

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

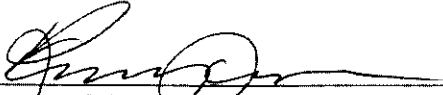
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Council has reviewed a proposal for thinning in and adjacent to the residential lots in Hondah Homesite A and B; and
- WHEREAS,** wildfire is a threat to homes located in and adjacent to the forests on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** to help protect homes from the threat of wildfire, fuels should be reduced and necessary action taken to reduce the problem; and
- WHEREAS,** the Hondah Home sites is included in the Fuel Break Plan of the White Mountain Apache Urban Interface of January 1991; and
- WHEREAS,** the proposed thinning project will be done according to the guidelines identified in the Fuel Break Plan for the White Mountain Apache Interface; and
- WHEREAS,** a map would be provided showing the areas for thinning; and
- WHEREAS,** areas for thinning will be identified on the ground to insure that thinning crews stay within approved boundaries; and
- WHEREAS,** BIA Forestry personnel have collected signatures of the property/home owner to authorize the thinning; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council would also like the thinning to take place on vacant lots and lots held by the C.D.C.; and
- WHEREAS,** a representative of BIA Forestry would be available to handle concerns, questions, or complaints; and
- WHEREAS,** BIA Forestry, Fire Management reserves the right to not cut trees that would threaten power lines, outbuildings, fences, or any other manmade or natural features that would present an undue risk; and
- WHEREAS,** the proposed thinning project would be conducted as thinning personnel are available, with the understanding that fire suppression activities will be prioritized over the proposed thinning project.

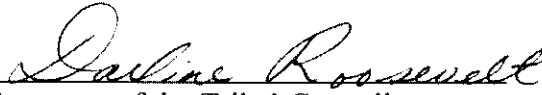
Resolution No. 06-97-151

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby grants the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Forestry, Fire Management permission to conduct the proposed thinning project with the approval of the property/homeowners that have provided their signatures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it also grants permission to conduct the proposed thinning on all vacant lots and lots occupied or held by the C.D.C.

The foregoing resolution was on June 11, 1997 duly adopted by a vote of six for and zero against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (f), (h), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).


Chairman of the Tribal Council

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Secretary of the Tribal Council