

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

(Authorizing Census of Dog Population in Whiteriver)

WHEREAS,	the members of the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") are duly elected representatives of the people and their respective districts, and among their many concerns are the health and well-being of its Tribal members; and
WHEREAS,	the Division of Health Programs, in collaboration with the Indian Health Service and other federal, state and tribal programs, serve to address the health needs of Tribal Members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and
WHEREAS,	the Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever ("RMSF") coalition has been established to address the problem that the Tribe had encountered on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation pertaining to Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever; and
WHEREAS,	the RMSF Coalition works in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control ("CDC") in several prevention activities in a year such as Spayed and Neuter Clinic, reservation-wide education campaign, development of RMSF coloring book calendars and RMSF education charts, and distribution of pesticides; and
WHEREAS,	the finding of the RMSF Coalition effort is that an over population of stray or unwanted dogs exists on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation"); and
WHEREAS,	the overabundance of dogs results in an overwhelming number of ticks and the dogs further serve to bring the ticks into close contact with people and into their yards; and
WHEREAS,	the close association between dogs and children appears to be a main factor in how children have been severely impacted on the Reservation; and
WHEREAS,	the CDC has proposed to conduct a survey ("Survey") on select areas for the purpose of estimating the total number of dogs existing on the White Mountain and San Carlos Reservations; and
WHEREAS,	the estimate would be obtained by counting all of the dogs in a random sample of the sub regions and extrapolating the count to the whole reservation, either by dividing the total count by the sampling fraction or relating the sample counts to other variables; and
WHEREAS,	the Survey will be repeated at a later date to allow the White Mountain and San Carlos Tribes to detect any change in the number of dogs and if there has been any significant urban or housing development during the intervening period; and

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WHEREAS, there are no physical, social or physiological risks to subject anticipation due to participation in this research; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to authorize the CDC, in conjunction with the RMSF Coalition, to conduct a Survey as described hereto.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the CDC to conduct a census of dog population within the communities on the White Mountain Apache Tribe to determine an accurate census of the owned and stray/unwanted dog population in order to assist with future prevention efforts on the Reservation.

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>AUGUST 4, 2011</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</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), (i), (j), (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