

July 26, 1902.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

A PROCLAMATION.

Preamble.
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Whereas, it is provided by section twenty-four of the Act of Congress, approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled, "An act to repeal timber-culture laws, and for other purposes", "That the President of the United States may, from time to time, set apart and reserve, in any State or Territory having public land bearing forests, in any part of the public lands wholly or in part covered with timber or undergrowth, whether of commercial value or not, as public reservations, and the President shall, by public proclamation, declare the establishment of such reservations and the limits thereof";

And whereas, the public lands in the Territory of New Mexico, within the limits hereinafter described, are in part covered with timber, and it appears that the public good would be promoted by setting apart and reserving said lands as a public reservation;

Forest reserve, New
Mexico.

Now, Therefore, I, THEODORE ROOSEVELT, President of the United States, by virtue of the power in me vested by section twenty-four of the aforesaid Act of Congress, do hereby make known and proclaim that there is hereby reserved from entry or settlement and set apart as a Public Reservation all those certain tracts, pieces or parcels of land lying and being situate in the Territory of New Mexico and particularly described as follows, to wit:

Description.

Township seven (7) South, Ranges eleven (11) and twelve (12) East, New Mexico Principal Meridian, New Mexico; sections thirteen (13) to thirty-six (36), both inclusive, Township seven (7) South, Range thirteen (13) East; Township seven (7) South, Ranges fourteen (14) and fifteen (15) East; Sections thirteen (13) to thirty-six (36), both inclusive, Township seven (7) South, Ranges sixteen (16) and seventeen (17) East; Township eight (8) South, Ranges eleven (11) and twelve (12) East; Sections one (1) to ten (10), both inclusive, and fifteen (15) to eighteen (18), both inclusive, Township eight (8) South, Range thirteen (13) East; Sections one (1) to twenty (20), both inclusive, and the North half of Sections twenty-nine (29) and thirty (30), Township

eight (8) South, Range fourteen (14) East; Township eight (8) South, Ranges fifteen (15), sixteen (16) and seventeen (17) East; Township nine (9) South, Ranges ten (10), eleven (11) and twelve (12) East; Township nine (9) South, Range seventeen (17) East; Township ten (10) South, Ranges nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11) and twelve (12) East; Sections seventeen (17) to twenty (20), both inclusive, and twenty-nine (29) to thirty-two (32), both inclusive, Township ten (10) South, Range thirteen (13) East; Township eleven (11) South, Range nine and one-half (9½) East; all of Township eleven (11) South, Range ten (10) East, which is not included in the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation; Sections five (5) to eight (8), both inclusive, Sections seventeen (17) to twenty (20), both inclusive, and Sections twenty-nine (29) to thirty-two (32), both inclusive, Township eleven (11) South, Range thirteen (13) East; Township twelve (12) South, Range ten (10) East; Township thirteen (13) South, Ranges ten (10) and eleven (11) East.

Excepting from the force and effect of this proclamation all lands which may have been, prior to the date hereof, embraced in any legal entry or covered by any lawful filing duly of record in the proper United States Land Office, or upon which any valid settlement has been made pursuant to law, and the statutory period within which to make entry or filing of record has not expired: *Provided*, that this exception shall not continue to apply to any particular tract of land unless the entryman, settler or claimant continues to comply with the law under which the entry, filing or settlement was made.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all persons not to make settlement upon the lands reserved by this proclamation.

The reservation hereby established shall be known as The Lincoln Forest Reserve.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this 26th day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two, and of [SEAL.] the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-seventh.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

By the President:

DAVID J. HILL,
Acting Secretary of State.

Lands excepted.

Reserved from settlement.

The Lincoln Forest Reserve.