

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service – Arizona Ecological Services Field Office (AESO)

Geographic Leads for Tribes in Arizona

Below is a list of tribes in Arizona and the AESO “geographic lead” personnel for each tribe. Geographic leads are the primary staff-level contact for Endangered Species Act (ESA) section 7 consultations (§7), technical assistance, habitat conservation planning, safe harbor agreements, and conservation initiatives for a given area. The geographic lead is the person the tribe or agency operating within the reservation will typically contact first. For Federal actions outside the reservation that affect tribal resources or rights, other FWS personnel may be serving as the geographic lead (e.g., on BLM land). Other AESO personnel may be the “species lead” for actions under the ESA such as listing, critical habitat designation and recovery. In situations where there are multiple leads on an action that may affect tribal lands, resources or rights, the geographic lead will coordinate with the other leads, for their assistance. For general tribal coordination, please contact John Nystedt, AESO Tribal Coordinator.

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Ak Chin Indian Community	Mike Martinez
Chemehuevi Tribe	Lesley Fitzpatrick (§7 consultation)
Cocopah Tribe	Lesley Fitzpatrick (§7)
Colorado River Indian Tribes	Lesley Fitzpatrick (§7)
Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	Greg Beatty
Fort Mohave Indian Tribe	Lesley Fitzpatrick (§7)
Gila River Indian Community	Mike Martinez
Havasupai Tribe	John Nystedt
Hopi Tribe	John Nystedt
Hualapai Tribe	John Nystedt
Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians	John Nystedt
Navajo Nation	John Nystedt
Pascua Yaqui Tribe	Jeff Servoss
Quechan Tribe	Lesley Fitzpatrick (§7)
Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community	Greg Beatty
San Carlos Apache Tribe	John Nystedt
San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe	John Nystedt
Tohono O’Odham Nation	Jeff Servoss
Tonto Apache Tribe	John Nystedt
White Mountain Apache Tribe	John Nystedt
Yavapai Apache Tribe	John Nystedt
Yavapai-Prescott Tribe	John Nystedt

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