

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, organized pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 16, 1934. (48 Stat., 984); and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council desires to create greater economic opportunities and services for their people; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council has adopted a plan to ensure it is meeting the Tribe's economic development goals and objectives and this plan includes development of the Whiteriver Airport; and

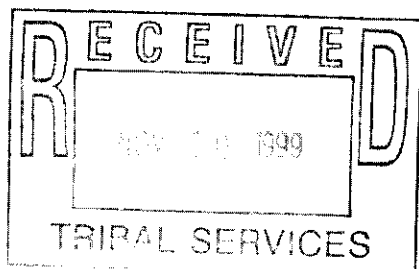
WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has programmed funds for the Tribe to apply for airport improvement projects for Fiscal Year 1999-2003.


BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby endorses the process to secure available grants from the Federal Aviation Administration for the purpose of constructing airport improvements to include reconstruction of the runway and parallel taxiway at the Whiteriver Airport.

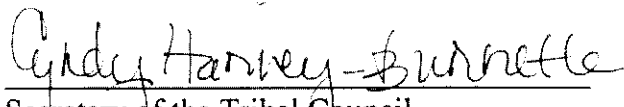
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Planning Department to negotiate additional funding for airport improvement projects through the Indian Health Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it authorizes the Chairman, or, in his absence, the Vice-Chairman to sign all documents and agreements necessary to effectuate this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on November 14, 1999 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), (i), (j), (k), (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).




ACTING Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council

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BACKGROUND

December 15, 1997 The tribe hired Armstrong Consultants to be the Airport Engineer of record for 5 years.

June, 1998 Armstrong Consultants, Inc. completed an Airport Master Plan for the Whiteriver Airport. The study was a prerequisite for applying for FAA grant funds. The Master Plan created a 5 year, 10 year, and ultimately a 20 year development plan for the airport.

The five year development plan and ALP was subsequently sent to the FAA for review and approval. It was suggested by an FAA staff engineer to submit an application for a total of \$501,484 to secure available discretionary funding in 1998.

July, 1998 This grant offer was accepted by the Tribe for the relocation and construction of the parallel taxiway Phase I.

The FAA engineer suggested the Tribe apply for additional discretionary funding in the amount of \$900,000 FAA funds. For the reconstruction of the main runway at Whiteriver and extend runway safety area.

June 30, 1999 A grant was offered and accepted by the Tribe.

The next step is to submit an application for a grant based on the engineers estimate and bid the project out soon after the first of the year or early spring of 2000 in order for the final grant offer to be awarded based on Contractor bids for both the Runway and Taxiway projects.