

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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe has previously publicized its strong opposition to proposed Congressional Amendments to the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, P.L. 90-542, which would include therein the study of the Salt River, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has continued to scrutinize and kept itself advised of the legislative progress and content of such proposed amendments, since enactment of Tribal Council Resolution No. 77-71, dated March 21, 1977, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is currently aware that such proposed amendment is pending congressional action which would include for study as a Wild and Scenic River, the Salt River as it borders the Fort Apache and San Carlos Indian Reservations and beyond, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council continues to find that inclusion of any portion of the Salt River within the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, or any amendment thereto, condemns tribal sovereignty over its land base with further federal controls, deters tribal administration and economic development on Reservation land or that which is within the Salt River watershed, and threatens the resolution of conflicting and controversial water rights claims and uses related thereto, presently pending discussion regarding said watershed.
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe hereby vehemently reaffirms its opposition to the inclusion of the Salt River in any study for classification as a Wild and Scenic River under P.L. 90-542, as hereinabove referenced.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council further requests the strong support of all Arizona Congressional delegates in defeating legislative amendment to P.L. 90-542 which would include for study thereunder any portion of the Salt River.


The foregoing resolution was on October 3, 1978 duly adopted by a vote of 7 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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