

United South and Eastern Tribes, inc.

USET Resolution No. 2004:021

CONSULTATION ON 2% DISTRIBUTION METHODOLGY

WHEREAS, United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-four (24) federally recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member tribes leadership; and

WHEREAS, the USET Transportation Committee has reviewed and recognizes that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) policy on the 2% annual cap on the roads inventory mileage has an adverse impact on the funding of the Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) inventory; and

WHEREAS, it is documented that the BIA has not followed this policy as uniform procedure throughout Indian Country in all regions; and

WHEREAS, the 2% cap policy does not reflect the true funding needs for construction growth of the IRR inventory program of the tribes in the eastern region; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors requests that the BIA policy on the 2% cap be removed until such time that the tribes can complete their roads inventories and reflect the true construction needs of the eastern region; and, be it further

that the Board of Directors calls for a formal consultation meeting with appointed delegates from each of the USET tribes to develop a 2% planning distribution methodology that will be equitable to all the USET tribes and promote stronger transportation programs.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Meeting & EXPO, at which a quorum was present, in Mashantucket, CT, Thursday, October 23, 2003.

Keller George, President

RESOLVED

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Beverly M. Wright, Secretary

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