Navajo Generating Station (NGS)



If Navajo Generating Station is sold to NTEC The Coconino County Board of Supervisors requests that local revenues are protected and included within the sale and operating agreement. If NGS closes the Coconino County Board of Supervisors requests Congress to authorize federal funding to minimize the socio-economic impacts from the closure of its federal facility Navajo Generating Station.

Option 1: If NGS is sold to NTEC The Coconino County Board of Supervisors requests that local revenues are protected and included within the sale and operating agreement. Indexing current revenues to inflation or the Consumer Price Index is essential to protect local revenue to deliver direct services.

NGS Impact to Coconino County Special Taxing Districts that Deliver Direct Services

Taxing District	FY1	6 (2015 Taxes)	FY1	.7 (2016 Taxes)	FY1	8 (2017 Taxes)	FY1	.9 (2018 Taxes)
Coconino County	\$	522,175.17	\$	511,665.80	\$	490,832.79	\$	560,699.49
Flood Control District	\$	36,772.08	\$	36,439.00	\$	35,467.82	\$	18,016.88
Public Health District	\$	227,626.90	\$	221,002.44	\$	216,089.95	\$	250,793.34
Library District	\$	232,725.54	\$	225,953.41	\$	220,930.80	\$	256,411.39
State School Equalization	\$	460,170.01	\$	442,889.58	\$	421,417.77	\$	475,626.26
EDAT	\$	91,050.95	\$	88,400.97	\$	86,435.58	\$	100,317.34
Page Unified School District	\$	3,793,705.63	\$	3,647,518.32	\$	3,728,028.03	\$	4,148,041.79
JTED-Caviat	\$	45,135.98	\$	43,836.49	\$	42,857.79	\$	49,827.68
Page Hospital District	\$	567,694.59	\$	547,675.59	\$	557,965.36	\$	464,035.38
Coconino Community College	\$	555,864.10	\$	549,325.04	\$	530,930.88	\$	597,813.11
TOTAL	\$	6,532,920.95	\$	6,314,706.64	\$	6,330,956.77	\$	6,921,582.66

*FDAT=Fire District Assistance Tax, JTED-CAVIAT=Joint Technical Education District-Coconino Association for Vocations, Industry and Technology District.

Additional Requests: Annual \$3.0 Million for the Northern Arizona College Connection

Option 2: If NGS closes The Coconino County Board of Supervisors requests federal support to build economic diversification and resiliency in the region including: economic planning and development, broadband development, and educational attainment.

Background:

- In 1968 Congress passed the Colorado River Basin Project Public Law 90-537-authorizing the Federal government's participation in NGS in conjunction with creation of the Central Arizona Project. The Bureau of Reclamation manages the **Federal 24.3 percent interest** in NGS on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior under a 1969 delegation of authority.
- The Federal Government has a trust responsibility to the Navajo Nation. NGS was developed on tribal lands using tribally owned coal with the intention it would operate 70 years; instead the plant may close 25 years ahead of schedule which will deeply impact tribal communities and the regional economy.

Military Base Closure Assistance as a Model:

- Federal economic assistance to communities impacted by the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) includes planning and economic adjustment assistance provided by the Office of Economic Adjustment. OEA was established to mitigate against the effects of closure on local communities.
- The Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process requires facility reuse studies and community planning assistance.
- OEA also provides technical assistance to states and universities to help defense contractors transition to work outside of the defense space to make them more competitive on the commercial market.
 FY19 funding for the OEA was \$70,035,000
- The DoD recognizes that changes at federal facilities can negatively impact local communities and has created programs to mitigate those negative effects.