

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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe has, through three previous resolutions (01-96-016, 09-98-210 and 09-00-275) endorsed completion of agreements, pursuant to P.L. 93-638, to contract all archaeological functions and duties discharged by the BIA on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the 28 May 2002 letter from the Chairman of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council to the Director of the BIA Western Regional Office (WRO) requests BIA documentation and technical assistance required to prepare a contract proposal for discharging the functions of the WRO Roads Archaeologist; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has yet to receive the favor of a reply to the letter of 28 May 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe maintains its opinion that the research and field work required in support of historic preservation compliance processes should be conducted by Tribal staff specialists rather than by outsiders.

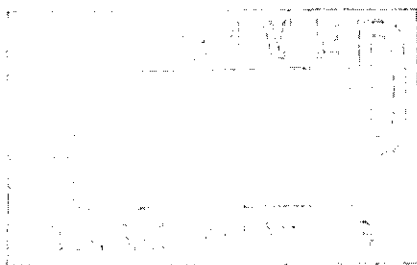
BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby demands prompt, complete, and professional response to the requests made in the 28 May 2002 letter.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes and endorses the expeditious execution of a 638 contract for the assumption by the Tribal Historic Preservation Office of the WRO Roads National Historic Preservation Act compliance functions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby delegates authority to the Council Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, to execute any documents, including any contracts, needed to carry out the intent of this resolution.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Historic Preservation Office is to comply fully with all applicable tribal and federal regulations, policies, guidelines, and requirements relating to the 638 contract application and execution process.

The foregoing resolution was on December 17, 2003 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 Article IV, Section 1 (a), (i), (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).





Chairman of the Tribal Council



ACTING Secretary of the Tribal Council