

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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is aware of many problems in the area of road maintenance performed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs Roads Department; and

WHEREAS, these on-going problems particularly affect community neighborhoods in inclement weather; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concludes that the Tribal Government should consider the feasibility of taking over the responsibility for road maintenance from the Bureau of Indian Affairs in order to more effectively deal with these problems, and to do so pursuant to the Self-Determination Act; and

WHEREAS, prior to doing so, the Tribal Council believes it would be in the best interest of the Tribe to first request the Superintendent of the Fort Apache Agency to conduct a study of the Bureau Roads Department operations to determine its efficiency and to pinpoint areas where improvement is needed, and to make a recommendation respecting the feasibility of the Tribe taking over road maintenance responsibilities of the department, and that said study should be completed within ninety (90) days; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests that Ben Nuvamsa, Superintendent of the Fort Apache Agency, conduct a study within ninety (90) days, of BIA Roads Department operations, with an emphasis on road maintenance performance and to identify those areas where improvement is needed; further, that the Superintendent make recommendations to the Tribal Council regarding the feasibility of the Tribe taking over the Roads Department maintenance responsibilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the foregoing request is limited to road maintenance and not major construction contracting.

The foregoing resolution was on January 09, 1992, duly adopted by a vote of six for and zero against and one abstention 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).

(Acting)

  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

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