



HO-CHUNK NATION LEGISLATURE

Governing Body of the Ho-Chunk Nation

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U.S DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS FY 2011-2012; FY 2012-2013; AND FY 2013-2014
FORESTRY PROGRAM FOR HAZARD FUEL REDUCTION
AND WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE PROJECTS FOR
JOE WOLF RESIDENTIAL AREA AND KICKAPOO VALLEY RESERVE**

RESOLUTION 09-25-12C

- WHEREAS, on November 1, 1994, the Secretary of the Interior approved a new Constitution for the Ho-Chunk Nation, formerly known as the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation ("Nation") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, organized pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934; and
- WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(a) of the Constitution of the Nation ("Constitution") grants the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature ("Legislature") the power to make laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions, and statutes; and
- WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2(i) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the power to negotiate and enter into treaties, contracts, and agreements with other governments, organizations, or individuals; and
- WHEREAS, the Ho-Chunk Nation recognizes the need to inventory, monitor and manage forestry resources which serve the Ho-Chunk people and to support a Forestry Program to protect this most valuable resource and the Ho-Chunk people; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Ho-Chunk Division of Natural Resources have identified projects to reduce hazardous fuels at the Kickapoo Valley Reserve and Joe Wolf residential area in Black River Falls, Wisconsin and to protect urban areas from Wildfire by managing the Wildland Urban Interface in Jackson County; and
- WHEREAS, the Constitution reserves to the Legislature the power of oversight, but daily operations and management to the responsibility of the Executive Branch, so long as the actions of the Executive Departments are not contrary to the laws created by the Legislature.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, hereby accepts FY 2011-2012; FY 2012-2013; and FY 2013-2014 funding from the U.S. Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs for the completion of both hazard fuel reduction and Wildland Urban Interface Projects on tribal lands.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Tribal Secretary for the Ho-Chunk Nation, hereby certify that the Legislature of the Ho-Chunk Nation, composed of 13 members, of whom 10 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly called and convened and held on the **25th day of September, 2012**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of **10 members, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining**, pursuant to the authority of Article V, Section 2(a) and (x) of the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 1, 1994, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way. I further certify that this is a verified copy of said resolution.


Hope B. Smith
Hope B. Smith, Tribal Secretary

September 25, 2012
Date