

December 8, 1906.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

A PROCLAMATION.

El Morro National Monument, N. Mex. Preamble. *Ante*, p. 226.

Whereas, it is provided by section two of the Act of Congress, approved June 8, 1906, entitled, "An act for the preservation of American antiquities", "That the President of the United States is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to declare by public proclamation historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest that are situated upon the lands owned or controlled by the Government of the United States to be national monuments, and may reserve as a part thereof parcels of land, the limits of which in all cases shall be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected";

And whereas, the rocks known as El Morro and Inscription Rock in the Territory of New Mexico, situated upon public lands owned by the United States, are of the greatest historical value and it appears that the public good would be promoted by setting aside said rocks as a national monument with as much land as may be necessary for the proper protection thereof;

Now, therefore, I, THEODORE ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by section two of the aforesaid Act of Congress, do hereby set aside as the El Morro National Monument the rocks aforesaid and for the proper protection thereof do hereby reserve from settlement, entry or other disposal, all those certain tracts, pieces or parcels of land lying and being situate in the Territory of New Mexico, and within the boundaries particularly described as follows, to wit:

National monument, New Mexico.

The south half of the north-east quarter and the north half of the south-east quarter of section six, township nine north, range fourteen west, New Mexico Meridian, as shown upon the map hereto attached and made a part of this proclamation.

Description.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all persons not to appropriate, excavate, injure or destroy said monument or to settle upon any of the lands reserved by this proclamation.

Reserved from settlement, etc.

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 8th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-first.

[SEAL.]

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

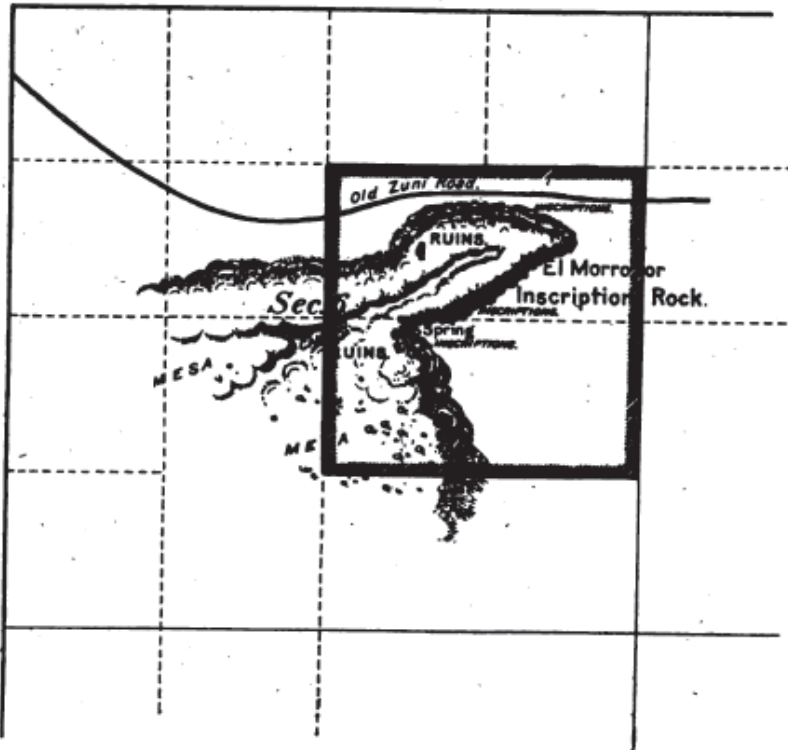
By the President:  
ELIHU ROOT  
*Secretary of State.*

**EL MORRO NATIONAL MONUMENT,**

Embracing the S.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  and N.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 6,  
T. 9 N., R. 14 W., New Mexico Meridian,

**NEW MEXICO,**

Containing 160 acres.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
GENERAL LAND OFFICE,  
Wm. A. Richards, Commissioner.

[MAP ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THE PROCLAMATION  
DATED DECEMBER 8, 1906]