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CALIFORNIA  
STATE MINING BUREAU  
SAN FRANCISCO.

CROOK NATIONAL FOREST

ARIZONA

(SECOND PROCLAMATION)

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation



WHEREAS the Mount Graham National Forest, within the Territory of Arizona, was established by proclamation dated July twenty-second, nineteen hundred and two and was enlarged to embrace a portion of the Fort Grant Military Reservation by Executive Order dated October sixth, nineteen hundred and six, which also provided for the unhampered use by the War Department of the land described in such Executive Order; and

WHEREAS a proclamation dated July first, nineteen hundred and eight, consolidated portions of the Mount Graham and Tonto National Forests, together with certain unreserved areas, under the name of the Crook National Forest; and the area of said Crook National Forest was reduced by an Executive Order dated August twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and nine; and

WHEREAS it appears that the public good will be promoted by adding to the Crook National Forest certain lands within the Territory of Arizona which are in part covered with timber or undergrowth, and by eliminating from said Forest certain lands; and

WHEREAS it is desirable for administrative reasons that certain lands be transferred from the Crook National Forest to the Tonto National Forest, and also that certain of the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation lands which were included in the Apache National Forest on March second, nineteen hundred and nine be transferred from that Forest to the Crook National Forest;

Now, therefore, I, WILLIAM H. TAFT, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by the Act of Congress approved June fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act Making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes," do proclaim that the boundaries of the Crook National Forest are hereby changed and that they are now as shown on the diagram forming a part hereof.

The withdrawal made by this proclamation shall, as to all lands which are at this date legally appropriated under the public land laws or reserved for any public purpose, be subject to and shall not interfere with or defeat

legal rights under such appropriation, nor prevent the use for such public purpose of lands so reserved, so long as such appropriation is legally maintained or such reservation remains in force; *Provided*, That all the rights, powers, and duties of the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and all rights and privileges of their permittees and the Indians, reserved and confirmed by the proclamation of the President of the United States of March second, nineteen hundred and nine, enlarging the Apache National Forest, shall remain in full force and effect, notwithstanding anything in this proclamation contained.

This proclamation shall not prevent the settlement and entry of any lands heretofore opened to settlement and entry under the Act of Congress approved June eleventh, nineteen hundred and six, entitled "An Act to provide for the entry of Agricultural lands within forest reserves."

The lands hereby eliminated from the Crook National Forest which are not embraced in withdrawals for administrative sites for use in the management of the Forest, or in any other reservation or appropriation, shall be restored to the public domain and become subject to settlement under the general provisions of the homestead laws on such date and after such notice by publication as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, but shall not become subject to entry, filing, selection, or other form of appropriation until the expiration of thirty days from the date so fixed, and no person will be permitted to gain or exercise any right whatever under any settlement or occupation begun prior to such date, and all such settlement and occupation are hereby forbidden.

**In Witness Whereof**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

[SEAL.]                      DONE at the City of Washington this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September,  
in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and  
ten, and of the Independence of the United States the  
one hundred and thirty-fifth.

WM H TAFT

By the President:

ALVEY A. ADEE

*Acting Secretary of State.*

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