

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

**WHEREAS,** the Upper North Fork of the Whiteriver watershed contains some of the Tribe's most valuable natural resources, including fine timberland, rangeland, waters, medicinal plants, fishing, recreation areas, and cultural significant places; and

**WHEREAS,** careful management of this sensitive area is critical to ensuring the present and future well-being of the Tribe; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribe's Watershed Planning Program has developed a comprehensive watershed plan to maintain and restore the ecological health of this watershed with input from the entities with substantial resource concerns for the area, the Executive Summary of which is attached to this Resolution and incorporated by reference herein.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby adopts the Watershed Plan for the Upper North Fork of the Whiteriver, along with associated Nonpoint Source Assessment Report and Management Plan, while providing for future revisions of the Plan based on continued assessment and other new information.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council that it hereby directs that a brief summary of the Plan be published in the *Apache Scout* along with notice that copies of the Plan Executive Summary will be made available to the public.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council that it hereby supports the goals of maintaining and restoring healthy ecosystems, and authorizes the development of an implementation plan to reduce nonpoint source pollution in the watershed and to apply for funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or other appropriate sources to implement the recommendations of the Plan.

**Resolution No. 07-96-171**

The foregoing resolution was on July 17, 1996, duly adopted by a vote of seven 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), (e), (f), (g), (h), (I), (j), (k), (m), (n), (s), (t), and (u) 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).

*Lafe Cullaho*  
ACTING Chairman of the Tribal Council

*Virginia M. Dalton*  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

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