

SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH
RESOLUTION NO. 2022 - 04

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE NAVAJO TRUST FUNDS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY FOR THE FUTURE ROAD FROM OLJATO TO NAVAJO MOUNTAIN

WHEREAS, during the 2022 Legislative Session, the Seven County Infrastructure Coalition in coordination with Senator Hinkins unsuccessfully requested funding for an Environmental Impact Study (EIS) for the future road from Oljato to Navajo Mountain.

WHEREAS, the mission of the Utah Navajo Trust Fund is to coordinate with the Utah Navajo Chapters to effectively provide equitable and quality services to eligible San Juan County Utah Navajos to improve the health, education, and general welfare in each community while responsibly managing Trust Fund assets.

WHEREAS, the costs for the Environmental Impact Study is estimated at \$4,200,000 of which we are asking \$1,912,000 from the Trust Fund.

WHEREAS, the Environmental Impact Study is the first step needed in establishing proper right-of-way, easements and the general route for the proposed road from Oljato to Navajo Mountain.

WHEREAS, this proposed road will generally improve the accessibility to health care, emergency, education and economic development services to residents in San Juan County living in this area.

WHEREAS, the purposes of these funds are to promote and support projects such as this which will benefit these Chapters and the Navajo Nation residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

San Juan County encourages the Navajo Trust Fund to financially support the Environmental Impact Study in the amount of \$1,912,000 to assist the Utah Navajos in access to better transportation, a route which will provide affordable Broadband Internet Access, access to quicker health care and quicker access to emergency responders.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of San Juan County Commissioners this 15 day of March 2022.

Those voting aye: Grayeyes, Adams


Those voting nay: Maryboy

Those abstaining:

Absent:

Commissioners

Board of San Juan County



Willie Grayeyes, Chairman

ATTEST:



Lyman Duncan, County Clerk/Auditor