



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Posting of Ordinance No. 300, Amending the Natural Resource Code of the White Mountain Apache Tribe)

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(q) of the Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Council may enact ordinances that concern the welfare of the Tribe, to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe, and to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes; and

WHEREAS, The Office of the Attorney General has this day proposed revisions to the Sections 1.15(f) and (G) of the Natural Resource Code, to provide for firewood gathering during the month of July, as set forth in proposed Ordinance No. 300 attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article XV of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, the proposed amendments shall be posted in each district for at least ten (10) days before final action by the Council; and

WHEREAS, The Council has reviewed Ordinance No. 300 carefully, and considered the recommendations and the implications thereof in great detail and finds the posting of Ordinance No. 288 to be in the best interest of the Tribe.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that proposed Ordinance 300, which amends Section 1.15 (F) and (G) of the Natural Resource Code, attached hereto, is hereby recommended for posting by the Tribal Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, as follows:

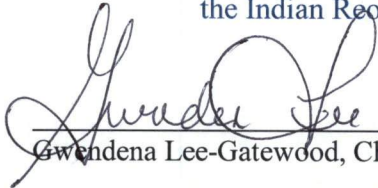
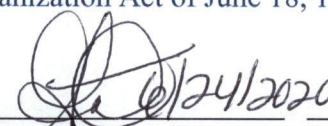
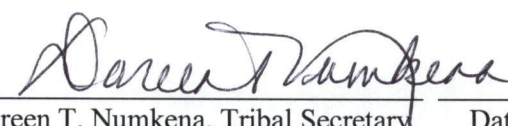
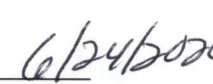
1. The Tribal Council Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to post this resolution and Ordinance No. 300, in each district for at least ten (10) days before final action by the Council. In addition, notices of the proposed ordinance shall be sent in the form of a press release to KNNB-FM and the Apache Scout.
2. Any and all comments concerning Ordinance No. 300 proposed herein may be sent to the attention of the Tribal Council Secretary, White Mountain Apache Tribe, P. O. Box 700, Whiteriver, AZ 85941.
3. Upon completion of the posting period, the Tribal Council Secretary is further directed to submit proof of posting to the Tribal Council and the Attorney General's Office and to report any public comments to the Tribal Council, and schedule a meeting thereof for final action. Proof of posting should include start and end date of posting period, and locations of posting.

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 Chairwoman, or in her 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 **JUNE 22, 2020** duly adopted by a vote of **ELEVEN** for, **ZERO** against, and **ZERO** abstention 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).

			
Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman	Date	Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary	Date

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE Ordinance No. 300, amending the Natural Resource Code as follows:

SECTION 1.15 FREE USE PERMIT

F. Free Use Products:

PRODUCT	SPECIES
Christmas Tree	Pinyon, Spruce, Douglas fir and White fir. Pinyon shall be six feet or less.
Firewood	All dead standing and down, except standing Ponderosa pine snags, are available as Free Use Product beginning on August 1st July 13 th through December 31 st of each year, except for the month of September when wood cutting will not be allowed, except for wakes and ceremonial purposes. See Section 1.15(G.) below for Seasonal Permit Fees from January through August each year.
Fence Post/stays	Juniper, all species.
Poles	Aspen and Ponderosa pine (TSI slash only)
Transplants	All Reservation Species.

G. Seasonal Permit Fees: Effective January 1, 2010, all Tribal Members shall be required to obtain a permit for harvesting firewood between January 1st and ~~July 31st~~ July 12th each year. The permit shall be \$5.00 per cord and shall be good for three (3) days. Exceptions: This Section shall not apply to harvesting of firewood for wakes, ceremonies, churches with stoves and camp meetings. From ~~August 1st~~ July 13th through December 31st each year, Section 1.15 (E.) and (F.) shall apply. See chart below:

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
Paid Permit	Paid Permit	Paid Permit	Paid Permit	Paid Permit	Paid Permit	Paid Permit Free Use after 7/13/2020	Free Use	Wakes & Ceremonial Use Only	Free Use	Free Use	Free Use