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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development Committee; Approving and Recommending to the Budget and Finance Committee the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for the Division of Natural Resources and Related Matters, to be included in the Navajo Nation's FY2023 Comprehensive Budget**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**  
**Tracking No. 0126-22**

**DATE:** July 20,2022

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE NAVAJO DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this resolution, if passed, is to approve and recommend to the Budget and Finance Committee the Proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for the Navajo Division of Natural Resources.

**This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committee. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each committee member to review the proposed resolution in detail.**

1 PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
2 24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2022

3 Introduced by:

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6 (Prime Sponsor)

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10 AN ACTION

11 RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE;  
12 APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE  
13 COMMITTEE THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE DIVISION OF  
14 NATURAL RESOURCES AND RELATED MATTERS, TO BE INCLUDED  
15 IN THE NAVAJO NATION'S FY2023 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET  
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17 BE IT ENACTED:

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19 SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

20 A. The Resources and Development Committee ("RDC") is a standing committee of the Navajo  
21 Nation Council with oversight authority over the Division of Natural Resources ("DNR"). 2  
22 N.N.C. §500(A); 2 N.N.C. §501(C)(1).

23 B. Each Oversight Committee, including the RDC, shall review and make recommendations  
24 regarding the programs under its oversight responsibility, regarding the Navajo Nation's  
25 Comprehensive Budget for the upcoming Fiscal Year. 12 N.N.C. §840(A).  
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27 SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

28 A. In accordance with 12 N.N.C. §840(A), the RDC held public hearings and took relevant  
29 testimony regarding the FY2023 Budget for the DNR.

30 B. During these budget meetings, the RDC reviewed and considered the FY2023 Budget for

1 DNR, as proposed by the Branch Chiefs and as requested by DNR, and as commented upon  
2 by members of the public.

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4 **SECTION THREE. APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND**  
5 **FINANCE COMMITTEE THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET**  
6 **FOR THE DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND**  
7 **RELATED MATTERS**

8 A. The Resources and Development Committee hereby approves the FY2023 Budget for the  
9 Division of Natural Resources, as detailed in the “Fund Type Budget Summary” attached  
10 hereto as **Exhibit A**.

11 B. The RDC hereby approves certain revisions to the Branch Chiefs’ proposed FY2023 Budget  
12 amount for DNR, as shown in Columns D and E in the “General Fund Comparative  
13 Summary” attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

14 C. The RDC recommends the changes to the General Fund Budget described in **Exhibit C**.

15 D. The RDC recommends certain Conditions of Appropriation and Legislative Concerns, as  
16 listed in **Exhibit D**.

17 E. The RDC recommends that certain Unmet Needs for DNR be included in the FY2023  
18 Comprehensive Budget, as explained in **Exhibit E**.

19 F. The RDC hereby recommends that the Budget and Finance Committee approve DNR’s  
20 FY2023 Budget and all Committee recommendations, as set forth in **Exhibits A-E**.

21 G. As necessary and appropriate, the RDC hereby authorizes the RDC Chair and Vice-Chair to  
22 negotiate the RDC’s recommendations herein with the Budget and Finance Committee.

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24 **SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE**

25 This Act shall become effective as provided in 2 N.N.C. §189(A).

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27 **SECTION FIVE. SAVING CLAUSE**

28 If any portion of this Action is determined invalid by the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, or by  
29 a District Court of the Navajo Nation without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, the  
30 remainder of this Act shall be the law of the Navajo Nation.