

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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council passed Resolution No. 05-99-107 creating a working group of Tribal and BIA staff to address smoke management concerns from prescribed burning performed on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, Tribal staff have drafted a smoke management plan to be implemented on the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the smoke management plan is intended to minimize smoke impacts from prescribed burning both on and off-Reservation by requiring burn planning that incorporates smoke impact mitigation measures as identified in EPS's Interim Air Quality Policy on Wildland and Prescribed Fires; and

WHEREAS, the smoke management plan needs Tribal approval to be "certified;" and

WHEREAS, this certification will generate official recognition of the plan by EPA: and

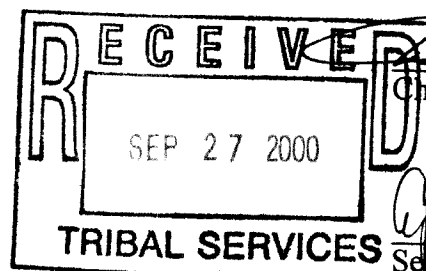
WHEREAS, Council approval will be required for all modifications to the smoke management plan that effect burn authorization, monitoring, or enforcement as set out under the plan; however, it is hereby acknowledged that the smoke management plan may be modified during this fall 2000 burn season to achieve successful implementation by Tribal staff; and

WHEREAS, the Council will review the plan's effectiveness before January 2001 and will address all modifications made to this initial plan version at that time; and

WHEREAS, the smoke management plan is intended to remain in effect until officially rescinded by the Council.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Smoke Management Plan for use until January 2001 when the Council will review the plan and any modifications that have been made to it for final approval.

The foregoing resolution was on September 21, 2000 duly adopted by a vote of seven for and one against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (f), (i), (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).



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Chairman of the Tribal Council

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Secretary of the Tribal Council