

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

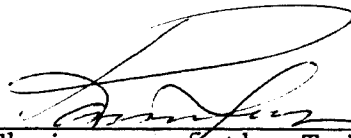
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is committed to the protection of its natural resources; particularly, water for present and future uses, and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is also committed to protect the health of its tribal members, and
- WHEREAS, one of the uses of the White River and its tributaries is swimming, which involves full contact of the swimmer's body with the surrounding water, and
- WHEREAS, such water must meet certain stringent standards so as not to endanger the health of swimmers and those who may drink said water, and
- WHEREAS, it has been pointed out that seepage from septic tank leach fields, existing dump-sites, runoff from cattle grazing areas and discharges from some wastewater treatment ponds may be depositing larger quantities of contaminants into the river than are safe to the health of swimmers or those who drink the water, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council must inform its constituents of such danger to their health.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the appropriate Health and Recreation authorities to publish warnings, and post signs in popular swimming areas to the effect that swimming in the river waters or drinking the river water of the Reservation south of Diamond Creek may be a cause of major or minor illnesses and a danger to health.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any dischargers of wastewater into the rivers be directed to see to it that the waters discharged into the river meet tribal standards and be made safe for swimmers in the immediate future.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council will pass an ordinance at its next meeting which will detail the standards to be met by point-source wastewater dischargers, schedules for compliance for compliance and penalties for non-compliance.

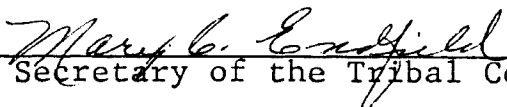
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The foregoing resolution was on July 2, 1981 duly adopted by a vote of 9 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article 1 (i) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the 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