

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approving FY 2026 Water Resources Department Environmental Protection Agency Budget)

RESOLUTION NO. 25-318

1 **WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is authorized "to manage any funds
2 within the exclusive control of the Tohono O'odham Nation . . . and to appropriate
3 these funds for the benefit of the nation and its members" provided that "[a]ll
4 expenditures of these funds shall be pursuant to appropriations or budgets"
5 authorized by resolution or ordinance (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham
6 Nation, Article VI, Section 1(d)(2)); and

7 **WHEREAS,** the Water Resources Department has prepared and submitted for review and
8 approval its FY 2026 Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") Budget, which is
9 incorporated by this reference, in the amount of \$135,000.00 to be funded from
10 the Nation's general fund pending reimbursement from the grantor, the United
11 States Environmental Protection Agency; and

12 **WHEREAS,** the Water Resources and Budget and Finance Committees have reviewed the FY
13 2026 Water Resources Department EPA Budget and recommend its approval.

14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the
15 FY 2026 Water Resources Department EPA Budget effective October 1, 2025 in the
16 amount of \$135,000.00, which shall be funded by the Nation's general fund
17 pending reimbursement from grantor, the United States Environmental
18 Protection Agency.

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council authorizes the
20 Nation's chairperson or any designated official to seek reimbursement for
21 indirect cost expenses in the event an indirect cost rate is approved.

22 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that the Tohono O'odham
23 Nation chairperson or any designated official is authorized to administer and
24 expend the FY 2026 Water Resources Department Environmental Protection
25 Agency Budget, provided that any amendments or modifications shall be
26 submitted for prior approval by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council.

27 The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 16TH
28 day of SEPTEMBER 2025 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,321.1 FOR;
29 -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and -0- ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by
30 Article VI, Section 1(d)(2) and (3) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by
31 the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant
32 Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June
33 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).
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Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

23rd day of September, 2025

ATTEST:

Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

23 day of September, 2025

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 23rd day of September, 2025 at 12:54 o'clock, p.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 24 day of September, 2025

☐ DISAPPROVED

at 4:41 o'clock, p.m.

VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 25 day of

September, 2025, at 1043 o'clock, A.m.

Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPROVING FY 2026 WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BUDGET

MOVED: COUNCILMAN DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN DELISA M. RAMON

DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 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 (Lorraine M. Eiler) 2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	133.15 133.15	X X			
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas) 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			
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA () 2. BENNETT CHEWING ()	139.8 139.8	X X			
GU ACHI 289.2	1. JEROME F. JOAQUIN (Gloria Johnson) 2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (Victoria A. Hobbs)	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 (Leander Mase)	199.45 199.45	X X			
TOTAL		3,321.1	3,321.1	-0-	-0-	-0-