo Environmental Protection Agency and DISA Technologies, Inc. on the High-Pressure Slurry Ablation Treatability Study (Final Report) as it Relates to New Soil Treatment Technology. *Presenters: Stephen B. Etsitty,*

Executive Director, Navajo Environmental Protection Agency; and Greyson Buckingham, Chief Executive Officer, DISA Technologies, Inc.

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

- B. Report from Greenstein & Company on Investing in Native American Agriculture: Empowering 5000 New Farmers and Ranchers Over the Next Decade. *Presenter: Alex Greenstein, Chief Executive Officer, Greenstein & Company*

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

- C. Report from the Navajo Agriculture Product Industry (“NAPI”) on their Recommendations to Amend Navajo Nation Code and/or the Plan of Operation so the Management Board of Directors are given the Responsibility to Lobby on behalf of the NAPI through Government-to-Government. *Presenters: Dave Zeller, Chief Executive Officer, Navajo Agricultural Products Industry; Alvina L. Earnhart, Partner, Patterson Earnhart Real Bird & Wilson LLP; and Management Board of Directors*

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

- D. Update Report from the Navajo Agriculture Product Industry (“NAPI”) on Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser, a separate business from NAPI, and the underfunding by the United States Government for the Operations and Maintenance of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project. *Presenters: Dave Zeller, Chief Executive Officer, Navajo Agricultural Products Industry; Alvina L. Earnhart, Partner, Patterson Earnhart Real Bird & Wilson LLP; and Management Board of Directors*

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

6. **Old Business:** None.

7. **New Business:**

- A. **Legislation #0120-24:** An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services, Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik’iyáti’ Committees, and to the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$2,279,569.71 from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance (“UUFb”) for Chapter Summer 2024 Youth Employment Programs; Waiving 12 N.N.C. § 820(E), § 820(F), § 820(J), § 820(L), and § 820(O) to allow for this Appropriation. *Sponsor: Honorable Danny Simpson Co-Sponsor: Honorable George H. Tolth*

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

- B. **Legislation #0122-24:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Approving the Fiscal Year 2025 Navajo Nation Housing Plan for The Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) Indian Housing Block Grant Funding. *Sponsor: Honorable Brenda Jesus*

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

- C. **Directive:** The Resources and Development Committee directs the Division of Natural Resources and Navajo Environmental Protection Agency to Coordinate with Navajo Nation Oil & Gas Company Running Horse Pipeline and Other Navajo Nation Divisions & Enterprises on Drafting Policies & Procedures relating to Damage Prevention (Call 811 Before You Dig) for Consideration by the Navajo Nation.

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

8. **Close of Meeting; Announcements; Adjournment.** _____

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Roll Call Vote: Claw () Jesus () Johnson () Nez () Simpson () Tso ()

THE AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE: *The public is advised that the Navajo Nation Council Agenda and the Agendas of the Standing Committees are not final until adopted by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council or the Standing Committee at a Navajo Nation Council or a Standing Committee meeting pursuant to 2.N.N.C. §§163 and 183. Navajo Nation Council Rule of Order No. 7 and Standing Committee Rule of Order No. 8.*