RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL
WORK SESSION

September 30, 2019
10:00 A.M.

PRESIDING: Honorable Rickie Nez, Chairperson
          Honorable Thomas Walker, Jr., Vice-Chairperson

LOCATION: NTU Campus – Wellness Center
          Crownpoint, New Mexico

1. Call Work Session to Order; Roll Call; Invocation;

2. Recognizing Guests and Visiting Officials:

3. Purpose of the Work Session: Chairman Rickie Nez and Honorable Delegate Mark A. Freeland.

   To gain an understanding of the Eastern Land Board’s roles & responsibilities, while in collaboration with NN Division of Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture; NN Tribal Ranches Program; BIA-Natural Resources (Eastern Agency); and FSA Program Services and benefits; Eastern Navajo Land Commission and Navajo Nation Land Department

   A) Eastern Navajo Land Boards and Ranchers Issues  Presenter: Clinton Jim/Paul Houston/Herbert Enrico

   B) Farm Services Agency (FSA) – Availability of Benefits to Navajo Ranchers/Farmers and Eligibility Guidelines  Presenter: Mark Bentley and Michael White and Other FSA Officials

   D) Navajo Division of Natural Resources – Priorities and Goals  Presenter: Dr. Rudy Shebala, Division Director and Ms. Vangie Curley Thomas, Deputy Division Director

   E) Department of Agriculture’s Requirement for Tally Count & Data Collection; Application of Grazing Policies and Procedures; and Technical Assistance Provided  Presenter: Leo C. Watchman, Department Director & Others
D) Tribal Ranches Program – Number of Tribal Ranches in Eastern Agency; Number of Vacant Ranches for Lease; Leasing Procedures and Eligibility Requirements; Presenter: Ivan Becenti, Tribal Ranches Manager & Others

F) BIA’s Reissuance Process of Grazing Permits; Application of Grazing Policies and Procedures; Eastern Agency Land Statuses and Technical Assistance Provided Presenter: Lester Tsosie/Effie Delmar & Others

G) Navajo Nation Land Department (NNLD) and General Land Leasing Department (GLLD)’s Process for Obtaining Consents for NN Projects and Technical Assistance Provided Presenter: Michael Halona/Elerina Yazzie & Others

4. RDC’s Recommendation; Follow up Meeting.

5. Conclusion of the Work Session