



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

A Sovereign Tribal Nation

(Approving Contract with SWCA Environmental Consultants)

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe (“Tribe”) of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation (“Constitution”) 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 to make decisions not inconsistent with or contrary to this constitution”, and at Article IV, Section 1(b), the power “[t]o negotiate, make and perform contracts and agreements of every description, not inconsistent with federal law or this constitution, with any person, association, or corporation...”; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution No. 02-2024-027, the Tribe’s Water Resources Program collaborated with the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation in its grant application and was awarded the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation – America the Beautiful Challenge 2023 grant in the amount of \$333,788.90 to develop a Master Plan for restoring the 300 acres of rivers, farmlands, grasslands, and woodlands that constitute the Fort Apache and Theodore Roosevelt School National Historic Landmark; and

WHEREAS, Through a competitive, qualification-based procurement process, in accordance with the WMAT Financial Policies and federal procurement requirements, the Tribe selected SWCA Environmental Consultants (“Consultant”) to develop the master plan and proposes the attached contract, incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Council finds that authorizing the contract with the Consultant is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves and authorizing the contract with SWCA Environmental Consultants, in the amount of \$224,631, to develop a Master Plan for restoring Fort Apache’s rivers, farmlands, grasslands, and woodlands.

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.

Resolution No. 01-2025-07

The foregoing resolution was on JANUARY 08, 2025 duly adopted by a vote of EIGHT 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 1.10.25

Kasey Velasquez, Chairman

Date

Vaneya Johnson 01/14/2025

Vaneya Johnson, Tribal Secretary

Date