Public Law 92-525

AN ACT

October 21, 1972
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To provide for the establishment of the Hohokam Pima National Monument in the vicinity of the Snaketown archeological site, Arizona, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in order to preserve and interpret for the benefit and inspiration of the people a site containing significant archeological values, including the irrigation systems in the valleys of central Arizona developed by the Hohokam and Pima Indians, and their descendants, the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized to establish the Hohokam Pima National Monument (hereinafter referred to as the "monument"). Such monument, which shall not exceed two thousand acres in size, shall comprise lands in the vicinity of and including the Snaketown archeological site on the Gila River Indian Reservation, Arizona, as generally depicted on the drawing entitled "Boundary Map Snaketown National Monument", numbered NM–SNA 20,003–A, and dated October 1971. The monument may be established by the Secretary when he determines that the beneficial interest in a sufficient amount of land has been transferred to constitute an efficiently administrable unit.

Hohokam Pima National Monument, Ariz. Establishment.

SEC. 2. (a) The Gila River Indian Community Council (hereinafter referred to as the "council") for the Gila River Indian Community (hereinafter referred to as the "community") may acquire the beneficial interest in any allotted lands located within the boundaries of the monument and may, in exchange therefor, convey to such allottees, or their successors in interest, the beneficial interest in any lands of at least equal value outside the boundaries of the monument which are held in trust for the benefit of the community. In arranging such equal exchanges with allottees the council may acquire beneficial whole or fractionated interests in tracts outside the boundaries of the monument. When the council is unable to acquire such interests, it may request that the Secretary, on its behalf and with funds which it provides, acquire such beneficial interest in any lands within the boundaries of the monument, and the Secretary may acquire such interest by condemnation.

Beneficial interest, acquisition authority.

(b) The council is authorized to transfer to the Secretary the beneficial interest in any lands held in trust for the benefit of the community, including such interests as are acquired pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, located within the boundaries of the monument. In exchange for such transfer, the Secretary shall declare that title to public lands of at least equal value which are under his jurisdiction are held in trust for the community.

Beneficial interest, transfer.

SEC. 3. (a) The administration and protection of the Hohokam Pima National Monument shall be exercised by the Secretary in accordance with the Act of August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1 et seq.); except that the council shall be permitted to develop and operate revenue-producing visitor services and facilities within such monument in accordance with plans and regulations of the Secretary. Any revenues resulting from the operation of such services and facilities may be retained by the council.

Administration.

Revenue-producing services.

(b) An appropriate portion of any admission fees attributable to such services and facilities may, in accordance with an agreement between the Secretary and the Council, be transferred to the council.

Admission fees, transfer.

SEC. 4. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated not more than $135,000 for the acquisition of lands and not more than $1,781,000 for the development of the monument.

Appropriation.

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