



Resolution No. 05-2006-136

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

(Establishing Division of Natural Resources and Appointing Phil Stago as Executive Director)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1(a) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, *inter alia*, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(f), the Tribal Council has the authority to protect and preserve the wildlife, plant life, forests, natural resources and water rights of the Tribe, and to regulate hunting and fishing on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, natural resources of the Tribe are essential to its survival, its people and its culture, and may be defined as any and all things occurring within tribally owned, controlled or claimed lands, whether renewable or not, and may include, but not be limited to culturally historic and archeological sites and objects, agricultural lands, forests and timber, range lands, leisure and recreational resources, air, minerals, water, wildlife, wilderness areas, vegetation and livestock; and

WHEREAS, from time-to-time, the Tribal Council has created departments that administer and manage the Tribe's natural resources, which include Agriculture, Canyon Day Farms, Tribal Herd IDR, Co-op Farms, Cattle Association and Range Management, Land Operations, Safety of Dams, Historic Preservation Office, Wildlife and Outdoor Recreation Department, Forestry, Burn Area and Environmental Restoration, Hydrology, Water Rights, Watershed, Planning and Environmental Protection, Bio-Terrorism, Land Office and Engineering; and

WHEREAS, the Vice-Chair has this day presented a proposal for re-organization of all of the natural resources programs and departments into one single, Division of Natural Resources in the form of an organizational flow chart, as attached and incorporated by this reference; and

WHEREAS, Phil Stago has been recommended as Executive Director of the proposed Division of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that the re-organization of all of the natural resources programs and departments into one single, Division of Natural Resources, would greatly assist in the provision of services and reduce duplication of services; and

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WHEREAS, a budget for the establishment of the position of Executive Director, as attached and incorporated by this reference, has been prepared and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Mr. Stago to the position of Executive Director would be in the best interests of the Division of Natural Resources and the Tribe.

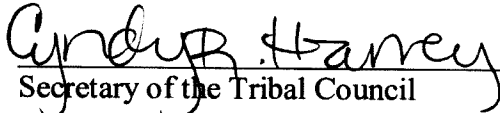
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council that:

1. The programs or departments known as Agriculture, Canyon Day Farms, Tribal Herd IDR, Co-op Farms, Cattle Association and Range Management, Land Operations, Safety of Dams, Historic Preservation Office, Wildlife and Outdoor Recreation Department, Forestry, Burn Area and Environmental Restoration, Hydrology, Water Rights, Watershed, Planning and Environmental Protection, Bio-Terrorism, Land Office and Engineering, shall be organized into and under the direction of the Division of Natural Resources, according to the flow chart proposed, as attached and incorporated by this reference.
2. The budget for funding the position of Executive Director of the Division of Natural Resources, as attached and incorporated by this reference, is hereby approved, and shall be funded from an equal percentage of the affected programs or departments under the Division.
3. Phil Stago is hereby appointed to the position of Executive Director of the Division of Natural Resources.
4. Mr. Stago is hereby directed to develop a written administrative plan for the Division of Natural Resources within ninety days of the date of this Resolution.

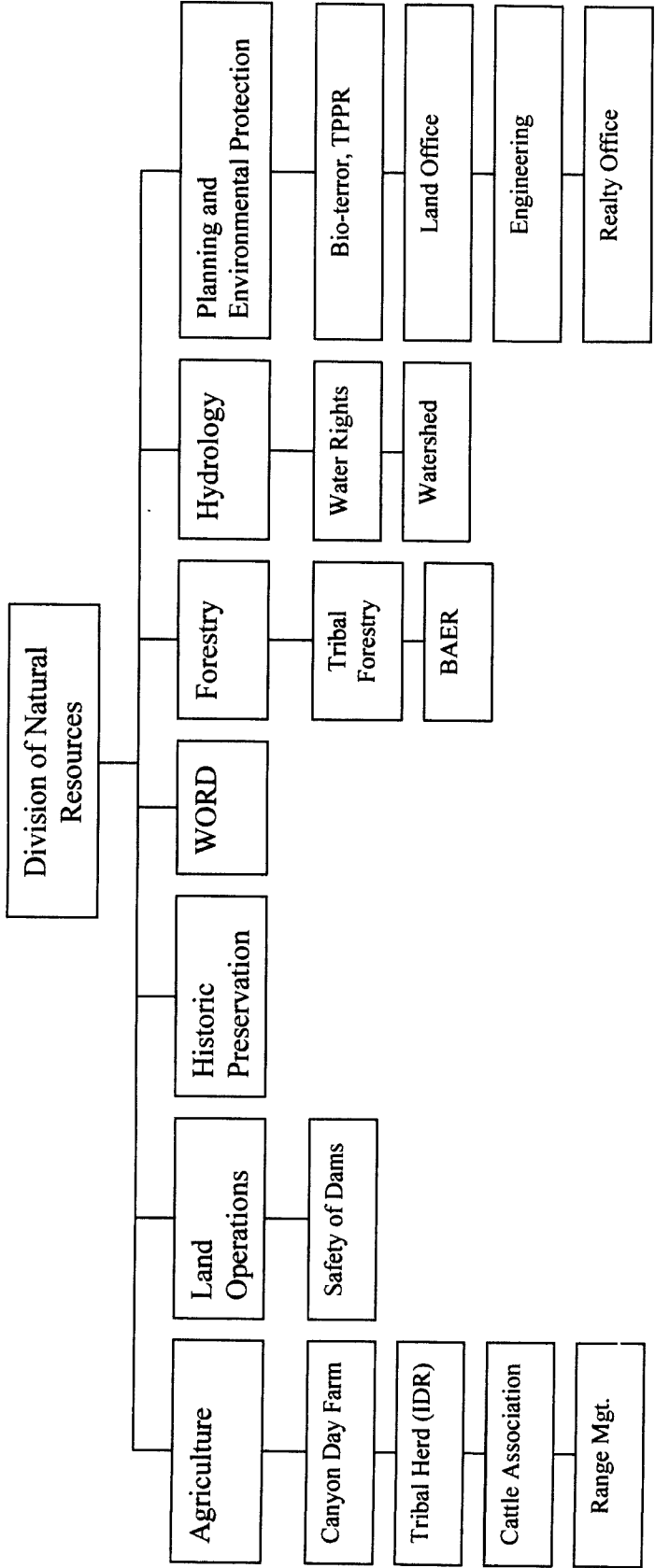
The foregoing resolution was on May 10, 2006, duly adopted by a vote of NINE for and ZERO against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (g), (h), (i), (s), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by 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



May 9, 2006

**PROPOSED BUDGET
MAY - 2006**

The Division of Natural Resources
White Mountain Apache Tribe

Mr. Phil R. Stago, Jr.
Executive Director of the Division of Natural Resources

RE: Proposed Start -Up Budget:

Permanent Appointment by the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council:

Salary.....	\$85,000
(Additional Employee Fringe Benefits to be included along with the Appointment.)	
Travel Expenses.....	\$5,000
Dell Computer Equipment.....	\$10,000
Vehicle.....	\$45,000
Vehicle Operations.....	\$15,000

Total: \$160,000