

## WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

## A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Land Restoration Projects for Fiscal Year 2024-2025)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation ("Reservation") provides, at Article IV, Section 1(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 at Article IV, Section 1(i) "[t]o manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe...and any other Tribal activities"; and

WHEREAS, On November 9, 1995, by Resolution No. 11-95-354, the Tribal Council set aside twenty percent of the 22-H judgment funds for the establishment of a perpetual and permanent White Mountain Apache Land Restoration Fund; and

WHEREAS, The Land Restoration Code, authorizes ten percent of the funds to be available for implementing activities with the remaining balance divided at eighty percent for land restoration projects and twenty percent for scholarships and internships; and

WHEREAS, The Land Restoration Board, at this time requests the Tribal Council to provide final approval for the following fourteen projects, proposed by the named persons:

1. Delbert Altaha Jr. – Chinese Elm Removal

Alfred Brooks – Community and Revitalization Program (CARP)
Shuwon Ethelbah – Cedar Creek Community Clean up and Recycling

4. EPO & Water Resources – Natural Resources Workshop

5. Jerry Gloshay Jr. - North Fork Clean Up/Using Media & Outreach to promote the Land Restoration Program

6. Amy Gregg – Wildfire Reduction Near Sunrise Ski Resort

7. Barney Gregg – Forest Restoration and Watershed Protection near Mt. Baldy Wilderness

8. Orlando Gushoney – Traditional Apache Food and Medicine Revitalization

9. Lydo Harvey – Fruit Tree Restoration Project

10. Dallas Massey – Clean Up & Restoration of Proposed Skate Park Project

11. Cheryl Pailzote – Green Waste Project

12. Cheryl Pailzote – Summer 2024 Water Resources Internship

13. Evalina Pusher – Community Clean Up at Turkey Creek & East Fork

14. Beverly Stago – Stago Road Beautification Project

**WHEREAS**, The Council concurs with the Land Restoration Board, and finds it in the best interest of the Tribe and its members to approve the above-listed projects for fiscal year 2024-2025.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the fourteen (14) land restoration fund projects listed above, as proposed by the Land Restoration Board for fiscal year 2024-2025.

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 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, Chairman

Vaneysa Johnson, Tribal Secretary