

**RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE  
25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**Monday, February 05, 2024  
10:00 a.m.**

**APPROVED AGENDA**

**PRESIDING:** Honorable Brenda Jesus, *Chairperson*  
Honorable Casey Allen Johnson, *Vice-Chairperson*

**LOCATION:** **Navajo Division of Transportation**  
#16 Old Coalmine Road – Rooms 306/307  
Mentmore, New Mexico 87319

**via Telecommunication**

Call-In Number: 1-669-900-6833

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**1. Call Meeting to Order; Roll Call; Invocation; and Announcements:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Brenda Jesus (C)	<input type="checkbox"/> Casey Allen Johnson (VC)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shawna Ann Claw
<input type="checkbox"/> Rickie Nez	<input type="checkbox"/> Danny Simpson	<input type="checkbox"/> Otto Tso

**2. Recognizing Guests and Visiting Officials:**

**3. Reviewing and Approving the Agenda:**

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

**4. Reviewing and Approving Journal(s): None.**

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

**5. Receiving Reports:**

- A. Update Report from the Division of Natural Resources, Department of Minerals, Department of Justice Natural Resources Unit, and Office of the President & Vice-President on an Energy Project Submitted through the Screening Process per Executive Order No. 02-2023 (Executive Session). *Presenters: W. Mike Halona,*

*Executive Director, Division of Natural Resources; Rowena L. Cheromiah, Department Manager, Department of Minerals; Veronica Blackhat, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice Natural Resources Unit; and Arvin S. Trujillo, Executive Administrator, Office of the President & Vice-President*

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

- B. Report from the Navajo Nation Department of Fish & Wildlife on the Inventory of Big Game and Feral Horses on the Navajo Nation. *Presenter: Jessica Fort, Wildlife Biologist, Management and Research Section, Department of Fish and Wildlife*

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

- C. Report from Forest Lake Chapter on Navajo Route 41 to be Placed on the Tribal Transportation Improvement Program (TTIP) as Navajo Route 41 is the Main Route Travel to Access Healthcare, Shopping, Employment, Schooling, and Other Domestic Use. *Presenters: Mae-Gilene Begay, President; Ella Benally, Chapter Service Coordinator; and Gloria Johns, Community Land Use Planning Committee (CLUPC) President, Forest Lake Chapter*

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

- D. Report from the Office of the Controller on the K-Accounts (FY 2024) as it relates to the Divisions the Resources and Development Committee Oversees (i.e. Transportation, Energy, Environmental Protection Agency, and Housing & Urban Development). *Presenter: Sean McCabe, C.P.A., Interim Controller, Office of the Controller*

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

- E. Report from the Four Corners Clean Energy Alliance (4CCEA) on the Benefits of the Emerging Clean Hydrogen Economy. *Presenters: Matthew Gonzales, Executive Director, Four Corners Clean Energy Alliance; Ellen Stechel, Executive Director, Arizona Center for a Carbon Neutral Economy; and Jason Sandel, Representing New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham*

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

6. **Old Business: None.**

7. **New Business:**

A. Approving to Change the Location of the Resources and Development Committee Regular Meeting for Wednesdays, March 06, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. to be held at Tse Dáá K'áán (Hogback) Chapter near Shiprock, New Mexico.

M: S: V:

*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

B. Approving to Change the Location of the Resources and Development Committee Regular Meeting for Wednesdays, March 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. to be held at Chinle Chapter in Chinle, Arizona.

M: S: V:

*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

C. Approving to Change the Location of the Resources and Development Committee Regular Meeting for Wednesdays, March 20, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. to be held at Chilchinbeto Chapter in Chilchinbeto, Arizona.

M: S: V:

*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

D. Approving Off-Navajo Nation Travel to Conduct a Site Tour of Ranches Near Flagstaff, Arizona with the Division of Natural Resources and Department of Agriculture for Monday, March 18, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

E. Approving to Conduct a Reclamation Site Tour of the Black Mesa and Kayenta Mines with the Division of Natural Resources, Department of Minerals, and Peabody Western Coal Company for Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. near Kayenta, Arizona.

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

8. **Close of Meeting; Announcements; Adjournment.** \_\_\_\_\_

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*Roll Call Vote: Claw ( ) Jesus ( ) Johnson ( ) Nez ( ) Simpson ( ) Tso ( )*

***THE AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE:*** *The public is advised that the Navajo Nation Council Agenda and the Agendas of the Standing Committees are not final until adopted by a majority vote of the Navajo Nation Council or the Standing Committee at a Navajo Nation Council or a Standing Committee meeting pursuant to 2.N.N.C. §§163 and 183. Navajo Nation Council Rule of Order No. 7 and Standing Committee Rule of Order No. 8.*