



A **free** day long workshop on *The Care and Preservation of Oversize Paper Artifacts* sponsored by the Center for Southwest Research, University of New Mexico and the New Mexico Historical Records Advisory Board.

The goal of this workshop is to target archival and records repositories, municipalities and Native American communities in New Mexico who retain large-scale materials, but have little training on how to care, store and preserve these unique and physically challenging materials.

Objective: This will be a one day workshop. The format will be a series of lectures with time for questions and discussion. Additionally, a "clinic" is scheduled, during which participants will have the opportunity to show and ask advice about examples from their own collections.

The topics of the workshop will include the following:

- \*The basics of preventive care for paper collections in general including causes of deterioration and acceptable storage and handling practices

- \*Special problems posed by large format paper objects: sheet materials such as maps and posters and large volumes like atlases and scrapbooks

- \*Case histories of institutions that have processed and housed large collections of oversized plans

- \* Treatment of oversized artifacts: what you can do in house and when to call a conservator and how to work with a conservator. A case history of the treatment of a large object, for example a large hanging map, will be included.

**Date:** Tuesday, March 16, 2010

**Time:** 9:00am-4:30 pm

**Host:** The Center for Southwest Research, University of New Mexico

**Place:** Zimmerman Library, Room B30  
1 University of New Mexico  
Albuquerque, NM

**How to apply (Deadline for application, February 5, 2010):** Please send an e mail request to attend the workshop to Audra Bellmore, Curator, The John Gaw Meem Archives of Southwestern Architecture, Center for Southwest Research [abellmor@unm.edu](mailto:abellmor@unm.edu). As this is a free workshop and space is limited, the first 35 requests for attendance will be honored. You will be notified by e mail of your acceptance.

The need for this workshop was brought forth at the first meeting of the **NM COPAR** (Cooperative for the Care and Preservation of Architectural Records) in 2007. A short meeting of NM COPAR will immediately follow the workshop for those that would like to attend and be a part of this group in the future.