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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development Committee and Budget and Finance Committee; Recommending and Approving the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget for the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency and Related Matters, to be Included in the Navajo Nation's FY2025 Comprehensive Budget**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0184-24

**DATE:** July 19, 2024

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; RECOMMENDING AND APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET FOR THE NAVAJO NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND RELATED MATTERS, TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NAVAJO NATION'S FY2025 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET**

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if approved, will approve and recommend to the Budget and Finance Committee the Proposed Fiscal Year 2025 Budget for the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency.

**FINAL AUTHORITY:** Budget and Finance Committee

**VOTE REQUIREMENT:** Simple Majority Vote

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

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1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
2 25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Second Year, 2024

3 Introduced by:

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6 (Prime Sponsor)

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8 Co-sponsor (R. Nez)

9 Tracking No. 0184-24

10 AN ACTION

11 RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND  
12 BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE; RECOMMENDING AND APPROVING  
13 THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET FOR THE NAVAJO NATION  
14 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND RELATED MATTERS, TO BE  
15 INCLUDED IN THE NAVAJO NATION'S FY2025 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET

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17 BE IT ENACTED:

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19 SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- 20 A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo  
21 Nation Council with oversight authority over the Navajo Nation Environmental  
22 Protection Agency. 2 N.N.C. § 500(A); 2 N.N.C. § 501 (C)(1).  
23 B. The Resources and Development Committee shall review and make recommendations to  
24 the Budget and Finance Committee concerning the budget in accordance with the annual  
25 budget instructions. 12 N.N.C. § 840 (A).  
26 C. The Budget and Finance Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation  
27 Council authorized to make recommendations to the Council on the budgeting and  
28 management of Navajo Nation funds. 2 N.N.C. § 300(A), § 301(B)(2). The Budget and  
29 Finance Committee is specifically authorized to make recommendations to the Council  
30 regarding the Navajo Nation's annual Comprehensive Budget for each Fiscal Year. 12

1 N.N.C. § 840(A).

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3 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

- 4 A. The Resources and Development Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee  
5 held budget meetings and heard reports from Program staff and the Office of  
6 Management and Budget regarding the proposed FY2025 Budget for the Navajo Nation  
7 Environmental Protection Agency. 12 N.N.C. § 840(A).
- 8 B. The Resources and Development Committee, Committee Report shall be attached as  
9 **Exhibit G** and the Budget and Finance Committee, Committee Report shall be attached  
10 as **Exhibit H**.
- 11 C. Pursuant to the Navajo Nation Appropriations Act, Oversight Committee budget  
12 recommendations shall not exceed the base planning amounts. 12 N.N.C. § 840(A).
- 13 D. The Budget and Finance Committee finds that approval of the proposed FY2025 Budget  
14 for the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency and inclusion of such Budget in  
15 the Navajo Nation’s FY2025 Comprehensive Budget is in the best interest of the Navajo  
16 Nation.

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18 **SECTION THREE. RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**  
19 **RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE FISCAL**  
20 **YEAR 2025 BUDGET FOR THE NAVAJO NATION ENVIRONMENTAL**  
21 **PROTECTION AGENCY AND RELATED MATTERS**

- 22 A. The Resources and Development Committee hereby recommends the FY2025 Budget  
23 for the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency, as detailed in the “Fund Type  
24 Budget Summary” attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, and in the Resources and Development  
25 Committee’s Report, to be attached as **Exhibit G**.
- 26 B. The Resources and Development Committee hereby approves certain revisions, if any,  
27 to the proposed FY2025 Budget amount for the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection  
28 Agency, as shown in Columns D and E in the “General Fund Comparative Summary”  
29 attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, and in the Resources and Development Committee’s  
30 Report to be attached as **Exhibit G**.

- 1 C. The Resources and Development Committee recommends the changes, if any, to the  
2 General Fund Budget described in **Exhibit C**, and in the Resources and Development  
3 Committee's Report to be attached as **Exhibit G**.
- 4 D. The Resources and Development Committee recommends certain Conditions of  
5 Appropriation and Legislative Concerns, if any, as listed in **Exhibit D**, and in the  
6 Resources and Development Committee's Report to be attached as **Exhibit G**.
- 7 E. The Resources and Development Committee recommends that certain Unmet Needs, if  
8 any, for the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency be included in the FY2025  
9 Comprehensive Budget, as explained in **Exhibit E**, and in the Resources and  
10 Development Committee's Report to be attached as **Exhibit G**.
- 11 F. The Resources and Development Committee has been presented with the External Funds  
12 Anticipated in FY2025, if any, as listed in **Exhibit F**.
- 13 G. The Resources and Development Committee recommends that the Budget and Finance  
14 Committee approve the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency's FY2025  
15 Budget and all Committee recommendations as set forth in **Exhibits A-E and Exhibit**  
16 **G**, the Resources and Development Committee, Committee Report.
- 17 H. The Resources and Development Committee hereby authorizes the Chairwoman and the  
18 Vice-Chairman to negotiate with the Budget and Finance Committee on these  
19 recommendations.
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21 **SECTION FOUR. BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVING THE**  
22 **FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET FOR THE NAVAJO NATION ENVIRONMENTAL**  
23 **PROTECTION AGENCY AND RELATED MATTERS**

24 The Budget and Finance Committee approves the Navajo Nation Environmental  
25 Protection Agency FY2025 Budget as set forth in **Exhibits A-E** and in the Budget and  
26 Finance Committee's, Committee Report, **Exhibit H**, to serve as the Budget and Finance  
27 Committee's recommendations to the Navajo Nation Council for including in the  
28 FY2025 Comprehensive Budget.

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30 **SECTION FIVE. DIRECTIVES**

1 A. The Office of Legislative Services shall attach **Exhibit G**, the Resources and  
2 Development Committee's Committee Report, that reflects all amendment(s) made to  
3 this Action (Exhibits and Budget Binder documents) that are approved by the Resources  
4 and Development Committee and that serve as the Resources and Development  
5 Committee's recommendations to the Budget and Finance Committee.

6 B. The Office of Legislative Services shall attach **Exhibit H**, the Budget and Finance  
7 Committee's Committee Report, that reflects all amendment(s) made to this Action  
8 (Exhibits and Budget Binder documents) as approved by the Budget and Finance  
9 Committee.

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11 **SECTION SIX. EFFECTIVE DATE**

12 This Action shall become effective as provided in 2 N.N.C. § 189(A).  
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