



Tribal Land Exchanges with Cultural Resources Office (CRO): Ft. Sill Apache Tribe of Oklahoma

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What is a land exchange for NMSLO?

A value for value exchange

- It is NOT a “give away”
- It is NOT a land sale

Our economic objectives

- Diversifying our portfolio
- Commercial development

Engagement

- Public meetings

Exchanges so far

- Santa Ana Pueblo
- Ft. Sill Apache Tribe



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What needs to be considered

- Consultation with tribes on parcels
- Engagement letters & tribal comment period
- Appraisal & collaborative surveys



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Ft. Sill Apache Tribe

- **Akela Flats in Luna County**
- **1,880 acres adjacent to federal trust land for the tribe's benefit**
- **Gila River Festival**
- **The history of the Ft. Sill Apache Tribe & physical displacement**



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