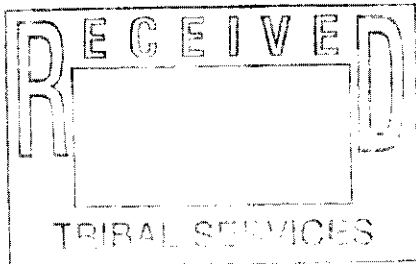


**RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe exercises control over its lands and commits considerable expenditures of Tribal funds to actively manage its wildlife program for preservation, recreation, and other management goals; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe's Wildlife and Outdoor Recreation Division has come before the Tribal Council with a proposal to introduce 15-25 pronghorn antelope into the existing pronghorn antelope population on the Bonito Prairie; and
- WHEREAS,** the Wildlife and Outdoor Recreation Division have concluded that this introduction would improve the genetic integrity of the pronghorn antelope herd by introducing specimens from a different gene pool; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council appreciates the significance of the pronghorn antelope to Apache culture and intends to maintain and promote the existing sound management practices of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** an excess number of pronghorn antelope, relative to land capacity, has been identified from state lands off reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Division of Wildlife and Outdoor Recreation has worked with the Arizona Game & Fish Department to identify the herd and prepare for transferring some of the animals to the Tribal herd; and
- WHEREAS,** it is anticipated that the cost of the animals will amount to approximately 2,00 to 5,000 dollars; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Wildlife and Outdoor Recreation Division biologist will work with Arizona Department of Game and Fish in the identification, capture, and transport of the pronghorn antelope; and
- WHEREAS,** the Wildlife and Outdoor Recreation would actively monitor the animals after their release at Bonito Prairie to evaluate and manage the program.
- BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the Bonito Prairie pronghorn antelope transplant project, and authorizes the Tribal biologists to participate in the planning, capture, transport and release of antelope.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Wildlife and Outdoor Recreation Division is hereby authorized to expend up to 5,000 dollars of Tribal funds for this important project.

The foregoing resolution was on December 2, 1999 duly adopted by a vote of NINE 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), (f), (g), (i), (q), (s), (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).



*[Signature]*  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

*Andy Harney - Brunette*  
Secretary of the Tribal Council