

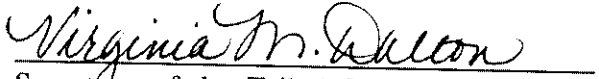
**RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council has long recognized the inherent conflict between encouraging tourism to the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and the need to exclude visitors from many places on the Reservation; and
- WHEREAS**, the recently completed draft of a Transportation Plan does not adequately address the issue of this conflict; and
- WHEREAS**, Tribal options may be severely limited as BIA roads are deemed public roads and hence must be open to the public; and
- WHEREAS**, Tribal efforts to attract ever increasing numbers of visitors to the Reservation will require a method of dealing with the conflict; and
- WHEREAS**, alternatives may include tour buses, improving roads designated as open to visitors at the expense of not improving roads where visitors are not wanted, posting certain roads and areas, closing some roads, opening all areas to visitors; and
- WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council does not have sufficient information nor analysis of the various alternatives to make an informed decision; and
- WHEREAS**, the ability of the Tribe to generate the desired analysis is constrained by the funding available for the purpose; and
- WHEREAS**, the BIA has funds for transportation planning available under the provisions of ISTEA.
- BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Planning Department be authorized and instructed to prepare a grant application to secure the funds required for the study of alternatives available for reducing or resolving the conflict between protecting Tribal natural and sacred resources and the accommodation of visitors.

Resolution No. 02-94-057

The foregoing resolution was on February 24, 1994, 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 IV, Section 1 (a), (i) and (j) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).


Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council