

Resolution No. 10-2004-247

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has endorsed land management plans that set the direction of the management of Tribal lands, goals and objectives; and

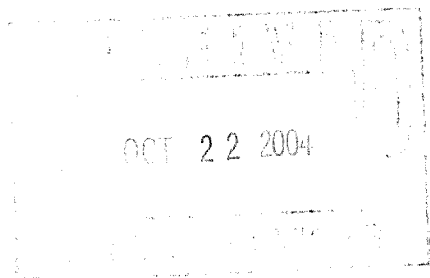
WHEREAS, the management philosophies described in these plans are based on sound scientific knowledge and cultural principles; and

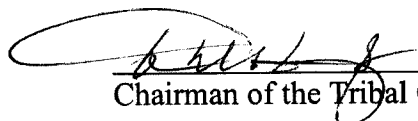
WHEREAS, the recent implementation of prescribed fires on Tribal lands has raised concerns with Tribal members, Tribal leaders and staff due to the results of the burn; and

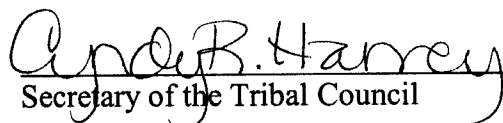
WHEREAS, a letter requesting documentation and a factual inquiry on the prescribed burning incidents was sent to the Superintendent of the Fort Apache Agency on September 16, 2004, and to date there has been no action or response.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Fort Apache Agency to cease and desist all prescribed burning operations until and after BIA review and a factual report has been completed by BIA and given to the Tribal Council for its evaluation and further action.

The foregoing resolution was on October 7, 2004, duly adopted by a vote of SIX 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), (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).




Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council