



Resolution No. 09-2014-149

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval of the Fort Apache Programmatic Prescribed Burn Plan)

WHEREAS, the Fort Apache Agency is required by Federal Fire Policy (US-1996, Modified in 2001) that is guided by the 2009 *Guidance for Implementation of Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy* to have an approved Interagency Prescribed Fire Plan and Implementation Procedures Guide that coincides with the Wildland Fire Management Plan to manage White Mountain Apache Tribal lands by fire use for a five (5) year period, 2014-2019; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Apache Agency, Branch of Forestry, has contracted with the White Mountain Apache Tribal Forestry Department to develop the Environmental Assessment for the Fort Apache Programmatic Prescribed Burn Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Plan and Project Review committee has reviewed the Fort Apache Programmatic Prescribed Burn Plan and has forwarded the approval of this document to the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Apache Programmatic Prescribed Burn Plan meets with the desires of the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council to reduce wildfire hazard and severity by using Prescribed Burns.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the Fort Apache Programmatic Prescribed Burn Plan for a five year period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

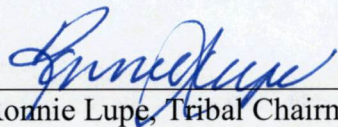
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution shall be deemed null and void and have no legal effect.

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 **SEPTEMBER 15, 2014** duly adopted by a vote of **TEN** for, **ZERO** against, and **ONE** abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated

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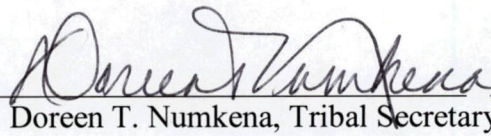
powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on September 30, 1993, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

9/16/14

Date



Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

9-16-2014

Date