

EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION
RE-AFFIRMING DROUGHT DECLARATION
STATE OF EMERGENCY
ON THE NAVAJO NATION

WHEREAS, the U.S. Drought Monitor for June 7, 2011 shows that parts of the Navajo Nation are currently experiencing abnormally dry, moderate and severe drought resulting from below normal precipitation; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Navajo Nation has recognized the National Standardized Precipitation Index as one measure of drought severity on the Navajo Nation. The Three Month Standardized Precipitation Index indicates that the Navajo Nation has been moderately dry.

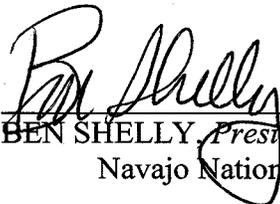
WHEREAS, the adverse impacts of prolonged drought in this region have caused suffering by the Navajo people specifically ranchers and farmers, and it has adversely impacted wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona and New Mexico have declared states of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Commission (CEM) responsible for declaring a Navajo Nation state of emergency with the concurrence of the President of the Navajo Nation, has not been confirmed by the new Navajo Nation Council.

I, THEREFORE, as the President of the Navajo Nation, in accordance with Title 2 Navajo Nation Code Section 1005 (B) and (C)(9) hereby declare that a state of emergency exists within the Navajo Nation due to continuing drought conditions. The Navajo Department of Emergency Management is directed to coordinate with the Navajo Nation programs and with the appropriate federal, state and county agencies for emergency relief, and to implement a plan of action to address the drought conditions through community education and assistance to ranchers, farmers and others.

DATED this 30th day of June 2011.



BEN SHELLY, *President*
Navajo Nation