



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approval to Submit FY2022 BIA Tribal Tourism Grant Program Application for Sunrise Park Resort Apache Peak Feasibility Study)

- 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 Sunrise Park Resort (“Sunrise”) is a subsidiary business entity of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”), and the Sunrise Park Resort Plan of Operations, adopted by the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council Resolution No. 10-2012-159, establishes the Sunrise Park Resort Board of Directors (“Board”); and
- WHEREAS,** Section 4.2(f) of the Sunrise Plan of Operations authorizes the Board to apply for grants consistent with the mission of Sunrise; and
- WHEREAS,** the 2022 BIA Tribal Tourism Grant Program will support tribal tourism by providing funding to investigate tribal tourism development opportunities, including infrastructure, which will support tribal economic development; and
- WHEREAS,** Capital investment in Sunrise will rebuild the local tourism and hospitality industry, increase employment, and capitalize on new product-market opportunities leading to a sustainable economic recovery and resilient tourism industry; and
- WHEREAS,** The Board, with 2022 BIA Tribal Tourism Grant Program assistance of \$150,000.00, will support the sustainable economic recovery of the White Mountain Apache Tribe through the Sunrise Park Resort Hospitality and Tourism Feasibility Study including definition of business development objectives and development alternatives, market and financial feasibility analysis, capital investment planning analysis, conceptual site and facility design schematics, preliminary development cost estimates, proposed financing strategy, and project implementation schedule for Sunrise; and
- WHEREAS,** Sunrise, with 2022 BIA Tribal Tourism Grant Program assistance, will complete the Sunrise Park Resort Hospitality and Tourism Feasibility Study to investigate the development of Apache Peak, with the prospect of a lift going from Sunrise Base to Sunrise Peak, with an angle station to Apache Peak, which would enable Apache Peak to be a viable component year round; and
- WHEREAS,** the Sunrise Park Resort Hospitality and Tourism Feasibility Study will enable specific operating improvements at Sunrise which will promote sustainable economic recovery, support resilient economic growth, and improve the White Mountain Apache Tribal enterprise’s operating performance resulting in significant job creation, reduced operating costs, increased revenue growth, and higher levels of profitability for Sunrise.

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WHEREAS, The Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to approve the submission of the 2022 BIA Tribal Tourism Grant Program Application for Sunrise Park Resort Hospitality and Tourism Feasibility Study in the amount of \$150,000.

BE IT RESOLVED the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe hereby approves the submission of the 2022 BIA Tribal Tourism Grant Program Application for Sunrise Park Resort Hospitality and Tourism Feasibility Study in the amount of \$150,000.

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.

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 **OCTOBER 24, 2022** duly adopted by a vote of **EIGHT** for, **ZERO** against, and **ONE** 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 November 10, 2021, and federally recognized pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

<u>Kasey Velasquez</u>	<u>10-24-22</u>	<u>Vaneysa Johnson</u>	<u>10/25/22</u>
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman	Date	Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary	Date