

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

## A Resolution entitled, "Consent to Partial Assignment of BLA ROW No. FBOG101452 across Tribal Land (575A) Submitted by Marathon Oil Company."

- WHEREAS, The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation (MHA Nation), also known as the Three Affiliated Tribes, having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, the authority under said Act, and having adopted a Constitution and By-laws (the Constitution) under said Act, and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the MHA Nation; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution 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 MHA Nation and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5(1) of the Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt Resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Business 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 lands require the consent of the Tribal Business Council pursuant to federal and Tribal law; and
- WHEREAS, Applications for ROWs on Tribal lands are subject to the requirements of Tribal law, including Resolution No. 13-109-VJB (Establishing Standardized Minimum Rates for Oil and Gas Lease Bonus, Royalties, and Road and Pipeline Easements), Resolution No. 14-071-VJB (MHA Nation Application for Rights-of-Way and Use of Rights-of-Way), Resolution No. 14-089-VJB (MHA Nation Pipeline Rights-of-Way Terms and Conditions), 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), Resolution No. 17-117-FWF (Approval of Fee Structure), and Resolution No. 18-212-FWF (Amending Fee Structure); and
- WHEREAS, Marathon Oil Company submitted a ROW application for the Foolish Bear USA Project, approved by the Tribal Business Council on April 12, 2018. The BIA approved ROW FBOG101452 on July 2, 2020; and



- WHEREAS, Marathon Oil Company submitted an application to partially assign the Access Road, All-Utility, and Multiuse Corridor portion of BIA ROW No. FBOG101452 for the Foolish Bear USA Project to McKenzie Electric Cooperative, Inc.; and
- WHEREAS, The ROW assignment has been reviewed and recommended for approval in accordance with the MHA Nation's procedure for authorizing ROWs on Tribal land.
- **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Tribal Business Council hereby approves the following ROW assignment(s):
  - Partial assignment of BIA ROW No. FBOG101452 by Marathon Oil Company to McKenzie Electric Cooperative, Inc., of the Access Road, All-Utility, and Multiuse Corridor ROW for the Foolish Bear USA Project consisting of 0.28 acres.

across certain Tribal land in Tract No. 575A, located in the NW¼ of Section 17 and the NE¼ of Section 18, Township 152 North, Range 93 West of the 5th P.M., McKenzie County, North Dakota.

- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** The ROW shall have a twenty (20) year term from the date of the BIA's grant of the ROW.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the assignee shall be subject to all applicable terms and conditions of the ROW for the Foolish Bear USA Project.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Tribe does not consent to waive any bond, insurance, or alternative form of security.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Rights-of-Way are incorporated into this consent to partial assignment of the ROW, and therefore, as provided in 25 CFR §169.107(a), the Tribal Business Council requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to incorporate these terms and conditions into the grant of the ROW.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Tribe retains the authority to issue fines and set conditions to address and resolve ROW trespass, abandonment, non-use, and other violations, including violations of the applicable MHA Nation Standard Terms and Conditions for Rights-of-Way, and further requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to defer to these remedies, in accordance with the intent and notice provisions, as provided in 25 CFR §169.403(a).



**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.

## CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 2 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [X] voting. [] not voting.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:

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

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