



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

(Authorizing Request for 45-day public comment period be initiated for the Water Quality Protection Ordinance, Chapter 3, Tribal Environmental Code)

- 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,** the lakes of the White Mountain Apache Tribe are valuable natural resources that provide many benefits to the Tribe, including water quality, water storage-recreation, wildlife habitat, and scenic beauty; and
- WHEREAS,** on March 7, 2000, the Tribal Council adopted Water Quality Standards and enacted a Tribal Water Quality Protection Ordinance (Chapter 3, Tribal Environmental Code); and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe's Water Quality Ordinance, Section 3.2 H, Public Hearings, mandates that the Tribe hold public hearings at least once each three year period for the purpose of reviewing, and as appropriate, modifying and adopting water quality standards; and
- WHEREAS,** the three year anniversary for the Water Quality Ordinance was March 27, 2003; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council finds that the Water Resources Working Group undertake Public Hearings pursuant to Chapter 3 of the Tribal Environmental Code.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Division of Natural Resources is hereby directed to initiate a 45-day public comment period on the subject of the Tribe's Water Quality Standards, pursuant to Chapter 3 of the Tribal Environmental Code, and publish a notice of a hearing date at the District offices, the Legislative Council Office, the Apache Scout, and on KNNB Broadcast.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that notice of any and all public hearing be published at least 45-days prior to the scheduled hearing date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that after public comments are addressed and the occurrence of the public hearing date(s) any and all proposed modifications to the Water Quality Standards to the Tribal Council for its review at the meeting of the Tribal Council that occurs after the public hearing date.

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.

Resolution No. 05-2009-120

The foregoing resolution was on May 1, 2009, 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), (b), (d), (f), (h), (i), (j), (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).



Chairman of the Tribal Council



Secretary of the Tribal Council