

TAOS INDIANS—BLUE LAKE

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U.S. SENATE,
SUBCOMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS OF THE
COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to recess, at 10 a.m., in room 3110, Senate Office Building, Senator Lee Metcalf presiding.

Present: Senators Lee Metcalf of Montana, Clinton P. Anderson of New Mexico, and Clifford P. Hansen of Wyoming.

Also present: Jerry T. Verkler, staff director; James H. Gamble, professional staff member; and E. Lewis Reid, minority counsel.

Senator METCALF. The subcommittee will be in order.

This is a resumption of the hearings on H.R. 3306, S. 1624, and S. 1625. Our first witness this morning is Mr. William C. Schaab, an attorney from Albuquerque, N. Mex. Mr. Schaab, we are pleased to have you with us. You go right ahead in your own manner.

STATEMENT OF WILLIAM C. SCHAAB, ATTORNEY AT LAW, ALBUQUERQUE, N. MEX.

Mr. SCHAAB. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I certainly appreciate the opportunity to appear before the committee this morning. When I was in Albuquerque I prepared a statement that I had intended to deliver and I filed it with the clerk of the committee.

However, I think it would be more responsive to the needs of the committee, as the evidence indicated yesterday, if I did not read the statement but simply leave it as part of the record and give an extemporaneous summary of the rather lengthy statement that as attorney I have prepared on behalf of the Pueblo.

It consists of a memorandum of approximately 50 pages, a copy of which has been made available to each member of the committee, and the various supporting documents, more than 100 exhibits, which I believe contain all of the principal documentation of the long history of the claim.

Senator METCALF. Thank you very much. Your statement will be incorporated in the record at this point and then we are delighted that you are going to answer some of the questions that have come up in the hearing and you go ahead in your own manner.

The committee desires your help and your assistance.

Mr. SCHAAB. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.

(The statement referred to follows:)