

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Nation Exercising Self-Governance Over the Fort Apache Indian Reservation

Resolution No. 05-2012-31

(Approving 2012 Non-Member Outdoor Recreation Regulations)

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") is entrusted by the Tribe's Constitution to act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe, to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe, and to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Wildlife and Outdoor Recreation Division has come before the Tribal Council this date and requested approval of the 2012 Non-Member Outdoor Recreation Regulations, as attached with notable changes; and
- WHEREAS, the purpose of the regulations is to provide sustainable use of Tribal recreational and natural resources and to promote economic development; and
- WHEREAS, the recreational-use seasons, prices, possession limits, prohibitions and regulations are based on sound biological, business, and sustainable use principles; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to approve the Non-Member Outdoor Recreation Regulations for 2012.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves and adopts the 2012 Non-Member Outdoor Recreation Regulations, as amended and incorporated (see attached).

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 supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, this Resolution shall be declared null and void and have no legal effect. This Resolution shall not be subject to Judicial Interpretation, only the Tribal Attorney, with the assistance of the Tribal Council Secretary, may opine on Tribal Council intent and the meaning of the language as used herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Acting Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution. In the event that the Chairman fails to delegate signatory authority to an Acting Chairman, the Vice-Chairman may sign provided that the Tribal Secretary and a Tribal Attorney attest to the veracity of the subject matter of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on May 7, 2012 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), (f), (h), (i), (s), (t) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution, 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).

Mariddie J. Craig, Secretary

Richard J. Palmer, Jr., Attorney

Date

MAJOR CHANGES FOR 2012

Wildlife & Outdoor Recreation Division "GAME & FISH DEPARTMENT" Outdoor Recreation Regulations

- Price changes:
 Non-Member Daily Adult fishing permit (ages 15 and up)

 From \$7.00 daily to \$9.00 daily
- Price change:
 Non-Member ADULT Annual Fishing permit

 From \$75.00 to \$100.00 per annual permit
- 3. Change regulations on Earl Park Lake: From a "Flies Only Lake" (catch and release lake) to put-n-take lake, We would do away with the special permit required to fish the lake. Anglers who visit and fish the lake would need a regular fishing permit.
- * Fishing Contests/Derbies held on Reservation waters shall be approved and authorized in writing by the Department. No person shall conduct a fishing contest/derby without first obtaining a fishing contest permit. The permittee shall adhere to all requirements and stipulations provided on the fishing contest/derby permit.
- *Close portions of Bonito Prairie during the Trophy Elk Hunt.

 The area within the following boundaries will be closed from September 1st through October 6th:
 The Y70 rd. from the Y2-Y70 jct. to the Y70-Y40 jct., Y40 rd. from the Y70-Y40 jct. to Bonito Creek,
 Bonito Creek from the Y40 rd. crossing to its confluence with the Black River, the Black River from its
 confluence with Bonito Creek to Black River Crossing, R9 rd. from Black River Crossing to the R9-R1
 jct., R1 rd. from the R9 R1 jct. to the R1-Y1-Y2 jct., Y2 rd. from the R1-Y1-Y2 jct. to the Y2-Y70
 jct.
- * Open portions along White Springs and Canyon Creek to fishing and camping:

Fishing will be permitted on the west end of the reservation with the following restrictions:

Anglers would be able to fish White Springs down river to the town of Cibecue with a regular fishing permit.

For anglers visiting Canyon Creek, they would need to purchase a "special use permit" to have access to the stream and are only allowed near the stream. Hiking away from the stream is not allowed.

*THE BLACK AND SALT RIVER is now open for recreational activities. Anglers, hunters, and recreational hikers can enter the area after purchasing the appropriate <u>Special Use Permit</u>. River rafting is still restricted to the section of the Salt River downstream form the US Highway 260 bridge. If a flood event occurs in the spring or summer, the Game & Fish Department will update you on any new closures.

