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ACTION

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Last Day: December 23

December 20, 1974

*Posted in
calendar 12/23*

*To ARCHIVES
12/24*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: KEN COLE

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 6925
Land Exchange, New Mexico

Attached for your consideration is H.R. 6925, sponsored by Representative Lujan, which authorizes the Forest Service to exchange two sections of land within the Cibola National Forest, New Mexico, for two sections of land held in trust by the United States for the Pueblo of Acoma of New Mexico.

OMB recommends approval and provides you with additional background information in its enrolled bill report (Tab A).

Max Friedersdorf and Phil Areeda both recommend approval.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign H.R. 6925 (Tab B)





EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

DEC 17 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 6925 - Land exchange,
New Mexico
Sponsor - Rep. Lujan (R) New Mexico

Last Day for Action

December 23, 1974 - Monday

Purpose

Directs the exchange of certain lands between the Pueblo of Acoma Tribe and the Forest Service.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Agriculture
Department of the Interior

Approval (~~Informally~~)
Approval

Discussion

H.R. 6925 would mandate the exchange of 1,280 acres of land now held in trust by the Secretary of the Interior for the Pueblo of Acoma Tribe for an equal amount of Forest Service lands -- both tracts are situated in the Cibola National Forest, New Mexico. The Secretary of the Interior would hold the replacement lands for the Acoma Tribe, subject to a right-of-way for Forest Service roads now in place. The land transfer would also be subject to all valid claims as long as they are maintained.

In reporting on H.R. 6925, the House Interior Committee explained the need for the enrolled bill:

"The Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service have been negotiating for several years for

the exchange of the lands described in the bill to eliminate a troublesome boundary situation. The lands in this area are checker-boarded. The exchange would eliminate this checker-boarding and facilitate better management and use by both parties. The lands to be exchanged are similar in character and equal in value.

"There is existing authority for the exchange of the Pueblo lands under the provisions of section 4 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984). However, the authority contained in H.R. 6925 is necessary to effectuate the exchange of the U. S. Forest Service lands."

Winfred H. Rommel

Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.: 787

Date: December 17, 1974

Time: 7:00 p.m.

FOR ACTION: Mike Duval *oh*
Bill Timmons *oh*
Phil Areeda *oh*

cc (for information): Warren Hendriks
Jerry Jones

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: Friday, December 20

Time: 11:00 a.m.

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill H.R. 6925 - Land Exchange, New Mexico

ACTION REQUESTED:

For Necessary Action

For Your Recommendations

Prepare Agenda and Brief

Draft Reply

For Your Comments

Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

Please return to Judy Johnston, Ground Floor, West Wing

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K. R. COLE, JR.
For the President

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OK Mike Duval



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Warren K. Hendriks
For the President

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 18, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: WARREN HENDRIKS
FROM: MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF *m.l.f.*
SUBJECT: Action Memorandum - Log No. 787
Enrolled Bill H.R. 6926 - Land Exchange
New Mexico

The Office of Legislative Affairs concurs in the attached proposal and has no additional recommendations.

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE

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Please return to Judy Johnston, Ground Floor, West Wing

*Sign
P Areeda*

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Warren K. Hendriks
For the President



United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

DEC 13 1974

Dear Mr. Ash:

This responds to your request for our views on the enrolled bill H.R. 6925, "To authorize the exchange of certain lands between the Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service."

We recommend that the President approve the enrolled bill.

Enrolled bill H.R. 6925 provides for an exchange of 1,280 acres of land in the Mount Taylor Division, Cibola National Forest, New Mexico, for an equal amount of land now held in trust by the United States for the Pueblo of Acoma of New Mexico. Section 1 of the bill directs the Secretary of the Interior to transfer the Pueblo lands designated therein to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Cibola National Forest for administration. Section 2 provides that an equal amount of lands in the Cibola National Forest are to be held in trust by the Secretary of the Interior for the Pueblo of Acoma subject to a right-of-way for existing Forest Service roads. Section 3 makes any transfer subject to valid claims as long as they are maintained.

The Pueblo of Acoma and representatives of the U.S. Forest Service have, for a number of years, been negotiating for an exchange of lands on Horace Mesa involving the lands described in this bill. At the present time these lands form a checkerboard pattern which precludes efficient management. The proposed land exchange, which is acceptable to the Forest Service, would be of particular advantage to the Pueblo as five checkerboard sections of the Pueblo will be consolidated into one unit, thus providing more efficient land use management. The Pueblo will be able to fence the unit, a task which has not been practicable to date because the present boundary is 20 miles in length. The proposed exchange will reduce the boundary to a length of 12 miles.



Save Energy and You Serve America!

There is existing authority for exchange of Pueblo lands in general. Members of the Pueblo of Acoma voted to apply the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), to their affairs. Section 4 of that Act authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to exchange Indian lands for lands of equal value. However, that authority applies only to certain types of lands, specifically public domain lands. It does not apply to lands which are appropriated for another purpose, such as National Forest Service lands. Therefore, H.R. 6925 is necessary to effectuate this specific exchange.

The Tribal Council of the Pueblo of Acoma adopted Resolution No. TC-MA-26-71A on March 26, 1971, authorizing and requesting the Superintendent of the Southern Pueblos Agency to take whatever action is required to consummate the land exchange as proposed at the earliest possible time. In view of the wishes of the Pueblos as expressed in the resolution adopted by the Tribal Council, and the benefits which will inure to the Indians, we recommend that the President approve the enrolled bill.

Sincerely yours,


Assistant Secretary of the Interior

Honorable Roy L. Ash
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D. C. 20503



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20250

Honorable Roy L. Ash
Director, Office of
Management and Budget

December 17, 1974

Dear Mr. Ash:

This is in response to the request of your office for a report on the enrolled enactment H.R. 6925, "To authorize the exchange of certain lands between the Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service."

The Department of Agriculture recommends that the President approve the enactment.

The enactment directs that two specified sections of land now held in trust for the Pueblo of Acoma Tribe be exchanged for two specified sections of land which are now a part of the Mount Taylor Division, Cibola National Forest, in New Mexico. Rights-of-way would be retained by the Secretary of Agriculture for Forest Service Development System roads now in place on said lands.

Preliminary negotiations for this exchange were started many years ago between the Acoma Indians and the Forest Service but authority to consummate the exchange was lacking. The lands which would be exchanged are similar in character and of approximately equal value.

The ownership pattern of the Indian trust lands and the National Forest System lands in this area is one of alternating sections. Thus, through the exchange, each ownership will be better consolidated with benefits accruing to both the Indians and the United States.

The proviso in section 2 provides that the rights-of-way for Forest Service Development System roads now in place across said lands would be retained by the Secretary of Agriculture. We interpret this as a reservation of all rights and interests necessary to hold, use, and maintain said rights-of-way. This proviso provides adequate protection for our interest in roads in the area.


We are not aware of any opposition to the exchange. The exchange will facilitate management of the Indian and National Forest System lands in the area, and we recommend that the President approve the enactment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J. Phil Campbell".

J. Phil Campbell
Under Secretary

To-
Harmon Henderson
12-17-74
6:30 P.M.



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

DEC 17 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 6925 - Land exchange,
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Sponsor - Rep. Lujan (R) New Mexico

Last Day for Action

December 23, 1974 - Monday

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Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Agriculture
Department of the Interior

Approval (Informally)
Approval

Discussion

H.R. 6925 would mandate the exchange of 1,280 acres of land now held in trust by the Secretary of the Interior for the Pueblo of Acoma Tribe for an equal amount of Forest Service lands -- both tracts are situated in the Cibola National Forest, New Mexico. The Secretary of the Interior would hold the replacement lands for the Acoma Tribe, subject to a right-of-way for Forest Service roads now in place. The land transfer would also be subject to all valid claims as long as they are maintained.

In reporting on H.R. 6925, the House Interior Committee explained the need for the enrolled bill:

"The Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service have been negotiating for several years for



the exchange of the lands described in the bill to eliminate a troublesome boundary situation. The lands in this area are checker-boarded. The exchange would eliminate this checker-boarding and facilitate better management and use by both parties. The lands to be exchanged are similar in character and equal in value.

"There is existing authority for the exchange of the Pueblo lands under the provisions of section 4 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984). However, the authority contained in H.R. 6925 is necessary to effectuate the exchange of the U. S. Forest Service lands."

(signed) Wilfred H. Rommel

Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

**AUTHORIZING THE EXCHANGE OF CERTAIN LANDS
BETWEEN THE PUEBLO OF ACOMA AND THE FOREST
SERVICE**

JULY 16, 1973.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 6925]

The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 6925) to authorize the exchange of certain lands between the Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE

The purpose of H.R. 6925, introduced by Mr. Lujan, is to authorize the Forest Service to exchange two sections of land within the Cibola National Forest, New Mexico, for two sections of land held in trust by the United States for the Pueblo of Acoma of New Mexico.

EXPLANATION

The Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service have been negotiating for several years for the exchange of the lands described in the bill to eliminate a troublesome boundary situation. The lands in this area are checker-boarded. The exchange would eliminate this checker-boarding and facilitate better management and use by both parties. The lands to be exchanged are similar in character and equal in value.

There is existing authority for the exchange of the Pueblo lands under the provisions of section 4 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984). However, the authority contained in H.R. 6925 is necessary to effectuate the exchange of the U.S. Forest Service lands.

Section 1 directs the Secretary of the Interior to transfer the Pueblo lands to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Cibola National Forest for administration. Section 2 provides that the two sections of Forest Service lands are to be held in trust by the Secretary of the Interior for the Pueblo of Acoma subject to a right-of-way for existing Forest Service roads. Section 3 makes any transfer subject to valid claims as long as they are maintained.

COST

The enactment of the bill will involve no Federal expenditure.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, by voice vote, recommends that the bill be enacted.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The favorable reports of the Department of the Interior and Department of Agriculture follow:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D.C., May 30, 1973.

HON. JAMES A. HALEY,
Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: This responds to your request for the views of this Department on H.R. 6925, a bill "To authorize the exchange of certain lands between the Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service."

We recommend that this bill be enacted.

H.R. 6925 provides for an exchange of 1280 acres of land in the Mount Taylor Division, Cibola National Forest, for an equal amount of land now held in trust for the Pueblo of Acoma. The replacement lands for the pueblo will be held in trust for it, subject to a right-of-way for Forest Service roads now in place. The transfer is subject to all valid claims.

The Pueblo of Acoma and representatives of the U.S. Forest Service have for a number of years been negotiating for an exchange of lands on Horace Mesa involving the lands described in this bill. At the present time these lands form a checkerboard pattern which precludes efficient management. The proposed land exchange, which we understand is acceptable to the Forest Service, would be of particular advantage to the Pueblo as five checkerboard sections of the Pueblo will be consolidated into one unit, thus providing more efficient land use management. The Pueblo will be able to fence the unit, a task which has not been practicable to date because the present boundary is 20 miles in length. The proposed exchange will reduce the boundary to a length of 12 miles.

There is existing authority for exchange of the Pueblo lands; members of the Pueblo of Acoma voted to apply the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), to their affairs, and section 4 of that Act authorizes the exchange of Indian

lands for lands of equal value. However, the authority contained in H.R. 6925 is necessary to effectuate an exchange of the U.S. Forest Service lands.

The Tribal Council of the Pueblo of Acoma adopted Resolution No. TC-MA-26-71A on March 26, 1971, authorizing and requesting the Superintendent of the Southern Pueblos Agency to take whatever action is required to consummate the land exchange as proposed at the earliest possible time. In view of the wishes of the Pueblo as expressed in the resolution adopted by the Tribal Council, and the benefits which will inure to the Indians, we recommend enactment of the bill.

The Office of Management and Budget has advised that there is no objection to the presentation of this report from the standpoint of the Administration's program.

Sincerely yours,

MARVIN L. FRANKLIN,
Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D.C., May 31, 1973.

HON. JAMES A. HALEY,
*Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,
House of Representatives.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: As you requested, here is our report on H.R. 6925, a bill "To authorize the exchange of certain lands between the Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service."

This Department recommends that H.R. 6925 be enacted.

H.R. 6925 would direct that two specified sections of land now held in trust for the Pueblo of Acoma Tribe be exchanged for two specified sections of land which are now a part of the Mount Taylor Division, Cibola National Forest, in New Mexico. Rights-of-way would be retained by the Secretary of Agriculture for Forest Service Development System roads now in place on said lands.

Preliminary negotiations for this exchange were started many years ago between the Acoma Indians and the Forest Service but authority to consummate the exchange was lacking. The lands which would be exchanged are similar in character and equal in value.

The ownership pattern of the Indian trust lands and the National Forest System lands in this area is one of alternating sections. Thus, through the exchange, each ownership will be better consolidated with benefits accruing to both the Indians and the United States.

Also through the exchange, the Acoma Tribe will acquire grazing rights on lands on which they now hold a National Forest grazing permit. This will also benefit both the Indians and the United States.

Section 2, page 2, lines 6 through 10, provides that the rights-of-way for Forest Service Development System roads now in place across said lands would be retained by the Secretary of Agriculture. We would construe this as a reservation of all rights and interests necessary to hold, use, and maintain said rights-of-way.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that there is no objection to the presentation of this report from the standpoint of the Administration's programs.

Sincerely,

J. PEARL CAMPBELL, *Acting Secretary.*

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AUTHORIZING THE EXCHANGE OF CERTAIN LANDS BETWEEN THE PUEBLO OF ACOMA AND THE FOREST SERVICE

DECEMBER 4, 1974.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. JACKSON, from the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 6925]

The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 6925) to authorize the exchange of certain lands between the Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of H.R. 6925 is to authorize the Forest Service to exchange two sections of land within the Cibola National Forest, New Mexico, for two sections of land held in trust by the United States for the Pueblo of Acoma of New Mexico.

EXPLANATION

The Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service have been negotiating for several years for the exchange of the lands described in the bill to eliminate a troublesome boundary situation. The lands in this area are checker-boarded. The exchange would eliminate this checkerboarding and facilitate better management and use by both parties. The lands to be exchanged are similar in character and equal in value.

There is existing authority for the exchange of the Pueblo lands under the provisions of section 4 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984). However, the authority contained in H.R. 6925 is necessary to effectuate the exchange of the U.S. Forest Service lands.

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COST

The enactment of the bill will involve no Federal expenditure.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs in open executive session on December 4, 1974, unanimously ordered H.R. 6925 reported favorably to the Senate.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The favorable reports of the Department of the Interior and Department of Agriculture to the Chairman of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs are set forth in full as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D.C., May 30, 1973.

HON. JAMES A. HALEY,
Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: This responds to your request for the views of this Department on H.R. 6925, a bill "To authorize the exchange of certain lands between the Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service."

We recommend that this bill be enacted.

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Sincerely,

J. PHIL CAMPBELL, *Acting Secretary.*

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Ninety-third Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the twenty-first day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four*

An Act

To authorize the exchange of certain lands between the Pueblo of Acoma and the Forest Service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior shall transfer lands and minerals therein, within section 17, township 11 north, range 8 west, and section 13, township 11 north, range 9 west, New Mexico Principal Meridian, now held in trust for the Pueblo of Acoma Tribe, to the Secretary of Agriculture for administration as a part of the Mount Taylor Division, Cibola National Forest, and subject to the laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the National Forest System.

SEC. 2. The lands and minerals therein, within section 20, township 11 north, range 8 west, and section 24, township 11 north, range 9 west, New Mexico Principal Meridian, now a part of the Cibola National Forest, are hereby declared to be held in trust by the Secretary of the Interior for the Pueblo of Acoma Tribe: *Provided*, That rights-of-way sixty-six feet in width, being thirty-three feet on either side of the centerline, for Forest Service Development System roads now in place across said lands, shall be retained by the Secretary of Agriculture.

SEC. 3. Any transfer effected by this Act shall be subject to valid claims as long as they are maintained.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

December 11, 1974

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on December 11th:

S. 2193 ✓	H.R. 7730 ✓
S. 2363 ✓	H.R. 8352 ✓
S. 3906 ✓	H.R. 8824 ✓
S. 4040 ✓	H.R. 11929 ✓
H.R. 6274 ✓	H.R. 14214 ✓
H.R. 6925 ✓	H.R. 17026 ✓

Please let the President have reports and recommendations as to the approval of these bills as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Linder
Chief Executive Clerk

The Honorable Roy L. Ash
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C.