



**OCOTILLO WELLS**  
STATE VEHICULAR RECREATION AREA  
General Plan



# WORKING PAPER #4 - DRAFT PLANNING ALTERNATIVES

Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan Update and EIR

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# 1

## INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Chapter 1 introduces the purpose and contents of Working Paper #4 and provides an overview of the General Plan Update process.

Chapter 1 includes:

- Report Focus
- Location of Ocotillo Wells SVRA
- Overview of General Plan Update Process

## REPORT FOCUS

This working paper presents a “Parkwide Planning Framework” and “Area-Specific Planning Alternatives” that are being considered as part of the Ocotillo Wells State Vehicular Recreation Area (SVRA) General Plan update process. The Parkwide Planning Framework provides a comprehensive approach to evaluate management decisions that affect visitor experience and recreation opportunities; interpretation and education; park use and operations; and natural, physical, and cultural resource management for all of Ocotillo Wells SVRA. The Area-Specific Planning Alternatives highlight a range of potential management policies that are being considered for specific areas of Ocotillo Wells SVRA. The Area-Specific Planning Alternatives allow a tailored management approach to best fit the character and needs of each area. Together, the Parkwide Planning Framework and Area-Specific Planning Alternatives allow different management options to be considered before developing and adopting an updated General Plan for Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

The Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan update will establish a benchmark for managers, staff, and the public to evaluate decisions about Ocotillo Wells SVRA over the long term. It will guide future and day-to-day decision-making, and serve as the basis for developing focused feasibility and management plans, planning and implementing projects, and other management actions. The current General Plan was developed by California State Parks, Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division, Ocotillo Wells District in 1982 following the designation of Ocotillo Wells as an SVRA in 1976. The General Plan update will reflect changing conditions and issues, and will incorporate lands acquired by Ocotillo Wells SVRA after 1982.

## LOCATION OF OCOTILLO WELLS SVRA

Ocotillo Wells SVRA is located a few miles from the western shore of the Salton Sea, in the western Colorado Desert in Southern California. It is approximately 90 miles northeast of the city of San Diego near the intersection of State Route (SR) 78 and SR-86. The community of Ocotillo Wells is adjacent to Ocotillo Wells SVRA on the south, and the community of Salton City is adjacent to the east. Figure 1 shows the regional location of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

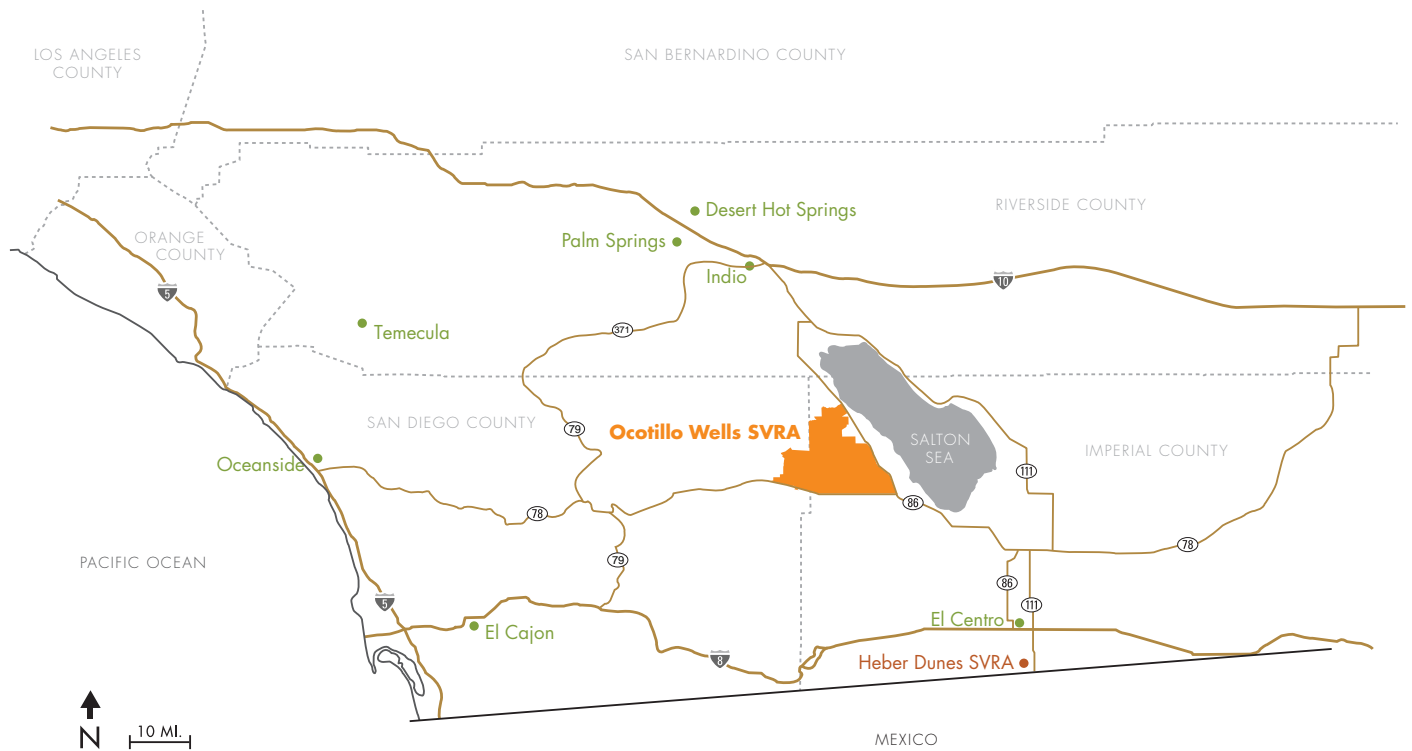
## ABOUT OCOTILLO WELLS SVRA

Ocotillo Wells SVRA is the largest SVRA in the California State Parks system, with more than 85,000 acres of expansive desert managed by the California State Parks OHMVR Division, Ocotillo Wells District. Ocotillo Wells SVRA is a popular place for residents of Southern California and beyond to engage in a variety of recreational activities, including off-highway vehicle (OHV) recreation, camping, hiking, and geocaching. Visitors of all ages come to Ocotillo Wells SVRA to enjoy the off-highway recreational opportunities, experience the scenic beauty of the desert, discover its diverse natural resources, and learn about the rich history of those who used the land in the past.

### State Vehicular Recreation Areas (SVRAs)

are off-highway vehicle (OHV) parks that are operated by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division of California State Parks. OHVs are land vehicles licensed for off-highway operation, such as all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), off-highway motorcycles, or licensed vehicles being operated off-highway; like jeeps, sport utility vehicles (SUVs), and 4-wheel-drive trucks. More information about SVRAs and the OHMVR Division of California State Parks can be found at [ohv.parks.ca.gov](http://ohv.parks.ca.gov).

FIGURE 1: REGIONAL LOCATION OF OCOTILLO WELLS SVRA



### OVERVIEW OF GENERAL PLAN UPDATE PROCESS

This working paper builds on work that has already been completed since a comprehensive update of the General Plan for Ocotillo Wells SVRA was initiated in January 2010. Opportunities for public input will be created by the Ocotillo Wells District in conjunction with the publication of this working paper. Input will be considered in the next steps of developing a preferred alternative and creating a preliminary version of the General Plan.

The following is a description of the Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan update project’s website and previous publications that were used to develop the Parkwide Planning Framework and Area-Specific Planning Alternatives. Figure 2 illustrates the overall process and indicates individual steps of the Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan update process.

### [www.PlanOcotilloWells.org](http://www.PlanOcotilloWells.org)

The Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan update website ([www.PlanOcotilloWells.org](http://www.PlanOcotilloWells.org)) is a central resource for information about the General Plan update and provides opportunities for public input. The website also provides an overview of the General Plan update process, and makes available all of the working papers and other documents that have been published. An electronic message is sent to a list of subscribers when there are upcoming opportunities for public involvement, new working papers are published, or other information is made available. The list includes members of the public who opt-in online or during a public workshop. Interested members of the public can sign up on the project website.



## Working Paper #1 – Major Themes from Initial Public Outreach

Working Paper #1 provides a synopsis of public input received during initial public outreach efforts conducted for the General Plan update process. Public outreach included input collected through [www.PlanOcotilloWells.org](http://www.PlanOcotilloWells.org), on-site visitor interviews, online questionnaires, public workshops, and stakeholder interviews. Working Paper #1 identifies 13 major themes that emerged from these initial public outreach activities.

## Summary of Input on Preliminary Goals

This report presents a summary of public input that was received during in-person mobile workshops and an online commenting exercise to collect feedback on preliminary goals to be included in the Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan. Parkwide goals are included as part of the Parkwide Planning Framework, introduced in Chapter 2 of this working paper.

## Working Paper #2 – Existing Conditions

Working Paper #2 documents the existing land use; visitor use and recreation patterns; facilities; physical, natural, and cultural resources; and

planning influences. This information serves as a foundation for developing Parkwide Planning Framework and Area-Specific Planning Alternatives.

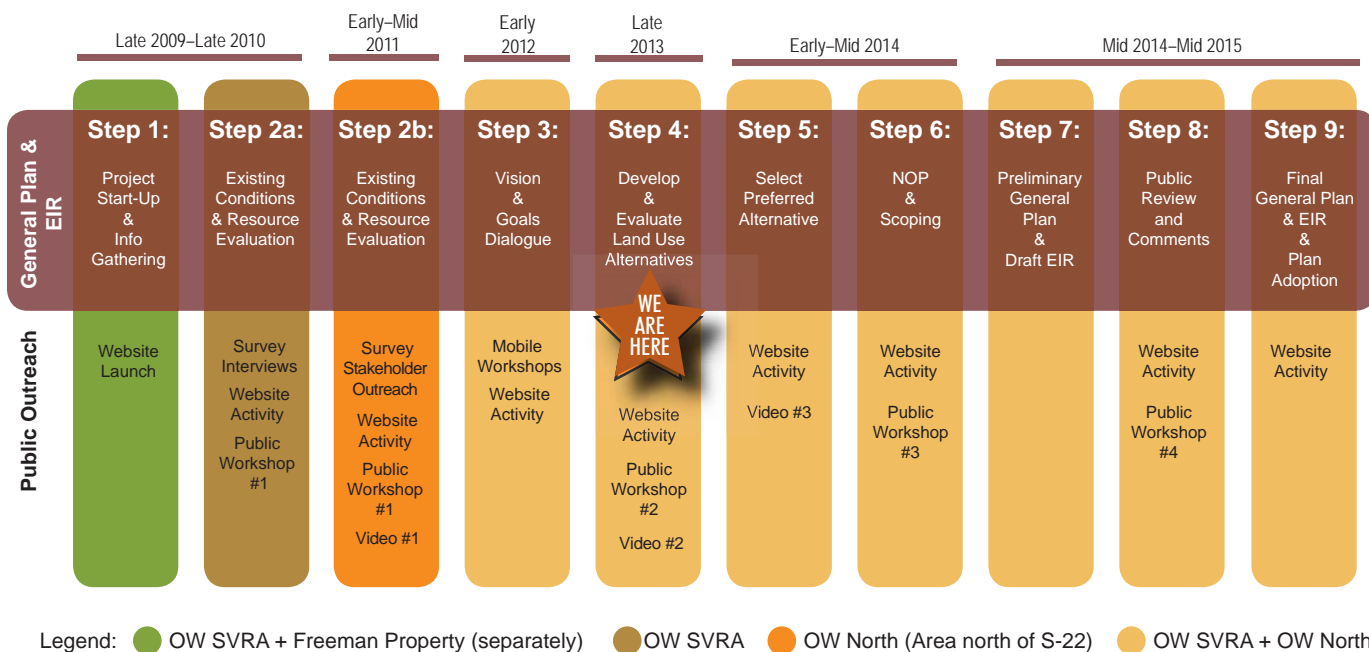
## NEXT STEPS: PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

The Parkwide Planning Framework and Area-Specific Planning Alternatives presented in this working paper are an important step in the Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan update process. They provide a starting point for a dialogue on the future of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

Visit [www.PlanOcotilloWells.org](http://www.PlanOcotilloWells.org) to stay informed of future opportunities to provide public input.

The next steps of the planning process include considering public input on this working paper, refining the Parkwide Planning Framework, and identifying a preferred alternative based on the Area-Specific Planning Alternatives. A separate Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will be prepared for the Preliminary General Plan, as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The EIR will provide an evaluation of potential environmental effects associated with implementation of the General Plan update.

FIGURE 2: OCOTILLO WELLS SVRA GENERAL PLAN UPDATE AND EIR: STEP-BY-STEP



# 2

## APPLICABILITY OF THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

Chapter 2 describes how the Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan Update process applies differently to the Planning Area and Study Area for the General Plan.

Chapter 2 includes:

- Applicability of the General Plan Update
- Land Ownership

## APPLICABILITY OF THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

A “Study Area” has been defined as part of the Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan process. The Ocotillo Wells SVRA Study Area is identified to provide a comprehensive management perspective for the Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan update. Land within the Ocotillo Wells SVRA Study Area has been identified to be within the sphere of influence for Ocotillo Wells SVRA and includes land that functions as part of, or is adjacent to, Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

The Study Area provides a realistic and unified management approach to address the complex land ownership and multiple management plans and policies.

## LAND OWNERSHIP

The pattern of land ownership in Ocotillo Wells SVRA, as with much of the desert land in California, is complex. While California State Parks owns most of the land within the boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA, there are other inholdings owned by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), California State Lands Commission (CSLC), and various private owners. Management parameters and the extent of land ownership by entities other than California State Parks are described below.

### California State Parks

Approximately 51,859 acres of land within Ocotillo Wells SVRA are owned by California State Parks. California State Parks has direct authority and management responsibility over these lands, which are the primary focus of the Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan. Lands that are acquired by California State Parks in the future will also be subject to the requirements of the Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan.

### Bureau of Land Management Lands

Approximately 21,466 acres of BLM lands are located within Ocotillo Wells SVRA. California State Parks and BLM have entered into a

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), most recently updated in 2008, that sets forth conditions concerning responsibility for managing OHV use on BLM lands within Ocotillo Wells SVRA (BLM and California State Parks 2008). The MOU does not preclude using public lands owned by BLM for purposes other than OHV recreation.

### California State Lands Commission

CSLC owns approximately 3,329 acres of land within Ocotillo Wells SVRA. CSLC has the authority and responsibility to manage and protect the important natural and cultural resources on certain public lands within the state, and the public’s rights to access these lands. CSLC retains surface and/or mineral ownership of these lands and land owned by California State Parks.

### Private Lands

Ocotillo Wells SVRA contains 8,623 acres of privately held land owned by multiple land owners. Inholdings within the central area are generally smaller than those in the eastern and northern areas of Ocotillo Wells SVRA. The extensive inholdings in the southeast corner of Ocotillo Wells SVRA are generally smaller rectangular or square lots that have been subdivided and are unimproved. In the northern areas of Ocotillo Wells SVRA, many of the properties have been subdivided into residential lots and sold to individual owners. The status of actual development intentions for these lots is uncertain. Private lands are subject to the land development regulations established by the County of San Diego and County of Imperial, (see Working Paper #2 – Existing Conditions for a further discussion of land development regulations).

### Salton City Landfill

The Salton City Landfill is located on Imperial County property within the boundaries of Ocotillo Wells SVRA; its operations preclude recreational opportunities. The Salton City Landfill obtained necessary approvals to expand operations within its existing site in 2012, and will import regional trash and recycling materials.

# Exhibit 1: Ocotillo Wells SVRA Study Area

**LEGEND**

- Ocotillo Wells SVRA Study Area Boundary

**Land Ownership**

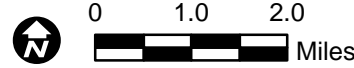
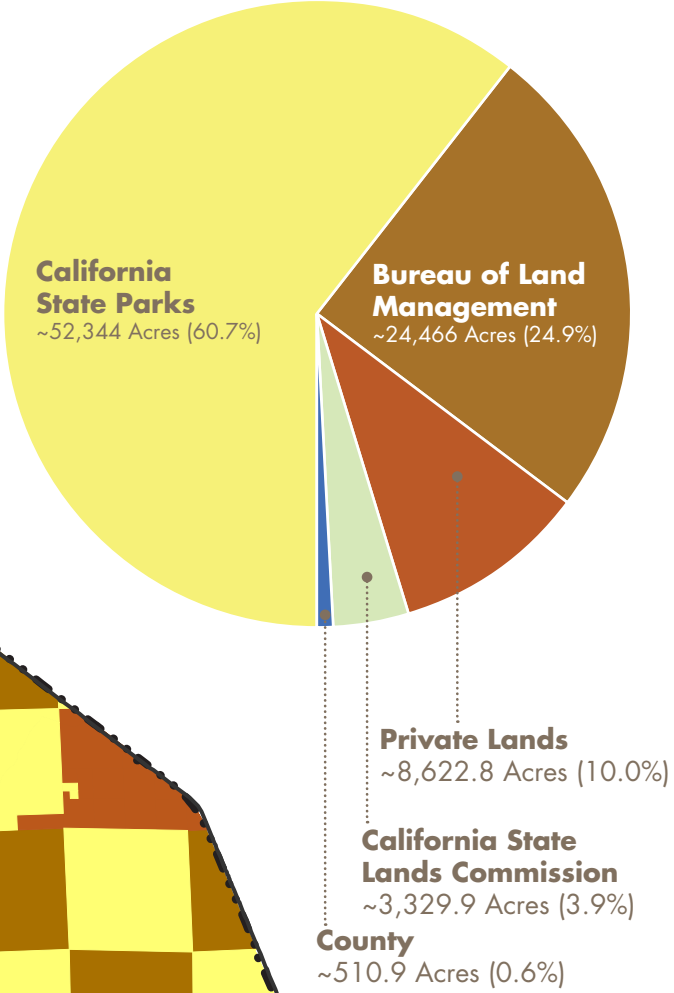
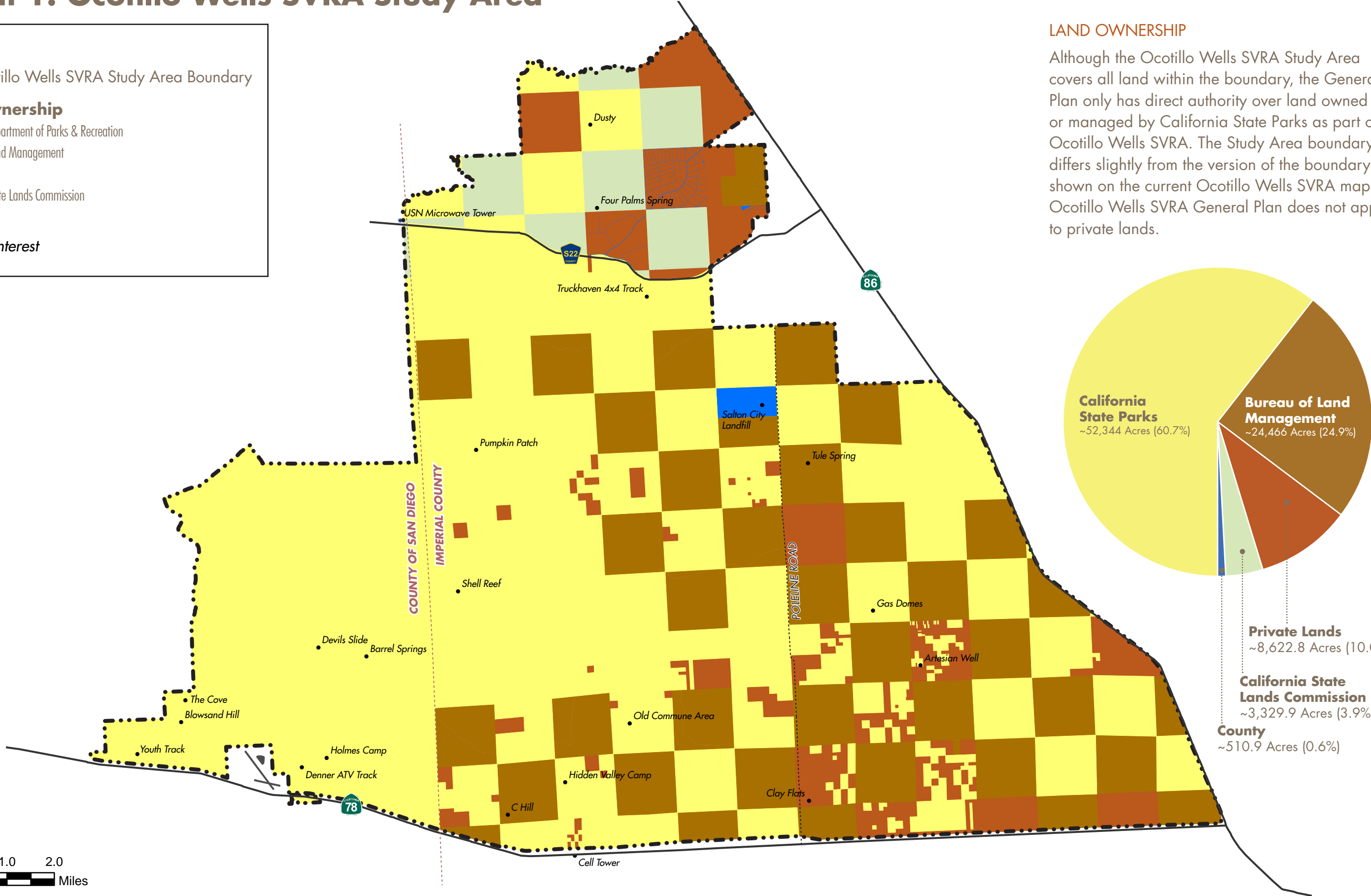
- California Department of Parks & Recreation
- Bureau of Land Management
- County
- California State Lands Commission
- Private

**Point of Interest**

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**LAND OWNERSHIP**

Although the Ocotillo Wells SVRA Study Area covers all land within the boundary, the General Plan only has direct authority over land owned or managed by California State Parks as part of Ocotillo Wells SVRA. The Study Area boundary differs slightly from the version of the boundary shown on the current Ocotillo Wells SVRA map. The Ocotillo Wells SVRA General Plan does not apply to private lands.



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## PARKWIDE PLANNING FRAMEWORK

Chapter 3 provides a comprehensive approach to evaluate decisions by establishing important policy statements that apply to all of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

Chapter 3 includes:

- Role of Parkwide Planning Framework
- The Purpose of Ocotillo Wells SVRA
- A Vision for the Future of Ocotillo Wells SVRA
- Parkwide Goals



## ROLE OF PARKWIDE PLANNING FRAMEWORK

The Parkwide Planning Framework provides a comprehensive approach to evaluate management decisions that affect visitor experience and recreation opportunities; interpretation and education offerings; park use and operations; and natural, physical, and cultural resource management for all of Ocotillo Wells SVRA. The Parkwide Planning Framework establishes the purpose of Ocotillo Wells SVRA and provides a long-term, forward-looking vision for the future of Ocotillo Wells SVRA. Parkwide goals are also included as part of the Parkwide Planning Framework, and will serve as a benchmark for future decision-making and day-to-day operations that apply parkwide to all of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

The Parkwide Planning Framework builds a foundation for the Area-Specific Planning Alternatives (Chapter 4) that highlight a range of potential management policies being considered for specific areas of Ocotillo Wells SVRA. Together, the Parkwide Planning Framework and Area-Specific Planning Alternatives allow different management options to be considered before preparing a Preliminary General Plan for Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

## THE PURPOSE OF OCOTILLO WELLS SVRA

The purpose of Ocotillo Wells SVRA is to make available OHV recreation and other day and overnight recreational opportunities; to manage and protect fragile, rare, and irreplaceable natural and cultural resources; and to interpret for visitors the recreational, physical, natural, and cultural values of the SVRA and surrounding desert.

## A VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF OCOTILLO WELLS SVRA

A land of extremes, the rugged and vast desert landscape of Ocotillo Wells SVRA offers a wide variety of adventures in riding, exploring, learning, and camping. With many returning visitors, the park encourages reconnecting with multi-generational groups of friends and family while escaping from urban life. Ocotillo Wells SVRA's vision focuses on adapting to changing uses and conditions by providing a sustainable environment for the future.

A sense of freedom and fun is the heart of the Ocotillo Wells SVRA experience. Tread Lightly!® principles encourage responsible OHV use and provide protection for Ocotillo Wells SVRA's wildlife, natural habitats, and remnants of prehistoric and historic cultures and activities. Visitor support services such as enhanced OHV opportunities, interpretation of the varied features and resources, youth training programs, visitor facilities, and ranger assistance are important reasons why many people return.



## PARKWIDE GOALS

### **Visitor Experience and Opportunities (VEO)**

*Goals for visitor experience and opportunities provide recommendations for new and improved visitor facilities and recreation opportunities, or respond to current issues and emerging trends.*

**VEO Goal 1:** Provide a balance of distributed and trails-only OHV recreation that responds to the landscape and visitor interests.

**VEO Goal 2:** Provide a range of OHV recreation opportunities that responds to diverse visitor interests, skill levels, and the continually evolving range of OHV types.

**VEO Goal 3:** Provide high-quality recreational opportunities and visitor-serving facilities that are tailored to the unique features of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

**VEO Goal 4:** Facilitate special events and group activities.

**VEO Goal 5:** Pursue public/private partnerships to better serve the visitor experience.

## PARKWIDE GOALS

### **Resource Management (RM)**

*Goals for resource management address the natural, cultural, aesthetic, and recreational resources and opportunities of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.*

**RM Goal 1:** Maintain OHV and unique recreational experiences through preserving environmental values and effective management of Ocotillo Wells SVRA's physical resources, including geologic, auditory, soil, air, water, and visual resources.

**RM Goal 2:** Manage Ocotillo Wells SVRA for protection of natural communities and the quality of the OHV recreational experience.

**RM Goal 3:** Manage Ocotillo Wells SVRA for protection of cultural resources and the quality of the OHV recreational experience.

## PARKWIDE GOALS

### **Interpretation and Education (IE)**

*Goals for interpretation and education give broad guidance on how to increase the public's understanding and appreciation of Ocotillo Wells SVRA's natural, cultural, aesthetic, and recreational resources and opportunities, and how to make education/interpretation available to everyone.*

**IE Goal 1:** Increase visitors' knowledge and enjoyment of, and appreciation for, the history of OHV use and current recreational opportunities that are unique to Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

**IE Goal 2:** Provide educational, informational, and interpretive materials that respond to the unique history, recreation opportunities, and resources at Ocotillo Wells SVRA and that meet the diverse needs of the visitor population.

**IE Goal 3:** Promote responsible OHV use in educational and interpretive programs.

**IE Goal 4:** Expand understanding of ecological relationships and heighten awareness of, and sensitivity to, human activities, past and present.

**IE Goal 5:** Promote outreach efforts and partnerships that develop and implement interpretive programming and education.

## PARKWIDE GOALS

### **Park Operations (PO)**

*Goals for park operations address public safety, visitor services, and concessions in Ocotillo Wells SVRA.*

**PO Goal 1:** Plan, manage, and maintain essential visitor and management facilities to enhance the operation of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

**PO Goal 2:** Acquire properties within or adjacent to Ocotillo Wells SVRA to enhance recreation and resource management.

**PO Goal 3:** Provide effective public safety services to park visitors.

**PO Goal 4:** Provide guidance to ensure that special events are well managed and that appropriate visitor services are available.

**PO Goal 5:** Proactively coordinate with internal and nearby landowners and project proponents to promote Ocotillo Wells SVRA goals and protect SVRA resources.

# 4

## PLANNING ZONE-SPECIFIC ALTERNATIVES

Chapter 4 defines a range of management policies that regulates OHV riding, camping, special events, facilities, and concessions in Ocotillo Wells SVRA, and explores alternative approaches to applying these policies to highlight key decisions about the future of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

Chapter 4 consists of the following:

- Introduction to Area-Specific Planning Alternatives
- Guiding Concepts
- Planning Zones
- What Is Being Managed?
- Alternatives At-a-Glance
- Area-Specific Planning Alternatives

## INTRODUCTION TO AREA-SPECIFIC PLANNING ALTERNATIVES

Area-Specific Planning Alternatives are intended to define different potential management options for Ocotillo Wells SVRA and specify a range of policies related to OHV riding and camping. These policies are presented with variations in the amount and type of planned facility development that would be permitted.

The Area-Specific Planning Alternatives consist of the following components:

- 1. Guiding Concepts:** Establish a conceptual approach as the foundation for three different alternatives.
- 2. Planning Zones:** Identify different areas of Ocotillo Wells SVRA to highlight management options for specific areas. Statements about the purpose, intent, and character of experience of the planning zone are also provided.
- 3. Alternatives-at-a-Glance:** Provides a graphic summary of the similarities and differences of the four alternatives that were developed based on each of the guiding concepts for each planning zone.
- 4. Description of Alternatives:** Summarizes the policies and permitted facilities that define the alternatives being considered for each of the planning zones.

## GUIDING CONCEPTS

Guiding concepts are used as a foundation for developing three alternatives for each planning zone. The guiding concepts are explained below.

### **Alternative 1: Legacy**

Alternative 1 reflects the existing use and current conditions within Ocotillo Wells SVRA. The current OHV riding and camping uses would continue. No substantial facility development is included as part of this alternative, but limited planned facilities are included.

### **Alternative 2: Rugged**

Alternative 2 emphasizes maintaining the unaltered, rugged character that is unique to Ocotillo Wells SVRA. Current policies would be modified with the intent of focusing OHV riding and camping in specific areas. All of the planned facilities included in Alternative 1 would be incorporated, and any additional facility development beyond that would be minimal.

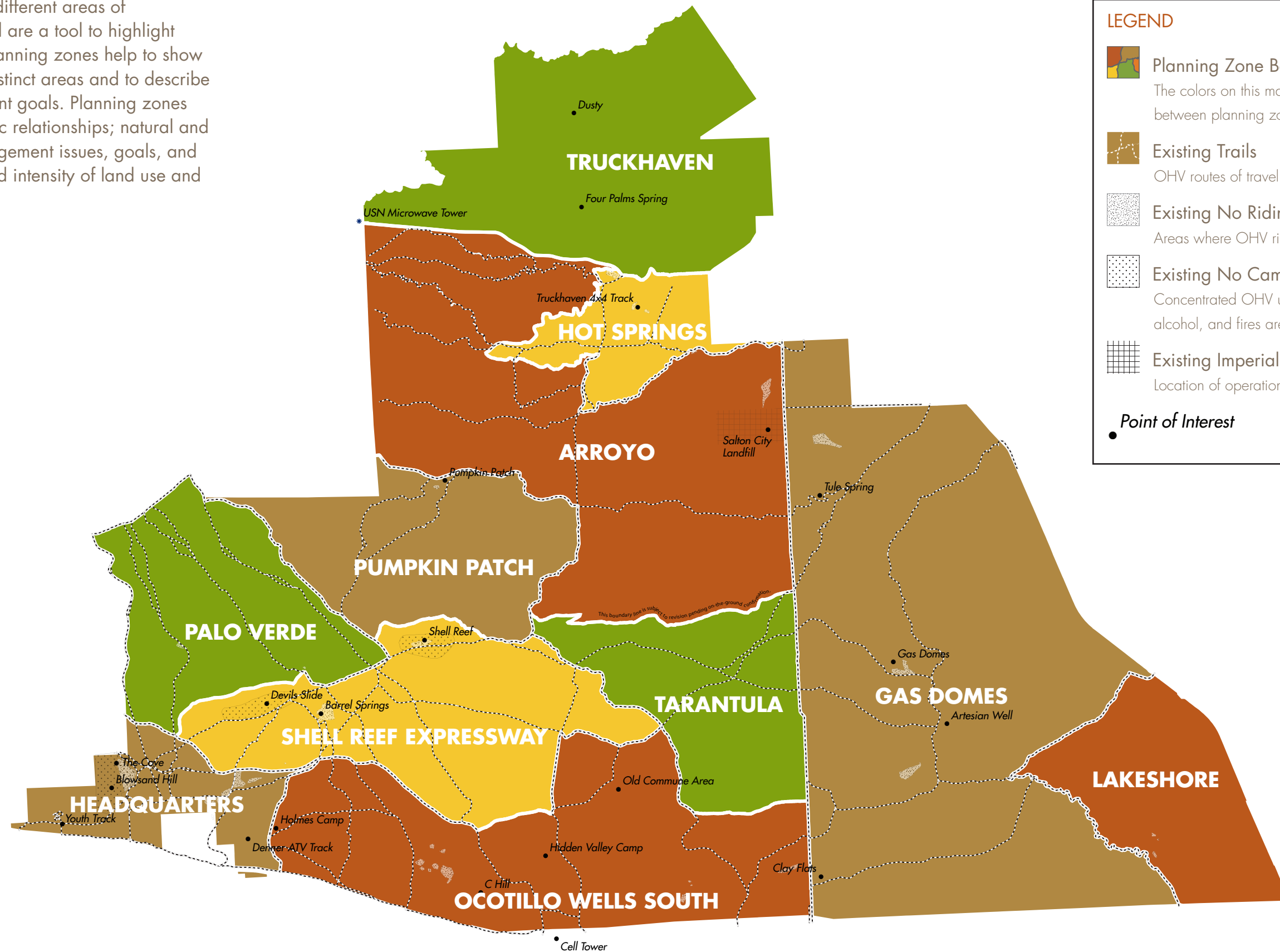
### **Alternative 3: Developed**

Alternative 3 would allow substantial facility development beyond what is included in Alternative 1. Policies would mostly remain as they are, but would change slightly to allow an expansion in developed camping and to encourage OHV riding at popular destinations.

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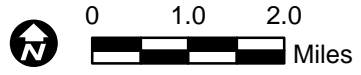
# Exhibit 2: Planning Zones

Planning zones identify different areas of Ocotillo Wells SVRA and are a tool to highlight management options. Planning zones help to show relationships between distinct areas and to describe area-specific management goals. Planning zones are based on geographic relationships; natural and cultural resources; management issues, goals, and objectives; and types and intensity of land use and recreation.



**LEGEND**

- Planning Zone Boundary**  
The colors on this map are only used to distinguish between planning zones.
- Existing Trails**  
OHV routes of travel.
- Existing No Riding Area**  
Areas where OHV riding is prohibited.
- Existing No Camping Area**  
Concentrated OHV use areas where camping, alcohol, and fires are prohibited.
- Existing Imperial County Landfill**  
Location of operational landfill.
- Point of Interest**



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# Definitions: What is Being Managed?



## TYPES OF OHV RECREATION USES

### **Distributed:**

OHV recreation that is not limited to specific trails.

Within Ocotillo Wells SVRA, any area where distributed OHV recreation is allowed is subject to park management policies, vehicle standards, and resource protection measures. This may include permanent and/or temporary closures for management purposes including restoration, conservation, and/or protection.

### **Trails Only:**

OHV recreation is allowed on specific trails only.

Within Ocotillo Wells SVRA, any area where trails only OHV recreation is allowed is subject to park management policies, vehicle standards, and resource protection measures. This may include permanent and/or temporary closures for management purposes including restoration, conservation, and/or protection.

### **Concentrated:**

Concentrated riding activity that is only allowed within a part of a planning zone. Concentrated OHV recreation is often associated with unique terrain challenges, group activity areas, or popular destination points.

Within Ocotillo Wells SVRA, any area where concentrated OHV recreation is allowed may be established, closed, or rotated in and out of use in response to recreational needs and resource management goals.



## TYPES OF CAMPING USES

### **Developed:**

Camping with visitor-serving facilities, including restrooms and showers, shade ramadas, picnic tables, and fire rings; may include recreational vehicle (RV) hookups.

### **Semi-Developed:**

Camping with limited visitor-serving facilities that may include vault toilets, shade ramadas, picnic tables, and fire rings, but no restrooms, showers, or hookups.

### **Primitive:**

Camping without any facilities or site improvements, where groups of visitors typically "circle the wagons."

# Definitions: What is Being Managed?



## TYPES OF SPECIAL EVENT USES

### **OHV Event:**

A tour and/or challenge track organized and promoted for participation by the general public or organization.

### **Staging Area:**

A location where visitors assemble as part of an OHV ride or other activities.

### **Other Special Events:**

Any event organized for participation by the general public or organization.



## TYPES OF RIDING FACILITIES

### **Specialty Tracks:**

Riding facility designed and developed specifically for the use of a particular vehicle type, riding style, or recreation activity.

### **Training Tracks:**

Riding facility designed and developed to improve the skills of riders and to promote responsible riding.

### **Wayfinding Signage:**

Signs that provide information to help visitors find their way to a destination.



## TYPES OF CAMPING & VISITOR FACILITIES

### **Vault Toilets:**

Structure with one or more dry toilets that use a permanent waste pit and ventilation.

### **Restrooms & Showers:**

Structure with one or more flush toilets and shower facilities.

### **RV Hookups:**

A campsite featuring water and electric connections for recreational vehicles.

### **Trash/Recycling:**

Receptacles to deposit personal garbage and recyclable materials.

### **Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables:**

Structures that provide relief from the desert sun and a place for visitors to sit, eat, and relax.

### **Other Gathering Areas:**

Any place provided so people can congregate.

# Definitions: What is Being Managed?



## TYPES OF INTERPRETATION & EDUCATION FACILITIES

### **Visitor Center:**

A facility to provide information (such as for trails and camping), staff contact, restrooms, and in-depth educational exhibits and displays; it also provides nonresident use permits and other registration services.

### **Amphitheater:**

An open-air venue used for education, entertainment, and performances.

### **Interpretive Displays:**

Exhibitions that provide an explanation of science, history, and other concepts using text, dioramas, charts, maps, and interactive displays.



## TYPES OF OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FACILITIES

### **Ranger Station:**

A building and base of operations for rangers.

### **Staff Offices:**

Buildings that provide work and meeting space for staff.

### **Maintenance & Storage:**

Areas used for storing vehicles, equipment, and supplies necessary for operation and upkeep.



## TYPES OF CONCESSIONS

### **Permanent Concessions:**

A business within Ocotillo Wells SVRA operating under a contract or license from California State Parks that is located in a building, structure, or shelter that is in a fixed location.

### **Mobile Concessions:**

A business within Ocotillo Wells SVRA operating under a contract or license from California State Parks that provides goods or services out of a vehicle or trailer and is capable of moving from one location to another.

# Introduction to “Alternatives Summary”

A summary chart is provided for each planning zone to illustrate the different uses and facilities that characterize the three planning alternatives for each planning zone. Each summary chart highlights the differences and similarities of the three alternatives for each planning zone. A description is also provided for each alternative to provide more detail. The components of the planning zone summary chart are explained below.

## ALTERNATIVES

Each column describes the different uses and facilities that are permitted in each of the alternatives.

### USES

Describes whether an activity is allowed in all or part of a specific planning zone.

### FACILITIES

Describes the type of existing facilities and planned facilities, and indicates if a specific type of facility is permitted and could potentially be developed in a specific planning zone in the future.

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- = - Existing Facility
- ↗ - No Existing Facility
- ↑ - Increase
- ↓ - Decrease

### USES

Legacy Rugged Developed

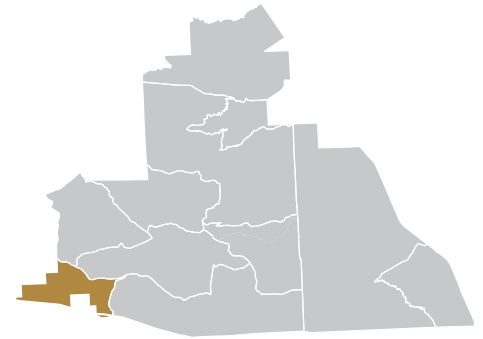
	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Trails Only OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	⊘
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘		○
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Semi-Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Primitive	●	⊘	●
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Rides	●	●	●
Staging Areas	⊘	⊘	⊘
Other Special Events	●	●	●

### FACILITIES

Legacy Rugged Developed

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	⊘	⊘	⊘
Wayfinding Signage	=	↑	↑
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	=	=	↑
Restrooms & Showers	⊘	⊘	⊘
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	⊘	⊘	⊘
Trash/Recycling	⊘	⊘	⊘
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	=	=	↑
Other Gathering Areas	⊘	⊘	⊘
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	⊘	⊘	⊘
Amphitheater	⊘	⊘	⊘
Interpretive Displays	=	↑	↑
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	⊘	⊘	⊘
Staff Offices	⊘	⊘	⊘
Maintenance & Storage	⊘	⊘	⊘
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘
Mobile Concessions	⊘	⊘	↑

# Headquarters Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Provide a range of camping and OHV recreation opportunities.
2. Serve as a primary destination area.
3. Maintain and enhance a concentration of visitor-serving facilities that offer a variety of high-quality recreational opportunities.
4. Serve as a primary location for infrastructure and facilities to support maintenance and operation.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Convenient
- Families and groups
- Organized activities

## BOUNDARY

Western boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA from SR-78 to North Fork of San Felipe Wash; North Fork of San Felipe Wash to intersection with Wolfe Well Road; Wolfe Well Road to intersection with SR-78; along SR-78 to boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA, around County Airport. Also includes land south of SR-78.



## PALO VERDE-IRONWOOD WOODLAND

Palo Verde-ironwood woodland (*Parkinsonia floridum*-*Olneya tesota*) is a rare vegetation type in Ocotillo Wells SVRA that is prevalent east of Ocotillo Wells SVRA headquarters. Its relatively tall height and green color provide welcome variation in the desert landscape. The trees have become a defining feature in the area around the Visitor Center and are an important visitor amenity due to the shade they provide. All alternatives include policies intended to sustain the valued Palo Verde-ironwood woodland.

## HEADQUARTERS PLANNING ZONE

# Alternatives Summary

### NOTES

1. Includes approximately 2,877 acres total.
2. Includes approximately 21 acres around Blowsand Hill where no camping, alcohol, or fires are allowed.
3. Includes approximately 97 acres of existing fenced areas.
4. Most of the Headquarters Planning Zone is currently managed as a "Distributed OHV Recreation" area.
5. There is no BLM land within the Headquarters Planning Zone.
6. There is no privately-owned land within the Headquarters Planning Zone.

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- = - Existing Facility
- ✂ - No Existing Facility
- ▲ - Increase
- ▼ - Decrease

### USES

Legacy

Rugged

Developed

#### OHV Recreation Uses

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
Distributed OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	○	○	○

#### Camping Uses

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
Developed	●	●	●
Semi-Developed	●	●	●
Primitive	○	○	○

#### Special Event Uses

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
OHV Event	●	●	●
Staging Areas	●	●	●
Other Special Events	●	●	●

### FACILITIES

Legacy

Rugged

Developed

#### OHV Riding Facilities

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
Specialty & Training Tracks	=	▲	▲
Wayfinding Signage	=	▲	▲

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
Vault Toilets	▲	▲	▲
Restrooms & Showers	▲	▲	▲
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	▲	▲	▲
Trash/Recycling	▲	▲	▲
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	▲	▲	▲
Other Gathering Areas	▲	▲	▲

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
Visitor Center	=	▲	▲
Amphitheater	=	▲	▲
Interpretive Displays	=	▲	▲

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
Ranger Station	=	▲	▲
Staff Offices	=	▲	▲
Maintenance & Storage	=	▲	▲

#### Concessions

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
Permanent Concessions	○	○	▲
Mobile Concessions	○	▲	▲

HEADQUARTERS PLANNING ZONE  
**Alternative 1: Legacy**

POLICIES

**OHV Recreation Uses**

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV Recreation is permitted.
- Includes Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area.

**Camping Uses**

- Developed and semi-developed camping permitted.
- Primitive camping allowed, except in the Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area.

**Special Event Uses**

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events all permitted.

FACILITIES

**OHV Riding Facilities**

- ≡ Includes existing Youth Training Track and ATV Training Track.
- ≡ Includes existing wayfinding signage.

**Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities**

- ▲ Potential development of additional and expanded vault toilets, restrooms and showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, shade ramadas and picnic tables, and/or other gathering areas.

**Interpretation & Education Facilities**

- ≡ Includes existing Visitor Center and amphitheater.
- ≡ Includes existing interpretive displays.

**Operations & Maintenance Facilities**

- ≡ Includes existing staff offices and maintenance and storage facilities.

**Concessions**

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

HEADQUARTERS PLANNING ZONE  
**Alternative 2: Rugged**

POLICIES

**OHV Recreation Uses**

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV Recreation is permitted.
- Includes Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area.

**Camping Uses**

- Developed and semi-developed camping permitted.
- Primitive camping allowed, except in the Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area and East Butte Overlay Zone.

**Special Event Uses**

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events all permitted.

FACILITIES

**OHV Riding Facilities**

- ▲ Includes existing facilities\* and a planned ROV training track.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

**Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities**

- ▲ Potential development of additional and expanded vault toilets, restrooms and showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, shade ramadas and picnic tables, and/or other gathering areas.
- ▲ Includes planned development of Main Street Group Camping area and associated facilities.

**Interpretation & Education Facilities**

- ▲ Potential development of a permanent Visitor Center and new or expanded amphitheater(s) permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

**Operations & Maintenance Facilities**

- ▲ Includes a planned Ranger Station.
- ▲ Potential development of new staff offices and maintenance and storage facilities.

**Concessions**

- ⊘ No permanent concessions permitted.
- ▲ Mobile concessions permitted.

HEADQUARTERS PLANNING ZONE  
**Alternative 3: Developed**

POLICIES

**OHV Recreation Uses**

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV Recreation is permitted.
- Includes Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area.

**Camping Uses**

- Developed and semi-developed camping permitted.
- Primitive camping allowed, except in the Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area.

**Special Event Uses**

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events all permitted.

FACILITIES

**OHV Riding Facilities**

- ▲ Development of specialty and training tracks permitted.\*
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

**Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities**

- ▲ Potential development of additional and expanded vault toilets, restrooms and showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, shade ramadas and picnic tables, and/or other gathering areas.
- ▲ Includes planned development of Main Street Group Camping area and associated facilities.

**Interpretation & Education Facilities**

- ▲ Potential development of a permanent Visitor Center and new or expanded amphitheater(s) permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays would be permitted.

**Operations & Maintenance Facilities**

- ▲ Includes a planned Ranger Station.
- ▲ Potential development of new staff offices and maintenance and storage facilities.

**Concessions**

- ▲ Permanent and mobile concessions permitted.

DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

**Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area**

Concentrated OHV recreation is permitted in all alternatives within the Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area.

**East Butte Overlay Zone**

Alternative 2 establishes an overlay zone that would not allow camping in the area behind the Ocotillo Wells SVRA headquarters and operations facilities.

DESCRIPTION OF SPECIFIC PLANNED FACILITIES

Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

**ROV Temporary Training Track**

A temporary Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle (ROV) training track that would be set up during peak season only.

**Main Street Group Camping Area**

A planned developed camping area that caters to large groups and includes RV hookups and a special events area.

**Ranger Station**

A new ranger station for the South Sector of the Ocotillo Wells District.

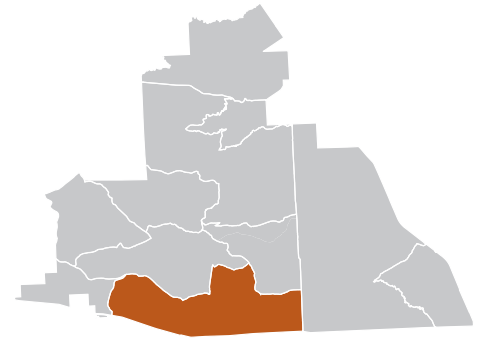
**Visitor Center**

Replacement of the modular building with a permanent structure that would include more exhibits.

\*Includes existing Harold Soens Youth Training Track and Roy Denner ASI Training Track.

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# Ocotillo Wells South Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Serve as a destination area with popular OHV recreation opportunities.
2. Accommodate a range of camping experiences.
3. Provide visitor-serving facilities that offer a range of high-quality recreational opportunities.
4. Cluster new facilities in existing activity areas to enhance visitor experience and manage resources.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Convenient
- Rugged
- Families and groups

## BOUNDARY

San Felipe Wash from Wolfe Well Road to existing trail; existing trail to Cahuilla Trail; Cahuilla Trail to Gas Dome Trail; Gas Dome Trail to Tarantula Wash; Tarantula Wash to existing trail; existing trail to Poleline Road; Poleline Road to SR-78.



## STATE ROUTE 78: OCOTILLO WELLS SVRA'S FRONT DOOR

State Route 78 (SR-78) provides access to many popular camping and riding destinations in Ocotillo Wells SVRA. All alternatives include policies intended to address issues such as park access, trail maintenance, and crossing SR-78 to provide a pleasant experience when arriving at Ocotillo Wells SVRA.

# Alternatives Summary

## NOTES

1. Includes approximately 9,812 acres total.
2. Includes approximately 45 acres of existing fenced areas.
3. All of the Ocotillo Wells South Planning Zone is currently managed as a “Distributed OHV Recreation” area.
4. There are approximately 294 acres of privately-owned land.
5. There are approximately 3,341 acres of BLM land.
6. Most of the BLM land (2,688 acres) are designated as an “Open Area” in WECO (2002); there are also 4.31 miles of trails designated in WECO (2002).
7. BLM’s CDCA Plan (1980) designated all the BLM land in Ocotillo Wells South as Multiple Use Class I. The CDCA Plan was amended to change the designation of all BLM land in Ocotillo Wells South to Multiple Use Class M in 1993.

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- ≡ - Existing Facility
- ↗ - No Existing Facility
- ↑ - Increase
- ↓ - Decrease

USES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	○
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	●	●	●
Semi-Developed	●	●	●
Primitive	●	●	●
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Event	●	●	●
Staging Areas	●	●	●
Other Special Events	●	●	●

FACILITIES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	↗	⊘	↑
Wayfinding Signage	≡	↑	↑
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor-Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	≡	≡	↑
Restrooms & Showers	≡	↑	↑
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	↗	⊘	↑
Trash/Recycling	≡	≡	↑
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	≡	≡	↑
Other Gathering Areas	↗	⊘	↑
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	↗	⊘	↑
Amphitheater	↗	⊘	↑
Interpretive Displays	≡	↑	↑
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	↗	⊘	⊘
Staff Offices	↗	⊘	⊘
Maintenance & Storage	↗	⊘	⊘
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	↑
Mobile Concessions	⊘	↑	↑

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed, semi-developed, and primitive camping all permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events all permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ✎ Does not include any existing specialty & training tracks.
- ≡ Includes existing wayfinding signage.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ≡ Includes existing vault toilets, restrooms and showers, trash/recycling, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ✎ Does not include any existing RV hookups (electric & water), or other gathering areas.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ✎ Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- ≡ Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ✎ Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed, semi-developed, and primitive camping all permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events all permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ≡ Includes existing vault toilets, trash/recycling, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ▲ Includes planned development of Hidden Valley Restrooms & Showers.
- ⊘ Development of RV hookups (electric & water) or other gathering areas is not permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ Operations and maintenance facilities not permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent concessions permitted.
- ▲ Mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV recreation within Concentrated OHV Areas are permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed, semi-developed, and primitive camping all permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events all permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ▲ Development of specialty and training tracks permitted.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▲ Potential development of additional and expanded vault toilets, restrooms and showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, shade ramadas and picnic tables, and/or other gathering areas permitted.
- ▲ Includes planned development of Hidden Valley Restrooms & Showers.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ▲ Potential development of an amphitheater(s) permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ Operations and maintenance facilities not permitted.

#### Concessions

- ▲ Permanent and mobile concessions permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

#### Concentrated OHV Areas

Alternative 3 would allow designation of Concentrated OHV Areas. Concentrated OHV Areas are designated access areas that provide for Concentrated OHV recreation and focused recreational opportunities.

### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

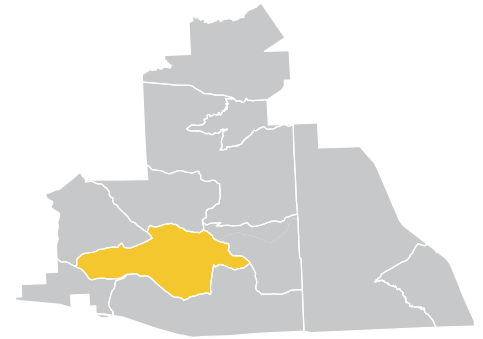
Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

#### Hidden Valley Restrooms & Showers

Planned development of restrooms and showers at Hidden Valley Camp area to enhance the visitor experience.

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# Shell Reef Expressway Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Maintain and enhance as a high-quality destination for OHV recreation.
2. Continue to protect the natural and cultural resources at Shell Reef and Barrel Springs.
3. Serve as a transition area between surrounding areas with different types and levels of activity.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Advanced/technical riding
- Unique destinations
- Connections and transitions
- Gathering area

## BOUNDARY

From the existing trail from North Fork San Felipe Wash to Shell Reef Expressway; Shell Reef Expressway to intersection with East Bank Wash and Wolfe Well Road; intersection with East Bank Wash and Wolfe Well Road to existing trail; existing trail to Shell Reef Expressway; Shell Reef Expressway to Tarantula Wash; Tarantula Wash to Gas Dome Trail; Gas Dome Trail to Cahuilla Trail; Cahuilla Trail to existing trail; existing trail to San Felipe Wash.



## BARREL SPRINGS

The mesquite sand dunes at Barrel Springs are a concentration point for desert wildlife. Archaeological investigations indicate that several Native American groups and early settlers also used the area around Barrel Springs. Portions of the dunes at Barrel Springs have been fenced to allow for restoration of the natural mesquite dune vegetation. All alternatives include policies intended to sustain the unique biological resources and evidence of cultural history present at Barrel Springs.

# Alternatives Summary

## NOTES

1. Includes approximately 7,224 acres.
2. Includes approximately 15 acres around Blowsand Hill, and approximately 14 acres around Shell Reef where no camping, alcohol, or fires are allowed.
3. Includes existing fenced areas (approximately 47 acres).
4. Includes approximately 86 acres of privately-owned land.
5. There are approximately 514 acres of BLM land.
6. All of the BLM land (514 acres) are designated as an "Open Area" in WECO (2002).
7. BLM's CDCA Plan (1980) designated all the BLM land in Shell Reef Expressway as Multiple Use Class I. The CDCA Plan was amended to change the designation of all BLM land in Shell Reef Expressway to Multiple Use Class M in 1993.

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- = - Existing Facility
- ✍ - No Existing Facility
- ▲ - Increase
- ▼ - Decrease

USES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	○	○	○
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Semi-Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Primitive	○	⊘	○
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Event	●	●	●
Staging Areas	⊘	⊘	●
Other Special Events	●	●	●

FACILITIES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	⊘	⊘	⊘
Wayfinding Signage	=	▲	▲
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor-Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	=	=	▲
Restrooms & Showers	✍	⊘	⊘
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	✍	⊘	⊘
Trash/Recycling	✍	⊘	▲
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	=	=	▲
Other Gathering Areas	✍	⊘	▲
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	✍	⊘	⊘
Amphitheater	✍	⊘	⊘
Interpretive Displays	=	▲	▲
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	✍	⊘	⊘
Staff Offices	✍	⊘	⊘
Maintenance & Storage	✍	⊘	⊘
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘
Mobile Concessions	⊘	⊘	▲

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Includes Shell Reef and Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Areas.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping allowed, except in the Shell Reef and Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Areas.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas for OHV events not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- ▬ Includes existing wayfinding signage.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▬ Includes existing vault toilets, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ⚡ Does not include any existing restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, or other gathering areas.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⚡ Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- ▬ Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⚡ Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Includes Shell Reef and Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Areas.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ No camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas for OHV events not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▬ Includes existing vault toilets, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ⊘ Development of restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, or other gathering areas is not permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Includes Shell Reef and Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Areas.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping allowed, except in the Shell Reef and Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Areas.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events all permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▲ Permits development of additional and expanded vault toilets, trash/recycling, shade ramadas and picnic tables, and/or other gathering areas.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent concessions permitted.
- ▲ Mobile concessions permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

#### Shell Reef Concentrated OHV Area

Concentrated OHV recreation is permitted in all alternatives within the Shell Reef Concentrated OHV Area.

#### Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Area

Concentrated OHV recreation is permitted in all alternatives within the Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Area.

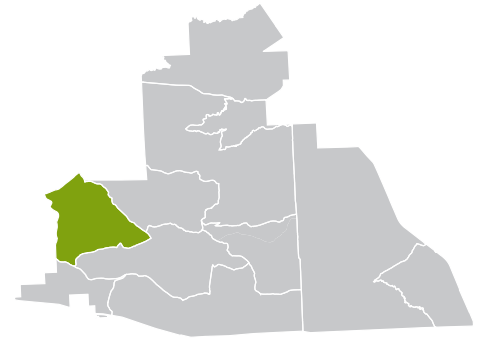
### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

No planned facilities are identified for this planning zone.

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# Palo Verde Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Manage for the protection of natural communities and the quality of the OHV recreational experience.
2. Serve as a connection to different riding areas.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Natural and scenic
- Connections and transitions
- Remote

## BOUNDARY

Western boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA from North Fork of San Felipe Wash, along Fault Wash to Cut Across Trail; Cut Across Trail to Bank Wash; Bank Wash to East Bank Wash; East Bank Wash to Shell Reef Expressway; Shell Reef Expressway to Pack Rat Wash; Pack Rat Wash to existing trail; existing trail to North Fork San Felipe Wash; North Fork San Felipe Wash to boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.



## WASH AND WOODLAND SCRUB

Wash and woodland scrub vegetation communities are characterized by trees and larger shrubs in relatively denser communities that thrive in washes and wetland areas in various locations throughout Ocotillo Wells SVRA. There is an abundance of healthy wash and woodland scrub vegetation within the Palo Verde Planning Zone, and all alternatives include policies intended to sustain this valued resource.

# Alternatives Summary

## NOTES

1. Includes approximately 5,517 acres total.
2. Includes approximately 4 acres of existing fenced areas.
3. All of the Palo Verde Planning Zone is currently managed as a “Distributed OHV Recreation” area.
4. There is no BLM land within the Palo Verde Planning Zone.
5. There is no privately-owned land within the Palo Verde Planning Zone.

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- = - Existing Facility
- ✍ - No Existing Facility
- ▲ - Increase
- ▼ - Decrease

USES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	●	⊘	●
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	⊘
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Semi-Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Primitive	●	⊘	●
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Event	●	●	●
Staging Areas	⊘	⊘	⊘
Other Special Events	⊘	⊘	●

FACILITIES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	✍	⊘	⊘
Wayfinding Signage	=	▲	▲
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor-Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	✍	⊘	⊘
Restrooms & Showers	✍	⊘	⊘
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	✍	⊘	⊘
Trash/Recycling	✍	⊘	⊘
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	✍	⊘	⊘
Other Gathering Areas	✍	⊘	⊘
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	✍	⊘	⊘
Amphitheater	✍	⊘	⊘
Interpretive Displays	=	▲	▲
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	✍	⊘	⊘
Staff Offices	✍	⊘	⊘
Maintenance & Storage	✍	⊘	⊘
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘
Mobile Concessions	⊘	⊘	▲

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas and other special events not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ✍ Does not include any existing specialty & training tracks.
- ≡ Includes existing wayfinding signage.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ✍ Does not include any existing camping or visitor-serving facilities.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ✍ Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- ≡ Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ✍ Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent and mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- ⊘ Distributed OHV recreation and Concentrated OHV recreation are not permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ No camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas and other special events not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ⊘ No camping or visitor-serving facilities permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas for OHV events not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ⊘ No camping or visitor-serving facilities permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent concessions permitted.
- ▲ Mobile concessions permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

No overlay zones are identified for this planning zone.

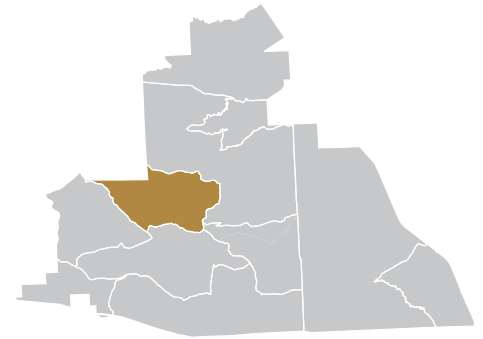
### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

No planned facilities are identified for this planning zone.

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# Pumpkin Patch Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Preserve rugged and open character.
2. Maintain and enhance as an area for high-quality OHV recreation.
3. Continue to protect the unique geologic features of the Pumpkin Patch.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Rugged and remote
- Natural and scenic beauty

## BOUNDARY

Bank Wash west along boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA to Tule Wash; Tule Wash to Cross Over Trail; Cross Over Trail to Shell Reef Expressway; Shell Reef Expressway to existing trail; existing trail to Bank Wash; Bank Wash to boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.



## PUMPKIN PATCH

Wind and water have been eroding the surface soil for thousands of years revealing round sandstone rocks that resemble a field of pumpkins. These rocks are formed by the natural cementing of sand particles to a small object such as a piece of shell, a grain of sand, or even an insect. All alternatives include policies intended to sustain this valued resource.

## PUMPKIN PATCH PLANNING ZONE

# Alternatives Summary

### NOTES

1. Includes approximately 5,484 acres total.
2. Includes approximately 3 acres of existing fenced areas.
3. All of the Pumpkin Patch Planning Zone is currently managed as a "Distributed OHV Recreation" area.
4. There is no BLM land within the Pumpkin Patch Planning Zone.
5. There are approximately 167 acres of privately-owned land.

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- ≡ - Existing Facility
- ✍ - No Existing Facility
- ▲ - Increase
- ▼ - Decrease

### USES

Legacy

Rugged

Developed

#### OHV Recreation Uses

Distributed OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	○

#### Camping Uses

Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Semi-Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Primitive	●	⊘	●

#### Special Event Uses

OHV Event	●	●	●
Staging Areas	⊘	⊘	⊘
Other Special Events	●	●	●

### FACILITIES

Legacy

Rugged

Developed

#### OHV Riding Facilities

Specialty & Training Tracks	✍	⊘	⊘
Wayfinding Signage	≡	▲	▲

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

Vault Toilets	≡	≡	▲
Restrooms & Showers	✍	⊘	⊘
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	✍	⊘	⊘
Trash/Recycling	✍	⊘	⊘
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	≡	≡	▲
Other Gathering Areas	✍	⊘	⊘

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

Visitor Center	✍	⊘	⊘
Amphitheater	✍	⊘	⊘
Interpretive Displays	≡	▲	▲

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

Ranger Station	✍	⊘	⊘
Staff Offices	✍	⊘	⊘
Maintenance & Storage	✍	⊘	⊘

#### Concessions

Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘
Mobile Concessions	⊘	⊘	▲

PUMPKIN PATCH PLANNING ZONE

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ✎ Does not include any existing specialty & training tracks.
- ≡ Includes existing wayfinding signage.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ≡ Includes existing vault toilets, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ✎ Does not include any existing restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, or other gathering areas.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ✎ Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- ≡ Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ✎ Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

PUMPKIN PATCH PLANNING ZONE

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ No camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ≡ Includes existing vault toilets, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ⊘ Development of restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, or other gathering areas is not permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

PUMPKIN PATCH PLANNING ZONE

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV recreation is permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▲ Permits the development of additional and expanded vault toilets, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ⊘ Development of restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, or other gathering areas is not permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent concessions permitted.
- ▲ Mobile concessions permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

#### Concentrated OHV Areas

Alternative 3 would allow designation of Concentrated OHV Areas. Concentrated OHV Areas are designated access areas that provide for Concentrated OHV recreation and focused recreational opportunities.

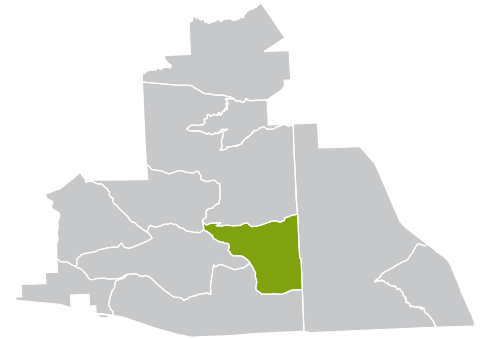
### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

No planned facilities are identified for this planning zone.

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# Tarantula Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Preserve rugged and open character.
2. Maintain and enhance as an area for high-quality OHV recreation.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Rugged and remote
- Exploration

## BOUNDARY

Poleline Road from Eriogonum Wash to existing trail; existing trail to Tarantula Wash; Tarantula Wash to Cross Over Trail; Cross Over Trail to existing trail; existing trail to Poleline Road.



## ANCIENT LAKE CAHUILLA SHORELINE AND ASSOCIATED RESOURCES

Lake Cahuilla, a freshwater lake six times the size of the Salton Sea, once covered much of the Imperial Valley. The lake dried up and refilled several times, and dried up for the final time around 1700, leaving travertine deposits on its former shoreline and shell fossils on the valley floor. Native peoples such as the Kamia band of the Kumeyaay and the Desert Cahuilla settled on the shores of this ancient lake. All alternatives include policies intended to sustain the valuable cultural and paleontological resources associated with the shoreline.

# Alternatives Summary

## NOTES

1. Includes approximately 4,816 acres total.
2. All of the Tarantula Planning Zone is currently managed as a “Distributed OHV Recreation” area.
3. There are approximately 419 acres of privately-owned land.
4. There are approximately 1,223 acres of BLM land.
5. Some of the BLM land (1,186 acres) are designated as an “Open Area” in WECO (2002); there are also 9.71 miles of trails designated in WECO (2002).
6. BLM’s CDCA Plan (1980) designated all the BLM land in the Tarantula Planning Zone as Multiple Use Class I. The CDCA Plan was amended to change the designation of all BLM land in Tarantula Planning Zone to Multiple Use Class M in 1993.

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- ≡ - Existing Facility
- ✍ - No Existing Facility
- ↑ - Increase
- ↓ - Decrease

USES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	○
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Semi-Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Primitive	●	●	●
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Event	●	●	●
Staging Areas	⊘	⊘	⊘
Other Special Events	●	⊘	●

FACILITIES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	✍	⊘	↑
Wayfinding Signage	≡	↑	↑
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor-Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	≡	≡	↑
Restrooms & Showers	✍	⊘	⊘
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	✍	⊘	⊘
Trash/Recycling	✍	⊘	↑
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	≡	≡	↑
Other Gathering Areas	✍	⊘	⊘
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	✍	⊘	⊘
Amphitheater	✍	⊘	⊘
Interpretive Displays	≡	↑	↑
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	✍	⊘	⊘
Staff Offices	✍	⊘	⊘
Maintenance & Storage	✍	⊘	⊘
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘
Mobile Concessions	⊘	⊘	↑

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ✎ Does not include any existing specialty & training tracks.
- ≡ Includes existing wayfinding signage.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ≡ Includes existing vault toilets, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ✎ Does not include any existing restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, or other gathering areas.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ✎ Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- ≡ Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ✎ Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas and other special events not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ≡ Includes existing vault toilets, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ⊘ Development of restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, or other gathering areas is not permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Includes Mini-Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ▲ Development of specialty and training tracks permitted.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▲ Permits the development of additional and expanded vault toilets, trash/recycling, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ⊘ Development of restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), or other gathering areas is not permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent concessions permitted.
- ▲ Mobile concessions permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities identified.

#### Mini-Blowsand Hill Concentrated Riding Area

Alternative 3 would allow Concentrated OHV recreation within the Mini-Blowsand Hill Concentrated OHV Area.

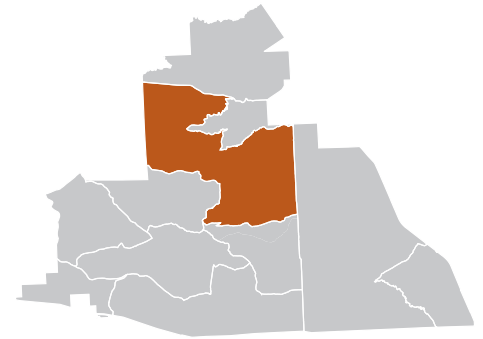
### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

Planned facilities include projects that have been identified in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

No planned facilities are identified for this planning zone.

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# Arroyo Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Promote the natural and scenic beauty.
2. Maintain OHV and unique recreational experiences.
3. Minimize impacts to recreation that may result from the operations of the Salton City Landfill.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Nature discovery
- Wash riding

## BOUNDARY

Along County Road S-22 from the western boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA to existing trail; existing trail to North Fork Arroyo Salado to Cross Over Trail; Cross Over Trail to Arroyo Salado; Arroyo Salado to Poleline Road; Poleline Road to existing trail; existing trail to Cross Over Trail; Cross Over Trail to Tule Wash; Tule Wash to western boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.



## ARROYO SALADA WASH

Washes are drainage channels for the surrounding mountains that are northwest of Ocotillo Wells SVRA. After rains, large flows of water transport sand and debris at a heavy rate, quickly eroding the channel. In the desert, washes are often used as primary routes of travel due to flatter terrain, presence of sand, and less vegetation. Arroyo Salada Wash is a major wash that is rich in vegetation and serves as a destination for wildlife; many cultural resources can be found in the area. All alternatives include policies intended to sustain the valued resources associated with Arroyo Salada Wash.

# Alternatives Summary

## NOTES

1. Includes approximately 14,291 acres total.
2. Includes approximately 23 acres of existing fenced areas.
3. Includes existing Salton City Landfill (approximately 315 acres).
4. All of the Arroyo Planning Zone is currently managed as a “Distributed OHV Recreation” area.
5. There are approximately 247 acres of privately-owned land.
6. There are approximately 4,453 acres of BLM land.
7. Some of the BLM land (105 acres) are designated as an “Open Area” in WECO (2002); there are also 27.65 miles of trails designated in WECO (2002).
8. BLM’s CDCA Plan (1980) designated some of the land (approximately 587 acres) as Multiple Use Class I. Other land (approximately 641 acres) is designated as Multiple Use Class M in BLM’s CDCA Plan (1980). The CDCA Plan was amended to change the designation of some BLM land in Arroyo Planning Zone to Multiple Use Class M in 1993 (approximately 3,189 acres).

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- = - Existing Facility
- ↗ - No Existing Facility
- ↑ - Increase
- ↓ - Decrease

## USES

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	●	⊘	●
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	○
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Semi-Developed	⊘	⊘	●
Primitive	●	⊘	●
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Event	●	●	●
Staging Areas	⊘	⊘	⊘
Other Special Events	⊘	⊘	⊘

## FACILITIES

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	↗	⊘	↑
Wayfinding Signage	=	↑	↑
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor-Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	↗	⊘	↑
Restrooms & Showers	↗	⊘	⊘
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	↗	⊘	⊘
Trash/Recycling	↗	⊘	↑
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	↗	⊘	↑
Other Gathering Areas	↗	⊘	⊘
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	↗	⊘	⊘
Amphitheater	↗	⊘	⊘
Interpretive Displays	=	↑	↑
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	↗	⊘	⊘
Staff Offices	↗	⊘	⊘
Maintenance & Storage	↗	⊘	⊘
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘
Mobile Concessions	⊘	⊘	↑

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas and other special events are not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ✎ Does not include any existing specialty & training tracks.
- ≡ Includes existing wayfinding signage.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ✎ Does not include any existing camping or visitor-serving facilities.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ✎ Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- ≡ Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ✎ Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- ⊘ Distributed OHV recreation is not permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ No camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas and special events not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ⊘ No specialty or training tracks are allowed.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ⊘ No camping or visitor serving-facilities permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Includes Little Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Area.

#### Camping Uses

- ⊘ Developed camping not permitted.
- Semi-developed and primitive camping are permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events permitted.
- ⊘ Staging areas and special events not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ▲ Development of specialty and training tracks permitted.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▲ Permits the development of additional and expanded vault toilets, trash/recycling, shade ramadas, and picnic tables.
- ⊘ Development of restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), or other gathering areas is not permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ⊘ No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent concessions permitted.
- ▲ Mobile concessions permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

#### Little Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Area

Alternative 3 would allow Concentrated OHV recreation within the Little Devil's Slide Concentrated OHV Area.

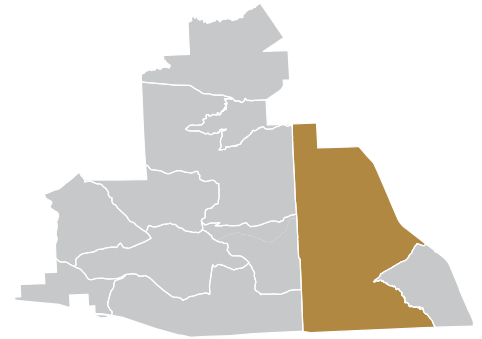
### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

No planned facilities are identified for this planning zone.

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# Gas Domes Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Preserve rugged and open character.
2. Maintain and enhance as an area for high-quality OHV recreation.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Rugged and remote
- Exploration and open feeling

## BOUNDARY

Boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA from Poleline Road to Lakeshore Trail; Lakeshore Trail to Oil Well Wash; Oil Well Wash to southern boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA; southern boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA to Poleline Road; Poleline Road to boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.



## NATURAL WATER SOURCES

Water from the mountains northwest of Ocotillo Wells SVRA follows a subterranean fault line and trickles out of the ground at multiple springs around Tule Wash. Named for the rare tule reeds that grow there, the presence of water makes the springs a strong draw for a variety of wildlife. The springs are fenced to protect the plants, natural water flow, and fragile spring ecology. All alternatives will include policies intended to sustain this valued resource.

# Alternatives Summary

## NOTES

1. Includes approximately 20,278 acres total.
2. Includes approximately 71 acres of existing fenced areas.
3. All of the Gas Domes Planning Zone is currently managed as "Travel on Trails and Roads Only" area.
4. There are approximately 3,317 acres of privately-owned land.
5. There are approximately 9,386 acres of BLM land.
6. There are 42.02 miles of trails designated in WECO (2002).
7. BLM's CDCA Plan (1980) designated some of the BLM land as Multiple Use Class M (approximately 7,765 acres). BLM's CDCA Plan (1980) designated approximately 1,600 acres of BLM land as Multiple Use Class I. The CDCA Plan was amended to change the designation of approximately 1,229 acres of BLM land in Gas Domes to Multiple Use Class M in 1993. (After the 1993 amendment, 331 acres of BLM land remained designated as Multiple Use Class I in Gas Domes).

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- = - Existing Facility
- ✍ - No Existing Facility
- ↑ - Increase
- ↓ - Decrease

## USES

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	⊘
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	○
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Semi-Developed	⊘	⊘	○
Primitive	○	○	○
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Event	●	●	●
Staging Areas	⊘	⊘	○
Other Special Events	●	○	●

## FACILITIES

	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	✍	⊘	↑
Wayfinding Signage	=	↑	↑
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor-Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	✍	⊘	↑
Restrooms & Showers	✍	⊘	↑
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	✍	⊘	↑
Trash/Recycling	✍	⊘	↑
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	✍	⊘	↑
Other Gathering Areas	✍	⊘	↑
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	✍	⊘	⊘
Amphitheater	✍	⊘	↑
Interpretive Displays	=	↑	↑
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	✍	⊘	⊘
Staff Offices	✍	⊘	⊘
Maintenance & Storage	✍	⊘	⊘
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘
Mobile Concessions	⊘	⊘	↑

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation would not be permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted within 300 feet of a designated trail.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- Staging areas not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- Does not include any existing specialty & training tracks.
- Includes existing wayfinding signage.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- Does not include any existing camping or visitor-serving facilities.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation would not be permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed and semi-developed camping would not be permitted.
- Primitive camping would be permitted within 300 feet of a designated trail.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events would be permitted.
- Staging areas would not be permitted.
- Other special events would be permitted in designated areas only.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- No camping and visitor-serving facilities would be permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- An increase in interpretive displays would be permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- No operations and maintenance facilities would be permitted.

#### Concessions

- No permanent and mobile concessions would be permitted.

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation would not be permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV recreation is permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed camping not permitted.
- Semi-developed camping permitted in designated areas.
- Primitive camping permitted within 300 feet of a designated trail.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- Staging areas permitted in designated areas only.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- Development of specialty and training tracks permitted.
- An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- Potential development of additional and expanded vault toilets, restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, shade ramadas and picnic tables, and other gathering areas permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- Development of a visitor center is not permitted.
- Potential development of an amphitheater(s) permitted.
- An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- No permanent concessions permitted.
- Mobile concessions permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

#### Concentrated OHV Areas

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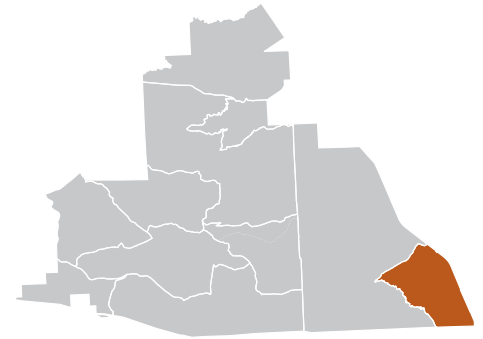
### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

No planned facilities are identified for this planning zone.

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# Lakeshore Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Promote the natural and scenic beauty.
2. Maintain unique recreational experiences.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Nature discovery
- Natural and scenic beauty

## BOUNDARY

Lakeshore Trail from Oil Well Wash to eastern boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA along SR-86; boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA along SR-86 to intersection with southern boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA along SR-78; southern boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA to Oil Well Wash; Oil Well Wash to Lakeshore Trail.

*Note: Lakeshore Trail and Oil Well Wash are outside of the boundary of the Lakeshore Planning Zone.*



## CULTURAL RESOURCES

There are many prehistoric and historic resources present at Ocotillo Wells SVRA. Several archaeological surveys and site-level investigations have been conducted, and over 600 artifacts have been recorded. All alternatives will include policies intended to sustain these valued cultural resources.

# Alternatives Summary

## NOTES

1. Includes approximately 4,505 acres total.
2. Includes approximately 5 acres of existing fenced areas.
3. All of the Lakeshore Planning Zone is currently managed as "Travel on Trails and Roads Only" area.
4. There are approximately 708 acres of privately-owned land.
5. There are approximately 1,838 acres of BLM land.
6. There are 2.58 miles of trails designated in WECO (2002).
7. BLM's CDCA Plan (1980) designated all the BLM land as Multiple Use Class M.

## LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- ≡ - Existing Facility
- ✍ - No Existing Facility
- ▲ - Increase
- ▼ - Decrease

USES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	⊘
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	⊘	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	⊘
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Semi-Developed	⊘	⊘	⊘
Primitive	○	⊘	○
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Event	●	⊘	⊘
Staging Areas	⊘	⊘	⊘
Other Special Events	●	⊘	○

FACILITIES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	✍	⊘	⊘
Wayfinding Signage	≡	▲	▲
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor-Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	✍	⊘	⊘
Restrooms & Showers	✍	⊘	⊘
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	✍	⊘	⊘
Trash/Recycling	✍	⊘	⊘
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	✍	⊘	⊘
Other Gathering Areas	✍	⊘	⊘
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	✍	⊘	⊘
Amphitheater	✍	⊘	⊘
Interpretive Displays	≡	▲	▲
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	✍	⊘	⊘
Staff Offices	✍	⊘	⊘
Maintenance & Storage	✍	⊘	⊘
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘
Mobile Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation would not be permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted within 300 feet of a designated trail.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- Staging areas not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- Does not include any existing specialty & training tracks.
- Includes existing wayfinding signage

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- Does not include any existing camping or visitor-serving facilities.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- No OHV recreation is permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- No camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and staging areas not permitted.
- Other special events permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- No camping or visitor-serving facilities permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation would not be permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted within 300 feet of a designated trail.

#### Special Event Uses

- Other special events permitted in designated areas.
- OHV events and staging areas not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- No speciality or training tracks are allowed.
- An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- No camping or visitor-serving facilities permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- No operations and maintenance facilities permitted.

#### Concessions

- No permanent or mobile concessions permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

No overlay zones are identified for this planning zone.

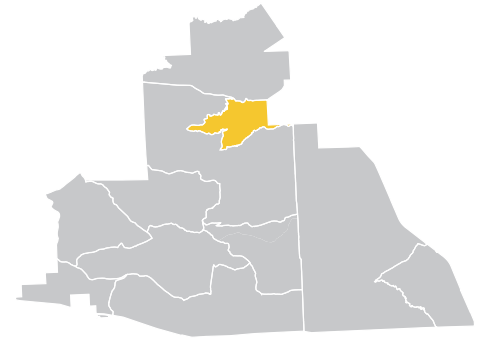
### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

No planned facilities are identified for this planning zone.

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# Hot Springs Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Provide a range of camping and OHV recreation opportunities.
2. Serve as a primary destination area.
3. Maintain and enhance a concentration of visitor-serving facilities that offer a variety of high-quality recreational opportunities.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Convenient
- Families and groups
- Organized activities

## BOUNDARY

From the existing trail just below Mesa on north side of County Road S-22 from Cross Over Trail to intersection with County Road S-22 and eastern boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA; boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA to Arroyo Salada; Arroyo Salada to Cross Over Trail; Cross Over Trail to existing trail; existing trail to North Fork Arroyo Salada; North Fork Arroyo Salada to existing trail; existing trail to Cross Over Trail; Cross Over Trail to existing trail, existing trail to County Road S-22.



## MESQUITE BOSQUES

Mesquite bosques are a type of wash and woodland vegetation dominated by mesquite. They can be found in arroyos and washes and in upland areas on the unique mesquite dunes. Mesquite bosques provide important habitat for desert wildlife. All alternatives include policies intended to sustain this valued resource.

# Alternatives Summary

## NOTES

1. Includes approximately 2,348 acres total.
2. Includes approximately 16 acres of existing fenced areas.
3. All of the Hot Springs Planning Zone is currently managed as a “Distributed OHV Recreation” area.
4. There are approximately 93 acres of privately-owned land.
5. There are approximately 301 acres of BLM land.
6. There are 3.76 miles of trails designated in WECO (2002).

### LEGEND

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- = - Existing Facility
- ↗ - No Existing Facility
- ↑ - Increase
- ↓ - Decrease

USES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	○
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	⊘	⊘	●
Semi-Developed	●	●	●
Primitive	●	●	●
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Event	●	●	●
Staging Areas	●	●	●
Other Special Events	●	●	●

FACILITIES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	=	=	↑
Wayfinding Signage	=	↑	↑
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor-Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	=	=	↑
Restrooms & Showers	↗	⊘	↑
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	↗	⊘	↑
Trash/Recycling	=	=	↑
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	=	=	↑
Other Gathering Areas	↗	⊘	↑
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	↗	⊘	↑
Amphitheater	↗	⊘	↑
Interpretive Displays	=	↑	↑
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	↗	↑	↑
Staff Offices	↗	⊘	↑
Maintenance & Storage	↗	↑	↑
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	↑
Mobile Concessions	⊘	↑	↑

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Semi-developed and primitive camping permitted.
- ⊘ Developed camping not permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events all permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ▬ Includes existing 4x4 training track.
- ▬ Includes existing wayfinding signage.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▬ Includes existing vault toilets, trash/recycling, and shade ramadas and picnic tables.
- ✂ Does not include any existing restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, or other gathering areas.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ✂ Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- ▬ Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ✂ Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ Permanent or mobile concessions not permitted.

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- ⊘ Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Semi-developed and primitive camping would be permitted.
- ⊘ Developed camping not permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events are all permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ▬ Includes existing 4x4 training track.
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage would be permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▬ Includes existing vault toilets, trash/recycling, and shade ramadas and picnic tables.
- ⊘ Development of restrooms & showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, or other gathering areas is not permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ⊘ Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays would be permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ▲ Potential development of a new ranger station and maintenance and storage areas would be permitted.
- ⊘ Development of staff offices not permitted.

#### Concessions

- ⊘ No permanent concessions permitted.
- ▲ Mobile concessions permitted.

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV Areas are permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed, semi-developed, and primitive camping all permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events all permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- ▲ Development of specialty and training tracks permitted.\*
- ▲ An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- ▲ Potential development of additional and expanded vault toilets, restrooms and showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, shade ramadas and picnic tables, and/or other gathering areas permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- ▲ Potential development of a visitor center and new or expanded amphitheater(s) permitted.
- ▲ An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- ▲ Potential development of a new ranger station, staff offices, and maintenance and storage areas permitted.

#### Concessions

- ▲ Permanent and mobile concessions permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

#### Concentrated OHV Areas

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### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

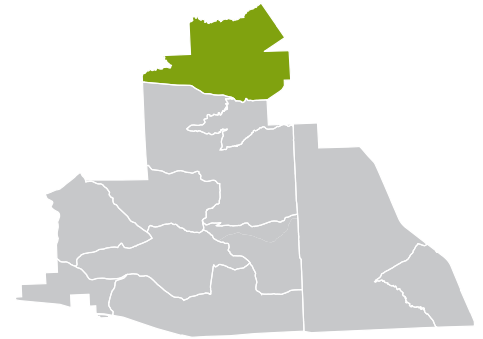
Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

No planned facilities are identified for this planning zone.

\*Includes existing Truckhaven 4x4 Training Area.

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# Truckhaven Planning Zone



## PURPOSE & INTENT

1. Preserve rugged and open character.
2. Accommodate a range of camping and OHV recreation opportunities.

## CHARACTER & EXPERIENCE

- Rugged and remote
- Exploration and adventure
- Advanced/technical riding

## BOUNDARY

Northern boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA from County Road S-22 to SR-86; eastern boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA along SR-86 to County Road S-22; along County Road S-22 to boundary of Ocotillo Wells SVRA.



## NATURALLY BARREN VEGETATION

A concentration of apparently barren mudhill and gravel pavement areas are present in the Truckhaven Planning Zone. Although these areas are devoid of shrubs under natural conditions and appear barren, annual ephemeral species exist. The density and abundance of these plants vary depending on rainfall. All alternatives include policies intended to sustain naturally barren vegetation communities.

# Alternatives Summary

## NOTES

1. Includes approximately 9,118 acres total.
2. All of the Truckhaven Planning Zone is currently managed as "Travel on Trails and Roads Only" area.
3. There are approximately 3,293 acres of privately-owned land.
4. There are approximately 411 acres of BLM land.

**LEGEND**

- - Permitted
- ⊘ - Not Permitted
- - Applies to Part of Planning Zone
- ≡ - Existing Facility
- ↗ - No Existing Facility
- ↑ - Increase
- ↓ - Decrease

USES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Recreation Uses</b>			
Distributed OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	⊘
Trails Only OHV Recreation	●	●	●
Concentrated OHV Recreation	⊘	⊘	○
<b>Camping Uses</b>			
Developed	⊘	⊘	○
Semi-Developed	⊘	⊘	●
Primitive	●	●	●
<b>Special Event Uses</b>			
OHV Event	⊘	●	●
Staging Areas	⊘	⊘	●
Other Special Events	⊘	●	●

FACILITIES	Legacy	Rugged	Developed
<b>OHV Riding Facilities</b>			
Specialty & Training Tracks	↗	⊘	↑
Wayfinding Signage	≡	↑	↑
<b>Camping &amp; Visitor-Serving Facilities</b>			
Vault Toilets	↗	⊘	↑
Restrooms & Showers	↗	⊘	↑
RV Hookups (Electric & Water)	↗	⊘	↑
Trash/Recycling	↗	⊘	↑
Shade Ramadas & Picnic Tables	↗	⊘	↑
Other Gathering Areas	↗	⊘	↑
<b>Interpretation &amp; Education Facilities</b>			
Visitor Center	↗	⊘	↑
Amphitheater	↗	⊘	↑
Interpretive Displays	≡	↑	↑
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance Facilities</b>			
Ranger Station	↗	↑	↑
Staff Offices	↗	⊘	↑
Maintenance & Storage	↗	↑	↑
<b>Concessions</b>			
Permanent Concessions	⊘	⊘	⊘
Mobile Concessions	⊘	⊘	↑

TRUCKHAVEN PLANNING ZONE

## Alternative 1: Legacy

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation not permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- Does not include any existing specialty & training tracks.
- Includes existing wayfinding signage.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- Does not include any existing camping or visitor-serving facilities.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- Does not include an existing visitor center or amphitheater.
- Includes existing interpretive displays.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- Does not include any existing operations and maintenance facilities.

#### Concessions

- Permanent and mobile concessions not permitted.

TRUCKHAVEN PLANNING ZONE

## Alternative 2: Rugged

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation not permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV recreation is not permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed and semi-developed camping not permitted.
- Primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events and other special events permitted.
- Staging areas not permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- No specialty or training tracks are allowed.
- An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- No camping or visitor-serving facilities permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- Development of a visitor center or amphitheater is not permitted.
- An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- Potential development of a new ranger station and maintenance and storage areas permitted.
- Staff offices not permitted.

#### Concessions

- No permanent or mobile concessions would be permitted.

TRUCKHAVEN PLANNING ZONE

## Alternative 3: Developed

### POLICIES

#### OHV Recreation Uses

- Distributed OHV recreation is not permitted.
- Trails Only OHV recreation is permitted.
- Concentrated OHV Areas are permitted.

#### Camping Uses

- Developed camping permitted in designated areas.
- Semi-developed and primitive camping permitted.

#### Special Event Uses

- OHV events, staging areas, and other special events permitted.

### FACILITIES

#### OHV Riding Facilities

- Development of specialty and training tracks permitted.
- An increase in wayfinding signage permitted.

#### Camping & Visitor-Serving Facilities

- Potential development of additional and expanded vault toilets, restrooms and showers, RV hookups (electric & water), trash/recycling, shade ramadas and picnic tables, and/or other gathering areas permitted.

#### Interpretation & Education Facilities

- Potential development of a new visitor center and amphitheater(s) permitted.
- An increase in interpretive displays permitted.

#### Operations & Maintenance Facilities

- Potential development of a new ranger station, staff offices, and maintenance and storage areas permitted.

#### Concessions

- No permanent concessions would be permitted.
- Mobile concessions would be permitted.

### DESCRIPTION OF OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are areas within a planning zone that have specific policies or facilities.

#### Concentrated OHV Areas

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### DESCRIPTION OF PLANNED FACILITIES

Planned facilities include, but are not limited to, projects that have been identified as near-term in the OHMVR Division capital outlay program.

No planned facilities are identified for this planning zone.