

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
REGULAR SESSION
OCTOBER 10, 2026
LCR, CONCHO, OK

RESOLUTION: A Resolution to approve the submission of the Tribal Wildlife Grant application to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for \$200,000 with no cost-match requirement for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Environmental Protection Agency program.

RESOLUTION NO: 11L-RS-2026-10-002
DATE INTRODUCED: September 9, 2026
SPONSOR: Rector Candy, District A4
CO-SPONSOR: Bruce Whiteman, Jr., District C1

SUBJECT: A Resolution to approve the submission of the Tribal Wildlife Grant application to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for \$200,000 with no cost-match requirement for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Environmental Protection Agency program.

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 all 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 Eleventh Legislature finds that it is necessary and proper to support the submission of the Tribal Wildlife Grant application to restore and enhance wildlife habitats on Tribal lands in Concho, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS: That the three-year project will assess existing wildlife habitat conditions, identify priority restoration areas, restore native grasses and other appropriate native vegetation, and enhance wildlife water resources where appropriate; and

WHEREAS: That the project will remove or manage invasive vegetation, and implement additional habitat improvements based on documented site conditions; and

WHEREAS: Project activities will support the conservation of wildlife and habitats of ecological, cultural, and traditional importance to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes; and

WHEREAS: The primary beneficiaries will be the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, Tribal members, future generations, and the wildlife and native habitats supported by the Concho project area.

WHEREAS: The project will strengthen Tribal stewardship and provide the tools, knowledge, and management framework necessary to continue wildlife conservation beyond the grant period; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the Eleventh Legislature, pursuant to Article VII, Section 4(d) of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Constitution, does hereby authorize Governor Reggie Wassana to submit an application for the Tribal Wildlife Grant to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for the amount of \$200,000 with no cost-match requirement for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes' Environmental Protection Agency program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Legislature authorizes the Governor of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to execute all necessary documents and take all actions required to implement the approved grant on behalf of the Tribes.



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-2026-10-002 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in the Tenth Regular Session, by a roll call vote on the 10th day of October 2026, by a vote.

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		8			
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 15th day of October, 2026.



Reggie Wassana, Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS:

From the Legislative Branch to the Office of Records Management

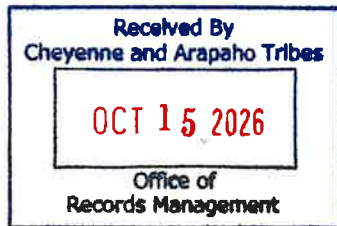
ATTEST:

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-2026-10-002.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: _____

Cheryl Blind

Print Name: _____

Cheryl Blind

Title: _____

Director

Date: _____

10/15/26

Office of Records Management

Department of Administration, Executive Branch

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
