



**FISCAL YEAR 2014
FIRST QUARTER REPORT
(October – December 2013)**



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I. Accomplishments

In addition to the on-going research and daily tasks of the ONGD operation, the following is an outline of the most current accomplishments (October 2013 to December 2013) for FY 2014 First Quarter:

A. Program Performance Criteria Goal Statements:

1. Identify, plan, coordinate, and implement government reform initiatives.

Goal: 2 Actual: 3

- The ONGD identified and addressed the following government reform initiatives: (1) Title 26 Quorum issue; (2) the proposed Navajo Nation Charter; and (3) Decentralization Project.

(1) Meeting with Election Administration on October 31st to discuss N.N.C. Title 26 Quorum issue and agreed to work session on quorum issue for in-depth discussion. The "Local Governance Act" work session was held on November 18-19 with Election Administration and the Ethics & Rules Office. Discussion was on quorum requirement, AFOG, FMS and other LGA issues.

(2) There was a CNGD work session held on October 10th to complete the discussion on the proposed charter.

(3) Attended the Budget & Finance Committee meetings to provide Government Development's proposed decentralization plan and perspective – October 1st at Tohaajiilee District Court; November 5th at the B&F conference room; and on November 25th at the B&F conference room. Also, attended the Division of Community Development's public hearing sessions on Decentralization on November 22 at Nenahnezad Chapter.

2. Research, assist with, and draft legislation on reform initiatives, i.e., Local Governance Act.

Goal: 1 Actual: 4

- Government Development met with the Sponsor, Council Delegate Jonathan Nez, on October 15th to discuss the four referendum measures: 0367-12 Amending 11 N.N.C. § 409(C); 0368-12 Amending 11 N.N.C. § 404(A); 0369-12 Referring a Referendum Measure on Amending 2 N.N.C. § 102; and 0370-12 Amending 11 N.N.C. § 404(B). The referendum measures are on the Navajo Nation Council's Fall Session agenda.

- The 4 referendum measures were addressed on Tuesday, October 22nd and the results were as follow: 0369-12 failed to receive a second on the motion so it was deleted from the agenda; 0367-12 failed with a 9-10 vote; 0368-12 passed 16-1 as an administrative amendment; and 0370-12 failed with a 7-13 vote.

3. Assist and provide technical assistance to non-LGA and LGA certified chapters.

Goal: 4 Actual: 5

- Presented and participated in:

(1) Attended the District 10 Council meeting on October 16th at Chinle Chapter to provide technical assistance on establishing a region (decentralization project);

- (2) Attend and present on Title 26 Quorum issue and AFOG on November 5th at Bird Springs Chapter;
- (3) November 12 – Presented and consulted with the Northern Agency 6 Chapters (Hogback, Upper Fruitland, Nenahnezad, San Juan, Burnham, Newcomb) on N.N.C. Title 26 quorum requirement and Alternative Form of Governance;
- (4) Provided technical assistance to the Whitecone Chapter’s advisory council with corporate annual filings with the Arizona Corporation Commission on December 2nd.
- (5) December 9 – Attended and participated in the Northern Agency 6 Chapters meeting on the Decentralization Project as presented by the Division of Community Development. Council Delegate Lorenzo Bates requested Government Development’s participation and attendance.

4. Provide information and presentation on government reform & development

Goal: 5 Actual: 5

- Attended 5 Navajo Agency Council meetings during this quarter to provide information and a report on government reform and development activities (October 12 – Chinle Navajo Agency Council meeting at Lukachukai Chapter; December 5 – Ft. Defiance Agency Council meeting at Ft. Defiance Chapter; December 7 – Eastern Navajo Agency Council meeting at Iyanbito Chapter; December 14 – Northern Navajo Agency Council meeting at Sheep Springs Chapter; December 21 – Western Navajo Agency Council meeting in Flagstaff, AZ).

5. Facilitate, prepare and assist with CNGD & Government Reform Sub-Committee meetings.

Goal: 3 Actual: 4

- On October 25th – Commission on Navajo Government Development’s monthly regular meeting in Window Rock, AZ. Discussion items included: update on referendum measures; update on special election process; CNGD rules of procedure; declaration of vacancies, election of officers; performance evaluation criteria for Executive Director; CNGD orientation date and location; Steamboat Governance conference; and report by the ONGD Executive Director.
- November 14 – Commission on Navajo Government Development’s monthly regular meeting scheduled to be held at Twin Arrows Navajo Casino & Resort. Preparations were made but there was no quorum and meeting has not been rescheduled.
- December 9 – Assisted with and presented at the Resources & Development Committee meeting on Title 26 proposed amendments and the impacts on the decentralization project.
- December 19 – Commission on Navajo Government Development’s monthly regular meeting scheduled to be held but was postponed until further notice. CNGD respecting the grieving period for one of its fellow members whom lost a family member.

B. Navajo Nation Council/Committees:

1. On November 5th – Attend and participate in the Resources & Development Committee meeting at Cornfields Chapter. Received information on Cornfields Chapter’s proposed Alternative Form of Governance as a LGA certified chapter.
2. November 13 – ONGD provided an update on ONGD/CNGD activities to the Utah Navajo Commission at their request. An update was provided on: (1) CNGD Re-establishment; (2) Government Development general activities, i.e., 2012 Peoples Convention and “Future of Navajo Governance” one day conference; (3) Government Reform Initiatives; and (4) the 4 Legislative referendum measures.

C. Administrative Meetings/Work Sessions:

1. October 7-9 – The ONGD staff work session was held in Flagstaff, AZ and there was discussion on office operations, staff responsibilities and duties, referendum measures – public education, decentralization project, Title 26.
2. October 29-30 – Attended and participated in the annual Judicial Branch Conference in Albuquerque, NM. Attended sessions on Procedures for Courts and Timelines; Life Value Engagement; Safety & Health – Blood Borne Pathogens, Mold & Hantavirus; and Customer Service. Also met with the Administrative Court Officer and discussed collaborating on government reform initiatives.
3. November 6 – The Legislative Branch held a Personnel Classification meeting and offices collaborated and established minimum and preferred qualifications for common positions. The qualifications were due back to the Department of Personnel Management on Friday, November 8th.
4. November 14-15 – Attended and participated in the Steamboat Commission Government’s “LGA Governance & Small Business Development Conference” at Twin Arrows Navajo Casino & Resort. The agenda included sessions on: LGA 101 and Alternative Form of Governance; Regionalization/Decentralization; Financial Responsibility and Certified Chapters’ Responsibilities & Opportunities; Business Opportunities Using Current Resources; Business Site Lease; Where Do We Go From Here Session.
5. November 26, December 3, December 10 – Attended and participated in the 2014 Navajo Nation Chapter Governance Summit planning meeting. The summit is being planned by several offices under the Legislative Branch and was discussed during the Title 26 work session. The summit is intended for the benefit of the 110 chapters.
6. December 18-19 – Attend and participate in the Navajo Nation Land Department’s “Land Summit at Twin Arrows Navajo Casino and Resort. Agenda items include History of Navajo Nation – land status and land impacts; Land Use Planning; Land Disputes; Cadastral Surveys; Homesite Lease Process; Land Withdrawals – Leases/Permits; Navajo Land Title Data Systems; Energy Policy.

II. FY 2014 First Quarter Budget Information

The table below illustrates the approved FY 2014 Budget and the FY 2014 First Quarter actual expenditures, revised budget, remaining budget available and percentage of budget used.

Office of Navajo Government Development Expenditure Report FY 2014 – 1st Quarter Budget Table

Account	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals	Budget Available	% Expense of Total
2001 Personnel Expenses	382,850	382,850	90,252	292,598	24%
3000 Travel Expenses	60,756	60,756	18,746	42,010	31%
3500 Meeting Expenses	25,340	25,340	4,448	20,892	18%
4000 Supplies	26,000	26,000	7,471	18,529	29%
5000 Lease and Rental	3,500	6,185	2,685	3,500	43%
5500 Communications and Utilities	20,200	20,200	2,742	17,458	14%
6000 Repairs and Maintenance	15,000	16,842	2,238	14,604	13%
6500 Contractual Services	55,000	55,000	0	55,000	0%
7000 Special Transaction	36,089	36,089	5,293	30,796	15%
TOTAL	624,735	629,262	133,875	495,387	21%

III. Commission on Navajo Government Development

Membership Listing

Commissioner	NNC Legislation No.	Appointment Date	Term Expiration
Five Agency Representatives			
JoAnn Dedman CENTRAL AGENCY	CJY-33-13	July 16, 2013	July 16, 2017
Vacant EASTERN AGENCY	Legislation No. 0329-13	Pending Navajo Nation Council action	Vacant
Deborah Cayedito FT. DEFIANCE AGENCY	CJN-26-13	June 28, 2013	June 28, 2017
Vacant NORTHERN AGENCY	VACANT	Vacant	Vacant
Floyd Stevens WESTERN NAVAJO AGENCY	0003-12	January 26, 2012	January 26, 2016
Navajo Nation Government – Branch Representatives			
Heather Clah EXECUTIVE BRANCH	0465-11	January 26, 2012	January 26, 2014
Martin Avery JUDICIAL BRANCH	0466-11	January 26, 2012	January 26, 2014
Vacant LEGISLATIVE BRANCH	VACANT	Vacant	Vacant
Other Representatives (Pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 972)			
Sam Begay PRACTIONER OF NATIVE HEALING ARTS	CJY-23-07	July 19, 2007	June 19, 2015
Vacant WOMEN'S COMMISSION	VACANT	Women's Commission – no quorum	Vacant
Martha Davis DINE COLLEGE	0040-12	March 23, 2012	March 23, 2014
Andrew Curley HEALTH, EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE	0014-12	March 23, 2012	March 23, 2014

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IV. Office of Navajo Government Development Staff

Caleb Roanhorse	<i>Executive Director</i>
Victoria Lee	<i>Policy Analyst</i>
Jamie Henio	<i>Policy Analyst</i>
Raymond Tsosie	<i>Senior Planner</i>
Patsy Yazzie	<i>Administrative Assistant</i>
Jasper Long	<i>Senior Office Specialist</i>

V. Sub-Committee on Navajo Government Reform (NABIMY-39-11)

The Navajo Nation Council's Naa'bi'iyati' Committee established a Sub-Committee on Government Reform (NABIMY-39-11). The purpose of the sub-committee is to cooperate with the Office of Navajo Government Development and Commission on Navajo Government Development in reviewing and analyzing the current Navajo government structure to determine a method of government reform that will be in the best interest of the Navajo People.

Leonard Tsosie, Chair	<i>Eastern Navajo Agency</i>
Jonathan Nez, Vice-Chair	<i>Western Navajo Agency</i>
Russell Begay, member	<i>Northern (Shiprock) Navajo Agency</i>
Dwight Witherspoon, member	<i>Central Agency</i>
Jonathan Hale, member	<i>Ft. Defiance Agency</i>

VI. Upcoming Activities

- December 14 – Northern Agency Council Meeting at Sheep Springs Chapter
- December 20 – NABY Meeting at Twin Arrows Navajo Casino & Resort
- December 21 – Western Agency Council Meeting in Flagstaff, AZ
- December 25 – CHRISTMAS DAY – HOLIDAY
- January 1 – NEW YEAR'S DAY – HOLIDAY
- January 4 – Chinle Agency Council Meeting at Low Mountain Chapter
- January 7 – Commission on Navajo Government Development regular Meeting, Window Rock, AZ
- January 9 – NABY Meeting, Navajo Nation Council Chambers, Window Rock, AZ
- January 18 – Ft. Defiance Agency Council Meeting at Ft. Defiance Chapter
- January 27-31 – 22nd Navajo Nation Council Winter Session, Window Rock, AZ
- January 28-30 – Navajo Nation Chapter Governance Summit, Twin Arrows Navajo Casino & Resort