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RESOLUTION NO. 43-10

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS TO SUBMIT A FORMAL GRANT APPLICATION TO THE USEPA FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE DELAWARE COUNTY RURAL WATER SYSTEM

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;

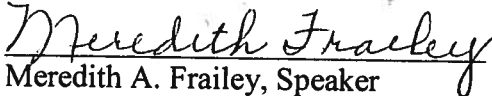
WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation has previously received funding for tribal drinking water projects;

WHEREAS, with the award of proper funding with no match requirements, the Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs will acquire the necessary drinking water equipment to expand on existing Delaware County Rural Water System #11 project.

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 2010 Drinking Water Tribal Set-Aside 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 10th day of May, 2010, having 16 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 16 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.


Meredith A. Frailey, Speaker
Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:




Don Garvin, Secretary
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 10th day of May, 2010.



Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:



Melanie Knight, Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation

**ADMINISTRATIVE
CLEARANCE**

Dept/Program:

1/24/10 3-29-10
Signature/Initial Date

Group Leader:

Tom Elkins 03/24/10
Signature/Initial Date

Finance (if needed):

Signature/Initial Date

Government Resources:

Signature/Initial Date

Administration Approval:

Melanie Light 3/29/10
Signature/Initial Date

LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE:

Legal & Legislative Coordinator:

S. Brittain 3/29/2010
Signature/Initial Date

Standing Committee & Date:

Resource 4-12-2010

Chairperson:

Snell
Signature/Initial Date

Returned to Presenter:

Date

**Cherokee Nation
Act/Resolution Proposal Form**

Act

Resolution

TITLE: EPA Region 6 Tribal Drinking Water Set-Aside Program

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Jerrid Diffie

RESOLUTION PRESENTER: Tom Elkins

COUNCIL SPONSOR: Cara Cowan- Watts, Harley Buzzard and Curtis Snell

NARRATIVE:

The purpose of the resolution is to secure funding through the USEPA Region 6 to expand on the current Delaware County Rural Water District #11 project. The current project is extending 24 miles of water line to the Leech, Twin Oaks area. There are 234 eligible homes that could benefit from the extension. The proposed project will seek funding to install leak detecting meters that alert the water district operators of potential leaks in the system. This will benefit the customers and environment by:

- Minimizing water loss
- Keeping water district operational costs down by increased efficiency
- Alerting customers of possible leaks that they would be responsible to pay