

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Approving Arizona State University (ASU) Border Environment Cooperation
Commission (BECC) Project to Perform Water Treatment Tests on Sikul
Himatk Community Water System)**

RESOLUTION NO. 11-021

- 1 **WHEREAS, the drinking water in the TOUA's public water system in the Sikul Himatk Community**
2 **has exceeded the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) limit for arsenic; and**
- 3 **WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service has considered lowering the arsenic concentration in the**
4 **public water systems by treating the water or finding new water sources with arsenic**
5 **below the EPA limit; and**
- 6 **WHEREAS, the ASU BECC Project Team has developed a new ion-exchange water treatment**
7 **media to remove arsenic and nitrate more effectively at its Environmental**
8 **Technology Management Laboratory; and**
- 9 **WHEREAS, the EPA has awarded the ASU BECC Project Team Border 2012 funding to test the**
10 **effectiveness of its water treatment media; and**
- 11 **WHEREAS, the ASU BECC Project Team is requesting that the Tohono O'odham Nation approve**
12 **the use of the TOUA's public water system at the Sikul Himatk Community as an**
13 **experimental site to test the effectiveness of its water treatment media; and**
- 14 **WHEREAS, the ASU BECC Project Team and the TOUA will cooperate in the installation and**
15 **operation of the experimental site at Sikul Himatk and the collection and shipping**
16 **of water samples; and**
- 17 **WHEREAS, the experimental test is expected to last for six to nine months from the date of**
18 **treatment system installation; and**
- 19 **WHEREAS, upon completion of the project the ASU BECC Project Team will provide a**
20 **comprehensive report to the United States EPA; and**
- 21 **WHEREAS, if the project is successful in treating water for arsenic and nitrate, it is anticipated**
22 **that it will result in a simple, effective and inexpensive water treatment system**
23 **suitable for individual residences that can be considered for distribution to homes**
24 **in those locations that suffer from high levels of arsenic and nitrate; and**
- 25 **WHEREAS, the ASU BECC Project Team's request was approved by the Gu Achi District Council**
26 **in Resolution No. 1110-342 and the request was presented to the Water Resources**
27 **Committee for review; and**
- 28 **WHEREAS, the Water Resources Committee recommends approval of the ASU BECC Project**
29 **Team's request.**
- 30 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the**
31 **ASU BECC Project Team to use the TOUA's public water system at the Sikul Himatk**

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TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL



Verlon M. Jose, Legislative Chairman

APPROVED

on the 13 day of July, 2011

DISAPPROVED

at 12:40 o'clock, P.M.


NED NORRIS, JR., CHAIRMAN
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 13 day of

January, 2011, at 1:38 o'clock, P.M.


Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary

ACTION: APPROVING ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY (ASU) BORDER ENVIRONMENT COOPERATION COMMISSION (BECC) PROJECT TO PERFORM WATER TREATMENT TESTS ON SIKUL HIMATK COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEM

Moved: COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY JOAQUIN

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN CYNTHIA E. MANUEL

DATE: JANUARY 06, 2011

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF Oidak 198.7	1. WAVALENE ROMERO (Nicholas Jose)	99.35	X			
	2. MARY LOPEZ ()	99.35	X			X
SELLS 449.6	1. KIMBERLY MULL ()	224.80	X			X
	2. EVELYN B. JUAN MANUEL ()	224.80	X			
SCHUK TOAK 159.0	1. FRANCES B. CONDE (Fredrick Jose)	79.50	X			
	2. LINDA PARLEY (Agnes Joaquin)	79.50	X			
SAN XAVIER 204.7	1. FELICIA NUÑEZ ()	102.35	X			
	2. OLIVIA VILLEGAS-LISTON (Eugene Enis)	102.35	X			
SAN LUCY 187.1	1. LORRAINE EILER ()	93.55	X			
	2. GLORIA RAMIREZ ()	93.55	X		X	
PISINEMO 184.5	1. CHESTER ANTONE (Tony Murrietta)	92.25	X			X
	2. EDWARD MANUEL (Gerald Fayuant)	92.25	X			
HICKIWAN 174.5	1. MICHELLE ORTEGA ()	87.25	X			
	2. SANDRA ORTEGA ()	87.25	X			X
GU VO 206.3	1. GRACE MANUEL ()	103.15	X			
	2. PAMELA ANGHILL (<i>Absent</i>) (Angela Ortiz)(<i>Present</i>)	103.15	X			
GU ACHI 230.1	1. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN ()	115.05	X			
	2. CYNTHIA E. MANUEL (Louis J. Johnson)	115.05	X			
CHUKUT KUK 277.0	1. ETHEL GARCIA (Sara Mae Williams)	138.50	X			
	2. VERLON M. JOSE ()	138.50	X			
BABOQUIVARI 324.0	1. FRANCES MIGUEL (Roberta Harvey)	162.0	X			
	2. FRANCES G. ANTONE (<i>Absent</i>) (Vernon Smith)(<i>Present</i>)	162.0	X			
TOTAL		2,595.50	2,595.50	-0-	-01-	[04]