Any action of man on land, stays recorded for long in the South-West. In no other region of this country does the presence of the sun play such significant role in the ecology of land, arid and eroded, with an exceptional clarity of the night skies, forming notions of extra terrestrial importance in the minds of its inhabitants. The landscape, by its dimension and by its geometric and textural variety, inspires man to create harmonious structures, dwellings and other earth works. Significantly, the exercise of one of the most advanced scientific disciplines, the Very Large Array (VLA) radio telescope system, utilizes these conditions and has also inspired creations of profoundly meditative pieces of land art based upon geo-observations and other events related to the position of stars.

"The West" is a video environment, involving situations where human expression results in the marking of earth by building dwellings and ceremonial structures, creating works of art and developing scientific instruments of landscape proportions.

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