

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

**WHEREAS**, the Bureau of Indian Affairs-Western Region Office Branch of Roads (WRO-Roads) administers projects and programs that occur partially or wholly on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and that qualify as undertakings pursuant to regulations implementing the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800); and

**WHEREAS**, WRO-Roads projects are of utmost interest and concern to the White Mountain Apache Tribe due to their vital importance in community and economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, P.L. 93-638 guarantees the right of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to contract any BIA function; and

**WHEREAS**, the White Mountain Apache Tribe Historic Preservation Officer has assumed for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation the duties and functions formerly discharged by the Arizona State Historic Preservation Officer, including the maintenance and control of the inventory of historic properties and consultations with federal agencies regarding the effects of their undertakings on historic properties on White Mountain Apache Tribal lands; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the long-standing policy of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to maintain control over and restrict unnecessary access to historic properties, heritage resources and information pertaining thereto including sensitive and proprietary heritage resource data; and

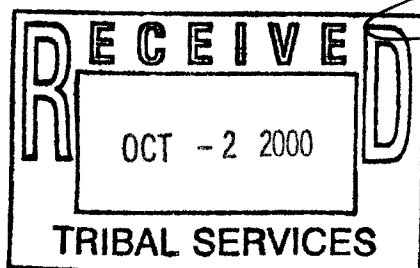
**WHEREAS**, it is also the policy of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to maximize use of locally available personnel.

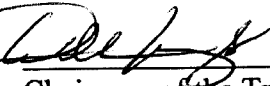
**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that WRO-Roads is to make immediate arrangements to transfer the duties and accompanying funds associated with historic property identification efforts to the Fort Apache Agency for all future projects.

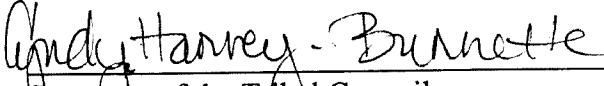
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that WRO-Roads is hereby notified of the advisability of developing an agreement with the White Mountain Apache Tribe Historic Preservation Officer and the Fort Apache Agency Superintendent which will increase the regularity and efficiency of WRO-Roads compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act for projects located on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

**Resolution No. 09-2000-275**

The foregoing resolution was on September 21, 2000 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), (c), (h), (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).



  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
Secretary of the Tribal Council