



# **NAVAJO NATION FISCAL YEAR 2011**

## **Bureau of Indian Affairs**

### **Budget Priorities Presentation**





## THE NAVAJO NATION FY 2011 BUDGET PRIORITIES

Presented to the Navajo Area  
Bureau of Indian Affairs

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The Navajo Nation has a long-standing government-to-government relationship with the federal government. A central piece of the government-to-government relationship is the trust responsibility that exists between the U.S. government and the Navajo People, and the responsibility of the federal government to fund Navajo Nation needs. Below are the Navajo Nation's budget priorities for Fiscal Year 2011 for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Education. The Navajo Nation's priorities are:

1. Public Safety and Justice
2. Economic/Community Development
3. Education
4. Natural Resources Management
5. Human Services
6. Contract Support

These priorities are based upon an objective assessment of the Navajo Nation budget justifications and projected needs and successes of each tribal division's program. These priorities form the foundation of the economic and social developmental needs of the Navajo People to ensure the long-term viability, self-sufficiency, and self-determination of the Navajo Nation.

  
Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr., President  
THE NAVAJO NATION





# NAVAJO NATION PRIORITIES

- Public Safety and Justice
- Economic / Community Development
- Education
- Natural Resources Management
- Human Services
- Contract Support

# Public Safety

Public Safety and Justice  
is the **Navajo Nation's**  
Top Priority



Public Safety Request for  
FY'2011 is \$40,338,261

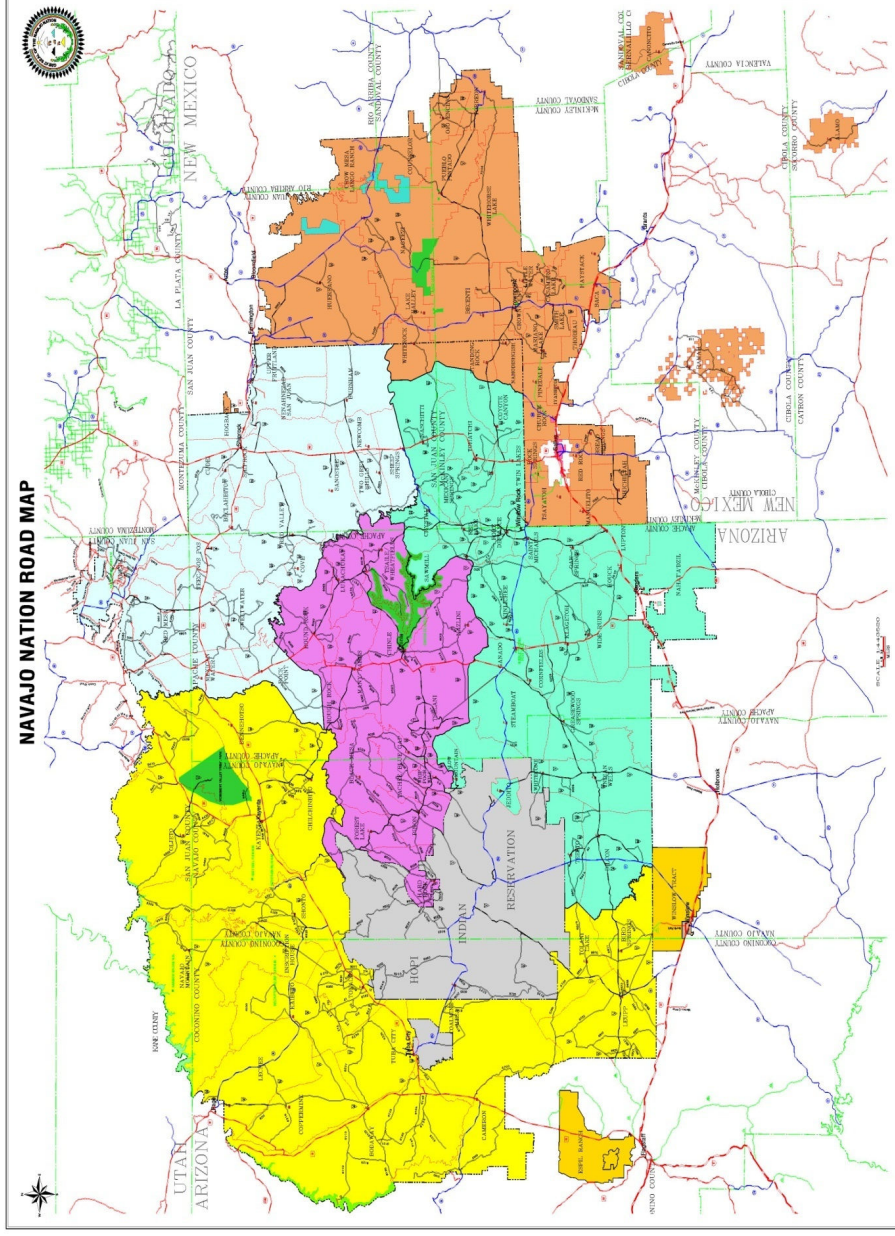
\$28,297,500 - Law Enforcement  
\$6,990,306 - Criminal Investigations  
\$5,050,455 - Corrections

The request of FY 2011 will provide services to five agencies  
located in seven police districts.



# Public Safety and Justice

**The Navajo Nation suffers the lowest Law enforcement officers per capita than any other Native Nation.**



**Ratio of .06% Navajo Police Officers per 1,000 population.**

# **NO ADEQUATE JAIL FACILITIES TO HOUSE INMATES**





**•Navajo  
Nation is  
in need for a  
new building  
for the  
security and  
growth of our  
justice  
system.**



**\$4,900,000**

- Insufficient funding resulted in 56,460 unclosed cases from 2004 to 2006
- Judges routinely carry caseloads of over 6,000 cases per judge.

# ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

\* Navajo DOT's Inventory Section submitted 4,563 miles of new public roads on the Navajo Nation to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Navajo Regional Office on March 13, 2009 to meet the annual IRR Inventory requirements.



## Transportation Planning Request: \$2,561,906



\* Navajo DOT's Road Maintenance Section provided emergency assistance to ten (10) Navajo Nation Chapters as stated in our Winter Road Maintenance schedule.



# **ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**Housing Improvement Program:  
\$ 4,498,645**



# **NEW HOMES**

**“to assist 65 families with safe, decent and sanitary homes”**

# MORE THAN 2,000 APPLICANTS FOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE EVERY YEAR

Fiscal Year	Number of Eligible Applicants	Budget Allocation (in millions)	Number of Projects
2005	1022	\$3.8	65
2006	778	\$2.7	40
2007	626	\$2.6	44
2008	676	\$1.5	47
2009	515		



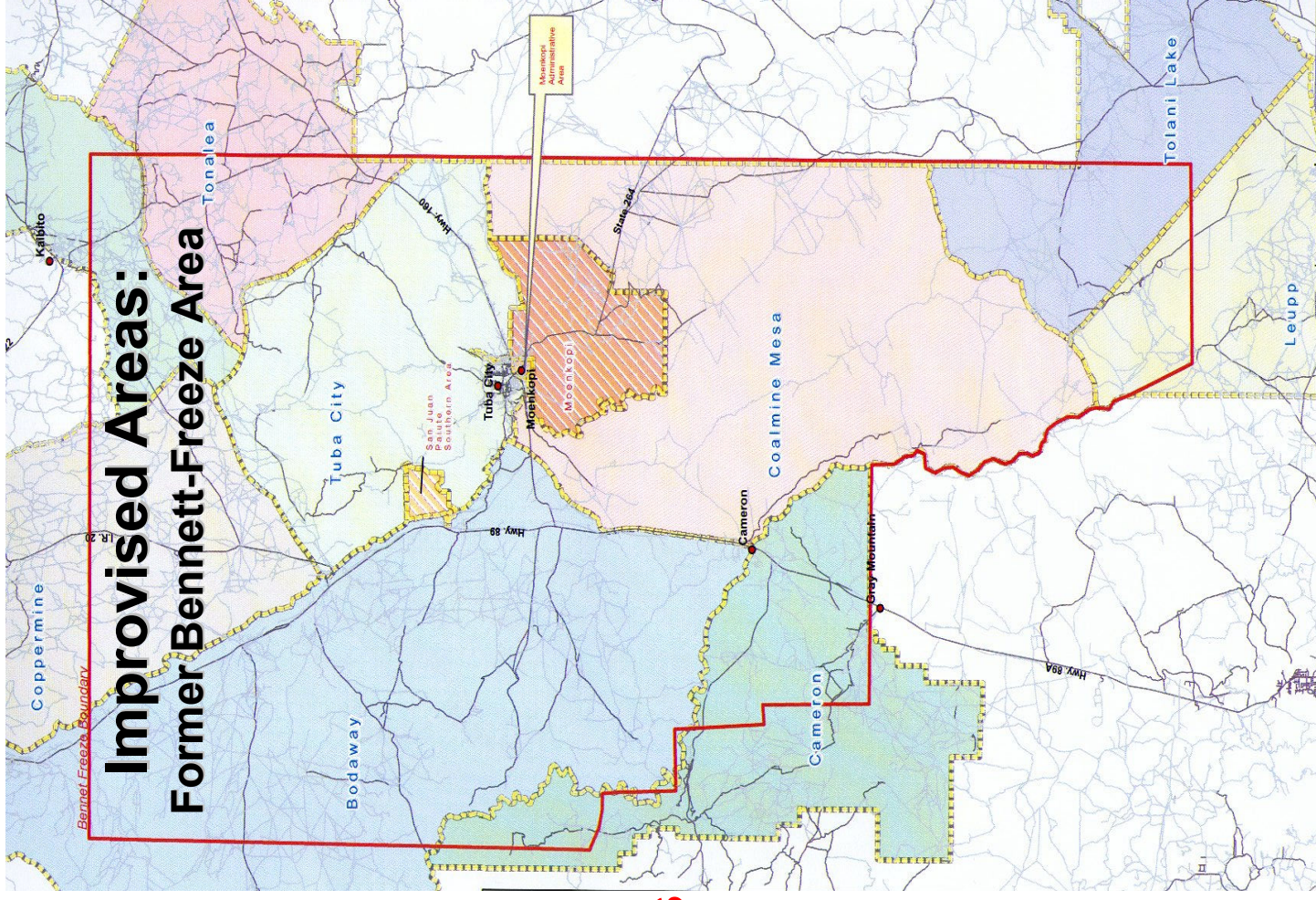


# **ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**Former Bennett-Freeze  
Recovery Plan:  
\$13,452,428**

**Nine (9) chapter communities  
In Western Navajo effected**

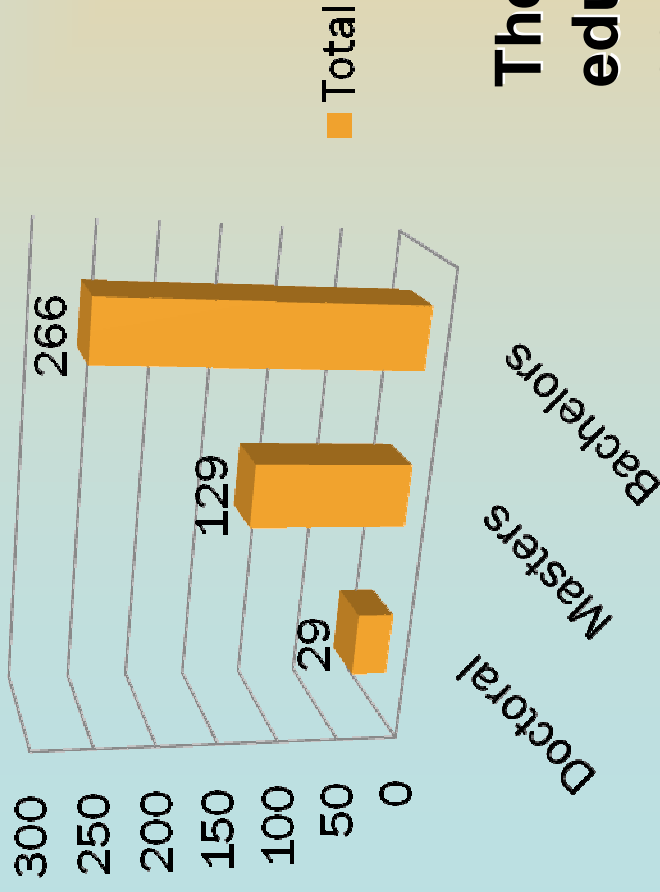
**The amount requested for  
Fiscal Year 2011 is  
indicative of planting  
the seeds of development  
and creating a community  
out of years of neglect.**



# EDUCATION

**Priorities focus on Scholarships and Higher Education  
Institution funding.**

**Number of Scholarship Grads  
(2008/2009) by Degree Type**



**The applicants requesting higher  
education funding is growing  
commensurate with the rising  
cost of tuition.**



# EDUCATION: Scholarships

The table below shows a consistent decrease in students denied from 2001 through 2008. The total number of students denied is 65,273 which is 58.1%

Fiscal Year	Appropriation	Difference
1999	11,211,223.00	-28,563.00
2000	11,182,660.00	+11,480.00
2001	11,194,140.00	-57,068.00
2002	11,137,071.00	+35,117.00
2003	11,172,189.00	-17,201.00
2004	11,154,987.00	-17,201.00
2005	10,745,688.00	-409,319.00
2006	10,674,383.00	-58,435.00
2007	9,676,364.00	-998,018.00
2008	9,748,201.00	+71,836.00

# Johnson O'Malley

- JOM provides important services (i.e., individual education plans) to students, parents, and school that otherwise would go unfunded.
- Funding to meet established state educational standards.
- Navajo Nation requests full funding of JOM

- BIE forward funds to JOM to make funds available at the beginning of each new school year;
- BIE reinstate student data collection at central office.

**This data builds the case for more funding and new districts based on increase student population.**

- Restore base funding at \$3.4 million per year
- Funds many PL 107-110 'No Child Left Behind' unfunded mandates
- Fewer Navajo schools would reach AYP without JOM supplemental services.





# NATURAL RESOURCES

- Department of Water Resources: \$ 42,105,786
- Minerals Department: \$ 2,771,171
- Forest Department: \$ 2,083,400
- Department of Fish and Wildlife: \$ 715,425
- Land Department: \$ 175,000



# NATURAL RESOURCES

- NAPI / NIIP - Construction & Rehabilitation: \$ 12,051,500
- NAPI - Research, Development and Testing: \$ 6,050,000
- Navajo Abandoned Mines: \$ 7,600,000
- Historic Preservation: \$ 3,079,512



# HUMAN SERVICES

Human Services are an integral part of the economic, physical, medical, emotional and psychological well being of the Navajo Community.



•Welfare Assistance Request:

\$ 33,036,578

•Social Services Request:

\$ 8,729,901

•Navajo Treatment Center Request:

\$ 867,136

•ICWA Unit Request:

\$ 295,500



# CONTRACT SUPPORT COST

We continue to assert that the Federal Government should meet its contractual responsibility by paying one-hundred percent (100%) of the contract support costs.

## Fiscal Year: Shortfall Amount:

FY 2003	\$4,452,458
FY 2004	\$2,261,000
FY 2005	\$4,731,603
FY 2006	\$5,435,079
FY 2007	\$1,631,836
FY 2008	\$1,017,397





# In Conclusion:



**•The Navajo Nation's priorities represent efforts to promote safe communities and educational opportunities.**

**•The Navajo Nation believes that a safe and educated workforce willing to conduct commerce with the rest of America is vital to raising its' standards of living.**



**THANK YOU.**