



**NAVAJO NATION THREE BRANCH AGREEMENT**  
 ONE NATION, ONE VOICE  
 JULY 20, 2015  
 WINDOW ROCK, NAVAJO NATION

The Vision of the Navajo Nation President and Vice President, the Navajo Nation Council Speaker with the 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council, and the Navajo Nation Acting Chief Justice is to Continuously Improve the Quality of Life and Provide Economic Opportunities for our Navajo People.

The priorities established in this Navajo Nation Three Branch Agreement will enhance the quality of life for our Navajo People and provide the foundation for a vibrant economy of our Nation. Through this Three Branch Agreement, the leadership of the Navajo Nation will embark on an effort to improve the Navajo Nation Laws, policies and processes to better meet the needs of the Navajo people.

At an unprecedented meeting of the branch leadership of the Navajo Nation Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branches, it was determined that the establishment of common priorities will serve as a guide for the Nation’s Government during the 2015 – 2019 term. By this Three Branch Agreement, we acknowledge that our respective branches will work on the established priorities to make our vision a reality using our Diné values and Nitsáhákees, Nahat’á, Iiná and Siihásin.

So recognized on this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of July, 2015.

Executive Branch

Honorable Russell Begaye  
 President  
 Navajo Nation

Legislative Branch

Honorable LoRenzo C. Bates  
 Speaker  
 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council

Judicial Branch

Honorable Eleanor Shirley  
 Chief Justice – Acting  
 Navajo Supreme Court

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## **Common Priorities of the Navajo Nation Government**

### **❖ INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT & IMPROVEMENTS**

- Roads, to gravel and grade
- Power Lines, three-phase and residential
- Water, main and individual tap-off
- Waste Water lines & Sewer Lagoons
- Telecommunication & Broadband
- Information Technology & Sharing
- Rural Addressing & E911
- Former Bennett Freeze Recovery Plan

### **❖ ECONOMY**

- Job Creation & Business Opportunity
- Partnership
- Bank
- Energy
- Economic Zoning
- Revenue Generating & Investment

### **❖ WATER RIGHTS**

- Utah Water Rights
- Little Colorado River
- Colorado River

### **❖ HOUSING & PUBLIC FACILITY**

- Navajo Housing Authority, TDHE
- Governmental Employee Housing
- College Student Housing
- Nursing Homes
- Head Start Facilities
- Multipurpose Centers at Chapters
- Agency Office Complexes
- Council Chambers & Executive Office Complex
- Supreme Court Complex
- Judicial Complexes
- Solid Waste Transfer Stations
- Trauma Centers

### **❖ EDUCATION**

- Head Start, Early Education
- Diné Language & Culture Preservation
- Scholarships
- Grant & Contract Schools
- Tribal College & Vocational Training

❖ HUMAN SERVICES

- Healthy Lives & Strengthening Families
- Health Department Regulatory
- Veterans
- Elderly & Youth
- Urban Services
- Treatment Centers
- Medicare & Medicaid

❖ GOVERNANCE

- Chapter Government
  - LGA & CLUP
  - Administrative Service Centers
  - Local Dispute Resolution & Ordinances
- Improving & Streamlining Governmental Process
- Grant & Contract Management
- Federal Law Amendments
- Utah Navajo Trust Fund
- Procurement Rule & Regulation
- Employee Professional Development
- Independent Judiciary
- Sovereignty & Diné Fundamental Law
- Budgetary Process

❖ PUBLIC SAFETY & JUDICIAL

- Additional Law Enforcement & Other First Responder Personnel
- Police Substations
- Fire & Rescue Services
- Equipment
- Restorative Justice

❖ NATURAL RESOURCES

- Land
  - Range Land Management & Improvement
  - Streamline Land Purchases
  - Livestock
  - Agriculture & Farming
  - Fort Wingate
- Water
  - Navajo/Gallup Project
- Environment
- Energy Development
- Uranium Remediation