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Tribal Consultation Response Letter

Date: October 18, 2018

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Company: USDA: Coronado National Forest

Address: 300 West Congress St. Tucson, AZ 85701

Project Name/#: Requesting input regarding two proposed project located on the Safford and Douglas Ranger Dist. (Pinaleno Mountains and Chiricahua FireScape Project)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Under Section 106 and 110 of the National Historic Preservation Act, we are replying to the above referenced project. Please see the appropriate marked circle, including the signatures of Vernelda Grant, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO), and the concurrence of the Chairman of the San Carlos Apache Tribe:

☐ **NO INTEREST/NO FURTHER CONSULTATION/NO FUTURE UPDATES**

We defer to the Tribe located nearest to the project area.

☒ **CONCURRENCE WITH REPORT FINDINGS & THANK YOU**

☐ **REQUEST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

I require additional information in order to provide a finding of effect for this proposed undertaking, i.e. Project description ___ Map ___ Photos ___ Other _____

☐ **NO EFFECT**

I have determined that there are no properties of religious and cultural significance to the San Carlos Apache Tribe that are listed on the National Register within the area of potential effect or that the proposed project will have no effect on any such properties that may be present.

☐ **NO ADVERSE EFFECT**

Properties of cultural and religious significance within the area of effect have been identified that are eligible for listing in the National Register for which there would be no adverse effect as a result of the proposed project.

☐ **ADVERSE EFFECT**

I have identified properties of cultural and religious significance within the area of potential effect that are eligible for listing in the National Register. I believe the proposed project would cause an adverse effect on these properties. Please contact the THPO for further discussion.

We were taught traditionally not to disturb the natural world in a significant way, and that to do so may cause harm to oneself or one's family. Apache resources can be best protected by managing the land to be as natural as it was in pre-1870s settlement times. Please contact the THPO, if there is a change in any portion of the project, especially if Apache cultural resources are found at any phase of planning and construction. Thank you for contacting the San Carlos Apache Tribe, your time and effort is greatly appreciated.

DIRECTOR/THPO: _____

Vernelda J. Grant, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

10/23/18
Date

CONCURRENCE: _____

Terry Rambler, Tribal Chairman

10/26/18
Date