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TITLE: An Act Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'íyáti' Committees; Approving and Authorizing the Renewal of a Contract between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior under 25 U.S.C. 5301 ET SEQ. (P.L. 93-638, As Amended), For a Three-Year Term beginning on January 1, 2025 and Ending on December 31, 2027, for the safety of Dams Program; Approving and Authorizing the Fiscal year Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the Period of the Contract Term

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Tracking No. <u>O239 -24</u>

DATE: November 1, 2024

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNDER 25 U.S.C. 5301 ET SEQ. (P.L. 93-638, AS AMENDED), FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2025 AND ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2027, FOR THE SAFETY OF DAMS PROGRAM; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT AND SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT TERM

PURPOSE: The purpose of this legislation is to renew a contract under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq. (P.L. 93-638, as amended), including an Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work, between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of Interior for the Safety of Dams Program for a term of three (3) years beginning on January 1, 2025 and ending on December 31, 2027.

Final Authority: Naabik'íyáti Committee

Vote Required: Simple Majority

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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| 22 | SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY | |
| 23 | A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the | |
| 24 | Navajo Nation Council with oversight over the Division of Natural Resources and | |
| 25 | its departments, including the Department of Water Resources. 2 N.N.C. §§ | |
| 26 | 500(A), 501(C)(1). | |
| 27 | B. The Budget and Finance Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation | |
| 28 | Council which is authorized to approve and accept contracts from federal | |
| 29 | authorities upon the recommendation of the standing committee which has | |
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- oversight of the program which requested the contract. 2 N.N.C. §§ 300(A), 301(B)(15).
- C. The Naabik'íyáti Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is authorized to approve contracts between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of Interior for the implementation of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq. (P.L. 93-638, as amended). 2 N.N.C. § 701(A)(11).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation and its citizens to enter into the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq. (P.L. 93-638, as amended) contract, including the Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work, attached as Exhibit A, with the United States Department of Interior to fund the Safety of Dams Program for a three-year term beginning on January 1, 2025 and ending on December 31, 2027.
- B. The proposed contract, and its associated Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work, has been deemed sufficient via 164 Review Form Document Number 023257, which is attached as **Exhibit B**.

SECTION THREE. APPROVAL

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes the contract between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of Interior under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq. (P.L. 93-638, as amended) for a three-year term beginning on January 1, 2025 and ending on December 31, 2027 for the Safety of Dams Program herein attached as Exhibit A.
- B. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes the Annual Funding
 Agreement and Scope of Work for the Safety of Dams Program, for the contract
 term as set forth in the documents attached as **Exhibit A**.
- C. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the President of the Navajo Nation to execute and effectuate the contract, Annual Funding Agreement, and Scope of

Work, provided the terms and conditions in such documents are substantially similar to those approved by this resolution.