

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe and the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, entered into a Cooperative Agreement in December 1997 with the stated objective of the Agreement being "... to enable Reclamation to provide technical assistance, as requested by the White Mountain Apache Tribe;" and

WHEREAS, the Cooperative Agreement has served as an effective mechanism for providing funds and technical assistance to the Tribe, which in turn has opened up personal contacts leading to establishment of a solid working relationship between the Tribe and one of its trust agents, the Bureau of Reclamation; and

WHEREAS, several meetings have been conducted between Bureau of Reclamation, Phoenix Area Office managers and staff and Council members, managers and staff of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, at which other ways that Reclamation assistance could be delivered to the Tribe have been discussed, particularly in the area of water resources planning, development and management; and

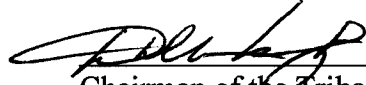
WHEREAS, the Tribal Council desires the assistance of the Bureau of Reclamation in Federal Fiscal Year 2000 for the purpose of undertaking water resources management studies on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation under the direction of and in close consultation with the Tribal Council and Tribal natural resources and legal managers and staff.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that to advance the goal of having the Bureau of Reclamation assist the Tribe with general investigations in water resources management, the Tribe fully supports the Lower Colorado Region, South/Central Arizona Investigations Program, Bureau of Reclamation FY2000 budget request for \$75,000 to provide funding and technical assistance for water resources management studies for the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

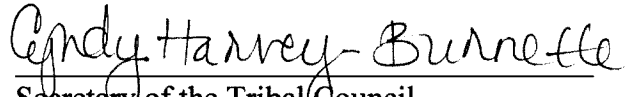
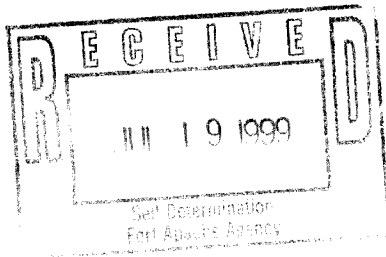
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribal Council desires greater support in the amount of \$300,000 through the Bureau of Reclamation's FY2000 budget request under the above stated program, to provide for enhanced cooperative work between Reclamation and the White Mountain Apache Tribe in water resource planning, management and development.

Resolution No. 06-99-141

The foregoing resolution was on June 24, 1999 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), (b), (f), (i), (j), and (t) 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).



Chairman of the Tribal Council



Secretary of the Tribal Council