

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

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has offered grant funding under the Brownfields Pilot Demonstration Program to the Tribe in the amount of \$200,000 to undertake the project titled 'Assessment and Revitalization Plan for the McNary Community of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation,'; and

WHEREAS, to date, accepting the award for this grant has been delayed over issues regarding confidentiality and protection of potentially sensitive information which may result from the project; and

WHEREAS, recent discussions between Tribal Legal and Environmental staff and EPA Region 9 staff have provided useful information and direction regarding work plan language which will serve both EPA and Tribal needs with regard to information protection and management and adherence with federal regulations and policies; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, Tribal managers, and staff have demonstrated in various meetings and through several resolutions that the purpose and intent of the McNary Brownfields project is much desired and represents a key step in efforts to revitalize the former McNary mill site and the McNary Community.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it again endorses the EPA Brownfields Project and desires to accept the award of \$200,000 to assess environmental problems at the former McNary mill site and to plan for economic redevelopment of the site.

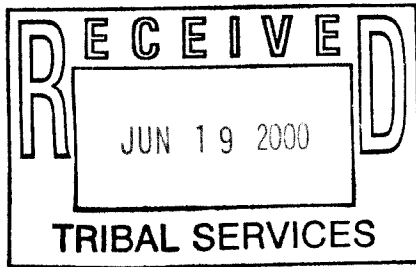
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it directs the Tribal Legal Department with assistance from the Tribal Environmental Planning Office, to craft work plan language acceptable to both the Tribe and USEPA regarding confidentiality and protection of potentially sensitive information resulting from the project.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that upon completion of the final work plan, the Chairman or his designee is authorized to enter into the cooperative assistance agreement with USEPA allowing the project to formally begin.

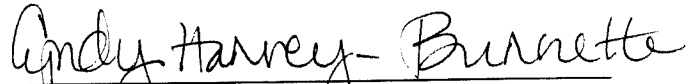
The foregoing resolution was on JUNE 8, 2000 duly adopted by a vote of TEN for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in

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it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (f), (h), (i), (j), (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


Secretary of the Tribal Council

White Mountain Apache Tribe
Tribal Attorney

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