

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe (in Resolution No. 81-39 of February 10, 1981) established a requirement for "...a long-term program which would correct the mismanagement of its grazing lands and restore those grazing lands, to the extent possible, to the former excellent status for grazing purposes..." and "...the White Mountain Apache Tribe is desirous of accomplishing, to the fullest extent possible, a sound economic base which will ensure the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it will be a viable Indian Community now and in perpetuity.", and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve the stated objectives, it is imperative that, at the earliest possible date, the forest and grazing lands that have been so badly damaged through the mismanagement of the United States shall be restored to a maximum productive capacity compatible with the long-term welfare of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

BE IT RESOLVED that the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council hereby approves long-term restoration program for the rangeland and timber resources of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation with the following objectives:

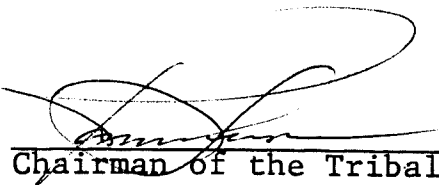
1. To arrest and, to the extent practicable, to reverse Class II erosion presently affecting approximately 200,000 acres of Reservation soils;
2. To implement measures designed to reverse Class I topsoil erosion and to fully restore productivity of affected areas, comprising approximately 200,000 acres of Reservation lands;
3. To institute selective and specialized methods of treatment and operation so as to maintain and restore localized areas of very high erosion hazard, comprising approximately 600,000 acres of Reservation lands;
4. To introduce management methods, facilities, and remedial measures designed to prevent increased erosion in areas presently classified as of slight to moderate erosion potential - a total of approximately 700,000 acres; and

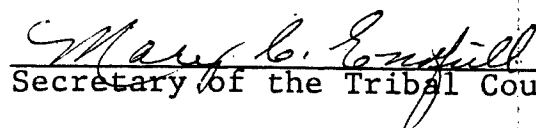
5. As key elements in accomplishing objectives 1. through 4., to:

- a. Repair and restore all division, boundary, and cross fences required for proper management of grazing practices on the Reservation, and
- b. Develop, to the full necessary extent, all irrigated agricultural lands including (but not limited to) these lands required to support the upgrading of livestock herds while relieving the grazing pressure on impaired rangeland areas of the Reservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the White Mountain Apache Tribe Council hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman, on behalf of the above program of natural resource development, to institute all necessary measures for a long-term legislative program, through the Congress of the United States, designed to restore the rangelands and forest lands of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation to their essential economic capacity as outlined in Resolution No. 81-39 and in paragraphs one (1) and (2) above.

The foregoing resolution was on April 01, 1981 duly adopted by a vote of 10 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (i) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).


Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council

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