



Shiprock Chapter Government of the Navajo Nation

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Resolution No. 08-06-25-072

APPOINTING SARAH DENET-CLAW BEGAY, GRAZING OFFICIAL TO THE SHIPROCK SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO REPRESENT SHIPROCK CHAPTER AS THE SWCD REPRESENTATIVE

WHEREAS:

1. The Shiprock Chapter of the Navajo Nation acts on this resolution pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Chapter through Navajo Nation Code Title 26, Chapter 1, Section 1, Part B, which states, "Through adoption of this Act, the Navajo Nation Council delegates to Chapters' governmental authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo Law, including custom and tradition;"; and
2. The Navajo Nation's Five Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCD) was formed, by Navajo Tribal Council resolution CF-11-80 on February 07, 1980 under the Navajo Tribal Code, Title III; and
3. The Navajo Nation SWCD's have a Memorandum of Understanding, and a Mutual Agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Navajo Nation to promote the conservation of the soil, water, air, plants, animal, conservation of energy by helping the Navajo people help the land on the Navajo Nation; and
4. The Shiprock SWCD Board membership comprises of 20 Chapters, an appointed SWCD Representative from each Chapters serves as a Board Member to enable Farmers and Ranchers participation with Federal programs such as the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) contracting conservation activities within the Shiprock SWCD; and
5. The Shiprock SWCD currently needs a Board Member from the Shiprock Chapter to serve on the Shiprock SWCD Board.
6. The Shiprock Chapter recognizes that the grazing officials have responsibilities within Title 3 of the Navajo Nation Code and it the official to be representing Shiprock Chapter in the Shiprock Soil and Water Conservation District.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Shiprock Chapter membership approves the appointment of Sarah Denet-Claw, District Grazing Official, to present the Shiprock Chapter as the Shiprock SWCD for the period of her term as a Grazing Official.

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Shiprock Chapter at a duly called meeting held in Shiprock Navajo Nation, (New Mexico) at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of ____ in favor, ____ opposed and ____ abstained, this 10th day of August 2025.

Motioned:

Seconded:

Raymond John, Sr., President Debra Yazzie, Vice President Loretta John, Secretary/Treasurer

CHAPTER OFFICIALS
Raymond John – President
Debra A. Yazzie – Vice President
Loretta John – Secretary /Treasurer

GRAZING OFFICIAL
Sarah Denetclaw-Begay

FARM BOARD
Lawrence Begay

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