

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
REGULAR SESSION
MAY 9, 2026
LCR, CONCHO, OK

RESOLUTION: A Resolution to Submit an application for a P.L. 638 Contract for 3 years (2026-2028) for the Fuels Management Program from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior.

RESOLUTION NO: 11L-RS-2026-05-004

DATE INTRODUCED: April 7, 2026

SPONSOR: Bruce Whiteman, Jr., District C1

CO-SPONSOR: Pamela Sutton, District A1

SUBJECT: A Resolution to Submit an application for a P.L. 638 Contract for 3 years (2026-2028) for the Fuels Management Program from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior.

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are a federally recognized Indian tribe organized pursuant to a Constitution approved by tribal membership on April, 4 2006, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and,

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the “power to make laws and resolutions in accordance with the Constitution which are necessary and proper for the good of the Tribes”; and

WHEREAS: Article VII, Section 4(d) of the Constitution requires that the Legislature or Tribal Council give prior authorization for the signing of contracts by the Governor; and,


WHEREAS: The Legislature has the Constitutional obligation and public responsibility to the Tribes to oversee the Tribes’ operations in order to establish and promote justice, establish guidance and direction for the government and advance the general welfare of the Tribes; and,

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Fire Management is submitting an application for P.L. 638 Contract for Fuels Management – Program, Functions, Services, Activities and Personnel Salaries to manage all Fuels projects located in the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Tribal Jurisdiction Area, also known as Concho Agency, from Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior for 3 years starting January 1, 2026-December 31, 2028, or until funds are expended; and,

WHEREAS: In accordance with 25 C.F.R § 900.8 (d) that an “authorizing resolution” is required from the tribes; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Eleventh Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes hereby authorizes the Fire Management Program to submit an application for a P.L. 638 Contract from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior for 3 calendar years, or until funds are expended; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eleventh Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes authorizes Governor Reggie Wassana to sign for the P.L. 638 Contract for the Fuels Management Program from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior and any other document needed to further the intent of this resolution.



Kendricks Sleeper
Speaker of the Eleventh Legislature
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:

I, Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Copy of the Original Bill No. 11L-RS-2026-05-004 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in the Fifth Regular Session of the Eleventh Legislature, by a roll call vote on the 9th day of May 2026.

VOTE RECORD:

DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
A1	Pamela Sutton	✓			
A2	Kendricks Sleeper	✓			
A3	Travis Ruiz				✓
A4	Rector Candy	✓			
C1	Bruce Whiteman, Jr.	✓			
C2	Milan Roman Nose, Jr.	✓			
C3	Thomas Trout	✓			
C4	Mariah Youngbull	✓			
TOTAL		7			1
Passes (X) Fails () Tabled () Allowed to Die () No Action ()					

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5, subsection (a) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: “Tie votes in the Legislature shall be decided by the Governor.”

		YES	NO	ABSENT
Governor	Reggie Wassana			

Jodi White Buffalo
 Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk

Eleventh Legislature, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:


Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(iv) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: “All Bills passed by the Legislature shall be presented to the Governor for signature or veto. All laws shall take effect thirty days after signature by the Governor or veto override by the Legislature unless any Member of the Tribes submits to the Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council a petition signed by at least one hundred fifty Members of the Tribal Council seeking to repeal the law or resolution at the next Tribal Council meeting. If the Tribal Council fails to repeal such law or resolution at the next Tribal Council where the matter has been properly placed on the agenda for the Tribal Council meeting, such law or resolution shall become effective immediately.”

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 4, subsection (g) of the Tribes Constitution reads: “The Governor shall have the power to sign any enactment passed by the Legislature into law or to veto any enactment passed by the Legislature within ten days of passage with a written explanation of any objections; and if the Governor takes no action within ten days, then the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution.”

APPROVED

VETOED: Attachment ____; Governor’s written explanation of any objections.

On the 11th day of May, 2026.



Reggie Wassana, Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



**TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS:
From the Legislative Branch to the Office of Records Management**

ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(v), of the Tribes Constitution reads, "The Office of Records Management shall compile all Laws and Resolutions into a comprehensive Code in an orderly manner that shall be published annually."

Office of Records Management Staff, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Original Resolution No. 11L-RS-2026-05-004.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: Cheryl Blind

Print Name: Cheryl Blind

Title: Director

Date: 5/12/2026

Office of Records Management
Department of Administration, Executive Branch
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

