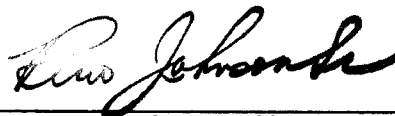


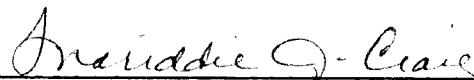
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- WHEREAS, reducing the number of young trees will increase the growth and quality of the tree stands remaining after a precommercial thinning; and
- WHEREAS, a gross acreage of 100,000 acres in the White Mountain Apache Tribe's forest has been identified as being suitable for thinning trees to four inches diameter breast high; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has demonstrated its capability to successfully thin ponderosa pine stands as evidenced in its performance of P.L. 93-638 contract number H50C14207288; and
- WHEREAS, precommercial thinning operations have provided many tribal members with jobs and income as well as increasing the growth and quality of the tribe's forest; and
- WHEREAS, the Forestry Committee has endorsed a continuation of precommercial thinning to a diameter up to four inches, breast high; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council agrees that the Tribe should continue to contract for precommercial thinning under a P.L. 93-638 contract that is administered by a Tribal Forestry Technician; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Forestry Committee has approved the continuation of pre-commercial thinning operations on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves execution of a three year P.L. 93-638 contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for precommercial thinning of an area approximately 3800 acres.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Chairman or the Vice Chairman in the Chairman's absence, or their designee is authorized to negotiate and sign the aforementioned contract.
- FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed date for contract commencement is November 7, 1988.

The foregoing resolution was on May 24, 1988, duly adopted by a vote of FIVE for and THREE 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 Bylaws 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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