



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## (Approving Wolf-Livestock Demonstration Project and Authorizing Land Operations to Seek Funding Support)

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- 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 Council desires to decrease conflict between Tribal Member owned cattle and Mexican Grey Wolves; and
- WHEREAS,** funding is available through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (“U.S. F&WS”) Ecological Services Program; and
- WHEREAS,** the Land Operation Department seeks to utilize available funding opportunities in the accomplishment of its mission to conserve, protect and restore the natural resources of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** the Land Operations Department has successfully completed several rangeland improvement projects using funding from the U.S. F&WS and others; and
- WHEREAS,** information has been presented by Land Operations staff to obtain approval for the Wolf-Livestock Demonstration Project Grant Program, such project to involve the implementation of Nonlethal Preventative Measures to avoid conflict between livestock and Mexican Grey Wolves on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (FAIR); and
- WHEREAS,** this project is expected to decrease beef calf mortality due to Mexican Grey Wolves and increase tolerance of Mexican Grey Wolves by WMAT Cattle Owners; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe recognizes and appreciates the cultural significance the livestock industry on the FAIR and intends to maintain and promote sound management practices.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the Wolf-Livestock Demonstration Project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Land Operations Department to seek project funding and support from appropriate sources, including the U.S. F&WS, to carry out the Wolf-Livestock Demonstration Program.



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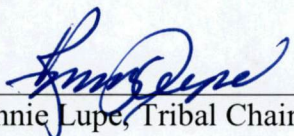
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Land Operations Department to work with the Tribe's Controller, Treasurer, and Grants and Contracts Manager to establish an account if funding is awarded.

**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.

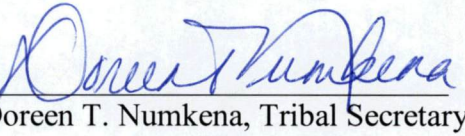
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances, or any material facts concerning the issues presented are later found to be false, this Resolution 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 **SEPTEMBER 9, 2015** duly adopted by a vote of **NINE** for, **ZERO** against, and **ONE** 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).

  
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Ronnie Lupe, Tribal Chairman

09-16-15  
Date

 11-18-2015  
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Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary Date