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

- WHEREAS, the Turkey Creek West Timber Sale is included in the ten year cutting budget in the 1991-2000 Forest Management Plan (extended to 12-31-02); and
- WHEREAS, the sale contracts has been prepared without a unit specific residual value appraisal; but rather the contract is included in the formal annual reappraisal for the Ratio/Royalty Stumpage Valuation for Fort Apache Timber Company; and
- WHEREAS, the Turkey Creek West Timber Sale is primarily in the Tribal Timber Management Area and is part of the annual allowable cut; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has an express desire to monitor erosion control vegetation treatments and the BIA will assemble an interdisciplinary team of both BIA and Tribal employees to do this monitoring according to the protocol contained in the contract; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has an expressed desire to develop and monitor prescribed fire use prescriptions and plan fuels reduction treatments; and
- WHEREAS, no burning shall occur on this timber sale area until the Tribal Forester assembles a planning team of both BIA and Tribal employees to review and recommend the burn prescriptions for the project area; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has an express desire to prioritize work efforts for follow-up thinning and other stand development treatments within the diseased stands selected for regeneration treatments, the Bureau of Indian Affairs is requested to seek priority funding to accomplish these tasks so that the diseased forest stands are rehabilitated; and
- WHEREAS, it is the Tribe's desire that these treatments shall be planned and conducted using the interdisciplinary team process and input from Tribal natural resource management staff.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Turkey Creek West Timber Sales as presented in the proposed contract for the sale of timber, and subject to minor changes and administrative adjustments by the Approving Officer, be sold to the Fort Apache Timber Company as described below:

SPECIES

ESTIMATED VOLUME

RECOMMENDED STUMPAGE RATE

All Species

14.2 MMBF

Current Approved Stumpage Valuation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman of the Tribal Council, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, is authorized to execute the contract and related documents necessary to administer the sale of timber for and on behalf of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that deductions not to exceed thirteen percent (13%) of the gross receipts received from the Purchaser, will be accrued in the Road Suspense Account. This accrual will continue until the Road Suspense Account is funded to the extent required to provide the road construction fund reserve authorized by the Tribe.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>June 5, 2002</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> 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), (l), (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).

TRANCE OF SCHOOL

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council