

the Pueblo agrees otherwise. To the extent that enlargement of existing utility corridors is required for any technologically-advanced telecommunication, television, or utility services, the Pueblo shall not unreasonably withhold agreement to a reasonable enlargement of the easements described above.

**(3) Forest Service rights-of-way**

In accordance with the Pueblo having given its consent in the Settlement Agreement, the Secretary of the Interior shall grant to the Forest Service the following irrevocable rights-of-way in perpetuity for Forest Service trails crossing land of the Pueblo in order to provide for public access to the Area and through Pueblo land—

(A) a right-of-way for a portion of the Crest Spur Trail (Trail No. 84), crossing a portion of the La Luz tract, as identified on the map;

(B) a right-of-way for the extension of the Foothills Trail (Trail No. 365A), as identified on the map; and

(C) a right-of-way for that portion of the Piedra Lisa North-South Trail (Trail No. 135) crossing the Piedra Lisa tract.

(Pub. L. 108-7, div. F, title IV, § 409, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 287.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title, referred to in subsecs. (a)(3), (b)(2)(C), (d)(3), (e)(1), and (h)(1)(B)(iii), was in the original “this title”, meaning title IV of div. F of Pub. L. 108-7, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 279, which is classified generally to sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title. For complete classification of title IV to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 539m of this title and Tables.

**§ 539m-8. Extinguishment of claims**

**(a) In general**

Except for the rights and interests in and to the Area specifically recognized in sections 539m-2, 539m-3, 539m-5, 539m-6, and 539m-7 of this title, all Pueblo claims to right, title and interest of any kind, including aboriginal claims, in and to land within the Area, any part thereof, and property interests therein, as well as related boundary, survey, trespass, and monetary damage claims, are permanently extinguished. The United States’ title to the Area is confirmed.

**(b) Subdivisions**

Any Pueblo claims to right, title and interest of any kind, including aboriginal claims, in and to the subdivisions and property interests therein (except for land owned in fee by the Pueblo as of February 20, 2003), as well as related boundary, survey, trespass, and monetary damage claims, are permanently extinguished.

**(c) Special use and crest facilities areas**

Any Pueblo right, title and interest of any kind, including aboriginal claims, and related boundary, survey, trespass, and monetary damage claims, are permanently extinguished in and to—

(1) the land described in the special use permit; and

(2) the land on which the crest facilities are located.

**(d) Pueblo agreement**

As provided in the Settlement Agreement, the Pueblo has agreed to the relinquishment and extinguishment of those claims, rights, titles and interests extinguished pursuant to subsection<sup>1</sup> (a), (b), and (c).

**(e) Consideration**

The recognition of the Pueblo’s rights and interests in sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title constitutes adequate consideration for the Pueblo’s agreement to the extinguishment of the Pueblo’s claims in this section and the right-of-way grants contained in section 539m-7 of this title, and it is the intent of Congress that those rights and interests may only be diminished by a future Act of Congress specifically authorizing diminishment of such rights, with express reference to sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title.

(Pub. L. 108-7, div. F, title IV, § 410, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 290.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title, referred to in subsec. (e), was in the original “this title”, meaning title IV of div. F of Pub. L. 108-7, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 279, which is classified generally to sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title. For complete classification of title IV to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 539m of this title and Tables.

**§ 539m-9. Construction**

**(a) Strict construction**

Sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title recognize only enumerated rights and interests, and no additional rights, interests, obligations, or duties shall be created by implication.

**(b) Existing rights**

To the extent there exist within the Area as of February 20, 2003, any valid private property rights associated with private land that are not otherwise addressed in sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title, such rights are not modified or otherwise affected by sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title, nor is the exercise of any such right subject to the Pueblo’s right to withhold consent to new uses in the Area as set forth in section 539m-3(a)(3)(A) of this title.

**(c) Not precedent**

The provisions of sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title creating certain rights and interests in the National Forest System are uniquely suited to resolve the Pueblo’s claim and the geographic and societal situation involved, and shall not be construed as precedent for any other situation involving management of the National Forest System.

**(d) Fish and wildlife**

Except as provided in section 539m-6(b)(2)(B) of this title, nothing in sections 539m to 539m-12 of this title shall be construed as affecting the responsibilities of the State of New Mexico with respect to fish and wildlife, including the regulation of hunting, fishing, or trapping within the Area.

(Pub. L. 108-7, div. F, title IV, § 411, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 291.)

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “subsections”.