

TO APPROVE A 20-YEAR GRANT OF RIGHT-OF-WAY TO SUMMIT UTILITIES OKLAHOMA, INC. FOR A GAS LINE AT JONES ACADEMY ON TRUST AND FEDERAL LAND IN PITTSBURG COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

JAMES DRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO APPROVE a grant of right-of-way for a gas line easement, in favor of Summit Utilities Oklahoma, Inc., on land held by the USA in Trust for the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and the United States of America in Pittsburg County, Oklahoma.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article VII, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (the "Nation"), the Chief shall perform all duties pertaining to the Office of the Chief Executive. He shall sign official papers on behalf of the Nation;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article IX, Section 6 of the Constitution of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, the Tribal Council (the "Council") shall make decisions pertaining to the acquisition, leasing, disposition, and management of tribal property;

WHEREAS, Summit Utilities Oklahoma, Inc. is requesting approval of a gas line easement. The proposed easement is located at Jones Academy, more particularly described as land held by USA in Trust for the Choctaw Nation in the NW/4 and NE/4 of Section 28, and land held by the United States of America in the SW/4 of Section 21 and the NW/4 of Section 28, all in Township 5 North, Range 17 East, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. Please reference Special Use Permit No. G09-1517 for land held by the United States of America. See Exhibit A for the survey plats and map locations. See Exhibit B for the Special Use Permit No. G09-1517. See Exhibit C for right-of-way application;

WHEREAS, the payment will be \$0.00 because the primary purpose of this easement is to provide gas service to Jones Academy. This easement would be in the best interest of the Choctaw Nation, as it will provide a reliable and sustainable source of natural gas to the facilities located on the property;

WHEREAS, the easement shall be for a 20-year term; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined it is in the best interest of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma to approve and grant this right-of-way for a gas line easement in favor of Summit Utilities Oklahoma, Inc. and to waive the requirements for the application fee, appraisal, bond and insurance.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council that this Bill be cited as approval of an official grant of right-of-way, for a 20-year term, to Summit Utilities Oklahoma, Inc. The gas line easement is described as crossing land held by USA in Trust for the Choctaw Nation in the NW/4 and NE/4 of Section 28, and land held by the United States of America in the SW/4 of Section 21 and the NW/4 of Section 28, all in Township 5 North, Range 17 East, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, that this Bill be cited as approval of waiving requirements for the right-of-way application fee, appraisal, bond, and insurance.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Tribal Council that this Bill be cited as an acknowledgment that the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, is authorized to prepare, execute, deliver, and file any and all agreements, certificates, instruments, and documents, in such form and with such terms and provisions as the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, may approve, and to take such other action as he, she or they may deem proper or appropriate, to carry out the intent and purposes of the foregoing enactments.

TO APPROVE A 20-YEAR GRANT OF RIGHT-OF-WAY TO SUMMIT UTILITIES OKLAHOMA, INC. FOR A GAS LINE AT JONES ACADEMY ON TRUST AND FEDERAL LAND IN PITTSBURG COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma, on March 14, 2026. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 34 -26 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.


James Dry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council


Tony Ward, Speaker Pro Tem
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

Date: 03/17/2026


Gary Baston, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma