# RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE 24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

## **REGULAR MEETING**

## Wednesday, February 9, 2022 10:00 a.m.

#### **APPROVED AGENDA**

- **PRESIDING**: Honorable Rickie Nez, *Chairperson* Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr., *Vice-Chairperson*
- **LOCATION:** Tsaile Wheatfields Blackrock Chapter Tsaile, Arizona 86556

via TelecommunicationsCall-In Number:1-669-900-6833Zoom Meeting ID:732-628-2566Passcode:86515

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order; Roll Call; Invocation; and Announcements:

() Rickie Nez	Location:
() Thomas Walker, Jr.	Location:
() Kee Allen Begay, Jr.	Location:
() Herman M. Daniels	Location:
() Mark A. Freeland	Location:
() Wilson Stewart, Jr.	Location:

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

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

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

4. <b>Reviewing and Approving Journal(s)</b>	January 19, 2022 January 20, 2022		
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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

# 5. **Receiving Reports:**

A. Report on the Wood Hauling Issues, Regulations (Fence Cutting, Unauthorized Roads, Etc.), Homesite Lease Issues in the Navajo Commercial Forest, Homesite

Lease Issues, and Improvements within the Community; and Other Issues for Residents within the Canyon de Chelly National Park Buffer Zone. *Presenters: Devon Begay, President, Tsaile Chapter and Others* 

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

B. Report on the Carrizo Four Corners Hydroelectric Energy Storage Center Proposed Project. Presenters: Thomas C. Taylor, Former New Mexico House of Representatives, and Thomas Conroy, Principal, Kinetic Power, LLC

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

#### 6. Old Business: None.

#### 7. New Business:

A. Legislation #0012-22: An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Budget and Finance Committee; Approving a Change in Exhibit D to Resolution No. CAP-35-18 for Forest Lake Chapter by Adding "Planning, Design, Construction, Equipment, and Furnishings" to Project No. D-172 and Moving the Project to the Year 3 Funding Period. Sponsor: Honorable Jimmy Yellowhair

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

B. Legislation #0015-22: An Action Relating to Resources and Development Committee; Approving the Fiscal Year 2021 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 from the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) Indian Housing Block Grant Funding. *Sponsor: Honorable Mark A. Freeland* 

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

C. Legislation #0016-22: An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Naabik'iyáti' Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Extending the Time for a Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity to Allow the Navajo Nation to be Sued in Federal District Court Regarding Compliance with the National Environmental Protection Act in Carrying Out the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Grants and Authorizing the President of the Navajo Nation to be the Certifying Tribal Official to Execute Form 7015.15 through September 30, 2025. *Sponsor: Honorable Mark A. Freeland* 

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr() KABegayJr() HMDaniels() MAFreeland() WStewartJr() RickieNez()

D. Legislation #0017-22: An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Approving the Grant of Navajo Nation Tribal Authorization Access (TAA) to Navajo Tribal Utility Authority for the Red Mesa Commercial Transmission Line Located on Navajo Nation Trust Lands on the Navajo Nation (Utah). Sponsor: Honorable Charlaine Tso

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr () KABegayJr () HMDaniels () MAFreeland () WStewartJr () RickieNez ()

 E. Legislation #0018-22: An Action Relating to Resources and Development and Budget and Finance Committees; Approving a Change in Exhibit D to Resolution No. CAP-35-18 for Chilchinbeto Chapter by Deleting the Chapter Multipurpose Building Project Approved for Year 1 and Replacing It with a Chapter Lagoon Project in Year 3. Sponsor: Honorable Nathaniel Brown

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr() KABegayJr() HMDaniels() MAFreeland() WStewartJr() RickieNez()

F. Legislation #0024-22: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development, Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance, Law and Order, and Naabik'iyati Committees and the Navajo Nation Council; Amending the Navajo Nation Veterans Trust Fund at 12 N.N.C. §1176 to Create Separate Business Unit Numbers When Funding Navajo Veterans' Organizations. *Sponsor: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.* 

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr() KABegayJr() HMDaniels() MAFreeland() WStewartJr() RickieNez()

G. Approving an In-Person Leadership Meeting with Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise and Lewis Roca LLP to Conduct a Tour of the Cosnino and Horsemen Lodge Properties near Flagstaff, Arizona on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr() KABegayJr() HMDaniels() MAFreeland() WStewartJr() RickieNez()

H. Approving an In-Person Leadership Meeting with the U.S Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management Farmington Field Office on the Formal Proposal to Withdraw Approximately 351,000 Acres of Public Lands Surrounding the Chaco Culture National Historical Park in Farmington, New Mexico on Friday. March 11, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

I. Approving an In-Person Leadership Meeting with the U.S Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management Farmington Field Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and State of New Mexico on the Right-of-Way (ROW) Process in Farmington, New Mexico on Friday. March 11, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

J. Approving a Joint Work Session with the Law & Order Committee on Legislation #0002-22 for Friday, March 25, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at Twin Arrows Casino Resorts.

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

K. Approving a Leadership Meeting with Division of Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Office of the Controller, and District Grazing Committee to Streamline the Stipend Process for Thursday, March 31, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. via Teleconference.

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

L. Approving to attend and participate in the Southwest Agricultural Association Inc. 34th Annual Conference on "Native American Agricultural Producers Continuing to Build Resiliency for Mother Earth" from March 21-24, 2022.

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

M. Approving a Work Session with Division of Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Division of Community Development, Navajo Department of Justice, Office of the Controller, and Office of Management & Budget on the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF) on April 1, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. via Telecommunication.

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr() KABegayJr() HMDaniels() MAFreeland() WStewartJr() RickieNez()

- N. Approving a Leadership Meeting with U.S. House Natural Resources Ranking Member Bruce Westerman for Wednesday, February 16, 2022, at 7:00 a.m. via Telecommunication.
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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

J. Approving the rescheduled Leadership Meeting with Navajo Housing Authority Board of Commissioners and Chief Executive Officer for Saturday, February 19, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at Twin Arrows Casino Resort.

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr ( ) KABegayJr ( ) HMDaniels ( ) MAFreeland ( ) WStewartJr ( ) RickieNez ( )

#### 8. Close of Meeting; Announcements; Adjournment. \_\_\_\_\_

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Roll Call Vote: TWalkerJr() KABegayJr() HMDaniels() MAFreeland() WStewartJr() RickieNez()

**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.