

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

(Authorizing Salvage 7 Timber Sale)

WHEREAS, there is available for annual harvest from the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation") forest an estimated 26.3 board feet per acre per year of mortality that cannot be economically harvested under approved contract; and

WHEREAS, the Reservation Salvage 7 Timber Sale is intended to support the harvesting of some of this volume over the next five years with an estimated maximum total harvest volume of 59.4 million board feet; and

WHEREAS, the Sale was prepared without a formal appraisal, however, the Tribal Council understands the importance of removing dead or dying wood off the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Locust and Wallow Fires made clear to residents of the White Mountain region that failure to manage forests properly could lead to devastating consequences; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to authorize the Salvage 7 Timber Sale to harvest and remove dead or dying wood off of the Reservation.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Reservation Salvage 7 Timber Sale as presented in the proposed contract for the sale of timber, and subject to minor changes and administrative adjustments by the Approving Officer, be sold to the Fort Apache Timber Company as described below:

SPECIES	ESTIMATED VOLUME	RECOMMENDED STUMPAGE RATE
All species salvage Saw timber	59.4 MMBF (all species & products)	6% Ratio Royalty Rate (all saw timber products)
Dead Spruce House Logs		Current approved rate
All Species incidental Pulpwood	Minor amounts incidental to Construction clearing	\$25.00 per cord

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorized the BIA to issue permits for the sale of salvage timber to open market parties in the event that FATCO declines to purchase salvage timber under this contract.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that Timber permits will be subject to approval under authority of the Tribe's Natural Resource Code, or when approved by resolution. Permittees will be subjected to the same regulatory guidelines and environmental constraints as contained in this contract.

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

The foregoing resolution was on <u>JUNE 1, 2011</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> 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), (f), (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).

Ronnie Lupe, Chairman of the Tribal Council

Mariddie J. Craig. Secretary of the Tribal Council