



# COYOTE CANYON CHAPTER

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## RESOLUTION OF THE COYOTE CANYON CHAPTER COY-26-03-06

### Resolution Strongly Objecting to Navajo Government Expedited Reform Proposal; Demanding Legally Sufficient Review and Non-Conflicted Independent Counsel

#### WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to N.N.C. Title 26, Chapter 1 Sec (A) under the Local Governance Act, Coyote Canyon is a certified local government entity of the Navajo Nation and codified at 11N.N.C. Part 1 Section 10; and
2. Pursuant to Section 1(B)(1) of the same Act Coyote Canyon Chapter is vested with the government authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo Law including custom and tradition; and
3. Pursuant to Chapter 1, Section 1(B)(2) of the same Act, Coyote Canyon Chapter is vested with the governmental authority to make decisions over local matters and to govern with responsibility and accountability to the local citizens; and
4. Pursuant to Plans of Operation of Commission on Navajo Government Development and Office of Navajo Government was amended to emphasize its duty to accomplish the “PEOPLES” project of recommending and proposing reforms that “promote, enhance, honor, and comply with the Foundation of Dine’, Dine’ Law, and Dine Government Fundamental Laws-Dine’ Bi Beehaz’aanii Bitse’Silei, for consideration by the Navajo Nation Council and the Navajo people, and
5. Pursuant to the proposal of Office of Navajo Government to bypass our 26 Navajo Nation Code Section (1)(E) and present the (100) page reform document directly on the ballot referendum question in November 2026, and the intent is to supersede the Local Governance Act, and the document to serve as the “supreme law”,
6. Pursuant to Coyote Canyon Chapter receiving no consultation or conference on Chapter restructuring, or any information on our local autonomy and home ruling exercise,
7. Pursuant to Coyote Canyon Chapter is not in receipt of any findings about community needs, and no recognition of the Navajo Way of Life that emphasizes local governance of land and regard for generational endurance and stewardship of Navajo people and Mother Earth, and


**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

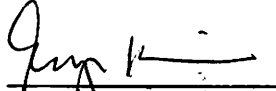
1. The Coyote Canyon Chapter hereby strongly objects to the proposed Office of Navajo Government referendum ballot to amend the local governance (100) page document, and
2. The Coyote Canyon Chapter strongly objects to the proposed amendments, and
3. The Coyote Canyon Chapter further requests all Chapters receive proper orientation and consultation, and any proposed amendments be reviewed and to ascertain legal sufficiency, and


The Coyote Canyon Chapter Officials and Administration are hereby authorized and directed to act upon all essential Chapter Administrative duties and responsibilities to enact the purpose of this resolution.

**CERTIFICATION**

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by Coyote Canyon Chapter at a duly called Chapter meeting at Coyote Canyon (Navajo Nation), New Mexico, at which a quorum was present, and the same was passed by a vote of 20 in favor, 0 oppose, 6 abstained this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

ATTEST:   
Sharon Warren  
Chapter President

  
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Chapter Vice President

  
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Chapter Secretary/Treasurer

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## RESOLUTION OF THE COYOTE CANYON CHAPTER COY-26-03-9

**Resolution To Request New Mexico Mining and Mineral Department on Public Comment Extension for Mining Operation and Reclamation Plan and Request for Public Hearing on Permit No. C1008RN, LaJara Mine**

### WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to N.N.C. Title 26, Chapter 1 Sec (A) under the Local Governance Act, Coyote Canyon is a certified local government entity of the Navajo Nation and codified at 11N.N.C. Part 1 Section 10; and
2. Pursuant to Section 1(B)(1) of the same Act Coyote Canyon Chapter is vested with the government authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo Law including custom and tradition; and
3. Pursuant to Chapter 1, Section 1(B)(2) of the same Act, Coyote Canyon Chapter is vested with the governmental authority to make decisions over local matters and to govern with responsibility and accountability to the local citizens; and
4. Pursuant to Laramide Resources Inc., proposed mining and reclamation plan announced as February 17, 2026 last day to file comments, and March 01, 2026 as the last date for tribes to file a public hearing, and
5. Pursuant to Coyote Canyon Chapter and Navajo People not being aware of these deadlines, and
6. Pursuant to Coyote Canyon Chapter holds and considers Mount Taylor as sacred and is considered as possessing traditional cultural property status, and cultural religious practices are held
7. Pursuant to Coyote Canyon Chapter receiving insufficient information on water use, environmental studies and facts, and

### NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Coyote Canyon Chapter hereby requests further public hearings on mining operations and reclamation plans, and
2. The Coyote Canyon Chapter further requests New Mexico Mining and Mineral Department to extend the deadline for public comment and public hearings

The Coyote Canyon Chapter Officials and Administration are hereby authorized and directed to act upon all essential Chapter Administrative duties and responsibilities to enact the purpose of this resolution.

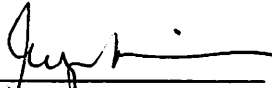
## CERTIFICATION

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by Coyote Canyon Chapter at a duly called Chapter meeting at Coyote Canyon (Navajo Nation), New Mexico, at which a quorum was present, and the same was passed by a vote of 18 in favor, 1 oppose, 5 abstained this 15th day of March, 2026.

ATTEST:



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