

## Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal Council 17763 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

## **Legislation Text**

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## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION FOR TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM BRIDGE FUNDING FOR BRIDGE #249 OVER HORSEPEN CREEK IN TULSA COUNTY, OK.

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

**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; and

**WHEREAS**, The *Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act* (FAST Act) provides funding to repair or replace bridges on the Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory; and

WHEREAS, Title 23 United States Code, as amended by the FAST Act, specifies the eligibility requirements for Tribal Transportation Program Bridge funding; and

**WHEREAS,** Bridge #249 over Horsepen Creek is located on Cherokee Nation's Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory; it is recorded in the National Bridge Inventory and is structurally deficient; and

**WHEREAS**, Bridge #249 over Horsepen Creek provides crucial access for many Cherokee citizens and is hereby identified as a candidate for replacement.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that the Federal Highway Administration is hereby authorized to pursue all matters necessary to fund the replacement of Bridge #249 over Horsepen Creek, which is herein deemed a priority for the Tribal Transportation Bridge Program.