

RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is committed to protecting the Tribe's water resources and water rights, and

WHEREAS, the Council is advised and aware that a water inventory on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation is necessary to the Tribe in any form of resolution of its claims to water: litigation, legislation, or negotiation, and

WHEREAS, the Water Rights' Committee of the Tribal Council has interviewed Mr. Al Kersich of the engineering firm of H.K.M. & Associates, and has recommended to the Tribal Council that said firm be employed by the Tribe to conduct a water inventory study on behalf of the Tribe and in the best interests of the Tribe, and

WHEREAS, funding for said study is needed in order to conduct it.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that the engineering firm of H.K.M. & Associates be retained to conduct a water inventory study on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation on behalf of the Tribe, contingent on obtaining available funding for such purposes in such amounts estimated by H.K.M., as hereinafter provided.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that H.K.M. & Associates prepare an estimate of costs and fees to conduct a water inventory study, accounting therein for all information presently available through the Bureau of Indian Affairs regarding tribal water resources on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that H.K.M. & Associates work closely with the Tribe's Water Rights' Committee and Legal Department in preparing such study when funded.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bureau of Indian Affairs is requested to provide any and all possible funding assistance to the Tribe for said water inventory.

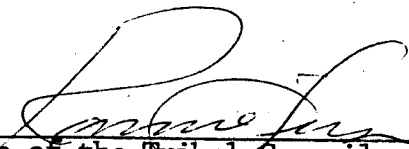
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Chairman is authorized to negotiate and execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

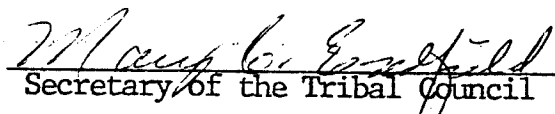
The foregoing resolution was on March 22, 1978 duly adopted by a vote of 10 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (f) and (i) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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WHITERIVER, ARIZ.

  
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Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
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Secretary of the Tribal Council