

RESOLUTION NO. 175 - 2023
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
YAVAPAI-APACHE NATION

A Resolution Authorizing the Nation to Submit a Grant Application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Western Region Fire Management Program

WHEREAS: The Yavapai-Apache Tribal Council ("Council") is authorized to represent the Yavapai-Apache Nation ("Nation") and act on all matters that concern the health and welfare of the Nation, and to make decisions not inconsistent with or contrary to the Constitution of the Yavapai-Apache Nation ("Constitution") as provided under Article V(a) of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS: The Council is authorized to negotiate and enter into agreements with federal, state, and local governments and to accept grant funds as provided under Article V (b) and (s), respectively, of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS: The Council is authorized to manage all tribal economic affairs and to appropriate and regulate the use of the Nation's funds as provided under Article V (i) and (k), respectively, of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS: The Nation's Contracts and Grants Manager recommends that the Nation apply for grant funding as follows:

- (1) Funding Agency: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fire Management Program
- (2) Amount of funding application: **\$159,000.00**
- (3) Term of grant: One Year – December 1, 2023 through November 30, 2024
- (4) Matching funds and source: None required
- (5) Nation's Department or Program administering the grant: Wildland Fire Department
- (6) Purpose and use of grant funds: Implementation of Fuels Reduction Program through Woodlands Management
- (7) Budget attached or not required: Narrative and Budget Attached

WHEREAS: The Tribal Council finds it in the Nation's best interest to authorize the above-described grant application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Yavapai-Apache Tribal Council, in Council assembled, at which a quorum is present, hereby authorizes the Nation to apply for grant funding to the above-named funding agency in the amount and for the term described above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Nation agrees that it will comply with all program guidelines and regulations applicable to the above referenced grant program and the certifications required in the grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Nation's Contracts and Grants Manager to take all actions necessary to complete the grant application and to submit all necessary information to the funding agency in furtherance of the grant application and authorizes the Nation to receive and expend the grant funds in accordance with the grant requirements and the Nation's Budget Code and Financial Policies.


BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chairwoman, and Vice Chairman, or either of them, are hereby authorized to take such further action as deemed necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of the Tribal Council, with a quorum in attendance, presented for approval on November 1 2023, by a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining, pursuant to the authority contained under the Constitution of the Yavapai-Apache Nation as cited above.


Tanya Lewis, Chairwoman

ATTEST:


Karla Reimer, Council Secretary

Approved as to form:


Office of the Attorney General

EXHIBIT A

Yavapai-Apache Nation

Grant Application (Fund Request) – BIA Fire Management
Program

Yavapai-Apache Nation Woodlands Management Project Proposal

Narrative and Budget

November 1, 2023

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11/2/2023

Carlos Nosie Jr.
Regional Fire Management Officer
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Subject: Woodlands Management Project Proposal - Funding Request.

Mr. Nosie:

The Yavapai-Apache Nation Reservation lands consists of five (5) separate communities within Central Arizona's Verde Valley; including Camp Verde, Rimrock, Middle Verde, Tunlii, and Clarkdale.

Areas of the Yavapai-Apache Nation Reservation; including areas near homes, businesses, and the Nation's governmental administrative facilities, are overgrown with trees, brush, weeds, and other plant growth. Much of this overgrowth includes invasive species that are of great concern to the Nation such as Tamarisk and Arundo. This overgrowth has become so dense in many places that it has nearly eradicated native species and other vegetation such as Cottonwood, Black Walnut, Willow, and Ash trees along the Verde River. This overgrowth is also encroaching on the Nation's agriculture fields, homes, and other structures. The attached Fuels Reduction Map illustrates the extent of the problem.

The Yavapai-Apache Nation Wildland Fire Department is submitting this proposal to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Woodland Management Project to request funds to implement Woodland Management practices needed to secure proper plant growth, restore native plant species, improve the natural environment, and reduce the fire risks created by the overgrowth of invasive and other plant species across the reservation, and in particular near the Nation's homes and buildings. The Nation's Wildland Fire Department Fuels Crews Personnel will oversee and supervise the proposed Woodlands Management Project on behalf of the Nation.

While all areas of the Nation's lands are affected by the above-described problem, Clarkdale and Middle Verde, the most populous areas of the Reservation, will receive increased emphasis for fuels treatment under this proposal. Fuels Removal will be done in phases over the next year 2023-24. The Project will treat approximately 280 acers.

Proposed Project Budget:

Personnel Costs

5 person work crew 15.00 per hours X 40 hours per week (12month)	\$144,000.00
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Equipment/Supplies.

Shovels, rakes, hand saws, chainsaws, pole saws, safety equipment, gloves, hard hats, and protective gear. (15-person work crew)	\$10,000.00
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<u>Fuel</u>	\$5,000.00
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Total Funding Request:	\$159,000.00
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The Nation respectfully request BIA funding assistance to implement the above-described Proposal. This Proposal is supported by the Nation as evidenced by the attached Tribal Council Resolution authorizing its submittal.

Best Regards,

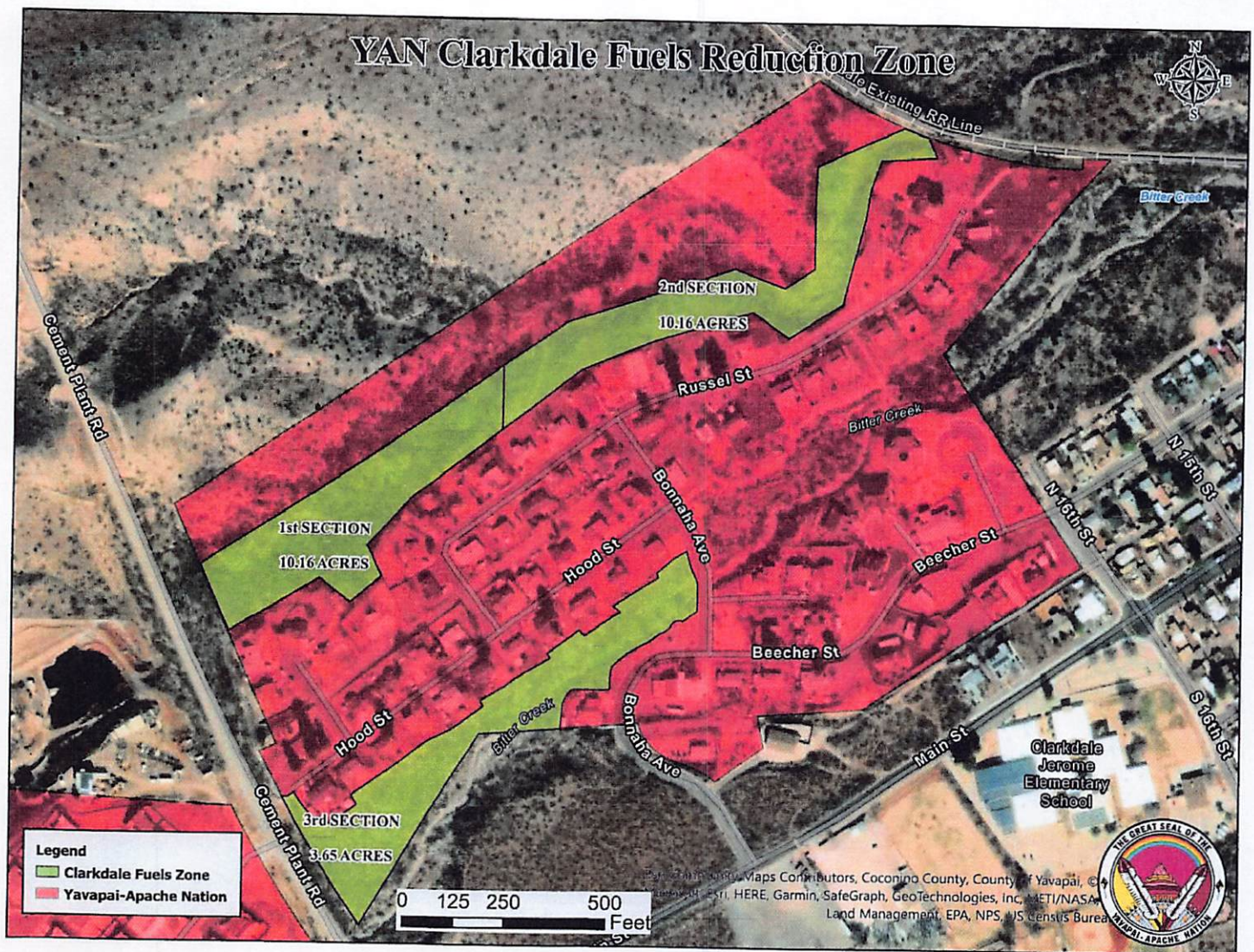
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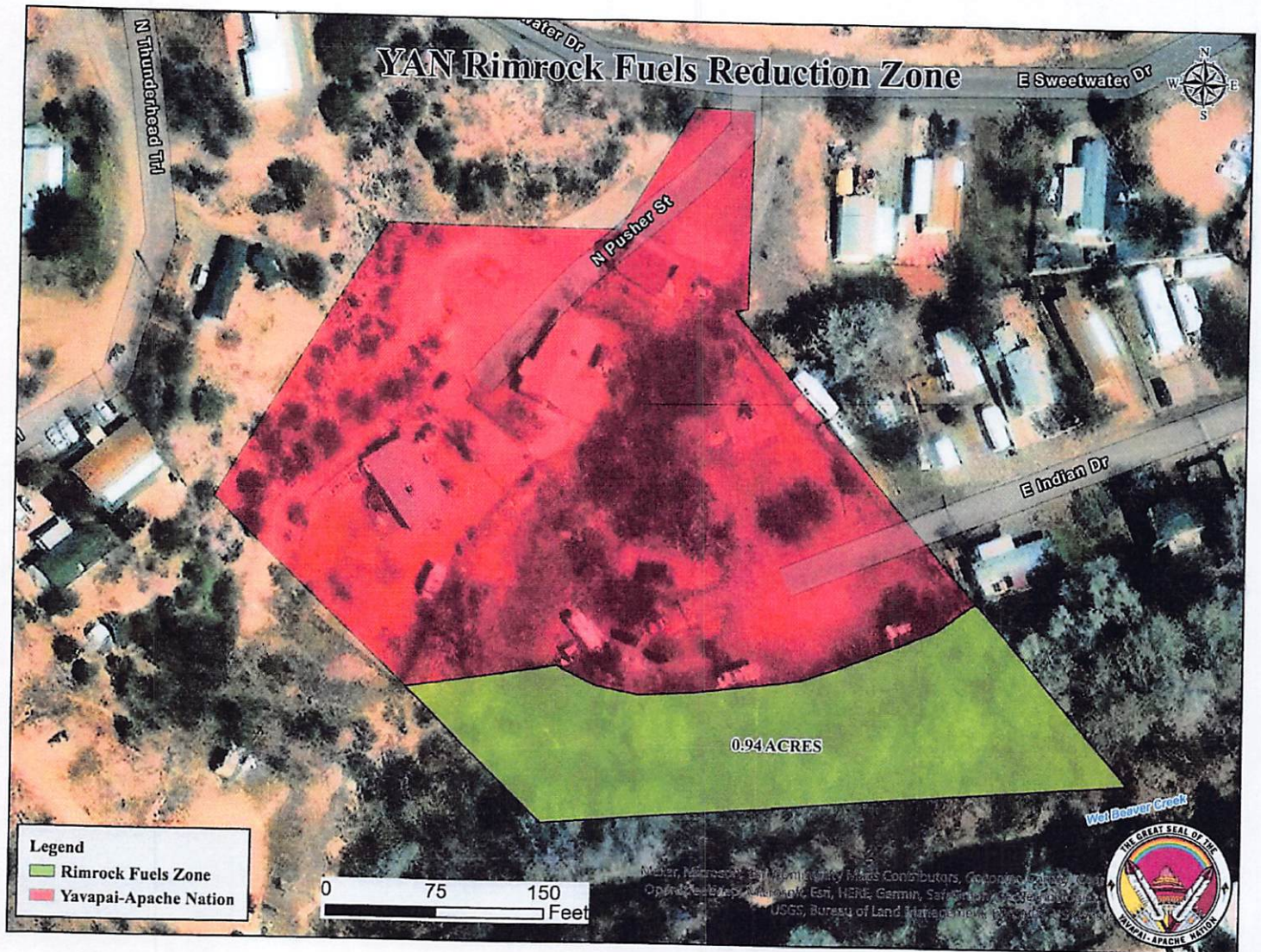
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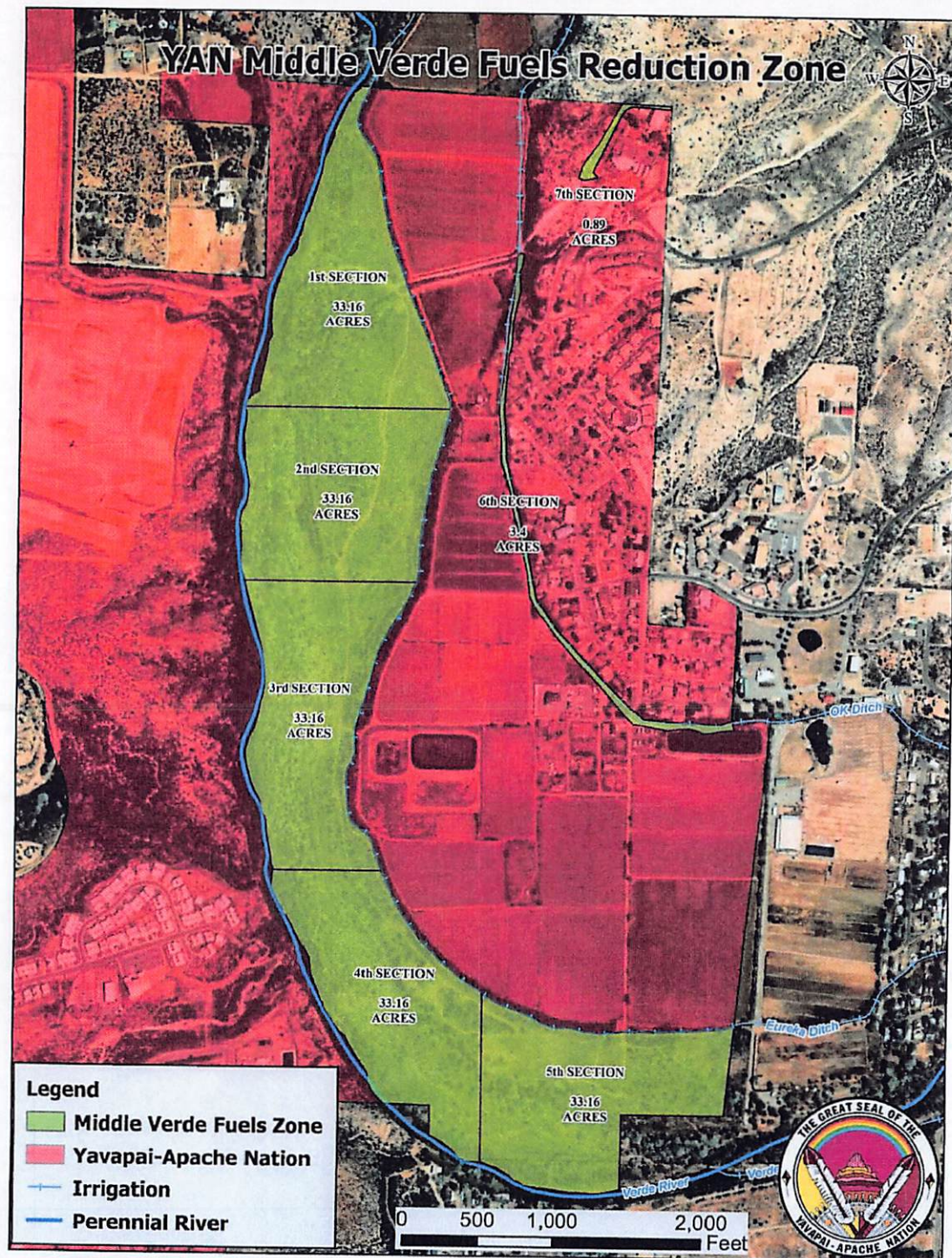
Tanya Lewis, Chairwoman

Robert Mills, Contracts and Grants Manager

Steven Schepman, Treasurer







YAN Lower Verde Fuels Reduction Zone



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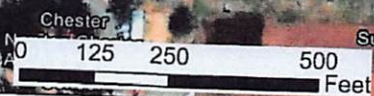
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- Legend**
- Lower Verde Fuels Zone
 - Yavapai-Apache Nation
 - Irrigation
 - Perennial River



Sunnyside Park

Camp Verde
Fire District
Station #88

260

Labull St

Smiley Ave

S Main St

General Crook Trl

Verde (Woods) Ditch

Verde River

Verde River

Chester