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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 95
45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2002
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FOR THE INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A JOINT MEMORIAL
REQUESTING THAT THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AUTHORIZE
CONSTRUCTION OF THE HOGBACK BRIDGE TO SERVICE THE NAVAJO
COMMUNITIES NEAR THE SAN JUAN CHAPTER.

WHEREAS, the condition of roads servicing the San Juan chapter area is dangerous; and

WHEREAS, residents of the San Juan chapter area must travel on these roads to use police and hospital services located in Shiprock and Farmington; and

WHEREAS, ambulances from Shiprock must travel on these roads to the San Juan chapter area; and

WHEREAS, most students who are residents of the San Juan chapter area must travel on these roads to reach their schools located in Kirtland, which is across the San Juan river; and

WHEREAS, most residents of the San Juan chapter area must

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1 travel on these roads to reach their places of employment in
2 Farmington; and

3 WHEREAS, the construction of the Hogback bridge would
4 substantially increase the safety of San Juan chapter area
5 residents, allowing them to reach the hospital and police and
6 for ambulances to reach them in approximately half the current
7 driving time; and

8 WHEREAS, the construction of the Hogback bridge would
9 substantially increase the safety of San Juan chapter area
10 residents because it would be paved up to Navajo route 36;

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
12 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state highway commission be
13 requested to designate the construction of the Hogback bridge
14 a top priority; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
16 transmitted to the chairman of the state highway commission.