

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

(Requesting Alternate Housing for Lower Carrizo Community from the Arizona Delegation to the U.S. Congress, the Secretary for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Secretary for the U.S. Department of Interior)

- WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, 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, Councilwoman Victoria Brewer, District II, this day reported to the Tribal Council that the Lower Carrizo Community has experienced severe flooding such that any future flooding may damage or destroy all of the homes in the community, and recommends that alternate housing be constructed in another area; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe's Hydrologist reported that the Lower Carrizo Community is situated within a 100-year flood plain; and
- WHEREAS, it was further reported that the flooding of February 24-25, 2008, was an event that was consistent with the time horizon of the flood plain, and almost breached the Bootleg and Cooley Dams, and if the dams had breached, the entire Lower Carrizo Community would have been flooded and destroyed; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concurs with Councilwoman Brewer's recommendation and finds that funding for alternate housing should be identified, and plans for re-settlement of the homes in Lower Carrizo should occur as soon as possible; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council further finds that the Housing Authority and the Director of Community Planning should seek any and all applicable grant funds, and any federal appropriations, as may be available to construct new homes or otherwise re-locate existing homes out of the flood plain; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council further finds that the Arizona Delegation to the U.S. Congress should be apprised of the flood threat faced by the Lower Carrizo Community, for the purposes of obtaining federal appropriation to construct new homes or otherwise re-locate existing homes out of the flood plain, and that the Secretary for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Secretary for the U.S. Department of Interior should be similarly apprised.

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

1. The Arizona Delegation to the U.S. Congress are hereby informed of the flood threat faced by the Lower Carrizo Community, for the purposes of obtaining federal appropriation to construct new homes or otherwise re-locate existing homes out of the flood plain.

- 2. The Secretary for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Secretary for the U.S. Department of Interior are hereby requested to assist the Lower Carrizo Community with appropriate resources as may be available.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the White Mountain Apache Housing Authority is hereby requested to provide appropriate assistance as may be available.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe the Tribe's Director of Community Planning is hereby directed to seek any and all applicable grant funds, and any federal appropriations, as may be available for the purposes described herein.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairwoman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on March 11, 2008, duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT 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), (b), (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).

ACTING Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council