



**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY  
OF THE  
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES  
OF THE  
FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION**

**A Resolution Entitled: “Twin Buttes Hans Creek Bison Range request to enter into an agreement with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to drawdown awarded funds for Ecosystem Restoration Bison Project from the Bureau in the amount of \$500,000.00.”**

**WHEREAS,** This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of Jun 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act and having adopted a Constituon and By-Laws pursuant to said Act; and

**WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes of the enrolled members thereof; and

**WHEREAS,** Article III of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and

**WHEREAS,** Article VI, Section 5(1) of the Constitution of the three Affiliated Tribes provides the Tribal Business Council authority to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of the Tribal Council and other tribal Agencies and Tribal Officials of the Reservation; and

**WHEREAS,** Funding has become available through the Office of Trust Services, Division of Natural Resources’ Agriculture Branch Bison Management; and

**WHEREAS,** The funding was divided between three tribally led initiatives that aim to strengthen bison efforts in native grassland habitats. While the current proposal will primarily pay for fencing for the expanded Hans Creek Pasture (Phase 1), the Tribes’ South Segment continues to seek other funding and/or to invest in Phase 2 (infrastructure, buildings, water, etc.) and Phase 3 (populating with 1000 buffalo and ecological evaluation); and

**WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes has proven deep commitment and investment into responsibly growing Hans Creek Bison Company and, with the support of this grant, are well prepared for expansion of the Hans Creek pasture, with capacity of up to 4000 bison.



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes approves entering into a 638 contract with the BIA to enable the Tribes to begin accessing the grant funding of \$500,000 offered under the aforementioned initiative, and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Chairman of the Tribal Business Council is authorized to execute such documents and take such actions as are necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.


**CERTIFICATION**


I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 1 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [ ] Voting. [ X ] Not Voting.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

  
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Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes