

PETITION AGAINST THE MOUNT GRAHAM TELESCOPES

Petition to:

- University of Arizona, University of Ohio, University of Minnesota
- the Italian Government and Arcetri Observatory
- the German Government & Max Planck Institute
- Pope John Paul II
- U.S. Congress

Dzil Nchaa Si An, a.k.a. Mount Graham, in Arizona is the sole habitat for the Mt. Graham red squirrel - a highly endangered species. Furthermore, Dzil Nchaa Si An is of extreme importance to the San Carlos Apache people. The Mt. Graham Riders passed in 1988 and 1996 in the U.S. Congress should be repealed. The riders' exemption of the application of the Endangered Species Act and other environmental laws, as well as their exemption of the American Indian Religious Freedom Act and other cultural protection laws, has never been justified and is totally unacceptable. These riders and the construction of telescopes on Dzil Nchaa Si An are an insult to the San Carlos Apache people, their traditions and beliefs.

Peer-reviewed studies have shown far superior telescope sites exist elsewhere in the United States. Poor visibility and bad weather make the site a bad choice.

The telescope project has become an international outrage. Therefore, we demand that the Mt. Graham riders be repealed, and that construction of the telescope complex on Dzil Nchaa Si An be stopped and relocated immediately.

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