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Delegate Steven Begay commends Coyote Canyon Chapter for successfully implementing corrective action plan

WINDOW ROCK – Council Delegate Steven Begay (Coyote Canyon, Mexican Springs, Naschitti, Tohatchi, Bahast‘a’a’) congratulates and commends officials from the Coyote Canyon Chapter for the successful implementation of their corrective action plan. Delegate Begay represents the Coyote Canyon community on the Navajo Nation Council.

Coyote Canyon is located approximately 30-miles west of the community of Crownpoint, within the Fort Defiance Navajo Agency.

According to a memo issued to the chapter president from Auditor General Elizabeth Begay, the chapter has reasonably addressed 51 audit findings that were issued in 2011, and as a result will not be sanctioned.

“I am thankful to the chapter officials from Coyote Canyon for working diligently to correct the audit findings and I encourage them to continue to be accountable and diligent as we move our community forward,” stated Delegate Begay.

The Office of the Auditor General reviewed the chapter’s records for a six-month period from January to June 2016, and determined the chapter was compliant with a corrective action plan that was approved by the Council’s Budget and Finance Committee in 2012.

Delegate Begay also thanked the staff with the Office of the Auditor General for working with the chapter officials and for taking the time to conduct the audit and the review.

The current chapter officials include chapter president Harrison Plummer, vice president Sherelyn Yazzie, secretary Sharron Watren, and accounts maintenance specialist Clara Sam.

“Working together, the chapter officials and the auditors were able to implement the corrective action plan and the next step will be to move the chapter in the direction of becoming certified,” added Delegate Begay. “I am grateful for everyone who helped us reach this point and I look forward to advancing the efforts and initiatives for people of Coyote Canyon.”

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