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**TITLE: An Action Relating to Naabik'iyáti' Committee; Requesting the Arizona Governor Ducey to include Highway 191 in the Smart Highway Corridor Initiative to install broadband conduit and fiber optic cable**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

**Tracking No.** 0096-20

**DATE:** April 16, 2020

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION;  
AN ACTION RELATING TO NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE; REQUESTING THE  
ARIZONA GOVERNOR DUCEY TO INCLUDE HIGHWAY 191 IN THE SMART  
HIGHWAY CORRIDOR INITIATIVE TO INSTALL BROADBAND CONDUIT AND  
FIBER OPTIC CABLE

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of the resolution is for the Navajo Nation to supports Governor  
Ducey's Smart Highway Corridor Initiative.

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.



1 Department of Transportation to install over 500 miles of broadband conduit and fiber  
2 optic cable along designated highway segments throughout rural areas of the state.  
3 The new corridors will improve highway safety while providing future broadband  
4 capacity for smart infrastructure projects in Arizona's rural and tribal areas.

5 E. Highway 191 runs through the Navajo Nation and if it were included in the Smart  
6 Highway Corridor, it would provide broadband accessibility to a large part of the  
7 Navajo Nation and rural Arizona.

8 F. Several Navajo Nation Chapters have spoken with resolutions to request Governor  
9 Ducey include Highway 191 in the Smart Highway Corridor. Those Navajo Nation  
10 Chapter resolutions are attached as **Exhibit A** and include Nahata Dził Commission  
11 of Governance, Many Farms Chapter, Ganado Chapter, Round Rock Chapter,  
12 Tselani-Cottonwood Chapter, Blue Gap/Tachee Chapter and Wide Ruins Community  
13 Chapter.

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15 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

16 A. The Navajo Nation supports Governor Ducey's Smart Highway Corridor Initiative,  
17 attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

18 B. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council,  
19 President of the Navajo Nation, and their designees, to advocate for the Navajo  
20 Nation's portion of Highway 191 to be included in the Smart Highway Corridor.