

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

WHEREAS, the air resource over the Fort Apache Indian Reservation is today in a relatively pristine condition, yet active management by the White Mountain Apache Tribe is needed to protect the quality of this resource into the future; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has a solid working relationship with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 in San Francisco, from which program moneys have come to the Tribe to assess and protect watersheds and water quality, to properly manage solid waste, to plan for hazardous substance emergencies, and other environmental protection activities; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe now has the opportunity to assess and plan for the management of its air quality resources through a USEPA Clean Air Act grant, whereby a Tribal Member Air Quality Specialist position would be partially funded and proactive air quality protection measures explored with the assistance of other tribal staff; and

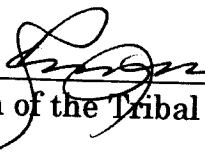
WHEREAS, the Tribal Forestry Department would administer the EPA air quality grant, in that control of smoke of prescribed burning continues to be a priority and impacts from off-reservation sources of air pollution need to be studied to assess their potential to impact the forests, soils and water resources of the reservation.


BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, that it hereby approves the attached application to the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency for funding under the federal Clean Air Act, which includes providing information to the Tribal Council on impacts and strategies for protecting the vital air resource of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

Resolution No. 09-96-216

The foregoing resolution was on September 12, 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 the White Mountain Apache Tribal Constitution, including Article IV, Sections 1 (a), (b) (f), (i), (j), (k), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on 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).

RESOLVED
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WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE
Tribal Council


Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council