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MEMORANDUM

TO : Branch Chiefs – Navajo Nation

FROM :
Dominic Beyal, Executive Director
Office of Management and Budget

SUBJECT : Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Implementation

By email earlier today, the Office of President & Vice-President asked four (4) questions on the implementation of the FY 2027 budget. Because this involves all three (3) Branches, the OMB response is sent to all.

1) Question: Why the FY 2027 budget has not yet been entered into the ERP system?
OMB Response: Most of OMB expected the budget to be entered effective October 1, 2026. However, we learned from the consultants on October 2 that a series of steps still need to be done, including:

   a) The FY 2027 budget needs to be checked and validated by OMB to ensure it reflects the final approved budget.
   b) The outside consultants will be working on the translation and migration of the budgets into the new ERP system.
   c) The above activities, a-b, could have been done in sufficient time for October 1 if the budget had been enacted by September 9 by the Navajo Nation Council and signed by the President by September 18. However, the budget was enacted on September 18 and signed by President on the 28th.
   d) This activity means the budget will be entered in the new system final form by October 19.

2) Question: What is currently preventing the budget from being entered?
OMB Response: Refer to the information in number 1, above.

3) Question: Whether any action, documentation, or approval is outstanding from OPVP or another office?
OMB Response: No action needed by OPVP.

4) Question: The anticipated timeline for completing entry of the FY 2027 budget.
OMB Response: The budget entry will be done by October 19. However, the Branches, Divisions, and programs may expend now using the approved FY 2027 budgets. Programs have the approved Budget Forms 1-5 and access to the FY 2027 Budget Book. OMB, OOC, DPM, and the consultants agree that expenses can be made now and they will be reflected in the respective budgets on October 19.

There may be additional information to be distributed as the development process continues.

xc: Divisions