

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

WHEREAS, Cedar Creek is a community that has suffered from degradation of its streams and watershed due to a long history of mismanagement by the Federal Government and insufficient resources to protect sensitive areas; and

WHEREAS, many tribal elders remember Cedar Creek as a virtual Garden of Eden, teeming with migratory birds, cottonwood, willows, reeds, and fruit trees; and

WHEREAS, several projects in Cedar Creek have vividly demonstrated the potential of this area to recover through reduced pressure from livestock grazing; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Water Protection Fund has been established to maintain and restore waters in the State of Arizona, and the Tribe is currently implementing two major restoration projects with funds from that valuable sources; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe, with assistance from the Arizona Water Protection Fund, has valuable opportunity to restore Cedar Creek to its former condition and educate both tribal members and visitors about the significance of this special place; and

WHEREAS, the proposed restoration project will include improved livestock management in riparian areas, the development of a riparian/watershed management plan. and the development of an educational program for the community, schools, and visitors to the project.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the submission of an application to fund a project for the restoration of Cedar Creek, including extensive tribal staff contributions of technical and planning assistance.

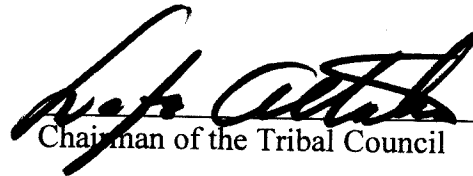
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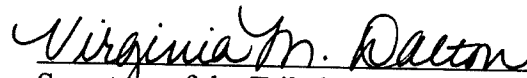
The foregoing resolution was on July 17, 1996, duly adopted by a vote of nine for and zero against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (h), (i), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 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).

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Chairman of the Tribal Council


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