Committee: Resource

Date: <u>3-9-12</u> Committee Date: <u>3-12-12</u>

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**RESOLUTION NO. 47-12** 

### COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

# A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS TO SUBMIT A FORMAL GRANT APPLICATION TO THE USEPA OFFICE OF WATER.

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government in behalf of the Cherokee people;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation is a federally recognized Indian Nation with a historic and continual government to government relationship with the United States of America;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation has established the Environmental Protection Commission and the Environmental Programs Group to protect public health, welfare, and the environment;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation has previously received funding for the Clean Water projects;

WHEREAS, with the award of proper funding, the Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs will continue to promote the adherence of Tribally owned Water Systems and protect drinking water for rural water systems within the Cherokee Nation jurisdiction.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs to submit a formal application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for a 2013 Training and Technical Assistance to Tribally-Owned and Operated Public Water Systems to Provide Safe Drinking Water, and that the Principal Chief (or his designee) shall be authorized to conduct contract negotiations and execute all official documents in this regard.

### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the  $12^{th}$  day of March, 2012, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.

ATTEST:

Tina Glory-Jordan, Speaker Council of the Cherokee Nation

Jodie Fishinghawk, Secretary Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 13th day of March, 2012.

Bill John Baker, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Charles Head, Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation

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Resolution Presenter: Tom Elkins - EPC Administrator

SPONSOR: Cara Cowan Watts, David Thornton

### NARRATIVE:

(See Attached Outline for Information Needed)

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Ground Water and Drinking Water

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Match Required: N/A
Due Date: April 9th, 2012

Availability Date: October 1, 2012

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**Note:** This proposal will need to be requested to be put on the March full Council meeting. We received the solicitation on February 26<sup>th</sup> and do not have time to run it through the normal committee and council process.

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