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Delegate Damon celebrates road improvement within the community of Rock Springs

PHOTO: Council Delegate Seth Damon, Navajo Housing Authority executive staff, and Rock Springs Chapter administrators and officials during the ribbon cutting ceremony for Shondeen Road in Rock Springs, N.M.

ROCK SPRINGS, N.M. – On Friday, Council Delegate Seth Damon (Bááháálí, Chichiltah, Manuelito, Tsé Lichíí', Rock Springs, Tsayatoh) attended the Shondeen Road ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony hosted by Rock Spring Chapter. Delegate Damon represents the chapter, located approximately 10-miles northwest of Gallup, N.M.

Shondeen Road is comprised of 1,600-feet of asphalt pavement east of Rock Springs Chapter and extends to the west entrance of the community's Navajo Housing Authority subdivision. The NHA fully funded the road improvement project at the cost of approximately $275,000.

Delegate Damon, who provided the keynote address at the celebration, stated that the road improvement would not have been accomplished without the collaboration and partnerships of community members, chapter administrators and officials, NHA, Navajo Nation Division of Transportation, and the McKinley County Roads Department.

“The road project was successful with the continuous advocacy of community members, chapter officials, and chapter administration. The road improvement provides a safe access to over 190 NHA residents,” said Delegate Damon. “I appreciate everyone’s contribution and dedication.”

NHA interim chief executive officer Roberta Roberts said the partnership with the chapter and Navajo leadership led to the completion of the road improvement that is now safer for community members. She added that funding road improvements for communities would continue to be a priority for NHA.

During the celebration, Rock Springs Chapter president Eleanore Jones expressed her appreciation to NHA and the Navajo Nation Council for their continuous support and advocacy for infrastructure growth and development.

Delegate Damon also recognized NHA’s board of commissioners for supporting the road improvement project and encouraged the community members to continue to work on future community projects.

Shondeen Road was constructed and completed in February by Arviso Contruction.

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