



THE NAVAJO NATION CHAPTER GOVERNMENT ◆ COVE CHAPTER ◆

COV-15-039

RESOLUTION OF THE COVE CHAPTER OF THE NAVAJO NATION

SUPPORTING/APPROVING USEPA REGION 9 TO INVESTIGATE, CONDUCT TRAININGS AND PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE COVE CHAPTER COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to the "Local Governance Act", Title 26 N.N.C. Chapter 1, Section 3 (s), the Cove Chapter was established as a Chapter of the Navajo Nation Government by the Navajo Nation Council Resolution Number CAP-34-98; and
2. Pursuant to Chapter 1, Sub Chapter 1, Section 131 (1) (2), of the Same "Act" The Cove Chapter has the responsibility and authority to promote, protect, and preserve the interest and general welfare including the safety of its community people, programs, property, and
3. Pursuant to the same resolution No. CAP-34-98, the Cove Chapter is a duly certified chapter of the Navajo Nation Government and is vested with the authority and responsibility to plan and implement projects in the best interest of the community and
4. In 2015, US EPA will begin in depth investigation of mine-related contamination on all abandoned uranium mines in the Cove Mesa area. US EPA will also begin supplemental investigation of the extent of mine-related contamination within the Cove Wash tributary system, with the assistance of Navajo Nation EPA Water Quality, Dine College, and USGS.
5. As part of investigations, US EPA will provide job training opportunities to Cove community residents to encourage participation in investigation and future cleanup activities. US EPA will also be partnering with Northern Arizona University and Dine College to provide educational opportunities, internships, and participation in data collection, environmental monitoring, and outreach to Cove community residents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Supporting/Approving USEPA Region 9 investigates, conduct trainings and provide educational opportunities for the Cove Chapter Community.

James Benally, President
Thomas Young, Sr., Vice-President
Charlotte Yazzie, Secretary/Treasurer
Kee Y. Randall, Grazing Official
James Sorrelhorse, Farm Board
Amber K. Crotty, Council Delegate



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CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned certify the foregoing resolution was presented to the Cove Chapter at a duly called meeting at the Cove, Navajo Nation, Arizona and which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote 15 in favor 00 oppose 03 abstention, this 13th of March 2015.

Motioned: Nancy Benally

Seconded: Raymond Lee


James Benally, President