TOWN OF PINETOP-LAKESIDE

RESOLUTION NO. 16-1637

A RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PINETOP-LAKESIDE, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO ARIZONA STATE FORESTRY DIVISION FOR THE PINETOP-LAKESIDE WILDLAND FIRE HAZARDOUS FUELS (WFHF) GRANT PROGRAM FOR FIRE RISK MITIGATION FUNDS.

WHEREAS, Arizona State Forestry Division is seeking application for Wildland Fire Hazardous Fuels Grant Program funds and the Town intends to submit a proposal for total project cost not to exceed \$70,000 for assistance in mitigating fire risk in the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of grants funds will assist with the reduction of hazardous fuels which provide protection for our community, and other Arizona communities; and

WHEREAS, the Town Forest Health and Fire Protection Ordinance requires forest thinning on Town parcels; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pinetop-Lakeside will collaborate with Pinetop Fire District to assist in identifying fuel reduction projects and vegetation treatments as a means of mitigating wildfire hazards consistent with the Wildland Urban Interface; and

WHEREAS, the overall funding purpose is to modify or break up the fuels in such a way as to lessen catastrophic fire and its threat to public and firefighter safety and damage to property; and

WHEREAS, the project priority is given to projects that are immediately adjacent to existing or planned US Forest Service or BLM hazardous fuels thinning projects; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pinetop-Lakeside will assign in-kind personnel resources for project administration and to collaborate with project stakeholders and property owners to identify and complete appropriate treatments as project leverage; and

WHEREAS, an application project (program) supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Forestry Division and will comply with all program guidelines and Federal Statutes (CFDA 10.664) and Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Pinetop-Lakeside approve Resolution No. 16-1367 to advance the submission of a FY 2016 application to the Arizona State Forestry Division for the Pinetop-Lakeside Wildland Fire Hazardous Fuels Grant Program and authorize the Town Manager execute all documents.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Pinetop-Lakeside, Arizona, this 3rd Day of March 2016.

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GREG SMITH Mayor

ATTEST:

LEAH CHAVEZ, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

WILLIAM J SIMS III, Town Attorney