

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 95- 12
of the
SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe by the authority of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; and,

WHEREAS, under the Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, and general welfare of the Squaxin Island Tribal Reservation residents; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, on behalf of the community, places the highest priority on re-establishing a self-sufficient and self-contained lifestyle which is the traditional way of the People; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council takes an active interest in planning for development and maintenance of the Indian Reservation Road System providing access to the Squaxin Island Reservation; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe initiated its comprehensive transportation planning process in 1994 to be continued in 1995 with a grant of 2 percent planning funds appropriated under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA); and,

WHEREAS, the Tribe's FY94 ISTEA allocation from the Bureau of Indian Affairs has yet to be spent in 1995, the Squaxin Island Tribe also remains eligible for a FY95 allocation of ISTEA planning funds from the BIA; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribal Office of Planning and the Tribal Natural Resources Department have identified development of a Tribal Geographic Information System (GIS) as a critical need for community planning and resource management; and,

WHEREAS, the BIA Geographic Data Service Center in Denver has as its mission "to make GIS and remote sensing technologies available to Bureau and tribal land managers, in a systematic, cost effective and expeditious manner, and to transfer these technologies to tribal organizations so they can serve their people and their lands utilizing these valuable tools;" and,

WHEREAS, mapping geographic information is an essential step of the transportation planning process; and,

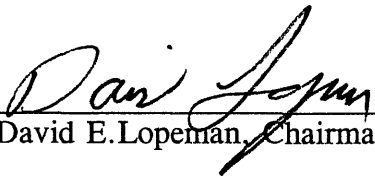
WHEREAS, updating the Tribe's Transportation Plan and adopting a Tribal Transportation Improvement Program are prerequisite to securing funding to improve transportation systems.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council on behalf of the Squaxin Island Tribe does hereby approve submission of an application to the Portland Area Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs requesting funding to compile existing information needed for transportation planning, develop a Tribal GIS capability through the BIA Geographic Data Service Center, update the 1990 Squaxin Island Reservation Transportation Plan, and seek implementation funding for projects identified in the Transportation Plan.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman or the Tribal Executive Director to be the Tribe's representative in all future matters requiring Tribal authorization for these projects; and that these authorities shall be for the duration of all funded projects.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 9 day of Feb., 1995, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 3 for and 0 against with 1 abstentions.


David E. Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by: 
Dave Whitener, Secretary


Cal Peters, Vice Chairman