



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

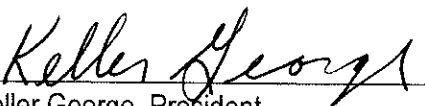
USET Resolution No. 2002:082

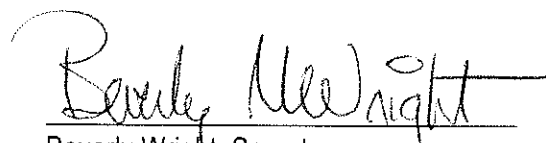
REQUEST TO REMOVE TWO (2) PERCENT INCREASE RESTRICTION ON TRIBAL INVENTORY RESTRICTIONS

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-four (24) federally recognized tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member tribes' leadership; and
- WHEREAS,** according to a Memorandum to all Area Directors from the acting Deputy Commissioner of Indian Affairs dated April 4, 1994, regarding Bureau of Indian Affairs' (BIA) Road System Guidelines, a two (2) percent increase restriction was placed on the number of Tribal roads that may be added to the BIA Construction Need System as stated in 57 BIAM Supplement 4, 1.2 Definition, B; and
- WHEREAS,** Tribal Governments have an inherent right to oversee the economic, health and safety needs of their tribes as well as the transportation planning activities fall; and
- WHEREAS,** placing an increased restriction on Tribal Road Inventory will inhibit Tribes from expanding their road system in order to improve the economic, health, and safety needs of each member Tribe; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors urges the BIA to review the policy outlined in the memorandum dated April 4, 1994 and eliminate the two (2) percent increase restriction placed on Indian Reservation Road (IRR) inventories, and, be it further
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors urges the BIA Administrator to assist Tribal Governments in their inherent rights to enhance and protect the economic, health, safety and transportation planning needs of our people.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Nashville, TN, Thursday, June 13, 2002.


Keller George, President
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.


Beverly Wright, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.