

Navajo Nation

Tribal Access Authorization (TAA) Checklist

Pursuant to RDCJN-17-20 and 25 CFR 169.4 (b) (3) (iii) Tribal Authorization Access can be authorized to a wholly owned and operated Navajo Nation entity without the Bureau of Indian Affairs' approval

1. Cover Letter/Scope of Work

- a. Define the actual undertaking of the proposed project including construction, operation, duration, maintenance and upgrades.
- b. Define specifically *whom* will assume responsibility for the infrastructure or utilities.
- c. This should include a precise location with description of the acreage, footage and timeline of the proposed project.

2. Permission to Survey

- a. Pre-approved Navajo Nation permission to conduct walk-on surveying of the land to be developed. This includes the right to conduct preliminary surface surveys, archaeological clearances, ethnographic studies, environmental assessments, staking of proposed project alignment.

3. Chapter Resolution

- a. Resolution in support, *not approval*, of the proposed undertaking from all respective chapters that the project will be developed in.

4. Grazing Permittee Consents

- a. Collected consents from valid grazing permit holders with a verification letter (listing the valid grazing permittees) from the respective Grazing Official of impacted land users.

5. Legal Land Survey

- a. A legal land survey that indicates all impacted acreage of each section the development will disturb, including legal description(s).
- b. This should include pole placement and maintenance stations. The latitude and longitude of each of the aforementioned developments need to be shown as well.

6. KMZ or KML file

- a. Shapefile that illustrates the delineation of the proposed utility corridor and all corridor accompaniments.

7. Navajo Nation Environmental Determination Documents

- a. Biological Resource Compliance Form (BRCF) from the Navajo Nation Department of Fish & Wildlife
- b. Cultural Resource Compliance Form (CRCF), Archeological Inventory Report (AIR) Form from the Navajo Nation Heritage & Historic Preservation Department.
- c. All acreages and locations surveyed must correspond with scope of work and as noted on the BRCF and CRCF.

IF APPLICABLE:

- d. Navajo Forestry Permits (tree removal), Water Resources' Permit etc.
- e. Although **not** required for an application to be deemed complete, an Environmental Assessment may be included as well in order to meet the funding entities' NEPA requirements.

Submit Documents as a complete packet to:

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