



KIOWA TRIBE

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OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATURE

A RESOLUTION OF THE KIOWA TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA SUPPORTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM BASED ON THE TRIBAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FEASIBILITY STUDY

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Tribe is a sovereign nation and has been so since time immemorial; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribe exercises full enjoyment of the inherent powers of government, including self-determination and autonomy over internal affairs encompassing Tribe citizens, lands, and resources; and,

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2017, qualified voters of the Tribe ratified the Kiowa Constitution as “the supreme law of the land”; and,

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Legislature's duties include monitoring the actions of the government, assessing the needs of the People, and making laws toward better government to address the needs of the People under Article VI, Section 1 of the Kiowa Constitution; and,

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Legislature is vested with the authority to pass laws and resolutions pursuant to Article VI, Section 6(a) of same Constitution; and,

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Tribe recognizes its responsibility to protect and preserve the environment for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe acknowledges the cultural value of respecting and caring for Mother Earth as part of traditional Kiowa teachings and stewardship practices; and

WHEREAS, effective solid waste management, including source reduction, recycling, proper collection, and disposal practices, helps reduce landfill waste, conserve natural resources, minimize environmental contamination, and promote long-term sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Tribe will complete Solid Waste Management Feasibility Study, supported by the tribe’s **Natural Resource Department and or affiliates**, which assessed current waste generation, collection practices, recycling opportunities, disposal challenges, costs, and viable options for an integrated solid waste management system; and

WHEREAS, the feasibility study **will** provides detailed cost estimates, components for Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), and identifies opportunities to divert recyclable materials, reduce costs, and generate revenue through sustainable business practices; and

WHEREAS, successful implementation requires coordinated budgeting, grant resources, education, compliance, enforcement, and inter-branch collaboration; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of these recommendations will protect the environment while creating economic benefits through waste reduction and new revenue streams.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Legislature of the Kiowa Tribe hereby endorses the future findings and recommendations of the EPA-supported Solid Waste Management Feasibility Study and mandates the phased implementation of a comprehensive Tribal Solid Waste Management Program.
2. Phase 1 shall begin immediately and shall include all Tribal Administrative Offices, affiliates, contractors, and visitors. Designated recycling and waste diversion stations with clearly labeled bins shall be installed.
3. Phase 2 shall include all Kiowa Tribal Enterprises.
4. Phase 3 shall extend the program to Tribal Households.
5. The Kiowa Natural Resources Department (or designated lead department) shall develop Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) based on the feasibility study, including timelines, cost components, education processes, compliance measures, and financial deadlines.
6. Implementation and allocation of all costs shall be determined through formal agreements between the Executive and Legislative branches during the annual budgeting process. The Tribe shall aggressively pursue and leverage and other grant resources to offset project costs.
7. The implementation stage shall include, but not be limited to:
 - Development and delivery of comprehensive education and training programs for employees, contractors, enterprises, and tribal members;
 - Full compliance with the adopted Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs);
 - Establishment of appropriate financial deadlines and financial cooperation with all participating entities.
8. The program shall be executed under the guidance of the Kiowa Natural Resources Department and feasibility study recommendations by the Executive Branch, with the budget formally resolved and approved by the Legislature. The Judicial Branch shall provide enforcement and compliance oversight to ensure viability and accountability across all phases.
9. The Tribe shall actively pursue revenue-generating opportunities identified in the feasibility study, including the sale of recyclable materials, development of recycling-related business ventures, and partnerships designed to reduce waste costs and create new sources of tribal revenue.

10. All tribal departments, enterprises, and programs shall fully participate, track waste diversion, cost savings, and revenue generation.
11. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption. The responsible department shall provide progress reports to the Legislature every six (6) months on phase implementation, education efforts, compliance, cost savings, revenue generated, grant acquisitions, and overall program outcomes.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

The foregoing resolution KL-CY-2026-0XX was duly voted upon by the Legislature on _____, 2026, at a Legislative Regular Session ____-(), with a vote of () in favor and () opposed, () abstain, and () absent, pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

Michael Q. Primus II
Speaker of the Legislature

LEGISLATURE - RESOLUTION NO. KL-CY-2026-0XX:

SPONSOR: Tiya Rosario, District 5

CO-SPONSOR(S):

LEGISLATORS	YES Hàu	NO Hàu:né	ABSTAIN Háun á	ABSENT Héngyádàu
Kyle Ataddlety District 1				
Michael Q. Primus II District 2				
Timothy Satepauhoodle District 3				
Cole Kickingbird-DeLaune District 4				
Tiya Rosario District 5				
Ben Wolf District 6				
Warren Queton District 7				

DELIVERY OF THE RESOLUTION AND LAW TO THE CHAIRMAN

Resolution No. KL-CY-2026-0XX was presented to the Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe on the ____ day of _____, 2026, pursuant to the Article VI, Section 8(a)(iv) of the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe and will become effective after signature by the Chairman or veto override by the Legislature, and as otherwise required by the Constitution.

Michael Q. Primus II
Speaker of the Legislature

CHAIRMAN’S ACTION:

☐ APPROVED

☐ VETO - RETURNED TO LEGISLATURE WITH EXPLANATION:

On this ____ day of _____, 2026.

David B. Sullivan
Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe

Presented by the Chairman to the Legislature on the ____ day of _____, 2026.

LEGISLATURE’S ACTION:

Override of Chairman’s veto:

☐ YES

☐ NO

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution Legislative Override Order KLO-CY-2026-00X was duly voted upon by the Legislature on _____, 2026, at a Legislative Order Session () with a vote of _____ in favor and _____opposed, and _____ abstaining, and _____absent. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

Michael Q. Primus II
Speaker of the Legislature

Override Order KLO-CY-2026-00X

LEGISLATORS	YES Hàu	NO Hàu:né	ABSTAIN Háun á	ABSENT Héñgyádàu
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