

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Supporting Inclusion of Williams Field Bomb Target Range No. 8 Cleanup
in the Water Resources Development Act and Urging Passage)**

RESOLUTION NO. 23-341

1 **WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Tohono O'odham**
2 **Legislative Council with the authority to "promote, protect and provide for public**
3 **health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tohono O'odham**
4 **Nation and its members," to "administer land and other public property" and to**
5 **"consult with the Congress of the United States and appropriate federal agencies**
6 **regarding federal activities that affect the Tohono O'odham Nation"**
7 **(Constitution, Article VI, Section 1(c)(2), Section 1(i), and Section 1(j)); and**

8 **WHEREAS, on the north side of the Tohono O'odham Nation within the Sif Oidak District, the**
9 **Department of Defense used the Williams Field Bomb Target Range No. 8, which**
10 **is approximately 230 acres, for target ordnance exercises during World War II;**
11 **and**

12 **WHEREAS, although the Nation has taken steps to address the removal of unexploded**
13 **ordnance and hazardous materials from Nation's lands with the federal**
14 **government, including working with the Native American Lands Environmental**
15 **Mitigation Program, there are no existing plans to mitigate the Williams Field**
16 **Bomb Target Range No. 8; and**

17 **WHEREAS, there is an opportunity to advocate for the cleanup and mitigation of the Williams**
18 **Field Bomb Target Range No. 8 in the Water Resources Development Act, which is**
19 **pending federal legislation; and**

20 **WHEREAS, the Appropriations, Agricultural and Natural Resources, and Water Resources**
21 **Committees recommend strongly supporting the inclusion of the cleanup and**
22 **mitigation of the Williams Field Bomb Target Range No. 8 in the Water Resources**
23 **Development Act and urging passage.**

24 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council strongly**
25 **supports the inclusion of the cleanup and mitigation of the Williams Field Bomb**
26 **Target Range No. 8 in the Water Resources Development Act and urges Congress**
27 **to pass the legislation.**

28 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 11TH**
29 **day of SEPTEMBER 2023 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,005.7 FOR;**
30 **-0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and 257.6 [04] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the**
31 **Council by, Article VI, Section 1(c)(2), Section 1(i), and Section 1(j) of the Constitution of the**
32 **Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and**
33 **approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6,**
34 **1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**

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TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Wavalene M. Saunders
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

13 day of September, 2023

ATTEST:

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

13 day of September, 2023

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 15th day of September, 2023 at 9:43 o'clock, A.m., pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours of submittal.

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Wavalene M. Saunders
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

APPROVED

on the 15th day of September, 2023

DISAPPROVED

at 10:38 o'clock, a.m.

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VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 15 day of
September, 2023, at 12:10 o'clock, P.m.

Evonne Wilson
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: SUPPORTING INCLUSION OF WILLIAMS FIELD BOMB TARGET RANGE NO. 8 CLEANUP IN THE WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT AND URGING PASSAGE**MOVED: VICE CHAIRWOMAN MARLAKAY HENRY****SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS****DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 2023**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 394.2	1. LEANDER MASE (<i>Absent</i>) (Francine Schooling) (<i>Present</i>)	197.1	X			X
	2. JESSE NAVARRO (Alberta J. Ray)	197.1	X			
CHUKUT KUK 354.7	1. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	177.35	X			
	2. MARLAKAY HENRY ()	177.35	X			
GUACHI 282.7	1. VICTORIA HOBBS (Tonya L. Joaquin)	141.35	X			
	2. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN (Jerome L. Joaquin)	141.35	X			
GU VO 276.0	1. DALLAS LEWIS ()	138.0	X			
	2. LESLIE LUNA (Grace Manuel)	138.0	X			
HICKIWAN 220.5	1. DELMA M. GARCIA ()	110.25	X			
	2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega)	110.25	X			
PISINEMO 236.2	1. EDWARD D. MANUAL (Monica Morgan)	118.1	X			
	2. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas)	118.1	X			
SAN LUCY 257.6	1. ROGER MANUEL (<i>Absent</i>) (Christina Andrews) (<i>Present</i>)	128.8				X
	2. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (<i>Absent</i>) (Lorraine M. Eiler) (<i>Present</i>)	128.8				X
SAN XAVIER 244.5	1. JANICE FELIX ()	122.25	X			
	2. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ()	122.25	X			X
SCHUK TOAK 191.8	1. DELISA M. RAMON (Sharon A. Francisco)	95.9	X			
	2. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine)	95.9	X			
SELLS 558.0	1. EVELYN JUAN-MANUEL (Arvada Liston)	279.0	X			
	2. JANET B. ELBANDO ()	279.0	X			
SIF OIDAK 247.1	1. LUCINDA ALLEN (Francis Homcwyteawa)	123.55	X			
	2. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	123.55	X			
TOTAL		3,263.30	3,005.7	-0-	-0-	257.6 [04]