RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION

Taos Archaeological Society This form must be read and signed by each person participating in any field trip activity of the Taos Archaeological Society (“TAS”). It shall be retained by the TAS secretary. A “field trip” is defined as any outdoor activity which is sponsored, arranged or conducted by or under the auspices of TAS, including trips taken on foot or by vehicle or both, and shall include a period commencing from arrival at a designated place of departure and ending upon departure from a designated place of return or termination.

1. I, the undersigned, understand and agree that a field trip may entail hazards and risks, and is therefore inherently dangerous, and that injuries are a common occurrence during certain field trips. I understand and agree that I shall voluntarily assume all risks of personal injury or death to myself, and of damage to my property; and I fully release TAS, its officers, directors, agents, members, field trip leaders and assistant leaders, successors and assigns (the “Releasees”), from any and all liability for such injury, death or property damage occurring during or arising from any field trip. Further, I agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees or any of them from and against any claim, action, suit, administrative proceeding, damage or loss, including reasonable attorneys’ fees, which they or any of them may suffer or incur by reason of any act or omission of mine occurring during my participation in any field trip.

2. I acknowledge that I shall embark upon each field trip voluntarily and of my own volition, without inducement. I am fully aware that a field trip may traverse steep, slippery and uneven terrain at high altitudes. I am aware of my own physical limitations, and I agree not to attempt to exceed them.

3. I agree to adhere to and abide by the rules, regulations, directives and guidelines set forth or enunciated by TAS, its officials, field trip leaders and assistant leaders regarding my conduct, and I further agree not to knowingly place the safety of myself or others at risk, while participating in any field trip.

4. I agree to wear such sunscreen, insect repellent, clothing, gloves, headgear and footwear as may be appropriate for my protection against sunburn, heat exhaustion and stroke, hypothermia, all forms of precipitation, lightning strike, snakebite and other hazards, both natural and man-made, and I accept full responsibility for provisioning myself with food, water, medical supplies, flashlight, matches, maps, compass, and such other gear as may be appropriate for any field tip in which I participate. Further, I accept full responsibility for the consequences of my loss of direction or separation from trip leaders.

5. This release and indemnification shall be binding upon my heirs, successors and assigns. I have read this form in its entirety and I fully understand its terms and conditions.

Activity: _____________________________________________________

Signature: ____________________________________________  Date:  _______________________

Print Name: Person to contact, in case of Emergency: ___________________________  Phone: _________________________
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- I acknowledge that I have been given the opportunity to participate in a field trip and that I have been advised that I may decline to participate in any portion of the trip. ______(initial)

- I further acknowledge that I have been advised that there are hazards to be faced as with all physical activity, and by the nature of this field trip in which I have chosen to participate, the potential definitely exists for personal injury to me. ______ (initial)

- I am not now, nor will I be under the influence of any chemical substance which might impair my judgment or performance. I freely and voluntarily participate. I hereby waive and release all rights and claims against Taos Archaeological Society (TAS) and its’ agents for any and all injuries or damages suffered by me in participating in this program. ______(initial)

- I understand that if I drive my own motor vehicle(s) to and from the site or during the program day from location to location, that I am responsible for my own acts and for the safety and security of my own vehicle and all my personal belongings therein: and that I do not become, solely as the result of such driving, TAS’s employee or agent. ______(initial)

- By my signature below and initials above, I hereby agree to and fully understand all of the above agreements. I waive liability and accept responsibility for myself during this field trip.

- I acknowledge and add $10 donation, check preferred, for TAS multi-day trips. The wrangler will be collecting this donation which will be given to the treasurer of TAS in a timely fashion.

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST AGREE TO TERMINATION OF THEIR PARTICIPATION ENTIRELY AT THE DISCRETION OF THE WRANGLER AT ANY POINT DURING THE TRIP. THIS TERMINATION IS NONNEGOTIABLE AND BY UNDERSIGNING BELOW, THE PARTICIPANT AGREES TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS STIPULATION.