

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

## (Resolution in Support of Submittal of a Tribal Transit Planning Grant to FHW A on Behalf of the WMAT Transportation Committee)

- WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) and 1(s) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, *inter alia*, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the WMAT Transportation Committee duly appointed by the Tribal Council is authorized to advise and recommend to the Tribal Council in all policy and program matters related to the Indian Reservation Roads Programs, bridges, roads and highways within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, byways and trails; and other inter-modal initiatives for the benefits of the members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the WMAT Transportation Committee is further authorized to interact, meet, and represent the Tribe in such matters with outside agencies such as the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the Federal Highway Administration (FHW A), the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT); local governments, and other transportation groups, associations, and committees as it relates to transportation policies and procedures and funding related but not limited to 25 CFR 170 et. seq. regarding primary rules, regulations and federal funding initiatives; and
- WHEREAS, the WMAT Transportation Committee finds, as a result of a tribal community survey, that the White Mountain Apache Tribe is in need of transit services between and among tribal communities as well as providing services to off reservation locations to assist in the transport of members for education, health, social and employment activities and that the Committee is in support of developing such programs; and
- WHEREAS, the WMAT Transportation Committee requests that the Tribal Council provide the necessary support and approval to seek available FTA grant funds made available for tribes in the May 13, 2010 Federal Register; and
- WHEREAS, the WMAT Transportation Committee also requests that the Tribal Council accept as its guide and plan the "WMAT, PUBLIC TRANSIT FEASIBILITY STUDY, FINAL STUDY REPORT. This document is vital to the development and sustainability of the WMAT Transit Program; and
- **WHEREAS,** the WMAT Transportation Committee deems it necessary to hire RAE Consultants to prepare the Tribes' application to meet the June 28, 2010 deadline.

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**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby supports the findings of the WMAT Transportation Committee and that the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council has reviewed the proposal and hereby supports the submittal of an FTA Tribal Transit grant proposal for FY-2010.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall govern.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>JUNE 2, 2010</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>TEN</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (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).

Ronnie Lupe, Chairman of the Tribal Council

Manuadie Craig, Secretary of the Tribal Council