

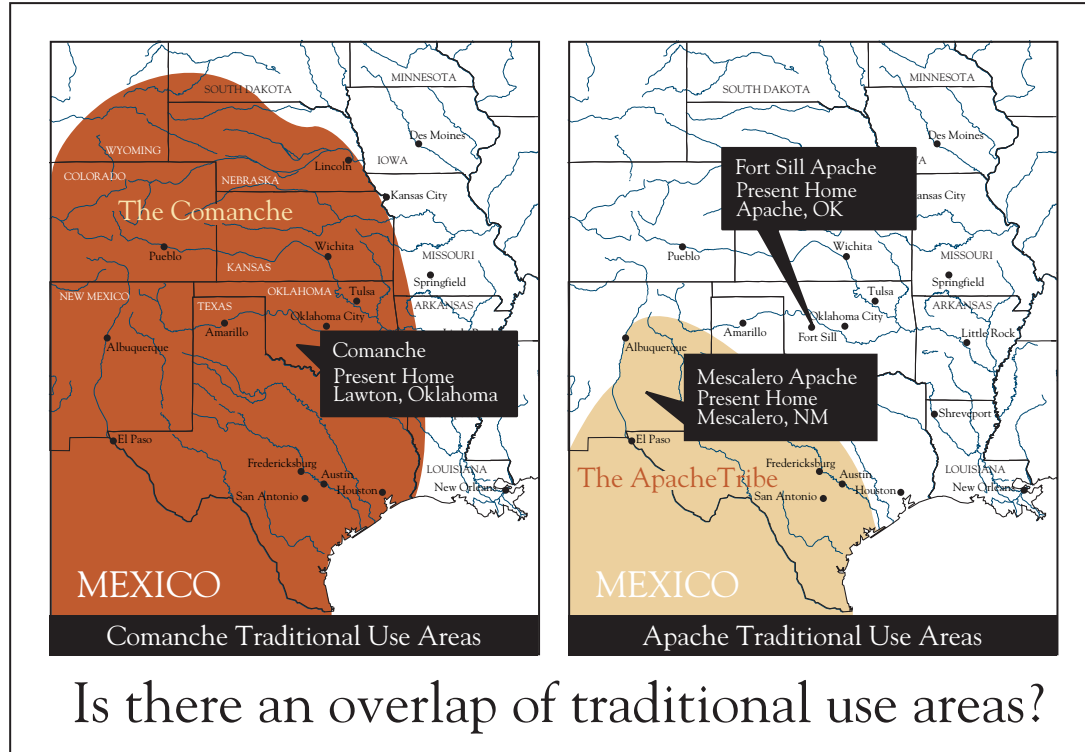
Stories of Land-use & Lifeways



Modern bison
(*Bison bison*)



Southern Plains
Brush House



Group of teepees on hillside near Mescalero agency in the early days.



Agave



Yucca



Mesquite



Atlatl dart shaft

Atlatl dart point

Atlatl throwing stick



Clovis 11,600-11,000 years ago
Folsom 10,900-10,200 years ago
Plainview 10,500-10,000 years ago
Eden 9,600-8,600 years ago



Jay 8,000-6,800 years ago
San Jose 5,500-3,500 years ago
Augustin 4,400-3,400 years ago
Pedernales 4,500-3,000 years ago
Palmillas 4,500-3,000 years ago
San Pedro 3,000-1,500 years ago



Three Rivers Red on Terracotta
Chupadero Black on White
El Paso Polychrome
Perdiz 1,200-200 years ago
Fresno 1,200-200 years ago

Harrell 750-400 years ago
Metal 300 years ago-present



PALEOINDIAN – 8,000-12,000 years ago
Big Game Hunters
Numerous Paleoindian kill sites (places where animals are killed and butchered) and campsites have been found in southeastern New Mexico. Most are along the Llano Estacado and the Guadalupe Mountains. The Clovis (Blackwater Draw Locality 1) and Milnesand sites north, west, and south of Portales near the Llano Estacado; Burnet Cave west of Carlsbad and the Lusk Ranch site northeast of Carlsbad; and Hermit's Cave in the Guadalupe Mountains are but a few of the better-known examples of Paleoindian sites.

ARCHAIC – 1,700-8,000 years ago
Nomadic Hunters and Gatherers
Archaic-age sites have been found in many of the same places that Paleoindian sites have been found. For example, Archaic-age deposits representing kill sites and camps have been found near water sources on the plains (Blackwater Draw, Rattlesnake Draw), along the Pecos River (sites in the vicinity of Brantley and Avalon reservoirs), near the Waste Isolation Pilot Project (WIPP) site near Carlsbad, and from dry cave sites in the Guadalupe Mountains.

CERAMIC 500-1,700 years ago
Farmers
Notable Eastern Jornada Mogollon sites and clusters of sites in southeastern New Mexico include the Bloom Mound and Henderson sites on the Rio Hondo west of Roswell, the Mescalero Sands District sites east of Roswell, the Red Tank site east of Roswell, various components of the Monument Springs site south of Hobbs, and the upper level of Hermit's Cave west of Carlsbad.

PROTOHISTORIC 300-500 years ago
Nomadic Hunters and Gatherers
The Garnsey site southeast of Roswell, a location where bison were killed on many different occasions between around A.D.1450 and A.D.1600, is one of the notable protohistoric sites in the region.

HISTORIC 300-50 years ago
Settlers

Archaeological Sites

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