

Dear Chairman Rambler,

I wish to comment on the letter from an anonymous writer that appeared in a local newspaper and was reprinted by the Apache Messenger with your response in its June 26, 2013 edition. The letter writer uses the Tribal Council's opposition to the Resolution Copper proposed land exchange as a platform to direct hateful and disrespectful language at the Tribe and its leadership. I found the letter to be offensive and unfortunate.

There is no room in civil society for such discourse. I assure you that Resolution Copper in no way shares the opinions of this anonymous writer and had no involvement whatsoever in the development of the letter. It is divisive and in no way constructive to the debate.

We recognize and respect the position your Tribal Council has taken with respect to the land exchange. Like you, we hope all of those involved in the debate on both sides can, using your words, "rise above the negativity." We are committed to doing everything we can to maintain a respectful and constructive dialogue.

We look forward to the opportunity in coming months, as the land exchange bill is further debated in Congress and the comprehensive permitting process under NEPA begins, to more fully address our differences and the concerns you have raised about the project.

As always, I am available to discuss these issues further with you if you choose, but remain mindful and respectful of your desires for Government to Government consultation.

Sincerely

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