



**PROPOSED AGENDA  
OF THE NAVAJO UTAH COMMISSION OF THE  
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

Tuesday, January 06, 2026 - 10:00 A.M.  
WORK SESSION

Presiding: Billy Todachennie, Chair  
Willie Grayeyes, Vice-Chair

Location: Utah Dineh Professional Building Conference Room, Montezuma Creek, Utah

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Members Present:

___ Billy Todachennie (C)	___ Shaandiin Parrish	___ Herman Farley
___ Willie Grayeyes (VC)	___ Curtis Yanito	___ Kenny Victor
___ Herman Daniels	___ Martha Saggboy	

I. Call Work Session to Order; Roll Call; Invocation

II. Recognize Guests and Visting Officials

III. Review the Agenda

IV. Purpose of the Work Session: Update Navajo Utah Commission members and chapter leadership regarding the Navajo Utah Water Rights Settlement Act (NUWRSA) settlement activities and to develop public outreach plan.

*Presenters:*    **Joelynn Ashley**, Chair; Navajo Nation Water Rights Commission  
                     **Dwight Witherspoon**, Attorney, NNDOJ Water Rights Unit  
                     **Jason John**, Director; NN Water Resources Department  
                     **Robert Kirk**, Principal Hydrologist; Navajo Department of Water  
                     Resources – Water Management Branch

- A. Brief Recap of the Navajo Utah Water Rights Settlement Act (NUWRSA) and status of current NUWRSA settlement activities – Dwight Witherspoon and Jason John
- B. Current NUWRSA Settlement Activities – Dwight Witherspoon and Robert Kirk,
  - 1. Utah Water Adjudication Process
  - 2. San Juan River Hydrographic Survey
  - 3. Project Collaboration with Federal Agencies

- V. Proposed Utah NUWRSA Water Infrastructure Projects & Update of the 2015 White Paper (identification of proposed projects, original cost estimates, updated project cost, etc.) – Jason John and Robert Kirk
- VI. Agricultural Use & Potential Irrigation Projects for the NUWRSA – Jason John
- VII. Establishment of Fund Management Plan for the NUWRSA Congressional Appropriations & Utah Fund Contribution – Jason John
- VIII. Establishment of NUWRSA Public Outreach Plan and Navajo Interpretation – Joelynn Ashley
- IX. Utah Water Settlement Discussion & Next Steps – NUC Chair Billy Todachennie, NUC Members, and presenters.
- X. Close of Work Session, Announcements, Adjourn