

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approving the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Tohono O'odham
Nation and the Arizona Department of Agriculture to Coordinate Foreign
Animal Disease or Pest Outbreak Prevention, Detection, and Control)**

RESOLUTION NO. 26-193

1 **WHEREAS, The Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is vested with the power to "consult,**
2 **negotiate and conclude agreements and contracts on behalf of the Tohono**
3 **O'odham Nation with Federal, State, and local governments" (Constitution of the**
4 **Tohono O'odham Nation, Article VI, Section 1(f)); and**

5 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is authorized to "manage, protect,**
6 **preserve and regulate the use of the property, wildlife, land, air and natural**
7 **resources (including surface and ground waters) of the Tohono O'odham Nation"**
8 **(Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, Article VI, Section I(i)(2)); and**

9 **WHEREAS, any "intergovernmental agreements, including but not limited to agreements**
10 **with any other government, subdivision, or entity thereof; law enforcement and**
11 **other memoranda of understanding or agreement; self-determination contracts**
12 **and annual funding agreements; the tribal-state gaming compact; and**
13 **cooperative agreements" require approval by action of the Tohono O'odham**
14 **Legislative Council (26 T.O.C. Chapter 1, Article 4, Contracting and Procurement**
15 **Authority, Section 1402(D)); and**

16 **WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation (Nation) maintains strong cultural, ecological, and**
17 **economic connections to livestock health, and an outbreak of a Foreign Animal**
18 **Disease or Pest (FAD-P) poses significant risks to the Nation's livestock, the**
19 **Nation's wildlife, human health, and tribal members' livelihoods; and**

20 **WHEREAS, The Department of Natural Resources has prepared and submitted a proposed**
21 **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Arizona Department of**
22 **Agriculture (AZDA) to establish a framework for cooperation and coordination**
23 **and to establish roles and responsibilities to prevent, detect, and control a**
24 **potential outbreak of a FAD-P within the boundaries of the Nation or near the**
25 **Nation; and**

26 **WHEREAS, the Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee has reviewed the**
27 **Memorandum of Understanding Between the Tohono O'odham Nation and the**
28 **Arizona Department of Agriculture to Coordinate Foreign Animal Disease or Pest**
29 **Outbreak Prevention, Detection, and Control, a copy of which is attached hereto,**
30 **and recommends its approval.**

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1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the**
2 **Memorandum of Understanding between the Tohono O'odham Nation and the**
3 **Arizona Department of Agriculture to Coordinate Foreign Animal Disease or Pest**
4 **Outbreak Prevention, Detection, and Control substantially in the form attached**
5 **hereto.**

6 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that the Tohono O'odham**
7 **Nation chairperson or any designated official is authorized to sign the**
8 **Memorandum of Understanding between the Tohono O'odham Nation and the**
9 **Arizona Department of Agriculture to Coordinate Foreign Animal Disease or Pest**
10 **Outbreak Prevention, Detection, and Control.**

11 **The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 10TH**
12 **day of JUNE 2026 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,321.1 FOR; -0-**
13 **AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [02] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by**
14 **Article VI, Sections 1(f) and 1(f)(2) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by**
15 **the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant**
16 **Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June**
17 **18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).**

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19 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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

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25 12TH day of June, 2026

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28 **ATTEST:**

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31 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

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33 12 day of June, 2026

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35 **Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono**
36 **O'odham Nation on the 12TH day of June, 2026 at 4:48 o'clock, p.m.,**
37 **pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become**
38 **effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48**
39 **hours of submittal.**

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41 **TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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

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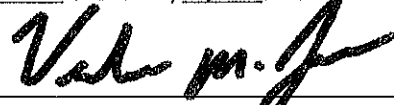
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APPROVED

on the 12 day of June, 2026

DISAPPROVED

at 5:20 o'clock, P.m.



VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 12 day of

June, 2026, at 5:29 o'clock, P.m.



Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

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ACTION: APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION AND THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO COORDINATE FOREIGN ANIMAL DISEASE OR PEST OUTBREAK PREVENTION, DETECTION, AND CONTROL

MOVED: COUNCILWOMAN JANET B. ELEANDO

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN DELMA M. GARCIA

DATE: JUNE 10, 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 (Dionne Kuth-Le)	125.6	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			X
SAN LUCY 266.3	1. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ (Lorraine M. Eiler)	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			
GUACHI 289.2	1. GLORIA JOHNSON (Rodney Aguilla)	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			
	2. NED NORRIS, JR. (Absent) (Leander Mase) (Present)	199.45	X			X
TOTAL		3,321.1	3,321.1	-0-	-0-	[02]