

**HUALAPAI TRIBAL COUNCIL
RESOLUTION NO. 40-2014
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
HUALAPAI TRIBE OF THE HUALAPAI RESERVATION
PEACH SPRINGS, ARIZONA**

WHEREAS, the Hualapai Tribe has negotiated the attached Bill Williams Phase One and Hualapai Tribe Bill Williams settlement agreements with Freeport-McMoRan Corporation, (“Freeport”), certain Arizona “state parties” and the United States Department of the Interior (“Interior”) as trustee for the Tribe and its allottees in the Bill Williams watershed; and

WHEREAS, the agreements provide that Interior will drop Interior’s protests to applications by Freeport in 2010 to sever water rights on its Lincoln and Planet Ranches and transfer those water rights to the Wikieup wellfield; and

WHEREAS, in return Freeport will lease and donate a portion of Planet Ranch together with certain water rights to various federal and state agencies to assist in the Multi-Species Conservation Program, and has agreed to a cap on its pumping at the Wikieup wellfield; and

WHEREAS, the agreements provide that Freeport will confirm certain water rights of the Hualapai Tribe and its allottees that are reserved under federal law; and

WHEREAS, the agreements provide that Freeport will pay \$1 million to the Tribe to complete an ongoing study the Tribe is conducting to determine the most feasible means of delivering Colorado River water to the Tribe’s Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the agreements also provide that Freeport will make a substantial contribution to the Tribe’s Economic Development Fund to enable the Tribe to purchase water rights to Colorado River water to facilitate a comprehensive settlement of the Tribe’s federally reserved water rights on its Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the agreements include draft legislation for Congress to enact approving, ratifying and implementing these agreements.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hualapai Tribal Council strongly approves and supports the agreements and legislation and urgently requests the Arizona congressional delegation to introduce the legislation and secure its enactment by Congress.

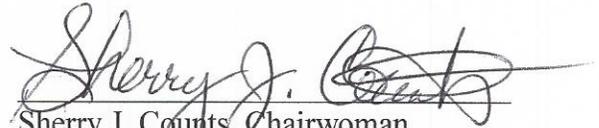
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson is authorized to execute the agreements on behalf of the Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribe hereby requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to withdraw its pending objections to the applications Freeport filed in 2010 with the Arizona Department of Water Resources to sever and transfer certain water rights from Planet and Lincoln Ranches in the manner specified in those applications.

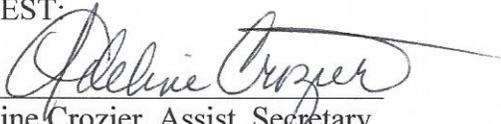
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Tribe further requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs not to file any objections to any amendments or new applications filed in the future by Freeport to accomplish the severance and transfer of not to exceed a total of 10,055 acre feet a year of water rights from Planet Ranch and Lincoln Ranch to the Wikieup Wellfield.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned as Chairwoman of the Hualapai Tribal Council hereby certify that the Hualapai Tribal Council of the Hualapai Tribe is comprised of (9) members of whom **eight(8)**, constituting a quorum, were present at a **Special Council meeting** thereof held on this **28th day of May, 2014**; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the affirmative vote of **seven(7) in favor, 1 abstain, 1 excused**, pursuant to the authority of Article V, Section (a) of the Constitution of the Hualapai Tribe approved March 13, 1991


Sherry J. Counts, Chairwoman
Hualapai Tribal Council

ATTEST:


Adeline Crozier, Assist. Secretary
Hualapai Tribal Council