

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

- A Resolution entitled, "Consent to Approval to Modify BIA ROW Grant FBOG100498 across Tribal land for the Ruby 31-30H Well Pad Expansion Project Submitted by WPX Energy Williston, LLC."
- WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, the authority under said Act, and having adopted a Constitution and By-laws under said Act, and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5(1) of said Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Council, its Agencies and Officials; and
- WHEREAS, Article IX Sections 1 and 3 of the Constitution provides that the Tribal Business Council has the authority to manage and lease or otherwise deal with tribal lands and resources; and
- WHEREAS, Leases and Rights-of-Way ("ROWs") across Tribal Trust land require the consent of the Tribal Business Council pursuant to federal and Tribal Law; and
- WHEREAS, Applications for Rights-of-Way ("ROWs") on Tribal Land are subject to the requirements of tribal law, including Resolution No. 17-117-FWF, Resolution No. 14-071-VJB (MHA Nation Application for Rights-of-Way and Use of Right-of-Way), Resolution No. 14-089-VJB (MHA Nation Pipeline Right-of-Way Terms and Conditions), and Resolution No. 15-045-LKH (Establishing a Procedure for the Approval of Leases, Rights-of-Way, Setback Variances and Permissions to Survey on Tribal Land); and
- WHEREAS, On July 8, 2012, the Bureau of Indian Affairs ("BIA") granted to WPX ENERGY WILLISTON, LLC ("WPX"), BIA ROW No. FBOG100498 for the Ruby Pad Project Ruby 31-30H
- WHEREAS, On July 13, 2016, the Tribal Business Council passed Resolution No. 16-150-16 entitled, "Consent to a Right-of-Way across Tribal land Submitted by WPX Energy Williston, LLC for the Ruby Well Pad Expansion Project" to replace a Fiberspar line and install a flex steel pipeline across 13.51 total acres (4.05 acres –



permanent; and 9.46 acres – temporary) of Tribal tracts in Allotment T716-A (100% Tribal interest) and Allotment T714A (100% Tribal interest), located in Section 6 (T714A) and Section 1 (T714A and T716-A), Township 148 North, Range 94 West (T714A) and 95 West (T714A and T716-A) in Dunn County, North Dakota; and

- WHEREAS, WPX Energy Williston, LLC ("WPX") submitted a ROW application for the Ruby 31-30H Pad Project for an expansion of the Well Pad adding three additional well bores, across certain Tribal tracts in Allotment 990A-A (0.0416666667 Tribal interest), in Section 31, Township 151 North, Range 94 West, in McKenzie County, North Dakota as more particularly described in Appendix A.1.; and
- WHEREAS, The Ruby 31-30H Well Pad Expansion Project will encompass a total disturbance of 5.73 acres; and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to fees established and set forth in Resolution No. 17-117-FWF, the projected compensation to the MHA Nation for this ROW application is \$14,603.91 and
- WHEREAS, The ROW application, submitted by WPX for the Ruby 31-30H Well Pad Expansion Project, described above, has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the MHA Natural Resources Department and the MHA Nation Energy Division in accordance with the MHA Nation's approved procedure for authorizing ROWs on Tribal Land; and
- WHEREAS, On February 28, 2018, at a duly held meeting of the Natural Resources Committee ("NRC"), the MHA Nation Energy Division recommended approval of WPX's ROW application and consent request for the Ruby 31-30H Well Pad Expansion Project, more fully described herein, and in the attached Appendix A.1., and the NRC approved WPX Energy Williston, LLC's application and forwarded it to the Tribal Business Council for final action.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Subject to WPX Energy Williston, LLC agreement to the execution of the MHA Right-of-Way Application and Terms and Conditions, as listed therein, and payment of ROW fees, the Tribal Business Council hereby approves the following ROW application, attached as Appendix A.1, and ROW consent, as follows:
  - WPX Energy Williston, LLC The Ruby 31-30H Pad Project, for an expansion
    of the well pad adding three (3) additional well bores, across certain Tribal tracts
    in Allotment 990A-A, (0.0416666667 Tribal interest), in Section 31, Township
    151 North, Range 94 West, in McKenzie County, North Dakota; and



- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, In accordance with the MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Right-of-Ways, the ROW for the Ruby 31-30H Pad Project will be subject to a twenty (20) year term, from the date of the BIA's execution of the grant of the ROW for the Ruby 31-30H Well Pad; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Rightof-Ways, executed by WPX Energy Williston, LLC and the MHA Nation Energy Division, constituent a written agreement as part of the MHA Nation's consent to the grant of the ROW, and therefore, as provided in 25 CFR §169.107(a), the Tribal Business Council requests Bureau of Indian Affairs to incorporate these terms and conditions into the ROW grant for the Ruby 31-30H Pad Project; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Tribal Business Council retains the authority, as well as the delegation of authority to the MHA Nation Energy Division and other Tribal departments, to issue fines and set conditions to address and resolve ROW trespass, abandonment, non-use, and other violations, including violations of applicable MHA Nation Standard ROW Terms and Conditions, and further requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to defer to these remedies, in accordance with the intent and notice provisions in 25 CFR §169.403(a); and
- **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** That the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute such documents and take such further actions as are necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.

(SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW)



## 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2018.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox

Tribal Business Council

Chairman, Mark N. Fox Tribal Business Council

## APPENDIX A.1

< Attach: (1) Application Form, (2) Approval Form signed by Department Head and Chairman of NRC per Resolution 15-045-LKH, (3) signed ROW terms and Conditions per Resolution No. 14-089-VJB, (4) map, and (5) other necessary information>