



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal  
Council  
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## Legislation Text

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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS TO SUBMIT A FORMAL GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR AN INDIAN GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (GAP) GRANT PACKAGE**

**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 from the EPA GAP Program;

**WHEREAS**, with the award of proper funding, the Cherokee Nation's General Assistance Program will provide support to core environmental capacity building activities, promote environmental education awareness at the CN Summer Youth Camps, support regional training initiatives, provide technical assistance for water quality data management, conduct the EPA Region 6 Annual Tribal Environmental Summit, Annual Inter-Tribal Environmental Council Conference and Regional Tribal Operations Committee Meetings.

**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 Indian General Assistance Program grant package, and that the Principal Chief (or his designee) shall be authorized to conduct contract negotiations and execute all official documents in this regard.