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Tribal Access Authorization (TAA) Checklist

Pursuant to RDCJN-17-20 and 25 CFR 169.4 (b) (3) (iii) Tribal Authorization Access can be authorized to a wholly owned and operated Navajo Nation entity without the Bureau of Indian Affairs' approval

Cover Letter/ Scope of Work

- i. Define the proposed project undertaking(s) including construction, operation, duration, maintenance, and upgrades. Define specifically whom will assume responsibility for the infrastructure and/or utilities.
- ii. A precise location of the proposed project with description of the acreage, land status(es), and project timeline.

Permission to Survey

- i. Pre-approved permission from the Navajo Nation to conduct walk-on survey for the land to be developed. This includes the right to conduct preliminary surface surveys, archaeological clearances, ethnographic studies, environmental assessments, staking of proposed project alignment, etc.

Legal Land Survey

- i. A legal land survey that indicates all impacted acreage of each section the development will disturb, including legal description(s).
- ii. This should include pole placement and maintenance stations. The latitude and longitude of each of the aforementioned developments need to be shown as well.

Grazing Permittee Consents

- i. Collected consent from impacted land users and those holding a valid grazing permit, and a verification letter signed by the respective Grazing Official. If there are no valid grazing permittees, a signed verification letter from the Grazing Official is still required.
- ii. An official Navajo Nation Field Clearance Checklist completed by a registered Field Agent.

Chapter Resolution

- i. A resolution from all respective chapters in support of the proposed undertaking, and where the project will be developed. This is not an approval from the chapter.

Digital Map Layer

- i. A digital map layer (in the format of a KML/KMZ or shapefile) that depicts the delineated land status(es) of the proposed utility corridor, and a separate digital layer of all corridor accompaniments.

Navajo Nation Environmental Determination Documents

- i. Biological Resource Compliance Form (BRCF) from the Navajo Nation Department of Fish & Wildlife
- ii. Cultural Resource Compliance Form (CRCF), Archeological Inventory Report (AIR) Form from the Navajo Nation Heritage & Historic Preservation Department.
- iii. All acreages and locations surveyed must correspond with scope of work and as noted on the BRCF and CRCF.

IF APPLICABLE:

- i. Navajo Forestry Permits (tree removal), Water Resources' Permit etc.
- ii. Although not required for an application to be deemed complete an Environmental Assessment, Environmental Impact Statement, Record of Decision (ROD), Categorical Exclusion (CatEX), Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), etc. may be included in order to meet the funding entities' NEPA requirements.

Notice: Additional documents may be requested upon review

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