

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
REGULAR SESSION
APRIL 11, 2026
LCR, CONCHO, OK

RESOLUTION: A Resolution to Leverage Funding for the New Construction of a Wildland Fire Station in Concho.

RESOLUTION NO: 11L-RS-2026-05-005

DATE INTRODUCED: April 7, 2026

SPONSOR: Travis Ruiz, District A3

CO-SPONSOR: Mariah Youngbull, District C4

SUBJECT: A Resolution to Leverage Funding for the New Construction of a Wildland Fire Station in Concho.

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are duly recognized by the United States Secretary of the Interior as a self-governing, Sovereign Nation, that is federally recognized Indian Tribe with all rights, privileges, and powers attended thereto as a sovereign government under a constitution approved by the Secretary of Interior; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution provides that the Legislative power shall be vested in the Legislature, which includes the powers to make laws and resolutions in accordance with the Constitution which are necessary and proper for the good of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(d) of the Constitution authorizes the Legislature shall have the power to raise revenue and appropriate funds for expenditure; and

WHEREAS: The Department of the Interior, Office of Tribal Leases, approved the plans for the construction of a Fire Management facility; and

WHEREAS: A Fire management facility on the Concho campus is essential in protecting lives, property, maintaining operational readiness, housing equipment, ensuring firefighter safety, and improving emergency response capabilities for our communities; and

WHEREAS: Estimated costs for the construction plus any unforeseen costs is \$3,000,000; and

WHEREAS: The construction costs will be reimbursed back to the Tribes, but initial leveraging funds are required in order to get the project started; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES LEGISLATURE, and pursuant to its Constitutional authority, hereby appropriates \$3,000,000 of Tax Commission Funds for the leveraging funds needed to begin the Fire Management Wildland Fire Station, all leveraged funds that are reimbursed shall be returned to the Treasury upon reimbursement and shall be subject to future appropriation; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Eleventh Legislature authorizes Governor Wassana to sign any and all documents 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-2026-05-005 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					
Passes () 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, 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 _____ day of _____, 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-2026-05-005.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

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

