

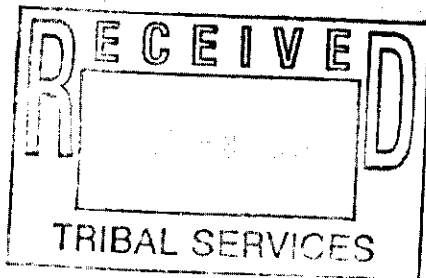
**RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS**, as the Rodeo-Chediski Wildfires of 2002 and the September 11 attacks showed, the consequences of disasters, man-made as well as natural, can be far-reaching and diverse; and
- WHEREAS**, the Tribe and the Nation has changed since the events of 2002, the White Mountain Apache Tribe remains at risk to terrorist attacks and other disasters and will remain at risk for the foreseeable future; and
- WHEREAS**, the resources of the White Mountain Apache Tribe made up of precious people, property, heritage, cultural and natural resources are vast and valuable and every efforts needs to be made to protect them; and
- WHEREAS**, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council recognizes that it has the primary responsibility to ensure that the safety and well being of the residents of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation are met; and
- WHEREAS**, an important and immediate need exists for the development of an emergency management coordinator to create the capability to anticipate and prepare for natural disaster and terrorist attacks through preventative planning, technology, and coordinated efforts; and
- WHEREAS**, the development of such program requires the creation of an Emergency Management Coordinator position and operation fiduciary support; and
- WHEREAS**, Department of Planning proposes to develop this program temporarily under the Planning Department; and
- WHEREAS**, this proposal to create an Office of Emergency Management is fully supported by the Local Emergency Response Commission, WMA Housing Authority, Fire & Rescue Department, Community Presidents, Tribal Emergency Response Commission, Whiteriver Police Department, WMA Division of Health Programs and BIA Fort Apache Agency.
- BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the creation of the Office of Emergency Management charged with the responsibility, in the event of a natural or man-made disaster, to serve as the central hub to coordinate, plan and orchestrate appropriate responses.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Office of Emergency Management will be temporarily organized under the Planning Department and directs Planning staff with the assistance of representatives from the local Emergency Response Commission, WMA Housing Authority, Fire & Rescue Department and Whiteriver Police Department to hereby prepare and make the necessary arrangements to advertise and hire program personnel described.

The foregoing resolution was on April 16, 2003 duly adopted by a vote of SIX 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), (k), (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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Cindy B. Harvey", written over a horizontal line.

Secretary of the Tribal Council