

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe seeks to utilize its water resources in the vicinity of Forestdale for future water needs and development, including the potential development of a commercial fish farm in that region; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Hydrologist and water resources advisors have recommended a site near Forestdale as a probable source of groundwater of sufficient quantity and quality for the Tribe's future water needs in that region; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has secured competitive grant funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Water Resources Planning, Management and Pre-Development that would cover all or most of the cost of drilling one well in the Forestdale area that penetrates the Coconino Aquifer; and

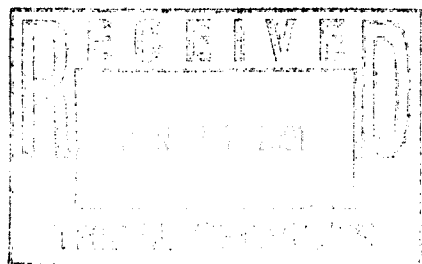
WHEREAS, it is recommended that these funds be used for this purpose.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Tribal Hydrologist to initiate development of an exploratory/production well north of Forestdale for the purpose of evaluating and better utilizing the water supply in that area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribal Hydrologist will issue a well permit and will work with the Tribal Land Department and Environmental Planning Departments to ensure appropriate clearances for the drilling of said well.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that funding for drilling and testing this well will come from the Tribe's Water Resources Planning, Management, and Pre-Development FY2001 grant award from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The foregoing resolution was on June 12, 2001 duly adopted by a vote of FIVE 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), (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).



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Secretary of the Tribal Council