

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

**WHEREAS,** The Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in previous years negotiated the direct deposit of stumpage fees to the White Mountain Apache Tribe, which resulted in substantial savings and the more efficient distribution of said trust funds to the benefit of the Tribe; and

**WHEREAS,** Presently, the Phoenix Area Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs has authority over approval of timber sale contracts and the 10% timber administration fund to the extent that it approves the Tribal Council's budget of said funds, and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribal Council concludes that it would be in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and for the efficiency of the administration of the Tribe's forest if authority was delegated from the Phoenix Area Office to the Fort Apache Agency to administer timber sales and contracts; and to approve the 10% timber administration fund; and

**WHEREAS,** The Fort Apache Agency has the requisite staff and expertise to carry out the delegated authorities.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests the Deputy Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Phoenix Area Director, as well as the Superintendent of the Ft. Apache Agency, to take whatever procedural steps are necessary to transfer authority to the Agency level for administration of the timber administration fund, approval of timber sale contracts; and to oversee administrative deductions from the timber forest administration funds.

**Resolution No. 01-96-020**

The foregoing resolution was on January 23, 1996, duly adopted by a vote of eight 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),(c) (I), (s) (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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Chairman of the Tribal Council



Secretary of the Tribal Council