

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

**WHEREAS,** in 1994 the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe adopted an overall water development plan for the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

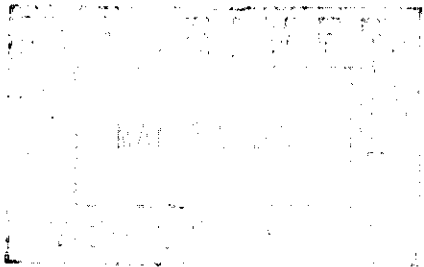
**WHEREAS,** over the past twenty-five years the Tribe has experienced a high growth rate resulting in a near doubling of its population; and

**WHEREAS,** tribal population projections based upon the average growth of the Tribe makes it imperative that the Tribe take immediate steps to plan and construct a reservation-wide water system to serve the population of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council, in consultation with the Tribe's water rights and development team, concludes that it is in the best interests of the health, safety, and economic well being and development of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribe pursue a long term reservation-wide plan to ensure a safe and adequate municipal, rural and industrial water supply.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes and directs the Tribe's water rights and development team to prepare the necessary investigations to support the enactment of a reservation-wide rural water system plan to ensure a safe and adequate municipal, rural, and industrial water supply for the residents of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

The foregoing resolution was on May 15, 2002 duly adopted by a vote of SEVEN 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), (i), (k), (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