



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

A Resolution entitled, “Matching funds for a Conservation Innovation Grant for Noxious Weeds on Fort Berthold Reservation”

WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act and having adopted a Constitution and Bylaws under said Act; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article III, section 1 of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, section 5(c) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to administer funds or property within the exclusive control of the Tribes to make expenditures from available Tribal funds for public purposes of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, section 5(j) of the Constitution specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to protect and preserve the property, wildlife, and natural resources of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council through the Natural Resources Committee has directed the Natural Resources Department to take necessary measures to ensure that every effort is made to eradicate noxious plants on the Fort Berthold Reservation; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes by passing Resolution # 06-23-VJB prioritized the following noxious plants for eradication in this order: 1. Leafy Spurge (*Euphorbia esula*), 2. Purple Loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*), 3. Canada Thistle (*Cirsium arvense*), 4. Musk Thistle (*Carduus nutans*), 5. Russian Knapweed (*Centaurea repens*), 6. Spotted Knapweed (*Centaurea maculosa*), 7. Tropical Soda Apple (*Solanum viarum*), 8. Yellow Star Thistle (*Centaurea solstitialis*), 9. Congo grass (*Imperata cylindrical*), 10. Salt Cedar (*Tamarix ramosissima*); and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Agriculture and Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) through the State of North Dakota NRCS has a Conservation Innovation Grant available with a set aside of 10% (30,000.00 dollars) for Indian Tribes to



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stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies; and

WHEREAS, The Natural Resources Department has requested authority to submit application for the above-referenced grant; and

WHEREAS, According to the terms of the grant there is a 50% match requirement, 37.5% of which would be in-kind, and 12.5% (or 3,750.00 dollars) of which would be cash; and

WHEREAS, It is the considered decision of the Tribal Business Council that making application for this grant is in the best interest of the health and welfare of the Tribe and the enrolled members thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes that application be made by the Natural Resources Department for the above-referenced grant and hereby directs that three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$3,750.00) in Tribal funds be obligated to meet the required cash match contribution for said grant.

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, 6 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 4th April 2007; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 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 4th day of April, 2007.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Tribal Secretary, V. Judy Brugh
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

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Tribal Chairman, Marcus Wells Jr.
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes