

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approving the 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Hazard Mitigation Plan)**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-285

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is vested with the power "[t]o consult, negotiate and conclude agreements . . . on behalf of the Tohono O'odham Nation with . . . Federal, State and local governments . . . or their departments, agencies, or political subdivisions . . . on all matters within the authority of the Tohono O'odham Council"; "[t]o exercise the inherent powers of the Tohono O'odham Nation by providing . . . resolutions" . . . "to promote, protect and provide for public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tohono O'odham Nation and its members . . .;" and "[t]o administer land and other public property, and by law, ordinance or resolution" . . . "to manage, protect, preserve and regulate the use of the property, wildlife, land, air, and natural resources (including surface and ground waters) of the Tohono O'odham Nation" (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, Article VI, Section 1(c)(2), (f), and (i)(2)); and

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation ("Nation") adopted a Hazard Mitigation Plan that was developed by the Nation's Office of Emergency Management ("OEM") and approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, Public Law 106-390 ("DMA2K"), on October 4, 2018 by Executive Order 2018-01; and

WHEREAS, the Hazard Mitigation Plan adopted by the Nation on October 4, 2018 by Executive Order 2018-01 was adopted by executive order rather than Tohono O'odham Legislative Council due to a natural disaster event, Tropical Storm Rosa; and

WHEREAS, the OEM has worked to develop the 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Nation pursuant to the DMA2K; and

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Hazard Mitigation Plan is to identify the most likely hazards that could impact the Nation, assess the vulnerability and risk posed by those hazards to the Nation as a whole, and to develop strategies for hazard mitigation efforts and plan maintenance procedures; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Hazard Mitigation Plan recommends several hazard mitigation actions and projects that will provide mitigation efforts for specific hazards that could impact the Nation, in order to reduce loss of life and property, by lessening the impact of disasters; and

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1 **WHEREAS, the DMA2K legislation requires all local, county, state, and tribal governments**
2 **have a FEMA approved hazard mitigation plan in order to be eligible for the**
3 **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program ("HMGP") and Pre-Disaster Mitigation ("PDM")**
4 **grant programs, and States and Tribes must have a plan to receive Public**
5 **Assistance, Category C-G funds; and**

6 **WHEREAS, the 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Hazard Mitigation Plan has been drafted**
7 **pursuant to Federal requirements, having been developed with research and**
8 **work completed by a planning team and the OEM program staff; and**

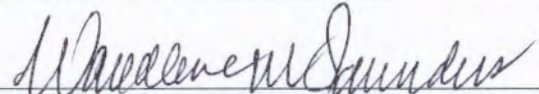
9 **WHEREAS, the Domestic Affairs Committee has reviewed the 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation**
10 **Hazard Mitigation Plan and recommends its approval.**

11 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the**
12 **2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Hazard Mitigation Plan.**

13 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that the Tohono O'odham**
14 **Nation's Chairperson or any designated official is authorized to implement and**
15 **maintain the 2025 Tohono O'odham Nation Hazard Mitigation Plan, substantially**
16 **in the form attached hereto, provided that any amendments shall be submitted**
17 **for prior approval by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council.**

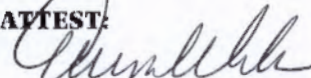
18 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 09TH**
19 **day of SEPTEMBER 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 2,211.6 FOR;**
20 **543.8 AGAINST; 565.7 [02] NOT VOTING; and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the**
21 **Council by Article IV, Section 1(c)(2), (f), and (i)(2) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham**
22 **Nation, adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting**
23 **Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section**
24 **16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**

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26 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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30 **Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman**

31 17 day of September, 2025

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36 **ATTEST:**

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39 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

40 12 day of September, 2025
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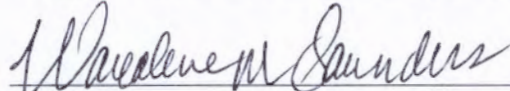
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Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 17 day of September, 2025 at 11:30 o'clock, a.m., pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours of submittal.

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL



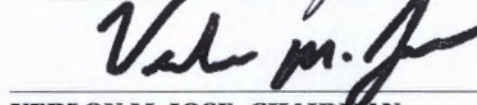
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

☒ APPROVED

on the 15 day of September, 2025

☐ DISAPPROVED


at 3:11 o'clock, p.m.



VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 15 day of

September, 2025, at 3:30 o'clock, p.m.



Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPROVING THE 2025 TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**MOVED: VICE CHAIRWOMAN MARLAKAY HENRY****SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS****DATE: SEPTEMBER 09, 2025**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 251.2	1. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez) 2. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA ()	125.6 125.6	X	X		
SELLS 565.7	1. JANET B. ELEANDO () 2. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Juan Buendia)	282.85 282.85			X X	
SCHUK TOAK 195.3	1. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine) 2. DELISA M. RAMON (Quintin C. Lopez)	97.65 97.65		X X		
SAN XAVIER 249.8	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III () 2. JANICE FELIX ()	124.9 124.9	X X			
SAN LUCY 266.3	1. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (<i>Absent</i>) (Lorraine M. Eiler) (<i>Present</i>) 2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	133.15 133.15	X X			
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (<i>Absent</i>) (Nora J. Ruelas) (<i>Present</i>) 2. NAOMI MONTE (Edward D. Manuel)	120.15 120.15	X X			
HICKIWAN 222.9	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega) 2. DELMA M. GARCIA ()	111.45 111.45		X X		X
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA () 2. BENNETT CHEWING ()	139.8 139.8	X X			X
GU ACHI 289.2	1. JEROME F. JOAQUIN (Gloria Johnson) 2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (<i>Absent</i>) (Victoria A. Hobbs) (<i>Present</i>)	144.6 144.6	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 361.9	1. MARLAKAY HENRY () 2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	180.95 180.95	X X			
BABOQUIVARI 398.9	1. JESSE NAVARRO (Alberta J. Ray) 2. NED NORRIS, JR (<i>Absent</i>) (Leander Mase) (<i>Present</i>)	199.45 199.45	X X			
TOTAL		3,321.1	2,211.6	543.8	565.7 [02]	[02]