

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Application to Native American Agriculture Fast Track Fund)

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has declared the development of Canyon Day Farm for production of crops as a high priority and one which the Council and the Tribe's agricultural experts have determined to be the most economically beneficial and productive use; and
- WHEREAS, funding assistance is needed for irrigation system which includes lower pump station, reservoir filter station, and pipeline from pump station to pivot, as well as support supplies for community farmers; and
- **WHEREAS**; the Native American Agriculture Fast Track (NAAFT) is a one-time distribution funds from the *Keepseagle v. Vilsack Settlement Agreement*; and
- **WHEREAS,** the NAAFT grant requires a resolution to be submitted with the Letter of Inquiry, which is due on July 22, 2016; and
- WHEREAS, the Water Resources program and the Tribal Farm are working together on revitalizing the Canyon Day Farm believe that rehabilitating the existing irrigation infrastructure and developing a education and technical support system are important goals; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council has determined that a grant application to NAAFT to benefit Tribal Farm is in the best interest of the Tribe.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that:

- 1. The NAAFT Letter of Inquiry is hereby approved as a vital source of funding for revitalizing the Tribal Farm.
- 2. In the event that the Tribe receives grant funds from NAAFT, a budget for expenditure of said funds is hereby approved, subject to the terms and conditions of any applicable funding agreement and review thereof by the Tribe's Office of the Attorney General.

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 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.

Resolution No. 07-2016-152

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, Vribal Chairman

Doreen T. Numkena, Tribal Secretary

Date