

A WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval of Listing of Forest Carbon Projects under the 2014 California Air Resources Board Forest Offset Protocol)

WHEREAS,	pursuant to California Air Resources Board's adoption of the 2015 Forest Carbon Offset Protocol, eligibility requirements for projects changed; and
WHEREAS,	the eligibility requirements of the 2015 Protocol would require the White Mountain Apache Project to enroll all their timberland in California's compliance market if a future project is developed; and
WHEREAS,	quantity of future carbon credits will be reduced 16%, depending on the forest type and project location, if the White Mountain Apache Tribe develops a future project under the 2015 Forest Offset Protocol; and
WHEREAS,	pursuant to Executive Order dated January 31, 1870 describing the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, which is recorded in the BIA office as 607-19-89, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has the right to list carbon projects under the <u>2014</u> Protocol; and
WHEREAS	the White Mountain Apache Tribe has until approximately September 1, 2015 to list under the 2014 Protocol; and
WHEREAS,	the White Mountain Apache Tribe can maximize carbon credits if projects are listed under the November, 2014 offset protocol; and
WHEREAS,	the White Mountain Apache Tribe can develop one or more smaller projects under the November, 2014 offset protocol; and
WHEREAS,	if projects are listed before September 1, 2015 under the 2014 Protocol there is no legal obligation for the White Mountain Apache Tribe to develop a project in the future; and
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BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves listing of project(s) under the November, 2014 protocol.

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penalty if the White Mountain Apache Tribe decides not to develop a project in the

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 any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution shall be deemed null and void and have no legal effect.

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, 2015</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</u> for, <u>ZERO</u> against, and <u>ONE</u> abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it under the enumerated powers listed in Article IV, Section 1 of the WMAT Constitution, so ratified on September 30, 1993, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Date

Ronpie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

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