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We need your help to save Apache & Gila Trout in Arizona!

Dear friend and fellow conservationist:

Have you ever caught and released an Apache Trout? How about a Gila? Thrilling, isn't it? And when you realize they're the only two Arizona native trout species, it makes you extra-grateful they are still around.

Did you know that Apache Trout, Arizona's state fish, and Gila Trout are threatened species and were once nearly extinct? Or that the White Mountain Apache Tribe protected Apache Trout and declared them endangered decades before the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) existed?

By the 1950s, the White Mountain Apache Tribe realized the Apache trout stream range had shrunk to about 30 miles, existing in only a few places on the Fort Apache Reservation. In 1955, fearing Apache Trout extinction, the tribe closed Mt. Baldy, prohibiting fishing on its head-water streams.

In 1966, the EPA listed Apache Trout as endangered. In 1975, they were down listed to threatened. Apache trout are now returning to their place in the legacy of Arizona's unique, native fish resources. But we must not take them for granted.

Gila Trout are one of the rarest trout species in the United States. Gila Trout were listed endangered in 1967 and down listed to threatened in 2006. But Gila Trout have only four streams in Arizona with pure populations.

We need to get Apache Trout and Gila Trout off the threatened list. To do so, we need to establish 30 habitats of self-sustaining populations. And we need **your help** to do it.

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Do your part and make a gift to the Zane Grey TU Chapter. Together, we can help the Arizona Game & Fish Department, the US Forest Service, the US Fish & Wildlife Service, the White Mountain Apache Tribe and others reestablish Apache Trout and Gila Trout habitat and remove both species from the "Threatened List."

Let's make the Apache Trout and Gila Trout the first species to be delisted!

Sincerely,

Alan Davis
President
Zane Grey Chapter
Trout Unlimited

P.S. No fish species has been removed from the Endangered List that did not go extinct. Together, we can change that!

I will help restore Arizona's Apache & Gila Trout habitats!

My tax-deductible gift is enclosed:

\$50 \$100 \$150 \$250 \$Other

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**Thank You for Supporting Zane Grey Trout Unlimited's Initiative to Save
Arizona's Apache Trout and Gila Trout!**

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