



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Carbon Project #1 Forest Carbon Inventory Services Agreement with Dolecek Enterprises, Inc.)

- WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (“Constitution”) provides, at Article IV, Section 1(a) that the Tribal Council (“Council”) shall exercise the power “[t]o represent the tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe, and to make decisions not inconsistent with or contrary to this constitution”; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe has two forest carbon projects verified under California Air Resources Board’s 32 (AB 32) Cap and Trade Regulation offset program; and
- WHEREAS,** Pursuant to 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; and
- WHEREAS,** The completion of a full forest carbon inventory, successful field verification, successful desktop review, and timing of such events are mandated to maintain compliance with carbon offset regulations (AB 32 § 95977), maintain active project status, and for WMAT to receive carbon offset credits generated from the carbon project; and
- WHEREAS,** If the 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 compliance with California’s Regulation and be liable for replacing credits issued; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe is now scheduled to complete forest inventory verification to maintain compliance with California Air Resources Board; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe’s carbon budget ensures adequate financial resources are available to monitor, report, and verify the carbon projects for 100 years post credit issuance, including funding for this scheduled verification; and
- WHEREAS,** A professional forest carbon inventory company, Dolecek Enterprises, Inc., has been identified to conduct the verification for the Tribe’s compliance requirements, which will include the re-measurement of the 388 plots in Carbon Project #1 in Spring 2022 as well as the onsite field verification in late Summer/Autumn 2022; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Council finds that approving the Agreement with Dolecek Enterprise, Inc. for carbon verification services is in the best interest of the Tribe and its members.

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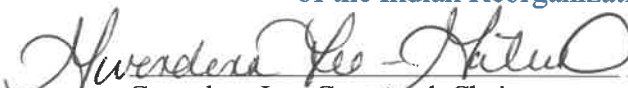
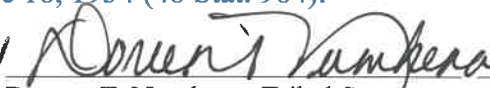
BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the Agreement between the Tribe and Dolecek Enterprises, Inc., as attached and incorporated herein by reference, to conduct the verification of Carbon Project #1 (ACR 211).

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 Chairwoman, or in her absence, the Vice-Chairperson, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on **DECEMBER 15, 2021** duly adopted by a vote of **TEN** for, **ONE** 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).

 12.17.21  12-17-2021
Gwendena Lee-Gatewood, Chairwoman Date Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary Date