

# KIT CARSON MONUMENT

Santiago E. Campos U.S. Courthouse, Santa Fe, NM

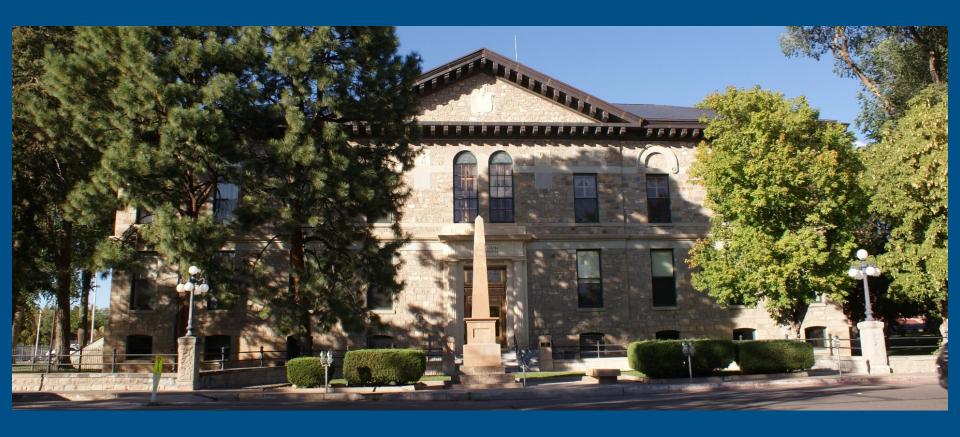
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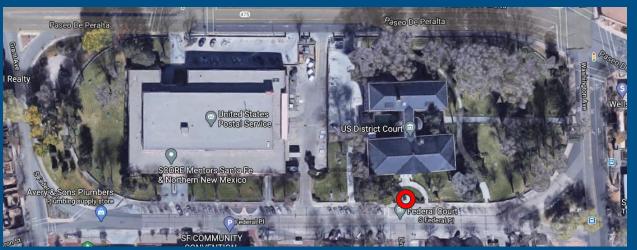
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# Agenda

- 01 Welcome and Purpose
- 02 Who is GSA
- 03 History of the Monument
- 04 Engagement & Consultation
- 05 Potential Options
- **06** Public Comments
- 07 Next Steps
- 08 Closing/Adjournment









# HISTORY OF THE KIT CARSON MONUMENT

#### TIMELINE:

- The Federal Oval and downtown Santa Fe have a long indigenous history that extends before European contact
- 1855, NM Territory begins construction of a territorial capitol but remains unfinished due, in part, to the Civil War
- 1885, Grand Army of the Republic monument dedication ceremony held on Memorial Day
- 1889, Courthouse completed
- 1954, GAR conveyed assets to the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War



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#### RECENT TIMELINE:

- 1997-2001, in response to deterioration of the monument GSA undertook a conservation assessment and conserved portions of the monument
- June 2020, the monument had been repeatedly tagged with graffiti in conjunction with protests; in response a protective plywood barrier was installed
- August 2023, the top 3 blocks of the obelisk were forcibly removed
- October 2023, the monument is conveyed to the GSA by SUVCW

















August 2023

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#### TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT:

- December 2023, In-Person Gov to Gov Tribal Listening Session
- January 2024, Virtual Gov to Gov
   Tribal Listening Session
- May 2024, Site Documentation
   Study Tribal Coordination Meetings

#### **SECTION 106 CONSULTATION:**

 May 2024, Virtual Initial Consulting Party Meeting



# POTENTIAL OPTIONS UNDER CONSIDERATION

#### PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED:

- No Action (retain onsite in its current state, covered and protected)
- Retain All or Portions Onsite with
   Interpretation removing the barrier and tarp
- Relocate the Monument for public display at another outdoor publicly accessible venue or inside a building
- Disassembly and Storage
- Restoration in Place



# KIT CARSON MONUMENT PUBLIC COMMENTS

#### PARTICIPANT ENGAGEMENT:

- 2 hours allocated for this virtual meeting
- All microphones are muted due to anticipated number of participants
- Please respect other participants views and comments
- Participants are encouraged to type questions or comments in the Q&A box
- Participants will be called to speak in the order of registration for this meeting
- May limit time per speaker



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#### **NEXT STEPS:**

- GSA has not made a decision on the future of the monument
- Continuing Section 106 consultation
- Updates will be available on the GSA Kit Carson website
- NEPA analysis
- Deadline for submitting comments,
   August 17, 2024





Submit Written Comments via:

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OR

General Services Administration Regional Historic Preservation Officer Design & Construction Division 819 Taylor Street, 11th Floor Fort Worth, TX 76102

# **ADJOURN**

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