

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- First Year, 2015

AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND THE NAVAJO NATION
COUNCIL, CONFIRMING THE NOMINATIONS OF THE SPEAKER OF THE NAVAJO
NATION COUNCIL AND THE NAVAJO NATION PRESIDENT TO THE EASTERN
NAVAJO LAND COMMISSION

BE IT ENACTED:

Section One. Findings

- A. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 102 the Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation.
- B. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 164 (A)(9), a proposed resolution that requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council shall be assigned to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee before it is heard by the Navajo Nation Council.
- C. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 862(B) the Eastern Navajo Land Commission "shall be Navajo Nation Council Delegates representing the so-called Checkerboard Area of the Navajo Nation, nominated by the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and confirmed by the Navajo Nation Council.
- D. Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 862(B) the six(6) representatives on the Eastern Navajo Land Commission shall consist of one Navajo Nation Council member from each of the following areas:
 - 1. Area I: Counselor, Huerfano and Nageezi Chapters;
 - 2. Area II: Becenti, Crownpoint, Lake Valley, Nahodishgish, Standing Rock and White Rock Chapters;
 - 3. Area III: Ojo Encino, Pueblo Pintado, Torreon/Star Lake and White Horse Lake Chapters;

4. Area IV: Baca/Prewitt, Casamero Lake, Iyanbito, Littlewater, Mariano Lake, Pinedale, Smith Lake and Thoreau Chapters;
 5. Area V: Bread Springs, Chichiltah, Church Rock, Manuelito, Red Rock, Rock Springs and Tsayatoh Chapters;
 6. Area VI: Alamo, Ramah and Tóhajiilee Chapters.
- E. The Navajo Nation Council was reduced in membership from 88 delegates to 24 delegates which required a change in standing committees, Resolution CO-45-12, but also resulted in a realignment of Chapter representation which currently provides for five (5) Council Delegates representing Chapters in the Eastern Agency, otherwise known as the so-called Checkerboard Area.
- F. Each of the Navajo Nation Council Delegates shall serve as a member of the Commission concurrent with his or her term as a Council Delegate and until his or her successor is confirmed... 2 N.N.C. § 862(D).
- G. The Commission shall appoint a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson from among its members, and may establish committees from among its members if deemed appropriate by the Commission to facilitate the business of the Commission. 2 N.N.C. § 862(E).
- H. The powers and duties of the Eastern Navajo Land Commission are found at 2 N.N.C. § 863 (A-J).

Section Two. Nominations to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission

- A. The Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council nominates the following Navajo Nation Council Delegates to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 862(B) and in consideration of the Chapter representation realignment as a result of the reduction in membership of the Navajo Nation Council:

1. Area I - now included in Areas II and III
2. Area II - Jonathan Perry (Becenti, Lake Valley, Nahodisgish, Standing Rock, White Rock, Huerfano, Nageezi, Crownpoint)
3. Area III - Leonard Tsosie (Littlewater, Pueblo Pintado, Torreon, Whitehorse Lake, Baca/Prewitt, Casamero Lake, Ojo Encino, Counselor)
4. Area IV - Edmund Yazzie (Churchrock, Iyanbito, Mariano Lake, Pinedale, Smith Lake, Thoreau)
5. Area V - Seth Damon (Baahaali, Chilchiltah, Manuelito, Red Rock, Rock Springs, Tsayatoh)
6. Area VI - Norman M. Begay (Alamo, Ramah, Tohajiilee)
Exhibit A, Navajo Nation Council Speaker's Letter of Nomination

B. The Navajo Nation President nominates Danny Simpson.

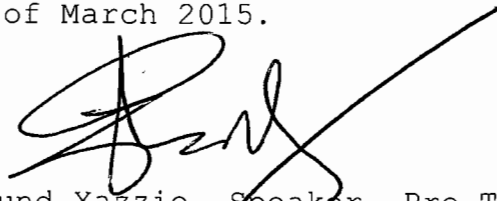
Section Three. Confirmation of Eastern Navajo Land Commission

- A. The Navajo Nation confirms the nominations of the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission, as:
1. Area II - Jonathan Perry (Becenti, Lake Valley, Nahodisgish, Standing Rock, White Rock, Huerfano, Nageezi, Crownpoint)
 2. Area III - Leonard Tsosie (Littlewater, Pueblo Pintado, Torreon, Whitehorse Lake, Baca/Prewitt, Casamero Lake, Ojo Encino, Counselor)
 3. Area IV - Edmund Yazzie (Churchrock, Iyanbito, Mariano Lake, Pinedale, Smith Lake, Thoreau)
 4. Area V - Seth Damon (Baahaali, Chilchiltah, Manuelito, Red Rock, Rock Springs, Tsayatoh)
 5. Area VI - Norman M. Begay (Alamo, Ramah, Tohajiilee)

- B. The Navajo Nation Council confirms the Navajo Nation President's nomination of Danny Simpson to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission.
- C. The Navajo Nation Council Delegates confirmed to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission shall serve as a member of the Commission concurrent with their term as a Council Delegate and until a successor is confirmed. 2 N.N.C. § 862(D).
- D. The Navajo Nation Presidential nominee confirmed to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission shall serve until a successor is confirmed.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona) at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 16 in favor and 0 opposed, this 13th day of March 2015.



Edmund Yazzie, Speaker, Pro Tem Speaker
Navajo Nation Council

03/16/15


Date

Motion: Honorable Mel R. Begay
Second: Honorable Leonard Pete



Memorandum

To: Hon. Norman M. Begay, Council Delegate
Hon. Seth Damon, Council Delegate
Hon. Jonathan Perry, Council Delegate
Hon. Leonard Tsosie, Council Delegate
Hon. Edmund Yazzie, Council Delegate

From: 
LoRenzo C. Bates, Speaker
23rd Navajo Nation Council

Date: February 18, 2015

Re: Eastern Navajo Land Commission Appointments

I am pleased to recommend your appointment to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission ("Commission"). I nominated you because, as a Navajo Nation Council Delegate, you represent areas in the Eastern Agency.¹ The Navajo Nation Council established the Commission to, among other duties, "represent the Navajo Nation on land and energy matters concerning Eastern Navajo Agency, assist the Navajo Department of Water Resources in planning and implementing systems for the production, acquisition and delivery of potable water throughout the Eastern Navajo Agency, assist the Navajo Nation in securing water rights for the Navajo Nation and its citizens in the Eastern Navajo Agency and assume primary responsibility for the direction of the Navajo Nation's land acquisition, and consolidation efforts in the Eastern Navajo Agency and the confirmation of Navajo Nation jurisdiction there, working in conjunction with the Navajo Land Department, the Navajo Nation Department of Justice and other appropriate agencies of the Navajo Nation."²

Your term as Commission member shall coincide with your term as a Navajo Nation Council Delegate and until your successor is appointed.³

Again, I am pleased to nominate you to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission.

¹ 2 N.N.C. § 862(B).

² 2 N.N.C. §863(A-J).

³ 2 N.N.C. §862(D).

NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE REPORT
23RD NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - FIRST YEAR 2015

Mr. Speaker:

The Naabik'íyáti' COMMITTEE, to whom has been assigned,

Legislation No. 0067-15

AN ACTION

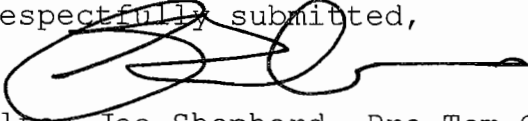
RELATING TO THE NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL, CONFIRMING THE NOMINATIONS OF THE SPEAKER OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL TO THE EASTERN NAVAJO LAND COMMISSION

Has had it under consideration and reports the same with the recommendation that it **DO PASS** with the following amendments:

1. On page 1 of 3, line 13 insert after Council "and the Navajo Nation President"
2. On page 2 of 3, line 27, insert "A." before "The Speaker"
3. On page 3 of 3, line 12, insert "B. The Navajo Nation President nominates Danny Simpson."
4. On page 3 of 3, line 25, insert "B. The Navajo Nation confirms the nomination of Danny Simpson by the President of the Navajo Nation to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission."
5. On page 3 of 3, line 25, re-letter and move "B." to "C."
6. On page 3 of 3, line 28, insert "D. The Navajo Nation Presidential nominee confirmed to the Eastern Navajo Land Commission shall serve until a successor is confirmed."

And therefore, referred to the **NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

Respectfully submitted,


Alton Joe Shepherd, Pro Tem Chairperson
Naabik'íyáti' Committee

March 12, 2015

Amendment #1:

Motion: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.

Second: Honorable Otto Tso

VOTE: 15 in favor, 1 opposed

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Main Motion:

Motion: Honorable Mel R. Begay

Second: Honorable Otto Tso

VOTE: 15 in favor, 0 opposed

**NABF-9-15
#00580-14**

Relating to Naabik'iyati' Committee; Establishing Title two Reform Subcommittee

**NABIF-10-15
#0060-15**

Relating to Naabik'iyati' Committee; Appointing Delegate Members From the Naabik'iyati' Committee as Shareholder and Member Representatives to the Navajo Oil and Gas Company, the Navajo Times Publishing Company, Inc., the Diné Development Corporation, and as a Member Representative to the Navajo Transitional Energy Company, LLC

**NABIF-11-15
#0020-15**

Relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyati'; Supporting Senate Bill 2, New Mexico Appropriating Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) to the Tribal College Dual Credit Program Fund

2015
Approved Resolutions of the
Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the
23rd Navajo Nation Council

January 09-14

- NABIJA-1-14** **Relating to Naabik'iyáti' Committee; Respectfully Requesting the State of New Mexico to Consider Amendments and an Appropriation in New Mexico House Bill 108, Introduced by Patricia A. Lundstrom**
- NABIJA-02-14** **Relating to Naabik'iyáti' Committee; Approving Grazing fees for #0012-15** **Navajo Eastern Agency of the Navajo Nation; and Requesting Approval By the Federal Government**
- NABIF-3-15** **Relating to Naabik'iyáti' Committee; Confirming the Appointment of #0030-15** **Andrew Benallie as a Representative of the Black Mesa Chapter to the Black Mesa Review Board**

February 19, 2014

- NABIF-4-15** **Relating to Naabik'iyati' Committee; Approving Speaker's Appoint- #0006-15** **ment to the Navajo-Hopi Land Commission**
- NABIF-5-15** **Relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyáti'; #0021-15** **Supporting Senate Bill 79, New Mexico Appropriating Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$900,000) to County and Tribal Health Councils**
- NABIF-6-15** **Relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyati' #0024-15** **Committee and the Navajo Nation Council; Supporting the 52nd New Mexico State Legislature's House Bill 51 Amending Sections of the Children's Code to Establish Preference and Notice Requirement for a Child's Relatives Upon Removal and Placement of the Child**
- NABF-7-15** **Relating to Health, Education and Human Services; Naabik'iyati'; #0033-15** **Supporting 52nd New Mexico Legislation Senate Bill 72, ad House Bills 36, 24 Relating to Lending by Establishing a Maximum Lawful Rate Cap of Interest Charged for a Loan at Thirty-Six Percent Per Year**
- NABIF-8-15** **Relating to the Naabik'iyáti' Committee and the Navajo Nation #0050-15** **Council; Supporting the Utah State Legislature's Senate Bill 90 Modifying Provisions Relating to Public Funds to Provide for the Navajo Trust Fund to Replace the Utah Navajo Royalties Holding Fund**