

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

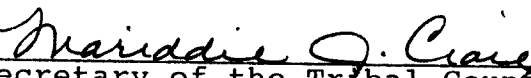
- WHEREAS, Tribal members employed as loggers by Neil Brewer, who has a contract with the Fort Apache Timber Company [FATCO] to log in the Cibecue area have come before the Tribal Council requesting Tribal Council assistance; and
- WHEREAS, said tribal member loggers advised the Tribal Council that their present rate of pay is inadequate, that they lack job security as their jobs are solely dependent on Mr. Brewer's contract with FATCO, that retirement and other fringe benefits are not available to them under the present working relationship with Mr. Brewer, and that they are responsible to pay for their own taxes and social security; and
- WHEREAS, said loggers are requesting that they be employed by FATCO as loggers, rather than utilizing contract loggers for the Cibecue area; and
- WHEREAS, the tribal member loggers also suggest to the Tribal Council that a means be developed for tribal members to be awarded logging contracts on the reservation and that they receive assistance in the same manner that non-Indian loggers have received assistance from FATCO; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is sympathetic to the complaints and concerns voiced by the tribal member loggers; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to the plan of operation for FATCO, the Board of Directors for FATCO is the appropriate body to evaluate the present logging contracts in view of the comments and concerns raised by the tribal member loggers; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concludes that the FATCO Board of Directors should evaluate the present logging contracts in view of the complaints, concerns and issues raised by the tribal member loggers in the Cibecue area.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the FATCO Board of Directors, as a priority matter, to evaluate the present logging contracts in Cibecue and to study the feasibility of placing tribal loggers as employees of FATCO, rather than continuing the present contract arrangement with Mr. Brewer and other non-Indian loggers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it further directs the FATCO Board of Directors to study the economics and feasibility of sponsoring or assisting tribal members who wish to enter into logging contracts with FATCO to perform the logging operations on the reservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby requests that the FATCO Board of Directors report its findings to the office of the Tribal Chairman within ten (10) days of the receipt of this resolution in respect to the directives described herein.

The foregoing resolution was on April 1, 1987, duly adopted by a vote of TEN for and ZERO 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 Bylaws 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

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