TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development; Approving a Mission Site Permit for 1.5 Acre, More or Less, for Mitten Rock Tree of Life Church in the Vicinity of Red Valley Chapter, Navajo Nation

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DATE: November 8, 2021

TITLE OF RESOLUTION: PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION; AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT; APPROVING A MISSION SITE PERMIT FOR 1.5 ACRE, MORE OR LESS, FOR MITTEN ROCK TREE OF LIFE CHURCH IN THE VICINITY OF RED VALLEY CHAPTER, NAVAJO NATION

PURPOSE: The purpose of this legislation is to approve a mission site permit for Mitten rock Tree of Life Church on 1.5 acres located in the Red Valley Chapter, Navajo Nation.

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.
PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Third Year, 2021

INTRODUCED BY

[Signature]

(Prime Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. _0237-21_

AN ACTION

RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT;

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VALLEY CHAPTER, NAVAJO NATION

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

A. Pursuant to 16 N.N.C. Section 1151 (C), the Resources Development Committee of
the Navajo Nation Council has the authority to give approval for permits for mission
sites on behalf of the Navajo Nation.

B. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. Section 501 (B)(2), the Resources Development Committee of
the Navajo Nation Council has the authority to give final approval for all land
withdrawals, non-mineral leases, permits, licenses, rights-of-way, surface easements
and bonding requirements on Navajo Nation lands and unrestricted (fee) land. This
authority shall include subleases, modifications, assignments, leasehold
encumbrances, transfers, renewals, and terminations.

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

A. The Mitten Rock Tree of Life Church has applied for a mission site within the Red
Valley Chapter.

B. The Terms and Conditions for the Mission Site Permit is attached as Exhibit A.
C. The proposed mission site is located on 1.5 acres, more or less, within the vicinity of Red Valley Chapter, Navajo Nation (New Mexico). The survey of the Mitten Rock Tree of Life Church Tract is attached as Exhibit B.

D. The Grazing Official, in a Field Clearance Checklist dated May 11, 2021, identified one grazing permit holder. The Field Clearance Checklist and the Consent to Use Navajo Tribal Lands for Mission Site with the grazing permit holder’s approval are attached as Exhibit C.

E. The Red Valley Chapter Resolution RVC-48-15 dated September 13, 2015 “support[ing] Mitten Rock Tree of Life Church request of lease application for their existing church site for religious services to the Navajo People” and a signed petition are attached herein as Exhibit D.

F. The Biological Resources Compliance Form is attached as Exhibit E; the Historic Preservation Department Cultural Resources Compliance Form is attached as Exhibit F; and the HPD Report dated 9/21/2015 Consultant Report No. DCRM 2015-50 is attached as Exhibit G. The Environmental Assessment prepared by the Denali Environmental Services and a memorandum dated August 24, 2015 by Denali Environmental Services are attached as Exhibit H.

G. The Application, the Certificate of Incorporation, the Articles of Incorporation, and the Sliding Fee Scale Form for Mission Site Permits are attached as Exhibit I.

H. The Executive Official Review document number 015695 with reviews by the Department of Justice, Department of Water Resources, Fish and Wildlife, Minerals Management Department, Historic Preservation Department, Division of Natural Resources Administration and the Navajo Land Department; and, review by the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency by memorandum dated September 2, 2021 indicating “approved” or “sufficient” are attached as Exhibit J.

SECTION THREE. APPROVAL

A. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby approves the Mission Site Permit for the Mitten Rock Tree of Life Church, subject to
but not limited to the attached Terms and Conditions contained herein as Exhibit A which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

B. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council hereby authorizes President of the Navajo Nation to execute all documents to affect the intent and purpose of this resolution.