## RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

## Leadership Meeting with Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Natural Resources, and Allottees

Tuesday, December 7, 2021 9:00 a.m.

## PROPOSED AGENDA

PRESIDING:	Rickie Nez, <i>Chairperson</i> Thomas Walker, Jr., <i>Vice-Chairperson</i>		Rickie Nez Thomas Walker, Jr. Kee Allen Begay Jr.	( )
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1. Welcome; Roll Call; Invocation; and Introduction

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2. Purpose of the Leadership Meeting: The Resources and Development Committee has requested a meeting with Bureau of Land Management ("BLM"), Bureau of Indian Affairs ("BIA"), Division of Natural Resources ("DNR"), and Allottees to discuss the BLM/BIA's Draft Resource Management Plan Amendment and Environmental Impact Statement ("RMPA/EIS") which analyzed the impacts of additional development in oil and gas in northwestern New Mexico.

## 3. Presentation/Discussions:

- a. Presentation by BLM and BIA on the prepared joint Draft Resource Management Plan Amendment and Environmental Impact Statement (RMPA/EIS). *Presenters: Bureau of Land Management Farmington Field Office and Bureau of Indian Affairs Navajo Regional Office* 
  - i. What did the RMPA/EIS focused on as it related to Resource Programs?
  - ii. Is BLM currently administrating leases and the RMPA/EIS through the Farmington Field Office or through the U.S. Department of the Interior Headquarters?
  - iii. What is BLM/BIA proposed decisions as it relates to impacts of oil & gas development, rights-of-way, roads, proposed and existing leases, wilderness characteristics, and vegetation?
  - iv. How many Navajo Chapters and consultation meetings were conducted with Navajo Communities? What were the responses to BLM/BIA? How many public comments were received by Navajo Allottees during the virtual open house and written comment period?

- v. Where in the RMPA/EIS process is BLM/BIA currently at before final execution?
- vi. Will BLM/BIA use this RMPA/EIS to evaluate alternative and resource impacts as it relates to its authority over mineral leasing and associated activity decision within the planning area?
- b. Presentation by Division of Natural Resources. *Update: Heritage and Historic Preservation on the (NHPA) National Historic Preservation Act: Section 106-Government to Government Consultation with BLM and BIA, and Fish and Wildlife for Biological Species and Section 7 for Consultation* 
  - i. Eligibility of Historic Sites Within the Planning Area: How many cultural and historic sites meet the criteria for eligibility for recording on the National Register? Is there a Navajo register for recording historic sites? If not, then why has it not been established? Update on the proposed programmatic agreement between BIA, BLM and DNR?
  - ii. Fish and Wildlife Comments and Recommendation for Section 7 for biological reviews and consultation for vegetation, biological species, and wilderness areas within the RMPA project area
  - iii. What are DNR recommendations and comments to RDC on alternatives for proposed management action for RMPA Record of Decision?
- 4. Questions/Recommendations/Follow-Up
- 5. Conclusion of Meeting and Adjournment