Committee: Resource Committee

Date: <u>03-01-11</u> Committee Date: <u>03-14-11</u>

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RESOLUTION NO. 29-11

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS TO SUBMIT A FORMAL GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TRIBAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM

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 106 Program;

WHEREAS, with the award of proper funding, the Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs will continue to expand and monitor surface waters 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 2011 Clean Water 106 Project, 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 11^{th} day of April, 2011, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.

Meredith Frailey, Speaker

Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Don Garvin, Secretary

Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 19th day of April , 2011.

Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Melanie Knight, Secretary of State Cherokee Nation

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE</u> **CLEARANCE** Dept/Program: **Group Leader:** Signature/Initial Date Finance (if needed): Signature/Initial Date **Government Resources:** Administration Approval: LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE: Legal & Legislative Coordinator: Standing Committee & Date Signature/Initial Returned to Presenter: Date

Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form

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DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Jerrid Diffee								
RESOLUTION PRESENTER: Tom Elkins-CNEP Administrator								
COUNCIL SPONSOR: Cara Cowan-Watts								
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The primary focus of this grant is to further the current Clean Water 106 program. The grant will allow for educational outreach to local schools and groups to inform them about the importance of maintaining and improving surface water quality for future generations. In addition, this grant will help expand current water monitoring efforts and add additional sampling locations.

Funding Agency: US EPA

Grant Amount: \$350,000 for a 2 year grant

Match Required: 5% Inkind match met by CNEP staff salary

Due Date: June 6, 2011

Availability Date: October 1, 2011