Diné Solidarity for Pushpum

Call to Action – Yakama/Other Tribes

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Subject Line: Honor Tribal Sovereignty and Protect Tribal Resources

Dear Navajo Nation Resource and Development Committee and Navajo Nation Council Delegates,

I stand for a just clean energy transition. In support of that and as a tribal member of the [Enter Tribal Nation], I stand in solidarity with the Diné grassroots people who are opposed to pumped storage projects being pushed on the Navajo Nation, a development that is not clean energy but environmental injustice. Those proposed projects, much like the Goldendale Pumped Storage Development being proposed on our sacred site, also known as Pushpum, would destroy sacred land, medicines, and traditions. The time to act is now.

I urge the Navajo Nation Resource and Development Committee (RDC) not to support the Goldendale Pumped Storage Development and proposed pumped storage projects on the Navajo Nation, which will have impacts on tribal resources and sacred sites. I also urge RDC to meet with the Kamiltpah Band of the Yakama Nation located in/near Goldendale, WA, during the Navajo Pacific Northwest Natural Resource Tour taking place August 1-3, 2024, to meet with the tribal council and Yakama people to learn more about the Goldendale Pumped Storage Development and its impacts on the Yakama Nation and other tribals who's ancestral and treaty territories encompass Pushpum.

I implore you to contact Elaine Harvey, a Yakama Nation tribal member, at eharvey@critfc.org, who can facilitate the meeting of RDC with the Kamiltpah Band of Yakama Nation located in/near Goldendale, WA.

Sincerely,

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