



# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

## (Approval to Submit a Public Law 93-638 Contract Funding Proposal for the Geographic Information System)

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**WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation provides, at Article IV, Section I(b) that the Tribal Council ("Council") shall exercise the power, "[t]o negotiate, make and perform contracts and agreements of every description, not inconsistent with federal law or [the] constitution, ... with the State of Arizona or the United States"; and

**WHEREAS,** Public Law 93-638, the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, provides for the full participation of Indian tribes in programs and services conducted by the Federal government for Indian tribes, and encourages the development of human resources of tribes and their members; and

**WHEREAS,** Planning Department is requesting that the Tribe submit an application to contract the Geographic Information System (GIS) Program and enter into negotiations with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Apache Agency, for funding and scope of work requirements; and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribal Council concurs with the Planning Department and finds it in the best interest of the Tribe to negotiate and contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Apache Agency, for funding and scope of work requirements for the Geographic Information System Program.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby supports and authorizes the Planning Department to submit a Public Law 93-638 contract funding proposal to the BIA, subject to any further applicable review by the Office of the Attorney General, for the Geographic Information System Program and to negotiate funding, and a scope of work.

**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. 04-2024-073***

**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 APRIL 23, 2024 duly adopted by a vote of TEN for, ONE against, and ZERO 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 4-24-2024  
Kasey Velasquez, Chairman Date

Vaneyssa Johnson 4/29/2024  
Vaneyssa Johnson, Tribal Secretary Date