

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe occupies the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and such reservation has vast water resources which have been reserved for the use of the White Mountain Apache Tribe by the creation of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation by Executive Order on November 9, 1871; and

WHEREAS, even with all of the water on the reservation, many residents of Whiteriver and the surrounding communities do not have a constant supply of water to their homes because of the inadequate storage and water delivery systems; and

WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service has a duty to provide and install safe and adequate drinking water systems to residents of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and it appears from the intermittent water service to some residents that the system is not adequate; and


WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs has a Trust responsibility to the White Mountain Apache Tribe, to protect the Tribe, the reservation and its resources from encroachment by outsiders; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council, upon due consideration of the current problem of ensuring the provision of an adequate and safe supply of water to the residents of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, desires that the Indian Health Service, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Tribal Utility Authority, and the Tribal Planning and Engineering Department to confer and study the problem and find a solution to maintaining an adequate supply of drinking water to all residents of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Indian Health Service, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Tribal Utility Authority and the Tribal Planning and Engineering Department to study the drinking water delivery problem and to find and execute a solution to maintaining an adequate and constant supply of safe drinking water to all residents of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

Resolution No. 08-92-224

The foregoing resolution was on August 06, 1992, duly adopted by a vote of seven for and zero 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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