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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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### **DILKON DISTRICT COURT RESUMING ESSENTIAL SERVICES**

Dilkon District Court is resuming essential services effective immediately.

Due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, all necessary hearings will be held by telephone or video conference. Filings made in-person or by fax are not available until further notice.

Individuals with scheduled court hearings must call the court at (928) 551-2385 before the hearing to confirm that it is taking place and for instructions on how to call in to appear by telephone. If individuals have legal counsel, they are asked to communicate with them before calling the court.

The Dilkon District Court is accepting all filings; however, documents may be filed only by mail or by email. Email filing is permitted due to administrative order of the Chief Justice and will be permitted until further notice. Documents filed by email will only be received during normal court hours.

To file by email, documents may be emailed to [nndkcourt@navajo-nsn.gov](mailto:nndkcourt@navajo-nsn.gov) and followed up with a call to the court at (928) 551-2385 to confirm receipt as email may be lost in the email filter system. Documents may also be filed by mailing to Dilkon District Court, HC 63 Box 787, Winslow, AZ 86047.

Fines and fees may be paid by money order payable to "Navajo Nation – Dilkon Court" and must include the citation or court document showing what is being paid. Money orders are to be mailed to the court and will be processed as received on the postmarked date.

Civil traffic fines may be paid by Visa or Mastercard online at <https://www.justiceweb.navajo-nsn.gov> or by calling the court at (928) 551-2385. There is a 5 percent surcharge for card payments.

A downloadable application for protection from domestic abuse and service of process is available on the [www.navajocourts.org](http://www.navajocourts.org) website. If an individual does not have access to a printer

and scanner, he or she may call the court during normal court hours for instructions on how to obtain a paper petition form. The Dilkon District Court is also asking for a mailing address for the respondent that is not shared with the petitioner for service by certified mail. For emergency protection orders, individuals are asked to contact the Dilkon police department.

The Dilkon Judicial District serves the Navajo Nation chapters of Birdsprings, Dilkon, Greasewood Springs, Indian Wells, Jeddito, Leupp, Teesto, Tolani Lake and Whitecone.

Essential services for Dilkon District Court were being handled by Window Rock District Court since May 1, 2020. The Dilkon Court thanks the Window Rock Court for assisting with essential services to the public.

Navajo Nation courts that are currently closed at this time are Kayenta District Court (essential cases temporarily being handled by Tuba City District Court), Shiprock District Court (being assisted by Aneth Judicial District); and Pueblo Pintado Circuit Court (essential cases temporarily being handled at Crownpoint District Court). These courts are still accepting all filings. Notice will be posted on the [www.navajocourts.org](http://www.navajocourts.org) website when these courts resume essential services at their facilities.

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