

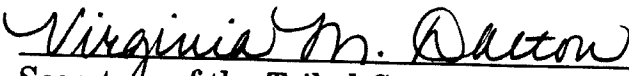
**RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Game & Fish Department has come before the Tribal Council this date and requested an approval of a proposed management plan for Apache trout to be funded by the Arizona Game & Fish Heritage Fund; and
- WHEREAS,** A description of the project is attached to this Resolution and incorporated by reference herein; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Council has historically been concerned about the preservation of Native Apache trout on the Reservation and has been instrumental in its recovery; and
- WHEREAS,** Said Apache trout management proposal would enhance the recovery for the Apache trout.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the Apache trout management project as described in the attached summary and authorizes the Tribal Game & Fish Department to file an application for funds for said purpose.

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), (f), (j), (l), (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

  
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Secretary of the Tribal Council

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## Arizona Game and Fish Heritage Application

**Project Title:** Management of Apache trout on the Fort Apache Reservation.

**Brief Description of Project:** Tribal, State and Federal efforts have improved the status of Apache trout to the point where they could be removed from the endangered species list within five years. An inventory of population numbers and habitat conditions is needed for final petition for delisting. This project has two objectives: 1) Recovery of Thompson Creek and West Fork of the Black to Apache trout. 2) Habitat and population inventory of pure Apache trout streams; a report will document Apache trout numbers, biomass, and habitat on Fort Apache streams.

**Duration of Project:** May 1996 to May 1998

<b>Project funding:</b> Grant requested	\$ 57,000
Local match	\$ 78,900 - <i>from USFWS 638K - to BIA 638 mmg</i>
<b>Additional cost to tribe</b>	\$ 0
<b>Total</b>	\$135,900

**Use of funding:** Money will be used to fund biologist for two years and to fund two seasonal fish technicians for two years.

**Project Receivables:** Two streams converted to Apache Trout. A report on population and habitat on ten Fort Apache streams. These efforts could lead to Apache trout removal from the endangered species list within 5 years.