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

- WHEREAS, the Whiteriver community area was severely impacted by smoke and the Fort Apache Indian Reservation forest was substantially damaged by prescribed burning performed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in October and November 1989; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe adopted Resolution No. 01-91-23 which included a set of considerations that are needed for the improvement of prescribed burning, including employment of a person who would monitor smoke pollution, BIA burning performance and resource damage; and
- WHEREAS, the fall burning season is fast approaching and a person needs to be employed who will monitor the burning and smoke in accordance with Tribal Council requirements; and
- WHEREAS, the Natural Resource Committee recommends that the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe adopt a resolution to enter into a 3 year P.L. 93-638 contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to obtain funds for equipment and to employ a person to monitor BIA prescribed burning and smoke; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concurs with said recommendations.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves execution of a 3 year P.L. 93-638 contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to employ a person to monitor prescribed burning and associated smoke on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation with equipment appropriate for performance of the monitor's work.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the Chairman or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman or their designee is hereby authorized to negotiate and sign the aforementioned contract.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the proposed date for contract commencement is October 01, 1991.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>August 06, 1991</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the <u>Tribal Council</u> of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (b) (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).

(Acting) Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council

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FORT APACHE INDIAN AGENCY WHITERIVER, ARIZONA

ATTACHMENT A - POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title:

Tribal Prescribed Fire and Smoke Monitor

Wage Rate:

Forestry Technician III

Employment Status:

Full time - subject to one year probation.

Location of Position:

Situated in Whiteriver, but duties will be reservation-wide.

Availability:

Employment will begin on or after October 1, 1991. Employee must be able to work extended hours during prescribed burning season.

Summary Statement:

Employee will monitor BIA prescribed burning performance, operate smoke monitoring equipment, make air pollution evaluations, postpone or modify BIA burn directions when warranted, perform post-burn evaluations, and submit reports.

Supervision Received:

Employee will be under the direction of the Tribal Forester.

Major Duties and Responsibilities:

Employee will become fully qualified in all regards to fire and smoke behavior, control and management through courses, field experience and other sources of instruction. Employee will participate in BIA prescribed burn planning sessions, monitor burning, and postpone or modify burning directions when deemed necessary to prevent unacceptable loss of natural resources. Employee will learn to operate smoke measurement instruments, record daily smoke measurements in the vicinity of Whiteriver and take appropriate actions to prevent unacceptable air pollution from prescribed burning. Employee will conduct post-burn surveys and evaluations of damage to natural resources. Employee will submit reports within the scope of his duties and responsibilities as directed.

Education and Requirements:

Employee must have at least a high school education or GED and be able to speak and write well in order to effectively communicate and write reports.

Demonstrated Skills, Knowledge, Abilities:

Employee must be over 21 years old, possess an Arizona driver's license, physically fit for hiking all day in the forest and have had substantial experience in timber sales, prescribed burning and fire control.

Special Requirements:

Employee must comply with all "Alcohol/Drug Free Work Place" requirements adopted by the White Mountain Apache Tribe.