

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

**(Supporting Neighboring Fire Districts' Grant Applications for
Supplemental Funding from Indian Gaming Compact Funds)**

- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council is obligated to protect the public safety of its tribal members; and
- WHEREAS,** protecting tribal members and the environment from the dangers of fire is a crucial component of public safety; and
- WHEREAS,** the neighboring Fire Districts of Clay Springs-Pinedale, Linden, Taylor and Snowflake have assisted the White Mountain Apache Tribe in controlling fires in the past, including the Rodeo-Chediski fire; and
- WHEREAS,** these neighboring Fire Districts suffered a severe financial loss with the Rodeo-Chediski fire, and do not have adequate funds to perform public safety responses associated with fires; and
- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribal Fire Department also does not have the financial resources needed to adequately respond to fires; and
- WHEREAS,** these local Fire Districts are now requesting that the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council support their grant application for supplemental funding from Indian Gaming Compact Funds, per A.R.S. Title 5 and 41 legislative ground rules; and
- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council has interviewed representatives from these Fire Districts and reviewed their grant applications.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby:

1. Supports the grant applications for supplemental funding from Indian Gaming Compact Funds, per A.R.S. Title 5 and 41 legislative ground rules, submitted by the Fire Districts of Clay Springs-Pinedale, Linden, Taylor, and Snowflake; and
2. Finds that the grant applications support the "General Public" operational requirements in each of their geographical areas and that the applications are "Public Safety" projects directly needed for first responder Fire Emergency service responses; and
3. Requires that the grant applications include reciprocal mutual aid assistance for the White Mountain Apache Tribal Fire Department.


The foregoing resolution was on JANUARY 5, 2005 duly adopted by a vote of SEVEN for and THREE against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority

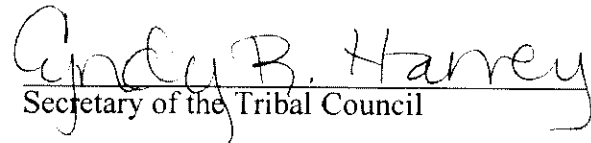
vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (f), (t), and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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