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### **Navajo Council to convene for two-day work session on March 31, April 1**

*Navajo Nation Council Taxation issue, Peabody Western Coal Company, Northern Arizona Food Bank to be discussed*

**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** — The Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan has announced a two-day work session for the 21<sup>st</sup> Navajo Nation Council at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 31, and at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 1, at the Navajo Nation Council Chamber.

The work session on March 31 will focus on Legislation No. 0751-09, sponsored by Roy Laughter (Chilchinbeto/Kayenta). This legislation involves the Navajo Nation Council Taxation issue discussed by Council Delegate LoRenzo C. Bates (Upper Fruitland) and Navajo Nation Controller Mark Grant. This legislation seeks approval of amendments to the administrative agreement, scope of work, contract budget and term of Contract No. MOA043 between the Navajo Nation and Health Management Associates Inc. for the purpose of providing third party administrative services to the Navajo Nation Employees Benefits Program. The legislation also seeks to extend the term an additional three years for a new ending date of Dec. 31, 2014.

On April 1, Legislation No. 0592-09, sponsored by George Arthur (T'iistoh Sikaad/San Juan/Nenanezad), will be discussed. This legislation recommends the approval of the agreement related to certain agreements to Coal Mining Lease No. 14-20-0603-8580 and Coal Mining Lease No. 14-20-0603-9910 between the Navajo Nation and the Peabody Western Coal Company.

The Northern Arizona Food Bank will also be discussed at the request of Lena Manheimer (Ts'ah Bii Kin/Navajo Mountain).

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