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**TITLE: An Action Relating to Resources and Development, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees; Approving and Authorizing a Contract Between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of the Interior Under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq. (P.L. 93-638, as amended), for a Five (5) Year Term Beginning January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2027 for the Forestry Management Program; Approving and Authorizing the Fiscal Year Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the Contract Term**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**  
**Tracking No. 0217-22**

**DATE: November 2, 2022**

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** AN ACTION RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNDER 25 U.S.C. § 5301 *et seq.* (P.L. 93-638, AS AMENDED), FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 TO DECEMBER 31, 2027 FOR THE FORESTRY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT AND SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE CONTRACT TERM

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if approved, will approve and authorize the PL 93-638 contract for a five (5) year period for the forestry management program.

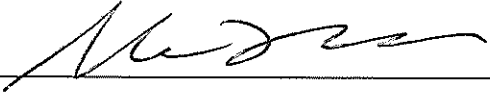
**This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committee. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each committee member to review the proposed resolution in detail.**

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Naabik'íyáti' Committee

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

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11 RELATING TO RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, BUDGET AND FINANCE,  
12 AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A  
13 CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NAVAJO NATION AND THE UNITED STATES  
14 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNDER 25 U.S.C. § 5301 *et seq.* (P.L. 93-638,  
15 AS AMENDED), FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 TO  
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17 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL FUNDING  
18 AGREEMENT AND SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE CONTRACT TERM

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20 **BE IT ENACTED:**

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22 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 23 A. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo  
24 Nation Council and is empowered with oversight authority over the Division of Natural  
25 Resources, which includes the Navajo Forestry Department. 2 N.N.C. §§500 and  
26 501(C).
- 27 B. The Budget and Finance Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation  
28 Council empowered to authorize, review, approve and accept agreements, including  
29 contracts or grants between the Navajo Nation and federal authorities, upon the  
30 recommendation of the standing committee which has oversight of the division,

1 department or program which has applied for the agreement. 2 N.N.C. §§ 300 and  
2 301(B)(15).

- 3 A. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council  
4 and is empowered to authorize, review, approve and accept any and all contracts,  
5 grants and associated budgets with the United States, its departments and agencies for  
6 the implementation of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act,  
7 25 U.S.C. §5301 *et seq.* (P. L. 93-638 as amended), upon the recommendation of the  
8 standing committee which has oversight over the division, department or program  
9 which has applied for the contract and/or grant. 2 N.N.C. §701(A)(12).

## 11 SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- 12 A. It is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation and its citizens to enter into the Indian  
13 Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. §5301 *et seq.* (P. L. 93-  
14 638 as amended) contract, including the Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of  
15 Work, attached as **Exhibit A**, with the United States Department of Interior Bureau of  
16 Indian Affairs to fund and support the Navajo Forestry Department's Forestry  
17 Management Program for a five-year term beginning January 1, 2023 and ending  
18 December 31, 2027.
- 19 B. The proposed P.L. 93-638 contract, Annual Funding Agreement, and Scope of Work,  
20 attached as **Exhibit A**, has been has been endorsed by requisite reviewers and has  
21 been determined legally sufficient and eligible for signature. *See Exhibit B.*

## 23 SECTION THREE. APPROVALS

- 24 A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes a contract between the Navajo  
25 Nation and the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs,  
26 under 25 U.S.C. § 5301 *et seq.* (P.L. 93-638, as amended), for a five (5) year period  
27 beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027 for the Forestry  
28 Management Program as set forth in **Exhibit A**.

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- B. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and authorizes the Annual Funding Agreement and Scope of Work for the Navajo Forestry Department's Forestry Management Program for the contract term, as set forth in **Exhibit A**.
- C. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the President of the Navajo Nation to execute and effectuate the P.L. 93-638 Contract, Annual Funding Agreement, and Scope of Work, provided the terms and conditions in such documents are substantially similar to those approved by this resolution.