

A WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving White Mountain Apache Tribe Forest Carbon Project Budget and Management)

- WHEREAS, White Mountain Apache Tribe has two forest carbon projects verified under California Air Resources Board's 32 (AB 32) Cap and Trade Regulation offset program;
- **WHEREAS,** per Article 5 of California's AB 32 Cap and Trade Regulation offset program, forestry carbon projects are required to monitor, report and verify credits for 100 years post credit sale;
- WHEREAS, if the White Mountain Apache Tribe fails to meet reporting, quantification, and verification requirements outlined in § 95976 and § 95977 of the Cap and Trade Regulation, the Tribe will be out of the compliance with California's Regulation and be liable for replacing credits issued;
- **WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe Carbon Team and Forestry Department has prepared a carbon budget to ensure adequate financial resources are available to monitor, report, and verify the carbon projects for 100 years post credit issuance.
- WHEREAS, White Mountain Apache Tribe Carbon Team and Forestry Department has the human resource capacity to manage accounts payable, accounts receivable, quantification, verification, and sales of carbon offsets.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the average annual Forestry and Carbon budget for carbon project #1 (ACR 211) in the amount of \$515,482.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that once project #2 (ACR 303) is issued Air Resource Board Offset Credits (ARBOCs), it hereby approves the average annual Forestry and Carbon budget of carbon project #1 (ACR 211) & carbon project #2 (ACR 303) in the amount of \$ 770,760.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the Carbon Team and Forestry Department to receive quarterly payments, in the amount of ½ of the annual approved budget, to manage all administrative, technical and reporting requirements per California's AB 32 Cap and Trade Regulation.
- **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 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 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 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 AUGUST 22, 2017 duly adopted by a vote of TEN for, ZERO against, and ZERO abstentions by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated 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).

9-5,17 Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary