

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

**WHEREAS,** the Tribe has experienced adverse affects of Department of Defense activities through the Fort Apache military installation that is located on the Reservation, now held in trust for the Tribe; and

**WHEREAS,** the U.S. Army's construction of the installation eliminated the agricultural uses of and natural vegetation of the lands utilized for the Fort; and

**WHEREAS,** the Army's construction of the installation also included the creation of an irrigation system that displaced waters from the East Fork of the White River on the Reservation; and

**WHEREAS,** the Army's operation of the Fort has left residual artillery in at least two areas of the Reservation, including lead contaminated soils; and

**WHEREAS,** the original structures that comprised the Fort have not been adequately maintained by the Army or any other government agency; and

**WHEREAS,** these structures now contain asbestos that must be removed to protect the health and safety of individuals utilizing them; and

**WHEREAS,** the Administration for Native Americans, an agency within the Department of Health and Human Services, has made grant monies available to mitigate the environmental impacts of Department of Defense activities on Indian lands; and

**WHEREAS,** the program authorizes the expenditure of these monies on tribal energy planning, including, specifically, addressing issues arising from the Western Area Power Administration hydroelectric power allocation process currently underway in the Colorado River Storage Project area for which the Tribe can apply; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribe needs to assess the potential benefits that could be derived from receipt of low cost hydroelectric power and other Reservation utility planning; and

**WHEREAS,** monies obtained from this grant process will enable the Tribe to formulate energy planning that, if implemented, could help mitigate the impacts to the Tribe's lands by the Department of Defense through the Fort Apache installation.

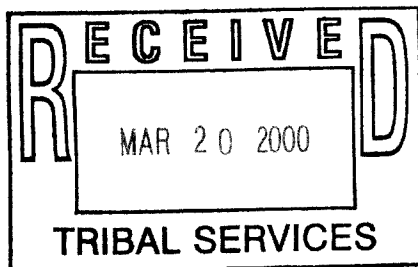
**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the submission of a grant application for environmental mitigation planning

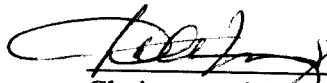
**Resolution No. 03-2000-76**

to the Administration for Native Americans pursuant to Program Announcement No. 93612-002.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the submission of the grant application shall be subject to the discretion and determination of the Tribal Chairman, in consultation with the Tribal Planning Department and Tribal Legal Department, after reviewing the coordination of this grant application and program goals with Tribal objectives and staff time and availability.

The foregoing resolution was on March 7, 2000 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), (b), (f), (h), (i), (j), (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).



  
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Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
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Secretary of the Tribal Council