



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

**(Approval of a Participatory Agreement with Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest)**

- WHEREAS,** pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) and 1(s) 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 Fort Apache Indian Reservation shares over 100 miles of border with the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest; and
- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe (hereinafter "Tribe") and Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest have actively been establishing a working relationship in forest management as adjacent landowners; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe proposed a Tribal Forest Protection Act (TFPA) project on May 26, 2009; and
- WHEREAS,** the Regional Forester of the Southwest Regional Office approved the TFPA proposal on July 22, 2009, noting that the ARRA funds were available to support the project; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe and the Forest Service are interested in entering into a partnership to undertake this TFPA project; and
- WHEREAS,** this agreement will stipulate that the Forest Service will reimburse the Tribe \$908,000 for the work, provide training and based on the preparation results, support fuels reduction up to the balance of these funds; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe will provide the crews and match the FS funds at a rate of 20 percent with in-kind services; and
- WHEREAS,** a Participatory Agreement with the Forest Service will provide a method for the Tribe to receive reimbursement for salaries and other expenses incurred.

**BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Council hereby authorizes the Tribe to enter into a Participatory Agreement with the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest to support the TFPA project, based on legal review.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall govern.

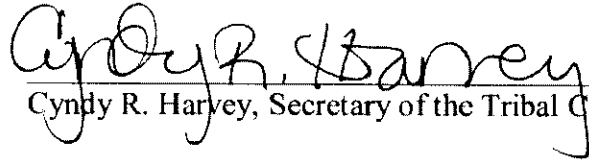
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairwoman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

**Resolution No. 08-2009-275**

The foregoing resolution was on **AUGUST 14, 2009** duly adopted by a vote of **TEN** 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), (c), (i), (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).



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Ronnie Lupe, Chairman of the Tribal Council



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Cyndy R. Harvey, Secretary of the Tribal Council