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TITLE: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development Committee; Approving a Budget Modification in the Amount of \$800,000.00 to Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency, Hazardous Substance Special Revenue Account Business Unit Number 511007 Object Code: 1930 to Business Unit Number 511007 Object Code 6830

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET Tracking No. 0082-21

DATE: May 12, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; APPROVING A BUDGET MODIFICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000.00 TO NAVAJO NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT BUSINESS UNIT NUMBER 511007 OBJECT CODE 1930 TO BUSINESS UNIT NUMBER 511007 OBJECT CODE 6830

PURPOSE: Approving the budget modification transferring \$800,000 from Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency, Hazardous Substance Special Revenue Account Business Unit # 511007 Object Code 1930 to Business Unit #511007 Object Code 6830.

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

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	PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION	
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11	AN ACTION	
12	RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE;	
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14	NAVAJO NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, HAZARDOUS	
15	SUBSTANCE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT BUSINESS UNIT NUMBER 511007	
16	OBJECT CODE 1930 TO BUSINESS UNIT NUMBER 511007 OBJECT CODE 6830	
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19	BE IT ENACTED:	
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21	SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY	
22	A. The Resources and Development Committee serves as the oversight committee for	
23	the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency. 2 N.N.C § 501 (C)(1).	
24	B. The Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Instructions Manual, XI (C)(3) states	
25	that oversight committee approval is required for a budget modification increase of	
26	\$50,000 or more.	
27	C. The Fund Management Plan Hazardous Substance Fund Navajo Nation	
28	Environmental Protection Agency, I (Establishment) states at page 1 of 7, that "[t]he	
29	Resources Committee of the Navajo Nation Council will provide legislative oversight	
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for the two funds [the Hazardous Substances Fund and the Natural and Cultural Resources Fund]."

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. The Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency has requested a budget modification. The Budget Revision Request budget forms are attached as **Exhibit A**.

B. In a memorandum dated April 14, 2021, Exhibit B, the Executive Director of the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency states: "The Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency (NNEPA) – Navajo Superfund Program requests for your approval of a budget modification to Special Revenue account – Hazardous Substance Business Unit No. 511007 which is over \$50,000 and thus requires the approval of the NNEPA Oversight Committee per Budget Instructions Manual, section XI, Budget Revision Instructions and Procedures, page 18. The budget modification is for \$800,000 and is to be used for a Natural Resources Damages (NRD) Pre-Assessment of a number of Orphan Abandoned Uranium Mines contract. The budget modification is to transfer \$800,000 from within Business Unit 511007 ...

from Object Code "other Revenue Sources/Miscellaneous 1930" to "Object Code Contractual Services/Other Technical Services 6830". Please note that this is not a transfer to a new account or business unit."

C. The Navajo Nation Office of the Controller has determined funds are available in the Hazardous Substance Special Revenue Account. A Memorandum from Robert Willie, Office of the Controller, is attached as Exhibit C.

D. The Navajo Nation Office of Management and Budget has yet to provide a review of the Budget Revision Request budget forms. The Office of Management and Budget can provide this information when the matter is heard before the Resources and Development Committee

E. The Fund Management Plan Hazardous Substances Fund, Navajo Nation
Environmental Protection Agency as approved in BFJA-09-11 is attached as Exhibit
D.

1	SECTION THREE. APPROVAL
2	The Navajo Nation hereby approves the budget modification transferring \$800,000 from
3	Business Unit # 511007 Object Code 1930 to Business Unit #511007 Object Code 6830,
4	in accordance with Exhibit A .
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6	SECTION FOUR. DIRECTIVE TO THE OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER
7	The Office of the Controller is directed to make the modifications to Business Unit #
8	511007 Object Code 1930 and Business Unit # 511007 Object Code 6830 in accordance
9	with Exhibit A.
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