

RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE  
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, October 07, 2024  
10:00 a.m.

APPROVED AGENDA

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

**LOCATION:** Navajo Division of Transportation  
#16 Old Coalmine Road, Naat’áanii Board Room  
Mentmore, New Mexico 87319

**via Telecommunication**

Call-In Number: 1-669-900-6833  
Meeting ID: 732-628-2566  
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1. **Call Meeting to Order; Roll Call; Invocation; and Announcements:**

Brenda Jesus (C)  Casey Allen Johnson (VC)  Shawna Ann Claw  
 Rickie Nez  Danny Simpson  Otto Tso

2. **Recognizing Guests and Visiting Officials:**

3. **Reviewing and Approving the Agenda:**

M: S: V:

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

4. **Reviewing and Approving Journal(s): September 24, 2024 (Special Meeting)**

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

5. **Receiving Reports:**

A. Report from the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Eastern Navajo Agency on the Upcoming 2025 Eastern Agency Grazing Permit Renewal Grazing Fees. *Presenters: Lester K. Tsosie, Superintendent, and Effie Delmar, Natural Resources*

*Manager, U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Eastern Navajo Agency*

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

- B. Update Report from the Division of Natural Resources and Department of Agriculture on the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF) and Other Related Matters (Executive Session Will Be Required). *Presenters: W. Mike Halona, Division Director, and Robert O. Allen, Principal Attorney, Division of Natural Resources; and Jesse Jim, Department Manager, Department of Agriculture*

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

6. **Old Business: None.**

7. **New Business:**

- A. **Legislation #0215-24:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Naabik'iyáti' Committees; Supporting United States Congressional Bill H.R. 7859 Titled the "Tribal Environmental Resiliency Resources Act: (Or "Terra Act"); Opposing H.R. 7859's Definition of "Indian Tribe". *Sponsor: Honorable Crystalyne Curley*

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

- B. **Directive:** The Resources and Development Committee directs the Division of Natural Resources Director to have the Programmatic Agreements Completed and Implemented within 30-Days with the Departments of General Land Development and Heritage & Historic Preservation, in partnership with the Navajo Nation Land Department, that will Expedite the Homesite Lease Requests.

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

- C. **Legislation #0121-24:** An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Endorsing the Amendment of the Plan of Operation of the Eastern Navajo Agency Council. *Sponsor: Honorable Danny Simpson*

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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.*