

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council has instituted a comprehensive and intensive study of its natural resources, including, but not limited to, its land and water resources, and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council, by Resolution No. 80-25 of February 7, 1980, directed an in-depth investigation to resolve boundary disputes and to correctly establish, in particular, the northern and western boundaries of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation as decreed by Executive Order of the President on November 9, 1871, and

WHEREAS, in the process of those studies, numerous serious errors were discovered in the Fort Apache Indian Reservation topographic maps prepared by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) for the White Mountain Apache Tribe in 1977--a tabulation of which is attached to this resolution and made a part of it by reference, and

WHEREAS, among those serious errors are included, but not limited to, the following:

1. Failure to show the south edge of the Black Mesa, which constitutes the North boundary of the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation as established by the Executive Order of the President of the United States of November 9, 1871;
2. Failure properly to locate the Black Mesa, sometimes referred to as the Mogollon Plateau;
3. Incorrect location of portions of the Mogollon Rim, including the designation of the Mogollon Rim south of the town of McNary;
4. Incorrect designation of a portion of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation as a Wilderness Area; and
5. Repetition of numerous known and long-standing errors in the location of the northern and western boundaries of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council, being fully advised by experts in the fields of cartography and geology; and predicated upon an in-depth review of the history of both the south edge of the Black Mesa and the Mogollon Rim; and recognizing the great potential for damage to the Tribe by the acceptance of the aforesaid Fort Apache Indian Reservation topographic maps, as set forth above.

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe hereby abrogates and rejects any former acceptance of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation topographic maps, as detailed in the tabulation attached hereto, and thereby rescinds any previous resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council specifically directs that hereafter no use be made of the aforesaid maps in connection with the Fort Apache Indian Reservation by the Secretary of the Interior, the Department of Justice, nor by any other local, state or Federal agency, nor by any other entity, public or private.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no employee or contractor of the Tribe shall utilize these maps in their present form.

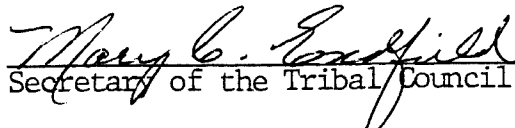
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the White Mountain Apache Tribe will in no way be bound by the data set forth on the aforesaid Fort Apache Indian Reservation topographic maps (as tabulated herein); nor can the maps be used against the White Mountain Apache Tribe in any judicial or administrative proceedings, nor in any other manner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that E.M. Clark and Associates are hereby directed and authorized to make the necessary corrections and revisions of the aforesaid Fort Apache Indian Reservation topographic maps, with the objective of designating the revised maps as the official maps of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Chairman is authorized and directed to notify all appropriate persons of the contents and intent of this Resolution in order to carry out its purposes.

The foregoing resolution was on May 7, 1980 duly adopted by a vote of 9 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 (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).


Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBAL COUNCIL

ATTACHMENT TO RESOLUTION

Tabulation of Fort Apache Indian Reservation topographic maps referred to in
White Mountain Apache Tribal Council Resolution

I. FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION TOPOGRAPHIC MAP:

East Half and West Half - 2 - Map Set

NE-SE-SW-NW Quarters - 4 - Map Set

United States Department of the Interior

Topographic Map

Scale 1:100,000 (2-Map Set)

Scale 1:62,500 (4-Map Set)

Contour Interval 50 meters

National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929

Prepared by the Geological Survey for the White Mountain Apache Tribe. Compiled in 1977 from BIA 1:24,000 - scale topographic maps dated 1975 and 1976. Projection and 50,000-foot grid ticks: Arizona coordinate system, east zone (transverse Mercator). 10,000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 12, shown in blue. 1927 North American datum.

II. FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION TOPOGRAPHIC SERIES: 7½' maps.

70 Each (More or Less)

Scale 1:24,000

Contour Interval 40 feet

National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929

Control by USGS and NCS/NOAA

Prepared by the Geological Survey for the White Mountain Apache Tribe. Compiled in 1975 from USGS 1:24,000-scale quadrangle dated 1967. Planimetry revised by BIA from aerial photographs taken in 1973 and 1975. Projection and 10,000-foot grid ticks: Arizona coordinate system, east zone (Transverse Mercator). 1000 meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 12, shown in blue. 1927 North American datum.