



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Updating the Tribe's Financial Management Policies and Procedures)

- WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section I(a) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power "[t]o represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe", and in Section 1(s), "to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes"; and
- WHEREAS,** the Fiscal Year 2020 and current single audit findings are not reflected in the Tribe's present Financial Policies and Procedures, Travel Policy and Property Management Policies and Procedures, approved on October 25, 2006 by resolution #10-2006-363; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe's Financial Policies and Procedures requires attention to become a live document with a reoccurring review process at least every two years or should annual single audit findings arise; and
- WHEREAS,** this recommendation is a result of current federal grants on special award conditions and restrictions due to the Tribe's policies and procedures being out of compliance and not reflective of single audit findings; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe's Finance Department and Grants & Contracts Department has reviewed the updated policies and procedures, and recommends its adoption to ensure that the Tribe and its employees follow prudent guidelines to protect the Tribe's financial status, resources, and grants; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council finds that a routine review and update to the Tribe's Financial Policies and Procedures is necessary and vital to ensure the Tribe's financial stability; and
- WHEREAS,** given the urgency of the request described herein, the Tribal Council further finds that this needs to be considered and made outside of its regularly scheduled meeting; and
- WHEREAS,** the Council further finds that: (1) this Resolution may be voted upon by signature of a member of the Tribal Council where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution; (2) the Tribal Council Secretary should attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally; (3) no signature means that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, and; (4) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the updated Financial Management Policies and Procedures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves and supports the routine review to occur every two years to update the Tribe's Financial Policies and Procedures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that given the urgency of the request described herein, this Resolution may be voted upon as follows: (a) by signature of a member of the Tribal Council, including the Chairman of the Tribal Council and the Vice-Chairman of the Tribal Council, where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution, (b) the Tribal Council Secretary shall attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally, (c) no signature shall mean that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, (d) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature, and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

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 SEPTEMBER 26, 2023 duly adopted by a vote of 6 for, 0 against, and 0 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).

Kasey Velasquez 9.26.2023
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman Date

Vaneysa Johnson 9/26/2023
Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary Date

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Signatures of the members of the Tribal Council represent their approval of Tribal Council Resolution
Initiated the 25TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2023.
Council

Presented Personally by Tribal

Secretary (TCS)-Indicated by Initials

Kasey Velasquez 9. 26. 2023 ij TCS Initials
Kasey Velasquez
Tribal Chairman
Date Signed

Jerome Kasey III 25SEP23 ij TCS Initials
Jerome Kasey III
Vice Chairman
Date Signed

Arnold Beach, Sr. SEP. 26, 2023 ij TCS Initials
Arnold Beach, Sr.
District I Council Member
Date Signed

Travis J. Tessay, Sr.
District I Council Member
Date Signed TCS Initials

Jerold Altaha
District II Council Member
Date Signed TCS Initials

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Aubrey Aday, Sr.
District III Council Member
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Gary Achesay 09-25-2023 ij TCS Initials
Gary Achesay
District IV Council Member
Date Signed

Mariddie Craig
District IV Council Member
Date Signed TCS Initials

Verna Westover
District IV Council Member
Date Signed TCS Initials

ATTEST:

Vaneysa Johnson
Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Council Secretary

9/26/2023
Date Signed