WHEREAS, the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society ("NAFWS") was established in recognition of the importance and respect accorded to fish and wildlife by Native American people; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS is composed of Indian Tribes, organizations and people as well as federal and state agency representatives forming "a national Native organization to aid in the development and protection of Indian fish and wildlife resources"; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS is dedicated "to the earth that began with our own beginning, and pledge to our fellow creatures that cannot be broken"; and

WHEREAS, the tribes in the Southwest Region are concerned about the negative effects that Climate Change is having on their lands, fish, wildlife and natural resources, and

WHEREAS, the tribes in the Southwest Region would like to participate in a meeting where tribes in this region as well as those in the Southern Rockies Landscape Conservation Cooperative (LCC), the Desert LCC and the Great Basin LCC can all come together to discuss Climate Change and begin to develop a plan on how to deal with the effects, and

WHEREAS, the meeting will be held in coordination with the 2018 NAFWS Southwest Regional Conference; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds requested are under 2017/2018 Tribal Climate Resilience Funding Category 3 – Travel Support, that will assist tribal representatives to attend such meeting, and

WHEREAS, the grant will be administered by the NAFWS national office and done in accordance with required grant goals and objectives, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NAFWS hereby supports the Southwest Region in their request for a $20,000.00 grant for such travel support, and
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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution authorizes the application of such grant funding from the BIA.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was enacted by the affirmative vote of the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society Southwest Region membership on August 7, 2017 at a Business Meeting that was held in conjunction with the SW Regional Conference. The motion passed by a vote of 22 For, 0 Against and 0 Abstentions.

Dated this 7th day of August, 2017.

[Signature]

Donald Reiter, President, Native American Fish and Wildlife Society

Attest:

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Elveda Martinez, Secretary-Treasurer, Native American Fish and Wildlife Society