

Navajo Thaw Project Summary – Tonalea Red Lake

Purpose of Document. As of February 21, 2020, all nine of the Navajo Thaw Chapters have received a draft of their Chapter Recovery Plan. Each Chapter is asked to review the plan for accuracy and completeness. One of the most important parts of the review process is to ensure that *desired projects* are referenced in the plan. The table below shows the projects that are included in the first draft of the plan.

What is missing?

Strategy	Local Projects			Regional Projects		
Attracting Funding	Collaborate with Coconino County and the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA)					
Business Recruitment	Develop businesses and project that demonstrate financial feasibility/ sustainability	Coordinate with Dolly Lane of the Navajo Nation Division of Economic Development Regional Business Development Office to conduct feasibility analysis				
Education Development	Develop Chapter House building for community advancement (include a computer lab)	Create an educational facility; offer adult literacy programming, GED programming and workforce development training	Partner with existing educational providers such as Diné College, Navajo Technical University (NTU), Coconino Community College or even Northern Arizona University	Make use of nearby fiber optic lines		
Energy Development	Advance a solar energy farm; explore wind	Capitalize on excess transmission capacity	Work closely with energy experts on the Navajo Nation			

	renewable resources		to determine the feasibility			
Entrepreneurial Development	Take advantage of Indianpreneurship curriculum					
Environmental Restoration	Restore brownfield sites; remediate Red Lake itself; hold a community trash cleanup event	Restore Old Tonalea Trading Post and Cow Springs Trading Post areas	Rebuild former irrigation project that was wiped out by a flood; remove/restore former military Quonset huts			
Health Care Expansion	Develop a nursing home, a small clinic and an oncology center	Offer dialysis services		Utilize fiber optics capacity for telemedicine services		
Infrastructure Development	New Chapter modular structure	Develop a bus turnout on Highway 160 and a roundabout on the intersection of Highways 160 and N21	Develop trails and purchase exercise equipment (with Unhealthy Food tax funds)	Expand fiber optics/high speed internet	Improve roads	
Pass-through Visitor Services	Improve the pullout and provide some interpretative documentation at Elephants Feet and the White Mesa Arch					
Value-added Agriculture	A subsurface water resource could expand the agricultural production opportunities of Tonalea Red Lake					