

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Authorizing Acceptance of the First Nations Development Institute Advancing
Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Grant and Approving FY 2026 Department of
Natural Resources First Nations Development Institute Advancing
Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Grant Budget)**

RESOLUTION NO. 26-123

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 Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is authorized to "adopt, approve and
8 amend annual budgets and to authorize the expenditure of funds in accordance
9 with these budgets (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, Article VI
10 Section 1(d)(3)); and

11 **WHEREAS,** the Department of Natural Resources must "seek approval by resolution of the
12 Tohono O'odham Legislative Council to receive and expend such grant funds and
13 following such approval the Chairman of the Nation may execute any appropriate
14 contracts and forms related to the grant funds[.]" (Tohono O'odham Code, Title
15 26, Chapter 2, Paragraph 6); and

16 **WHEREAS,** the Department of Natural Resources has applied for and received the Advancing
17 Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Grant in the amount of \$75,000.00 from the First
18 Nations Development Institute ("FNDI") for the purpose of assisting the
19 Department's efforts to, within the Tohono O'odham Nation, implement erosion
20 control measures in the Colorado River Watershed; reclaim wildlands through
21 the removal of feral equids; and remove invasive plant species; and

22 **WHEREAS,** the Department of Natural Resources has prepared and submitted for review and
23 approval the FNDI Advancing Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Grant Award and its
24 FY2026 Department of Natural Resources FNDI Advancing Tribal Nature-Based
25 Solutions Grant Budget, which is incorporated by this reference, in the amount of
26 \$75,000.00 to be funded by the FNDI Advancing Tribal Nature-Based Solutions
27 Grant; and

28 **WHEREAS,** the Agriculture and Natural Resources and Budget and Finance Committees have
29 reviewed the FNDI Advancing Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Grant and the
30 FY2026 Department of Natural Resources FNDI Advancing Tribal Nature-Based
31 Solutions Grant Budget and recommend authorizing acceptance of the FNDI

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ATTEST:


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

16 day of April, 2026

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 16 day of April, 2026 at 11:50 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

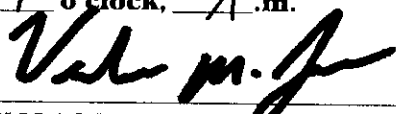

Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

APPROVED

on the 17 day of April, 2026


DISAPPROVED

at 7 o'clock, A.m.


VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 17 day of

April, 2026, at 8:30 o'clock, A.m.


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE ADVANCING TRIBAL NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS GRANT AND APPROVING FY 2026 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FIRST NATIONS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE ADVANCING TRIBAL NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS GRANT BUDGET

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN JANET B. ELEANDO

SECOND: COUNCILMAN ROGER MANUEL

DATE: APRIL 08, 2026

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 251.2	1. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez)	125.6	X			
	2. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA ()	125.6	X			X
SELLS 565.7	1. JANET B. ELEANDO ()	282.85	X			
	2. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Juan Buendia)	282.85	X			
SCHUK TOAK 195.3	1. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine)	97.65	X			
	2. DELISA M. RAMON (Quintin C. Lopez)	97.65	X			
SAN XAVIER 249.8	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ()	124.9	X			
	2. JANICE FELIX ()	124.9	X			
SAN LUCY 266.3	1. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eller)	133.15	X			
	2. ROGER MANUEL (Christina Andrews)	133.15	X			
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruelas)	120.15	X			
	2. NAOMI MONTE (Edward D. Manuel)	120.15	X			
HICKIWAN 222.9	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega)	111.45	X			
	2. DELMA M. GARCIA ()	111.45	X			
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA ()	139.8	X			
	2. BENNETT CHEWING ()	139.8	X			
GU ACHI 289.2	1. GLORIA JOHNSON ()	144.6	X			
	2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (Victoria A. Hobbs)	144.6	X			
CHUKUT KUK 361.9	1. MARLAKAY HENRY ()	180.95				X
	2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Cornelius Antone)	180.95				X
BABOQUIVARI 398.9	1. JESSE NAVARRO ()	199.45	X			X
	2. NED NORRIS, JR. (Leander Mase)	199.45	X			
TOTAL		3,321.1	2,959.2	-0-	-0-	361.9 [04]