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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Resources and Development, and Budget and Finance Committees; Amending Delegate Helena Nez Begay's Delegate Region Project Plan Currently Funded Through the Revenue Replacement Reserve for Coppermine Chapter**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0112-26

**DATE:** June 8, 2026

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, AND BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES; AMENDING DELEGATE HELENA NEZ BEGAY'S DELEGATE REGION PROJECT PLAN CURRENTLY FUNDED THROUGH THE REVENUE REPLACEMENT RESERVE FOR COPPERMINE CHAPTER**

**PURPOSE:** This resolution, if approved, would amend Delegate Helena Nez Begay's Delegate Region Project Plan for the Coppermine Chapter currently funded through the Revenue Replacement Reserve Fund.

**FINAL AUTHORITY:** Budget and Finance Committee

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Simple Majority

**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.**



1 Committee when recommended by the Resources and Development Committee.  
2 Resolution CMY-28-24, Section Six (F).

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4 **SECTION TWO. RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION CMY-**  
5 **28-24**

6 A. Council Resolution CMY-28-24 established the Revenue Replacement Reserve as  
7 a committed fund balance within the Navajo Nation General Fund for the purpose  
8 of housing, protecting, and reserving certain funds from the Navajo Nation Fiscal  
9 Recovery Fund (“NNFRF”) until the Navajo Nation established a statutory trust  
10 fund that will be used to leverage funding for government services and long-term  
11 infrastructure development. Resolution CMY-28-24, Section Five.

12 B. The following provisions of Resolution CMY-28-24 specifically apply to Delegate  
13 Region Project Plans funded through the Revenue Replacement Reserve:

14 1. To provide more flexibility and increase the time available to complete  
15 Delegate Region Project Plans, the Navajo Nation transferred *unobligated and*  
16 *unspent* Delegate Region Project Plan funds from the NNFRF to the Revenue  
17 Replacement Reserve. Delegate Region Project Plans funded through the  
18 Revenue Replacement Reserve are not subject to U.S. Treasury rules and  
19 guidance. Resolution CMY-28-24, Section Six (A).

20 2. The transfer of Delegate Region Project Plan funding from the NNFRF to the  
21 Revenue Replacement Reserve shall not increase or decrease the eight million  
22 eight hundred two thousand three hundred forty dollars (\$8,802,340) allocated  
23 to each Delegate Region pursuant to Resolution CJN-29-22, Section Three; and  
24 CMY-28-24, Section Six (C).

25 3. The Office of the Controller, with the assistance of the NNFRF Office and  
26 Office of Management and Budget, shall administratively implement the  
27 transfer of unobligated and unspent Delegate Region Project Plans from the  
28 NNFRF to the Revenue Replacement Reserve. The transfer shall keep the  
29 Delegate Region Project Plans intact. CMY-28-24, Section Six (D).

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- 1           4. Delegate Region Project Plans funded through the Revenue Replacement  
2           Reserve shall be limited to the following purposes, unless otherwise accepted  
3           through resolution of the Navajo Nation Council: Projects for programs to  
4           provide government services to Chapter members; to provide basic PPE to  
5           Chapter members; to provide food, fuel, firewood assistance to Chapter  
6           members; for construction projects such as renovations to Chapter houses, new  
7           housing construction, housing renovations, and house wiring; to plan and  
8           design projects; to hire consultants to assist with eligible programs and projects;  
9           to hire PEP workers, student workers and other temporary employees, or regular  
10          status employees to assist the Chapter governments in carrying out eligible  
11          programs and projects. Delegate Region Project Plans shall not include  
12          vaccinations or any cash assistance for Chapter members, such as a hardship  
13          assistance program. CMY-28-24, Section Six (E).
- 14          5. Delegate Region Project Plans funded through the General Fund Revenue  
15          Replacement Reserve shall only be amended by resolution of the Budget and  
16          Finance Committee when recommended by the Resource and Development  
17          Committee. CMY-28-24, Section Six (F).
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19       **SECTION THREE. FINDINGS**

- 20           A. Delegate Helena Nez Begay's Region consists of the Bodaway/Gap, Coppermine,  
21           K'ai Bii'Tó, LeChee, and Tonalea/Red Lake Chapters. The Coppermine Chapter  
22           requested the changes to me made to the Delegate Region Plan as approved in  
23           Resolution CAP-10-23 and amended in Resolutions CMY-38-23, NABID-54-23,  
24           and NABIMY-36-24.
- 25           B. Delegate Nez Begay provided a memorandum dated September 17, 2025, attached  
26           as **Exhibit A**, which reflects the changes to be made to Delegate Nez Begay's  
27           Delegate Region Projects for the Coppermine Chapter.
- 28           C. The Coppermine Chapter requests funding for the Coppermine Housing Support  
29           Project in the amount of \$1,696,298.61. The Coppermine Chapter submitted a  
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1 NNFRF Request Form and Expenditure Plan form, attached as **Exhibit B**, detailing  
2 the proposed use of the funds for the housing support project.

3 D. The memorandum submitted by Delegate Nez Begay requests the following  
4 changes to be made for the projects approved for the Coppermine Chapter, as  
5 indicated below:

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7 **DELETE:**

<u>Business Unit</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>
N01648	Cemetery	\$108,217.40
N01649	Heavy Duty Truck/Trailer	\$160,000.00
N01650	Personal Protection Equipment	\$12,538.15
N01651	Solid Waste	\$36,000.00
N01652	Warehouse	\$1,379,543.06
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1,696,298.61</b>

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16 **ADD:**

<u>Business Unit</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>
NEW	Housing Support	\$1,696,298.61
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1,696,298.61</b>

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21 E. The Resources and Development Committee recommends to the Budget and  
22 Finance Committee that the Delegate Region Project Plan for Delegate Helena Nez  
23 Begay's Delegate Region be amended in accordance with **Exhibit A**.

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25 **SECTION FOUR. APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO COPPERMINE CHAPTER**  
26 **PROJECTS INCLUDED IN DELEGATE HELENA NEZ BEGAY'S DELEGATE**  
27 **REGION PROJECT PLANS**

28 A. The Navajo Nation, through the Resources and Development, and Budget and  
29 Finance Committees, hereby approve the changes to Coppermine Chapter's  
30 projects previously approved through Resolution CAP-10-23 and amended in

1 Resolutions CMY-38-23, NABID-54-23, and NABIMY-36-24, as set forth in  
2 **Exhibit A.**

3 B. The amendments to Coppermine Chapter's projects comply with the relevant  
4 provisions in Resolution CMY-28-24 and do not increase the overall costs for  
5 Delegate Helena Nez Begay's Delegate Region Project Plan.  
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