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LITTLEWATER CHAPTER TO BECOME THE FIRST CERTIFIED CHAPTER IN EASTERN AGENCY

TCDC approves certification date for Littlewater Chapter.

WINDOW ROCK, Arizona – The Transportation and Community Development Committee approved a Special Meeting on November 15, 2007, to consider legislation approving the community of Littlewater, New Mexico, as a Local Governance certified chapter.

Located 12 miles east of Crownpoint, New Mexico, To’alchiidi (Navajo name for Littlewater) is roughly 65,000 acres in length and is currently represented in the 21st Navajo Nation Council by the Honorable Delegate Hoskie Kee. NN Division of Community Development Division Director, Arbin Mitchell, would like to commend the efforts and hard work by both the community members and Chapter Officials of Littlewater Chapter and the Eastern Agency Local Governance Support Center for this momentous occasion.

Chapter Coordinator, Viloria Antonio, would like to acknowledge the late Timothy Morgan as a significant part of their process towards certification. The Local Governance Act of 1998 defines the executive and legislative functions of a Chapter, including the duties and responsibilities of its’ officials and administrators consistent with NN Policies and Procedures. As a certified chapter, the community of Littlewater will receive a check in the amount of $160,000 and will be eligible for additional funds as dividends of the Local Governance Trust Fund for FY’08. This historic event is scheduled to start at 9am at the Littlewater Chapter House. Among the presenters for Littlewater Chapter are Chapter President George S. Jim, Chapter Vice-President Thomas Barbone and Chapter Secretary/Treasurer Paul D. Pablo. This celebration, which will include lunch and live entertainment, will mark the first certified chapter for the Eastern Navajo Agency. The public and general media are encouraged to attend.

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