



THE MILLE LACS BAND OF  
**OJIBWE INDIANS**

*Legislative Branch of Tribal Government*

**RESOLUTION 21-04-43-25**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE BAND ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE FOR THE MLBO DNR TO PERFORM OBSTRUCTION REMOVAL SERVICES**

- WHEREAS, the Mille Lacs Band Assembly (“Band Assembly”) is the duly elected legislative body for the Non-Removable Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe (“Band”), a federally recognized Indian Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBS § 3(d), the Band Assembly has the authority to adopt resolutions; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBS § 1(m), a “resolution” is defined as “a formal expression of the opinion, will, or intention” of the Band Assembly; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to 3 MLBS § 3(f), the Band Assembly has the authority to ratify agreements, contracts, cooperative and reciprocity agreements, and memoranda of understanding; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to the 2024 Consolidated Appropriations Act (PL118-42), funds have been appropriated to the United States Department of Agriculture (“USDA”) and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (“NRCS”) to contract for and carry out certain types of community projects focused on conservation programs and planning; and
- WHEREAS, the removal of items including structures, trees, or vegetation (“obstructions”) is done to facilitate planned land use, prevent future flood damage, or to allow the installation of other conservation practices; and
- WHEREAS, the USDA and NRCS wish to enter into a Conservation Program Contract (“Contract”) with the Band’s Department of Natural Resources (“DNR”) in which the DNR agrees to carry out the removal of obstructions as well as minimum inspections and maintenance, and the NRCS agrees to reimburse the DNR up to \$191,550.00 for the work performed; and
- WHEREAS, the materials included with the Contract are titled “Appendix to Form NRCA-CPA-1202” and “Conservation Plan or Schedule of Operations”; and
- WHEREAS, the DNR will subsequently request an appropriation to cover costs and thereafter invoice the NRCS for reimbursement; and

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WHEREAS, the Contract will remain in effect through December 31, 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Band Assembly, having reviewed the Contract and related materials, finds it satisfactory and in the best interests of the Band.

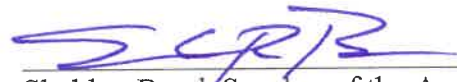
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Band Assembly hereby ratifies and expresses its support for the Band DNR to become party to the Contract.

WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was duly concurred with and adopted at a regular session of the Band Assembly in Legislative Chambers, a quorum of legislators being present, held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2025, at Nayahshing, Minnesota, by a vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 SILENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Band Assembly hereunto cause to have set the signature of the Speaker of the Assembly to be affixed to this resolution.

**OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE BAND**



  
Sheldon Boyd, Speaker of the Assembly

**Sponsor: District I Representative**