

# **WESTERN AGENCY COUNCIL**

## **DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2026  
GOULDING'S LODGE BANQUET HALL  
MONUMENT VALLEY, UTAH

**PRESENTED BY:  
CANDICE YAZZIE, DIVISION DIRECTOR**



FY 2026, 3RD QUARTER

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# **WESTERN AGENCY COUNCIL REPORT**

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Written by: Candice Yazzie, Division Director  
Division of Community Development

### **Message from the Director:**

The Division of Community Development continues to support all 110 Chapters through project planning, technical assistance, project management services and administrative oversight. Our work is supported by key departments, including the Executive Administrative Office, Administrative Service Center, Capital Projects Management Department, and the Community Housing & Infrastructure Department. DCD also oversees solid waste services, rural addressing, and IT support that help Chapters operate effectively.

As we enter the third quarter, our focus remains on helping Chapters strengthen their understanding of funding sources, expenditure timelines, and legislative requirements that directly affect project success.

Chapters are encouraged to continue updating Community Land Use Plans, project priority listings, and supporting resolutions. Strong planning and clear project direction remain essential for securing funding and advancing community priorities.

Recent actions regarding ARPA funded projects have clarified oversight roles, and DCD continues coordinating with partner offices to ensure timely expenditure of remaining ARPA funds. Despite administrative changes, our commitment to supporting Chapters and keeping projects moving forward remains unchanged.

DCD will continue offering training and technical assistance opportunities in the coming months to help Chapter officials and staff strengthen their skills in project development, funding requirements, and community planning.

DCD remains committed to assisting Chapters as they advance their priorities and build a stronger future for the Navajo Nation.

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# Personnel Report

## DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

<u>Requisition No.</u>	<u>Pos No.</u>	<u>Position Title</u>	<u>Worksite</u>	<u>Pay Rate</u>	<u>Closing Date</u>
<b><u>Administrative Services Centers</u></b>					
DCD13391228	236093	Accounts Maintenance Specialist	Crystal, NM	\$36,164.16	6/16/2026
DCD13691347	208471	Community Services Coordinator	Shiprock, NM	\$46,562.40	6/15/2026
DCD13591382	236081	Accounts Maintenance Specialist	Pueblo Pintado, NM	\$36,164.16	6/18/2026
DCD13391451	236159	Accounts Maintenance Specialist	Shiprock, NM	\$36,164.16	6/23/2026
DCD13591462	236064	Accounts Maintenance Specialist	Becenti, NM	\$36,164.16	6/17/2026
DCD13591472	236073	Accounts Maintenance Specialist	Huerfano, NM	\$36,164.16	6/24/2026
DCD13791488	230106	Accounts Maintenance Specialist	Oljato, UT	\$36,164.16	6/22/2026
<b><u>Community Housing &amp; Infrastructure</u></b>					
DCD09291392	245580	Housing Specialist	Window Rock, AZ	\$50,968.08	6/12/2026



**NAVAJO NATION**  
**DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**  
IT Services

DCD IT Services, housed within the DCD Executive Administration Office, operates with a team of two skilled employees: Norbert Nez, IT Manager, and Sylvia Jordan, Principal Information Systems Technician.

The primary tasks of the IT Services Team encompass a diverse range of functions:

**IT Tech Support**

- A. Ensuring the smooth functioning and maintenance of hardware and software systems.
- B. Leveraging tools like Google Meet and remote access software for efficient technical assistance for chapters and remote DCD offices.
- C. Configuring and supporting networking infrastructure and deploying computer systems for departments and chapters..
- D. Managing the installation of MIP software and related data transfer processes.

**WIND Application & Google Workspace Support**

- A. Managing requests for WIND account creation or access privileges.
- B. Handling various account requests including Chapter accounts ([navajochapters.org](http://navajochapters.org)), Employee accounts ([nnchapters.org](http://nnchapters.org)), and Chapter Officials accounts ([naataanii.org](http://naataanii.org)).
- C. Assisting with password resets and ensuring proper data archiving procedures.
- D. Addressing and resolving issues related to accounts, equipment, software, networking access, and internet connectivity.

**Chapter Website Training**

- A. Conducting quarterly training sessions focused on managing Chapter websites.
- B. Holding recurring bi-weekly virtual support sessions for chapters and DCD staff to enhance technical skills.
- C. Providing emergency assistance and training as needed and requested by various departments and chapters.
- D. Sending regular reminders and updates regarding training and technical assistance.

**Current and Recent Projects**

- A. Updating the WIND to improve user experience and add functionality.  
DCD is working on upgrading the WIND system to modern web standards, improving functionality and fixing some long-standing issues. This includes screen by screen reviews, identifying issues, gap analysis, screen mockups, code development, testing, deployment and training. Currently, the upgrades have been completed for ICIP, 164 Tracker, Project Authorization and Project Tracking. These modules have been deployed and are in use. The update for all remaining modules including Rural Addressing, Budget and Navajo Profile is expected to be completed by the end of FY 2026.
- B. Setting up email accounts for incoming new staff.  
DCD set up new chapter email staff accounts for all new incoming chapter staff for domain ending in [nnchapters.org](http://nnchapters.org).
- C. Setting up software for DCD departments.  
DCD installed updated operating system and desktop productivity software across multiple DCD departments, following the replacement of aging computer hardware in 2024. The team also installed and configured Momentive MIP software to support data transfers to new computers at chapter locations, completed either during scheduled deployments or as needed in response to equipment failures. In addition, cloud-based solutions were implemented to address expanded storage requirements. DCD further deployed new software to support peripheral devices for departments and chapters across multiple areas of the Navajo Nation.
- D. Monthly publication of DCD Newsletter.  
DCD publishes a monthly newsletter based on submission of stories from DCD departments, chapters, Navajo Nation departments, and external sources. DCD continues to accept stories of interest, accomplishments, special events or projects, and other noteworthy additions to the newsletter from all chapters.
- E. Completing Starlink installations for DCD.  
DCD and CPMD have coordinated to provide all DCD field offices with high-speed broadband connections using the Starlink broadband network. Additionally, Starlink services were installed at Administration Building #2 to connect the DCD Administration office to the Starlink service to augment the Navajo Nation network connections because there have been cases in recent years where there were long outages. These new network connections provide stable, high speed connections to support the increasing number of cloud-based online web applications for DCD departments.

# DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

# WESTERN AGENCY COUNCIL REPORT

## REPORT BY CAPITAL PROJECTS MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

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The Capital Projects Management Department (CPMD) oversees the planning, design, construction management, and implementation of public infrastructure projects across the Navajo Nation. CPMD supports Navajo Nation divisions, chapters, and affiliated entities by ensuring projects align with community needs and long-term development goals.

The department manages funding from tribal, state, federal, and external sources; oversees grant and budget preparation; ensures regulatory compliance; and administers construction and consulting contracts. CPMD is responsible for all phases of project development, including design review, procurement, construction inspection, and project closeout.

CPMD currently operates with 17 staff members, including 11 in project management and compliance roles and 6 in administrative support positions. Limited staffing continues to challenge the department's ability to fully meet the infrastructure needs of all 110 chapters. To address this, CPMD is focused on expanding staffing capacity, improving internal processes, investing in professional development, and advocating for sustained infrastructure funding.

### **Michele Peterson, Department Manager for CPMD**

As the Department Manager for (CPMD), I lead a team focused on delivering impactful, community-focused capital projects across all 110 Chapters. With my background in project leadership and infrastructure development, I have been actively involved in advancing key initiatives, streamlining processes, and supporting our mission of quality and efficiency.

Over the past months, I have focused on implementing projects and training programs that strengthen our team's skills and ensure the successful delivery of our work. I am proud to work alongside such a talented group of professionals, and I remain committed to fostering a productive, collaborative, and results-driven environment for the communities we serve.

### **Project Management Team**

- Leonard Hardy, Senior Programs and Project Specialist- [leonard\\_hardy@nndcd.org](mailto:leonard_hardy@nndcd.org)
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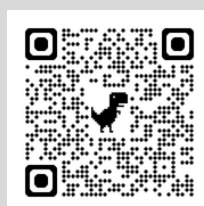
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# Western Agency Council Meeting

Division of Community Development

Capital Projects Management Department

## Bodaway-Gap

### **Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (New Build)**

**Funding Allocation: \$4,312,700      Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** The project questionnaires were distributed and completed by the appropriate stakeholders. Several Scope of Work (SOWs) were drafted, with two subsequently developed into Request for Proposal (RFP) templates. In addition, a final payment request was received from IDSA to allow the project to proceed into the Construction Drawings phase.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** The chapter is currently compiling all accessible clearance information for the location. Coordination between the land tract office and the chapter is underway to finalize these requirements and pursue a necessary extension.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Instructions regarding the timeline for addressing DOH and other office requirements have been issued. However, a definitive schedule has not yet been established.

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## Cameron

### **Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (Renovation)**

**Funding Allocation: \$750,000      Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** Under the current legislation, DALTCS is overseeing the renovation projects. To ensure precise identification and pricing of the sanctioned locations, a Phoenix-based firm has been contracted to perform comprehensive renovation assessments.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Timelines not reported by DALTCS at this time.

**Submitted By:** DALTCS / Frankie Cereceres [fcereceres@nndcd.org](mailto:fcereceres@nndcd.org). Office phone: (928) 357-6862

### **Project Title: Cameron Chapter New Construction**

**Funding Allocation: \$4,781,500.00      Funding Source: Sihasin**

**Accomplishments:** The Cameron Chapter House New Construction Project is providing an update regarding the chapter's groundbreaking ceremony, which is scheduled for June 17, 2026. The project team has successfully completed the conceptual phase and has now transitioned into the design phase of the project.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** Preparing for the groundbreaking ceremony.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Construction documents / final design to be completed by June 22, 2026.

**Submitted By:** Marta Quintana, Planner/Estimator. Email: [mquintana@nndcd.org](mailto:mquintana@nndcd.org). Office phone: (928) 357-6855

## Coppermine

### **Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (New Build)**

**Funding Allocation: \$4,312,700      Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** Project questionnaires were distributed and completed by the appropriate stakeholders. Several Scope of Work (SOWs) were drafted, with two subsequently converted into Request for Proposal (RFP) templates. In addition, a final payment request was submitted to IDSA to allow the project to proceed to the Construction Drawings phase.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** Chapter gathers clearances data currently available for the site.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Provided direction timeline to move forward with to review requirements from offices such as DOH. No timeline set at this point.

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## Dennehotso

**Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (Renovation)**

**Funding Allocation: \$80,000      Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** DALTCS is managing the renovation projects associated with this legislation. The department has contracted a company based in Phoenix to conduct renovation assessments in order to more accurately identify project needs and develop cost estimates for the approved sites.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Timelines not reported by DALTCS at this time.

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## Kai' Bii To (Kaibeto)

**Project Title: Warehouse Renovation**

**Funding Allocation:** Warehouse funds under the RRR and FRF team will be handling the project.

**Funding Source:** Warehouse funds under the RRR and FRF team will be handling the project.

**Accomplishments:** Site visits were conducted on May 4 and May 8 to inspect the facility. Following these walkthroughs, the scope of work was finalized, and the project was officially put out for bid, with the opening scheduled for May 21, 2026.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** To ensure project continuity, the chapter is responsible for staying current on all developments and maintaining awareness of any potential modifications or unforeseen circumstances affecting the work.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Subsequent stages will focus on the selection of a renovation contractor, the preparation of contract materials, and the commencement of the NN 164 administrative review process.

**Submitted By:** Leonard Hardy and Ricky Begay

**Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (New Build)**

**Funding Allocation: \$4,312,700      Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** Following the provision of and response to questionnaires, multiple SOWs were formulated, two of which were adapted into RFP Templates. To proceed with the Construction Drawings, a final request for payment has been submitted by IDSA.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** Chapter gathers clearances data currently available for the site.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Instructions for the project timeline have been distributed to initiate the review of departmental requirements, including those from the DOH. A specific schedule for these actions remains pending at this time.

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**Project Title: Bucket Forks**

**Funding Allocation:\$2,276.20      Funding Source: CJA-01-21 Sihasin**

**Accomplishments:** Quotes were received, and an AB number has been requested from Accounts Payable for Sonsray. For the Kaibeto Chapter, Ella Dodson-Slick has been designated as the primary point of contact regarding the equipment attachment project and related coordination responsibilities.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Upon receipt of the AB number, the estimated delivery timeframe is six to eight weeks, contingent upon the supplier's delivery schedule for the bucket forks.

**Submitted By:** Selina Yazzie, AMS. Email: [syazzie@nndcd.org](mailto:syazzie@nndcd.org) Office phone: (928) 357-6857

## Kayenta

**Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (New Build)**

**Funding Allocation: \$6,000,000      Funding Source: CO-43-24**

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**Accomplishments:** Following the distribution and completion of questionnaires, various Scope of Work (SOWs) were developed, including two that were established as RFP Templates. To facilitate the advancement toward Construction Drawings, IDSA has submitted a final request for payment.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** The chapter is currently collecting all available clearance data for the site. They have successfully finished their demolition phase and are now exploring the use of gaming funds to support a Geotechnical Analysis.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Project guidelines and a timeline for evaluating departmental requirements, such as those from the DOH, have been provided. At this stage, a specific schedule has not yet been determined.

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## **Project Title: Truck Purchase**

**Funding Allocation:\$69,266.95**      **Funding Source: Sihasin CJA-01-21**

**Accomplishments:** The procurement of the truck from Peoria Ford was successfully finalized following the processing of payment. The vehicle has since been delivered to the Chapter, and the project is now considered complete.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** The Chapter is requested to provide photographic documentation of the equipment for the final closing report to be submitted to the Capital Projects Management Department (CPMD). We extend our congratulations to the Chapter on the acquisition of the new Ford Truck to help with their community.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Purchase is complete.

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## **LeChee**

### **Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (Renovation)**

**Funding Allocation: \$160,000**      **Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** DALTCS is currently overseeing the renovation projects funded under this legislation. To support project planning and budgeting, a Phoenix-based firm has been contracted to conduct renovation assessments to accurately identify project requirements and develop cost estimates for the approved sites.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Timelines not reported by DALTCS at this time.

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### **Project Title: Truck Purchase**

**Funding Allocation:Sihasin CJA-01-21**      **Funding Source: \$65,465.00**

**Accomplishments:** The procurement process for the vehicle has been finalized. A Direct Source request received approval from the Department of Justice and has subsequently been forwarded to the Navajo Nation Office of the Controller for final authorization. Final authorization was granted on June 8, 2026, and the corresponding Purchase Order was issued on the same date. The department is now in the process of obtaining the final invoice from Advantage Dodge, which will be submitted to the Accounts Payable Department to facilitate the issuance of payment to the vendor.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** Interim requirements include the acquisition of insurance coverage to facilitate vehicle retrieval and legal operation from the dealership. Such insurance may be coordinated through Dorthene Dedman at the Navajo Nation Risk Management Department via [ddedman@navajo-nsn.gov](mailto:ddedman@navajo-nsn.gov).

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** The Direct Source does take a longer process, estimated timeframe is about 4- 6 weeks to be completed.

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# Western Agency Council Meeting

## Leupp

**Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (New Build)**

**Funding Allocation: \$4,500,000**      **Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** Multiple Scope of Work (SOWs) were developed following the distribution and receipt of questionnaires, with two being adapted into RFP Templates. To facilitate progress toward Construction Drawings, a final payment request has been submitted by IDSA.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** The chapter is in the process of collecting existing site clearance data. Additionally, the chapter has finished its demolition phase and is exploring the acquisition of gaming trust funds to facilitate a geotechnical analysis.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Provided direction timeline to move forward with to review requirements from offices such as DOH. No timeline set at this point.

**Submitted By:** DALTCS / Frankie Cereceres [fcereceres@nndcd.org](mailto:fcereceres@nndcd.org) office phone: (928) 357-6862

## Navajo Mountain

**Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (Renovation)**

**Funding Allocation: \$152,818**      **Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** Under the current legislation, DALTCS is overseeing the renovation efforts and has engaged a Phoenix-based firm to conduct detailed assessments for the approved sites to ensure precise project identification and cost estimation.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Timelines not reported by DALTCS at this time.

**Submitted By:** DALTCS / Frankie Cereceres [fcereceres@nndcd.org](mailto:fcereceres@nndcd.org) office phone: (928) 357-6862

## Oljato

**Project Title: New Chapter House**

**Funding Allocation: \$ 6,600,000.00**      **Funding Source: Sihasin Funds CD-53-22**

**Accomplishments: Meeting Date: February 5, 2026-** In attendance to the meeting: Nelson Parrish, Michele Peterson, Willis Begay, Karilyn Begay, Lousie Madison, Leonard Hardy, Tony Dayish, John Nakai, Bennet Daniels and Mike Halona. **Meeting Date: May 7, 2026-** In attendance to the meeting: Michele Peterson, Leonard Hardy, Karilyn Begay, and Robert Black Jr.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** Continue the process of securing the land.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** The initial phase for the IDIQ Work Order is projected to last six weeks. This period includes two weeks for the Work Order to be presented to JSRA, followed by a six-week duration for JSRA to perform a comprehensive review of the budget, content, and scope of work before returning it to CPMD.

Procedural steps for the approval of the IDIQ Work Order are as follows:

1. Identify project tasks and select the most suitable vendor for the requirements.
2. Initiate a request for IDIQ Work Order procurement.
3. Develop a Work Order and a project design scope that aligns with the specific needs of the project.
4. Submit the Work Order to the vendor for acceptance and request a fee schedule.
5. Obtain formal approval of the Work Order from the Department Manager and Division Director.
6. Issue the approved Work Order to the vendor and organize a kick-off meeting to initiate the design project.

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**Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (Renovation)**

**Funding Allocation: \$200,000**      **Funding Source: CO-43-24**

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**Accomplishments:** Under the current legislation, DALTCS is overseeing the renovation efforts. To ensure precise identification and cost estimation for the sanctioned sites, a Phoenix-based firm has been contracted to conduct detailed renovation assessments.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Timelines not reported by DALTCS at this time.

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## Shonto

**Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (Renovation)**

**Funding Allocation: \$200,000 Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** DALTCS is currently overseeing renovation efforts under this legislation and has engaged a Phoenix-based firm to conduct detailed assessments of the sanctioned sites to ensure precise project identification and cost estimation.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Timelines not reported by DALTCS at this time.

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**Project Title: Truck Purchase**

**Funding Allocation: \$54,890.00 Funding Source: CJA-01-21**

**Accomplishments:** The procurement process for the vehicle has been finalized. A Direct Source request received approval from the Department of Justice and has subsequently been forwarded to the Navajo Nation Office of the Controller for final authorization. Upon receipt of this approval, the 6B documentation will be transmitted to the Accounts Payable Department to facilitate final payment.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** Interim requirements include the acquisition of insurance coverage to facilitate vehicle retrieval and legal operation from the dealership. Such insurance may be coordinated through Dorthene Dedman at the Navajo Nation Risk Management Department via [ddedman@navajo-nsn.gov](mailto:ddedman@navajo-nsn.gov).

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** The Direct Source does take a longer process, estimated timeframe is about 4- 6 weeks to complete.

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## Tolani Lake

**Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (Renovation)**

**Funding Allocation: \$900,000 Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** Under the current legislation, DALTCS is overseeing renovation projects. To ensure accurate identification and cost estimation for the sanctioned sites, a Phoenix-based firm has been engaged to conduct comprehensive renovation assessments.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Timelines not reported by DALTCS at this time.

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## Tonalea/Red Lake

**Project Title: Senior Citizen Center (New Build)**

**Funding Allocation: \$4,312,700 Funding Source: CO-43-24**

**Accomplishments:** Feedback from the distributed questionnaires has been gathered. The team has drafted several Scope of Work (SOWs), two of which have been successfully converted into RFP Templates. Furthermore, IDSA has filed a final request for payment to enable the start of Construction Drawings.

**Chapter's Responsibilities:** Chapter gathers clearances data currently available for the site.

**Pending/Ongoing-Timeline Projects:** Provided direction timeline to move forward with to review requirements from offices such as DOH. No timeline set at this point.

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**Division of Community Development  
Capital Projects Management Department Presents**

# ONLINE SESSIONS

Led By: Michele Peterson, Department Manager &  
Frankie Cereceres, Project Manager

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**

**1:00 PM- 3:30 PM**

Google Meet Information

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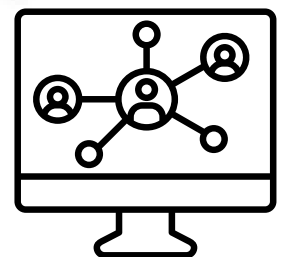
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**Learn How to Successfully Start Your Chapter Projects!**

Connect directly with Project Managers and key staff to gain valuable insight and guidance.

The Division of Community Development (DCD) – Capital Projects Management Department (CPMD) invites Chapter Officials to a weekly online session to learn how to start and manage chapter projects, receive guidance from Project Managers, and ask questions about planning, funding, and project development.



**Connect. Learn. Collaborate.**

Advance your community's projects and development goals.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CENTER (ASC)**

By: Patricia Begay, Delegated Department Manager II  
Department: Administrative Services Centers  
Tuba City ASC – Milford Maloney, SPPS and Kayenta ASC – Lena Poyer, SPPS

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

During the reporting period of March through May 2026, the Kayenta and Tuba City Administrative Services Center (ASC) Offices continued to provide technical assistance, training, financial management support, and administrative guidance to chapters throughout the Western Navajo Agency.

Both offices focused heavily on assisting chapters with the development, review, and processing of FY2026 budgets and allocations, including Sales Tax, Healthy Diné Nation Act (HDNA), Emergency Funds, General Fund Carryover, Gaming Fund Carryover, and Escrow projects. ASC staff worked closely with chapter officials and staff to ensure budgets were properly entered into the WIND system and processed for funding.

Significant efforts were also dedicated to assisting chapters in addressing Corrective Action Plans (CAPs), preparing for Office of the Auditor General (OAG) assessments and audits, and strengthening compliance with the Five Management System (FMS), procurement requirements, and financial management procedures. Several chapters made progress toward resolving audit findings and sanctions through coordination with ASC staff and oversight committees.

Both offices continued to provide extensive one-on-one training and technical assistance to chapter officials and staff in areas such as WIND, MIP financial software, ICIP planning, procurement procedures, chapter meeting administration, and policy compliance. Due to frequent staff turnover and vacancies at the chapter level, ASC personnel regularly assumed delegated duties to maintain chapter operations and ensure continuity of services to community members.

Key challenges identified during the reporting period included persistent chapter staff vacancies, high employee turnover, increased workload associated with delegated duties, ongoing audit and compliance concerns, and the need for clearer guidance regarding certain policies, procedures, and laws. Despite these challenges, both ASC offices remain committed to strengthening chapter operations, supporting local governance, and promoting accountability, compliance, and effective service delivery throughout the Western Navajo Agency.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CENTER (ASC)  
**KAYENTA ASC**  
FY2026 WNA Meeting Report  
March – May 2026

**PROJECTS**

Monitored chapter budgets within the WIND system and provided reminders and technical assistance to ensure chapters uploaded and completed budget requirements for FY2026 allocations.

Coordinated with the Office of the Auditor General (OAG) regarding upcoming chapter assessment reviews for Aneth, Mexican Water, Tolikan, Dennehotso, Red Mesa, and Teec Nos Pos Chapters, scheduled for September 8–12, 2026.

Collaborated with the Tuba City ASC to provide financial management assistance to Tolikan and Oljato Chapters, including support with:

- Financial Assistance Forms (FAFs)
- Payroll processing
- Quarterly reports
- Financial reporting

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Increased understanding and utilization of the Navajo Nation budget system and chapter budget processes.

**GOALS**

- Gain proficiency in MIP financial software to better assist chapters at the local level.
- Continue strengthening knowledge of the WIND system to provide technical assistance and support to chapters.
- Enhance understanding of Department of Justice guidance related to chapter meeting procedures, including quorum requirements, presiding officers, temporary appointments, and prolonged absences of chapter officials.
- Improve knowledge of OAG assessment requirements and recommendations to assist chapters in maintaining documentation and compliance.

**ICIP**

Continued monitoring and support of chapter ICIP project updates.

**BUDGETS**

**ASC - Kayenta**

Total Chapter Budgets = 52

Total Completed = 42%

	Gray = No Budget
	White = Budget available; In progress (WIND)
	Light Green = Partial Complete
	Green = Complete

Assigned Chapters	Chapter Carryover	Annual Allocation	Unhealthy Food & Beverage Sales Tax	Navajo Nation Sales Tax	Chapter Emergency Funds	FMS Carryover: General Funds	FMS Carryover: Sales Tax	FMS Carryover: Gaming	FMS Carryover: HDNA
Chilchinbeto Chapter									
Dennehotso Chapter									
TsahBiiKin (Inscription House)									
Kayenta Chapter									
Navajo Mountain Chapter									
Oljato Chapter									
Shonto Chapter									

**CAPS/SANCTIONS**

Assisted Navajo Mountain Chapter in reviewing and strengthening its Corrective Action Plan (CAP), including clarification of responsible parties and corrective measures. Continued working closely with chapter officials to address audit findings and compliance issues.

**VACANCIES**

Two candidates were interviewed for vacant positions but declined employment prior to their start dates. A selection was made during May 2026, and a new Administrative Services Officer is scheduled to begin employment on June 15, 2026. Current chapter vacancies include:

- Dennehotso Chapter – New Chapter Manager hired.

**TRAINING**

Upcoming trainings include:

- Navajo Mountain Chapter CLUPC Orientation – June 23, 2026
- Red Mesa Chapter CLUPC Orientation – June 18, 2026
- DNR/San Juan College Training – June 20 through July 1, 2026

**CHALLENGES**

- Providing technical assistance related to MIP functions, including check processing, financial reporting, and fixed asset management.
- Ongoing operational and financial management issues at Oljato Chapter.
- Limited office space due to the Kayenta ASC sub-office arrangement within the Kayenta Chapter facility.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CENTER (ASC)  
**TUBA CITY ASC**  
FY2026 WNA Meeting Report  
March – May 2026

**PROJECTS**

The Tuba City Administrative Services Center (ASC) continued providing technical assistance and guidance to chapters in completing their FY2026 Sales Tax, Emergency Fund, Healthy Diné Nation Act (HDNA), General Fund Carryover, and Gaming Fund Carryover budgets within the WIND system. Staff worked closely with chapters to ensure budget documents were properly prepared, approved, and processed so funds could be transferred and made available for community services and projects.

ASC staff also assisted chapters with the administration of Escrow-funded projects by providing guidance on procurement requirements, project implementation, and compliance with applicable policies and procedures.

Significant effort was dedicated to assisting chapters in addressing Corrective Action Plans (CAPs) and audit findings. Staff worked closely with the Leupp, Tolani Lake, Birdsprings, and Cameron Chapters to strengthen internal controls, improve compliance, and prepare for Office of the Auditor General (OAG) reviews and follow-up audits.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

The Tuba City ASC successfully assisted chapters in preparing and processing FY2026 budget allocations, helping ensure timely access to chapter funding and continued delivery of services to local communities.

Throughout the reporting period, ASC staff provided extensive one-on-one training and technical assistance to newly hired chapter staff and officials on chapter administration, financial management, policies and procedures, and compliance requirements. This support has been critical in helping chapters maintain operations during periods of staff turnover and vacancies.

ASC personnel also provided direct support during chapter meetings, including assisting Tonalea and Tolani Lake Chapters in addressing community questions regarding budgets, chapter operations, and governance procedures.

In addition, the Tuba City ASC continued to provide technical assistance to chapters within the Kayenta ASC service area during a period of staffing shortages, helping ensure continuity of financial and administrative support until the newly hired Administrative Services Officer begins employment.

**GOALS**

The Tuba City ASC remains committed to strengthening chapter operations by:

- Providing timely recruitment support and training to reduce the impact of chapter staff vacancies and turnover.
- Assisting chapters in maintaining compliance with the Five Management System (FMS), procurement requirements, and financial management policies.
- Supporting chapters in completing and updating Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) projects within the WIND system.

- Assisting chapters in the implementation and completion of ARPA-funded projects and ensuring compliance with federal and Navajo Nation deadlines.
- Supporting chapters with the expenditure and administration of Escrow Funds through community planning, project development, and procurement assistance.
- Promoting effective communication and collaboration among chapter officials and staff to strengthen governance and organizational effectiveness.

**ICIP**

The Tuba City ASC is planning additional training sessions to assist chapters with updating and managing their Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) projects within the WIND system. Training will focus on project updates, packet preparation, and ensuring project information remains current and accurate.

**BUDGET STATUS**

**ASC - Tuba City**

Total Chapter Budgets = 54  
Total Completed = 62%

Gray = No Budget  
 White = Budget available; In progress (WIND)  
 Light Green = Partial Complete  
 Green = Complete

Assigned Chapters	Chapter Carryover	Annual Allocation	Unhealthy Food & Beverage Sales Tax	Navajo Nation Sales Tax	Chapter Emergency Funds	FMS Carryover: General Funds	FMS Carryover: Sales Tax	FMS Carryover: Gaming	FMS Carryover: HDNA
Birdsprings (Tsi'dil' To'li) Chap	Green	Green	Green	Green	White	White	White	White	White
Bodaway Gap Chapter	White	White	White	White	White	White	White	White	White
Cameron Chapter	Green	Green	Green	Green	White	White	White	White	White
Coalmine Canyon Chapter	White	Green	White	White	White	White	White	White	White
Coppermine Chapter	White	Green	Green	Green	White	White	White	White	White
Kaibeto Chapter	Green	Green	White	White	White	White	White	White	White
Lechee Chapter	White	Green	Green	Green	White	Light Green	White	White	White
Leupp Chapter	Green	Green	Green	White	White	White	White	White	White
Tonalea Chapter	White	Green	Green	Green	White	White	White	White	White
Tolani Lake Chapter	Green	Green	White	White	White	White	White	White	White
Tuba City Chapter	White	Green	Green	Green	White	White	White	White	White

**CAPS / SANCTIONS STATUS**

- Cameron Chapter – Currently undergoing audit review by the Office of the Auditor General.
- Birdsprings Chapter – Awaiting OAG follow-up review and continuing to address outstanding CAP requirements.
- Tolani Lake Chapter – Corrective Action Plan approved by the Resources and Development Committee (RDC) and Budget and Finance Committee (B&F).
- Leupp Chapter – Remains under sanction status. OAG conducted a follow-up review on March 11, 2026, and recommended additional corrective actions related to fixed asset management prior to another review.

## **VACANCIES**

Chapter staffing status as of May 2026:

Fully Staffed:

- Birdsprings
- Bodaway/Gap
- Kaibeto
- LeChee
- Leupp
- Tolani Lake
- Tonalea
- Tuba City

Positions Vacant:

- Cameron – Accounts Maintenance Specialist
- Coalmine Canyon – Accounts Maintenance Specialist
- Coppermine – Accounts Maintenance Specialist
- Hardrock – Accounts Maintenance Specialist (position will be re-advertised)

The Tuba City ASC continues to provide delegated support to chapters experiencing vacancies to ensure continuity of operations and compliance with chapter policies and procedures.

## **TRAINING**

The Tuba City ASC will continue providing individualized training and technical assistance to chapter officials and staff in the following areas:

- WIND System
- Financial Management
- Policies and Procedures
- Travel Administration
- MIP Financial Software
- Infrastructure Capital Improvement Planning (ICIP)
- Chapter Land Use Planning Committee (CLUPC) Functions
- Basic Instructional Management (BIM)
- Chapter Meeting Procedures and Governance

ASC staff are also receiving training related to the Dayforce system and will provide implementation assistance and training to Non-LGA Certified Chapters as the system is deployed.

To address recurring audit findings, chapters are being encouraged to implement the MIP Fixed Assets Module. ASC staff will provide training on fixed asset tracking, inventory control, and depreciation reporting to strengthen compliance and accountability.

## **CHALLENGES**

The primary challenge continues to be the recruitment and retention of qualified chapter personnel. Frequent staff turnover requires significant investments of time and resources for recruitment, onboarding, and training, while also impacting continuity of chapter operations.

When chapter positions remain vacant, ASC staff are delegated to perform essential chapter duties, often requiring extensive travel to provide on-site assistance. While necessary, these responsibilities reduce the time available for technical assistance and oversight across the service area.

Additional challenges include communication and coordination issues among chapter officials and staff, which can delay decision-making, project implementation, and service delivery to community members.

ASC staff also continue to encounter challenges when interpreting and applying certain provisions of chapter governance, financial management, and administrative policies due to outdated or unclear guidance. Continued collaboration with oversight agencies and leadership will be necessary to promote consistency, compliance, and effective chapter administration.

Despite these challenges, the Tuba City ASC remains committed to supporting chapters through training, technical assistance, compliance monitoring, and capacity-building efforts that strengthen local governance and improve services to Navajo communities.



### Community Land Use Planning Western Agency - Quarterly Summary

DCD Community Land Use Planning Committee (CLUPC) focuses on assisting chapters thoughtful management and allocation of land to support sustainable development, preserve cultural heritage, and meet the community's diverse needs. This approach ensures that land is utilized efficiently and responsibly to address present demands while preparing for future growth.

The CLUPC process involves setting both short- and long-term goals to promote balanced development and effective land management. Each Chapter has its own goals and priorities, so it depends on the status. Goals aim to address immediate priorities while fostering sustainable progress for future generations.

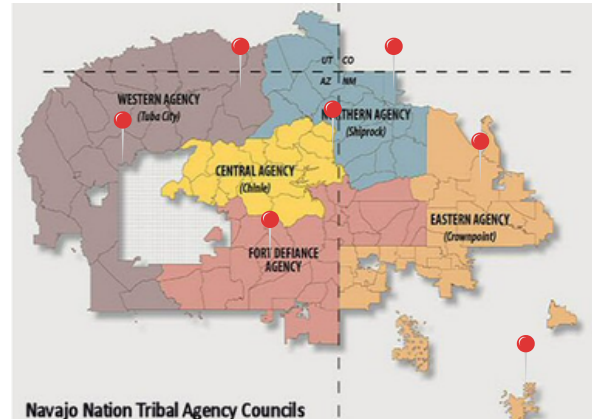
CLUPC plays a key role in assisting with community development, rural addressing, assessment compilations, and sections focused on solid waste management, contributing to the sections required and recommended.

Of the 110 Navajo Chapters have completed CLUPC orientations and implementation efforts. An orientation is crucial to have completed so it will enhance the overall goal effective planning.

Over the past year, several chapters have updated and recertified their land use planning manuals. As part of the process, DCD conduct training sessions for CLUPC committees on effectively utilizing resources and information to enhance their planning capabilities.

06/10/2026

### Chapters & Technical Assistance



**100%**

**Chapter CLUPC Completed  
Orientations since 2025**

#### Western Agency Statistics

**7**

**CHAPTERS ARE RECEIVING  
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

- Chilchinbeto
- Coppermine
- LeChee
- Hardrock
- Coalmine
- Birdsprings
- Natsiis Aan

**3**

**CHAPTERS ARE 70%  
NEAR CLUP MANUAL  
CERTIFICATION**

- Coalmine
- Chilchinbeto
- Hardrock

*\* IT IS NOT CLEAR HOW MANY CLUP  
COMMITTEES HAVE INACTIVE CLUPS*



## Community Planning News!

### Hardrock Chapter



Hardrock Chapter has successfully completed its 2026 Community Land Use Plan, marking a significant milestone in the chapter's planning efforts. The plan outlines community priorities, land use designations, demographic information, commercial development opportunities, community facilities, site analyses for chapter projects, infrastructure assessments, and transportation/thoroughfare planning. The chapter's dedication and hard work throughout the planning process are commendable. The land use plan is currently awaiting final draft revisions and approval through a Chapter Resolution. Upon approval, the plan will proceed for legislative sponsorship by Delegate Simonson.

### Coppermine Chapter



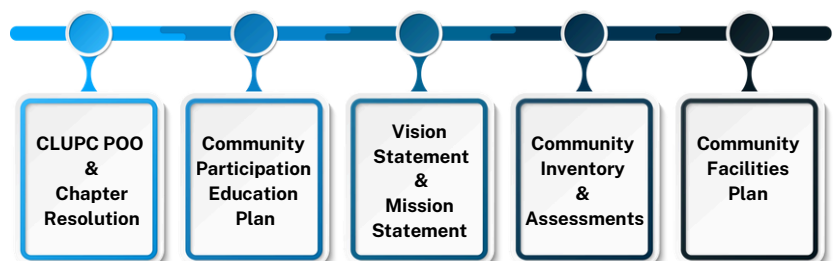
The Coppermine Chapter's Comprehensive Land Use Plan is currently underway, with updates being carefully drafted to reflect the community's evolving needs and future vision. The CLUPC Committee is working diligently and with focus to ensure the manual is modern, inclusive, and aligned with long-term goals for development, housing, infrastructure, and environmental stewardship. Once finalized in the coming months, the updated plan will be presented for certification by the NNRDC marking a major milestone for the Chapter. This effort represents not just an update to a document, but a bold step toward building a stronger, more sustainable future for the community.

According to the Navajo Nation Code Title 26, Section 2004, specific steps are required for updating and recertifying the Community-Based Land Use Plan. The CLUP's Plan of Operation must be approved along with the Chapter Resolution. The Community Participation and Education Plan must be finalized to ensure meaningful community engagement (list all your meetings with dates).

Additionally, the chapter's vision and guiding principles should be reviewed, updated, and completed. All chapter projects must be included in the Community Inventory Plan, accompanied by the necessary supporting documents. Lastly, the Community Facilities Plan must be incorporated as a required component. Following these steps is essential for successful recertification.

The CLUPC Orientation is guided by the Navajo Nation Code Title 26 requirements, Section 2004.

**Required Sections:**



No.	Council Delegates	Chapters	State	SPPS Staff	LGA Certified Chapter	CLUPC Committee or Planning and Zoning Committee	CLUPC Orientation	Do they have a Consultant or Planner	Progress/Milestone	Current CLUP Manual up to date?	Original Manual Date	5 Year Update	Chapter Resolution Number	RDC Recertification Date	RDC Legislation Number
1	Helena Nez-Begay	Bodaway-Gap	AZ	M. Maloney	Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	Certified Chapter - They are working updating thier CLUP manual. Currently working on updating thier POO. 2016 (more or less) is when the CLUP manual was certified.	Yes	6/1/2020	6/15/2025	Yes		RDCMA-06-15
2	Helena Nez-Begay	Coppermine	AZ	M. Maloney	Non Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	The manual is near completion by Arizona State University with committee input. Be having meetings off and on but not much progress from committee. The CLUPC currently having issues among members.	No					
3	Helena Nez-Begay	Kaibeto/ Kai' Bii To	AZ	M. Maloney	Non Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	The committee meets monthly, editing of manual but little progress. Orientation conducted by Latasha on July 22, 2024.	No					
4	Helena Nez-Begay	LeChee	AZ	M. Maloney	Certified	Yes (Planning & Zoning)	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	The P&Z committee meets monthly, working on the manual.	No					
5	Helena Nez-Begay	Tonalea- Red Lake	AZ	M. Maloney	Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	Have not been active, no meeting on several months.	No					
6	Otto Tso	Tuba Cty	AZ	M. Maloney	Certified	Yes (Planning & Zoning)	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	The P&Z committee has new members so working on manual slowly.	No	2007				
7	Casey Allen Johnson	Cameron	AZ	M. Maloney	Non Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	Advertising for two new members and slowly becoming active.	No	2006				
8	Casey Allen Johnson	Coalmine Canyon	AZ	M. Maloney	Non Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	The committee is slowly moving along with little progress but planning to budget for a Planner to assist with manual. Latasha provided an orientation to the group. Worksession is planned in	No	4/1/2006				
9	Casey Allen Johnson	Birdsprings	AZ	M. Maloney	Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	Certified Chapter - updating the manual. They have not started yet, but looking to hire a planner/consultant.	No					
10	Casey Allen Johnson	Leupp	AZ	M. Maloney	Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	CLUPC orientation scheduled on April 05. Draft CLUP Manual needing to be reviewed. Continue to need technical assistance. The plan of operation should be completed and moving	No	9/16/2008				
11	Casey Allen Johnson	Tolani Lake	AZ	M. Maloney	Non Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	NO	The CLUPC and Chapter Admin, and Officials had a Strategic Worksession at Twin Arrows back in May 2024. Need follow up on the progress of the land use plan.	Yes	2008				
12	Shaandiin Parrish	Dennehotso	AZ	L. Poyer	Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	No	The CLUPC manual is complete, they are getting ready for the legislation to be dropped by Delegate Parrish. Manual has been completed for over a year, not sure what might be causing						
13	Herman Daniels Jr.	Ts'ah Bii Kin (Inscript)	AZ	L. Poyer	Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	No	Need status update			4/11/2021			
14	Shaandiin Parrish	Kayenta	AZ	L. Poyer	Certified	None	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	No	CLUPC Orientation has been completed in 2025. Group should be working on the document.						
15	Herman Daniels Jr.	Navajo Mountain	UT	L. Poyer	Non Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	No	Chapter requested a new orientation with new members. July 23, 2025 at Naastiiss ann chapter		9/2008	9/1/2008			
16	Herman Daniels Jr.	Ojato	UT	L. Poyer	Non Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	No	Almost finished the CLUP Manual; not report of the progress have been completed.		7/2023	11/2021			
17	Germain Simonson	Hardrock	AZ	M. Maloney	Non Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	No	A full draft of the manual has been completed; currently reviewing the manual.		7/2023	11/2021			
18	Shaandiin Parrish	Chilchinbeto	AZ	L. Poyer	Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	no	The CLUPC manual is complete, they are getting ready for the legislation to be dropped by Delegate Parrish.		1/2007	3/1/2022			
19	Herman Daniels	Shonto	AZ	L. Poyer	Certified	Yes	Twin Arrows 2/03/2025	No	Need a status update.		2/5/2005				

# WESTERN AGENCY

## Solid Waste Management Department

### Introduction

Illegal dumping continues to be a significant environmental, public health, and community concern throughout the Western Agency. The disposal of household trash, construction debris, tires, furniture, and other waste materials in unauthorized areas negatively impacts the land, wildlife, grazing areas, and the overall quality of life for community members.

To better understand the extent of this issue and support long-term solutions, the Department of Community Development (DCD) Solid Waste Management Program has been conducting field assessments throughout Western Agency chapters. These assessments help identify illegal dumping locations, document site conditions, and support future cleanup and prevention efforts.

To date, 98 illegal dump sites have been documented within the Western Agency. Assessments have been completed in the following chapters:

- Chilchinbeto Chapter
- Tolani Lake Chapter
- Tuba City Chapter
- Leupp Chapter
- Kayenta Chapter
- Dennehotso Chapter
- Coalmine Canyon Chapter

The information collected during these visits will assist in developing cleanup plans, prioritizing resources, seeking funding opportunities, and implementing prevention measures.

### Purpose of the Site Assessments

The primary purpose of these field assessments is to identify and document illegal dumping activity throughout chapter communities and surrounding areas. Understanding the location and severity of dumping helps support effective cleanup strategies and long-term waste management solutions.

During each assessment, the following activities were completed:

- Identification and documentation of illegal dump sites
- Collection of GPS coordinates for each site
- Photographic documentation of site conditions and waste materials
- Evaluation of site size, accessibility, and potential environmental impacts
- Coordination with chapter officials regarding local dumping concerns

The information gathered provides valuable data for cleanup planning, funding requests, and future environmental protection efforts.

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## Assessment Findings

The Western Agency assessments are part of a larger Navajo Nation-wide effort to address illegal dumping. To date, a total of 758 illegal dump sites have been documented across chapters within the Western, Fort Defiance, Central, Northern, and Eastern Agencies.

Common waste materials observed at illegal dump sites include:

- Household trash and bagged waste
- Construction and demolition debris
- Tires and scrap materials
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Many dumping locations were found near roads, residential areas, and grazing lands, while others were located in remote areas. Several sites showed evidence of repeated dumping activity, indicating that illegal dumping remains an ongoing challenge for many communities.

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## Current and Ongoing Efforts

### Illegal Dumping Prevention Sign Installation

As part of the ongoing prevention strategy, illegal dumping signs will be installed at documented dump sites throughout the Western Agency. These signs are intended to:

- Discourage illegal dumping activities
- Increase public awareness
- Promote environmental stewardship
- Encourage community reporting of illegal dumping
- Protect community lands and natural resources

Sign installation will focus on locations that have experienced repeated dumping activity and areas that are easily accessible from roadways.

# WESTERN AGENCY

## Community Roll-Off Bin

To further support illegal dumping prevention and community cleanup efforts, several Western Agency chapters have received roll-off bins through the Department of Community Development (DCD) Solid Waste Management Program. These bins are provided to assist communities with the proper disposal of household waste, bulky items, and debris generated during community cleanup events.

The roll-off bin program provides residents with a convenient and accessible disposal option at no cost to community members, helping reduce illegal dumping and encouraging responsible waste management practices. The availability of these bins has supported chapter cleanup efforts and provided an important service for residents who may not otherwise have access to waste disposal resources.

The goals of the roll-off bin program include:

- Providing free waste disposal opportunities for community members
- Supporting chapter-sponsored cleanup events
- Reducing illegal dumping throughout chapter communities
- Improving community health, safety, and environmental quality
- Encouraging responsible waste disposal practices

The Solid Waste Management Program will continue working with chapters to identify waste management needs and provide resources that support cleaner and healthier communities.

## Moving Forward

Addressing illegal dumping requires continued collaboration between chapter, community members, Navajo Nation programs, and partner agencies. While cleanup efforts are important, long-term success will depend on prevention, education, enforcement, and community involvement.

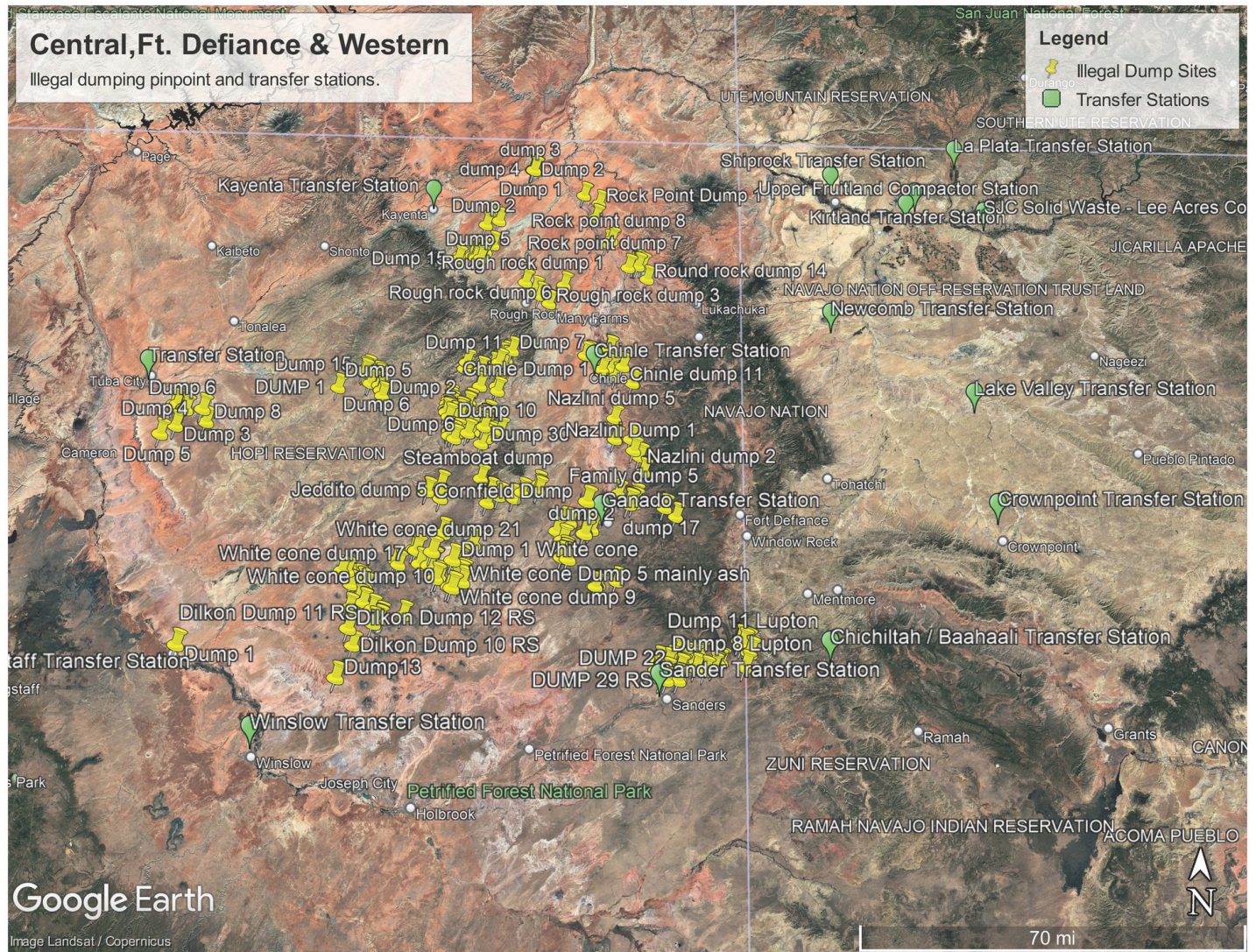
Future efforts will focus on:

- Completing remaining illegal dumping assessments
- Installing prevention signage at documented dump sites
- Coordinating cleanup projects at priority locations
- Expanding public education and outreach efforts
- Supporting chapters with solid waste management resources and services

Through these combined efforts, the Western Agency can continue working toward cleaner, safer, and healthier communities while protecting the land for future generations.



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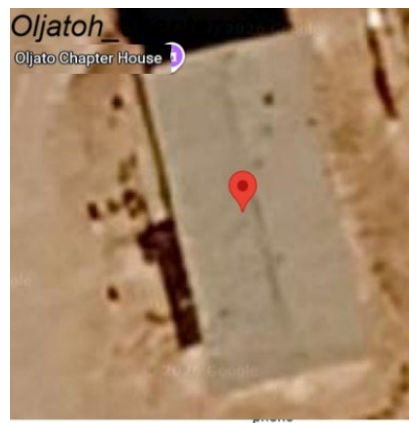


(A.K.A.) Rural Addressing

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- Spatial Data Resource (SDR) contractors have been assisting NAAD staff with the rural addressing process as part of ARPA funded projects ; with ARPA funding mechanism from Division of Public Safety (DPS) section 4, SDR is conducting fieldwork ; as a result, data for the Chapters have been generated by SDR
- SDR contract began in June of 2024 under CJN-29-22, section 4 with DPS as administrative oversight ; DCD has been providing guidance to some of the 15 Chapters under section 3 funding mechanism. However, CMA-16-26 legislation is being assessed to determine how the rural addressing projects will be progressing with SDR partnership and other moving parts
- CMA-16-26 speaks to amending, clarifying and superseding resolutions CD-54-24 and CJN-29-22 by removing the Division of Community Development as administrative oversight authority on all Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund (NNFRF) projects, including subrecipient agreements ; clarifying the office of the controller and NNFRF office as administrative oversight authority for NNFRF projects ; authorizing the controller to move funds between NNFRF projects that are substantially similar, and clarifying that the president retains authority to execute new contracts regarding NNFRF projects ; Controller’s determination will be announced
- **Bird Springs**: 266 houses with 382 address points by SDR ; road/street signs delivered
- **Bodaway-Gap**: 650 houses with SDR fieldwork in progress
- **Cameron**: 420 houses with SDR physical addressing in progress
- **Chilchinbii’toh**: 558 updated structures with SDR fieldwork in conducted
- **Coalmine Canyon**: 264 houses and road/street signs delivered
- **Coppermine**: 213 houses with SDR physical addressing in progress
- **Dennehotso**: 572 houses with road/street signs delivered by SDR
- **Inscription House**: 418 houses with road/street signs delivered by SDR
- **Kaibeto**: 576 houses with SDR physical addressing in progress
- **Kayenta**: 2,074 houses with SDR conducting physical addressing task
- **LeChee**: 498 updated structures with road/street materials delivered by SDR
- **Leupp**: 537 houses with SDR reporting 597 address points ; road/street sign materials delivered by SDR
- **Navajo Mountain**: 90 houses with SDR delivering sign materials
- **Oljato**: 211 houses with 530 population ; SDR physically addressing
- **Shonto**: 820 houses with SDR conducting the physical addressing task
- **Tonalea**: 762 houses with SDR conducting the physical addressing task
- **Tolani Lake**: 285 houses with SDR delivering road/street sign materials
- **Tuba City**: 2,695 houses with SDR conducting the physical addressing task



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June 13, 2026

## **WESTERN AGENCY COUNCIL REPORT**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Written By: Patrick Dalgai, Department Manager II**

The Community Housing & Infrastructure Department (CHID) is committed to enhancing the living conditions of Navajo families by providing critical housing assistance through restoration and assessment services. On an annual basis, CHID assists eligible applicants with emergency relief efforts that include home assessments, provision of building materials, and workforce support to repair and renovate homes impacted by severe weather and other conditions. These services aim to ensure safe, livable environments for vulnerable households across the Navajo Nation.

The Housing Improvement Program (HIP) operates through an annual BIA 93-638 funding allocation. In collaboration with Chapter communities, HIP conducts outreach to distribute and collect BIA housing applications. Eligible applications are submitted to the BIA Navajo Regional Office for funding consideration. The program's primary goal is to raise housing standards by delivering essential repairs, renovations, and new housing construction for low-income families, in accordance with eligibility requirements outlined in 25 CFR Part 256.

The Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) program is a competitive federal grant funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Southwest Office of Native American Programs (SWONAP). ICDBG supports essential infrastructure projects, with a focus on extending powerlines and improving water and wastewater systems. However, the program continues to face significant challenges due to increased competition among tribes in the Southwest Region and recent regulatory shifts that prioritize housing rehabilitation over infrastructure. These changes have contributed to a notable decrease in funding for utility projects, despite infrastructure being a foundational element of sustainable housing development. Nevertheless, CHID remains dedicated to advocating for ICDBG funding and advancing its mission to improve the quality of life for Navajo communities through robust infrastructure and housing support.

#### **1. Housing Funding Source and Distribution (ARPA)**

- A. Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Funds (2.16 New Housing): \$50 million
  - \$50 million to DCD/CHID new housing (CJN-29-22)
- B. \$50 million equal distribution to the 24 Council Delegate Regions
- C. \$2,083,333 to each Delegate Region

- D. Additional \$50 million ARPA housing funds under CMY-28-24
- E. \$50 million equal distribution to the 24 Council Delegate Regions
- F. \$2,083,333 to each Delegate Region

Total ARPA Funds: \$100 million for New Housing under CJN-29-22 and CMY-28-24

**2. Home Site Assessments**

- In collaboration with AG Solutions, CHID have begun and completed home site location assessments for Western Agency Chapters, to begin planning for the site preparation for the incoming new modular or manufactured home units.
- Utilities (electric, water/wastewater) are also being assessed for connections.

**3. Applicant Listing and Priority Management**

- CHID and AG Solutions have been consulting with Chapter Representatives and Delegates on the current status of the new housing construction, delivery and set up for each of the Chapters.
- AG Solutions has been contacting Western Agency Chapters to schedule on site assessments to identify home set up locations. Requesting applicant and Chapter representatives to be in attendance, to relay important messages.
- CHID requesting Chapters to assist with road access clearing, removal of obstructed structures, site grading and leveling.
- Under Work Order #1 and #3, all homes have been delivered and setup and this project is near completion with home setup. Project closeout process is in progress with signing over home to all remaining recipients.
- Work Order #5 applicant selection letters have been mailed out and other Work Orders letters will be sent out to the housing applicants by mail. Non-selection letters will be mailed out at a later time.

**4. New ARPA Home Deliveries and Set Up (Western Agency Chapters)**

<b>Work Order 1: 50 Recipients</b>	50 recipients	50 homes delivered	50 homes set	0 homes ready to be delivered	50 site assessments completed	50 pad preps complete
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<b>Work Order 3: 150 Recipients</b>	13 recipients	12 homes delivered	12 homes set	1 home ready to be delivered	13 site assessments completed	13 pad preps complete
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<b>Work Order 5: 138 Recipients</b>	39 recipients	8 homes delivered	8 home set	31 homes ready to be delivered	8 site assessments completed	8 site preps complete
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## 5. Community Housing & Infrastructure Department

- Leupp, AZ - Drywall repair, CHID assisted and provided drywall through-out majority of the home's ceiling due to water damage. Complete.
- Leupp, AZ - Drywall repair, Assessment was completed, this constituent recently purchased a double wide, therefore does not need CHID's assistance. Complete.
- Dennehotso, AZ - Roof Repair, Assessment was already completed, in the process of assisting this constituent.
- Leupp, AZ - Home assessment completed, roof repair.
- CHID will determine if projects are feasible for repairs.

### A. Field Staff Home Restoration Projects

- CHID carpentry staff are currently engaged in other projects at various Chapters, including requests from Chapters for emergency assistance for roof repairs, due to unexpected winter weather conditions.
- Projects include bathroom renovations, replacing complete sub-flooring with new construction, replacing outdated windows and doors, removing roofing and adding new materials as repairs, minor plumbing and electrical work.
- CHID's carpenters are dedicated to ensuring that each project is completed with high standards of quality and within the specified timelines.
- CHID is currently understaffed and actively seeking to hire two permanent Carpenter positions, which will help alleviate the workload currently carried by only two CHID carpenters.

## 6. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

- CDBG does not currently have any projects in Western Agency, however, the CDBG Program encourages Western Agency Chapters to start preparing proposals for the FY'26 funding cycle.
- Proposal deadline for FY'2026 is June 12, 2026. Submission accepted by mail (postmarked on June 12, 2026) and in-person drop off at the CDBG office (Administration Building No. 2) or at your local ASC Offices. Email and fax is **not accepted** due to the volume of pages of the proposal.
- Project savings under FY'19/20 is being reprogrammed to assist with other projects within CHID ARPA.
- Working with CHID and NECA to identify CHID ARPA Housing clients to assist with Cistern Septic System.
- Working on Amendment Application for FY2019/20 Grant savings
- Working on Amendment to utilize savings to assist CHID ARPA housing constituents and Chapters with shovel ready infrastructure projects.
- Working diligently to expend funds in FY'2021 ARPA Grant to meet Close-out in December 2026.

- Will begin working on extension of FY'2021 ARPA Grant to 2027.
- CDBG Program Supervisor II position readvertised with closing date of May 26, 2026, interviews set for June 10, 2026.
- Staff to attend the upcoming DNR Expo 2026 II in Farmington, NM
- Notice of Funding Opportunities is not yet published for funding agency.

## 7. Housing Improvement Program (HIP)

The Housing Improvement Program (HIP) is currently accepting applications for housing assistance for Fiscal Year 2027. Applications will be accepted through September 30, 2026.

HIP is a federally funded program dedicated to providing safe and sanitary homes for very-low-income families and individuals across the Navajo Nation. We provide assistance for repairs, renovations, the replacement of existing houses, and new construction.

Our team is available to conduct application intake and outreach at any chapter. Additionally, applications are available for download on the Division of Community Development website ([nndcd.org](http://nndcd.org)) and the Community Housing & Infrastructure Department website ([www.nnchid.org](http://www.nnchid.org)).

We look forward to working with your chapters and communities. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

### MAY

5/01/2026 – Coppermine Chapter house

*Attendees – 15 community members of Coppermine came to the Intake event, a lot had questions only and few of them I helped to complete application during the Intake. The rest took applications with them to fill & mail in later.*

5/04/2026 – Tonalea Chapter house (1<sup>st</sup> day)

*Attendees – 42 community members signed in at Intake event. New clients and returning clients from year/s before; reapplied. Most of them took applications with them, few stayed thru the Intake to complete applications and some are lacking documents but will mail in to office later on.*

5/05/2026 – Tonalea Chapter house (2<sup>nd</sup> day)

*Attendees – 45 community members came to Intake event, 2<sup>nd</sup> day. Few are returns from day before with missing documents and forms completion submittal, new and reapplying clients. Most of new community members took application with them to submit later on and few stayed thru Intake event and completed applications with me.*

**JUNE**

6/03/2026 – Kayenta Chapter house

*Attendees – 25 community members came to attend Intake event, few returning clients from previous year/s and some new applicants. Community took applications with them, and some stayed and I helped them complete applications.*

Upcoming Intake events –

Oljato Chapter – July 14, 2026 (2<sup>nd</sup> Visit)

Pending response –

*Dennehotso, Chilchinbeto, Lechee and Leupp chapter – awaiting response to be schedule.*

**\*\* Angelita John – Western Agency HIP Eligibility Tech.**