

## WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

## A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## (Arrowhead Environmental Specialties, LLC. Mining Opportunities to Extract Materials from Williams Creek Rock Pit)

- **WHEREAS,** pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, *inter alia*, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribe has many natural resources which are available for economic use; and
- WHEREAS, among these resources are mineral resources which includes aggregates, sand and gravel, among other things; and
- WHEREAS, due to projected construction and road projects, the Tribe must plan for the orderly extraction and use of its mineral resources; and
- WHEREAS, Tribal member Colbert Burnette holds a degree in engineering and has identified the Williams Creek borrow pit as a reliable source for gravel material for upcoming construction and road projects; and
- **WHEREAS**, Mr. Burnette would like the opportunity, in his personal capacity, to extract material from the Williams Creek pit; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Burnette has formed a new business entity, named Arrowhead Environmental Specialties, LLC, in which he is a majority owner, along with owners William Rawlings and Daniel Rawlings; and
- **WHEREAS**, Mr. Burnette has provided documentation to the Tribal Council detailing the ownership and management of the company; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Burnette requests approval from the Tribal Council, as the owner of the land, to proceed with a BIA permit application to conduct gravel mining at the Williams Creek location; and
- **WHEREAS**, the permission would be conditioned upon the compliance with and approval under the Tribe's TPPR process and other applicable regulations.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, that it hereby grants approval for Tribal member Colbert Burnette in conjunction with Arrowhead Environmental Specialties, LLC to apply for a BIA permit to conduct gravel mining at the Williams Creek borrow pit.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, that the approval granted herein is conditioned upon the proper application, approval and compliance with all applicable regulation, including the Tribe's TPPR process.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that upon the demonstrated regulatory compliance and capability, Mr. Burnette's company be given consideration to participate in other mineral extraction activities that may be permitted on Tribal lands.

**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>JULY 13, 2016</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>ELEVEN</u> for, <u>ZERO</u> against, and <u>ZERO</u> abstentions 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).

Ronnie Lupe, Pribal Chairman

Date

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date