

# Oneida Nation

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## **BC Resolution # 03-26-25-A Cooperative Agreement with Bureau of Indian Affairs, Midwest Region, for Wildland Fire Management Non-Recurring Funds**

- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1, of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Environmental, Land & Agriculture Division protects, preserves, and improves the natural and built environments to enhance quality of life for the Oneida Community; and
- WHEREAS,** The Oneida Nation 2011 Integrated Resource Management Plan (a/k/a "Live, Sustain, Grow Plan") identifies goals and objectives related to the management of Forest, Wetlands, and other Natural Resource Communities; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Business Committee adopted BC Resolution # 11-28-18-A Oneida Nation Wildland Fire Management Plan; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation Wildland Fire Management Plan provides the framework for pre-fire suppression actions, fire prevention measures, and fuel modification treatment on tribal lands. This framework is necessary to protect life and property, cultural resources, wildlife and fisheries, soil stability, and local socio-economic conditions; and
- WHEREAS,** the Oneida Nation Wildland Fire Management Plan allows the Environmental, Land & Agriculture Division to implement prescribed fire as a tool for natural resource management in accordance with that plan, as well as the policy and guidance established by the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and
- WHEREAS,** the Nation wishes to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Midwest Region, to allow the parties to cooperate in wildland fire management activities related to national, regional and field programs, including activities occurring on trust lands; and
- WHEREAS,** this Agreement will provide a mechanism for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Midwest Region, to reimburse the Nation for non-recurring expenditures for actual costs, including one-time funds, one-year only funds, project funds or one-time expenditures for wildland fire management activities; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Cooperative Agreement between the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Midwest Region, and the Oneida Nation for Wildland Fire Management Non-Recurring Funds is hereby approved.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Cooperative Agreement shall be updated to add reference to this resolution at Article II-B, and the Nation's Environmental, Land & Agriculture Division Director and Project Manager shall be identified as Authorized Representatives at Article V-A.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum; 6 members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 26th day of March 2025; that the forgoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 5 members for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting\*; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

  
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Lisa Liggins, Secretary  
Oneida Business Committee

\*According to the By-Laws, Article I, Section 1, the Chair votes "only in the case of a tie."