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I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Navajo Nation will begin fully implementing its authorities under the General Leasing Act on April 1, 2017 when the Nation will start issuing homesite leases without BIA approval. This is a significant step for the Nation and the exercise of its sovereignty.

The premature shut down of the Navajo Generating Station (NGS) is a critical issue facing the Navajo Nation. Significant effort has been put forward by the NGS Task Force, lead in part by Division Director Becker, in the last quarter to address this matter. Details on the premature shutdown can be found in the critical issues section.

The President signed an Executive Order initiating the 2017 Collar, License, Vaccinate, and Confine campaign. The campaign is an initiative by the Fish and Wildlife's Animal Control Program to address and promote responsible pet ownership and pet health.

The Division of Natural Resources and the Navajo Nation Heritage and Historic Preservation Department is pleased to announce that Richard M. Begay was hired as the new Department Manager III on February 21, 2017. Mr. Begay will also serve as the Navajo Nation Tribal Historic Preservation Officer.

The General Land Development Department processes all surface leases, permits and right-of-way (roads, oil and gas pipelines, electrical powerlines, water/sewer lines) requests for BIA approval. The department focuses on streamlining the application processes for leasing and permits. On June 16, 2015, the Resources Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council approved the 2015 Land Withdraw Designations Regulation to streamline the land withdraw designation process for the chapters and Navajo Nation entities.

II. CRITICAL ISSUES

A. Division Administration

Premature Shutdown of NGS. The NGS owners voted in February 2017 to shut down the NGS on December 22, 2019 so long as the Nation delivers to the owners the necessary documents to ensure that owners can remain on the Navajo Nation beginning on December 23, 2019 for as long as it takes to decommission the plant, which is expected to take up to 5 years. In addition, the owners will need access to the Nation for a minimum of 30 years for a variety of environmental monitoring purposes. The reason that there is a need for documents to address these matters is because the lease with the owners expires on December 22, 2019. The lease amendment approved by the Council in 2013 was never signed by the owners. Therefore documents are necessary to ensure that the owners of NGS can remain on the Navajo Nation land after December 22, 2019. The owners have stated that if the necessary documents are not delivered by July 1, 2017, they will shut down NGS this year. It is critical to note that at the same time as the Nation is working with SRP to develop the necessary documents for Council review and approval, a team has been established to evaluate the viability of continued operations of NGS after December 22, 2019. The President, Speaker, and NGS Task Force attended a meeting with USDOJ on March 1 to discuss the viability of NGS operations past December 22, 2019. Another USDOJ meeting is upcoming on April 12. In order for NGS operations to continue through 2029, the plant must continue to operate past this year and through December 22, 2019. The NGS Task Force has committed to finalizing the necessary documents need to keep the plant

open through December 22, 2019 by May 1 so that the Council can consider the documents well before July 1.

B. Department of Resource Enforcement (DRE)

January 2017:

1. The Cottonwood/Tselani livestock theft Case is still being investigated. Interviews are still being conducted with individuals related to the case. Other individuals involved in the case are still being located and interviewed with the assistance of Navajo Nation Chinle Criminal Investigations.
2. The horse theft case in the Southwest Region of the Navajo Nation is still being investigated. This case is nearing completion and will be filed with the U.S. District Prosecutor in Flagstaff, AZ.
3. The issue with insurance on the Ranger Patrol units has been completed.
4. Lack of Personnel: District Three currently has two Rangers, two Ranger Recruit and one Ranger who is not yet commissioned to cover the Western Area. Ranger Recruits will have to attend the Basic Police Academy.
5. Lack of Communication: With the recent installation of a new radio on the Navajo Mountain Repeater, we have communication with headquarters if we are in the vicinity of Navajo Mountain. Otherwise we have no communication, except with local units.

February 2017:

1. Rangers salaries-Rangers are not fairly compensated for the work that they perform. This situation contributes to why the department faces issues like lack of manpower, retention of personnel and motivation to do the job.
2. Lack of personnel-The Western District is currently lacking commissioned rangers to address many issues and concerns.
3. Currently there are two (2) ranger positions that were funded under the 2017 Supplemental Fund for the Torreon and Red Mesa areas were advertised through the Department of Personnel Management (DPM) website.
4. There are several citations and one criminal case pending court hearings.
5. A water well pressure pump at the DNR Complex burned out due to recent flooding. The water is used for watering for impounded livestock. If the well is not operational then water must be obtained by hauling water from some other source. Plus repairs for this well are ongoing and costly for the department to maintain.

March 2017:

1. The cattle rustling investigation in the Southwest Region of the Navajo Nation is approximately 90% complete, but Arizona Livestock Inspector with the Arizona Department of Agriculture will be leaving soon.
2. Recently there has been much confusion as to the status of the newly purchase Ranger Patrol units and who they were supposed to be issued to.
3. Rangers are requesting take home privileges for the new Ranger Patrol Units in order to better serve their communities.
4. Ranger districts are requesting prisoner barriers to be installed in the new Ranger Patrol units to help ensure the safety of the rangers and their arrestees when an arrest is made and the prisoner needs to be transported.
5. Ranger district were requesting equipment for the new Ranger Patrol units such as heavy duty tire jacks, jumper cables etc.

DRE Plans to address Critical Issues:

January 2017:

1. This particular investigation is ongoing.

2. The two (2) Rangers affected will be back on patrol and to continue their calls for service and regular investigations etc.
3. Currently both District III Ranger Recruits have submitted all documents required to the police academy to be considered for attendance, however upon graduation they will require more intensive training prior to patrolling on their own.
4. On December 7, 2016, a Ranger and two (2) Ranger Recruits purchased some much-needed uniforms and equipment in Albuquerque, New Mexico.
5. The DRE will have to continue working with Frontier Communications to address our communication problem.

February 2017:

1. I would recommend that the department and division look at revising the commissioned Rangers and support staff's PCQ's.
2. NDRE is in the process of recruiting personnel for vacant ranger positions.
3. The Eastern Ranger District will schedule an interview date once we have several applicants.
4. The Eastern District Sergeant will conduct a status check on the cases in mid-March 2017. Rangers will be prepared to be subpoenaed for these cases.
5. NDRE will order a replacement 5,000 gallon water tank and possibly construct a concrete base for the new tank.

March 2017:

1. The Central District Ranger will work closely with the Arizona Livestock Inspector replacement.
2. NDRE met with DNR staff and got the issues concerning the new ranger units worked out.
3. Rangers are requesting take home privileges for the new ranger patrol units.
4. A total of six (6) prisoner barriers would be installed in two (2) per district.
5. A Ranger Sergeant was checking into the purchasing of this equipment.

DRE Resource Requirements:

January 2017:

1. This investigation will continue with the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) from Flagstaff, AZ., the Arizona District Attorney and the Arizona Department of Agriculture, Livestock Officers and Navajo Nation Chinle Criminal Investigations.
2. This case is still being investigated.
3. Currently new patrol units are being outfitted with warning lights and siren etc., When this has been completed then rangers can resume their field regular duties.
4. Continue communications with the U.S. Indian Police Academy (IPA) regarding selection and attendance requirements.
5. The Western District resubmitted uniform needs to headquarters and continue to purchase our own uniform apparel.

February 2017:

1. NDRE and support staff will research this issue.
2. NDRE staff will conduct interviews and make the appropriate selections.
3. NDRE will conduct the interviews once DPM has made their decision.
4. The Eastern District Sergeant will conduct a status check with the courts mid-March 2017. Meanwhile rangers will be prepared to be subpoenaed for these cases.
5. The cost of the new water tank will be purchased by NDRE. NDRE will contract out the installation of the tank and the pouring of cement for a concrete foundation for the tank.

March 2017:

1. The Central District Ranger will work closely with replacement to bring that officer up to speed on this investigation.

2. On Tuesday, February 21, 2017, a Ranger and Ranger Recruit assisted the Gap Chapter by providing security with the chapter hosting a meeting regarding the highly controversial issue of the “Little Colorado River Confluence,” which was a potentially hostile situation.
3. The Western District Rangers have been working with the Tuba City Navajo Police in searching for a missing person west of Cedar Ridge, Arizona. Human remains have been recovered and submitted to a forensic laboratory. The results of the forensic report are pending.
4. On Saturday, March, 4th, 2017 Ranger Sgt., Ranger and Ranger Recruit provided security for a meeting between the Navajo Nation President and Vice President and families of the employees of the Navajo Generating Station located in LeChee, Arizona. The security operation was conducted by the Executive Security Service of the NN OP/VP. The meeting was successful with no major incidents.
5. On March 7th through the 9th two (2) Rangers and Navajo Nation Department of Agriculture Ranger Sgt. will be attending the Western State’s Livestock Inspectors Conference in Reno, Nevada. This conference and training will provide the rangers information on livestock investigations; and livestock rules and regulations in neighboring states.

C. Forestry Department

1. Navajo Nation Forestlands Integrated Resource Management Plan Development
 - This is an important document as it will determine how the different resources, within the identified forestlands, will be managed for future generations. Input will be sought from all interested parties to determine the management actions within the identified areas.
 - The development of this document needs to and will resume as a priority for the Department, the Navajo Nation Division of Natural Resources and the BIA, Navajo Region Branch of Forestry.
 - The Department and the BIA Branch of Forestry forester, have developed a timeline to initiate this process and have a draft document completed. The current timeframe is to have a draft document completed by the end of calendar year 2017.
 - A Request for Proposals [RFP] for the purposes of hiring a consultant to develop this document was completed. The received proposals are now being reviewed to determine the best proposal that addresses the needs of the document development.
2. Asaayi Lake Fire Rehabilitation / Recovery Projects
 - There are several projects that the Department continues to develop and implement within the Asaayi Lake Fire area. These projects will allow the use of the trees that were impacted by the fire, before they rot and become unusable. These projects are as follows;
 - Removal (harvesting) of burnt trees for firewood or poles,
 - Reforestation activities,
 - Salvage timber harvesting.
 - Coordination with other Division of Natural Resources departments and the BIA is currently ongoing to ensure that the required environmental needs are being initiated and completed in a timely manner.

- Once all environmental surveys and clearances are completed, then an environmental document will be completed, allowing for implementation of the projects to begin.
- The Department selected an individual to perform salvage harvesting within a certain area of the burn. This individual is currently working on obtaining financial backing to secure his equipment to fulfill his permit obligations.
- Additional areas have been selected to have burnt trees harvested. Due to recent weather conditions, these areas have not been fully inventoried, but will be inventoried as soon as conditions are favorable to do so. Once these areas have been inventoried, a bidding process will be implemented to determine who will purchase and harvest the forest product.

3. Forest Thinning

- In order to initiate the process of improving the health of the Navajo forest and to begin the protection from catastrophic wildland fire, the Navajo Forestry Department has identified approximately 600 acres of forest for thinning activities.
- These selected areas still need to have the required environmental surveys and clearances completed before any activity can occur.
- The Department is working with the Navajo Fish and Wildlife Department, Natural Heritage Program and the Historic Preservation Department to begin determining the biological and cultural survey needs for the proposed selected thinning areas. These needs include the cost of surveys and timelines for completion of surveys and issuance of appropriate clearance documents.
- Thinning areas will be selected for areas within the Black Creek Watershed, for the Natural Resource Conservation Service [NRCS], Regional Conservation Partnership Program [RCPP] and the overall forest thinning areas that the Department has been proposing.

4. Forest Carbon Sequestration / Hiring Initiative

- The Department has met with the Navajo Nation President's Office, on separate occasions, to discuss forest carbon sequestration.
- Discussions regarding this initiative have involved the establishment of a Navajo Nation processing facility (i.e. sawmill) in order to treat the forest, as implementing forest treatments are a requirement for the forest carbon sequestration project.
- Discussions regarding this initiative are continuing between the Navajo Nation President's Office, the Division of Natural Resources, the Department of Justice and the Navajo Forestry Department.

D. Abandoned Mine Lands Reclamation/Uranium Mill Tailings Remediation Action (AML/UMTRA) RECLAIM Act: The purpose of the RECLAIM Act is to promote economic revitalization, diversification, and development in economically distressed communities through the reclamation and restoration of land and water resources adversely affected by coal mining and other purposes. \$1 billion is proposed to the Coal States to address coal problems for 5 subsequent years from 2016 to 2020. Certified Tribes/States and Minimum Funded States would receive \$5 million per year and funding would be allocated through a competitive grant process which is inadequate funding. Most congressional delegates support this legislation and expected approval in 2017.

a) Resources Requirements – AML Department Manager and NNWO

b) Expected Completion Date – December 2017

E. Fish and Wildlife Department

1. The annual collection of golden eagles from Navajo lands by members of the Hopi Tribe continues to remain in the forefront of the Department's challenges. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service determines the provisions of the federal permit to the Hopi Tribe and specifies the number of eaglets that is allowable for the Hopi's to collect from Northeast Arizona. The Intergovernmental Compact allows for 18 eagles to be collected from Navajo lands each year and this number will remain the same until a golden eagle population study is completed and data is collected to determine the allowable take from Navajo lands. The Department argues the allowable take from Navajo lands is not based on current available science and current data available on the eagle population, particularly on the Navajo Nation. The Compact calls for a comprehensive study, which cost estimates range in the \$50,000,000 range over a period of 10 to 12 years. The Department prepared an alternative study realizing that funding of that magnitude was unattainable and unrealistic. The Department's proposed alternative study is estimated to cost approximately \$500,000 per year. Funding for either of these studies is non-existent.

The Department will again begin coordinating with the Department of Justice and the Hopi tribe to strategize on securing both U.S. Fish and Wildlife and the Department of Interior funding for the alternative study. Additionally, the Department monitors golden eagle populations annually and collects biological data on eagle populations each year. It is the Department's position the data derived from the monitoring effort is sufficient to determine an allowable take by the Hopi Tribe and recommended to the Department of Justice to support this initiative.

2. A second issue with the annual collection of golden eagles on Navajo lands by members of the Hopi Tribe arose in the 2015 collection season. Two Hopi tribal members were documented as violating the provisions of the Intergovernmental Compact and applicable federal and tribal laws in two separate incidents. The Navajo Nation forwarded these two cases to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for investigation. A USFWS Law Enforcement Officer conducted interviews of the Hopi tribal members suspected of violations and members of the Hopi tribal government. These cases are still pending; while the 2016 eaglet collection season has ended. The 2016 eaglet collection season took place with very little communication and coordination from the Hopi Tribe. There was very little known of collection activities. The Department was also requested to coordinate with the Hopi Tribe in developing an eagle collection protocol and present to the Joint Commission of the Intergovernmental Compact. This task is ongoing. The Department is advocating for a more meaningful reporting process from the Hopi collectors and is also considering issuing the Hopi Tribe one permit for the entire collection activity, instead of permitting individual Hopi tribal members.
3. The animal shelters in each of the five agencies are facing closure by the Risk Management Department and the Office of Environmental Health. All shelter buildings have been determined to be unsafe and unsanitary. The Animal Control Program is examining alternatives to secure locations for sheltering impounded dogs and cats. The Program impounded over 10,000 dogs and cats in FY-2016 so the loss of agency shelters will be a tremendous impact to animal control operations in each of the Agencies. The Tuba City Shelter was closed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Program was told they need to secure a permit from BIA to legally occupy the building. The Program will seek assistance from the Navajo Land Department to survey the shelter area and request to BIA to relinquish the area to the Navajo Nation. Additionally, a funding proposal was submitted to the Navajo Nation Washington Office to build state of the art animal shelters in each of the five agencies under a Trump Administration Infrastructure Development Initiative.

4. The Department is continually faced with challenges in implementing wildlife management projects at the local level and is constantly facing opposition from local farmers and ranchers who view wildlife as being damaging to their agricultural operations. Additionally, many local chapters and communities view the Department as a barrier to development and progress at their communities due to wildlife rules, regulations and policies that restrict activity at the local level.

The Department developed and completed several initiatives in its efforts to bridge the gap between the Department and local communities and land users. More efforts are needed to interact with the District Grazing Committees and other Navajo farming and ranching organizations in FY-2017. The Department participated in the New Elected Officials Orientation hosted by the Department of Agriculture in March 2017. Additionally, the Department participated in the Navajo Land Summit regarding Homesite Lease Regulations for Eastern Agency chapters.

The Department is also seeking to employ youth workers to collaborate with local communities on preparing for climate change. Youth interns in FY-16 worked closely with local Chapters on education/outreach activities as well as pilot projects in climate change. Hydroponics, growing plants in mineral water solutions rather than soil, was a popular project with Chapters.

Finally, the Department is committed to providing technical assistance and information needed to adequately address wildlife needs in CLUP's in the Former Bennett Freeze Area. Department activity in the FBFA is on-going and funding was secured from BIA to employ a Wildlife Biologist and a Wildlife Technician to begin completing a wildlife inventory in the FBFA (Western Agency) and to facilitate the biological review of FBFA projects. The Wildlife Biologist began her employment on December 12, 2016 and is currently working from NAU. Attempts to secure office space in the Tuba City/Cameron area are on-going.

5. Raptor poaching incidents increased in FY-2016. A case near Tohatchi was investigated where several species of hawks were poached and certain feathers were removed from the carcasses. The Department publicized this incident with local media in an effort to solicit for information. Several calls were received from persons who provided additional information on possible suspects and several individuals are under investigation. The case was forwarded to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and charges are pending. The Department has been encountering similar incidents involving eagles and hawks. Wildlife Conservation Officers investigating these cases are actively trying to determine who is responsible by using local media and contacting people who live in the area of these incidents.

F. Parks and Recreation Department

1. General Management Plan for LCR, LPNTP, and Monument Valley
 - a. A preliminary meeting was held at Cameron Chapter on March 7, 2017 between NPRD, ASU, Grand Canyon Trust, Tourism and Cameron constituents regarding a role out of the draft GMP initiative. During this meeting there was general opposition as to approval of this plan.
 - b. General knowledge is further needed to educate the public on the overall implementation and use of the GMP.
 - c. A conference call is scheduled for March 22, 2017 with ASU, Vanessa Vendever and NPRD regarding the contract and payment to begin cultural mapping initiative.
2. Joint Management Plan between National Park Service, Chinle Chapter, NPRD Canyon De Chelly Office to renew/update JMP with all vested parties involvement.
 - a. Formal discussion meeting has yet to take place or to be scheduled.

3. A task force has been established by DNR regarding IRMP for forest lands on the Navajo Nation. NPRD has been involved with the task force as Bowl Canyon is within designated forest lands.
 - a. Several meetings have taken place at the Forestry Department and Nate Boyd has been involved in these discussion.
 - b. An RFP has been drafted to request for proposals for a consultant to do the framework of the IRMP.
 - c. The proposals have to be opened and scored, then awarded according to DED guidelines.

G. Heritage and Historic Preservation Department

1. BIA 93-638 Contract/Contract No. A12AV01094: The five-year contract (Annual Fund Agreement) renewal between the Navajo Nation and the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Navajo Regional Office (NRO), for the Period January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2021, was approved by the oversight committees and Naabik'iyati Committee. The agreement was returned to BIA NRO for approval before allocation is received for Calendar Year 2017. BIA NRO is requesting changes to the Annual Fund Agreement which is being reviewed by NNHHPD and the Navajo Nation Department of Justice. Currently, NNHHPD receives funding from BIA NRO which supplements the general funds to pay for salary for approximately four staff members who are assigned to perform duties on behalf of BIA. The scope of work states that individuals assigned to this contract must perform duties associated with archaeological services which could be compliance reviews, responding to Section 106 consultation letters and performing archaeological inventories.
 - a. NNHHPD is presently drafting an annual report for Calendar Year 2016 which will detail activities from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. NNHHPD is currently spending funds which were allocated for Calendar Year 2015 and 2016; all funds will be spent by December 31, 2017.
 - b. BIA monitoring report: Since NNAD has merged with Historic Preservation Department (HPD), the staff has been addressing major deficiencies as outlined in the BIA monitoring reports. The deficiencies have not been fully addressed or corrected.
2. National Park Service (NPS): NNHHPD has been working diligently to rebuild our relationship with NPS in order to receive funding from this federal agency. Due to unspent funding in prior year allocations, NPS is requiring a program-specific audit on the following two grants which were awarded in 2014.
 - a. THPO HPF Grant P14AF00173: Although NNHHPD submitted a grant application for 2017, funding for FY 2017 was denied by the NPS because prior year allocations were not fully expended by the program. It is critical that funds are reinstated because these federal funds supplement our limited general funds to perform required duties on behalf of the Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO). The annual accomplishments report for FY2016 was submitted and accepted by the NPS.
 - b. Heritage Preservation Grant P14AP00454: After much discussion with the NPS, it came to our attention last week this grant was awarded to the Fort Defiance Chapter, not NNHHPD. The confusion is that both program share the same DUNS number. NNHPD is not responsible for the P14AP00454; contact information for Fort Defiance Chapter has been shared with NPS officials.
3. Grand Canyon Adaptive Management Program (GCAMP) Tribal Participation: NNHHPD has been a consulting agency for this project since 1994 and has received funding in the past to complete reviews of technical reports, monitor the effects of river related activities on cultural and natural resources within the Grand Canyon river corridor, and to participate in

dialog and decision making processes for activities that have the potential to affect Navajo resources. NNHHPD is working on the PA for the LTEMP, which should be ready for signature in January 2017. This needs to undergo the 164 Review Process. Melinda Arviso-Ciocco is the NNHHPD Representative and the following as alternates: Kimberly Yazzie from Navajo Nation Fish and Wildlife and Perry Shirley, from the Office of President/Vice-President Office. We are currently working to secure future funding for this important program.

4. Navajo Gallup Water Supply Project: NNHPD staff continue be involved in the meetings and consultations regarding this project. NNHHPD has been involved with archaeological activities at Reaches 3-11 and Reach 22. NNHHPD is currently working on a Tribal Monitoring Plan with the Bureau of Reclamation; the plan is in draft form. We have scheduled meetings with BOR and other partners next month to ensure Navajo cultural resources continued to be identified, evaluated and protected.
5. Escalade Project: Last year, NNHPD submitted comments to Navajo Nation Legislative Services in response to Legislation No. 0293-16 regarding the opposition to the Grand Canyon Escalade Project. On October 4, 2016, the NNHHPD's Hataalii Advisory Council (HAC) submitted a Position Statement Opposing the Escalade Project at To ahidiliih (Confluence). This Position Statement was shared with the Law and Order Committee members on October 10, 2016 at Twin Arrows Casino, Flagstaff, Arizona. We will continue to monitor the project, and provide feedback to the administration and Navajo Nation Council as needed.

H. Department of Water Resources

1. Water Management (WMB)

- a. Implementing NGWSP Financial Assistance Agreement to construct Reaches 24.1, 25, 26.1, 26.2 and 26.3. Implement PER studies funded by USBOR. (a) Work with Navajo Nation programs, USBOR and contractors to complete preconstruction activities, bids for construction, construction and process invoices for payments. Continue processing invoices for environmental and cultural resources surveys. Attend planning, construction and related technical meetings. (b) No dedicated funding for administration of this project. Limited funding from General funds, Water Rights Commission and Water Monitoring Inventory Programs assisting in project management, contract oversight and technical meetings. Vacant Civil Engineer Position is difficult to fill but is needed. (c) Reaches 24.1 and 25 construction contract issued in December 2014. Construction for Reaches 24.1 and 25 by NECA completed in February 2017. Reach 26.3 right of way approved by Navajo Nation in January 2017 and will be sent to BIA NRO in March 2017. Sole source construction for Reaches JAN Stub, 26.1, 26.2 and 26.3 approved by Navajo Nation in February 2017. Reaches 26.3 to begin construction in April or May 2017. Selected a contractor for PERs in December 2015 and contract with Souder Miller & Associates approved in July 2016. PERs to be completed by December 2018. Modification 1 for a second set of PERs signed in September 2016 for approximately \$500,000. Funds from Modification 1 will be added to existing contract with Souder-Miller & Associates.
- b. Implement supplemental appropriation of \$8.6 million for studies, design and construction projects. \$355,527 was carried over into FY2015. (a) Continue working with contractors on existing contracts and contract amendments. Continue implementing projects within contract timelines including Change Orders for Tuba City Regional Water Plan, Shonto to Black Mesa Regional Water Plan, Jeddito-Goldwater Loop PER and Southwest Navajo Studies. Issued a letter to Smith Engineering to close out contract. (b) No dedicated funding for administration of this project. Limited funding from General funds, Water Rights Commission and Water Monitoring Inventory Programs assisting in

project management, contract oversight and technical meetings. (c) Tuba City Regional Plan and associated Chapter Water Systems Plans completed in February 2016. Sweetwater to Tsaile – Wheatfields Regional Plan and associated chapter water plans completed in March 2016. Two other regional water plans need additional funds to be completed. More than ninety-five percent (95%) of funds have been expended. Additional work may be added onto existing contracts if funding becomes available. Several no-cost extensions being processed for regional plans to allow further planning.

- c. Coordination of projects under funded by Groundwater Conjunctive Use Wells Projects. (a) Update Project Priority Listing. Submit scopes of work and budget to BIA Navajo Region to obtain funds to implement projects through NNWMB, NTUA and Navajo Area IHS. Finalize Memorandums of Agreements with NTUA and assist with agreements for projects to be implemented by Navajo Area IHS. (b) The GCUWP program has some limited funding for additional staff to assist with implementation. AMEC Foster-Wheeler contracted to assist with updating GCUWP plan scopes of works, budgets and coordination of monthly tasks. (c). BIA Navajo Region concurred with updated Project Priority Listing that was transmitted in August 2015. Executed \$750,000 MOA for AMI Meters with NTUA in January 2016. BIA and NAIHS finalizing Interagency Agreement for Sanostee well. Transmitted additional scope of work and budgets to BIA for Cortez Tank funding. Received Modification 3 for more than \$640,000 for three projects in August 2016. Program processed modifications to Souder-Miller and Associates engineering contracts to expend the \$640,000.
- d. Coordination of projects funded by New Mexico Tribal Infrastructure Funds. (a) Need detailed invoices to reimburse the Navajo Nation. Continue working with contractors on existing contracts. Issue request for proposals and complete contracts to encumber funds. Work with contractors on detailed invoices to get reimbursed. NM legislature planning to convene a special meeting in October 2016 to reverting funds to deal with shortfall in statewide budget and two water project funds were reverted (\$100,000 for Alamo and \$100,000 for Naschitti). (b) No dedicated funding for administration of this project. Limited funding from General funds, Water Rights Commission and Water Monitoring Inventory Programs assisting in project management, contract oversight and technical meetings. (c) Adhere to implementation of projects pursuant to agreements with New Mexico including submittal for monthly and quarterly reports. Each project has specific project completion dates. Program participates in week internal coordination meetings and quarterly reconciliation meeting with New Mexico Indian Affairs Department and New Mexico Environment Department.
- e. Coordination of projects funded by USDA funds. (a) Continue working with contractors on existing contracts. (b) No dedicated funding for administration of this project. Limited funding from General funds, Water Rights Commission and Water Monitoring Inventory Programs assisting in project management, contract oversight and technical meetings. (c) Adhere to implementation of projects pursuant to agreements with USDA.

Technical Construction & Operations (TCOB)

1. The equipment used for drilling, construction, rehabilitation, repair and maintenance of water wells, windmills, earthen dams, storage tanks, waterlines, irrigation canals, diversions, ditches, drainages, siphons, gates, pumps is are very old/obsolete. Equipment needs a capital outlay replacement. The availability of equipment continues to go down due to breakdowns, non-availability of parts and downtime is increasing.
2. Inadequate manpower, supplies and materials for construction, repair and maintenance is resulting into safety issues and declining direct services to our Navajo people at chapter/community level. Need additional manpower to address the safety issue and workload.
3. Funds are badly needed to replace main TCOB warehouse and field offices/shop buildings.

4. Lack of understanding and slow responses from Department of Personnel Management (DPM) regarding hiring of qualified staff. Shortage of staff has a continuing impact on our ability to do projects, public outreach and compliance activities.
5. Lack of funds for staff development, training and safety. Additional funds are needed. Addressing these critical issues will enhance direct services at chapter/community level for continuing self-sufficiency of our Navajo ranchers and farmers and will also directly improve socio economic conditions throughout the Navajo Reservation.

Safety of Dams (NNSOD)

1. As of March 2017, NNSOD is not in possession of an Operations Purchase Card that would allow the program to make purchases.
2. The operations purchase request is considered a program resource requirement. In the past, the program has been faced with emergencies facilities require being monitored on a 24/7 basis. Every year, due to the uncertainty of the weather season, the program continues to operate under such conditions with the hope that a worst emergency does not take place considering that the program cannot make emergency purchases of gasoline for pumps, generators, chainsaws, tractors, backhoes and other supplies that may be needed.

I. Agriculture Department

1. Administration

Administrative support staff spend an inordinate amount of time processing checks (141 members, approximately 516 checks/month or 6192 checks/year) for the Navajo Nation Farm Board (43 members – 2 checks per month or 86 total per month or 1032 per year), District Grazing Committee Members (78 members – 5 checks per month or 390 per month or 4680 per year) and Eastern Navajo Land Board (20 members – 2 checks per month or 40 per month or 480 per year). In addition to processing checks, administrative staff manage all financial transactions for various meeting expenses for this group.

2. Ranch and Eastern Land Management

Tribal Ranches Program (TRP) currently has ranch leases with Navajo Producers on Tribal Fee lands. These leases are according to codes which are (1) ten year leases, (2) Second ten year terms and (3) temporary leases which are for six months.

Department has two leases that were approved in January by the Resources and Development Committee. One lease for, Eli Smith Ranch and the other for Big Boquillas Ranch. Both ranch leases have been finally approved and signed by the President of the Navajo Nation.

Department have leases that are awaiting approval for their second ten year terms. For these renewals, I have completed two ranch assessments and interviews with the lessee's. After the assessments are finalized I will compile the reports to a committee that will be selected soon to evaluate the performance. This will then be up to the committee to select if the lessee is a great candidate to be awarded an additional ten year term.

There are also have expired leases that we have lessees on temporary leases basis. For expired leases, we need guidance from Department of Justice on how we proceed to send letters out to have these lessees move their cattle off the ranch premises without any problems. We had an attorney named Ed McCool that was assigned to us and I had him working on the vacate letters. However, Mr. McCool has since been re-assigned to Legislative Branch and we have NO attorney assigned to Tribal Ranch program today. The vacate letters will allow the TRP to proceed on inventorying these ranches to be leased out to other interested ranchers.

The Morris lawsuit has been heard by the Supreme Court and has ruled in favor of the Morris's once again however, we have been told to move forward on our leasing program therefore, we have initiated some leases into the review process and currently have five leases being reviewed at this time

3. Range and Farmland Management

a. Central Database System

There is a critical need for a formalized data-sharing system among designated departments and entities situated at a centralized location with a backup system.

(1) Navajo Division of Natural Resource Departments/Programs contribute to field data for viewing in the "Share Point System".

(a) Initiate integrated resource management overview and master planning for immediate access "as-is" information for sound and effective decision making and implementation.

(b) Identify strengths and weaknesses for use as standardized guide on specific areas for follow-ups, periodic monitoring, enforcement, and preventions.

4. Veterinary Management

Parking lot is small for our customers especially on days that we provide specials ie Dentals, Spay and Neuters, etc.

J. Navajo Land Department

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K. Navajo Nation Museum

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L. General Land Development Department (GLDD)

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III. PROJECT(S) STATUS

A. Division Administration

1. The division has been working with the USDA/NRCS on the RCPP which include the division work group completing the scope/work plan, deliverables and budget for the Black Creek watershed. This was reviewed by USDA State Conservation Program. Several of the deliverables were lump into one deliverable to simplify the information in the agreement. The departments will continue to review the summary deliverables and make recommendation to the RCPP proposal agreement. The USDA/AFA proposal included the division negotiating the terms of the agreement and moving forward with the USDA 50/50 cost share agreement. The division submitted priority projects for the AFA that was proposed for \$800,000 and included how it will solicit large conservation projects with budgets and written descriptions. The 50/50 cost share will be made available to assist the division and Agriculture Department to overseeing the management of the proposed projects.

2. DNR Law Enforcement, in an effort to coordinate DNR law enforcement functions and provide more effective law enforcement, various programs had been meeting throughout the quarter where discussions included coordinate law enforcement services, identify barriers and challenges that rests with communication to ensure officer safety, and centralizing and merging law enforcement communications within the division; discussion on standard operating procedures for enforcement functions; coordinate programs with DNR that may

- require positions to move from Resource Enforcement and Fish and Wildlife to create a central dispatch. Further discussions were to coordinate trainings requirements for new officers and potential refresher trainings within each law enforcement program so all law enforcement functions are known within the division, i.e. identify needed law enforcement coverage for cultural resources, minerals, grazing disputes, etc. The division submitted the necessary PCQ documents to DPM for the dispatcher position.
3. Clean Energy Implementation, the plan is complete however it is needing the RDC oversight support and then take it to chapters that have potential for energy development. Now this has been pushed back due to the importance of the NGS. In the meantime, talks with ASU and NAU will help to push forward the clean energy initiative.
 4. Land into Trust Projects update include: (1) The Rolling Mesa Property located near Farmington, NM; DNR and NLD submitted a fee-to-trust application to place this fee land into trust status. Currently, there application was published for review by local, state, and county governments and entities. Two departments of New Mexico State government objected to the transfer. The Nation submitted its comments to these objections to the BIA and is awaiting a decision. (2) The Navajo Nation Shopping Centers, Inc. land holdings; DNR and NLD are developing a fee to trust application to place three parcels into trust status; the fee land is situated in northern Arizona. DNR is researching the records and gathering documents in preparation for drafting the application.
 5. Canyon de Chelly Joint Management Plan. The RDC has directed DNR Division Director to create a joint management plan (JMP) with NPS and BIA for Canyon de Chelly. There are three work products as part of this assignment: 1) vision statement, completed October 2016; 2) Strategic Agreement among NN, BIA, and NPS to be completed by December 2017; and 3) the JMP, expected to be completed by December 2019. The vision statement can be found on the DNR website. This past quarter, DNR, NPS, and BIA discussed with the Northern Arizona University how NAU can facilitate the drafting of the Strategic Agreement. The Navajo Nation will enter into a memorandum with NAU under the CESU memorandum and fund NAU \$25,000 to facilitate the drafting of the Strategic Agreement. Significant community involvement is necessary to ensure a successful JMP. Community outreach will occur in the summer of 2017 for drafting of the Strategic Agreement.

B. Department of Resource Enforcement
January 2017:

1. The Western District Rangers will be actively recruiting for two (2) ranger positions that are currently being advertised for the Cameron and Navajo Mountain areas.
2. Ranger Sgt. has been working with NNDJOJ Attorney concerning the development of the DNR Powerpoint and White-paper for the 2017 NDPS Law Enforcement Summit.
3. NDRE staff is working with various DNR Programs to attend the 2017 Navajo Nation Department of Public Safety Summit at Twin Arrows. The event will serve to help various law enforcement related to share information and problem solve on some existing law enforcement and public safety related issues and concerns.
4. NDRE staff will be attending supervisory training for the department supervisors.
5. NDRE staff will be checking into information pertaining to the Bears Ears National Monument.

February 2017:

1. Personnel: The Tohatchi and Pueblo Pintado position will be re-advertised.
2. DNR Complex and Facility: As mentioned the well pump burn out and was temporarily repaired until the water storage tank is replaced. After replacing the pump, other leaks were noticed and it was determined that the storage was rusting from the inside. A 550-gallon tank was temporarily set up along with a new pump and pressure tanks until a new storage tank is purchased. A memorandum is being drafted to Navajo Nation Department of Engineer to

survey and develop a blueprint draft for water line, roads upgrade. This will help DRE to budget various stages of this project.

3. Uniforms: Uniforms were purchased at Neve's Uniform for the six Rangers (five new Rangers and one veteran Ranger) were purchased. The armor vest and class A uniform will take time for it to be delivered from the manufactory.
4. External Funds: Uniform is being purchased for two Rangers funded under the 2011 COPS Grant. These purchases will take longer due to the three (3) bid procurement policy to meet federal guidelines.
5. Operating Supplies: a headache rack and tool boxes are currently being installed by Navajo Nation Fleet Management Body Shop.

March 2017:

1. NDRE is working with DNR Principal Attorney to review the 2015 Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Office of Justice Services (OJS) Law Enforcement Handbook to determine which policies and procedures would be applicable to NDRE and other law enforcement departments under the Division of Natural Resources; and what changes would need to be made if any.
2. NDRE is currently working with various DNR Programs to determine how to better communications and improve law enforcement services for the Navajo Nation.
3. NDRE is in the process of transition between program managers.
4. Acting Department Manager is working with DNR Principal Attorney to review the 2015 Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Office of Justice Services (OJS) Law Enforcement Handbook sections pertaining to communications to determine which policies and procedures would be applicable to implementing a DNR Radio Dispatch office.
5. Ranger Sgt. and the Eastern District Rangers are working to assist the Navajo Nation Courts with compliance of a court order pertaining to the process and sale of livestock at auction.

C. Forestry Department

1. Department Woodlot:

The Department currently operates a woodlot for all people to purchase firewood from. This firewood is collected and brought to the yard by Departmental personnel hired for this task. The wood is then split and stacked into cords, for sale to anyone wanting to purchase this firewood. The Department sold and loaded 94.2 cords of firewood for a total of 780 customers.

2. Enforcement:

- The Department's enforcement officers responded to 468 calls for service. These calls for service range from; conducting investigations on possible forest trespass violations, performing reporting writing to issuing forest product permits to patrolling the Navajo forest and woodland areas for possible violations.
- Issued five [5] citations for non-compliance with the Navajo Nation Forest and Woodland Regulations, by attempting to sell firewood without a permit.
- A total of 2,830 forest product permits were issued during the 2nd Quarter of FY2017.

3. Public Relations/Education:

The Department provided two [2] forest regulation and forestry project presentations to chapters officials. These were the Ts'ah Bii Kin Chapter Planning Session and the Department of Agriculture's Elected Officials Orientation in Albuquerque, NM. In addition to these presentations, the Department is also working with five [5] students from the Navajo Technical University with a research project involving the monitoring of forest conditions over a 40-year period.

4. Capital Improvement Projects

The Department reviewed and processed 44 utility construction right-of-way permits to the Indian Health Service (IHS) and the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA). These utility

construction projects will serve a total of 200 homes on the Navajo Nation, with electricity, water and waste water.

5. Other Department Activities:

- Staff from the Timber Management Program have been actively utilizing the Department's portable sawmill to saw logs into rough cut lumber. A total of 567 board feet of various dimensions of lumber was processed by the Department staff, utilizing the Department's portable sawmill.
- The Timber Management Program and the BIA, Branch of Forestry were able to prepare and complete a timber permit sale to a local individual, for the removal of timber sized trees from within the Indian Health Service's [IHS] right-of-way, along State Highway 264 in the Summit area.
- The Timber Management Program and the BIA, Branch of Forestry completed the process for bidding out a portion of the Asaayi Lake Fire area to any interested individual. All required field work has been completed, including the biological and cultural surveys and clearances. The selected individual is continuing to try and obtain funding to harvest the trees from the area. Therefore, no trees have been harvested within the awarded site location.
- The Department continues to address the issues concerning the damaged structures during the Asaayi Lake Fire. This work has entailed meeting with the Naschitti Community Chapter and the Navajo Nation Council's Law and Order Committee [NNC LOC] to present its findings regarding the matter. A presentation was provided at the NNC's LOC during its meeting at Tohatchi Chapter. Meetings have also been conducted with the Office of the Prosecutor, with the Chief Prosecutor Gertrude Lee and Prosecutor Frank Brown.
- The Department's Program Manager's participated in the DNR Quarterly Supervisor's Meeting held in Window Rock, AZ. This meeting was to update all Department Manager's and Program Manager's about the status of projects that are being worked on within the Division of Natural Resources.
- The Department is participating in a number of Division of Natural Resource's initiatives such as addressing the Division's Natural Resource Law Enforcement issues, concerns surrounding the management of Feral Horses on the Navajo Nation and the development of projects within the Black Creek Watershed for the NRCS's RCPP project.

D. AML/UMTRA

a) Reclamation of Abandoned Mine Land Projects:

- Chacoan 1 Coal AML Reclamation: Eight project sites include, Hogback Ridge (*near Littlewater NA-0005, 0067, & 0069*), Newcomb (*NA-0047*), Coyote Canyon (*NA-0016 & NA-0069*), Twin Peaks (*NA-0051*), and Dalton Pass (*NA-0036*). The project is completed, pending the close-out report and entry into eAMLIS, OSM closeout. No activity this quarter.
- Chacoan Coal 2 Reclamation: The project consists of three sites, Oakridge underground Coal Fire (*NA-0071*), Pine Spring Coppermine (*NA-0555*) and Window Rock Mine (*NA-0001*). As of March 15, 2016 the project is 100% completed. The project update data are submitted for entry into eAMLIS, OSM. Only finalizing the closeout report is pending. No activity this quarter.
- Chacoan Coal 3: The project sites are in the area of, Beclabeto, Little Water (Sanostee Chapter), Coyote Canyon, White Rock, Burnham, LaVida Mission (Lake Valley Chapter), and Bisti. Land users consent and Chapter Resolutions process are completed. Project Development phase will continue into spring 2016. Construction is slated for summer 2017. The biological survey and report, and compliance from Navajo Fish & Wildlife are completed. The archaeological survey is completed; report is still pending

review from Navajo AML. The final Value Engineering (VE) field assessment is completed. Pending is the National Environmental Policy Act environmental assessment report, and site specific designs. Work on the Contract Manual/Technical Specifications are 50%. Target for the start of the procurement process is in early to mid-April.

- ♦ Coppermine AML Assessment: (no activity) This project is currently on-hold.
- ♦ Nenahnezad Coalmine subsidence: The project is under the project development stage with the initial searches for documents relating to previous AML projects in the area during the mid-1980s. Per our January meeting with the Office of Surface Mining, we are still awaiting their old construction reports/documents. The technical staff conducted a site visit on February 2nd, to investigate another reporting of a sink hole in the area. The communication to report back to the chapter is pending the Civil Engineer's report.
- ♦ Black Mesa Underground Coal fire: It is the beginning stage of investigation and mapping of proximity of the coal fire location to Peabody Coal Mine lease NPL/HPL Boundary. Navajo AML is trying to coordinate an on-site meeting with Peabody, Hopi AML, Navajo Land Department, and the Powerline owners to discuss jurisdiction on the area.
- ♦ Repair and Upgrade of Window Rock AML Building: This project was initiated to address water/moisture leaks into the building. During intense rain storm events, water was entering from the west side of the building. During the winter months when snow storms occur an excessive amount of snow and ice accumulates on the roof resulting in slow leaks. The project is near completion with one major item challenged. This item is the reinstallation FiberTite membrane and poly-iOS taper insulation that was not installed correctly during the month of October 2016. This project construction contract is extended to May 2017, so the FiberTite work can be completed in warmer weather condition. All other major payable items have been completed.
- Geographic Information System (GIS) Database: U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (ACE) provided the funds for refining the location of uranium boundaries under the RAMS (Remediation of Abandoned Mine Sites). Monthly conference calls (January and February) are on-going to stay current on the project. A presentation is tentatively being scheduled for the June AUM Quarterly meetings.
- Tse Tah Environmental Monitoring Project: The current work entails the moisture and environmental data collection. Contract Modification #6 was approved February 28th. Work on a report is being discussed. This Contract end at the end of March. The closeout will begin within the next quarter.
- Abandoned Uranium Mine (AUM) Partnerships: U.S. EPA is requesting Navajo AML's assistance on abandoned uranium mines (AUM). A \$328,849 grant was awarded to AML by USEPA. This grant is on hold. The budget went back to USEPA for an amendment and the documents have not been return to Navajo OMB, who recommends not spending until all documents are in place. March 9, US EPA sent the new Award Notice for the amended Grant. Navajo AML will initiate work on utilizing the grant, including a meeting with OMB/OOC.

Work with Navajo EPA on Team AUM continues, with scheduled weekly meetings, coordinated by Ms. Nina Chester, of OPVP, where each program provides updates. Navajo AML participated in various conference calls, DOJ-TseTah meetings, and the AUM quarterly meeting on February 28th. January 9th, Navajo AML participated in the DOJ-Tsetah Situation meeting, and orientation of the Northeast Church Rock project on February 27th. Technical staff will provide technical assistant to the Trustee Sites in Blue Gap and Monument Valley on March 21 and 22nd.

Navajo AML is assisting US EPA on the Cove Conceptual Site Model (CSM). This work is being coordinated with US and Navajo EPA, US Army Corp of Engineers and Terra Spectra. Data on the Cove AML/AUM project areas are being collected for and environmental assessment, with a variety of parameters. This project was initiated in the last quarter.

b) UMTRA Project:

- Shiprock UMTRA: DOE is doing an investigation into groundwater on the terrace to further evaluate and characterize inputs into the groundwater and remediation efforts. DOE and Navajo UMTRA plan for an Open House involving the organizations involved with the five-year uranium issues initiative for March 2017 at the Shiprock Chapter House.
 - Mexican Hat UMTRA: Several depressions have been identified at the toe of the Northeast slope of the Mexican Hat UMTRA site mill tailings encapsulation which has been due to erosion features in the top layer of the radon barrier clay layer of the mill tailings cap. Heavy precipitation in mid-August 2016 resulted in heavy sedimentation down the wash, covering Seep 0265.
 - Monument Valley UMTRA: DOE is in the process of revising *Groundwater Compliance Action Plan (GCAP)* for the Monument Valley UMTRA site, using the pilot study as a decision-making tool. The University of Arizona continues to finalize bio sequestration study, as they have collected their last water and core samples for analysis.
- Tuba City UMTRA: The treatment system is currently not in operations since October 2014; however, groundwater extraction and evaporation continues in plume migration control efforts. Currently, due to evaporation pond capacity and inefficient rate of evaporation, extraction has been stalled until further notice. DOE is in the process of installing 20 new monitoring wells to enhance groundwater monitoring efforts and address data gaps. Review of *Draft Interim Treatment System Evaluation Plan Tuba City, Arizona, Disposal Site* document has been completed and submitted to DOE.

c) Public Facility Projects:

2011 projects

- Red Mesa Chapter – Administration Building: The new lead Agency is Design & Engineering Services and they have completed the Advertisement and have made a selection on the A & E Services. Indigenous Design Studio & Architecture will be the contractor for the project, they will start designs as soon as the 164 is completed. Projected to be completed by March 2017.

2012 projects

- Shonto Chapter House Wiring Project: Contract Modification No. #4 commence the NN 164 Review Process for a contract time extension and increase in contract price of \$26,700.00. New contract total is \$219,628.00. Upon completion of NN 164 Review Process a Notice to Proceed (NTP) will be issued and a pre-construction project meeting will be held with Gilbert Sons Electric, LLC, Shonto Community Governance, and Navajo AML. Project will be completed by December 2017.
- WRBDO Site Development and Infrastructure Project: Due to additional design scope of work from Arizona Public Service (APS) for the electrical phase the Request for Bids (RFB) was postponed till April 2017. The final contract documents (technical specs & design plans) will be compiled by LSA, Inc., Albuquerque, NM. Project will be completed by December 2017.
- Upper Fruitland Chapter - Senior Citizens Center: The Navajo Design & Engineering Services re-advertised, the fourth time. The Chapter matched the AML funds with \$740,000 and received \$550,000 from the State of New Mexico. A \$120,000 award is in

the process of approval. Indigenous Design Studio & Architecture is the service that has provided the design. The project was awarded to Bitix Company out of North Dakota and is pending 164 process. Also, the Design & Engineering Services (DES) is turning over the project to the Upper Fruitland Chapter, since the Chapter is now certified. The Chapter is awaiting project documents for the DES. Projected to be completed by September 2017.

- Mexican Water Chapter - Senior Citizen Center - Navajo Utah Commission is the lead agency to complete construction of the Multipurpose Building Complex 2, Phase I, a new construction of the 6,602 square foot Senior Citizen Center. The project was bided out for a general contractor to complete the construction of the project. Bids are due at the end of March, with evaluations/selections taking place thereafter. Projected completion July 2017.

2014 projects

- To'Hajiilee EMS building project is 98% complete as of February 2017. NASCO was prepared to close out the project, Design and Engineering Services and Emergency Management Services has prepared a Modification to the contract for an additional \$30,000, for a sewer line connection. The project time is extended to April 2017.

E. Minerals Department

The following summarizes the department's projects in FY 2017 and the status of each project:

No.	Project	Responsible Person	Timeline	% Completed
1.	Navajo Nation Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Act (Act) and Regulations	AZaman	09/30/17	Pending
2.	Implementation of Navajo Nation Energy Policy (NNEP)	AZaman	09/30/17	On Hold
3.	FY 2018 U.S. Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) Funding for Minerals Audit Program	RCheromiah	06/30/17	Initiated
4.	FY 2018 U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Funding for Oil & Gas Inspection Program	AZaman/ SPrince	09/30/17	0%
5.	FY 2017 U.S. Mine Safety & Health Administration (MSHA) Funding for Mine Safety and Inspection Program	RCarlton	09/30/17	0%
6.	FY 2017 U.S. Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) Funding for Surface Mining Program	AZaman/ HBilly	05/31/17	Initiated
7.	Conduct 8 Oil & Gas and Coal Lease Audits	RCheromiah	09/30/17	75%
8.	Conduct 600 Oil & Gas Lease Inspections (including well sites inspections)	SPrince	09/30/17	100.5%
9.	Provide Mine Safety Training to 120 miners and Sand & Gravel workers	RCarlton	09/30/17	88.3% *
10.	Complete 20 Mine Safety Inspections	RCarlton	09/30/17	35%
11.	Complete 60 Coal Mine Reclamation Inspections	HBilly	09/30/17	50%
12.	Review and assess consideration for 10 Rights-of Way (ROW) applications.	SPrince/ AZaman	09/30/17	50%

*Instructor resigned and position has not been filled yet.

F. Fish and Wildlife Department

1. 1. Coordinate the Division of Natural Resource Climate Change Adaptation and Planning initiative to increase awareness of climate change impacts to natural resources, including wildlife populations and habitat.
 - a. The Department initiated planning efforts for the 2017 Strategic Planning Session at the University of Arizona in March 2017. The Center for Climate Adaptation Science and Solutions at the UofA will provide training for Department personnel during that session to inform and educate Department personnel on climate science and adaptation planning and the Department will develop a strategy to incorporate climate change into natural resource management programs within DNR.
2. Launch the Animal Control initiative to address and promote responsible pet ownership and pet health in 2017.
 - a. The launch was initiated with the signing of an Executive Order for the 2017 Collar, License, Vaccinate and Confine campaign.
3. Update the Navajo Nation Endangered Species List and secure approval by April 2017.
4. Design and implement a Mule Deer Radio Telemetry and Research Project in FY-2017.
 - a. A Wildlife Biologist position with Administration was vacated on December 09, 2016. The Management/Research Section is currently recruiting for Wildlife Biologist to conduct the research project.
5. Draft and secure approval of a Wildlife Law Enforcement agreement with the Division of Public Safety regarding law enforcement authority at Navajo Nation wildlife areas, including remote areas.
 - a. An internal draft is complete and will be reviewed internally in March 2017.
6. Complete elk and bighorn sheep enclosure renovations at the Navajo Nation Zoo in FY 2017.

G. Parks and Recreation Department

1. Canyon De Chelly Planning Office
 - a. Campground Infrastructure Upgrade (Waterline/Cabins/Shower Rooms/Others)
 - (1) Phase II Request for Proposal (RFP) for development: Design and Engineering Plan is 90% complete to finalize AIA Contract with Pimmes Contracting.
 - (2) After technical correction the contract will be ready for 164 process.
 - b. Preliminary discussions on reopening Ledge Ruin Overlook
 - (1) Scope of Work will need to be devised, assessment of the trail to determine a market value.
 - (2) Phase II development at Cottonwood Campground will have an opportunity to design/build a security communication station and fee collection kiosk.
 - c. Development of Three Turkey Ruin/Canyon
 - (1) Early discussion with Nazlini Chapter is underway. The next stage is to continue working on a draft management plan.
 - (2) Along with Nazlini Chapter, local grazing permittees and NPRD, continue work on a management plan, public hearings, workshops/seminars.
 - (3) Development will more than likely take 3 to 4 years to formulate a design/build plan for the area.
2. Four Corners Monument
 - a. Waterline
 - (1) Requested information was forwarded and an onsite meeting with NTUA and NECA to get meter installed.
 - (2) Brett Grubbs is working on the concept drawing
 - b. Water Restrooms

- (1) North end of restroom ground has settled/shifted 1 foot. Contractor, Bob Eaton has been contacted to evaluate damage.
 - (2) Waterline needs to be connected for evaluation of damage.
 - (3) Building has not been released to Navajo Nation, Risk Management has been notified, building has not been assigned by Property.
3. Shaded Area Along Walkway In Monument Plaza
 - a. Planning is needed for shaded area for visitors standing in line. In order to prevent heat exhaustion shade needs to be erected in FY 2017.
 - b. Will schedule with construction crew for installation
4. Powerline Extension
 - a. Legislation passed and signed, an updated contract had to be submitted as the timelines had passed therefore needed update.
 - b. After reprocessing the contract and approval signatures completed, the legislation is currently at OOC for verification and final processing.
5. Maintenance Shop/Storage
 - a. Fencing material has been purchased, currently undergoing location assessment for maintenance yard
 - b. Project planning to be initiated by Construction Maintenance Crew from Parks Office
 - c. Funding needed for maintenance crew
6. Generator Issues
 - a. Currently experiencing problems with rented generator idling issues. Three Rivers will have the generator ready for pick up by the end of March.
7. Lake Powell Navajo Tribal Park
 - a. Antelope Canyon Visitor Center Project
 - (1) The lease agreement has been signed and currently in place for the new visitor center project.
 - (2) An RFP will be completed to renovate the building to serve as a visitor's center and park office. Occupancy of this building is needed quickly to hire new employees awaiting assigned workstations
 - b. Air Service Tours Landing Site Project
 - (1) A current tour operator provides air service tours to Tower Butte
 - (2) There are eleven future landing sites as selected by the park
 - (3) An RFP will need to be completed for biological and environmental assessments, two proposals were submitted and now awaiting another company to respond with a price quote.
 - c. Upper Antelope Canyon Fee Station Project
 - (1) Plans to replace existing outdated fee stations located at Upper Antelope Canyon
 - (2) This project is seeking to construct a new fee station with wood and other energy efficient building materials better suited for the extreme heat and cold weather.
 - (3) The prefab ROMTEC building is to be delivered to the site location for installation. Site preparation and foundation is required by the department prior to delivery.
8. Little Colorado River Tribal Park
 - a. LCR Access Road Project
 - (1) Meet with NDOT and Dibbles to get an update on a new access road on SR 64, new left turn lane and right turn and relocating the entrance booth.
 - (2) The parking pavement fund will be paid for using HOT tax funds, a budget has been submitted with Monument Valley second phase road project. Will need to go through 164 process.
 - b. Hell Hole Bend and Hoyee Adeetiin Viewpoint
 - (1) The contracts for architect project and feasibility studies has yet to be processed. Signature pages needed correction and resubmitted.

- (2) Will need to schedule a meeting with all parties involved to eliminate discrepancies.
- 9. Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park
 - a. Monument Valley Road Project
 - (1) In February, NPRD submitted a budget for the second phase of the MV Valley road project which will install culverts, and erosion control on the second phase of development.
 - (2) The budget was submitted for HOT Tax funds from Tourism and is currently going through 164 review.
 - (3) Estimated completion date will be September 2017.
 - b. Ranger Enforcement (Park Ranger)
 - (1) There are plans to hire two full time rangers to provide safe environment for visitors, public, residents, employees vendors and traffic safety
 - (2) This will require funding for the newly hired rangers to attend six months of academy training, uniforms, weapons, vehicles and other requirements
 - (3) The projected completion date will be by the 4th quarter of FY17
 - c. Waterless Restroom Project
 - (1) Four waterless restrooms are currently being included in HOT Tax funds project submitted to Tourism and will be placed at John Ford's Point and Artist's Point.
 - (2) The anticipated completion date is mid-summer 2017
 - d. Update of Internal Policies as Recommended by DOJ
 - (1) The Tour Operators, Valley Vendor Policy and Permit Applications needs to be reviewed and updated
 - (2) The permit application is currently being updated and will be available by the end of March for use.
 - (3) After completion is complete the documents will need official approval and update

H. Heritage and Historic Preservation Department

- 1. NNHHPD CRCS: completed 137 reviews (archaeological reports/compliance forms)
- 2. NNHHPD CRDF: completed 55 walk-in clearance (previously surveyed areas)
- 3. BU#K160769 Facility Management (non-roads): recently funded; 27 projects assigned to NNHHPD Shiprock Office 12/29/16, project started January 9, 2017, currently in progress
- 4. BU#K160770 Silvi-cultural Forestry; recently funded; will be assigned when weather is feasible (on hold)
- 5. BU#K160771 Non-Roads Forestry Ethnographic; recently funded; will be assigned when weather is feasible
- 6. BU#K120720 Grand Canyon Adaptive Management Program; contract closed-currently negotiating contract funds
- 7. BU#K150783 Non-Roads Former Bennett Freeze Area, Class 1 inventory in progress, awaiting locational information and maps for archaeological clearance from Indian Health Service
- 8. BU#K110737 N6485 Kayenta Access, fieldwork complete, technical report completed in 2015. NNHHPD NAU addressed comments and sent to NDOT for review for 2016.
- 9. BU#K110735 N6910 Leupp Road Project, fieldwork complete, draft report is almost complete, currently need to complete reference and maps.
- 10. BU#K100757 Laguna Creek, technical report in progress.
- 11. BU#K150793 Burnham Fencing (Phase II) fieldwork completed, draft report 75% complete; (Phase III) fieldwork is 98% complete, draft report 45% completed in progress by NNHPD Shiprock office.
- 12. BU#K150790 Oak Ridge 1,076 acres (Summit) fieldwork is halted due to snow, survey will resume when weather is feasible.

13. BU#K150788 Non-Roads Facilities fieldwork is completed; technical reports in process. Rock Point Community School draft report in review at CRCS. Kayenta Community School in review. Window Rock headquarters submitted to CRCS for review. Huerfano Community School held up for more specific description of undertaking.
14. BU#K160779 Western Agency District 1,3,5 Fences in FBFA (59 miles); fieldwork started February 27, 2017, in progress by Shiprock and Flagstaff office.
15. New Project/No BU# yet (Mod 36) Navajo Partitioned Land 72 miles of fenceline (budget/transmittal in progress)
16. New Project/No BU# yet (Mod 35) Facilities, 6 Diné College Campus (budget/transmittal in progress)

I. Department of Water Resources

1. Water Management (WMB)

- a. Navajo-Gallup Water Supply Project (NGWSP) coordination of preconstruction activities and agreements. (a) Design teleconferences held bi-weekly. NGWSP Project Construction Committee meeting held in January 2017. BOR-NTUA-NDWR coordination meeting held in February 2017. Construction of Reach 24.1/25 is complete with final inspection in March 2017. Design of JAN Stub complete. Design of Reach 26.1 and 26.2 90 percent complete. Design of Reach 26.3 complete. Sole source construction for Reaches JAN Stub, 26.1, 26.2 and 26.3 approved by Navajo Nation in February 2017.
- b. Navajo-Gallup Water Supply Project Preliminary Engineering Reports (PERs) (a) Souder-Miller & Associates continuing work on first set of PERs. Modification 1 added additional PERs for several communities. Work is funded by USBOR and being completed through contractual services for professional engineering firm Souder-Miller and Associates. Internal staff administer engineering contract. (b) Initial contract with Souder-Miller & Associates approved in July 2016. Souder Miller Contract amendment to include additional PERs in 164 Review Process.
- c. Continue to implement preconstruction activities with Souder-Miller & Associates for Reaches 24.1, 25 and 26 of the Cutter Lateral portion of the Navajo-Gallup Water Supply Project. (a) Construction meetings held monthly basis. Right of way documents for Reaches 26.1, 26.2 and 26.3 continue to move through 164 Review Process since January 2015 and awaiting approval of MOAs with NTUA. Reach 24.1 JAN design work is proceeding and being review by Reclamation. Memorandum of Agreements (MOAs) for Reaches 24.1/25, 26.1/26.2 and 26.3 with Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA) at NTUA for signature since Spring 2015. MOAs needed for Right-of-Way prior to submittal to NN OP/VP and NN Council. New USDOJ regulations that required bonding for right-of-way was addressed by a request from Navajo Nation to BIA. (b) Reaches 24 and 25 out for bid in July 2014. Navajo Engineering Construction Authority (NECA) selected as contractor in September 2014. Notice to proceed issued on January 5, 2015. Construction complete for Reaches 24.1 and 25 by NECA. Letters granting permission for Water Management Branch to submit applications for right-of-way signed by President Begaye for specific NGWSP Reaches. Reach 26.3 right of way approved by Navajo Nation in January 2017 and will be sent to BIA NRO in March 2017.
- d. Water Monitoring & Inventory Program. (a) Continue to conduct snow surveys, stream gaging, precipitation readings from water monitoring network as part of tasks outlined in BIA 93-638 Annual Funding Agreement. Field crew schedules surveys on a monthly basis. (b) Monthly snow measurements, stream gage readings and precipitation readings acquired, processed and reported. Submitted FY2017 Successor Annual Funding Agreement to BIA. Annual Report submitted to BIA NRO in March 2017.

- e. Continue to work on BIA Navajo Region non-reoccurring funded tasks. (a) Quarterly meeting held March 13, 2017. Modification for additional funds for task received in August 2016 and budget implemented in September 2016. Agreement from January 2010 through December 2014 extended to December 2016 to complete tasks funded in summer of 2014. New five-year Agreement began on January 2015 and will end on December 2019. (b) Processed Modification 13 for initial TPA funds for FY2017.
- f. New Mexico Tribal Infrastructure Funds (NMTIF) projects. (a) Continue to act as Lead Agent for White Rock planning project, Ramah design project, Ramah construction project, Counselor-Lybrook planning project, Beacon-Bisti planning project, Shiprock irrigation fencing construction project, Tohajiilee waterline planning project, Shiprock Wastewater Treatment Plant planning project, Gallup Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant planning project and others. Coordinating with Capital Improvements Office on project coordination and implementation. Close out of completed projects is ongoing in coordination with New Mexico Indian Affairs Department. Quarterly Reconciliation meeting held in November 2016. (b) Continue to progress on other planning, design and construction projects. Ongoing weekly meetings and payments to contractors. Quarterly Reconciliation meeting held in January 2016. Selected construction contractor for Ramah Mountain View Waterline Project and received Notice of Obligation from NMIAD in February 2017.
- g. Continue to work on \$8.6 million supplemental appropriation. (a) FY 2014 \$5.7 million carryover put into account on April 21, 2014. Continue implementing contracts for Tuba City Regional Water Plan, Shonto to Black Mesa Regional Water Plan, Many Farms to Nazlini Water Plan, Sweetwater to Tsailie Water Plan, Coyote Canyon Regional Water Plan, and Southwest Navajo, Utah Cost Firming Studies, Southwest Navajo Water Studies, Paiute Mesa PER, Teec Nos Pos/Red Mesa PER, and Shonto PER. Monthly teleconferences or meetings ongoing and payments to contractors processed. (b) Completed several contract amendments to spend almost all remaining funds. Reimbursement to Chilchinbeto Chapter in processed for regional water plan completed in September 2015. Payment for emergency rehabilitation of Tohajiilee Well #5 completed in July 2015. Change Orders for Tuba City Regional Water Plan and Southwest Studies executed in November 2015. Some additional work is ongoing using additional funding sources. Final distribution of Tuba City Regional and Sweetwater to Tsailie/Wheatfields distributed to chapters in February 2017.
- h. Navajo Generating Station – Kayenta Mine Complex Environmental Impact Statement (NGS-KMC EIS). (a) Staff continue to assist water technical working group. Water Resource Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting/teleconference held on July 23, 2014 and September 3, 2014, December 10, 2014. EIS Cooperators meeting held on October 29, 2014. Water Resources Subgroup meeting on February 4, 2015 in Phoenix. Workshop held for Navajo Nation programs on July 20, 2015. (b) NGS EIS draft for cooperating agencies released on May 27, 2016. Met with USBOR on May 27, 2016. Submitted comments by end of June 2016 and updated comments through NDWR in early December 2016. NGS owners decided to close NGS by December 2019 and EIS may never be finalized for Record of Decision to continue operations beyond 2019.
- i. Glen Canyon Dam Operations Long-Term Experimental Management Plan EIS (LTEMP EIS). (a) Staff providing technical assistance to EIS. Navajo Nation signed cooperating agency agreement in June 2014. LTEMP call held on August 12, 2014, November 19, 2014, January 12, 2015 January 23, 2015 and April 29, 2015. Draft of Chapters 1 and 2 issued on December 17, 2014 and comments were due on January 23, 2015. Water subgroup meeting held February 4, 2015. Chapter 3 issued April 15, 2015 for comment by May 15, 2015 but comments extended to June 22, 2015. Additional comments due in September 2015. (b) LTEMP EIS released for public comment. Assisting in submitting

formal request for extension of comment period. USBOR/NPS extended comment period 3-days to May 9, 2016. Coordination compilation of comments and submitted prior to deadline. EIS finalized in December 2016.

- j. 93-638 Groundwater Conjunctive Use Wells Projects: (a) Business unit number was assigned in December 2013. Monthly teleconferences and meetings held with consultant AMEC, NTUA and Navajo Area Indian Health Service (NAIHS) in to update Conjunctive Groundwater Use Development Plan and agreements for construction. Updated tribal resolution approved by Resources & Development Committee and Naabikiyati Committee in May 2014. Submitted Navajo Nation letter of support to BIA-NRO for BIA-NRO/Navajo Area IHS Interagency Agreement on March 17, 2015. BIA concurred on updated Project Priority Listing in May 2015. Second revised Project Priority Listing finalize and transmitted to BIA-NRO on August 27, 2015. BIA concurred on August 2015 version of updated Project Priority Listing in October 2016. Project Priority Listing is undergoing updates. (b) MOA with NTUA for AMI meters executed in January 2016. Transmitted Revised Scope of Work and Budgets to BIA in January 2017 for Cortez Tank. Navajo Nation letter to request direct funding to NTUA for Cortez tank sent in March 2017. Modification 3 consisting of funding for three projects for a total of \$640,000 received from BIA in August 2016 and processed contracts amendment through 164 Review in October 2016.
- k. Continue to participate on Southwest Navajo Regional Water Supply Study Appraisal Study. (a) Updated USBOR appraisal report sent in February. \$500,000 of Navajo Nation Supplemental Funds was made available to put toward work in the Study area. A scope of work was developed for \$500,000 in January and February 2014. Request for Proposal (RFP) issued in April 2014. Brown & Caldwell selected as contractor and initial contract executed for \$536,000. Processed contract in August 2014. Kick off meeting held on October 13, 2014. Technical Advisory Group (TAG) meetings held on a monthly basis. (b) Amendment made in November 2015 to extend the project to December 2015. Additional no-cost processed in April 2016 to extend contract to December 2016. Letter send to USBOR Commissioner and Senator John McCain requesting feasibility authority for project in May 2016. Addition discussion with Navajo Nation Washington Office and USBOR occurred in December 2016. MOA with NAIHS executed in February 2017 for \$1.5 million utilizing Navajo Nation Sihasin funds.
- l. Continue to participate in Colorado River Basin Study discussions with USBOR. (a) Initial study released on December 12, 2012. Scope of work finalized for additional studies. Navajo Nation decided to accept \$10,000 from Reclamation to assist with Tribal Water Study through December 2015. Work began in May 2015 on data compilation. Draft of funding application sent to USBOR in June 2014. Application signed by President Shelly in August 2014. Agreement arrived on February 20, 2015 and submitted into 164 Review Process in March 2015. Technical meetings held on occasion with USBOR. Agreement of \$10,000 of funding from USBOR signed in July 2015. (c) Water Management Branch continuing to update data template. Survey form on water development distributed to Navajo Nation Council member in early February 2016. Almost all of \$10,000 spent by March 2016. Additional Tribal Water Study subgroups meetings to work toward completion of Tribal Water Study by January 2017 including the Opportunities and Challenges subgroup. Updated final draft of the Navajo Nation water use and demand projection.
- m. Continue to work with US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) on floodplain delineation in designated areas. (a) USACE contractor placed survey locations in Birdsprings/Leupp and other areas that began in September 2015. Assisted in coordinating USACE leadership visits and meetings with the Navajo Nation in October/November 2015. Floodplain delineation ongoing in various locations. (b) USACE provided draft reports

and maps for select area in July 2016. Additional meeting with select chapters completed in September 2016. Navajo Nation letter sent to USACE for assistance with flooding in Crownpoint sent in March 2017. Additional priority study areas discussed in December 2016 with follow up scheduled for April 2017 with Resources and Development Committee and other Divisions.

- n. Continue to work with USACE on potential Section 203 of Water Resource Development Act preliminary watershed investigations in Arizona. (a) Draft agreement for watershed investigation provided on August 2015 for review/comment. USACE conducted three meetings/site visits at Leupp, Chinle and Crownpoint on the Navajo Nation to explain USACE authorities in August 2015. Draft agreement provided to NTUA in November 2015 to consider going into agreement with USACE in place of Navajo Nation due to waiver of sovereign immunity language. NTUA rejected working on watershed agreement. Navajo Nation in discussion with USACE to address language concern in May and June 2016. Those discussions are ongoing. WMB plans to re-scope existing floodplain funds for cost sharing Section 203 project in August 2016 contingent upon successful resolution of the language issues with USACE agreements. (b) Agreements awaiting resolution of deletion of waiver of sovereignty language by USACE. An updated agreement was sent to Navajo Nation in November 2016 but another revised agreement will be sent in March or April 2017 for review. An updated scope of work for the initial agreement(s) will be discussed in coordination with Division of Natural Resources and other Departments to align activities with USDA \$4.8 million funding.
- o. Continue to assist the Navajo Nation Water Rights Commission. (a) Monthly commission meetings held to discuss basin updates, schedule public meeting and discuss other water rights related issues. Workshop was proposed by B&F in September or October 2015. NNWRC went to 7 chapters to obtain supporting resolution for Utah Water Rights Settlement in September, October and November 2015. (b) Proposed San Juan River Basin of Utah Water Rights Settlement Agreement approved by Navajo Nation Council in January 2016. Support letter issued by President Begaye for Utah Settlement. Continue to attend Little Colorado River negotiation with Hopi Tribe in July 2016 and internal meeting in August and September 2016 including an LCR tour in August 2016. Navajo Nation Council and Office of President established a new negotiation team in November 2016. Discussions may resume in February 2017 and March 2017 with Hopi Tribe.
- p. New water related agreement for energy related tasks from USBOR finalized in September 2015. (a) Energy task being administered by Division of Natural Resources. NNDWR-WMB providing technical assistance. Meetings with Navajo Nation programs held in November 2015. Next meeting was rescheduled from December 2015 to January 2016. (b) Strategic planning meetings held in January, March, May, June and November 2016. Contractor ICF selected in March 2017 and will assist Navajo Nation with NGS decommissioning related activities.
- q. Animas LaPlata (ALP) Operation, Maintenance and Replacement Association. (a) Continue to participate in Animas LaPlata (ALP) Operation, Maintenance and Replacement Association meetings as a Board Member. NTUA and Navajo DOJ are alternate board members. (b) FY2017 payment of more than \$40,000 paid by NTUA. Settlement of project's water rights approved by ALP OMR Association in November 2015. Draft EIS for Lake Nighthorse Recreation available for comment by ALP OMR Association in January 2016. Continue to participate in monthly ALP OMR Association meetings.
- r. Continue to participate in Navajo Nation Municipal Pipeline (NNMP) operation and title transfer agreement meetings. (a) Last meeting held June 25, 2013. There are delays due to slope failure and broken section of pipe at Upper Fruitland, NM. Discussed funding options for pipeline break in April 2015. Reclamation proposed conceptual plan to place

pipeline on higher terrace south of current location and include a pump station proposed in August 2015. (b) Reclamation issued a change order to NECA for the construction of the new alignment and construction should be completed in 2017. Deferment MOU amended signed by Navajo Nation in September 2016.

- s. Continue to participate in North Central Arizona Water Supply Project (NCAZWSP) feasibility study (a) Monthly meetings held in Flagstaff. Feasibility Authority under Rural Water Act of 2006 will expire in September 2016. (b) Provided comments for Red Gap Ranch – Navajo Nation C-aquifer pumping model during presentations. Final presentation by Southwest Ground-Water Consultants provided in December 2015. Concurrence of USBOR test pits by Navajo Nation Historic Preservation Department issued in March 2016 for corridor just west of Moenkopi. Attended southwest Navajo and Hopi Tribe tour on September 30, 2016. BOR report finalized in February 2017 to document that 30 percent of feasibility work was completed.
- t. Continue to assist Navajo Nation Trustees for Natural Resources Damages Assessments for Fort Wingate. Congressional legislation and Navajo Nation legislation ready for approval. Call held on June 13, 2014 regarding proposed settlement that has not been signed by United States Department of Interior (USDOI). Project is slowly progressing.
- u. Continue to assist Navajo Nation Trustees for Natural Resources Damages Assessments for Quivera (Rio Algom) Mine & Mill. (a) MOA and tolling agreement finalized in September 2014. President Shelly signed MOA in October 2014. US Fish & Wildlife signed in December 2014. Amendment to MOA processed in April 2015. Data review is ongoing. Data update call held on September 21, 2015. Additional data provided in December 2015 for review. (b) Amended tolling agreement for Rio Algom executed in July 2016.
- v. Began discussions with USDOI Natural Resource Damages Assessment for other Navajo Nation mines on June 8, 2015. Second meeting held on July 10, 2015. Purpose of meetings was to compile initial data sets for future NRDA consideration.
- w. Provided technical assistance to DNR on Gold King Mine discharge in August 2015. Provided comments on USEPA proposed monitoring plan in September 2015. Provided updated costs incurred as a result of spill in December 2015. Navajo Nation provided additional comments in June 2016 regarding proposal to include this as part of the superfund site. USBOR report on analysis of data for Hogback Intake for water quality during and after Gold received in September 2016. Provided some technical information to law firm working with Navajo Nation on lawsuit with USEPA in November and December 2016.
- x. Sihasin Fund for water development. Meetings held on September, October, November and December 2015. Legislation approved in February 2016. Expenditure Plan approved by Budget and Finance Committee in July 2016. Submitted Project Summary and budget forms for year 1 funding of NNOMB. Accounts for Year 1 projects established. Several agreements and contract executed for Year 1 projects. Kick off meeting for Western Navajo projects held in March 2017. Accounts for Year 2 projects completed in March 2017.
- y. Red Gap Ranch Wellfield Analysis by City of Flagstaff. (a) Final presentation by Southwest Ground-Water Consultants provided in December 2015. (b) Provided comments for Red Gap Ranch – Navajo Nation C-aquifer pumping model during presentations before report was finalized in January 2016.
- z. Permanent Trust Fund for water development. Meetings held on September, October, November and December 2015. Legislation approved in May 2016. Expenditure Plan approved by Budget and Finance Committee in September 2016. Submitted Project Summary and budget forms for year 1 funding of NNOMB. Accounts for Year 1 projects

established. Several agreements and contract executed for Year 1 projects. Accounts for Year 2 projects completed in March 2017.

2. Technical Construction & Operations (TCOB)

a. General

- (1) Repaired and maintained 84 pieces of equipment used for drilling, construction, repair and maintenance purposes. Transported twenty five (25) heavy equipment, construction materials, and supplies including diesel fuel to the project sites and field offices at Ganado, Pueblo Pintado, Shiprock, Cudei, Bodaway/Gap, Chinle, Tuba City, TeecNosPos, Whitehorse, Hogback, Crownpoint, Leupp, Many Farms, Cameron, Vanderwagon, and Birdsprings chapter areas.
- (2) Inspected and repaired 511 Windmills.
- (3) Performed 117 repairs, inspections and maintenance work on irrigation water systems.

b. San Juan River Rehabilitation

Fruitland Canal Project monies were made available for use on the FY 2013 to FY 2015 Scope of Work for the Fruitland Canal Rehabilitation Project. The RFP is currently being drafted for the Fruitland Diversion Dam, Fruitland Canal Seepage Project and the Yellowman Siphon Project. The Bitsui Siphon project has been advertised since October 7, 2016. A Pre-Bid meeting for the Bitsui Siphon, was held on October 26, 2016 with 6 contractors in attendance, at the Shiprock Irrigation Office. A Pre-Bid walk was held on October 26, 2016 for the meeting attendees. A Pre-Bid meeting for the Fruitland Canal Stabilization project and the Yellowman Siphon was held on December 5, 2016 with 9 contractors in attendance, at the Shiprock Irrigation Office. A Pre-Bid walk was held on December 7, 2016 for the meeting attendees. On January 20, 2017 the remaining bids were opened by the Department of Water Resources, Purchasing Department and Business Regulatory. There were 2 remaining bids for the Fruitland Diversion Dam and the 9 remaining bids for the Rights of way LEGAL SURVEY. These were stipulated by the Business Regulatory to be opened only after priority bids were evaluated, due to recent litigation involving the NNDWR and consultants. Reviewed ROW Legal Survey reports for Fruitland Diversion Dam Project, Canal Sloughing Project and Yellowman Siphon project.

The Right-of-Way (ROW) Legal Survey project for both the Fruitland Irrigation Rehabilitation Project and the Hogback Irrigation Rehabilitation Projects have been funded with Model 108 funding. The ROW Legal Survey project has been advertised since October 7, 2016. A Pre-Bid meeting was held on October 26, 2016 with 2 contractors in attendance, at the Shiprock Irrigation Office. A Pre-Bid tour was held on October 26, 2016 for the meeting attendees, and was conducted utilizing San Juan Irrigation Rehabilitation staff. Bid closing date occurred on November 14, 2016 and the Bid Opening occurred on November 16, 2016, currently contract documents are being prepared. Contract documents for the winning bidder are currently being prepared, and the bid evaluation has been finalized.

c. NRCS

Hogback-Cudei Irrigation Rehabilitation Project submitted on September 9, 2016 was given a 30 day review letter on October 6, 2016, 28 days after initial submittal. The NNDWR is currently awaiting generation of a Standard Form 26, from the BIA-NRO. The Hogback-Cudei Subpart J project was submitted through the 164 process as 164-7360 on January 11, 2017. It was approved by the President Russell Begaye on February 26, 2017 and was signed by the BIA-NRO on February 28, 2017. The contract amount is \$5,976,041.00. Currently we are processing the NNOMB Budget forms through the FMIS system.

The Gadii'ahi' Phase IV contract has been submitted to the NRCS on September 12, 2016, a revised IDC waiver resolution was issued and transmitted to the NRCS on September 22, 2016. According to Richard Begay of the NRCS the funds were obligated to the Navajo Nation on September 12, 2016. Currently the NNDWR has drafted a sole-source memorandum and has submitted it to Veronica Blackhat of the NNDOJ, on October 12, 2016. The sole-source identifies the San Juan Dineh Water User's Incorporated as the construction contractors for the Gadii'ahi' Phase IV project, we have yet to hear from Mrs. Blackhat. Memorandum of Agreement was received by the NNDWR on January 24, 2017, submitted as 164-7441 on January 25, 2017. The Memorandum of Agreement was signed by President Russell Begaye on February 21, 2017. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) entered the budget into the FMIS this afternoon. The OMB has issued a transmittal letter. Currently, we are waiting for the controller's office to generate a contract number. We have already submitted a receiving report that will enable purchasing department to release funds in the amount of \$236,595.07 to San Juan River Dineh Water Users, Inc. for installation of 7,400 feet of irrigation pipe.

d. Wells

- (1) Completed rehabilitation of well number Big Rock Well #1 in Manuelito Chapter area.
- (2) Completed rehabilitation of well number 1T-518A in Coppermine Chapter area.
- (3) Completed rehabilitation of well number 11Y-69 in Wheatfields Chapter area.
- (4) Rehabilitation of well number 14N-106 in Mexican Springs Chapter area is in progress.
- (5) Rehabilitation of well number 11T-235 in Lukachukai Chapter area is in progress.
- (6) Pre-construction arrangements are underway to drill a new livestock water well to replace a failed well number 3T-542 in Bodaway Gap chapter area.
- (7) Completed drilling of a 950 feet deep well in Many Farms Chapter area (replacement of 10T-56 Red House well).
- (8) The rehabilitation of well number 3K-324 in Tuba City area is completed.
- (9) The rehabilitation of well number 11K-249 in Lukachukai is completed.
- (10) The rehabilitation of well number 4T-562 in Black Mesa Chapter area is completed.
- (11) The rehabilitation of well number 15R- 307 in Nageezi Chapter area is completed.
- (12) Continue to work on feasibility study to improve natural springs for livestock use in Many Farms area.
- (13) Continue to work to resolve water well issues between local ranchers, chapters and individuals regarding windmill repairs, land status, location of the wells, in order to have access to use of the wells or water.
- (14) Continue to work with Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency (NNEPA) regarding abandonment of wells not suitable for livestock use and contaminated with high level of uranium.
- (15) Completed survey for archaeological clearance and environmental assessment for a new well to replace a failed well number 3T-504 in Coalmine Canyon Chapter area.

e. Water Storage Tanks

- (1) Construction of a 24,000 gallon water storage tank at well number 3T-527 in Cameron Chapter area is in progress.
- (2) Construction, sand blasting, and painting of a 24,000 gallon water storage tank is completed at Leupp (Black Falls) area.
- (3) Completed installation of a 4,000 gallon water storage tank in Leupp at well number 5T-537.
- (4) Completed installation of a 4,000 gallon water storage tank in Vanderwagon chapter area.

- (5) Completed installation of a 4,000 gallon water storage tank in Newcomb area.
- (6) Continue to work with Western agency BIA Office to construct five (5) 24,000 water storage tanks in Bennett Freeze area. TCOB has asked BIA to obtain all necessary clearances and provide all necessary funds for personnel, supplies, materials, diesel fuel, etc. to construct these tanks.
- f. Livestock Water Line
 - (1) Pre-construction arrangements are under way to start construction of livestock waterline extension from water tank B to tank C, associated with well number 5T-529 livestock water system, in Leupp/Black Falls area.
 - (2) Construction of 6 miles of waterline extension from well number 5M-104A in Leupp Chapter area is completed.
 - (3) Working with Transwestern Pipeline Company for construction of 11 miles of livestock water line from Leupp to Birdsprings. Right of way for temporary construction easement has been approved. Preconstruction arrangements are underway by the Transwestern pipeline company.
 - (4) Continue to work with BIA, NRCS and Navajo Nation Department of Agriculture regarding completion of Red Valley livestock water line project.
 - (5) Continue to work with BIA, BOR, Northern Arizona University (NAU), University of Arizona (UA), Chapter/grazing officials and local farmers to enhance productivity and availability of water for livestock and irrigation use in Birdsprings, Leupp, Tolani Lake and Cameron Chapter area.
- g. Livestock Ponds
 - (1) Completed eight (8) livestock earthen dam in Gadii'ahi Chapter area.
 - (2) Completed three (3) livestock earthen dam in Whitehorse Lake Chapter area
 - (3) Completed two (2) livestock earthen dam in Hogback Chapter area.
 - (4) Continue to work with Kayenta officials, BIA, Peabody Mine and Western Agency BIA Roads regarding Kayenta Diversion dam and Laguna Creek Bridge. A re-design of the Kayenta Diversion dam would move the Diversion dam upstream and would make it a spur to the flow line of Laguna creek. On December 9, 2015, TCOB began surveying the spur-line using Survey Grade GPS.
- h. Irrigation
 - (1) Planning is underway on Captain Tom Irrigation Project, Navajo Nation Department of Justice (NNDOJ) is working on finalizing Special Conditions with New Mexico Environmental Department. Ecosystem Management, Inc. (EMI) was awarded contract for Environmental Assessment, which will include a Biological Evaluation and Archaeological Clearance. The contract between TCOB, NNDWR and EMI is currently going through the 164 Review process.
 - (2) Construction of the Many Farms Pipe-ARCH Culvert Project is in progress in completed.
- i. Domestic Water
 - (1) Monthly bacteriological sample for the month of January, February, and March 2017 were taken for Moenave Public Water System, the results were all negative.
- j. Other
 - (1) Reviewed 1 MOA's for IHS for water and waste water facilities to be constructed under PL 86-121 for section 164 Administrative Review.
 - (2) Reviewed 2 oil and gas well drilling lease applications for section 164 Administrative Review.
 - (3) Completed and processed 3 documents for section 164 Administrative Review.
 - (4) Continue working on (2) two proposed modular buildings on planning, design and construction of San Juan Irrigation and Many Farms Irrigation offices.

- (5) Continue to serve on Black Mesa N-Aquifer Water Rates Team to negotiate water rates for water use by Peabody Western Coal Company.
- (6) Reviewed and approved 47 Water Use and 34 Well Drilling permits

Livestock Systems	Jan	Feb	March partial	2 nd Quarter
Windmill inspected	111	89	31	231
Windmill repairs	37	57	18	112
Windmill installation (redrilled or new well)	0	0	0	0
Windmill replacement (existing well)	2	6	1	9
Installed/repaired pump jack	0	0	0	0
Solar unit inspected	2	1	1	4
Solar unit installation	0	0	1	1
Solar unit repaired	1	1	1	3
Solar unit replacement	0	0	0	0
Tank/trough/waterline inspected	21	13	4	38
Tank/trough/waterline repaired	19	20	8	47
Dug well/spring inspected	3	3	4	10
Spring/spring hand pumps repaired	1	2	2	5
Springs rehabilitated	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	22	23	6	51
TOTAL	219	215	77	511

Irrigation Systems	Jan	Feb	March partial	2 nd Quarter
Inspected diversion structures	6	6	2	14
Repair diversion structures	4	0	1	5
Maintain sump, control, panel, pump, etc.	0	0	2	2
Inspect discharge gates, spillway, etc.	0	6	2	8
Clean/repair discharge gates, spillway, etc.	0	0	1	1
Clean/repair lining, gates, siphons, etc.	17	24	7	48
Inspect/monitor/measure water flow	0	0	0	0
Patrol canal system	0	0	0	0
Clean/repair over & undershot flumes	12	5	2	19
Clean/repair field drainage ditches	4	0	2	6
Maintain canal service road	4	0	1	5
Construct new canal, gates, siphons, etc.	0	0	0	0
Transport heavy equipment	1	1	2	4
Other branches assisted	1	1	1	3
Miscellaneous services provided	1	0	1	2
TOTAL	50	43	24	117

Domestic	Jan	Feb	March partial	2 nd Quarter
Domestic system inspected	0	1	1	2
Domestic system repaired	0	2	1	3
Water Sample collected	1	1	1	3
Systems disinfected/chlorinated	0	0	1	1
Final inspection/Sanitary surveys completed	0	0	0	0
Pump tests completed	0	0	0	0
Domestic systems transferred to NTUA	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous services provided	0	0	0	0
EPA Water Hauling Program	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1	4	4	9

3. Safety of Dams (SOD)

- a. Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act Tribal Consultation Meeting, February 8, 2017: Navajo Nation Safety of Dams (NNSOD) staff participated in the WIIN Act Tribal Consultation Meeting held at the Pueblo Indian Center in Albuquerque, NM.
- b. Charley Day Spring Dam, Kin Bineola Dam and To'hajiilee Dam Project Updates Teleconference Meeting, February 2 & 16 & March 3, 2017: Navajo Nation Safety of Dams staff participated in the Project Update Meetings for Charley Day Spring Dam, Kin Bineola Dam and To'hajiilee Dam.
- c. Red Lake Dam Modifications Weekly Teleconference Meetings, February 23 & March 2 & 9, 2017: Navajo Nation Safety of Dams staff participated in the weekly teleconference meetings for Red Lake Dam Modifications. Updates and issues for construction of the dam were discussed in the meetings.
- d. Cutter Dam Emergency Action Plan Tabletop Exercise, February 14, 2017: Navajo Nation Safety of Dams staff attended and participated in the Cutter Dam Emergency Action Plan Tabletop Exercise along with other agencies such as Bureau of Indian Affairs, San Juan County Sheriff's Department, NAPI, etc.
- e. Red Lake Dam Security Review Teleconference and Site Visit, February 24 & 28, 2017: Navajo Nation Safety of Dams staff participated in the initial teleconference call for the Red Lake Dam Security Review Meeting on February 24, 2017. NNSOD staff also attended and participated in the Red Lake Dam Security Review Site Visit on February 28, 2017.
- f. Monitoring and Visual Inspections: Navajo Nation Safety of Dams staff conducted 41 dam monitoring and visual inspections on 14 dams including Asaayi, Blue Canyon, Captain Tom, Charley Day, Cutter, Ganado, Many Farms, Red Lake, Round Rock, Todacheene, To'hajilee, Tsaile, Wheatfields and Window Rock. These inspections included collecting piezometer readings, gathering weather station data and visually assessing conditions.
- g. NNSOD Dams Annual Operation and Maintenance Work performed at the following dams: Asaayi Dam (Feb. 7), Ganado Dam (Feb. 15-17), Captain Tom Dam (Feb. 24) and Charley Day Spring Dam (Mar. 8).
- h. To'hajiilee Dam, Operation and Maintenance Work, March 2, 2017: Navajo Nation Safety of Dams staff performed operation and maintenance work at To'hajiilee Dam. The hinges on the Early Warning System building were replaced.
- i. Tsaile Dam: Install the Early Warning System
- j. Many Farms Dam: Install an access barrier on the walkway to the Gatehouse
- k. Many Farms: Install physical security measures at access points of Dike A.
- l. Ganado Dam: Fabricate and install metal outlet cover
- m. To'hajiilee Dam: Install access gate and perimeter fence around the dam

- n. Red Lake Dam: Install the Early Warning System
- o. Emergency Action Plans: Update Communications Directory
- p. Early Warning System Section: Currently, the systems undergo monthly preventive maintenance checks that include exterior and interior visual inspections, systems testing and routine maintenance as needed for the following items: 1.) Equipment Hardware: 2.) Systems & Hardware 3.) Sensors and 4.) Wiring & Hardware

FY 2017 Early Warning System Routine A, B, C, & D Inspections (# per Month)														
January, February and March 2017														
	Site Name	J	F	M		Site Name	J	F	M		Site Name	J	F	M
1	Asaayi Creek Stream Gage	1	1	0	10	Many Farms Dam	1	1	0	19	Wheatfields Control	1	1	0
2	Asaayi Dam	1	1	0	11	Red Lake Dam	0	0	0	20	Window Rock Dam	1	1	0
3	Asaayi Outlet Control	1	1	0	12	Round Rock Dam	1	1	0	21	Black Pinnacle Repeater Station	0	0	0
4	Blue Canyon Dam	1	1	0	13	Todacheene Dam	1	1	0	22	Fluted Rock Repeater Station	0	0	0
5	Captain Tom Dam	1	1	0	14	Tohajilee Dam	1	1	0	23	Fort Defiance Repeater Station	0	0	0
6	Captain Tom Outlet Control	1	1	0	15	Tsaile Creek Stream Gauge	0	1	0	24	Tohnitsa Repeater Station	0	0	0
7	Charley Day Dam	1	1	0	16	Tsaile Dam	0	0	0	25	101 EWS Base Station	1	1	1
8	Cutter Dam	1	1	0	17	Wheatfields Creek Stream Gauge	0	0	0					
9	Ganado Dam	1	1	0	18	Wheatfields Dam	1	1	0					

J. Agriculture Department

1. Administration

Condition of Appropriation 19 is part of the budget signed 09.27.2016 by President Begaye. The Office of the Controller, the Division of Natural Resources and Division of Community Development shall develop procedures so that Eastern Navajo Land Board, District Grazing and Farm Board officials shall be paid directly after the Chapter and permittee meetings, provided however the Eastern Navajo Land Board, District Grazing and Farm Board officials are present for the entire duration of the meeting and they provide meeting minutes, sign-in sheets and agendas with their claims. The Officer of the Controller shall establish and implement these new procedures by the end of FY 2017 1st quarter. Responsible Entity: Office of the Controller

Agriculture currently have less than 33% of the returning officials signed up to receive a Navajo Nation email address. Unfortunately those that did sign up, are not responding to email sent with their email passwords from NNDIT. The Navajo Nation email addresses are needed to gain access to SharePoint where the elected official will post and submit their supporting documents. NNDA worked with NNDIT to set up SharePoint sites for the Farm

Board, Grazing Committee and Eastern Land Board. SharePoint training will be provided to the elected officials.

Agriculture created an aggressive plan to work with the newly elected officials by (1) attending all the inauguration scheduled and providing them with written request to fill out a Direct Deposit form and Request for Navajo Nation email form; (2) reiterate the request during a preliminary orientation on January 26, 2017; (3) have the Extension Agents take the written request for Direct Deposit and Navajo Nation email to all elected officials meeting and follow up with those with outstanding information; (4) reiterate the request during the Agriculture Summit on February 27, 28, March 1, 2017; and finally (5) addressing the COA 19 and the required information at Agriculture staff meetings and supervisors meetings.

The NNDA SharePoint site includes tutorials created with administrative basics so users can easily navigate the site productively. NNDA staff training for SharePoint was scheduled in October 2016 with a second refresher training to be scheduled. SharePoint Training for the elected officials will occur in 2017.

Tally Count and Crop Report documents were provided to NNDIT to create fillable templates for use by the elected officials. We are working with the Team to begin electronic process and submittal of elected official General Claim Form and Electronic Deposit of meeting stipends.

In addition NNDA staff including the Department Manager are to take and pass 6B Rollout training on line. To date no NNDA staff are certified to use 6B Rollout. This step is needed so NNDA staff can input information into the FMIS so the elected officials can get paid electronically.

2. Tribal and Eastern Land Management

Currently awaiting a new Arizona State Grazing Lease for the Big Boquillas Ranch.

3. Range and Farmland Management

Navajo Agriculture Elected Officials Summit was scheduled for February 27, 28, and March 1, 2017, Albuquerque Convention Center, Albuquerque, NM. The summit was successful with a majority of the elected officials in attendance. The agenda was created with the elected officials input with the goal to provide standardized training and education for the new and returning officials so they may provide quality services to the public. Staff worked to pay the officials in advance so they would have the financial means to attend the training. Negotiation with the hotel resulted in economical rates for the elected officials. Sponsorship was secured to pay for at least half of the summit. Meals and refreshments were provided every day of the three day summit.

The agriculture elected officials were issued their Standard Operating Procedure Manuals, updated individual financial information, and promotional summit materials. The cost of the Land Board's manual was \$55.74 each, they sign documentation at the orientation registration, they received their manuals and further if it is misplaced, stolen, damaged, etc. they will be personally responsible for the total cost of the manual. The DGCM SOP Manual was \$50.97 and Farm Board SOP Manual was \$35.00.

The elected officials request copies of all presentation given at the Orientation, all presentations will be posted to NNDA's Website, Elected officials have been informed. It is

NNDA's effort to communicate and receive information from email, whenever possible to reduce operational costs of copying and delivering hard copies to all 143 elected officials.

4. Veterinary Management
NNVMU Schedule has been updated and finalized after discussions with staff, Chapter and NHA. 15 sites have been finalized and documents will be forthcoming.

- K. Navajo Land Department
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- L. Navajo Nation Museum
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- M. General Land Development Department
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IV. BUDGET STATUS

Budget summaries are attached for general/non-general fund business units for DNR department/programs.

V. OPERATIONAL & PROCESS IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE STATUS

- A. Department of Resource Enforcement
January 2017:
1. Communication continues to hamper the department's efficiency, there is poor or non-existent radio communication in the Western District and telephone and radio problems continue to aggravate our dispatch center.
 2. FY'2017 Budget and Unmet Needs Budget has improved, department can now address some of the departments critical issues; although the overall needs still exceed the current budget.
 3. The new FY'2017 ranger patrol units have been sitting in the Navajo Nation Fleet Management lot needing to be picked up.
 4. The field rangers have not received the new replacement vehicles, this process will take time, but once they are issued the department should not have vehicle problems or shortages as experienced for the last two years.
 5. The Western District Rangers are needing new uniforms and duty equipment to improve the image of the rangers so that they can have a more professional appearance.
- February 2017:
1. NDRE is needing to get Code-3 warning lights, siren and two-way radio installed in the new patrol vehicles so field rangers can respond to incoming calls for service.
 2. Some new ranger units are gradually getting Code-3 warning lights, siren and mobile two-way radios installed, but the overall process with Gallup's Electronic Center is taking too long.
 3. Ranger uniforms, duty equipment and patrol vehicles are in need of being replaced. The majority of field equipment is worn and far outdated. The department needs to address this issue.
 4. NDRE prepared for the retirement of Chief Leonard G. Butler on Friday, February 24, 2017.
 5. NDRE will have all rangers attend a Navajo Nation Fleet Management training on the proper operation, care and maintenance of the new Diesel Ranger units.

March 2017:

1. Some of the ranger mobile radios on the new ranger patrol units are not programmed correctly and have to be taken to Navajo Nation Utilities and Communications to be reprogrammed which needs to be corrected.
2. The Executive Director of the Division of Natural Resources has started series of meetings to address some issues and concerns with the overall law enforcement programs under Natural Resources.
3. The Navajo Nation Communications and Utilities and other local two-way radio companies need to better collaborate to better serve the needs and safety of the law enforcement officers here on the Navajo Nation.
4. The various law enforcement agencies two-way radio dispatcher here on the Navajo Nation need greatly improve in the area of customer service and to work together in a more professional manner for the safety of all our officers and the communities that we all serve.
5. The Navajo Nation needs to seriously consider funding the CODY Computer Aided Dispatching and Records Management Systems for all law enforcement, judicial related departments and programs. Currently many Navajo Nation Departments need the use of this system, but cannot afford reoccurring annual costs.

B. Parks and Recreation Department

1. General Management Plan - continue work with respective shareholders on the GMP for western area parks, next meeting will address GMP, Cultural Mapping and Culturally Appropriate Tourism Management. Funds will be requested through the 164 to complete the cultural mapping project
2. Each park location are addressing landscaping and signage issues within their respective areas. This will require additional feedback to be uniform within each location
3. Trash and enforcement are big issues within each park. A long term solution will need to be instituted to get these problems under control.

C. Heritage and Historic Preservation Department

1. Created seven (7) new positions: The Department of Personnel Management completed classification of seven new positions for NNHPD, these positions are Assistant Department Manager, Supervisory Archaeologist, Senior Archaeologist, Geographic Information System Technician, and three Senior Archaeological Technicians. Job Vacancy Announcements are being compiled for submission to DPM for advertisement. These jobs will employ seven Navajos.
2. Request for training on Purchase Card; will waiting to be scheduled.
3. NNHHPD is still reorganizing the Window Rock office to maximize efficiency; work units have been reassigned to different locations; contractor's research stations (maps/computers) have been moved to the front office to secure archival records. Staff are currently assessing/organizing each project file folder in CRCS section, information will be updated in our Excel database making it easier to for researchers to do records checks, and to make informed decisions on records management.
4. NNHHPD Shiprock office is looking for alternative office space in Shiprock Agency at BIA facilities. Seven staff members share an office space that is about 500 square feet. We are in the process of comparing rent costs in Shiprock, Fruitland and Farmington. If we cannot move to an alternative building, we will have to request an extension of MOA between Navajo Nation and Dine College. We will negotiate rent in 2017-2018. The office is currently in Room 109 (500 sq ft). We are out of space, and need a larger office. In the 3rd Quarter, we will request a meeting with Dine College to negotiate for a larger space in mid-March with our new Department Manager.

5. NNNHPD's application for 2017 General Archaeological Investigation Permit for New Mexico State Land was approved by the Cultural Properties Review Committee on February 8, 2017.

D. Agriculture Department

1. Administration

a. New Website and SharePoint Site

- (1) Shell website is created however need input from staff for each of the program website.
- (2) Requested pictures but only received a few from Tribal Ranches. Input is not received so will move forward without input.
- (3) SharePoint site is establish and training was provided. Need to continue encouraging staff to use the site

2. Ranch and Eastern Land Management

a. Corrective Action Plan (CAP)

NNTRP is continuously implementing the recommendation of the Auditor General Corrective Action Plan No.16-15. Follow up Audit was performed in November-December 2015 and final report received on March 16, 2016. We have completed 11 of 42 corrective action items. There were suggestions and remarks from NN Auditor General's office that we can work on the items that we have total control of and the other corrective items are political and/or need oversight approval and direction. The final report has been done and reported to the Resources and Development committee and we were recommended to be sanctioned till all the corrective actions were implemented. Also a report presented to Office of Management and Budget and they have voted in favor to have the Ranch program sanctioned. However, the Director of Natural Resources Bidtah Becker was the only one that was actioned. From this point we have had numerous meetings with the Director to implement and plan for the corrective measures to be implemented. The Ranch program has met with the NN Water Resources Department and we are planning on how to collaborate and get majority of the windmill corrective measures under control and implemented. Many of the well data are needed and to monitor the cost associated to repair and maintain these infrastructures. Files for each windmill are currently completed and we are monitoring the status of these windmill repairs and maintenance.

Monitoring of all functions of the program was also a finding. Therefore, a software program has been developed my Tribal-D company and we have been performing data entry to the software to be completely functional. At that point we will be able to pull information on all aspects of the program. One big finding that this will help in will be the policy and procedures of the program. This is a work in progress and we should have all date entered in a few more weeks. All this will be reported to the Auditor General and the Director for compliance updates.

3. Range and Farmland Management

All staff are expected to provide quality services to customers including agriculture elected officials. As such Extension Agents are to attend all agricultural official meetings.

The Shiprock Extension Agent provides assistance through office visits and phone calls concerning the following: Probate/Quiet Title procedures; DGC/FB Minutes for Transfers; Tally Count Requests within Vacant Chapter DGCM; Conservation Plan assistance; Tribal Ranch assignment procedures; New HSL procedures; Complaint submission process; Status on Complaint Cases and safety/current analysis of the San Juan River for irrigation use.

Provided technical assistance and administrative services in total of one hundred and four (104) grazing and thirty (30) farm board members within this quarter. Services were provided in reviews of Court Orders, Resolutions, Permit Transfers and Permittees Complaints to provide recommendations and guidance. In addition, the newly elected officials required constant assistance in claim form develops, conducting monthly permittee meetings and submitting required documents/forms for NNDA records/processing. Forty (40) non-permit holders were provided services in the following: Probate/Quiet Title information/process; How to obtain a permit; Permit Transfer procedures/requirements; Complaint filing/procedures; Court Orders on Permit Assignment process and provided information on EO Summit Workshop. Assisted ten (10) veterinary clients service information this quarter.

E. Navajo Land Department

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ADDENDUM

A. Fish and Wildlife Department

DFWL Revenues Generated

REVENUE SOURCE	JANUARY REVENUE	FEBRUARY REVENUE	MARCH REVENUE	2 ND QUARTER REVENUE	FY-2017 TOTAL REVENUE
Big Game	\$2,701.00	\$82,790.50	\$2,100.00	\$87,591.50	\$92,246.50
Small Game/Fishing	\$10,220.25	\$9,393.00	\$246.00	\$19,859.25	\$32,622.60
Boating	\$00.00	\$90.00	\$00.00	\$90.00	\$363.00
Other Revenue	\$315.00	\$1,425.00	\$150.00	\$1,890.00	\$2,155.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$13,236.25	\$93,698.50	\$2,496.00	\$109,430.75	\$127,387.10
Big Game Refund	(\$00.00)	(\$00.00)	(\$00.00)	(\$00.00)	(\$00.00)
TOTAL REVENUE GENERATED	\$13,236.25	\$93,698.50	\$2,496.00	\$109,430.75	\$127,387.10

Natural Heritage Program Revenue Report

REVENUE SOURCE	JAN REVENUE	FEB REVENUE	MAR REVENUE	2 ND QUARTER REVENUE	TOTAL REVENUE
Homesites	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$7,249.00	\$7,249.00	\$10,316.00
Projects	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$760.00	\$760.00	\$1,465.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$8,009.00	\$8,009.00	\$11,781.00

Navajo Nation Zoo Revenue Report

	YEAR TO DATE (\$)	JAN	FEB	MAR	2 nd QUARTER REVENUE
Donations	\$1,376.53	\$166.13	\$229.19	\$20.00	\$415.32
In-Kind Donations	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$00.00
Adoptions	\$1,800.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$00.00	\$1,200.00
Merchandise	\$493.00	\$82.00	\$27.50	\$60.00	\$169.50
Sponsorships	\$2,800.00	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$00.00
TOTAL	\$6,469.53	\$848.13	\$856.69	\$80.00	\$1,784.82

Program Performance Report

Administration Section Service Delivery

Key Performance Indicators	FY-2017 Projection	JAN	FEB	MAR	2 ND QTR	YTD
Number of visitors contacted	800	57	62	89	208	791
Number of Navajo Nation projects assisted by ADM staff	04	1	02	01	04	04
Number of dispatcher log numbers issued	2,000	506	303	51	860	1,793
Number of Dispatcher technical assistance provided	500	33	30	05	68	130
Number of financial expenditure reports completed	12	01	01	01	03	06
Number of duplicate BGH permits issued	10	00	00	00	00	03
Number of Guide Permits issued	20	00	00	00	00	00
Number of BGH permits issued	2,000	00	00	369	369	456
Number of Commercial Trapping permits issued	15	00	00	00	00	00
Number of Fishing/Small Game Permits issued	5,000	618	390	10	1,018	1,802
Number of Watercraft Permits issued	200	03	05	00	08	24

Number of eagle feathers distributed	10	02	01	06	09	16
Number of public education presentations completed by ADM	02	01	01	00	02	03
Number of major public education events sponsored/co-sponsor	02	00	00	00	00	00

Animal Control Program Service Delivery

KPI	PROJECTED FY-2017	January 2017	February 2017	March 2017	Year to Date
Animals Impounded/Disposed	6000	732	572	1,097	3,661
Community Enforcement Projects	45	1	9	11	27
Nuisance Patrols at Rec/Bus Areas	40	21	2	1	24
Animal Bite Cases Investigated	325	16	21	39	101
Livestock Damage Cases Investigated	200	30	6	12	63
Animal Control Citations Issued	500	12	3	20	59
AC Violations/Cases Prosecuted	300	8	35	72	137
Animals Adopted	500	1	27	91	400
Animal Licenses Sold	1000	65	283	132	677
Rabies Vaccinations	1000	62	160	68	345
Rabies Clinics	35	3	3	13	23
Presentations	40	9	7		27
Public Education Contacts	5000	637	908	2,448	4,067
Unwanted Drop Off Days Hosted	30	7	1	7	16
Technical Assistance to FWL	40	1	0	13	14
Technical Assistance to Public	500	1,109	1,195	3,419	5,922

Management/Research Service Delivery

San Juan River Native Fisheries Management

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
Fish Ladder # Fish Processed	12,000	00	00	00	332
Fish Ladder Non-Natives Processed	800	00	00	00	02
Fish Ladder Endangered Species Processed	40 CPM 35 RBS	00	00	00	00 CPM 16 RBS
NAPI Grow-Out Ponds Managed	02	00	00	00	02
NAPI Pond Sample Counts	12	00	00	00	02
NAPI Pond Water Quality Samples	900	00	00	00	60
Non-native fish removal trips on SJR	03	00	00	00	00
Native fish monitoring trips on SJR	02	00	00	00	00
Collaborative Research Projects on San Juan River	03	01	00	00	03
Razorback Suckers Stocked into SJR	4,000	00	00	00	2,654

Sport Fisheries Management

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
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Lake Surveys	03	00	00	01	01
Stream Surveys	06	00	00	00	01
Hatchery Fish					
Fry	70,000	69,494	68,255	68,255	68,255
Fingerlings	50,000	38,203	38,203	38,203	38,203
5+					
Hatchery Fish Stocked	38,000	00	00	00	16,237
USFWS Fish Stocked	60,000	00	00	00	19,000
Hatchery Water Quality Samples	1,000	126	168	120	615
Spring Box Maintenance	02	01	00	00	02
Creel Surveys Entered Into Database	500	09	22	00	70
Fishing Lake Water Quality Samples	70	03	05	00	42
Fish Hatchery Sample Counts	20	05	01	00	10

Recreation Management

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
Trash Removed from Fishing Lakes	25,000 Pounds	920	670	670	6,460
Commode Pumps	08	00	00	00	00
Commode Maintenance	150	08	08	00	44
Lake-User Surveys	50	09	25	00	68
Creel Surveys	250	00	00	00	31
Replace picnic tables WFL	05	02	01	00	03
Signs Installed	04	03	13	00	18

Game and Resource Management

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
Big Game Harvest Reports	150	10	00	00	116
Game Species Monitored	06	03	00	00	04
Habitat Enhancement Projects Monitored	05	00	00	00	01
Habitat Enhancement Projects	02	00	00	00	00
Hunting Proclamations Published	05	01	00	03	04
CWD Samples	70	05	00	00	63
# Species Teeth 2 lab	05	00	00	00	00
Sportsmen's Expo Hosted	01	00	00	01	01
Number of Wildlife Rescue Calls responses	05	00	00	00	00
Number of Carcasses disposed	10	00	00	00	00

Personnel Management

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
Staff Training	1 Per Staff	03	00	00	03

Customer Service

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
Federal Contracts Renewed	02	00	00	00	01
Website Updates	40	03	01	00	16

Public Education

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
Public Service Announcement Made	05	00	00	00	00
Public Presentations	10	01	12	00	14
Fish Hatchery Tours	03	01	00	00	01
Annual Youth Hunt	01	00	00	00	00
Schools in Native Fish In Class	02	01	02	00	03

Infrastructure

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
# Fish Hatchery Renovations	01	00	00	00	00
Warehouse Maintenance	52	00	00	00	00

Wildlife Damage

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
Wildlife Damage Investigations	180	08	03	06	43
Confirmed Wildlife Damage Value	\$20,000	\$855	\$400	\$895	\$3,435
Unconfirmed Wildlife Damage Value	\$20,000	\$4,235	\$500	\$985	\$11,835
Wildlife Damage Technical Assistance	300	22	05	35	143
After-hour Damage Projects	04	00	00	00	00
Traps Set	250	16	10	22	78
Snares Set	70	04	02	05	18

Predators/Varmints Taken

KPI	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Year to Date
Bears	02	00	00	00	00
Bobcat	01	00	00	00	00
Coyote	230	09	09	03	62
Dog	300	06	06	17	72
Lion	01	00	00	00	00
Prairie Dogs	2,500	00	00	00	00
Other	03	00	00	00	01

Natural Heritage Program Service Delivery

Focus Area	Key Performance Indicators	FY 2017 Projections	JAN	FEB	MAR	2 ND QTR	YTD
T&E Species Research	Number of Hours Monitoring and Inventorying	500	00	51	64	115	270
	Number of Reports/Publications completed	02	00	00	00	00	00
	Number of responses to Federal Species listings	02	00	00	00	00	00
Technical Information & Education/Compliance	Number of Public Presentations completed	03	00	01	00	01	01
	Number of Endangered Species Workshops conducted	03	01	00	00	01	01
	Number of Data Requests completed	300	00	00	00	00	00
	Number of On-Reservation Consultations completed	300	06	05	04	15	22
	Number of Off-Reservation Consultations completed	100	01	00	00	01	03
	Number of Homesites Compliance issued	300	20	06	00	26	26
	Number of Project Reviews	300	00	00	00	00	00
	Number of On-Site Visits completed	15	00	00	01	01	01
	Social Media	156	00	00	00	00	00
	Herbarium Curator and Maintenance Hours	100	11	04	00	15	91
Infrastructure	Website, Updates, Redesign and Repair Hours	350	00	00	00	00	00
	BIOTICS Database, Upkeep, Data Prep, Data Entry and Modification Hours	400	00	00	00	00	00

	Network Analysis, Maintenance, Troubleshooting and Repair Hours	200	00	00	00	00	00
	Computer User Technical Assistance & Help Desk Hours	200	00	00	00	00	00
	Plant Monitoring Database Creation & Data Entry Hrs	45	92	12	00	104	104
Administration	Professional Staff Development Trainings completed	05	00	01	00	01	01
	Number of Financial & Fiscal Monitoring	12	01	02	02	05	11
	Number of Monthly/Quarterly/Annual	12	00	00	01	01	02
	Completion of Staff Performance Reviews	05	00	00	00	00	06

Wildlife Law Enforcement Program Service Delivery

	Projected	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	2 nd Quarter	Total
Hunter/Fisherman Contacts	4000	367	219	85	671	1,045
Critical Wildlife Habitat Patrols	100	01	02	01	04	12
Decoy Operations	6	00	00	00	00	0
BGH Patrols	150	31	37	31	99	259
BGH Check Points	20	05	06	01	12	12
Wildlife Violations/Citations	100	08	10	03	21	26
Creel Surveys	250	06	11	01	18	25
Wildlife Data Sheets	200	01	01	00	02	02
Hunter Education Classes	8	00	00	01	01	01
Education/Outreach	5	04	05	01	10	10
Predation Complaints	As Requested	34	38	00	72	74

Navajo Nation Zoological and Botanical Park Service Delivery

	KPI	OBJECTIVES	PROJ.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	YTD
Quality Animal Care	1	Animal Care Report	52	05	04	04	26
	2	Animal Enrichment	1040	59	141	20	670
	3	Veterinary Assistance	12	01	01	01	07
	4	Enclosure Alterations	12	02	02	01	08
Zoo Education	5	Host 2 Events	02	01	00	00	02
	6	School Groups	60	02	00	00	11
	7	Self-Tour/Guided Tour	50/25	02/00	00/00	00/00	11/00
Comm-unity	8	Work Force	20	00	00	00	03
	9	Community Service	10	01	03	00	11
Custo-mer Service	10	Satisfaction Rating	50%	95.2%	100.0%	94.5%	94.4%
	11	Traditional Access	As reported	226	199	23	896

Fund Generation	12	Animal Adoptions	35	04	04	00	12
	13	Donations	\$1050	\$166.13	\$229.19	\$20.00	\$1,376.53
	14	Project Sponsorships	\$8,000	\$00	\$00	\$00	\$2,800.00
	15	Other Revenues	As reported	\$00	\$00	\$50.00	\$550

B. Agriculture Department

Education Outreach and Provide Direct Service

Date (2017)	Location			Event	No.
	Chapter	Agency	Other		
12/14			NNRE (WR)	FAD, Disease & Quarantine Training	26
12/21			WR	NNVP Staff Meeting	14
1/9-10			DNR (WR)	Quarterly Supervisors meeting	74
2/14			Tribal Phoenix	RMSF Tribal Stakeholders Meeting	125
2/16	Greasewood			Livestock Vaccinations	40
3/1			Abq	DGCM Orientation Meeting - Livestock Vaccines/Disease Investigations	70

Receive Training/Education

Date (2017)	Location			Event	Training Received
	Chapter	Agency	Other		
3/6-10			Las Vegas	WVC_ Veterinary Conference	CE

Service Delivery

Tse Bonito Clinic

Objective	January	February	March	2nd Quarter
1- Revenue Generation- Cash	\$6,504.65	\$5,645.94	\$3,601.16	\$15,751.75
Payroll	\$6,344.20	\$3,847.16	\$1,952.90	\$12,144.26
Total	\$12,848.85	\$9,493.10	\$5,554.06	\$27,896.01
2- Disease Regulatory	21	13	15	39
3- Investigations	1	3	3	7
4- Extension Education	2	2	2	6
5- Spay/ Neuter/ Vaccination clinics	4	7	3	14
6-Chapter/ Community Veterinary Service	1	3	3	7
8- Clients Seen	240	204	113	557
7- Animal seen	234	213	111	558

Regulatory Breakdown

Regulatory

	January	February	March	Total
EIA testing (Coggins)	8	6	8	22
Health Certificates	4	3	3	10
Brucellosis testing				0
Tuberculosis Testing				0

Trichomoniasis testing	3			3
Disease Investigation	1	3	3	7
Other- (FADD)				0
Other- (Rabies suspect)				0
Other- (CWD testing)				0
Public health investigation/Consultation		0		0
Scrapie activities				0
Federal/ State / International consultation				0
Free Stallion Castrations	2	1	1	4
Free Mare Birth Control	2			2
Total	21	13	15	49

Clinic Statistics

Cash/Payroll Revenue Generation

	January	February	March	Total
1. Equine	\$610.00	\$295.00	\$242.00	\$1,147.00
2. Canine	\$4,500.90	\$3,742.60	\$2,713.42	\$10,956.92
3. Feline	\$359.50	\$465.00	\$506.74	\$1,331.24
4. Bovine	\$484.50	\$85.00	\$0.00	\$569.50
5. Ovine/Caprine	\$97.50	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$132.50
6. Other/Avian	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
7. Dispensed Drugs	\$105.25	\$250.84	\$84.00	\$440.09
8. Accounts Receivable/Other	\$347.00	\$772.50	\$55.00	\$1,174.50
Cash Totals	\$6,504.65	\$5,645.94	\$3,601.16	\$15,751.75
PRD Totals	\$6,344.20	\$3,847.16	\$1,952.90	\$12,144.26
Totals	\$12,848.85	\$9,493.10	\$5,554.06	\$27,896.01

1. Clients Seen

	January	February	March	Total
1. Equine	9	3	5	17
2. Canine	169	133	75	377
3. Feline	22	30	14	66
4. Bovine	3	3	1	7
5. Ovine/Caprine	3	1	0	4
6. Other, Avian	0	0	0	0
7. Dispensed Drugs	12	12	5	29
8. Accounts Receivable/Other	22	22	13	57
Totals	240	204	113	557

2. Animal Seen

	January	February	March	Total
1. Equine	8	5	9	22
2. Canine	190	167	83	440

3. Feline	23	33	14	70
4. Bovine	6	3	1	10
5. Ov/Cap	3	1	0	4
6. Avian	0	0	0	0
7. Other	4	4	4	12
Total	234	213	111	558