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View south along Huerfano River valley toward Blanca Peak, one of the over-14,000-ft. peaks in the Sangre de Cristo Range. Photograph by Mark Hudson/USGS

“The creator placed Navajo people within the four sacred mountains. Everything we do, whether it’s legal signing of legislation, contracts, whatnot, it all happens within the four sacred mountains. And each of these mountains provides teachings and guidance to our people. All of our kids, all of our children, they know about the four sacred mountains, and it’s depicted in our flags, in the things that we do, things that we produce, every literature that we have depicts the four sacred mountains and the locations of those.”

- Navajo (Diné) Nation President Russell Begaye (2015-2018)