

## **USDA Rural Development Support for Navajo Thaw**

USDA Rural Development has supported the Navajo Thaw effort with two federal grants (2019 and 2020) through their Rural Business Development Grants (RBDG) program. These grants have: 1) developed a master plan for a preeminent Navajo Nation development project along I-40, 2) completed a feasibility analysis for a Navajo-owned hospitality enterprise, 3) initiated a business planning and entrepreneurship curriculum at Navajo, and 4) lengthened the period of time in which Navajo Nation can dedicate financial resources to this planning effort.

