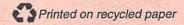


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Wilderness is a natural preserve with outstanding opportunities for solitude and unconfined primitive experience. Wilderness is a place to enjoy where ecological, geological and other features of scientific, scenic, educational and historical value are protected and their character retained.

The Wilderness Act was passed by Congress in 1964 to ensure that population growth and development did not alter all of the Nation's lands. The Wilderness Act established the National Wilderness Preservation System, which is composed of federally-owned areas designated by Congress as wilderness.

The California Desert Protection Act is one of the largest pieces of wilderness legislation ever passed by Congress. Signed into law by President Clinton, the Act preserves the unrivaled values which portray the Old West and remain essentially unaltered by human activity.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has responsibility for 9.5 million acres of public lands in the southern California Desert. The California Desert Protection Act gives special wilderness designation to 69 individual BLM areas covering 3.6 million acres of this land.

This document provides information about these BLM wilderness areas. A map outlining the boundaries for each wilderness area is included, and a general description providing such information as size, land ownership, natural resources and access accompanies each map. To locate a specific wilderness area and map, use the index and general location map found at the front of this document. Individual maps are arranged in alphabetical order.

For more information about these wilderness areas, contact the offices listed at the bottom of each wilderness description.

"Wilderness areas shall be administered for the use and enjoyment of the American people in such manner as will leave them unimpaired for future use and enjoyment..."

The Wilderness Act of 1964

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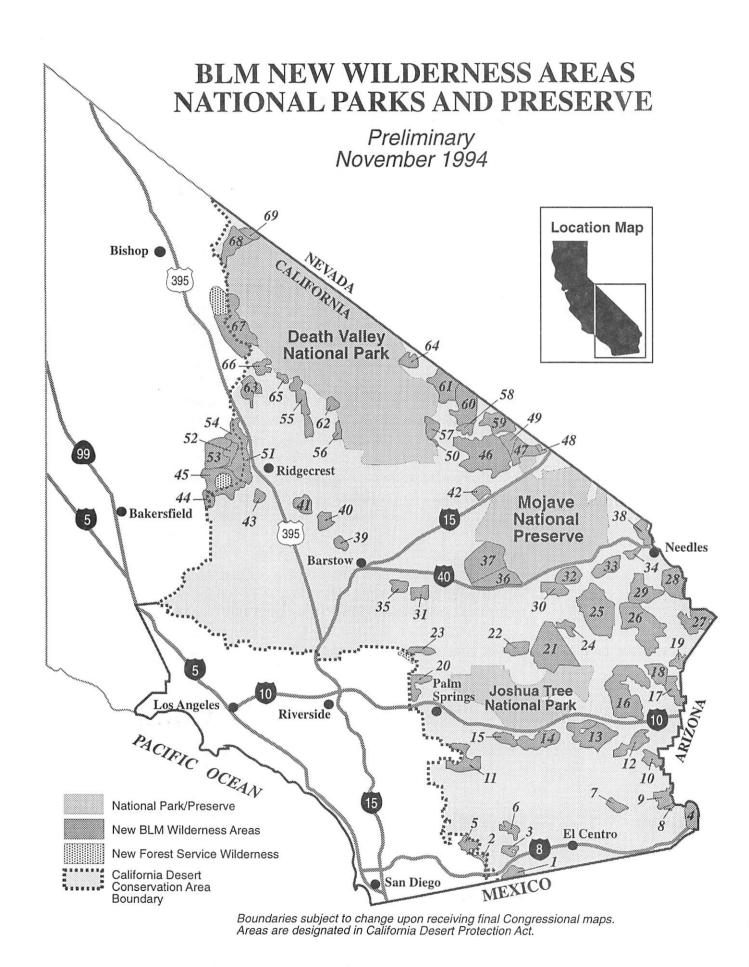
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ARGUS RANGE WILDERNESS

SIZE: 74,890 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Inyo County; 5 miles east of Darwin, California and 25 miles northeast of

Ridgecrest, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are

30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: This wilderness contains a 28-mile stretch of the Argus range, a long and

narrow mountain chain along the west side of Panamint Valley.

Elevations range from 2,800 feet on the east side to more than 7,500 feet on the west side of the wilderness, which is adjacent to the China Lake Naval Air Weapons Station. Steep mountain slopes and highly dissected canyons characterize the Argus Range. Several springs are located within this dry desert mountain range, providing water for a small population of desert bighorn sheep. Remains of historic mining activity and a few prehistoric sites are scattered throughout the area. Vegetation types include creosote scrub plant community on the lower slopes, scattered pinyon-juniper plant communities on the high slopes and relatively little

vegetation on the steep mountain slopes and canyon walls.

Access: Access this wilderness via State Highways 190 or 178 to Panamint Valley

> Road through Panamint Valley. Numerous four-wheel drive routes turn off Nadeau Trail providing access to canyons on the east side. On the south side, access is via Homewood Canyon off State Highway 178.

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

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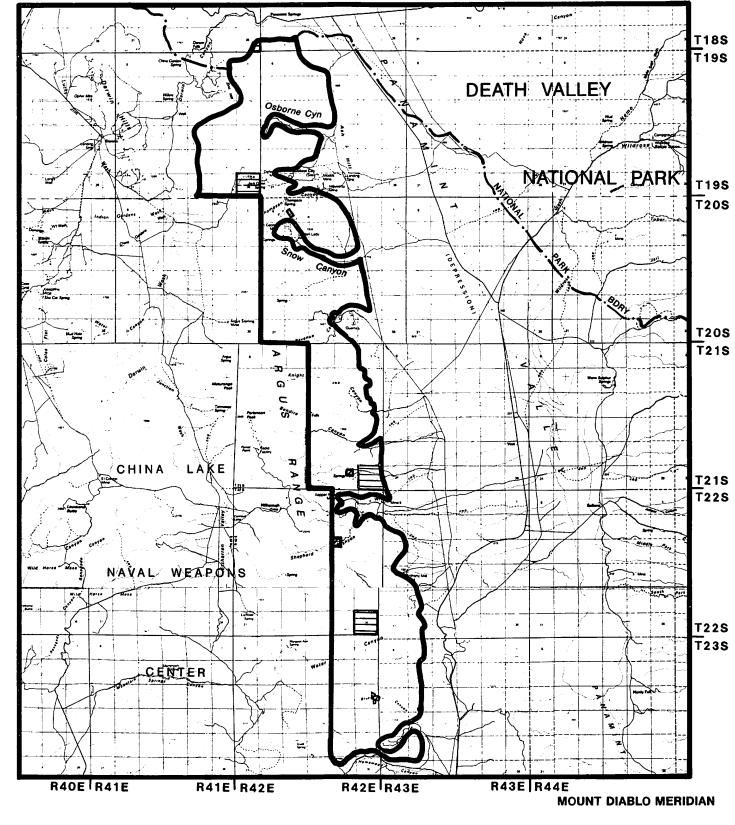
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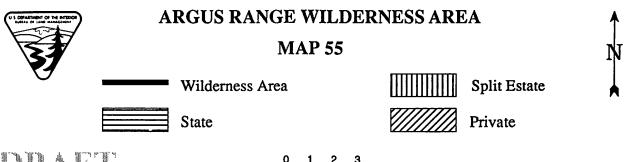
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BIGELOW CHOLLA GARDEN WILDERNESS

Size: 10,380 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 18 miles west of Needles, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: This wilderness area lies within the northern portion of the dark, volcanic

Sacramento Mountains. The densest concentration of Bigelow cholla

cactus in the California Desert is found within this wilderness.

Access: Interstate 40 forms the northern boundary of the wilderness. Exit U.S.

Highway 95 from I-40 and follow the dirt road south for about 200 feet. Turn right 180 degrees to access the Four Corners's Pipeline and travel west. The southern boundary, delineated by this road, begins in 3 miles. There are no established trailheads, and high clearance vehicles are

recommended.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

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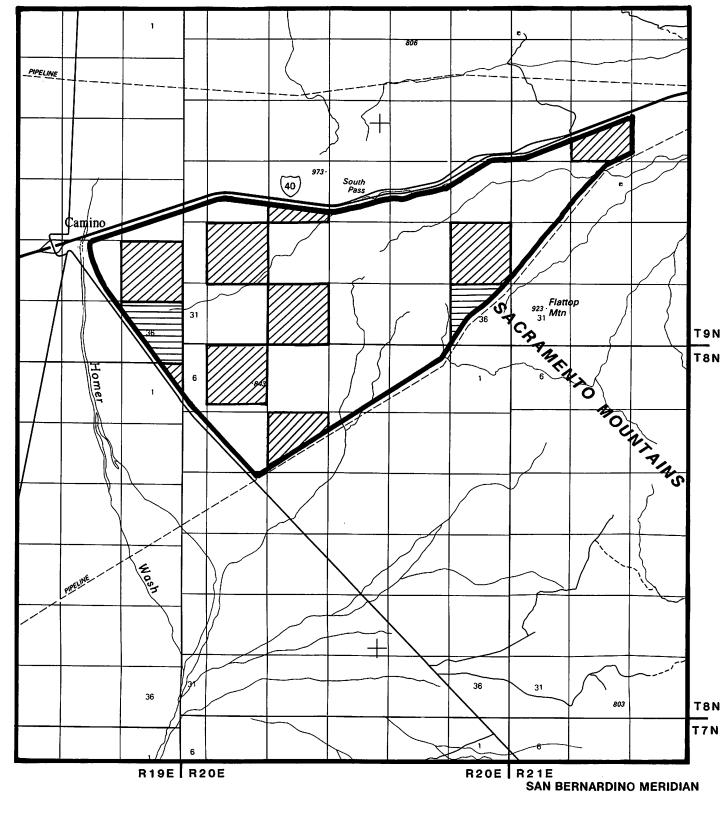
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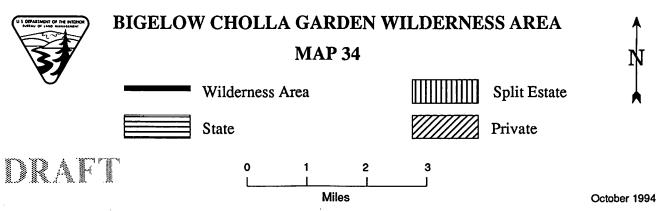
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BIGHORN MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

39,185 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 70 miles north of Palm Springs, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The rugged Bighorn Mountains in the north-central portion of this wilderness are the foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains. Visitors can experience the rare ecological transition that occurs here, including Yucca and Joshua trees on the desert floor and stands of Jeffrey Pine at higher elevations, including the 7,500-foot high Granite Peak. Mule deer, mountain lion, bobcat and golden eagles make their home among the Joshua trees and yucca and stands of Jeffrey pine in the remote, higher elevations. Resident and migratory birds rest along Rattlesnake Canyon Creek, which flows northward through the wilderness to Johnson Valley. This wilderness encompasses BLM and Forest Service public lands.

Access:

Access this wilderness area from State Highway 247.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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MAPS:

Desert Access Guide:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Yucca Valley - #14

Big Bear City Bighorn Canyon Onyx Peak

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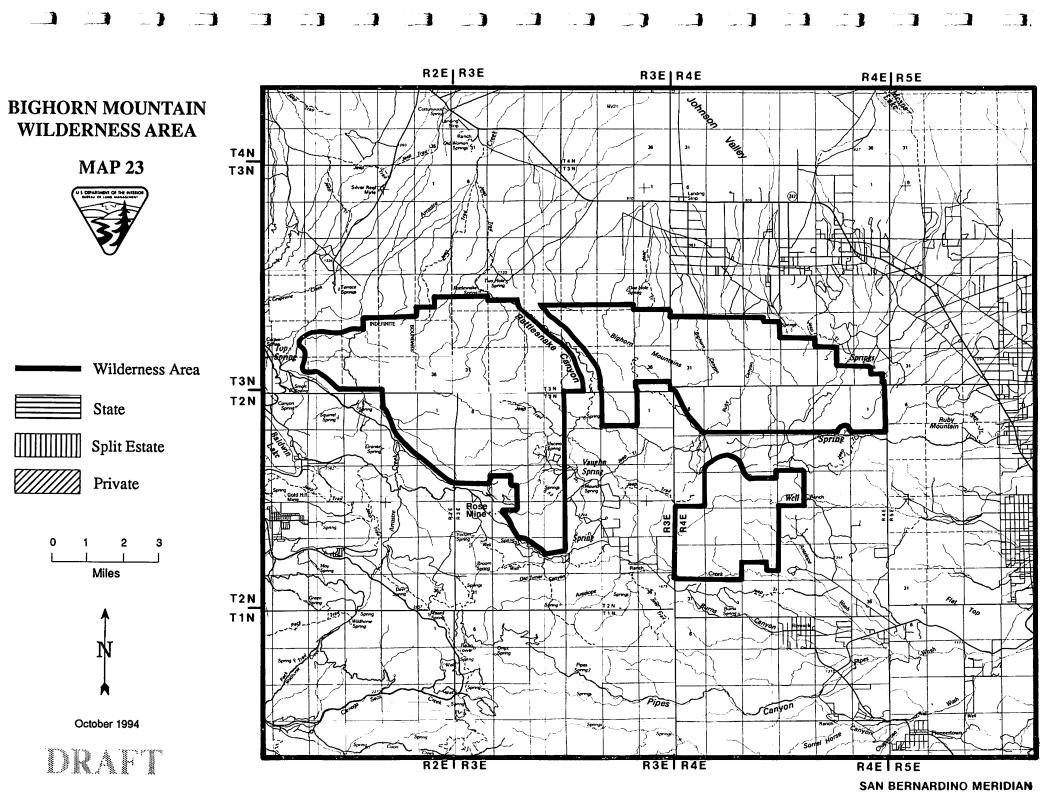
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Yucca Valley North

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BIG MARIA MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

47,570 acres, which many include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Riverside County; 10 miles north of Blythe, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The terrain of the Big Maria Mountains varies from gently sloping bajadas to numerous rough, craggy peaks disjointed by steep canyons. The northern boundary lies south of a major drainage known as Big Wash, and the eastern edge parallels State Highway 95 and the Colorado River. The west and south boundaries follow powerlines and contours along the base of the mountains. Foxtail cactus and California barrel cactus dot the landscape, and a burro deer herd relies on the river's habitat for survival.

Access:

State Highway 95 provides access from the east and north via Big Wash. and by Interstate 10 from the southwest via Midland Road and powerline

roads. A four-wheel drive vehicle is recommended.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guide:

Parker/Blythe - #16

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Big Maria Mountains North East Big Maria Mountains North West Big Maria Mountains South East Big Maria Mountains SouthWest

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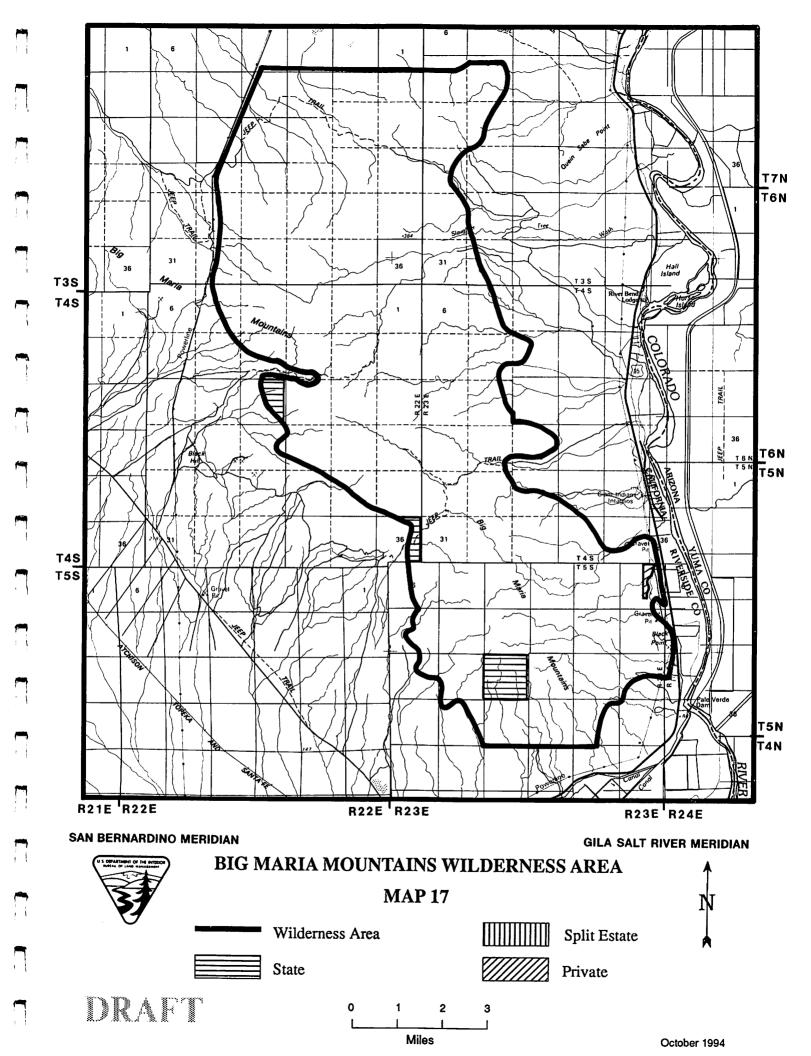
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BLACK MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS

SIZE:

13,940 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 13 miles northwest of Barstow, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The Black Mountain Wilderness is a volcanic flow and mesa with a deposit of fine-grained dune sand in the southeast corner. Elevations range from 2,080 to 3,941 feet at the summit of Black Mountain. Golden eagles and prairie falcons have been seen foraging in this area, which is also known for its occasional display of spring flowers.

Access:

Access to this wilderness area is by the Opal Mountain Road or Black

Canyon Road, from State Highway 58.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

Maps:

Desert Access Guide:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Red Mountain - #7

Bird Spring Lockhart

Opal Mountain Water Valley

CONTACT:

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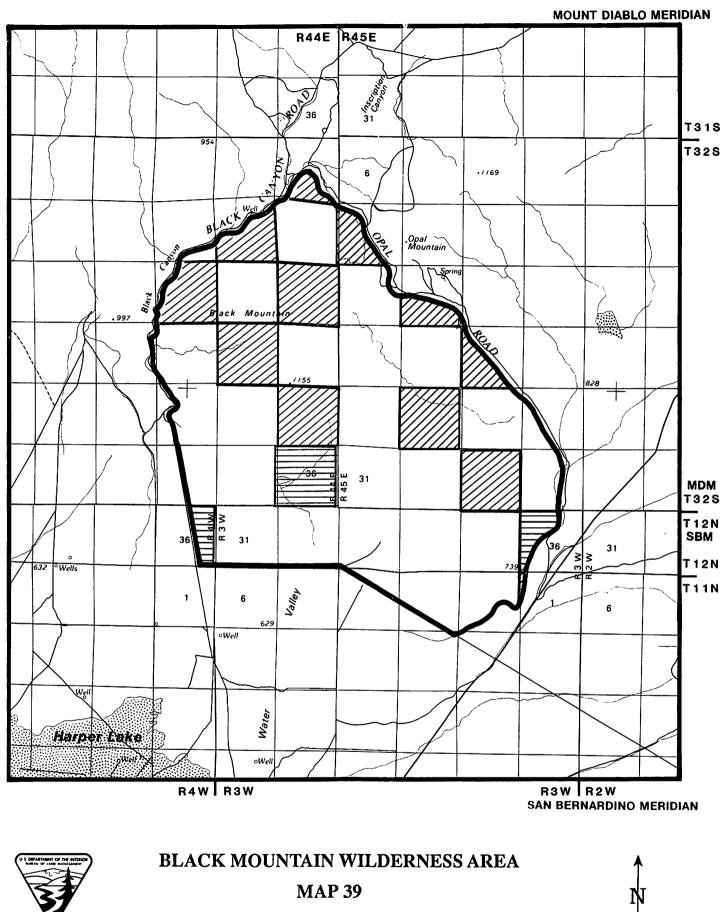
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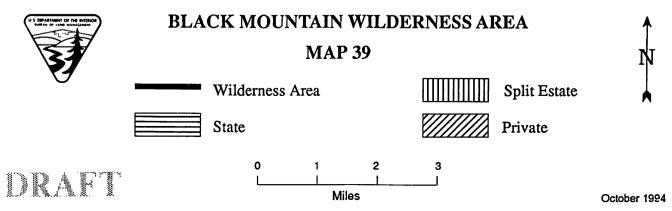
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BRIGHT STAR WILDERNESS

Size: 9,520 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Kern County; 26 miles southwest of Ridgecrest, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: This wilderness surrounds Kelso Peak and associated drainages to the

north, south and east. To the west, the Kelso Mountain system is contiguous with the Piute Mountain Range in the Sequoia National Forest. Vegetation varies: upper slopes of the 5,000 foot Kelso Peak are dotted with pinyon pine and juniper trees; intervening slopes are brushy with large granite rock outcroppings; and the boulder-strewn valley supports dense stands of Joshua trees. The varied habitats of the Mojave Desert, Sierra Nevada, San Joaquin Valley and Transverse Ranges ecoregions allow for a wide diversity of wildlife. The entire wilderness is included within the BLM Jawbone-Butterbredt Area of Critical Environmental

Concern, an area set aside for cultural and wildlife values.

Access: Access to this wilderness is via State Highway 178 east of Bakersfield and

along Kelso Valley Road, or via U.S. Highway 395 south of Red Rock Canyon State Park and along Jawbone Canyon Road. Travelers should

check road conditions before driving.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Jawbone/Dove Springs - #5 Cane Canyon

Claraville

Woolstalf Creek

Pinyon Mountain

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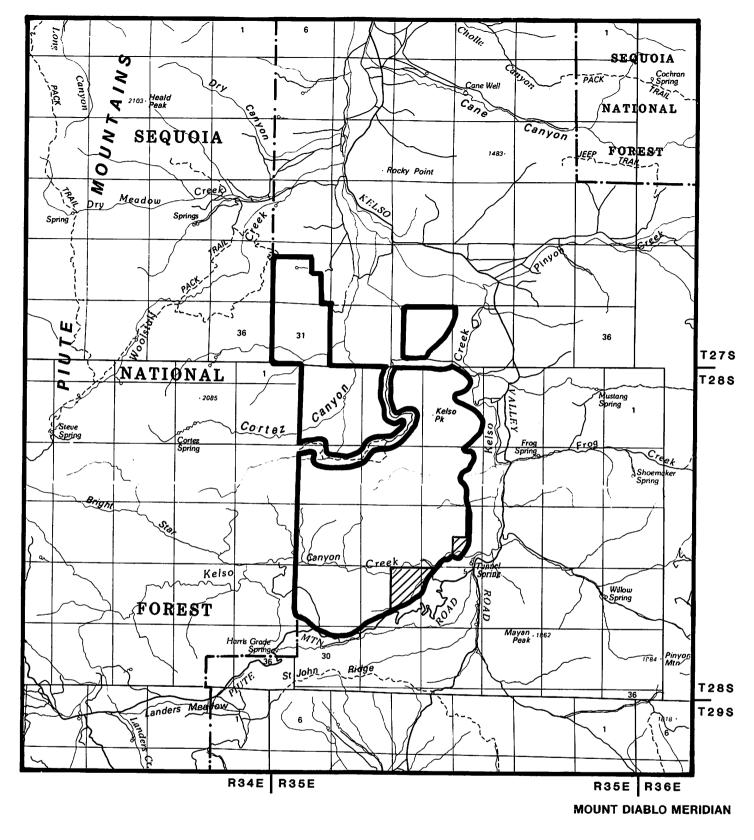
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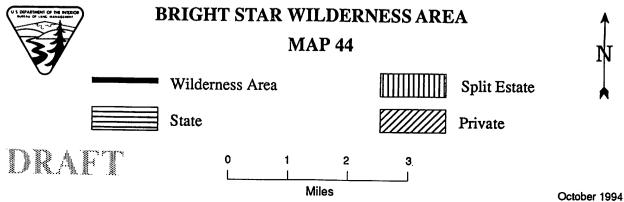
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BRISTOL MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE: 68,515 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 40 miles southeast of Baker, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: A portion of the rolling Bristol Mountains and a tilted volcanic plain form

> this wilderness. The lack of any springs and extreme distances make travel in this wilderness a challenge for the most experienced desert hiker. The wilderness is contiguous with the Granite Mountains Wilderness, which is part of the Mojave National Preserve on its eastern boundary at

Budweiser Wash.

Access: Interstate 40 forms portions of the wilderness' southern boundary. Take

> the Ludlow exit from I-40 and follow the dirt road north for about 2 miles to a pipeline road and turn east. There are no established trailheads and

high clearance vehicles are recommended.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

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USGS 7.5 Quadrangel Maps: MAPS: Desert Access Guides:

> Ash Hill, Broadwell Lake, Johnson Valley - #11

Brown Buttes, Budweiser Wash, Providence Mountains - #12

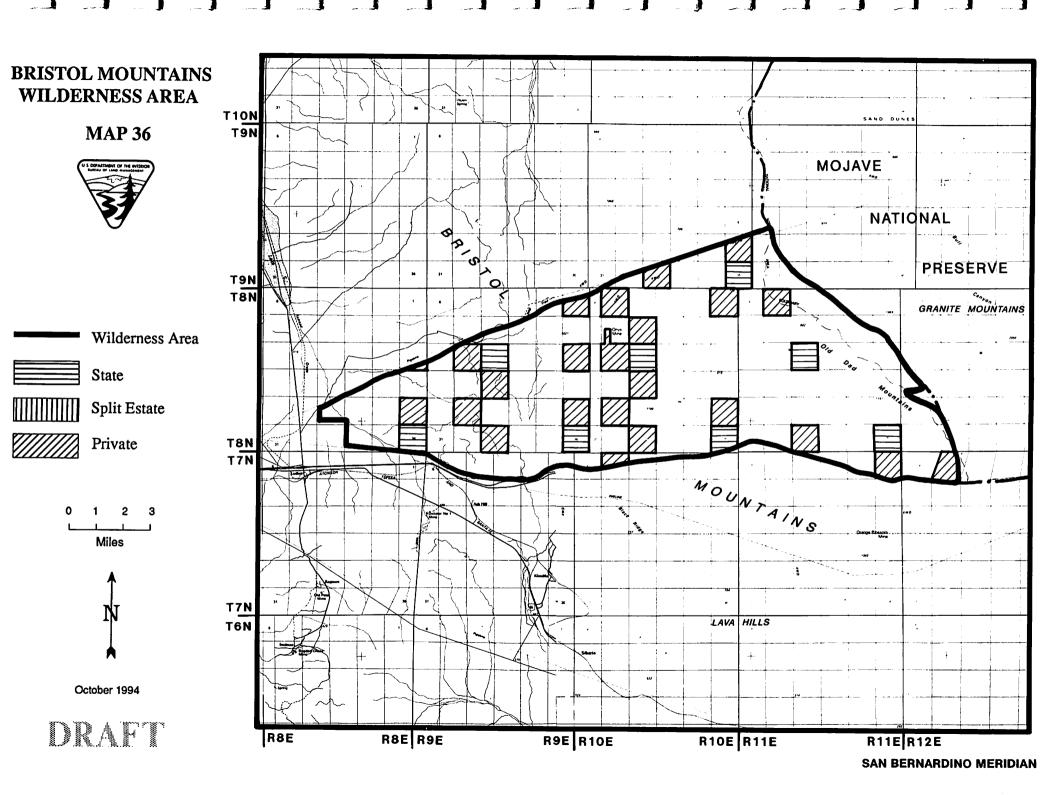
> East of Siberia, East of Broadwell Lake, Glasgow, Kelso Dunes, Ludlow, Siberia, West of

Budweiser Wash

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CADIZ DUNES WILDERNESS

Size: 39,740 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 40 miles east of Twentynine Palms, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Cadiz Sand Dunes, with their unique flora and fauna, are the focal

point of this wilderness. These low dunes were formed from the winds pushing sands from Cadiz Dry Lake, which is outside of the wilderness to

the west.

Access: Travel 62 miles east of Twentynine Palms on State Highway 62. Turn

north and follow the graveled Cadiz Road for 26 miles. The next 5 miles of the Cadiz Road forms the eastern boundary of the wilderness. Cadiz Road is passable by two-wheel drive vehicles, but the southern and

northern boundary routes require four-wheel drive vehicles.

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Sheephole Mountains - #15 Cadiz Lake

Cadiz Lake North East
Cadiz Lake North West

Chubbuck

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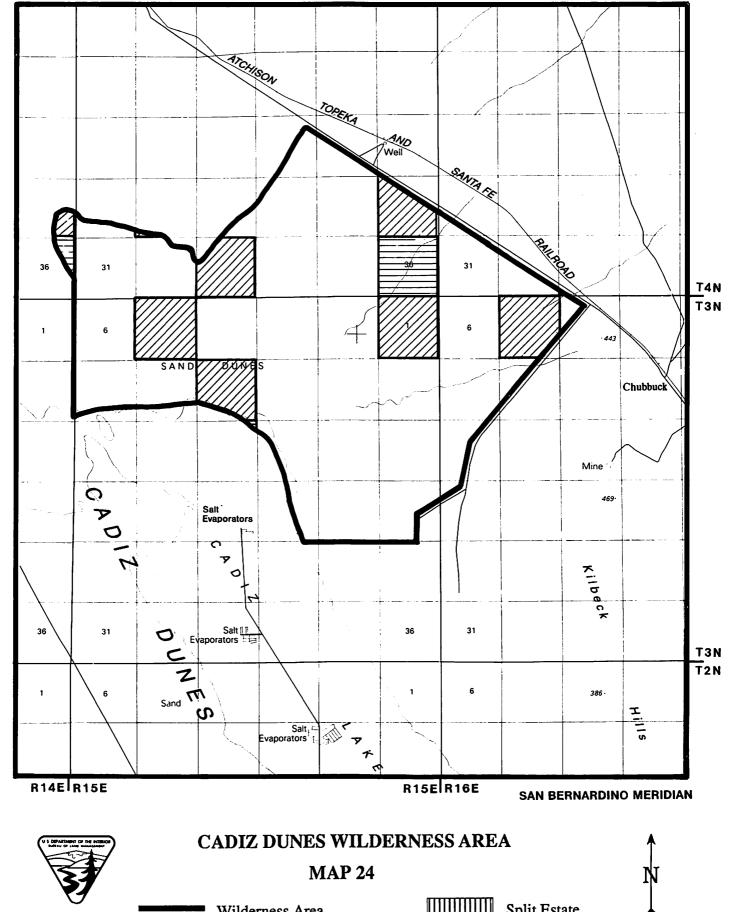
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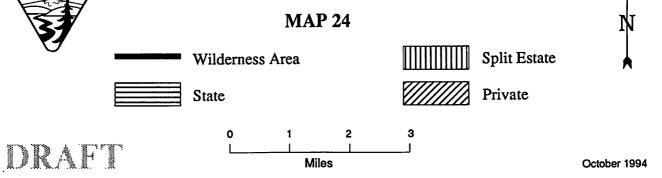
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CARRIZO GORGE WILDERNESS

SIZE:

15,700 acres

LOCATION:

San Diego County; 60 miles east of San Diego, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The Carrizo Gorge Wilderness offers some of the most expansive scenic vistas in the California Desert. Views stretching 100 miles or more are common. The panorama includes the Salton Sea, Chocolate Mountains, Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and Mount Signal on the Mexico border.

This wilderness is the only ecological transition zone between the Colorado Desert and the peninsular mountain ranges represented in the National Wilderness Preserve System. Three peninsular bighorn sheep

herds call the area home, and the San Diego coast horned lizard, Swainson's hawk, golden eagle and other birds of prey have all been spotted here. California fan palms line the edges of dry washes and

narrow canyons, creating desert oases.

Access:

Access this wilderness by taking the Boulevard/Manzanita exit from Interstate 8. Follow State Route 94 east to the McCain Valley Road. Driving north, the wilderness is located along the east side of the McCain

Valley Road.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Jacumba

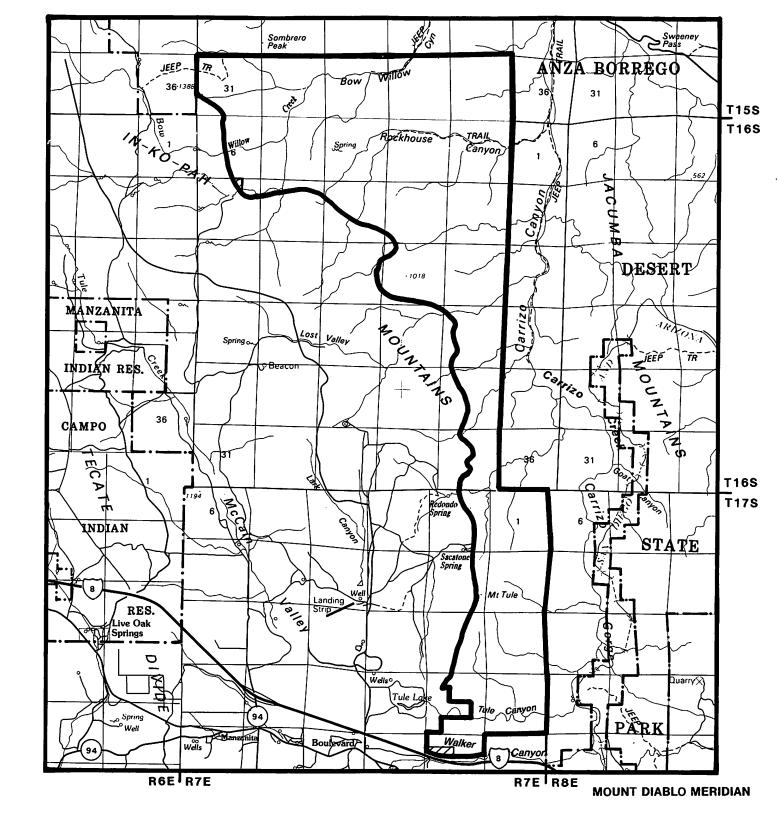
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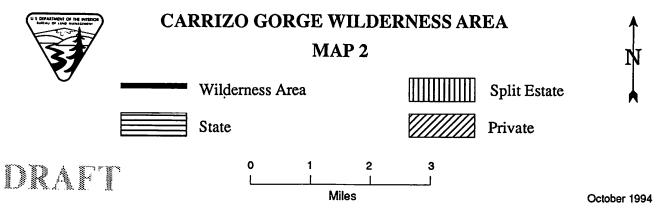
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CHEMEHUEVI MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE: 64,320 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 12 miles southeast of Needles, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Chemehuevi Mountains are a horse-shoe shaped range a few miles

> from the Colorado River. These mountains transform gradually from almost white granite to dark red and gray volcanic spires. Within the arms of the horseshoe is a large central valley, its rolling hills covered by dense stands of cholla and other cactus. Desert tortoise, bighorn sheep, wild burros and desert mule deer are among the wildlife making their homes here. A popular trail is the 12-mile Trampas Wash, which bisects the wilderness and ends at the Colorado River. Springs within the wilderness

are seasonal and should be depended upon for water.

Access: Ten miles south of Needles, California, U.S. Highway 95 is intersected by

> a dirt pipeline road, which forms the northern boundary of the wilderness. It can also be reached from the east from the Colorado River through the Havasu Wilderness Area, which is within the Havasu Wildlife Refuge.

Please note there is no overnight camping in the Refuge.

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: **Desert Access Guides:** USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

> Needles - #13 Castle Rock

Chemehuevi Peak Parker/Blythe - #16

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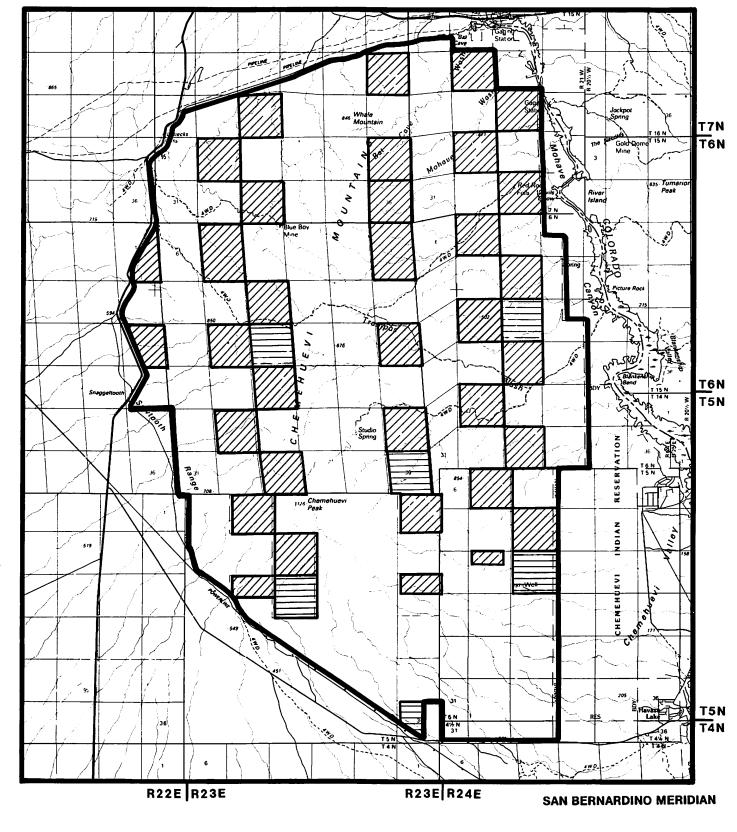
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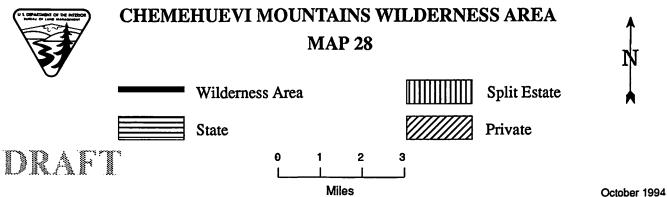
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CHIMNEY PEAK WILDERNESS

Size: 13,700 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Tulare County; 20 miles northwest of Ridgecrest, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The boundaries of the Chimney Peak Wilderness encompass the eastern

slope of the southern Sierra Nevada where valleys, canyons, alluvial fans and steep hills lead into rugged, granite mountains. In the valleys, Joshua trees, creosote bush and desert shrubs grow across the landscape. The higher elevations are scattered with cottonwood trees, cacti and pinyon pine. One of the few evidences that man has explored this area is the Sacatar Trail. This old wagon road now trails faintly across the

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wilderness.

Access: Access this wilderness from the Canebrake Road off State Highway 178

or Nine Mile Canyon Road off U.S. Highway 395.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

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Lamont Peak
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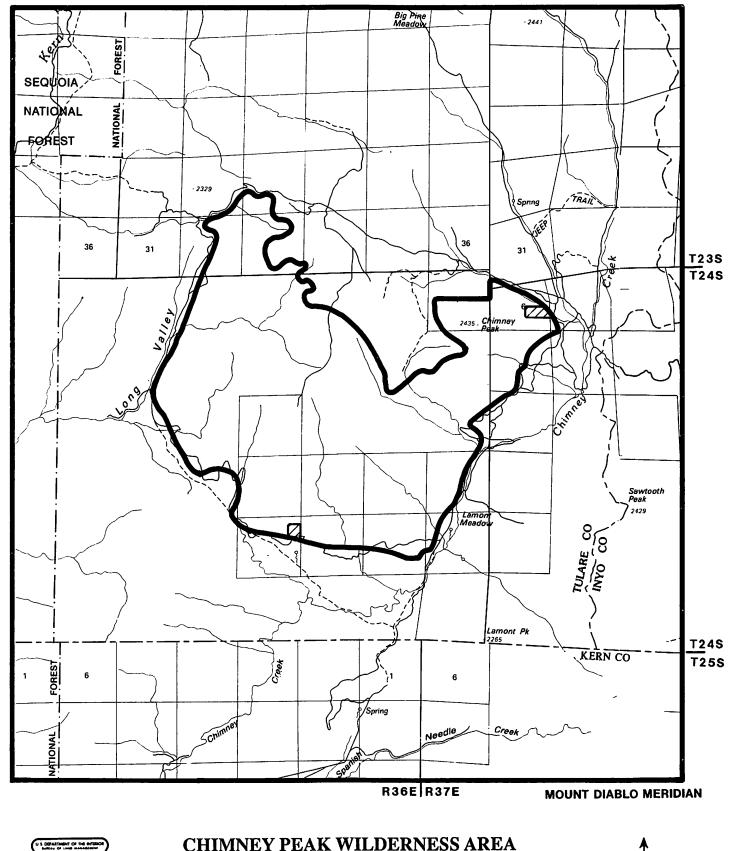
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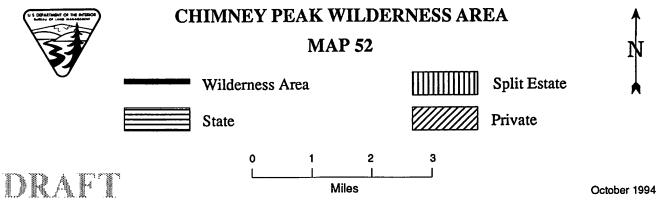
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CHUCKWALLA MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE: 80,770 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Riverside County; 40 miles west of Blythe, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: Rising like an island from a vast sea of sand and rock are the Chuckwalla

> Mountains. Included within the walls of this rock fortress are a seemingly endless variety of landforms, textures, and colors. Steep-walled canyons, inland valleys, large and small washes, isolated rock outcrops and vast desert expanses interact to form a constantly changing panorama. The plant and wildlife species are as uniquely diverse. Bighorn sheep, burro deer, raptors, snakes, coyotes and fox are just a few of the many creatures choosing the Chuckwalla Mountains as their home. The southwestern bajada region has been identified as highly crucial habitat for the desert tortoise. Ocotillo, cholla, yucca, creosote and barrel and foxtail cactus

cover the landscape and provide seclusion.

Access: From the north, Interstate 10 provides eastern access to Corn Springs and

Du Pont Roads via the Corn Springs exit. The Red Cloud Road exit from

Interstate 10 provides access from the west, and the Bradshaw Trail

provides access to the wilderness from the south.

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guides: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

> Chuckwalla - #18 Augustine Pass, Aztec Mines,

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CLEGHORN LAKES WILDERNESS

SIZE: 33,980 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 16 miles northeast of Twentynine Palms,

California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are

30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: Named for the dry lakes found near its center, this wilderness contains

> vastly different natural resources. The east portion is mountainous while the west portion is a vast alluvial slope or bajada. Elevations range from 1,400 feet at the desert floor to the rugged Bullion Mountains, which rise more than 4,100 feet across a 4-mile stretch. The Bullion Mountains include desert bighorn sheep habitat, and desert tortoise can be found on the valley floor. Barrel cactus "gardens" and "smoke trees" inhabit some washes. The Lakes offer occasional spring wildflower displays, and Crucifixion Thorn has been found near the eastern edge of the wilderness

boundary.

Access: Access this wilderness via Amboy Road from either Interstate 40 or State

Highway 62.

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Accerss Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

> Sheephole Mountains - #15 Bristol Lake South West

> > Cleghorn lakes

Dale Lake

East of Valley Mountain Lead Mountain South West

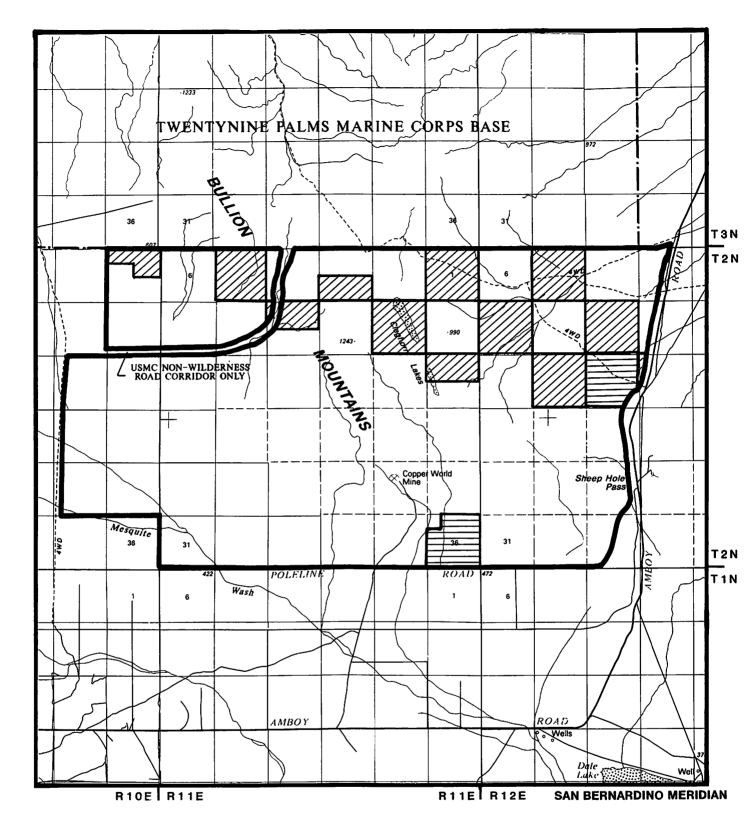
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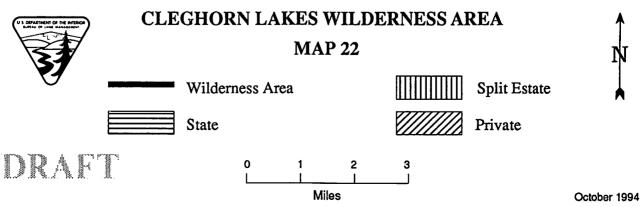
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CLIPPER MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS

SIZE:

26,000 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 50 miles west of Needles, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

This wilderness encompasses a large mesa with surrounding canyons and hills to the southeast. Tracing the old World War II trail 7 miles up the northern slope of the Clipper Range may provide a glimpse of the bighorn sheep that reside within this wilderness.

Access:

This wilderness is approximately 28 miles east of Ludlow, California and south of Interstate 40. Access the southern boundary from Route 66, east from the Ludlow to Danby Road. Go north 2.3 miles on this dirt road to the intersection of the Southern California Gas Pipeline, which forms the southern boundary of the wilderness. A high clearance vehicle is recommended. Parking is not permitted along the pipeline road right-of-

way, therefore, you must be dropped off and picked up.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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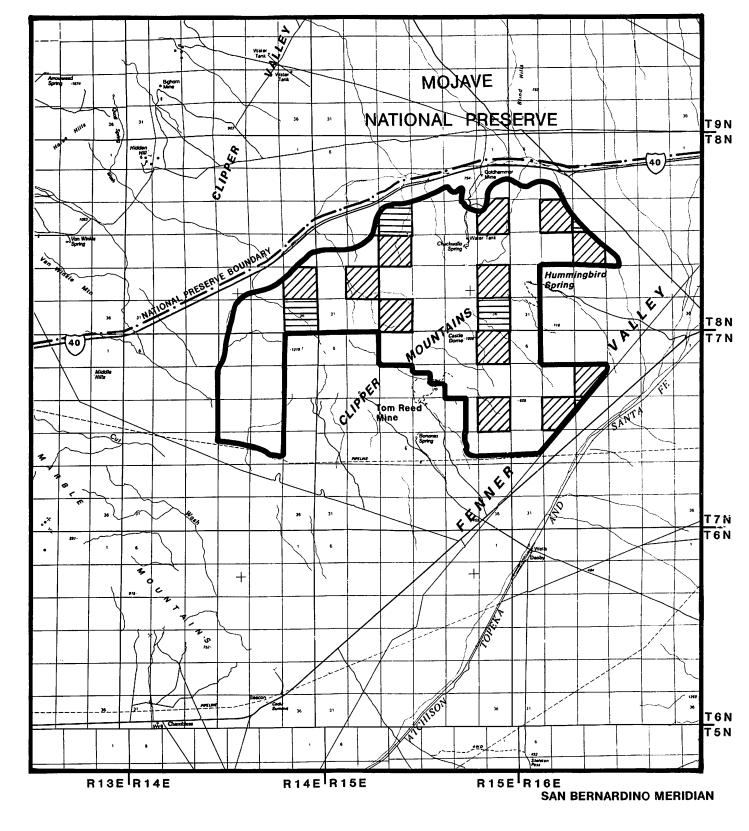
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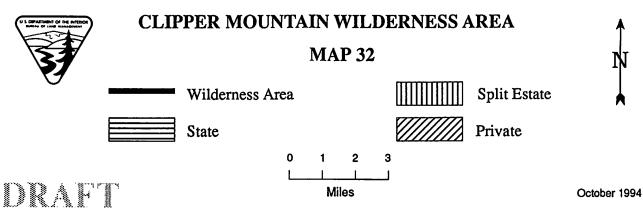
Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Providence Mountains - #12 Blind Hills

Cadiz Summit Castle Dome Van Winkle Wash West of Blind Hills

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COSO RANGE WILDERNESS

SIZE:

50,520 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Inyo County; 12 miles west of Darwin, California and 6 miles northeast of Olancha, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are

30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

This wilderness encompasses the northern section of the Coso Mountain Range, an area of extensive erosion revealing outstanding volcanic displays and numerous valleys and washes. From high points within the wilderness, most notably Joshua Flat, one can obtain outstanding views of the Owens Valley and the eastern Sierra Nevadas. Creosote, low desert shrubs, annuals, cactus and large stands of Joshua trees are the primary vegetation in the area. Vermillion Canyon and Joshua Flat are two especially scenic areas within this wilderness. Cactus Flat and McCloud

Flat are two areas of historic mining activity.

Access:

Access to this wilderness on the north and east is via State Highway 190, east of Olancha, and then along four-wheel drive routes SE9, SE10, or Centennial Canyon. Access on the west side is via U.S. Highway 395 east of Olancha and along Cactus Flat Road and numerous other four-wheel drive routes.

Nonfederal Lands:

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MAPS:

Desert Access Guide:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Panamint - #2

Centennial Canyon Haiwee Reservoirs Upper Centennial Flat Vermillion Canyon

CONTACT:

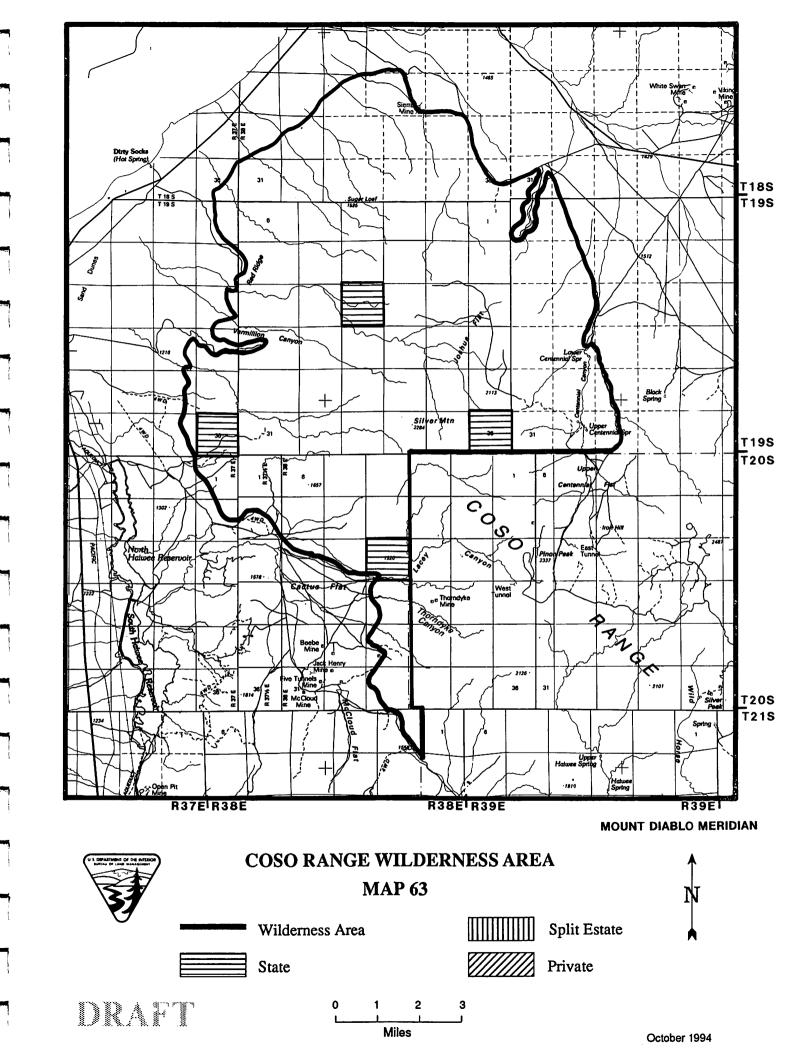
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COYOTE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

17,000 acres

LOCATION:

Imperial County; 35 miles west of El Centro, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Described as a fish hook shaped mountain range, the Coyote Mountains make up 40 percent of this wilderness. Part of the Carrizo Badlands lie within the northern portion of the wilderness, their narrow and twisting gullies giving the landscape its austere, forbidding appearance. A group of unusual sandstone rock formations, believed to be six million-years-old, add to the character of this region. The barefoot gecko is known to make its home among the mountain ridges.

Access:

This wilderness can be accessed from two routes. From U.S. Highway 80 (Evan Hughes Highway) turn north on Painted Gorge Road, which will take you to the wilderness boundary. Or take State Route S2 to the Fossil Canyon Road and turn north, which also will take to the boundary of the wilderness.

MAPS:

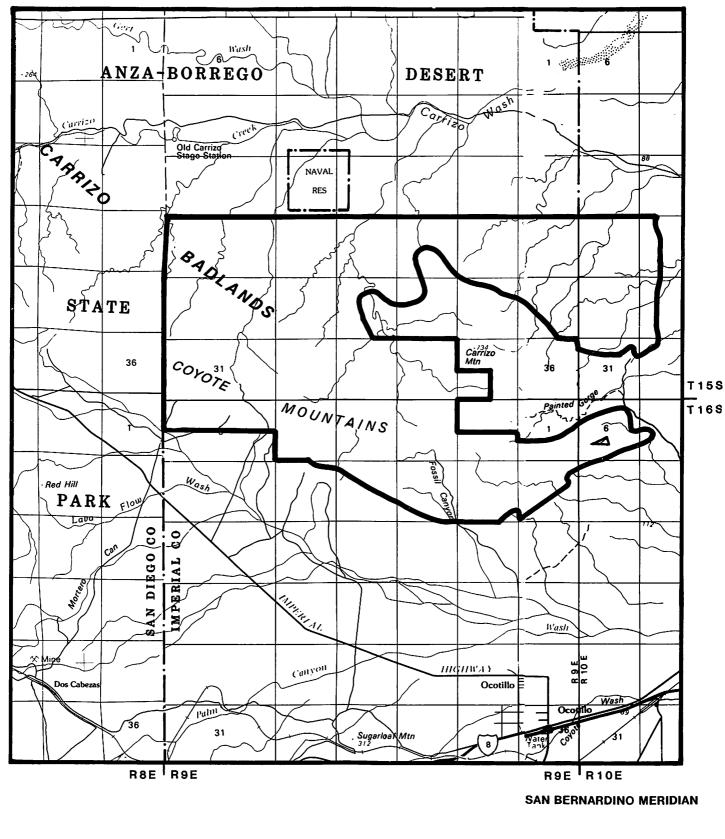
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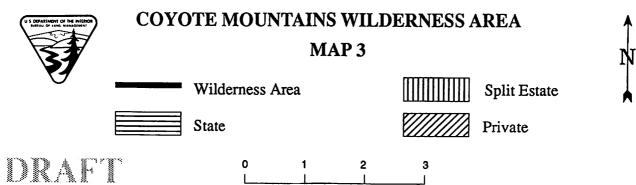
Carrizo Mountain

Carrizo Mountain North East

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DARWIN FALLS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

8,600 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Inyo County; 3 miles north of Darwin, California and 25 miles northeast of Olancha, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are

30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Although named Darwin Falls Wilderness, the falls actually are under the administration of the adjoining Death Valley National Park. The Darwin Plateau and Darwin Hills form the landscape of this wilderness. The plateau, which is cut by numerous shallow depressions and canyons, displays a variety of volcanic rock faces and exposures. Vegetation is typical of a creosote bush scrub community with Joshua tree woodland at higher elevations. Wildlife species include nesting and foraging habitat

for prairie falcon.

Access:

Access to this wilderness is via State Highway 190 through Panamint Valley approximately 30 miles east of Olancha and along the road into Darwin or down the Darwin Canyon Road. Travelers should check road conditions before driving.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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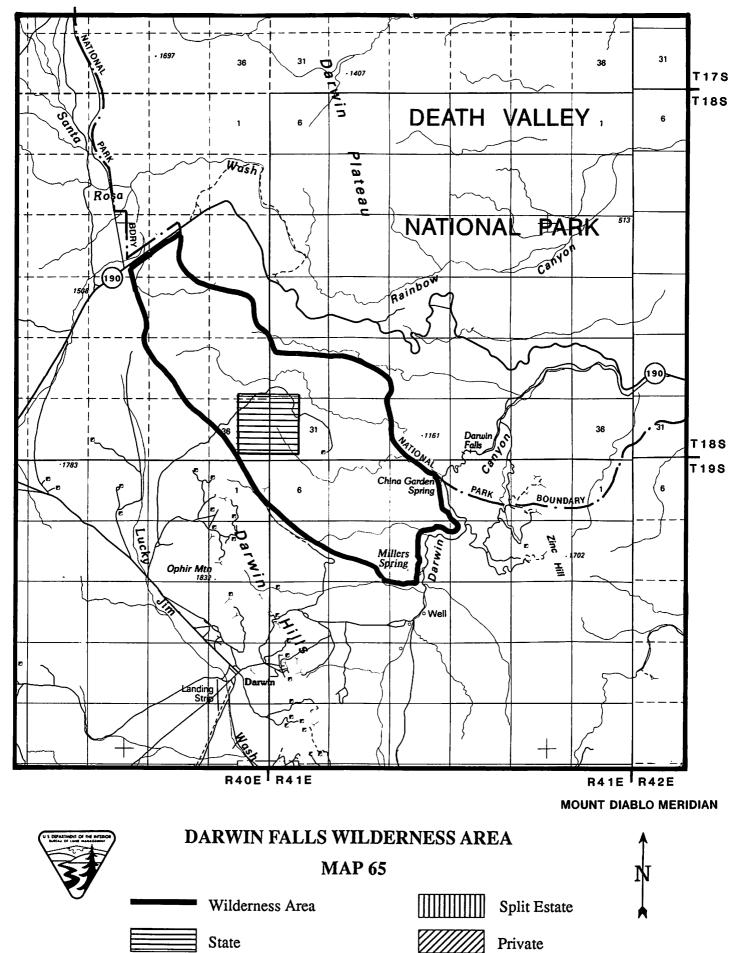
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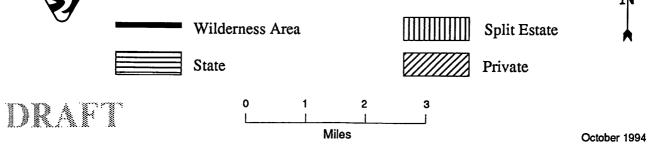
Desert Access Guide: Panamint - #2 USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Darwin

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DEAD MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

Size: 48,850 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 12 miles northwest of Needles, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: This wilderness is dominated by the mountain range for which it is named.

The spine of the Dead Mountains runs north to south and is a jagged, steep, rust-colored range crowned by Mount Manchester at 4,000 feet. The mountains give way to sweeping bajadas that gradually slope toward

the Piute Valley on the west and the Colorado River on the east.

Access: A popular access to the Dead Mountains is to hike south from the segment

of the Mojave Road that parallels the Nevada State line, which also forms the northern boundary of the wilderness. To locate the Mojave Road, go approximately 16 miles north from Needles, California on River Road (PEW Road on 7.5 maps). Turn west at the rock cairn and travel up the

wash.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Needles - #13 Bannock

East of Homer Mountain Mount Manchester

Needles North West

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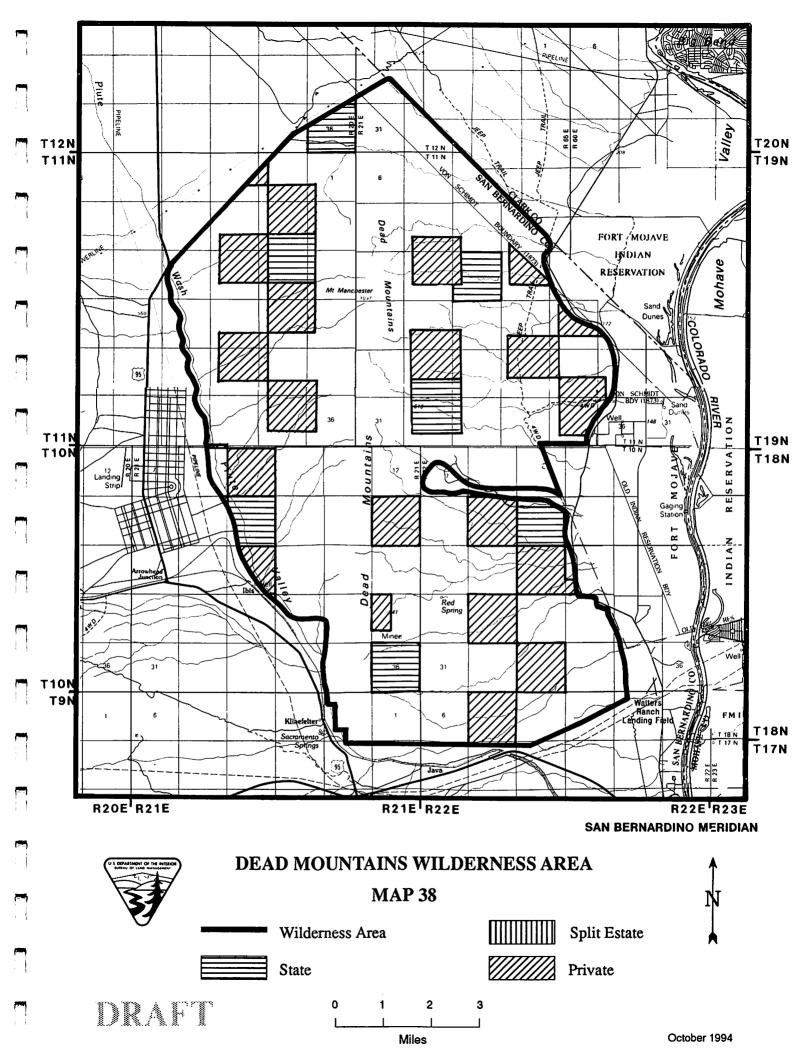
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DOMELAND WILDERNESS AREA

Size:

36,300 acres (29,260 acres - Tulare County; 7,040 acres - Kern County),

which may include other Federal, State and private lands.

LOCATION:

Tulare County; 25 miles northwest of Ridgecrest, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Adjacent to the Domeland Wilderness within Sequoia National Forest, this wilderness consists of pinyon-covered mountains along the eastern side of the Kern River South Fork drainage. Located on the eastern edge of the center of the wilderness is a long, narrow Big Sage covered valley. Rugged, challenging topography, perennial streams, variable terrain and vegetation contribute to outstanding opportunities for solitude and

unconfined recreation.

Access:

Access this wilderness from Canebrake Road off State Highway 178 or

Nine Mile Canyon Road off U.S. Highway 395.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the owner

and do not use these lands without permission.

Maps:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Lamont Peak

Onyx

Rockhouse Basin Sacatar Canyon

Weldon

White Dome

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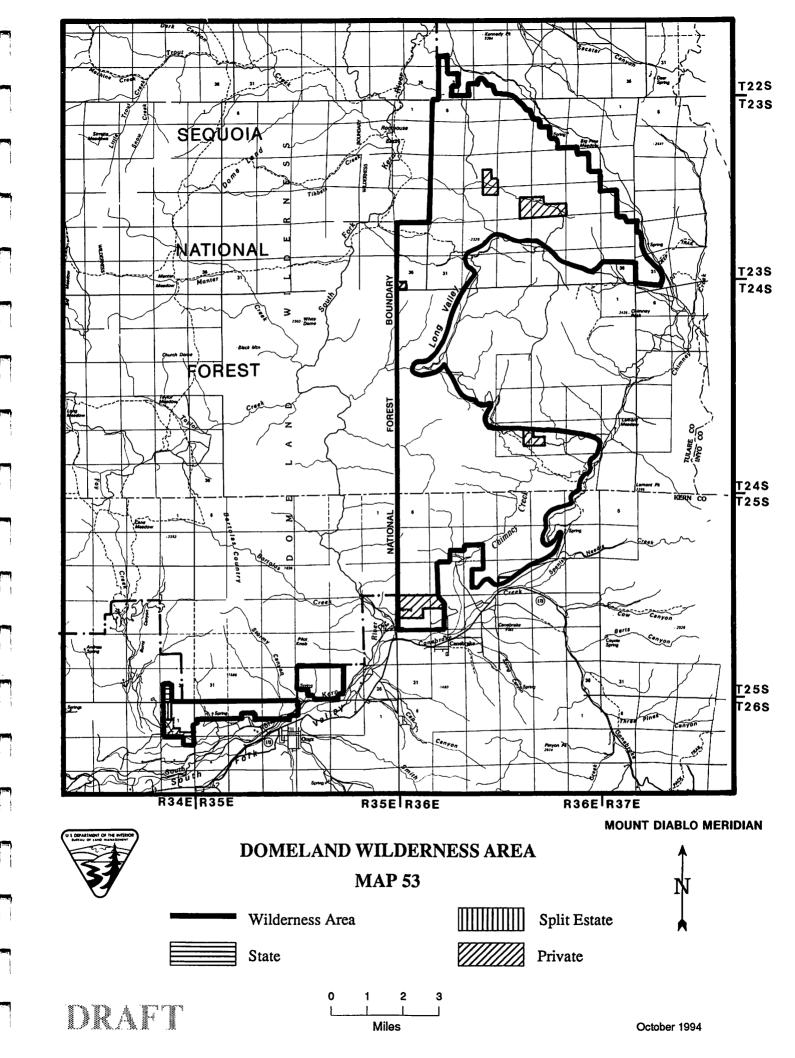
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EL PASO MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

23,780 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Kern County; 6 miles southwest of Ridgecrest, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Numerous reddish-colored buttes and dark, uplifted volcanic mesas dissected by narrow canyons distinguish this wilderness. Badlands topography surrounds Black Mountain, the central feature of this wilderness. The most spectacular attribute of this area is the abundance of cultural sites. The southern portion of the wilderness is included in the Last Chance Archaeological District and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Wildlife includes raptors, Mohave ground squirrel and the desert tortoise. Vegetation primarily consists of creosote bush scrub community with Joshua trees on the western side of the mountain.

Access:

Access this wilderness via State Highway 14 north of Red Rock Canyon State Park and along Red Rock-Inyokern Road along the west; Hart Road (EP155 - four-wheel drive only) along the south; and from the east via U.S. Highway 395 south of Inyokern, along EP18 to Sheep Springs Road (EP26 - four-wheel drive recommended). Visitors should check road conditions before driving to the area.

Nonfederal Lands:

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MAPS:

Desert Access Guides: Ridgecrest - #4

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Freeman Junction

Red Mountain - #7

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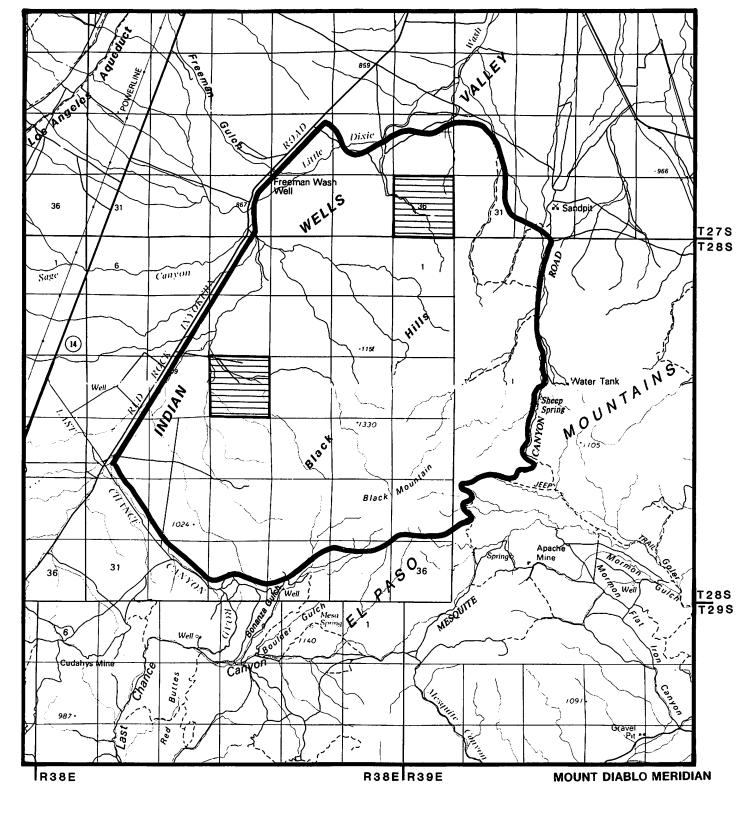
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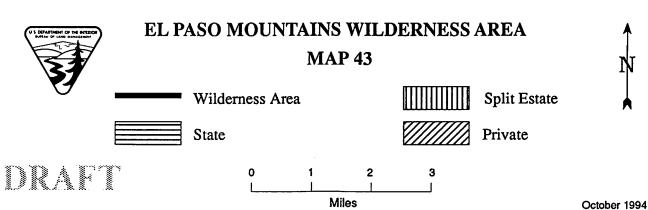
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FISH CREEK MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

25,940 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Imperial County; 50 miles west of Brawley, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The Fish Creek Mountains resemble a plateau rising as a great wall above the desert basin. From a distance, few dramatic peaks are visible. However, on closer examination, a rugged land of jagged ridges and peaks appears above twisting canyons and small valleys, creating a pristine natural environment. The steep mountain slopes contain limestone outcrops that have resisted erosion. As a result, water from cloudbursts has created narrow chutes swirling with water. Shielded from the sun's evaporating rays, water at the base of these chutes remains year-round serving wildlife as natural tanks. A portion of the ancient Lake Cahuilla shoreline is visible within this wilderness. The lake was a great body of freshwater once covering the Imperial and Coachella Valleys, receding 500 years ago.

Access:

Access this wilderness from California State Highway 78. Approximately 3 miles from the San Diego/Imperial County line, take the Split Mountain Road south to where it intersects with the Gypsum Mine Rail Road and follow it south. The wilderness lies along the west side of the railroad and across the wash.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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MAPS:

Desert Access Guides: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:
Salton Sea - #20 Borrego Mountain
Imperial Valley - #22 Carrizo Mountain North East

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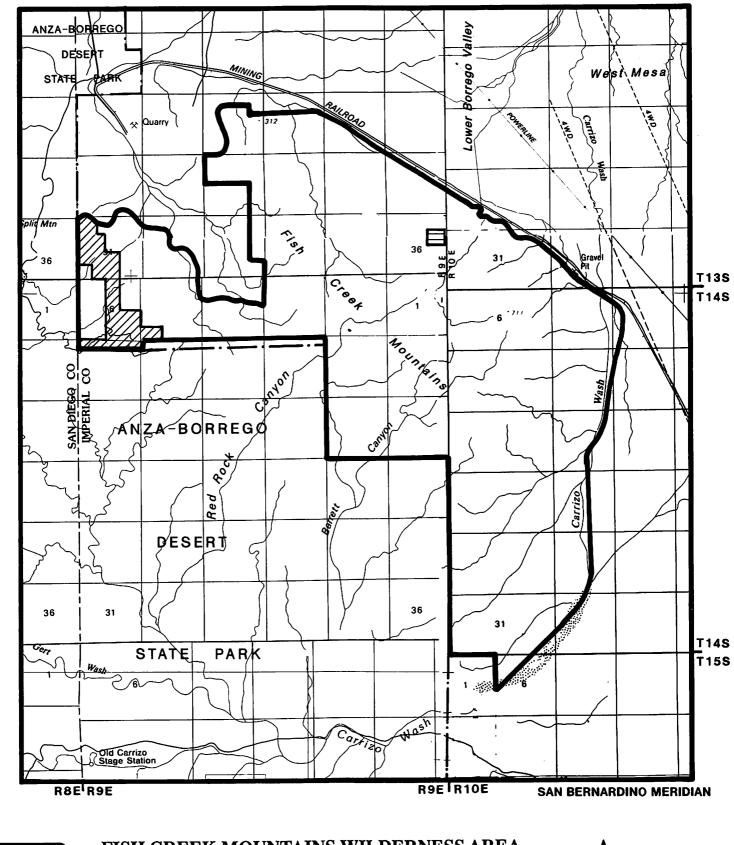
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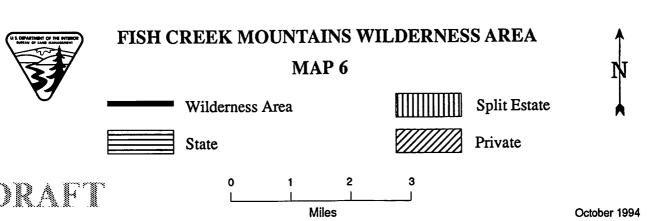
Plaster City North West

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FUNERAL MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

28,110 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Inyo County; 3 miles nortwest of Death Valley Junction, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Amargosa Desert alluvial slopes ascend into the Funeral Mountains. Rugged and colorful bands of limestone rock lay to rest any images conjured up by the Funeral Mountains, for which this wilderness area is named. Elevations range from 2,200 feet and rise 4,950 feet to the summit of Bat Mountain. Capped at nearly 7,000 feet, Pyramid Peak and the western boundary of this wilderness lie within Death Valley National Park. Desert bighorn sheep have been seen near these peaks.

Access:

Access this wilderness area from State Highways 127 or 190.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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MAPS:

Desert Acces Guide:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Amargosa - #3 Death Valley Junction
East of Echo Canyon

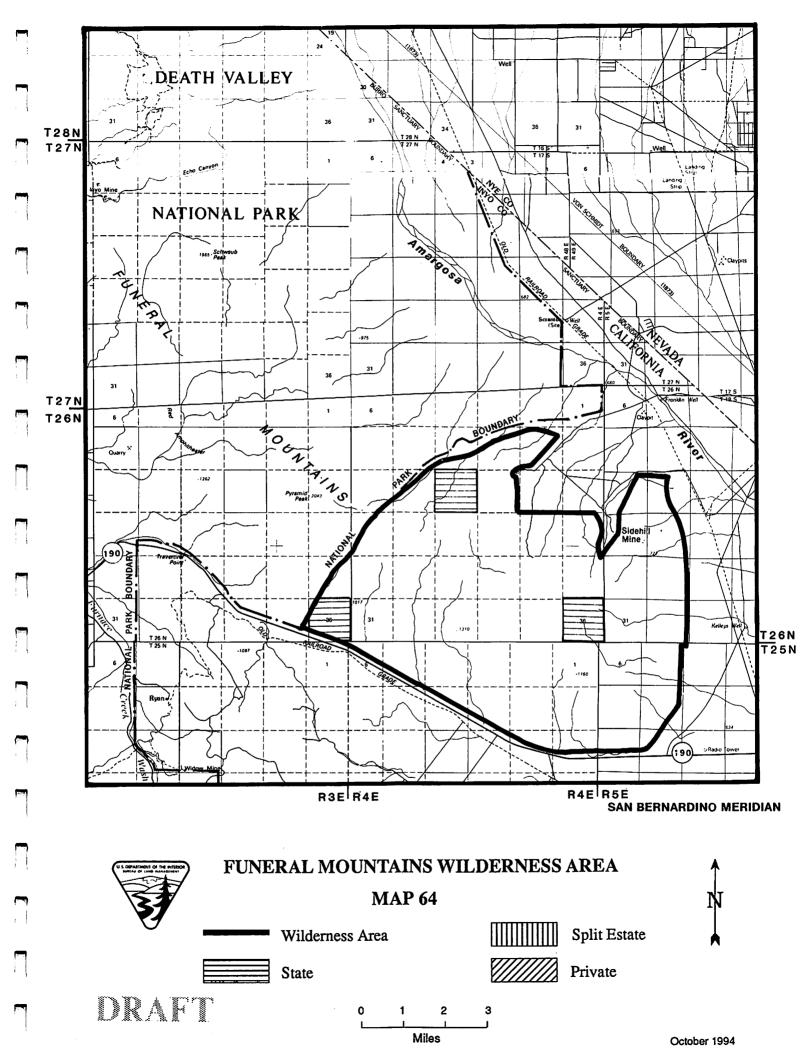
East of Ryan
Echo Canyon
Franklin Well

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GOLDEN VALLEY WILDERNESS

SIZE:

37,700 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 10 miles southeast of Ridgecrest, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The Golden Valley, for which this wilderness is named, is surrounded on either side by two distinct mountain ranges. The Lava Mountains stretch across the northwestern portion of the area, crowned by Dome Mountain at nearly 5,000 feet. This range is cut by several steep-walled canyons that reveal bands of multi-colored sedimentary rocks. The Almond Mountains, rising to an elevation of 4,500 feet, enclose the valley on the southeast. Golden Valley, which is known for its spectacular spring floral displays, lies between the two ranges. The ruggedness of these mountains have helped shelter the valley from human intrusion. The wilderness provides nesting and foraging habitat for raptors and habitat for the desert tortoise and Mohave ground squirrel. Vegetation consists primarily of a creosote bush scrub community with Joshua trees and numerous annuals.

Access:

Access this wilderness via U.S. Highway 395 and along the Red Mountain-Trona Road 1 mile north of Red Mountain to Steam Well Road (RM1444) on the south or Savoy Road on the north.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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MAPS:

Desert Access Guide: Red Mountain - #7 USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

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Klinker Mountain
Red Mountain

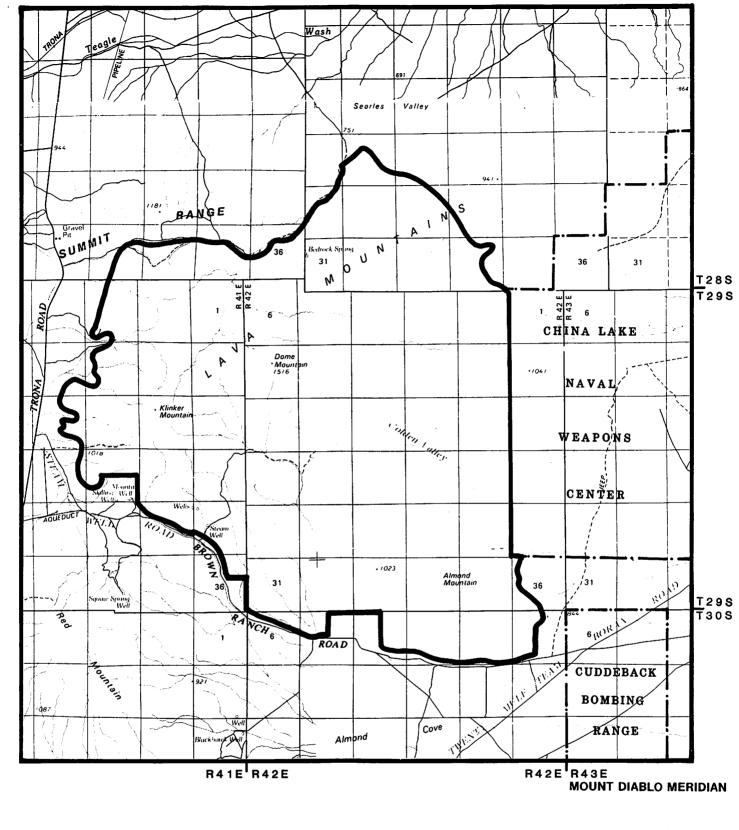
West of Black Hills

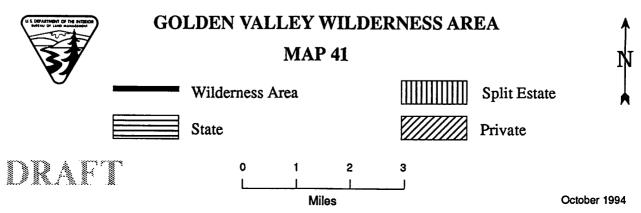
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GRASS VALLEY WILDERNESS

SIZE:

31,695 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 20 miles southeast of Ridgecrest, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Grass Valley covers nearly three-quarters of this area and is the main topographic feature of this wilderness. A series of scattered hills, reddishbrown to yellow in appearance and gently rising to elevations from 200 to 600 feet above the desert valley floor, lie across the western portion of the area. Vegetation is typical of a creosote bush scrub community with a scattering of Joshua trees. Wildlife values in the wilderness include raptor foraging and desert tortoise and Mohave ground squirrel habitat.

Access:

Access to this wilderness is via U.S. Highway 395 immediately north of Red Mountain and along Red Mountain-Trona Road to Steam Well Road (RM1444), or via 395 south of Red Mountain and along Twenty Mule Team Road (EF455), Cuddeback Road (EF473). A vehicle corridor transects this wilderness. Visitors should check road conditions before driving.

Nonfederal Lands:

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MAPS:

Desert Access Guide:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Red Mountain - #7

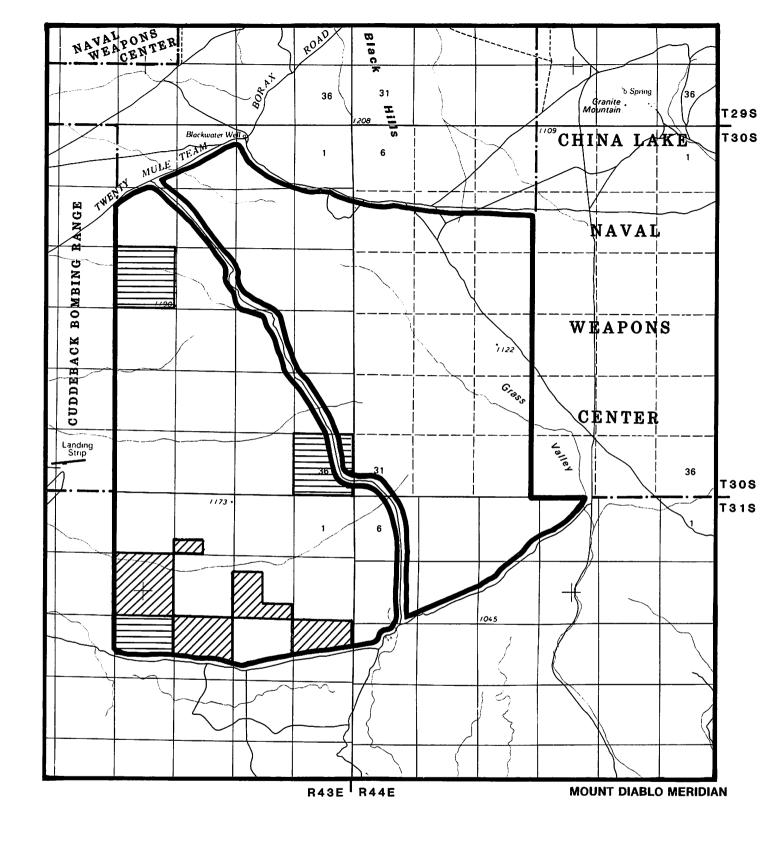
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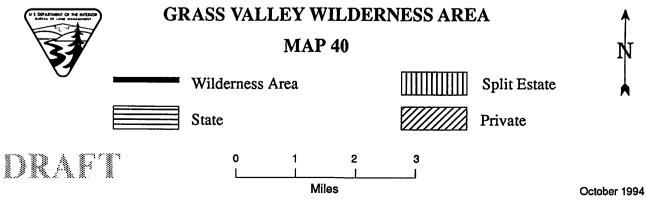
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HOLLOW HILLS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

22,240 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 4 miles north of Baker, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

A gentle bajada interlaced with washes slopes to the west toward Silver Dry Lake. To the east, low rolling hills lead to the Turquoise Mountains, a gentle range with smooth ridges and rounded peaks. Elevations range from 300 feet on the west to a central summit of 3,122 feet. The Hollow Hills Wilderness contains plains, hills and alluvial fans typical of the California desert. Desert tortoise and Mojave fringe-toed lizard have been seen here. Creosote, desert holly and scale scrub plant communities

prevail throughout this area.

Access:

Access this wilderness from State Highway 127.

Nonfederal Lands:

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MAPS:

CONTACT:

Desert Access Guides:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Irwin - #8

Baker

New York Mountains - #9

Halloran Springs North of Baker Turquoise Mountain

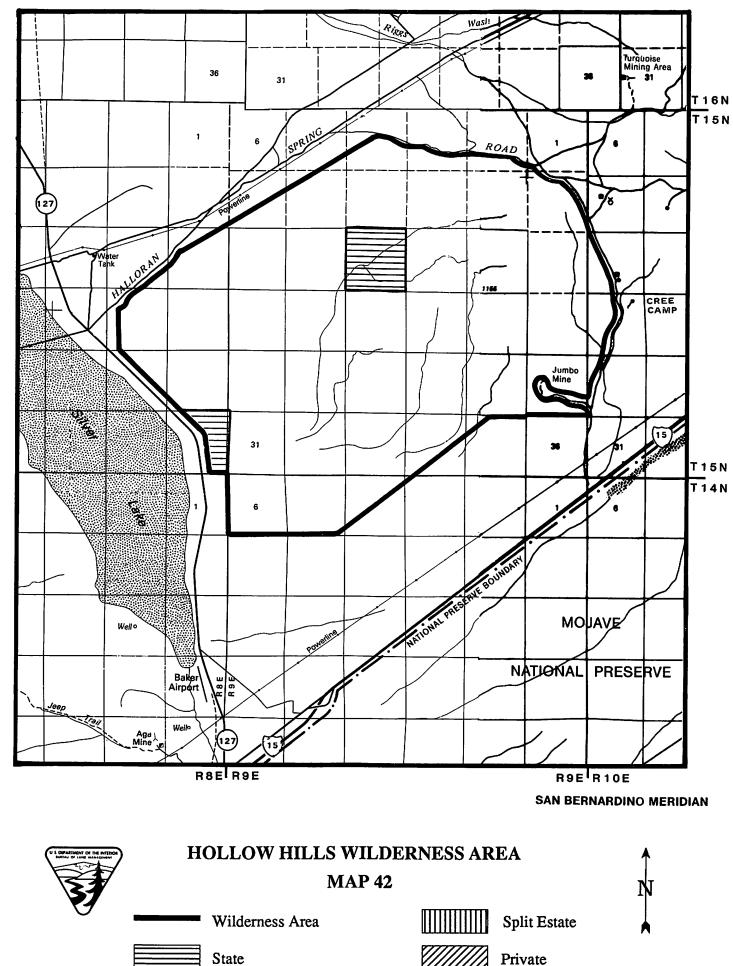
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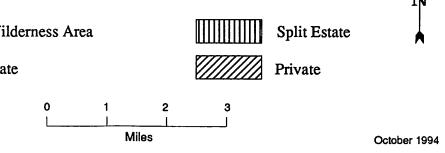
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IBEX HILLS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

26,460 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Inyo County; 3 miles southwest of Shoshone, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

This wilderness includes portions of the Ibex Hills, Dublin Hills and Black Mountains. The Ibex Hills provide a rugged north-south divide between Greenwater Valley's alluvial slopes on the east and the Black Mountains on the west. The Black Mountains and Ibex Hills are very rugged, and their ranges ascend from 3,000 feet and rise 4,752 feet to the summit of Ibex Peak. Bright reds, yellows, browns and blacks show through the horizontal rock layers of these mountain ranges creating a distinctive affect. Evidence of historic talc mining characterizes the area, and desert

bighorn sheep have been seen here.

Access:

Access this wilderness from State Highways 127 or 178.

Nonfederal Lands:

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MAPS:

Desert Access Guide:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Dumont/Clark Mountian - #6

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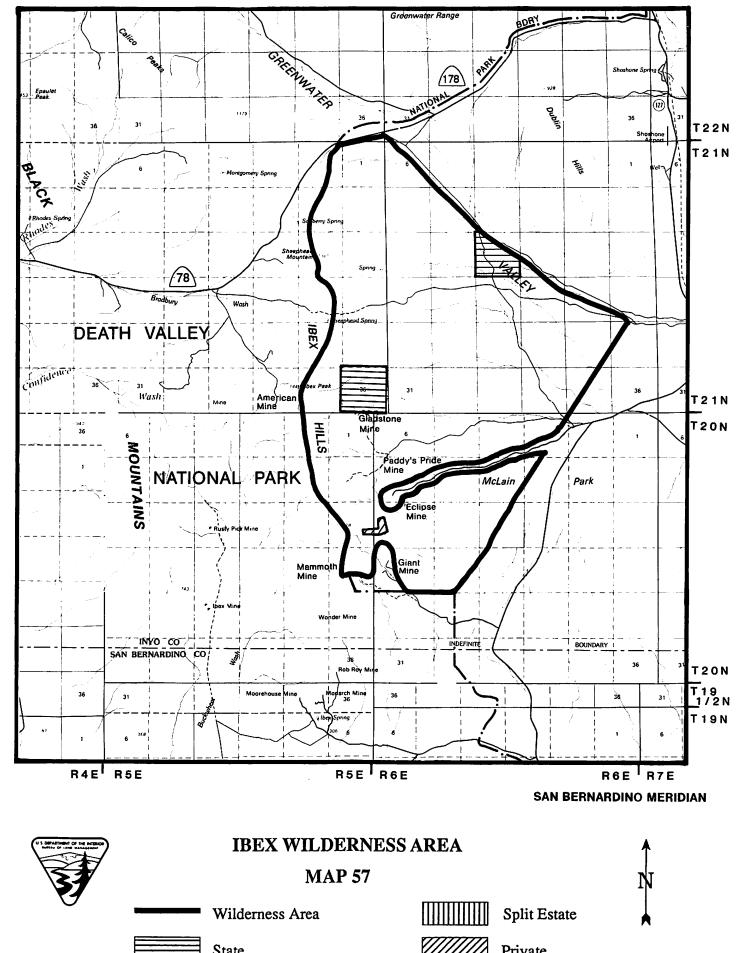
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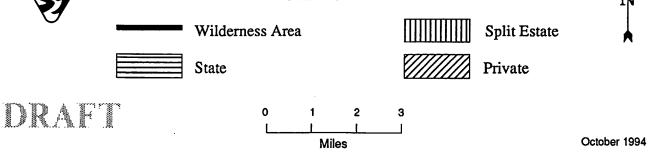
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INDIAN PASS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

33,855 acres

LOCATION:

Imperial County; 50 miles west of Brawley, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The Indian Pass Wilderness is a distinctive part of the Chocolate Mountains, a range which extends from south central Riverside County to the Colorado River near Yuma, Arizona. Quartz peak is the highest point in the wilderness capped at 2,200 feet. Jagged peaks and spires are sliced by mazes of twisting canyons which carry water from occasional desert cloudbursts into several tree-lined washes. One of these washes passes through the heart of the wilderness area, giving rise to the region's local name, "Julian Wash country." The area's proximity to the Colorado River and the Arizona Desert contribute to the presence of wildlife species not commonly found in the California Desert. The Colorado River toad, great plains toad and tree lizard, while common in other states, are rarely seen in California. Burro mule deer make their home over the entire area, and the rugged mountains provide ideal habitat for the desert bighorn sheep. Wild horses and burros can often be found wandering into the Julian Wash

country.

Access:

Access this wilderness from Ogilby Road (S-34), which runs north-south between Interstate 8 and State Highway 78. Indian Pass Road runs from Ogilby Road to the Picacho State Recreation Area. The wilderness lies along the north side of the road to the State Park boundary, approximately 6 miles from the head of Gavilan Wash.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Midway Well - #21

Buzzards Peak Picacho North West Picacho South West

Quartz Peak

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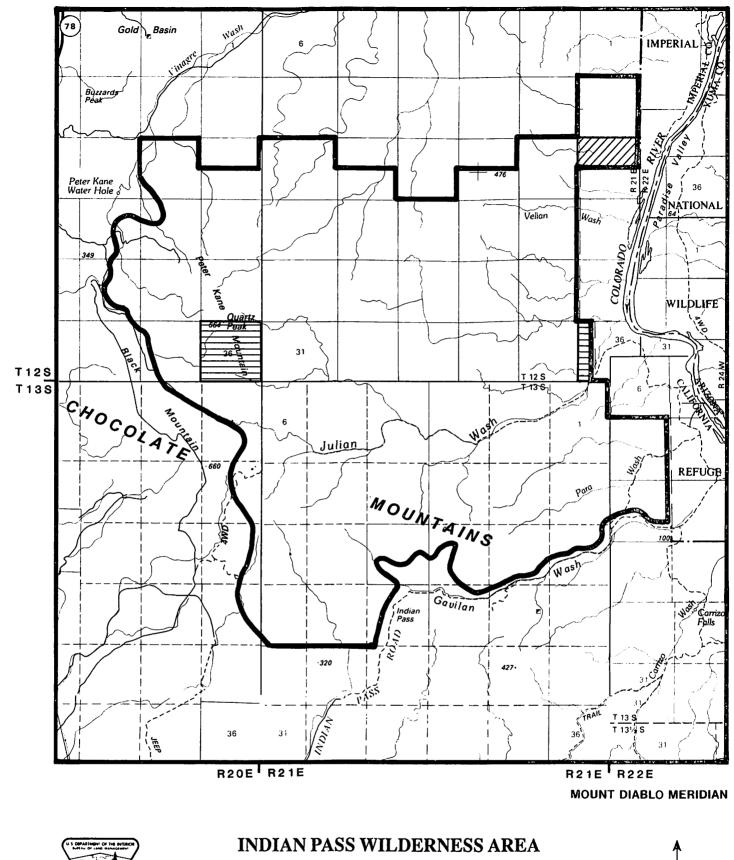
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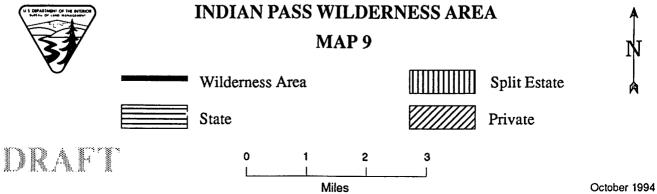
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INVO MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

205,020 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands SIZE:

LOCATION: Inyo County; 5 miles east of Lone Pine, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: Managed by the Bureau of Land Management and Inyo National Forest,

> this wilderness encompasses a large portion of the Inyo Mountains, which rise to 11,000 feet at Keynot Peak and separates the Owens Valley on the west and Saline Valley on the east. These mountains have maintained most of their pristine character due to the sheer ruggedness of the terrain. Evidence of historic and prehistoric man's use of the area has been found. Vegetation includes creosote, shadscale scrub, big sagebrush, lush riparian areas in most of the canyons on the eastern slope and pinyon-juniper woodland, bristlecone and limber pine on the higher reaches. Wildlife

include desert bighorn sheep and the Inyo Mountain salamander.

Access the southern boundary via the San Lucas Canyon or Cerro Gordo Access:

> roads. The west and northern reaches via the Lone Pine-Owenyo and Mazourka Canyon Roads, and the east via Saline Valley Road. A fourwheel drive vehicle and advanced driving and survival skills are

suggested.

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the land

owner and do not use these lands without permission.

Maps: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

> Bee Springs Canyon, Cerro Gordo Eureka/Saline - #1

Peak, Craig Canyon, Dolomite, Mazourka Peak, Nelson Range, New York Butte, Pat Keyes Canyon, Union Wash, Waucoba

Canyon, Waucoba Spring,

Waucoba Mountain

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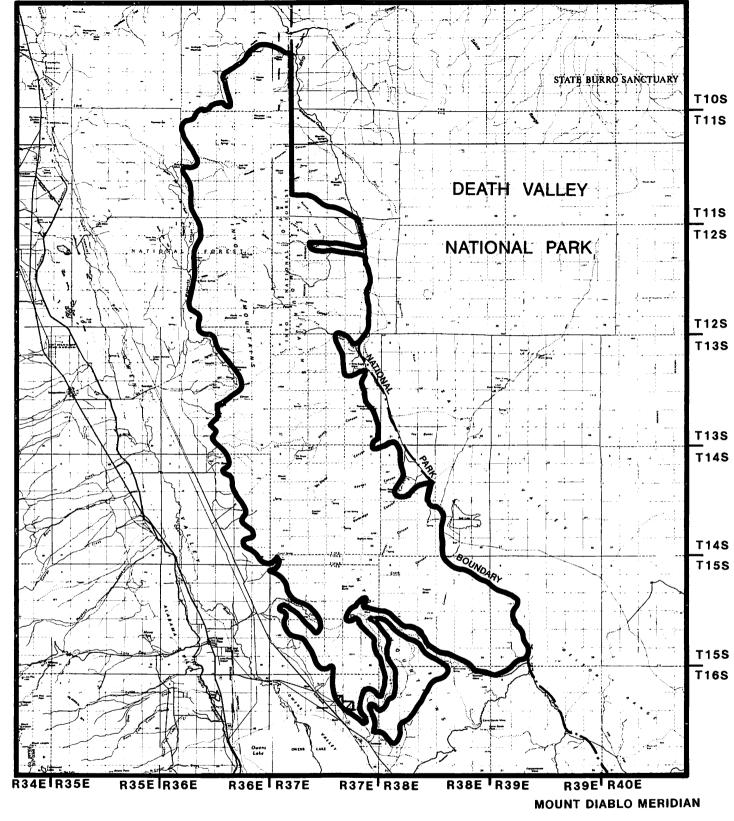
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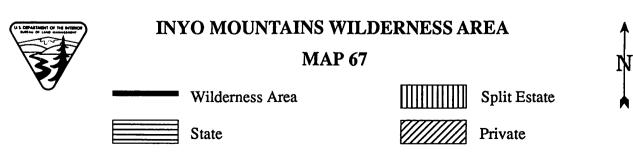
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JACUMBA MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

33,670 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands SIZE:

Imperial County; 30 miles west of El Centro, California LOCATION:

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

The Jacumba Mountains sit on the eastern flank of southern California's NATURAL RESOURCES:

> coastal peninsular ranges, extending to the international border. The Jacumba's are a broad range, made up of ridges and intervening valleys. Each successive ridge is lower than the next, creating a great staircase descending dramatically from the peninsular ranges into the Colorado Desert. Four transitional areas separate this wilderness, each containing a different set of special features. The westernmost portion, Smugglers Cave, provides habitat for mule deer, Peninsular bighorn sheep, golden eagles and the Mexican Trinidad Merriam kangaroo rat. Small oases of native California fan palms dot the Myer Valley/Pinto Canyon region. Rugged mountains split Myer Valley from Davies Valley, the largest valley in the wilderness area. Large areas of "desert pavement," or deposits of surface cobbles, cover the surface. The Eastern Mountains/

Skull Valley is a closed basin with a dry lake bed on its floor.

To access this wilderness, exit Interstate 8 at IN-KO-PAH Park and follow Access:

> Smugglers Cave Road, which winds steeply up the hillside. South of the freeway interchange, four-wheel drive is recommended. The Daves Valley area is also accessible via Interstate 8. Drive south from Ocotillo on State Route S-2 to U.S. Highway 98. Turn east on Highway 98 and drive 0.7 miles south to a BLM sign marking the dirt access road and

follow the road to the wilderness boundary.

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the land Nonfederal Lands:

owner and do not use these lands without permission.

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Desert Access Guide: MAPS:

> In-K0-Pah Gorge Imperial Valley - #22 Coyote Wells

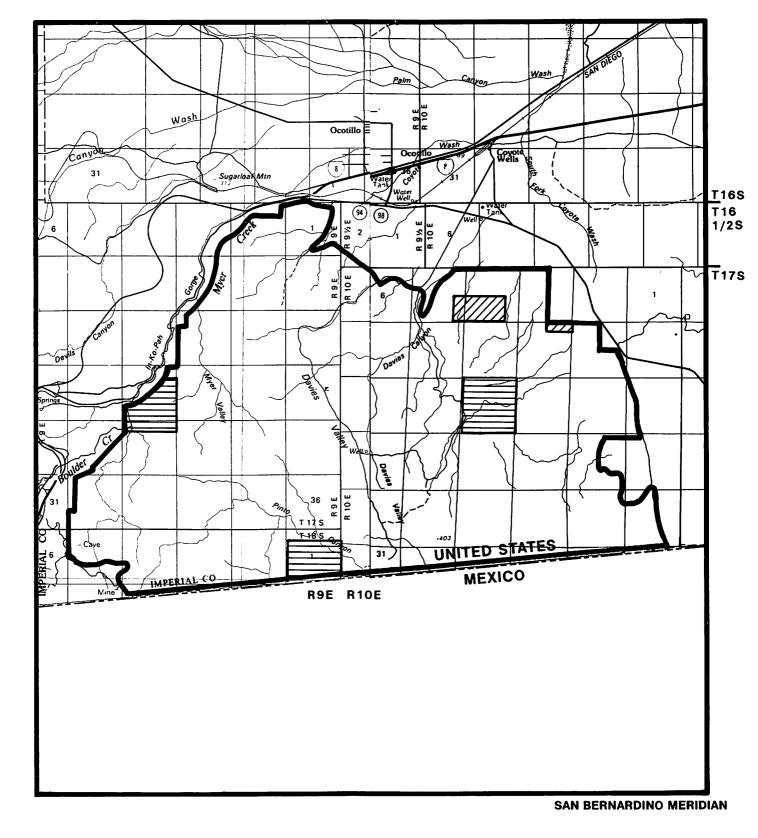
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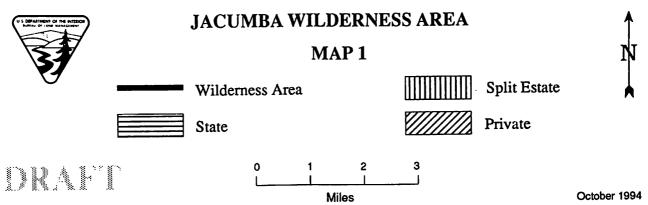
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KELSO DUNES WILDERNESS

SIZE:

129,580 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 50 miles south of Baker, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Within this wilderness lie two sweeping valleys: the rolling Bristol Mountain and the Kelso Sand Dunes -- the second tallest dunes in the California Desert. The sand dune system lies within the Mojave National Preserve's portion of the wilderness. Hiking to the top of the dunes is a popular activity. The stark Bristol Mountains, located in the western portion of this vast wilderness, offer outstanding challenges for only the most experienced desert hiker, as well as opportunities for solitude.

Access:

To access the southwest corner of this wilderness, take the Kelbaker Road exit from Interstate 40 and go north for approximately 4.6 miles. Fourwheel drive vehicles are recommended.

Nonfederal Lands:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the land owner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guides:

(BLM)

Irwin - #8

Johnson Valley - #11

New York Mountains - #9

Providence Mountains - #12

Broadwell Lake, Broadwell Mesa,
Cowhole Mountain, East of
Broadwell Lake, Glasgow, Soda
Lake South, West of Broadwell
Mesa, West of Budweiser Wash,
West of Glasgow

(NPS)

New York Mountains - #9 Budweiser Wash, Glasgow, Kelso, Providence Mountains - #12 Kelso Dunes, West of Glasgow

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KIAVAH WILDERNESS

SIZE:

88,290 acres, which may include other Federal. State and private lands

LOCATION:

Kern County; 15 miles west of Ridgecrest, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

This wilderness encompasses the eroded hills, canyons and bajadas of the Scodie Mountains Unit within the Sequoia National Forest -- the southern extremity of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. A unique mixing of several different species of plants and animals occurs within the transition zone between the Mojave Desert and Sierra Nevada Mountains. Desert plants such as creosote bush, Joshua tree, burro bush and shadscale may be found in close association with pinyon pine, juniper, canyon oak and digger/grey pine. The varied vegetation provides habitat for a great diversity of wildlife over a small geographic area. Species of note include raptors, the yellow-eared pocket mouse, a variety of lizards and a number of migrant and resident bird species. This wilderness is part of a National Cooperative Land and Wildlife Management Area and the BLM Jawbone-Butterbredt Area of Critical Environmental Concern, which was

designated to protect outstanding wildlife and Native American values.

Access:

Access this wilderness from the north via Kelso Valley Road from State Highway 178 west of Invokern; and from the east via State Highway 14 and numerous routes into Cow Heaven Canyon (SC51), Sage Canyon (SC56) and Horse Canyon (SC65), which are four-wheel drive only, and Bird Spring Pass Road (SC120).

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guides:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Ridgecrest - #4

Cane Canyon, Freeman Junction, Horse Canyon, Onyx, Owens Peak,

Jawbone/Dove Springs - #5

Walker Pass

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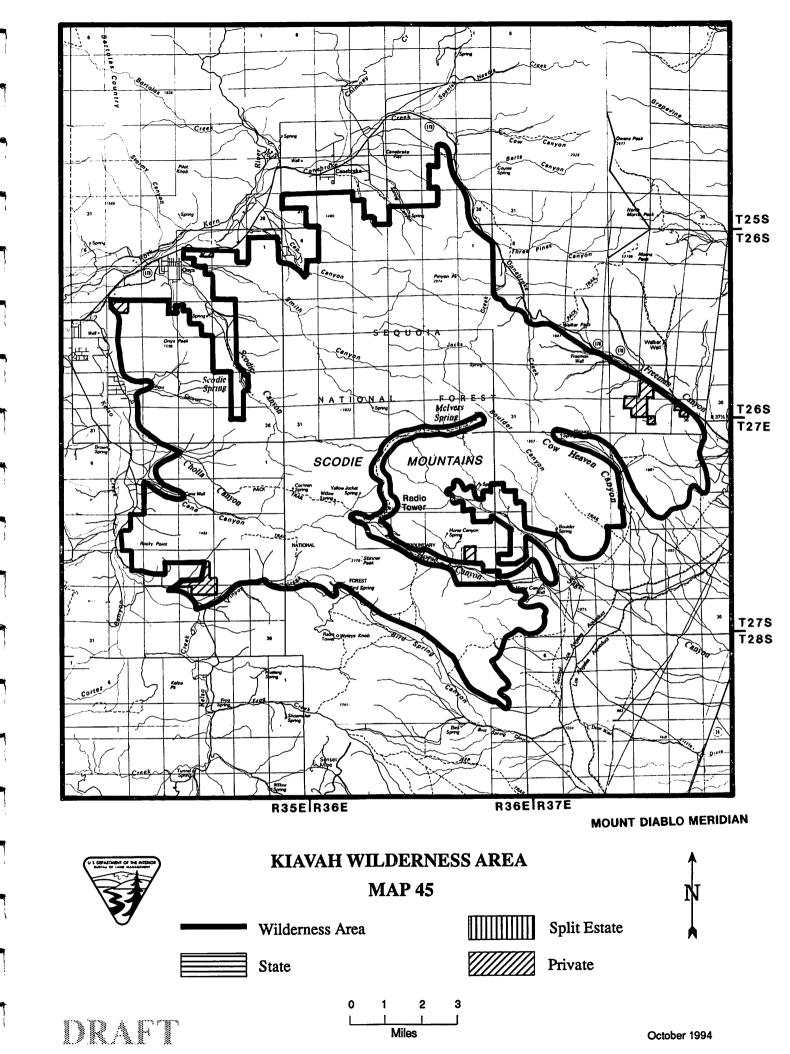
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KINGSTON RANGE WILDERNESS

SIZE: 209,608 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 50 miles northeast of Baker, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Kingston Range forms 17 miles of continuous ridgeline above 6,000

feet, capped by the 7,300-foot Kingston Peak, and surfaces like an island

in a sea of desert lowlands. A bajada slopes south from the range,

draining into the Kingston Wash. A small stand of white fir grows at the upper elevations of Kingston peak, and over 500 plant species make this wilderness one of the most botanically diverse within the California Desert. The Kingston Mountains are one of four places in California where confirmed sightings of the banded gila monster have been made. Year round water and wetland habitat provide food for wildlife, as well as

cover and nesting space for birds, fish, mammals and insects.

Access: Access the wilderness from State Highway 127; the Old Spanish Trail

Highway; or the eastern boundary from the Excelsior Mine Road via

Cima Road off Interstate 15 (26 miles east of Baker).

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Dumont/ Clark Mountain - #6

Irwin - #8

New York Mountains - #9

Blackwater Mine, Dumont Dunes, East Of Kingston Peak, East of Kingston Spring, Horse Theif

Springs, Ibex Pass, Kingston Peak, Kingston Spring, Mesquite Lake, Mesquite Mountains, Pachalka Spring, Silurian Hills, Silurian Lake, Tecopa, Turquoise

Mountain, Tecopa Pass,

Valjean Hills

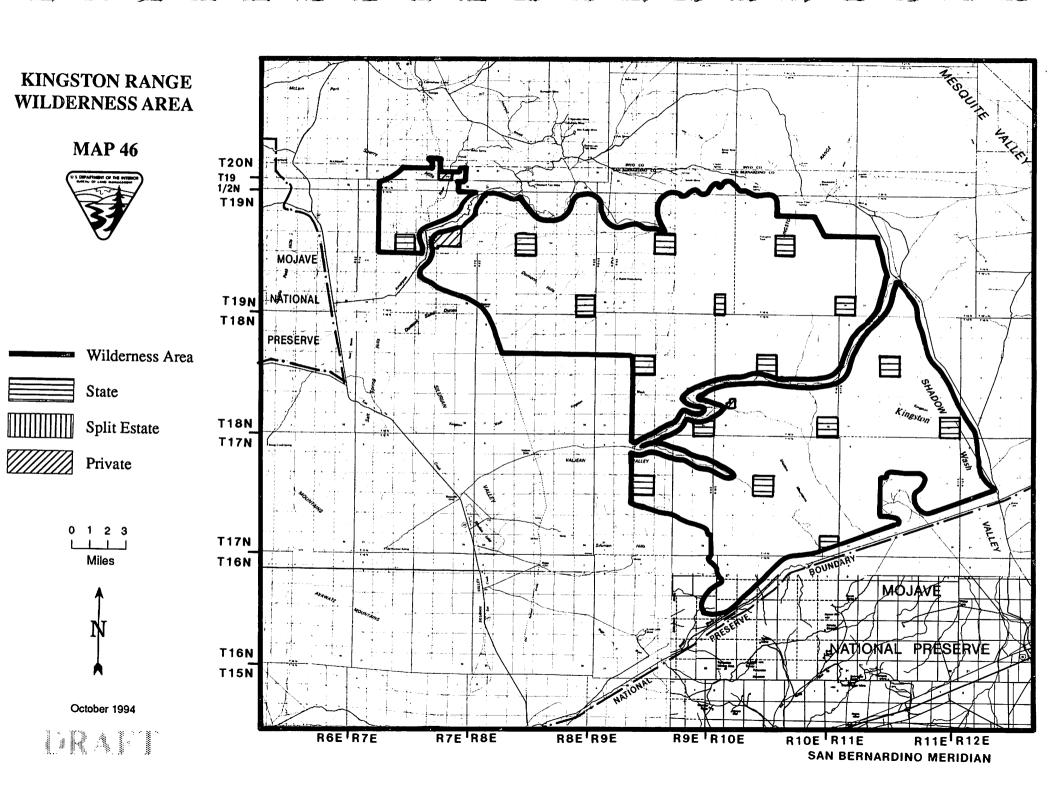
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LITTLE CHUCKWALLA MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

29,880 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Riverside and Imperial Counties; 25 miles southwest of Blythe, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Rugged mountains surrounded by a large, gently sloping bajada laced with a network of washes describes the terrain and landforms found within the Little Chuckawalla Mountains Wilderness. To the north, a bajada gently rises to 400 feet, while the rugged mountains crest at 2,100 feet. Habitat for bighorn sheep and desert tortoise can be found in portions of this region, and the southern bajada has been identified as crucial desert tortoise habitat. Several sensitive plant species grow here, including the California snakeweed, Alverson's foxtail cactus and the

barrel cactus.

Access:

Interstate 10 provides northern access to the Little Chuckwalla's via the Ford Dry Lake exit; Graham Pass Road from the west; and Teague Well four-wheel drive route from the east. Both routes access the Bradshaw Trail to the south, which connects to Wileys Well Road.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guides: Parker/Blythe - #16 Midway Well - #21 USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Chuckwalla Spring
East of Aztec Mines

Hopkins Well

Little Chuckwalla Mountains

Wiley Well

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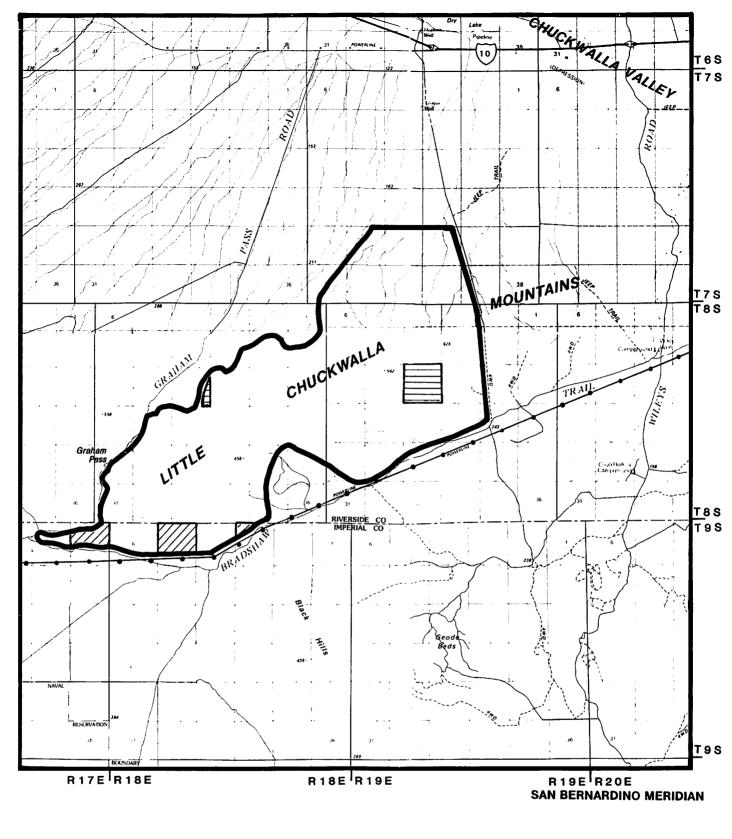
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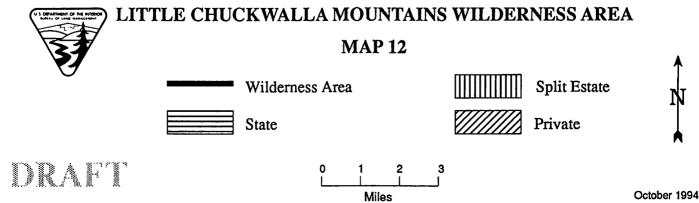
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LITTLE PICACHO PEAK WILDERNESS

Size: 33,600 acres, which includes State and private lands

LOCATION: Imperial County; 55 miles east of El Centro, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Little Picacho Peak Wilderness has within its boundaries the southern

portion of the Chocolate Mountains. Elevations within this area range from 200 to 1,500 feet. The topography, characterized by jutting spires and steep ridges, is quite dramatic. Ravines laced within the range gradually broaden into sandy, tree-lined washes. Slopes and plains are devoid of vegetation, instead covered with a desert pavement of angular cobbles. These rusty dark orange and brown colored cobbles stand out against the nearly white bottoms of the washes. A herd of 25 desert bighorn sheep enjoy the terrain, and the Picacho wild horse herd ranges over some 5,000 acres in the northwest corner of the wilderness. Wild burros can also be found roaming through the area. These animals share

their home with the desert tortoise and the spotted bat.

Access: This wilderness can be accessed from two routes. From the east, exit

Interstate 8 at the 4th Street/Winterhaven off ramp. Go left on 4th Street to State Route S-24 (approximately 1/8 mile). Follow S-24 to Imperial Dam (18 miles) and turn left at the Imperial Dam sign onto Ferguson Wash Road. The wilderness is along the west side of the road. From the west, travel on S-24 until it becomes a dirt road and intersects with the All-American Canal. Turn right and go 1/4 mile to Picacho Road (County

A481). Turn left across the canal and go toward the Picacho State Recreation Area. The wilderness will be on the east side of the road.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Acess Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Midway Well - #21 Bard, Little Picacho Peak, Picacho,

Picacho Peak, Picacho South West

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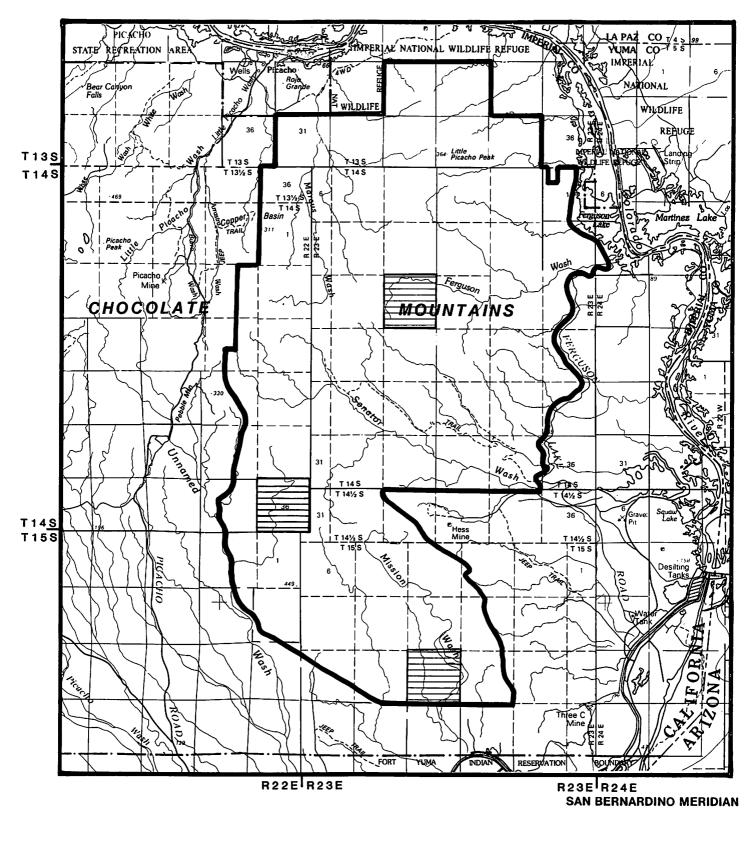
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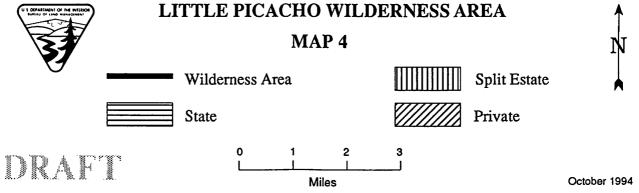
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MALPAIS MESA WILDERNESS

Size:

32,360 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Inyo County; 15 miles northeast of Olancha, California and 10 miles northwest of Darwin, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or

trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The landscape of this wilderness takes on a variety of forms. Situated at the southern end of the Inyo Mountains, rugged valleys, deep canyons, sheer mountain sides and mesas can be found within a short distance of each other. To the east, gently sloping bajadas rise to meet the rugged volcanic lava flow of Malpais Mesa. Vegetation also takes on many forms: creosote, low desert shrubs and grasses on lower elevations; Joshua trees on the eastern slopes at mid elevations; and pinyon pines and juniper on the higher elevations. Wildlife within the wilderness includes

mule deer and foraging and nesting habitat for golden eagles.

Access:

Access to this wilderness is via State Highway 190, east of Olancha, and along the Santa Rosa Flat Road (S111).

Nonfederal Lands:

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Maps:

Desert Access Guide:

USGS 7.5 Quadranagle Maps:

Panamint - #2

Centennial Canyon Cerro Gordo Peak

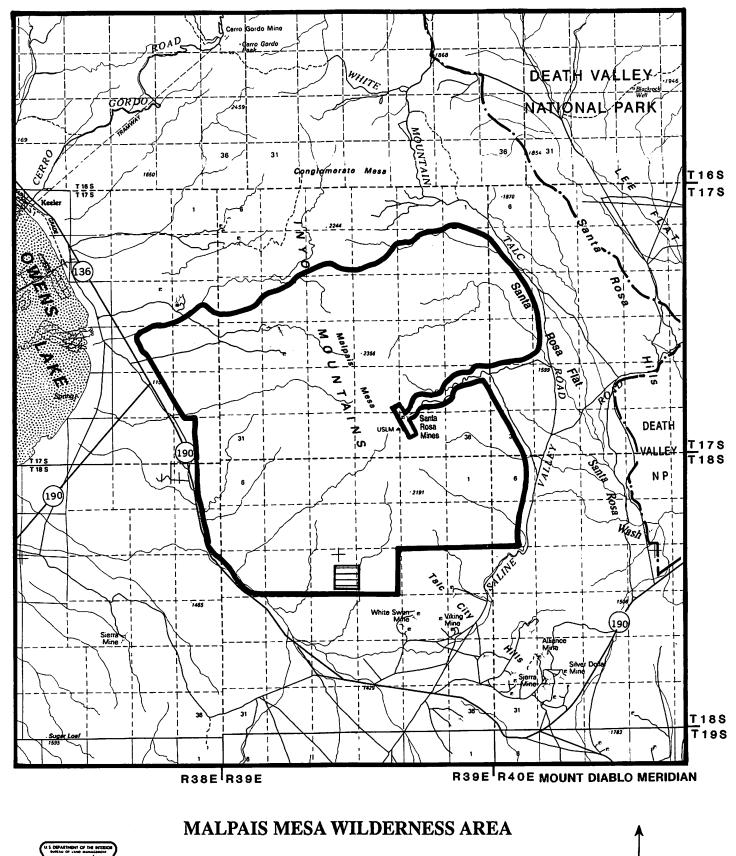
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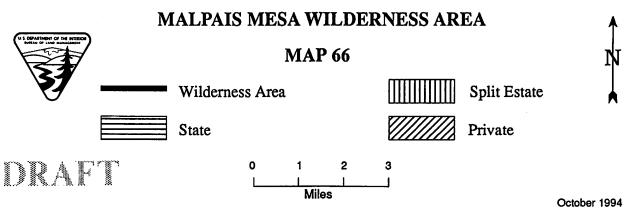
Nelson Range Santa Rosa Flat Talc City Hills

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MANLY PEAK WILDERNESS

Size: 16,105 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Inyo County; 30 miles northeast of Ridgecrest, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: This area is entirely comprised of steep, jagged ridges and the deep

canyons of the Panamint Mountains. Elevations rise sharply from 1,100 feet along the west slopes to 6,000 feet on the east, which adjoin the new Death Valley National Park boundary. Vegetation changes with altitude, from creosote bush scrub at the lower elevations to pinyon and juniper woodlands on the higher peaks. Streams flowing from springs within the larger canyons create riparian areas of cottonwood and desert willow and provide valuable water sources for wildlife, most notably a herd of desert bighorn sheep. This wilderness is dotted by historic mining activity.

Access this wilderness via State Highway 178 north of Trona and along

Ballarat Road. Go south on Wingate Wash Road, then east on Goler Wash

Road or South Park Canyon Road (four-wheel drive vehicles only).

Check road conditions before driving.

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Guadrangle Maps:

Ridgecrest - #4 Copper Queen Canyon

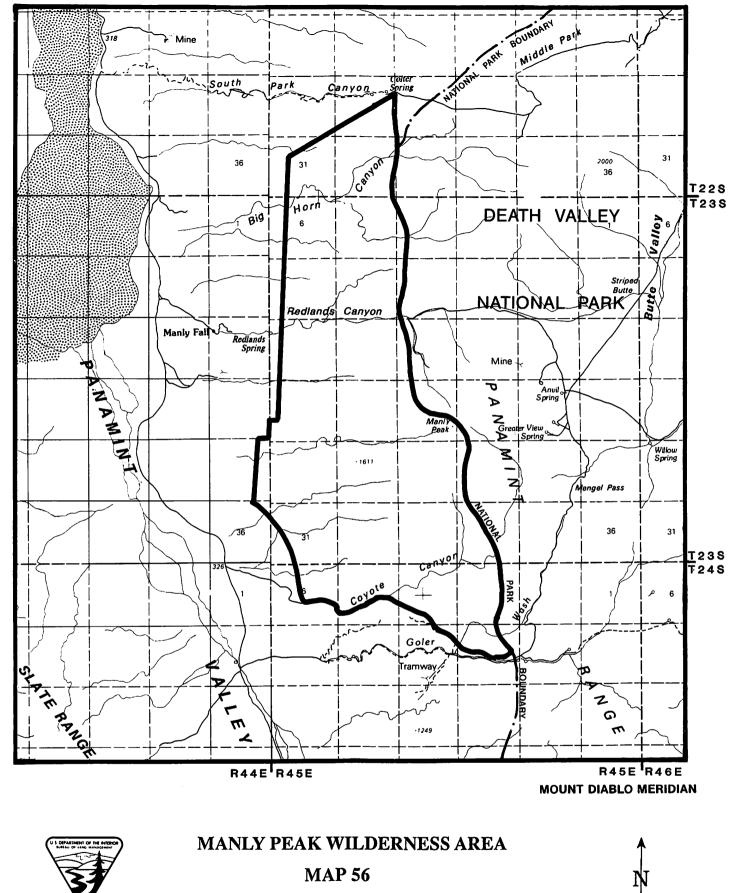
Manly Fall Manly Peak

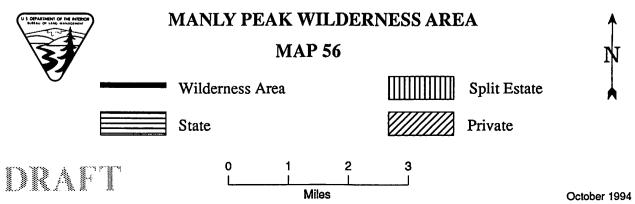
Sourdough Spring

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MECCA HILLS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

24,200 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Riverside County; 15 miles southeast of Indio, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Small, narrow steep-walled canyons wind throughout the Mecca Hills Wilderness, creating a natural maze within this badlands labyrinth. Sandy washes divide this area and contain stands of ironwood, smoke tree and palo verde, while scattered stands of ocotillo grow on the gentler slopes and mesa tops. Uniquely faulted and folded geologic formations are the result of the San Andreas Fault, making the Mecca Hills one of the most unusual geological sites of its kind in the world. Entire regions expose eroded layers of rock, providing important information to scientists about the impact of earthquakes on the earth's crust. Bighorn sheep have been observed crossing into the Mecca Hills from the Orocopia Mountains where they water. Prairie falcon, desert tortoise and spotted bat have also

been seen here.

Access:

Access this wilderness from the east from State Highway 195 (Box Canyon Road) via Interstate 10 or from the south at Mecca via State Highway 111. Painted Canyon Road provides four-wheel drive access at the intersection of State Highway 195 and the Coachella Canal.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guides: Palm Springs - #17 Chuckwalla - #18

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Cottonwood Basin

Mecca Mortmar

Thermal Canyon

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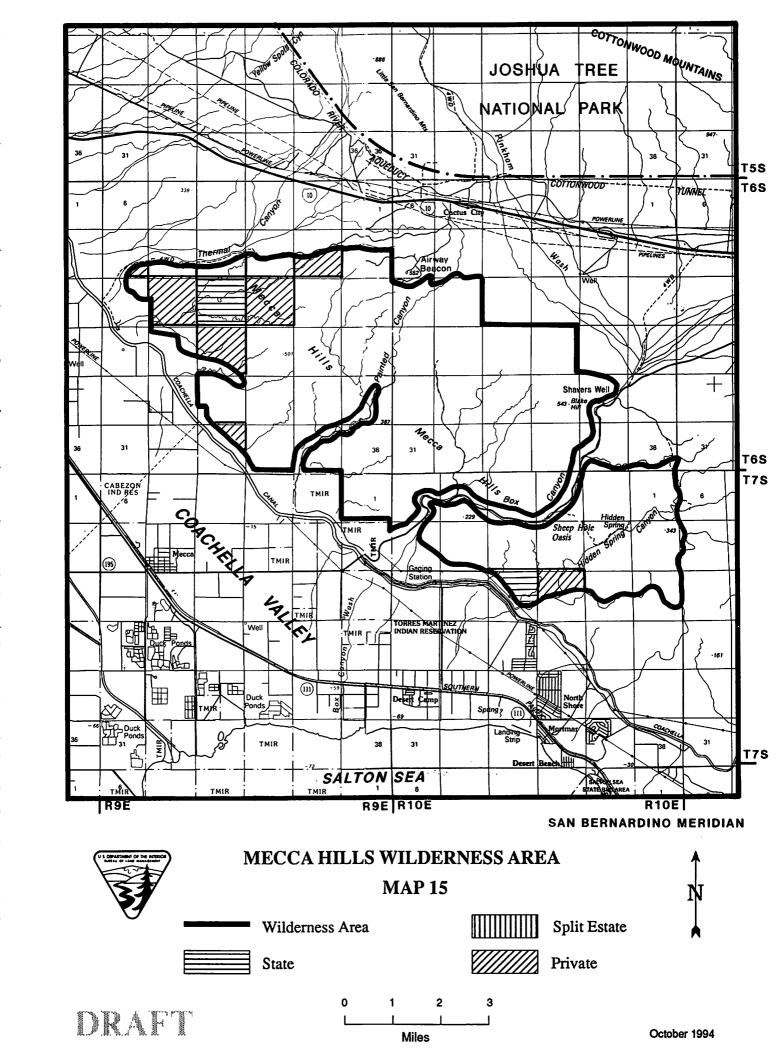
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MESQUITE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

Size: 47,330 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 50 miles northeast of Baker, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: As one of the three wilderness areas covering the Clark Mountain Range.

this triangular-shaped area is named for the Mesquite Mountains, which are found in the western portion of the wilderness. The eastern portion of the wilderness is rough and rocky with numerous small caves in the porous rock. Plant species include creosote brush sage on the bajadas to

blackbrush and Joshua trees at the higher elevations.

Access: To access the southwestern corner of the wilderness, take the Cima Road

exit from Interstate 15 (26 miles east of Baker) and travel north for

approximately 7 miles on the paved Excelsior Mine Road. The boundary is 500 feet northeast of the centerline of the road for the next 3 miles. The Kingston Road, bearing right from the Excelsior Mine Road, forms the

northern boundary of the wilderness.

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

Maps: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Dumont/Clark Mountain - #6 Clark Mountain

Ivanpah Lake

Mesquite Mountains

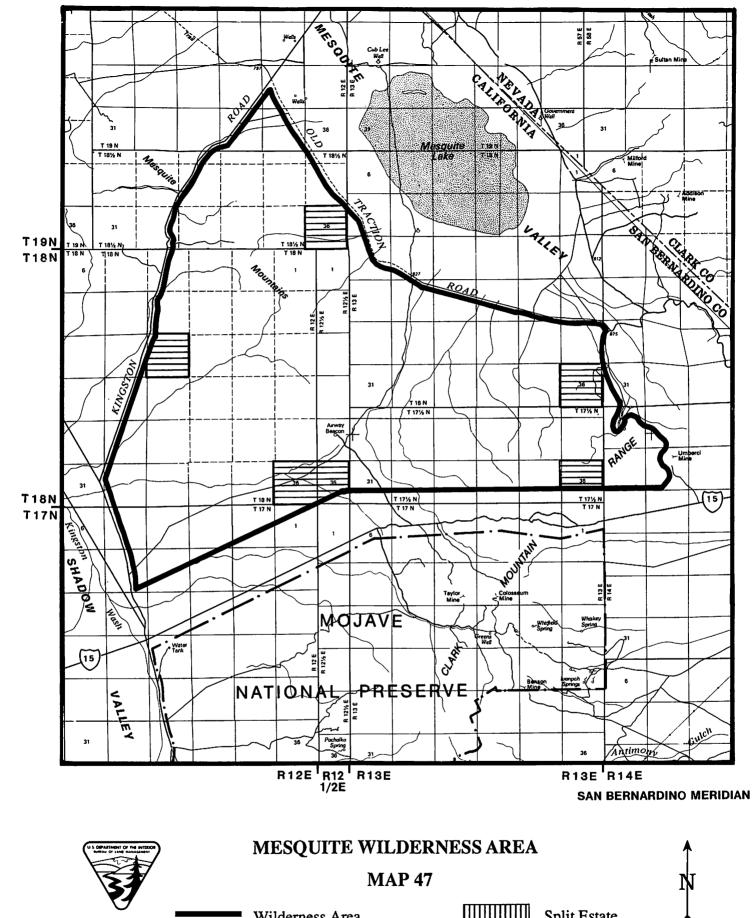
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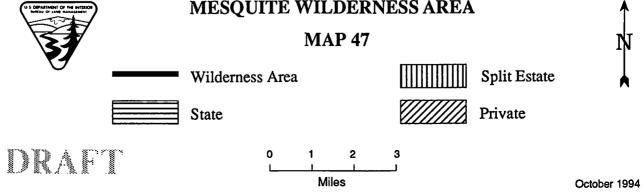
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Newberry Mountains Wilderness

Size: 2,900 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 15 miles east of Barstow, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Newberry Mountains Wilderness is noted for its rugged volcanic

mountains and deep, maze-like canyons. Topography ranges from 2,200 feet in the north to 5,100 feet in the south. The unique desert features are

the result of ancient volcanic activity. Desert bighorn sheep have

historically traveled this area, and prairie falcons and golden eagles stop here to forage and rest. Spring wildflower displays are likely along the

west boundary.

Access to this wilderness is by Camp Rock Road from either Interstate 40

or State Highway 247.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangel Maps:

Johnson Valley - #11 Camp Rock Mine

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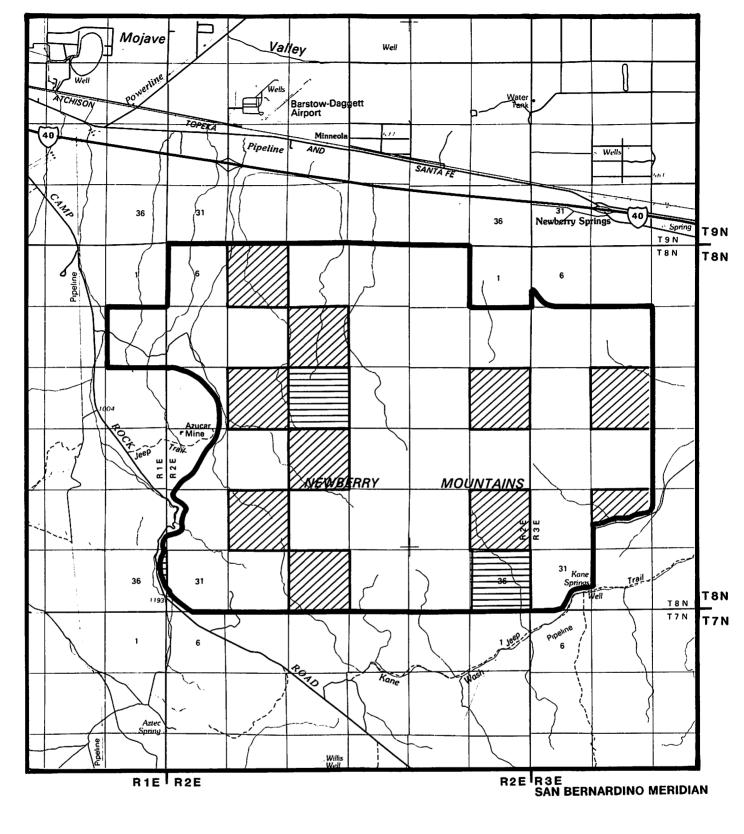
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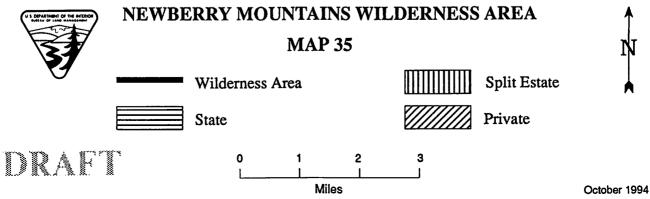
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NOPAH RANGE WILDERNESS

Size: 10,860 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Inyo County; 1 mile east of Shoshone, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The wilderness is dominated by the Nopah Range for which it is named.

The Chicago Valley, flat with many winding, light-colored washes, is a north-south divide in this wilderness, with part of the Resting Spring Range to the west and the Nopah Range to the east. Both ranges are rugged and exhibit dramatic geologic landscape. Elevations range from 1,800 feet and rise 6,395 feet to the summit of Nopah Peak. Mountains, alluvial fans, badlands, playas, plains, riverwashes and hills unfold in harmony here. Creosote, cacti, yucca and other desert shrub species cover the bajadas, giving the mountains their barren character. Bighorn sheep, desert tortoise, golden eagle and prairie falcon all enjoy the habitat provided by the Nopah Range, while wild horses and burros can be found

roaming the Chicago Valley.

Access this wilderness from State Highway 178 or the Old Spanish Trail

Highway.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Amargosa - #3 Mound Spring, Nopah Peak, North

Dumont/Clark Mountain - #6 of Tecopa Pass, Resting Spring,

Shoshone, Sixmile Spring, Stewart

Valley, Tecopa, Twelvemile

Spring, West of Stump Spring

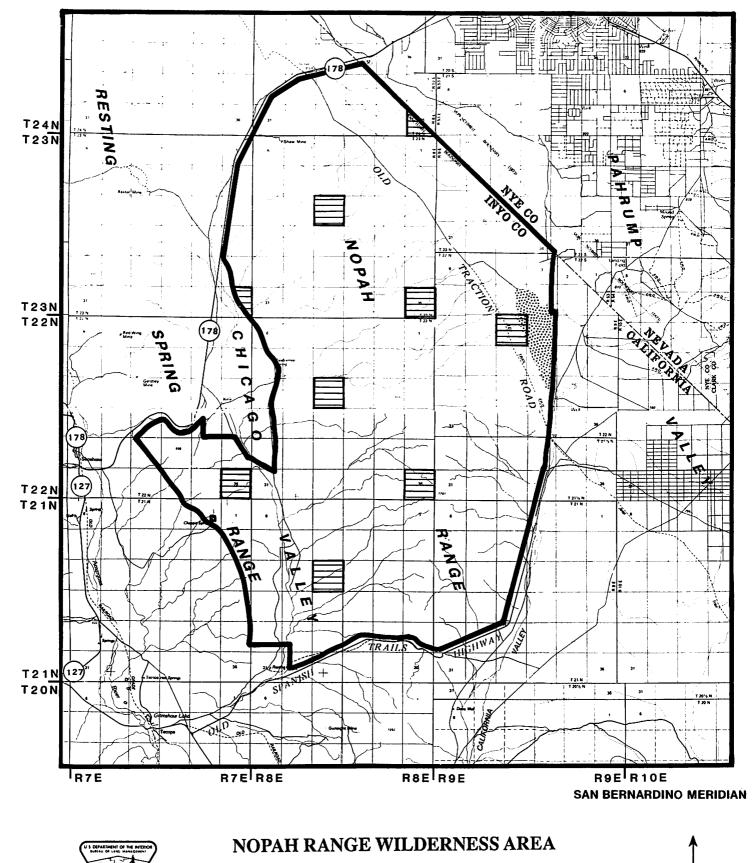
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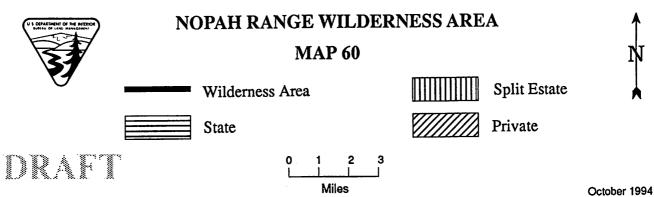
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NORTH ALGODONES DUNES WILDERNESS

SIZE:

32,240 acres, which includes State and private lands

LOCATION:

Imperial County; 26 miles east of Brawley, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The Algodones Sand Dunes System covers 1,000 square miles, making it one of the largest dune complexes in North America. Other specially designated areas found within this wilderness include the Imperial Sand Hills National Natural Landmark and the Algodones Outstanding Natural Area. The wilderness is divided into two distinct zones. On the west side are the primary dunes, the largest and tallest dunes composed of relatively coarse sand. On the east are the secondary dunes, smaller and composed of generally finer sands carried further east by prevailing winds. The secondary dunes are interrupted in places by basins or flats which support mesquite, smoke tree, ironwood, palo verde and desert willow trees. Streams draining from the nearby Chocolate Mountains flow westward to the edge of the dunes, which act like a dam to hold the water. Ponds form in basins during the spring, supporting a variety of wildlife. The flat-tailed horned lizard, desert tortoise and Colorado desert fringe-toed lizard have all been spotted in the region, and the fine sands of the secondary dunes provide habitat for the Andrews dune scarab beetle.

Access:

Located north of State Highway 78, the wilderness extends from the east side of the Coachella Canal to the town of Glamis. Access the east side of the Dunes from Glamis on the Niland/Glamis County Road, which continues for approximately 10 miles and forms the eastern boundary of the wilderness.

Nonfederal Lands:

Private lands lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guides:

Salton Sea - #20

Midway Well - #21

Midway Well - #21

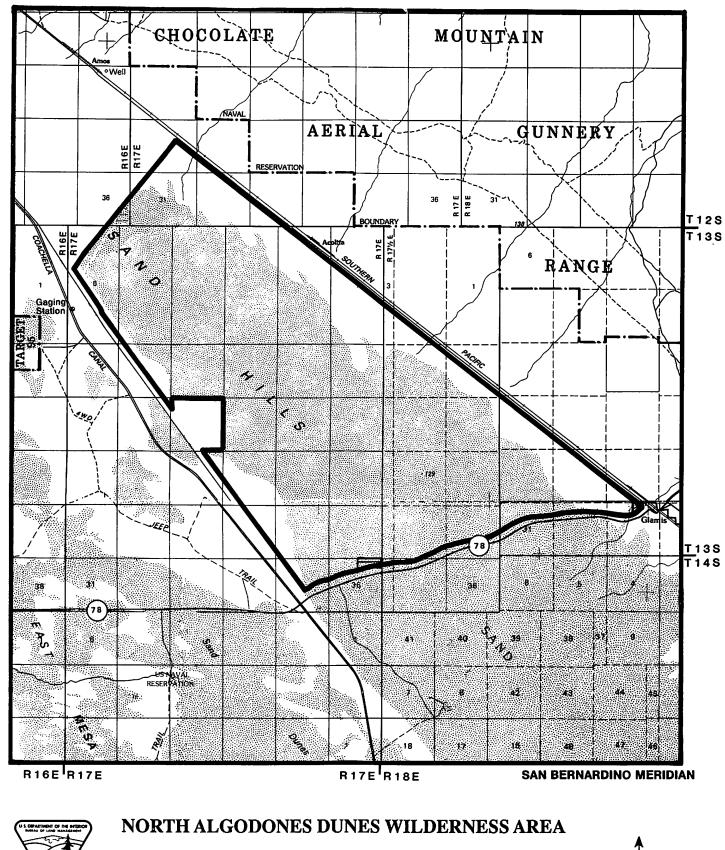
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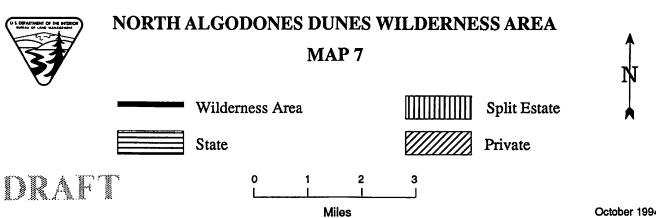
Acolita, Amos, East of Acolita,

Glamis, Glamis North West, and
Sombrero Peak

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NORTH MESQUITE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

25,540 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 60 miles northeast of Baker, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Rolling, brown foothills interspersed with a few steeper mountains comprise the north half of the Mesquite Mountains. A wide horseshoe shaped valley skirts these mountains on the west side of the wilderness. Joshua tree woodlands, yucca, cactus, blackbrush and grasses grow within the region, providing habitat for desert wildlife.

Access:

To access the southernmost point of the wilderness, take the Cima Road exit off Interstate 15 (26 miles east of Baker), and travel north

approximately 8 miles on the paved Excelsior Mine Road until it intersects with the graveled Kingston Road. The wilderness lies between these two

roads.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guide: Dumont/Clark - #6

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

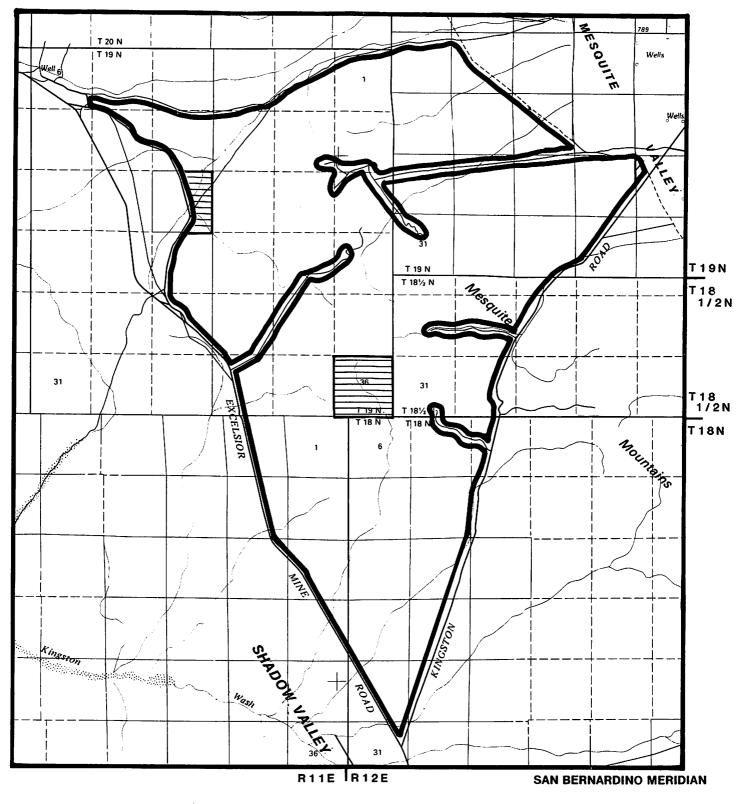
Blackwater Mine

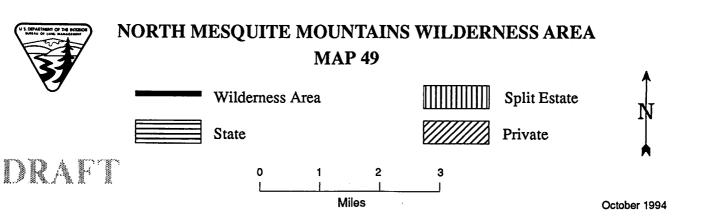
East of Kingston Spring East of Kingston Peak Mesquite Mountains Pachalka Spring Shenandoah Peak

West of Shenandoah Peak

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OLD WOMAN MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

146,020 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 35 miles southwest of Needles, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Taking its name from a granite rock monolith that resembles the figure of an old woman, the massive Old Woman Mountain range dominates the wilderness. Topography ranges from 800 at the lower elevations and rises more than 5,300 to the summit of Old Woman Peak. Creosote bush scrub covers the lower elevations, mixing with desert scrub at the middle elevations, while at the highest elevations grows a juniper-pinyon woodland. Bighorn sheep and desert tortoise live here, and the rocky outcrops and rugged peaks of the range provide homes for numerous raptors. The Old Woman Mountains have long been used by man. Traces of prehistoric trails and historic mining routes entice the experienced desert hiker. Be prepared for dry walks across extensive bajadas and up long, sandy washes. Do not depend on mapped springs for water, and remember to carry one gallon of water per person per day.

Access:

Access to this wilderness requires four-wheel drive vehicles. From Essex, California on Route 66, take the graveled and sandy Sunflower Road southeast for 7 miles. This road, for the most part, constitutes the northeastern boundary for the area.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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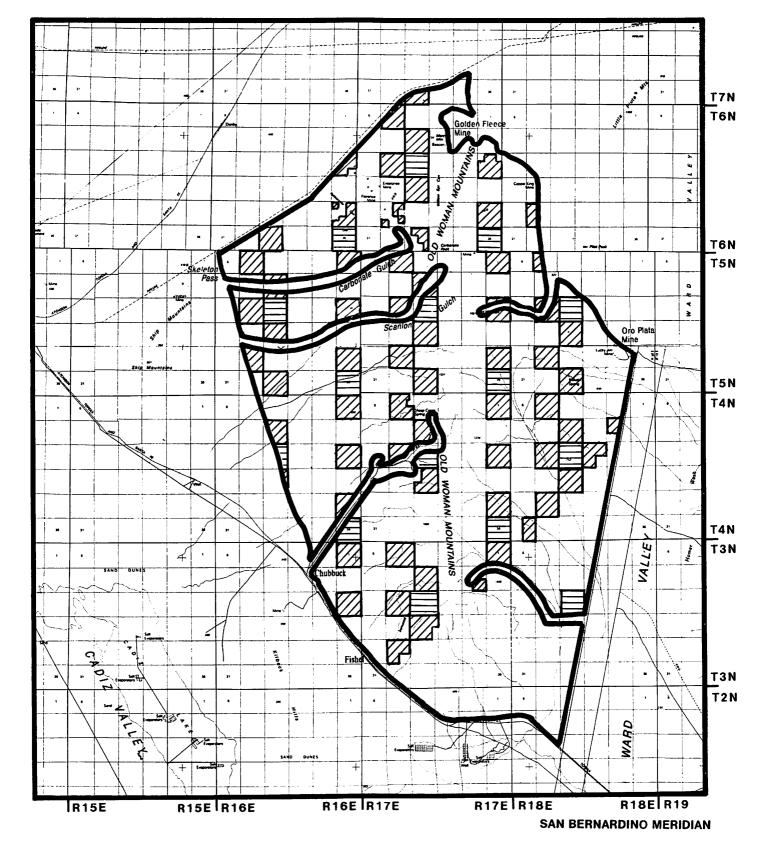
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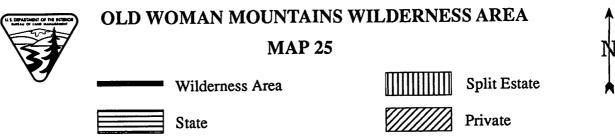
Desert Access Guides:
Providence Mountains - #12
Sheephole Mountains - #15
Cadiz Lake North East, Chubbuck,
East of Milligan, Essex, Milligan,
Old Woman Statue, Painted Rock

Old Woman Statue, Painted Rock Wash, Sheep Camp Spring, Skeleton Pass, and Wilhelm Spring.

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OROCOPIA MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

Size: 40,735 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Riverside County; 20 miles southeast of Indio, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The western boundary of the Orocopia Mountains Wilderness is

contiguous with the Mecca Hills Wilderness with the exception of the Meccacopia Jeep Trail, which bisects the two wilderness areas. The forces of nature have produced a striking landscape here where open valleys, ridges and highly colorful and dramatically eroded canyons are the result of the region's proximity to the San Andreas fault system. Deep canyons and washes cut across the entire area, exposing walls of color shaded from bright red to black. Bighorn sheep, burro deer, desert tortoise and many small upland game species live among the mountains. The spiny-leaved Orocopia sage, Alverson's foxtail cactus, Orcutt's woody aster and the Mecca aster grow unexpectedly in washes, on stony slopes

and in gypsum soils.

Access: Interstate 10 provides access to the wilderness from the north, State

Highway 195 (Box Canyon Road) from the west and the Chiriaco Summit exit south along the Red Canyon four-wheel drive trail. The Bradshaw

Trail provides access from the south.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

Maps: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Chuckwalla - #18 East of Red Canyon

Hayfield

Hayfield Spring Orocopia Canyon Red Canyon

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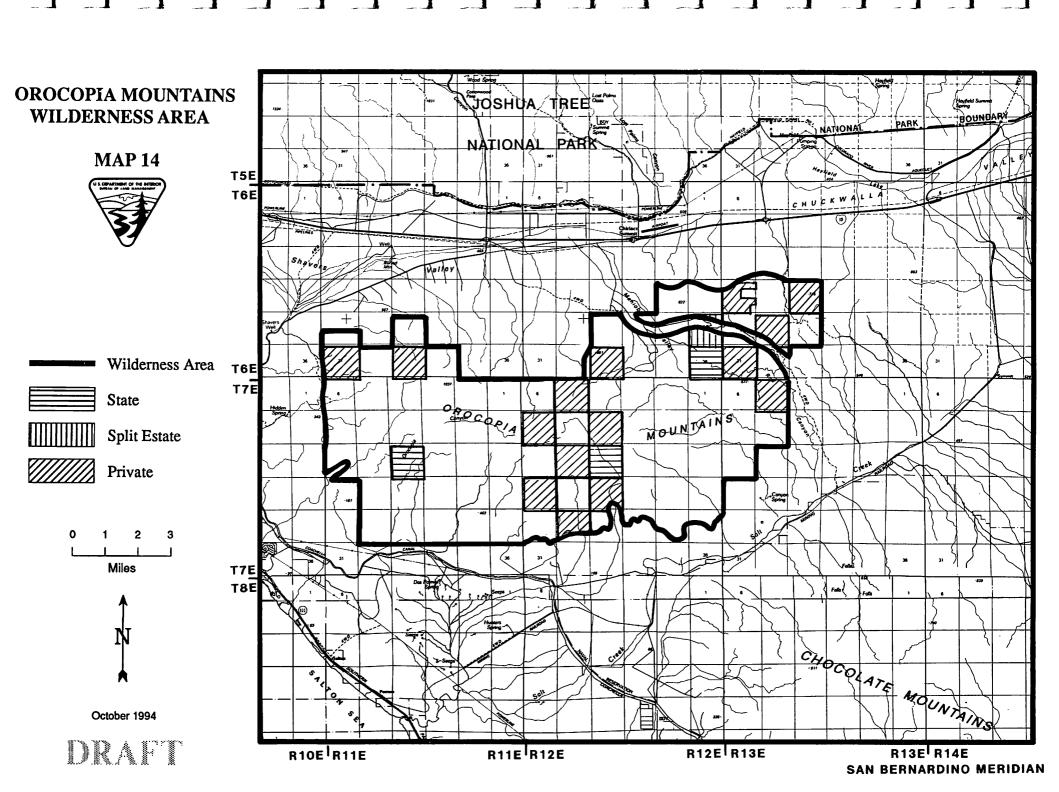
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OWENS PEAK WILDERNESS

SIZE:

74,640 acres, which may include other State and private lands.

LOCATION:

Kern, Tulare and Inyo Counties; 15 miles northwest of Ridgecrest, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The majority of this wilderness is comprised of the rugged eastern face of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Owens Peak, the high point of the southern Sierra Nevada's, rises more than 8,400 feet. The mountainous terrain has deep, winding, open and expansive canyons, many which contain springs with extensive riparian vegetation. This area is a transition zone between the Great Basin, Mojave Desert and Sierra Nevada ecoregions. Vegetation varies considerably with a creosote desert scrub community on the bajadas, scattered yuccas, cacti, annuals, cottonwood and oak trees in the canyons and valleys and a juniper-pinyon woodland with sagebrush and digger/grey pine on the upper elevations. Wildlife includes mule deer, golden eagle and prairie falcon. Evidence of occupation by prehistoric peoples has been found throughout the wilderness. The Pacific Crest Trail passes through the wilderness along its western boundary.

Access:

Access this wilderness from the south via Canebrake Road, off State Highway 178; from the east via U.S. Highway 395 north of Inyokern and along four-wheel drive-recommended routes into Indian Wells Canyon, Short Canyon, Sand Canyon, and No Name Canyon; and from the north via U.S. Highway 395 north Inyokern along Ninemile Canyon Road.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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MAPS:

Desert Access Guide:

USGS Quadrangle Maps:

Ridgecrest - #4

Freeman Junction Lamont Peak Ninemile Canyon

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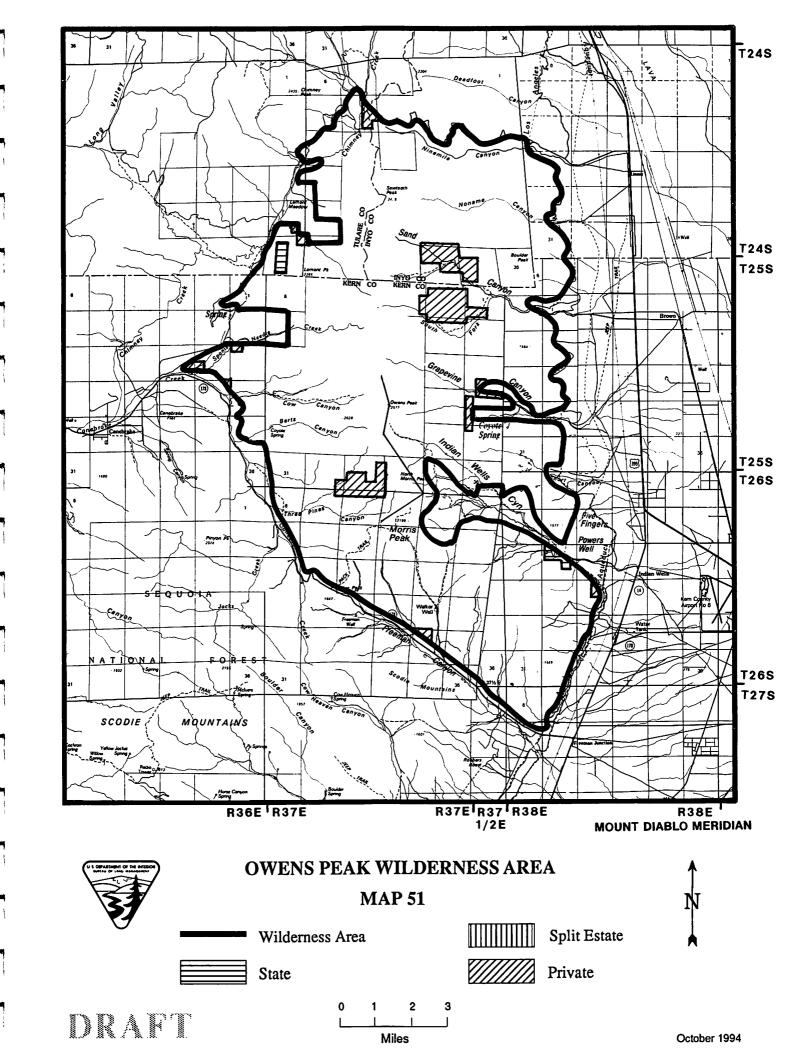
Owens Peak Walker Pass

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LOCATION:

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PAHRUMP VALLEY WILDERNESS

Size: 74,800 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

San Bernardino and Inyo Counties; 25 miles east of Tecopa, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: Alluvial slopes in California, Pahrump and Mesquite Valleys ascend

southward into the Kingston Range. The range is rugged, with many canyons, bajadas and winding washes. Elevations range from 2,720 feet to a 4,569-foot summit. The California, Mesquite and Pahrump Valleys, for which the area is named, are dotted with desert shrubs. Several plant species dependent upon limestone soils grow in the area, as well as

unusual yucca species. Desert tortoise, golden eagles and desert bighorn

sheep have been seen here.

Access this wilderness via the Excelsior Mine Road from Interstate 15, or

the Old Spanish Trail Highway.

Maps: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Dumont/Clark Mountains - #6 Blackwater Mine

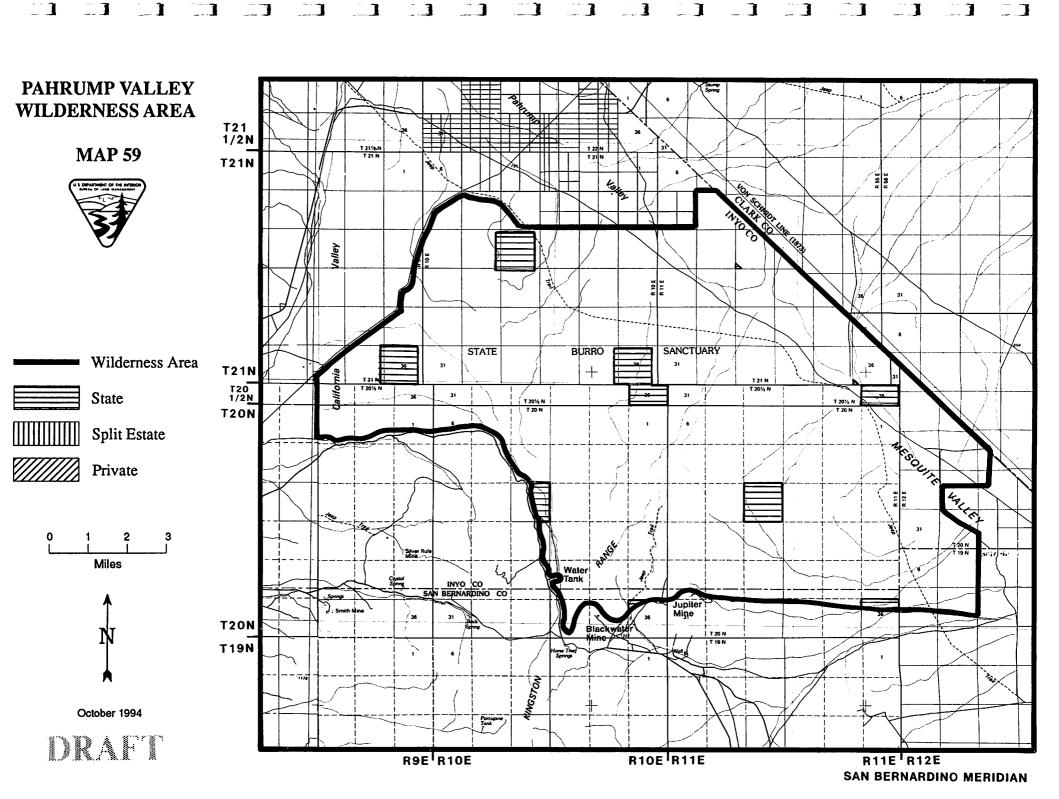
Green Monster Mine Horse Thief Springs West of Shenandoah Peak West of Stump Spring

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PALEN-McCoy WILDERNESS

SIZE:

270,629 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Riverside County; 25 miles northwest of Blythe, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Within the Palen-McCoy Wilderness are the Granite, McCoy, Palen, Little Maria and Arica Mountains, which are five distinct mountain ranges separated by broad sloping bajadas. Because this large area incorporates so many major geological features, the diversity of vegetation and landforms is exceptional. The desert wash woodland found here provides food and cover for burro deer, coyote, bobcat, gray fox and mountain lion. Desert pavement, bajadas, interior valleys, canyons, dense ironwood forests, canyons and rugged peaks form a constantly changing landscape

pattern.

Access:

State Highway 62 provides access from the north, and Interstate 10 via the Midland Road provides access from the south. The area is accessible by four-wheel drive vehicles only.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guides: Sheephole Mountains - #15 Parker/Blythe - #16 Chuckwalla - #18 USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:
Arica Mountains, Arlington Mine,
East of Granite Pass, Ford Dry
Lake, Granite Pass, Little Maria
Mountains, McCoy Spring, Palen
Lake, Palen Mountains, Palen Pass,
Sidewinder Well, West of Palen

Pass

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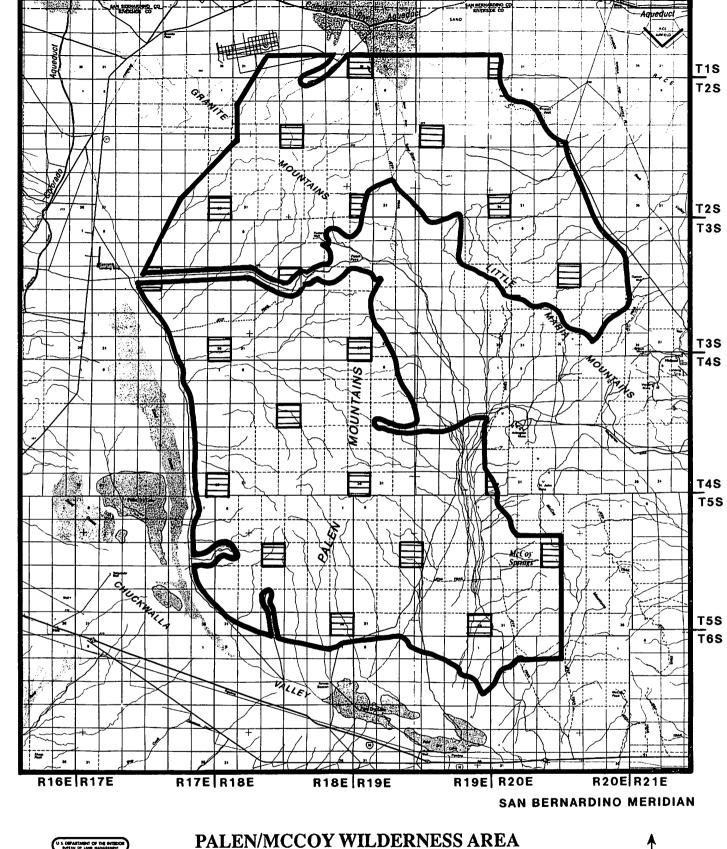
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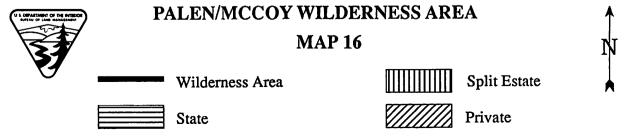
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PALO VERDE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

Size: 32,310 acres, which includes State and private lands.

LOCATION: Imperial County; 18 miles southwest of Blythe, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: Distinguishing this wilderness are twin buttes known as the Flat Tops,

which stand out as a landmark against a range of jagged peaks. Palo Verde Peak is the high point of the range rising to 1,800 feet. Dry washes cut across the mountain slopes, supporting such vegetation as palo verde, mesquite and ironwood. Clapp Spring and its palm oasis are unique to this area, offering the only permanent water source to such wildlife species as desert bighorn sheep, desert tortoise and wild burros. Rather than hide among canyon walls as most springs in the desert, Clapp Spring lies in an

open landscape. Saguaro cactus dot the southeastern part of the

wilderness, a rare plant species in California.

Access: To access this wilderness, take the Milpitas Wash Road exit off of State

Highway 78 (approximately 12 miles south of Palo Verde). Go north and

the wilderness will be east of the road.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Midway Well - #21 Palo Verde Peak

Thumb Peak

West of Palo Verde Peak

Wiley Well

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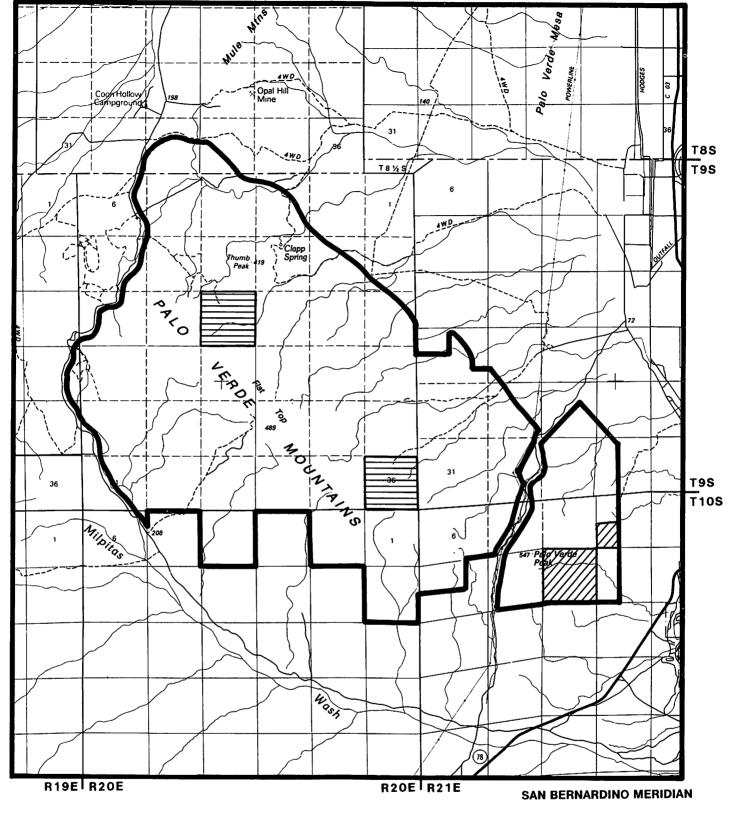
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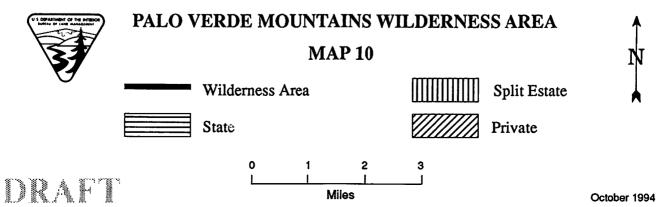
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PICACHO PEAK WILDERNESS

SIZE:

7,700 acres, which includes State and private lands

LOCATION:

Imperial County; 40 miles south of Blythe, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

This Wilderness is made up of three distinctive parts. The central and western portions are dominated by a massive range of dark gray mountains that extend southeast from Indian Pass. Mica Peak, the highest point within the wilderness at 1,499 feet, is located near the center of this range. South of these central mountains is a rolling benchland that is actually dissected by narrow, vertical walled arroyos. The third region within this wilderness is the northeastern area, where small peaks, open basins and large washes have formed. The lowest points in the wilderness area are found in Gavilan and Carrizo Washes on the east boundary. The Carrizo Wash supports a natural rock "tank" which traps water at the base of Carrizo Falls. The falls are created by runoff from desert cloudbursts, which periodically cascade over a series of rock ledges dropping 40 feet. A large cattail-lined pool at the base of the falls provides a desert oasis for a variety of wildlife species including desert bighorn sheep. Wild horses and burros roam this wilderness, and desert tortoise burrow in the soft volcanic soils.

Access:

Access this wilderness from Ogilby Road (S-24), which runs north-south between Interstate 8 and State Highway 78. Indian Pass Road runs east from Ogilby Road to the Picacho State Recreation Area boundary. The wilderness lies along the south side of Gavilan Wash. The south boundary of the wilderness parallels Hyduke Road, which is accessible from either Ogilby Road or Picacho State Park Road.

Nonfederal Lands:

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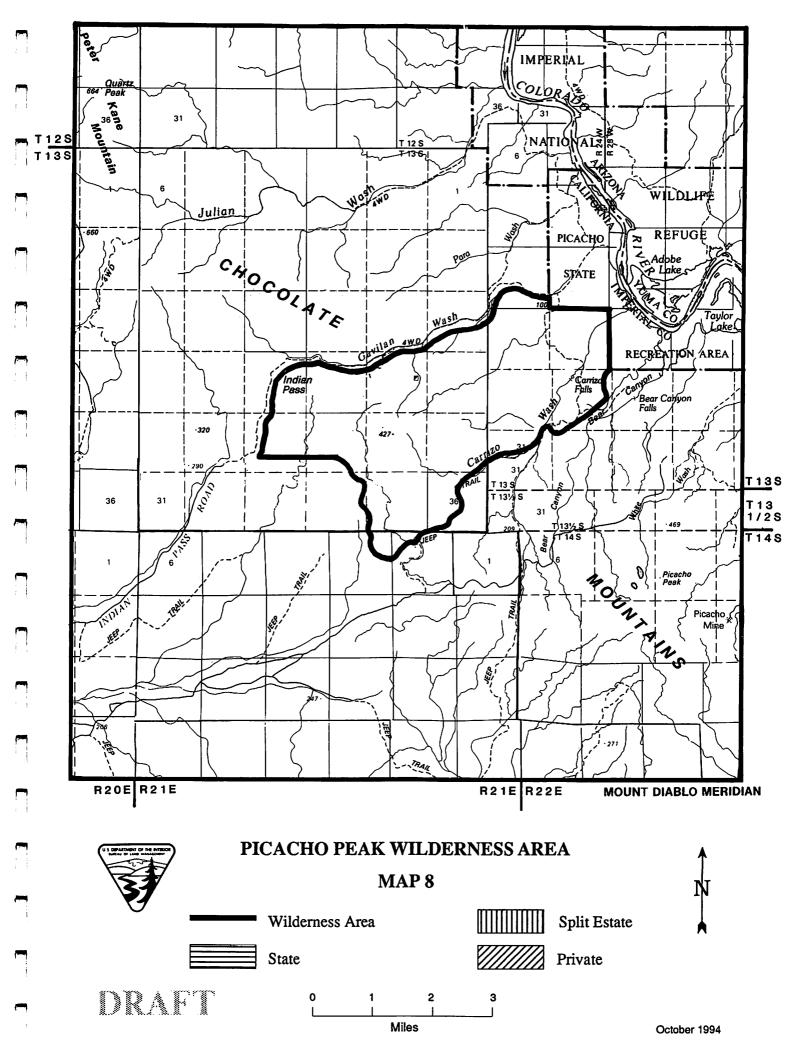
MAPS:

Desert Access Guide: Midway Well - #21 USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Hedges, Picacho Peak, Pichacho South West, and Quartz Peak.

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PIPER MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS

SIZE: 72,575 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Inyo County; 15 miles east of Bishop, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: Portions of the Inyo, Sylvania, and Piper Mountains, for which this

wilderness takes its name, can be found within this area of the California

Desert. Alluvial fans cover large portions of the eastern side of the

wilderness, with plains and hills also part of the landscape. Desert bighorn

sheep habitat can be found in three areas within this wilderness.

Sagebrush and juniper-pinyon woodland are the common vegetation, with conifer trees on the higher elevations. At the base of the Inyo Mountains,

can be found one of the northernmost stands of Joshua trees.

Access: Access this wilderness via State Highway 168, approximately 20 miles

north and east from Big Pine or via Big Pine-Death Valley Road,

approximately 18 miles east and south of Big Pine. Check road conditions

before driving.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

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MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

> Eureka/Saline - #1 Chocolate Mountain

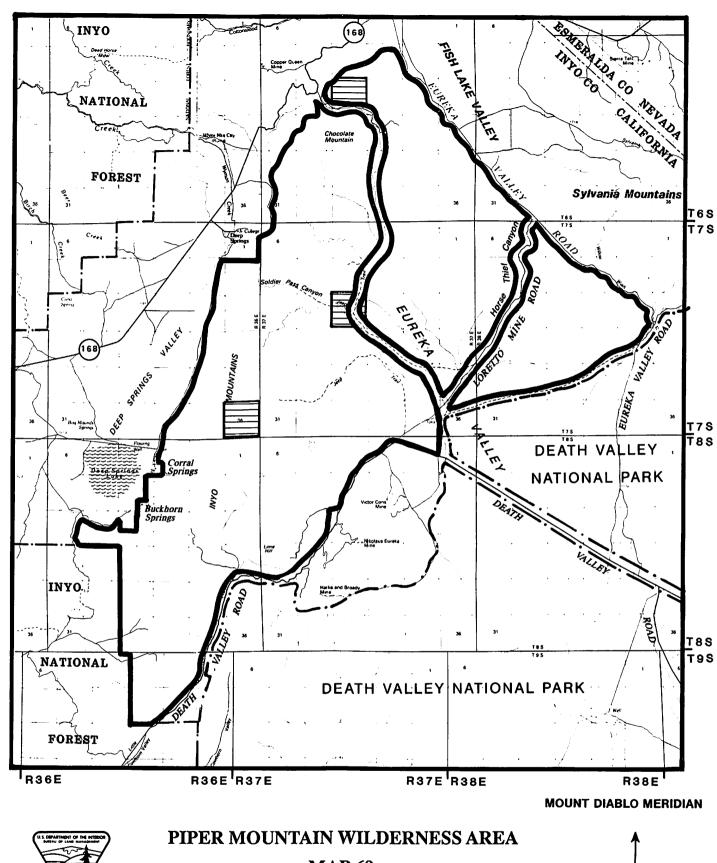
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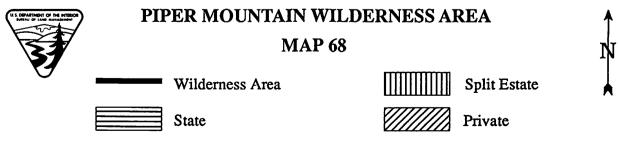
Joshua Flats Soldier Pass Sylvania Canyon

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PIUTE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

36,840 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 30 miles west of Needles, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

This wilderness encompasses the Piute Mountains. This small range of mountains is bisected by an extensive system of connecting washes. The Mohave Indians refer to these mountains as "Kwikantsoka" and consider

them sacred.

Access:

To access this wilderness, exit Interstate 40 at Mountain Springs Road (17 miles east of Needles) and travel south on the Route 66. The wilderness boundary coincides with the southern edge of the highway's right-of-way.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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MAPS:

Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Providence Mountains - #12

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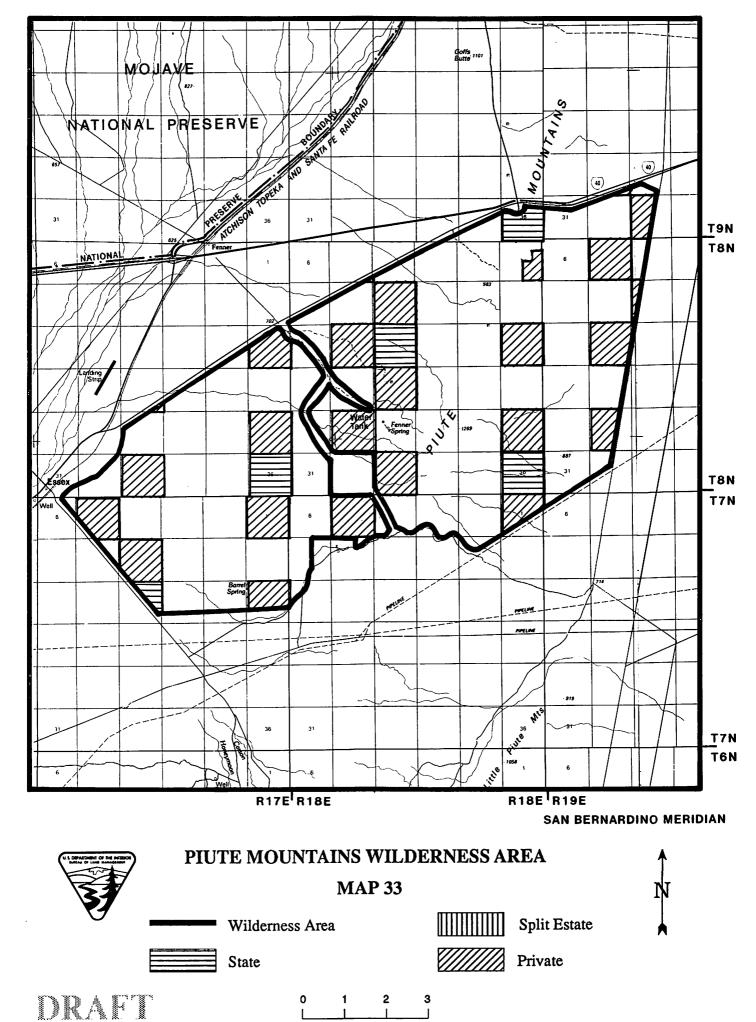
Fenner Spring

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Little Piute Mountains West of Flattop Mountain

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RESTING SPRING RANGE WILDERNESS

Size: 78,868 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Inyo County; 5 miles southeast of Death Valley Junction, California and

8 miles north of Shoshone, California (Note: Boundary set backs from

roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Amargosa River Valley, Eagle Mountain and Resting Spring Range

spread out across this wilderness. Vast bajadas sweep up to the picturesque north-south spine of the Resting Spring Mountain Range. Eagle Mountain, an isolated peak, juts abruptly from the flat expanse of the Amargosa River Valley, its colorful features standing out among the sparsely covered valley floor. The Resting Spring Range, for which this area is named, includes low rolling hills that give way to extremely coarse, rugged rock formations with jagged peaks and deep canyons. Elevations range from 2,040 feet and extend to 5,264 feet to the summit of Stewart Peak. In some places, the rocks show off a variety of colors ranging from subdued browns and tans to more intense pinks, reds, greens and black. The range provides habitat for desert bighorn sheep, wild horses and

burros and raptors, including golden eagles and prairie falcons.

Access: Access this wilderness area from State Highways 127 or 178.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the land-

owner and do not use these lands without permission.

Maps: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Amargosa - #3 BoleSpring, Eagle Mountain, East

of Deadman Pass, Resting Spring, Sixmile Spring, Stewart Valley,

Twelvemile Spring

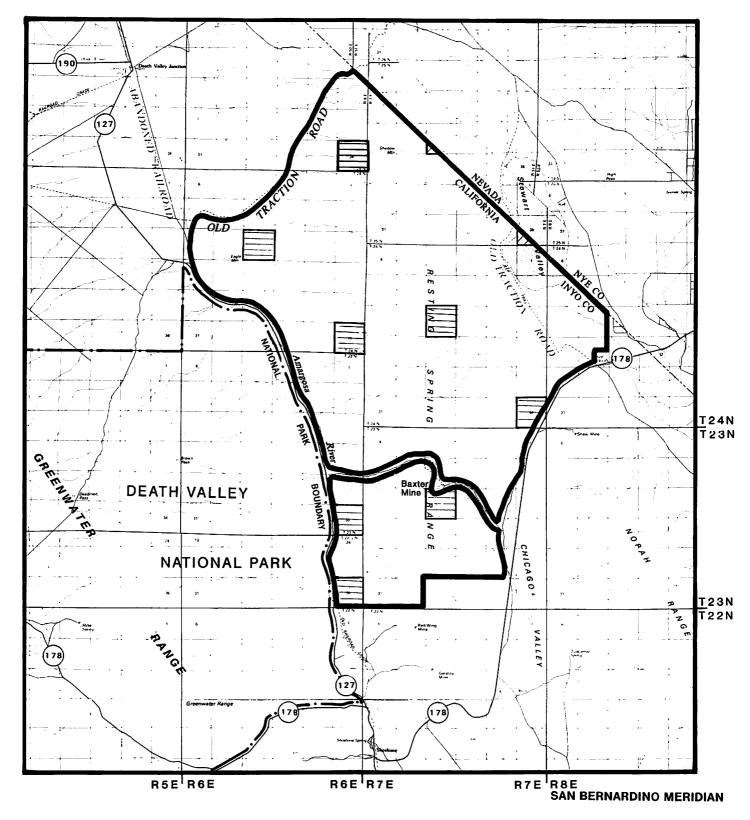
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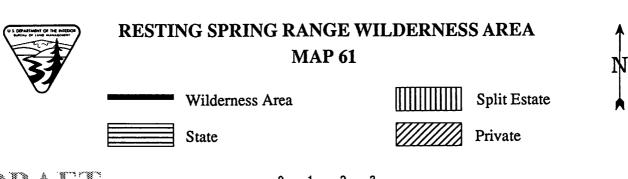
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RICE VALLEY WILDERNESS

SIZE:

40,820 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Riverside County; 26 miles northwest of Blythe, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The broad, flat plains of Rice Valley and the northwestern tip of the steep and rugged Big Maria Mountains lie within the borders of this wilderness. A system of small dunes rising 30 to 40 feet above the surface form a long, narrow band running through the middle of the valley floor. The valley is part of a massive sand sheet which extends from Cadiz Valley through Ward Valley, representing a part of one of the largest dune systems in the California Desert. The Big Maria Mountains rise above the

valley to an elevation of 2,000 feet.

Access:

State Highway 62 provides access to the wilderness from the north and Interstate 10 via the Midland Road, from the south. The wilderness boundaries are accessible by four-wheel drive vehicles only.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guide: Parker/Blythe - #16 USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:
Big Maria Mountains North West

Grommet Rice

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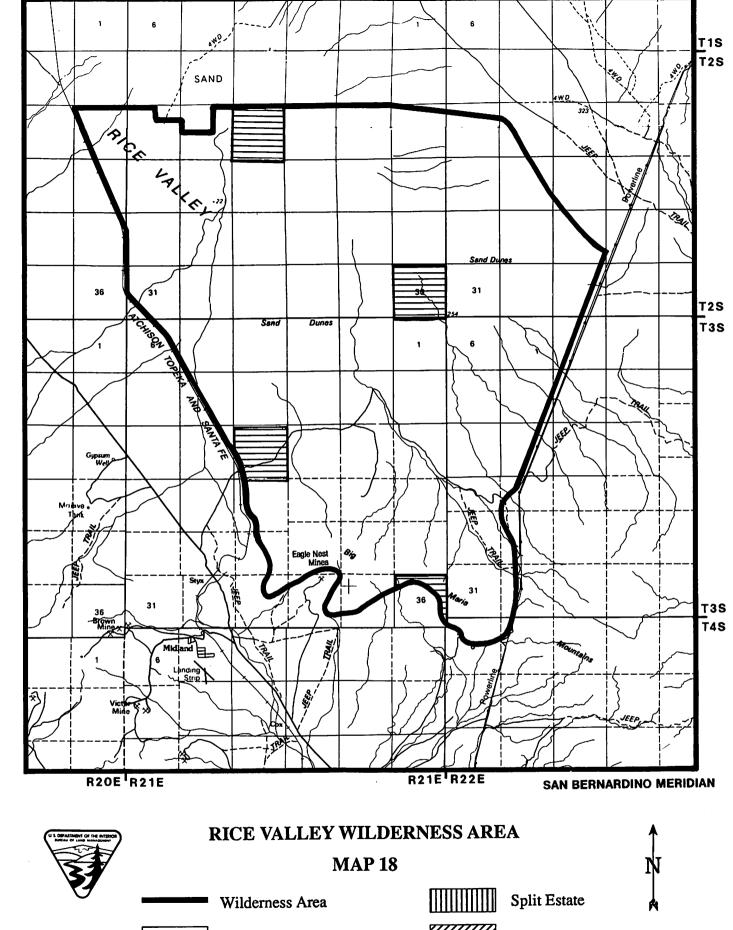
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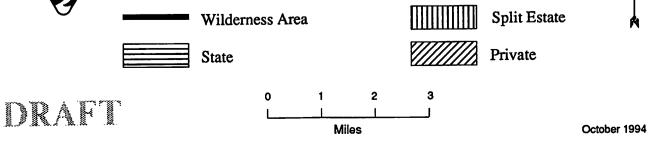
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RIVERSIDE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

22,380 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Riverside County; 10 miles north of Blythe, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The Colorado River parallels this wilderness on its eastern edge. The landscape varies from gently sloping bajadas to steep, rugged interiors. Washes emerging from canyons divide the bajadas below. Numerous peaks in the Riverside Mountains give this small range a rough, craggy appearance. The foxtail cactus and California barrel cactus, two sensitive plant species, decorate this wilderness. A small herd of burro deer live

among the Riverside range.

Access:

State Highway 95 provides access to the wilderness from the east, which

is only accessible by four-wheel drive vehicles.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

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landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guide:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Parker/Blythe - #16

Big Maria Mountains North East Big Maria Mountains North West

Parker South East

Vidal

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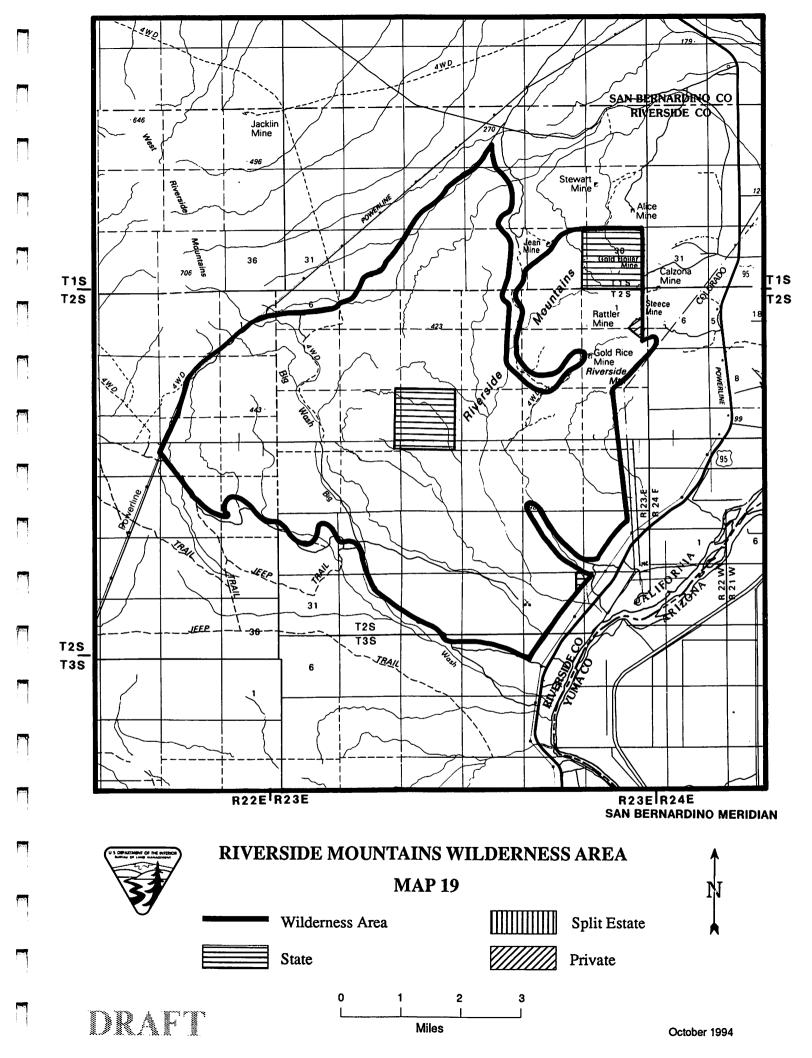
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RODMAN MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

27,690 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 30 miles southeast of Barstow, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

A series of ridges and valleys climbing from 2,000 feet to almost 5,000 feet are the result of faults which cross this wilderness. A lava flow slices this area in two from northwest to southeast, forming a sloping mesa. Colorful escarpments, calico-colored mountains, maze-like canyons and broad, majestic bajadas come together here. Steep canyons and cliff-like walls form dry falls along deep drainage channels, creating cascades during heavy rain storms. More than a half dozen natural water "tanks" sit within the lava flow. Two of the tanks, Hidden Tank and Deep Tank, hold thousands of gallons of water. One of only seven core raptor breeding areas in the desert is within this wilderness, where prairie falcons and golden eagles are known to survive. The mountains themselves are part of the historic range of the desert bighorn sheep. While sheep have not been spotted here, this wildlife species has been seen in the nearby Newberry Mountains.

Access:

Access to this wilderness is by Camp Rock Road, from either Interstate 40 or State Highway 247.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guide: Johnson Valley - #11

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

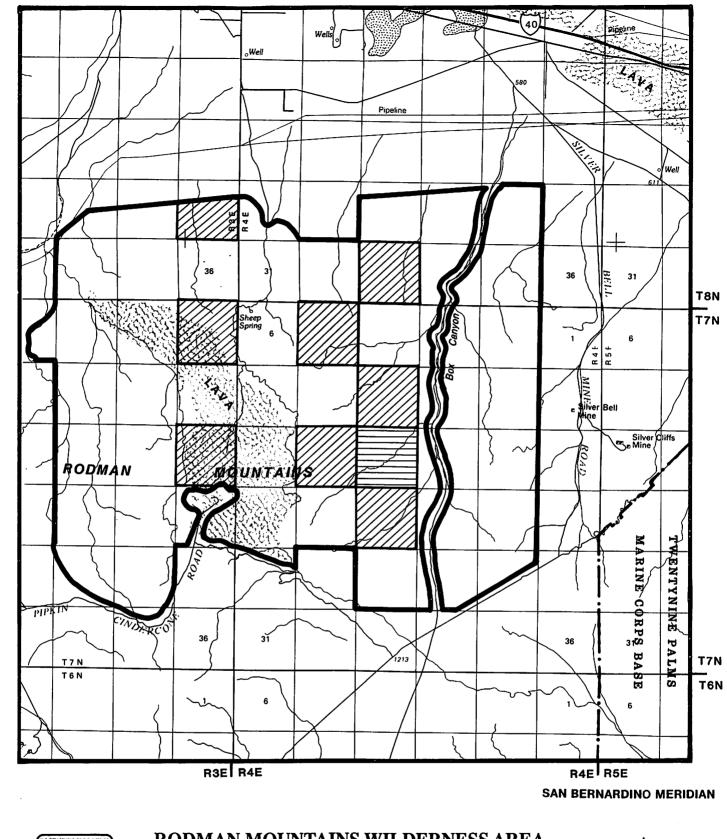
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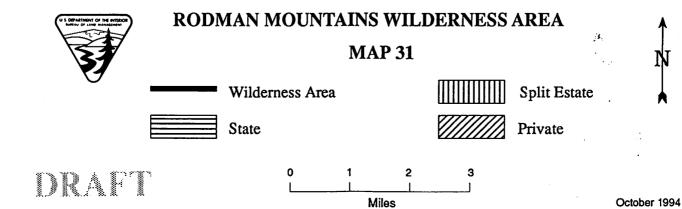
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SACATAR TRAIL WILDERNESS

SIZE:

51,900 acres, which may include other State and private lands

LOCATION:

Inyo and Tulare Counties; 20 miles northwest of Ridgecrest, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

This wilderness encompasses the rugged pristine eastern face of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Topography ranges from valley, canyons and alluvial fans to steep hills that lead into granite peaks and ridgetops reaching elevations of more that 7,800 feet. Vegetation is extremely diversified with creosote bush, desert shrubs and Joshua trees on the lower slopes and cacti and scattered pinyon-juniper woodlands on the upper slopes. Several of the canyons are complemented by springs with their riparian habitats of cottonwoods, willows and grasses. The Sacatar Trail, an old wagon road and one of the few evidences of man in this area, provides backcountry access into this wilderness. Wildlife within the area includes mule deer,

golden eagle, prairie falcon, quail and dove.

Access:

Access this wilderness from the east via U.S. Highway 395 north of Inyokern and along dirt routes into Sacatar Canyon, Portuguese Canyon (four-wheel drive only), Lewis Canyon (SE93), and Tunawee Canyon; and the south via U.S. Highway 395 north of Inyokern along Ninemile Canyon Road.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guides:

Panamint - #2 Coso Junction, Lamont Peak, Ridgecrest - #4 Little Lake, Long Canyon, Ninemile Canyon, and

Sacatar Canyon.

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

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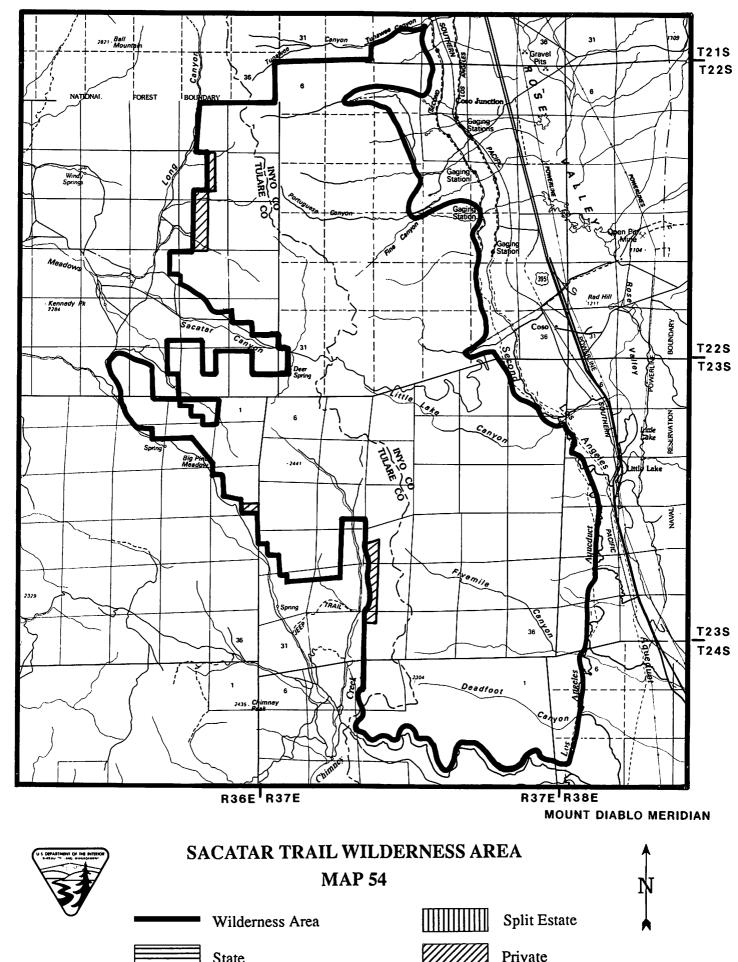
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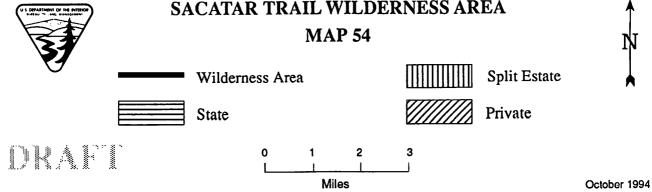
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SADDLE PEAK HILLS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

1,440 acres, which may include other Federal and State lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 38 miles north of Baker, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

This area includes the Saddle Peak Hills, which form the western three-quarters of the wilderness and the northwestern portion of the Silurian Valley. The wilderness sits adjacent to the Death Valley National Park. The hills are cut by curvy faults and range in elevation from 500 feet on the valley floor to 2,500 feet. The features preserved here represent common landforms found throughout the surrounding desert and

mountains.

Access:

Access this wilderness from State Highway 127.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guide:

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Dumont/Clark Mountains - #6

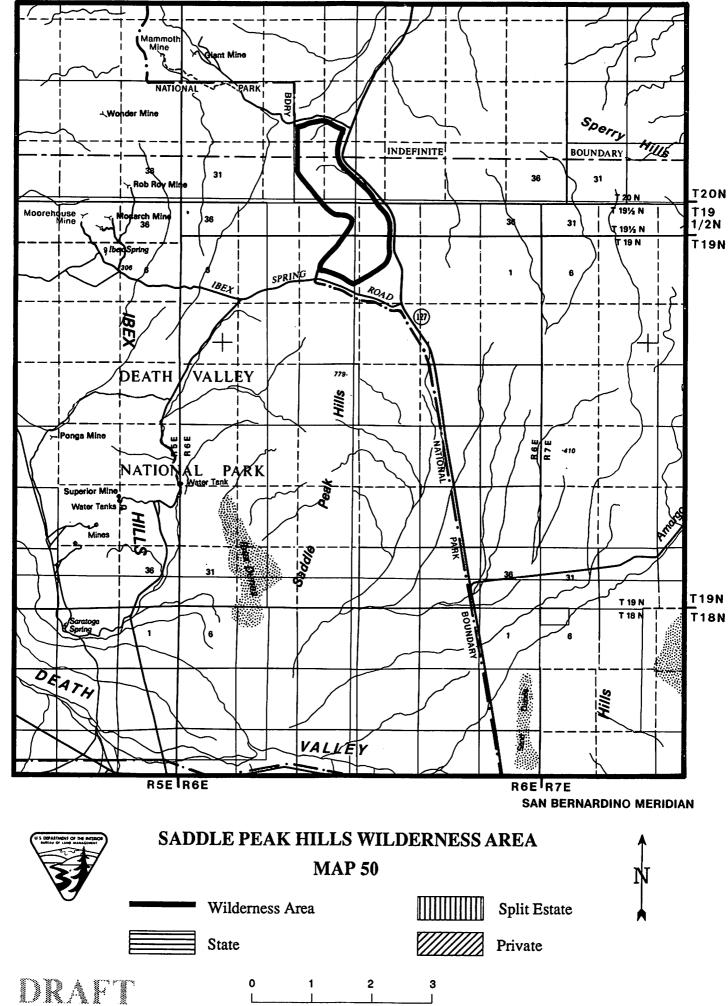
Ibex Pass

Saddle Peak Hills

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SAN GORGONIO WILDERNESS

SIZE: 37,980 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Riverside and San Bernardino Counties; 2 miles north of Morongo Valley

and approximately 10 miles northwest of Palm Springs, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: This wilderness is part of the eastern slope of the San Bernardino

Mountains with topography rapidly changing from low, rolling foothills and canyons to steep, rugged mountains. Elevations range from 2,300 to 5,500 feet. Because of this elevation gradient, the wilderness reflects a unique transition between desert, coastal and mountain environments, including the different types of vegetation representative of each elevation.

Access: Interstate 10 provides access from the south, and State Highway 62

provides access in the Morongo Valley area.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

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MAPS: Desert Access Guides: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Yucca Valley - #14 Catclaw Flat
Palm Springs - #17 Morongo Valley
Onyx Peak

Rimrock White Water

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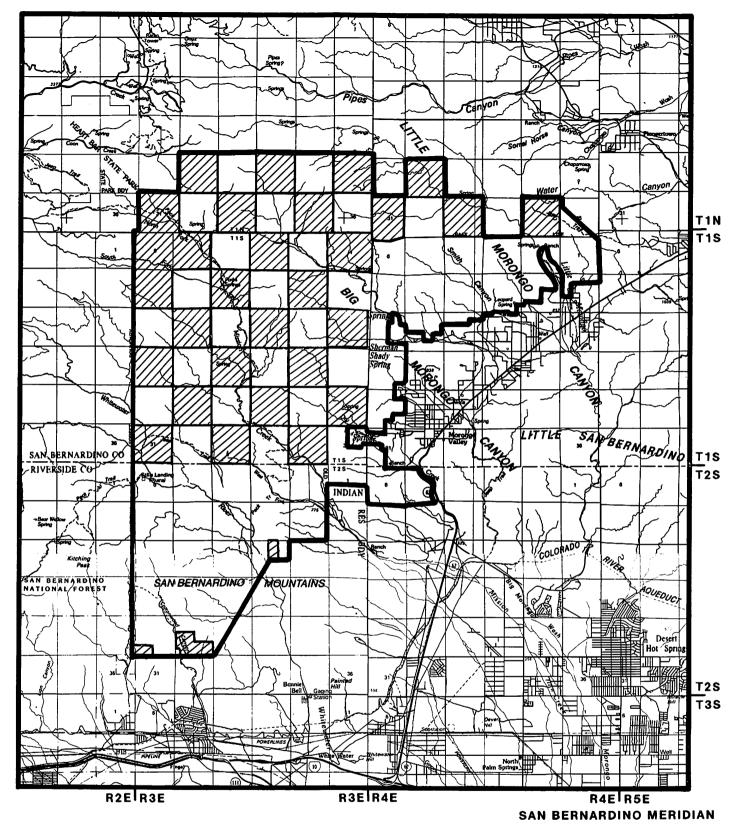
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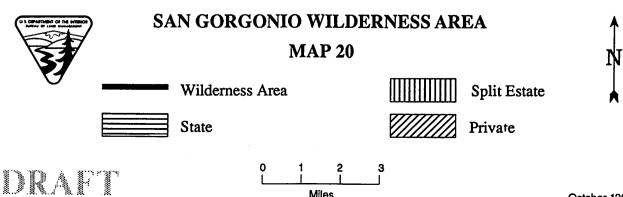
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SANTA ROSA MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

64,340 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

Riverside County; 7 miles south of Palm Springs, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The terrain within the Santa Rosa Mountains Wilderness is rugged with elevations rising dramatically from just above sea level to 7,000 feet. Laced with deep washes and shallow drainages, the area supports a variety of riparian streams which flow year-round. Here, desert and mountain environments blend together to form unique plant habitats, which thrive in riparian oases. The Santa Rosas are strewn with boulders. The steep canyon walls have been eroded by springs and streams. Bear Creek Oasis, Lost Canyon Oasis, Guadelupe Canyon, Devil Canyon and Rockhouse Canyon are all found within this wilderness. Many of these areas provide important lambing habitat for bighorn sheep. The Santa Rosa Mountains support the largest herd of Peninsular bighorn sheep in the United States. Mule deer can be found throughout the coniferous forests growing along the higher elevations of the range. Great horned owl, prairie falcon and golden eagle nest and forage throughout the entire wilderness. Reptiles, including frogs, toads and the desert slender salamander also live in this desert setting.

Access:

State Highway 74 provides access to the Santa Rosa Mountains from the north and State Highway 86 and surface streets from the east.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guides: Palm Springs - #17 McCain Valley - #19 USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Clark Lake North East, Indio, La Quinta, Martinez Mountain, Rabbit Peak, and Valerie.

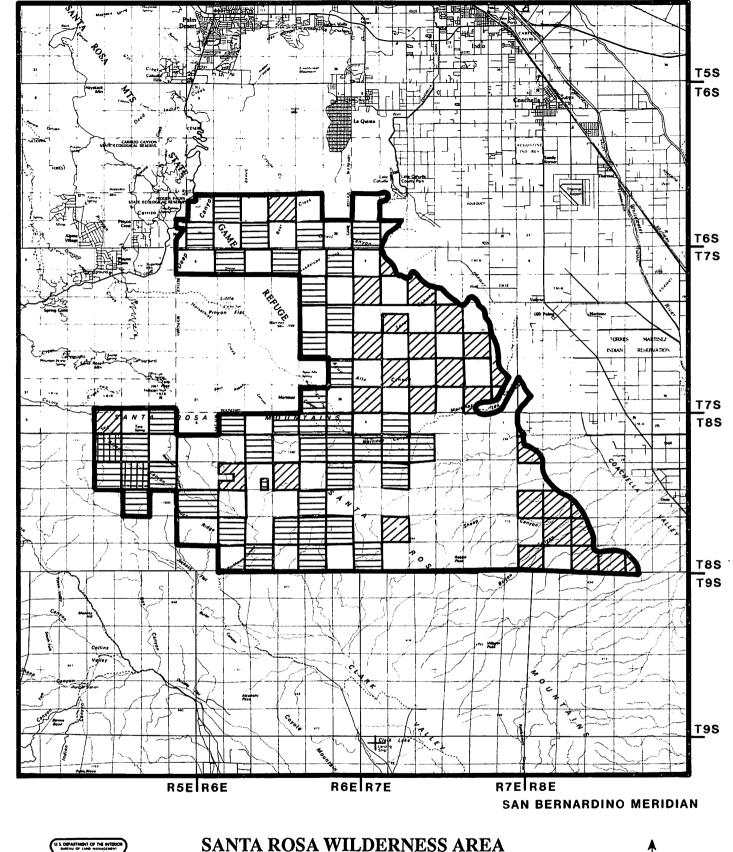
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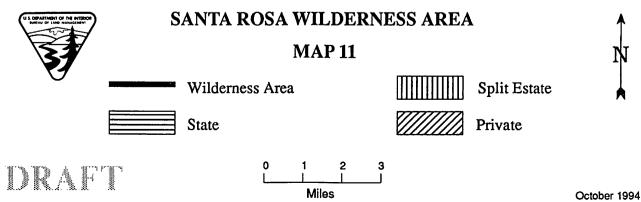
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SAWTOOTH MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

Size: 35,080 acres, which includes private lands

LOCATION: San Diego County; 35 miles south of Borrego Springs, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: Ridges and valleys alternate here rising from 1,400 feet to 5,600 feet. The

ridges extend like fingers from the Laguna Mountains into the desert, creating the alluvial valleys of Vallecito, Inner Pasture and Canebrake Canyon. Wildlife residents include the San Diego horned lizard, spotted bat and willow flycatcher. Historically, Peninsular bighorn sheep made their home here, and today transient sheep use the area. Prairie falcon, golden eagle and Cooper's hawk span their wings above the desert floor.

More than 200 species of plants are believed to grow within this wilderness, where vegetation transforms from a dense chaparral at the higher elevations along the Laguna Mountains to low desert creosote brush. Many of the plant species are under review for listing as threatened

or endangered.

Access: Although State Route 2 winds along the northern side of the wilderness,

there is no legal access due to private lands along the boundary. The only access is from the Pepperwood Height Trail at the end of the McCain Valley. To reach this trailhead, exit Interstate 8 at the Manzanita

Boulevard exit, follow State Route 94 east to McCain Valley, and follow

this road 13 miles to Cottonwood Campground.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner

and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

McCain Valley - #19 Agua Caliente Springs

Monument Peak
Mount Laguna

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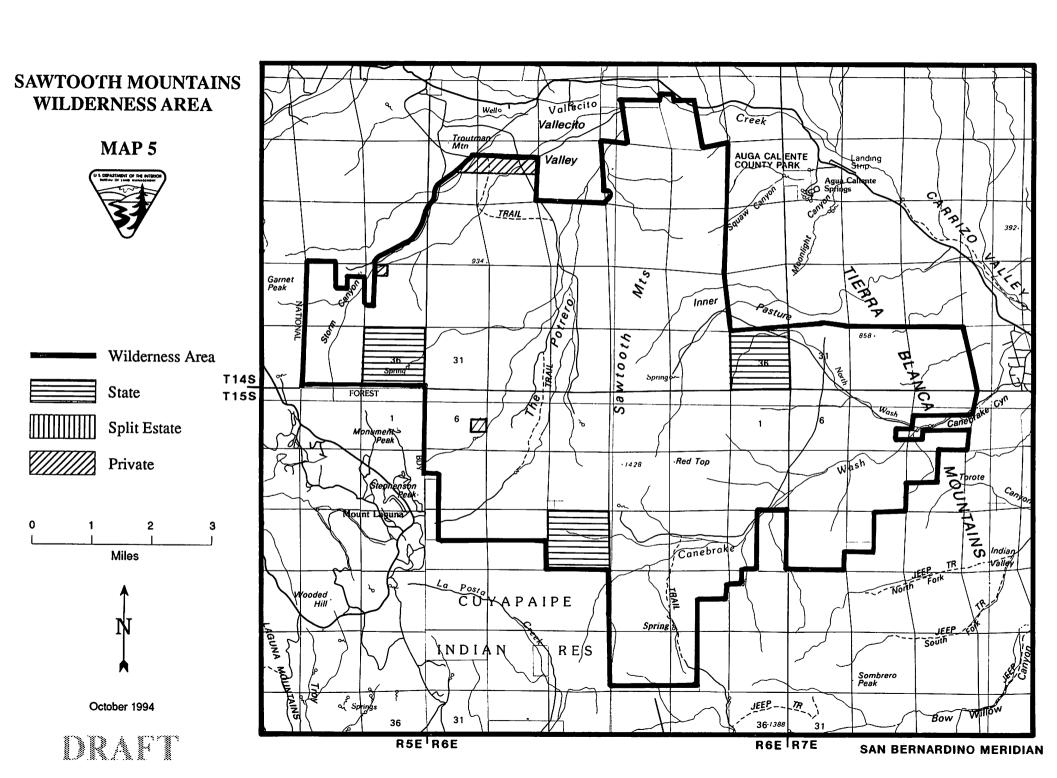
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SHEEPHOLE VALLEY WILDERNESS

Size: 174,800 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 20 miles east of Twentynine Palms, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Sheephole Valley, for which this wilderness takes its name, separates

the Sheephole Mountains and Calumet Mountains. The Sheepholes are a steep, boulder-strewn, granitic mountain mass. The Calumets take on a similar appearance, although rising only halfway to the 4,600-foot tall Sheepholes. Bighorn sheep make their home within the Sheephole range, while the desert tortoise enjoys the valleys below. The area's lack of springs and extreme distances make wilderness travel a challenge for the

most experienced desert hiker.

Access: To access this wilderness, travel approximately 20 miles east of

Twentynine Palms, California on State Route 62. The wilderness

boundary is just north of the highway's right-of-way for the next 21 miles.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

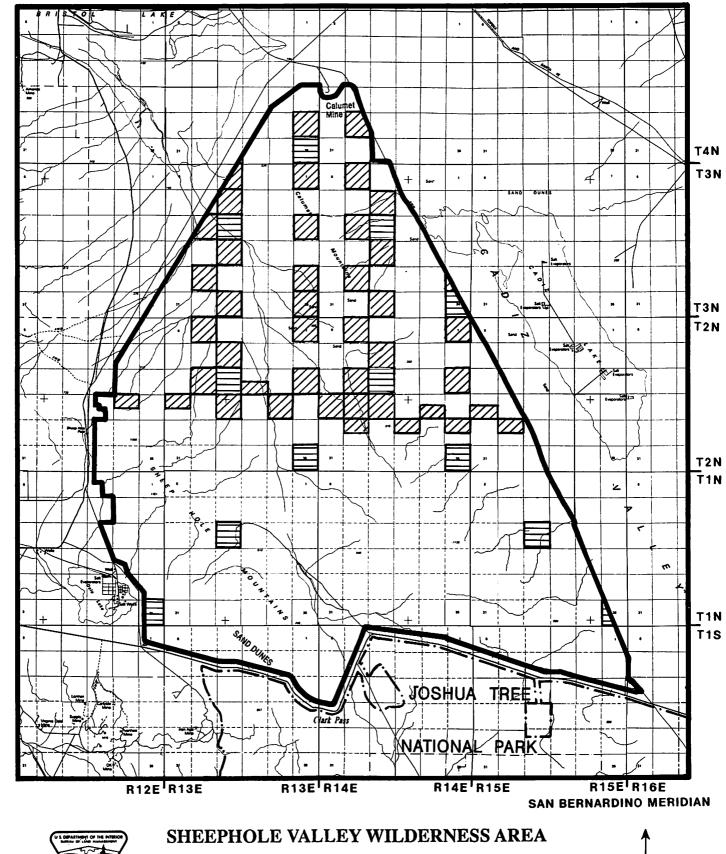
Sheephole Mountains - #15 Bristol Lake North West, Bristol

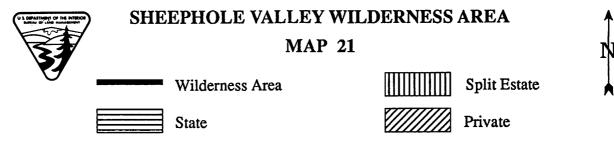
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Valley North West, Cadiz Valley
South East, Cadiz Valley South
West, Calumet Mine, Calumet
Mountains, Clarks Pass, Dale Lake,
East of Dale Lake, and New Dale.

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SOUTH NOPAH RANGE WILDERNESS

Size: 16,780 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Inyo County; 3 miles east of Tecopa, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Nopah Range is rugged and shaded with color, its sedimentary rocks

capping at 4,200 feet. Gently rolling alluvial slopes or bajadas on the east and west sweep up to the south end of the rugged folds of the Nopah Mountain Range. Desert bighorn sheep make their home in the northern

portion of the mountain range year-round. The eastern part of this wilderness includes portions of California Valley. Vegetation is sparse, but prairie falcons have been seen hunting over most of the lowland areas. The environment here is known to support habitat for the ivory-spined agave plant, although no specimens have actually been collected from within the wilderness. Wild horses and burros also may be seen in the

area.

Access: Access this wilderness from State Highway 127 via the Old Spanish Trail

Highway.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Dumont/Clark Mountain - #6 North Of Tecopa Pass

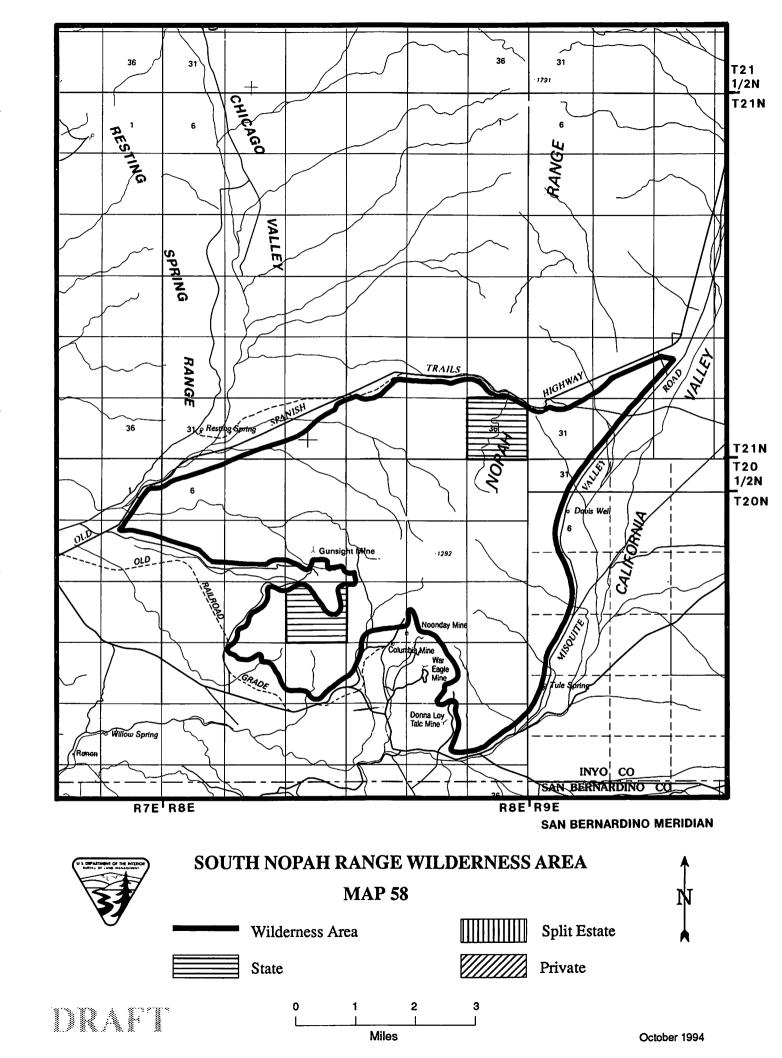
Resting Spring

Tecopa Tecopa Pass

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STATELINE WILDERNESS

Size: 7,050 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 3 miles northwest of Stateline, Nevada

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Stateline Wilderness lies on the edge of the California-Nevada border,

thus its name. A rocky, mountainous and isolated portion of the Clark Mountains make up the majority of the wilderness. Bighorn sheep cross this wilderness as they migrate between the Clark Mountains and the

Spring Mountains located in Nevada.

Access: To access this wilderness, exit Interstate 15 at Stateline. Go north from

the Primadonna Resort on the Stateline Pass Road. The wilderness is due

west of this road. The eastern boundary of the wilderness generally follows the road north, then diverges at the historic traction, finally returning to Stateline Pass Road at the pass. High clearance vehicles are

recommended.

NONFEDERAL LANDS: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

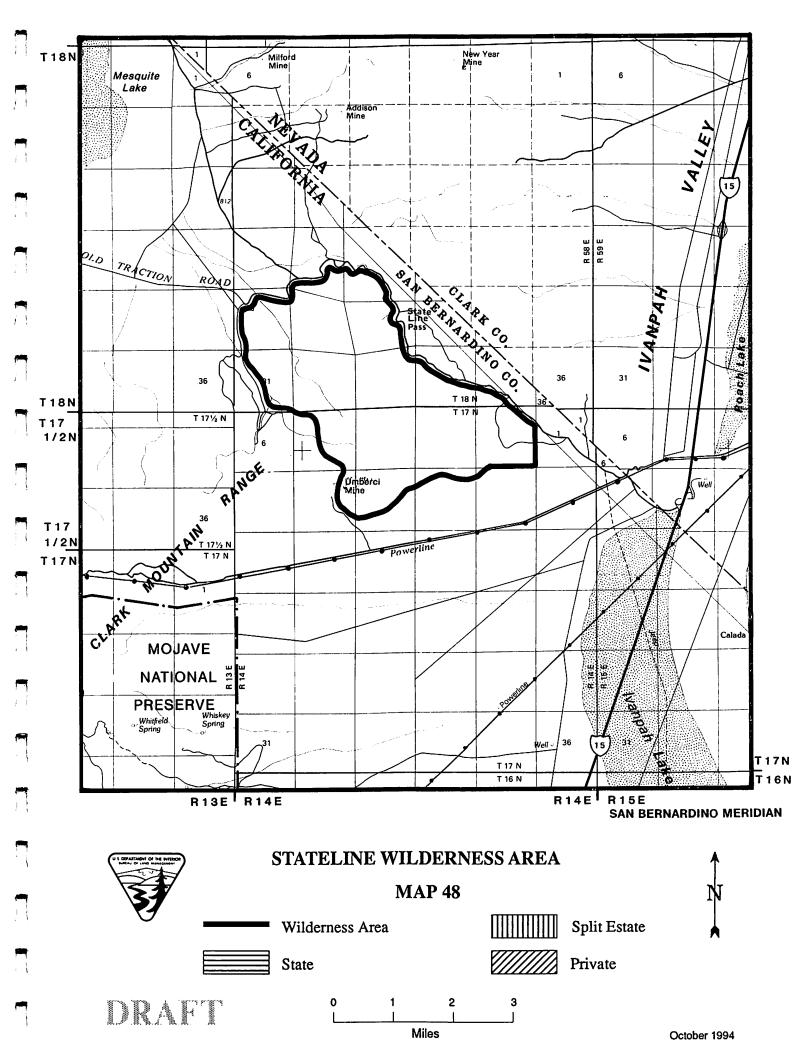
Dumont/Clark Mountains - #6 Ivanpah Lake

Mesquite Lake State Line Pass

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STEPLADDER MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

Size: 81,600 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: San Bernardino County; 15 miles southwest of Needles, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

wilderness. The bajadas and larger washes within the Stepladder

NATURAL RESOURCES: The Stepladder Mountains are a bleak range extending 10 miles north and

south from the center of the wilderness. Approximately 15 percent of the wilderness is the mountain range itself. Flat bajadas covered by creosote bush scrub form the remaining 85 percent of the area. A small stand of crucifixion thorn and a large, dense stand of Bigelow cholla grow here, the cholla covering about 45 square miles of the northern portion of the

Mountains Wilderness provide good habitat for the desert tortoise. Desert

bighorn sheep also travel the area seasonally.

Access: To access the southern boundary of this wilderness, go south on U.S.

Highway 95 from Needles for approximately 25 miles to Turtle Mountain Road. Follow the road for about 2 miles west, which, forms the southern boundary for the Stepladder Wilderness. Careful driving is needed when crossing the sandy Chemehuevi Wash. High clearance vehicles are

recommended.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guides: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Needles - #13 Mohawk Spring, Savahia Peak

Parker/Blythe - #16 North West, Snaggletooth,

Stepladder Mountains,

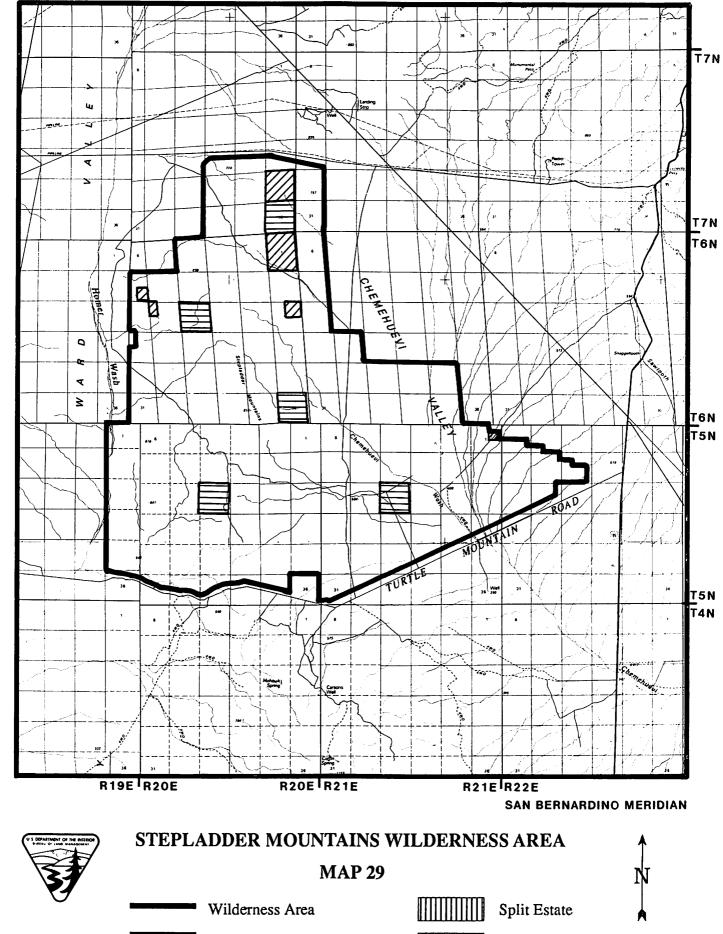
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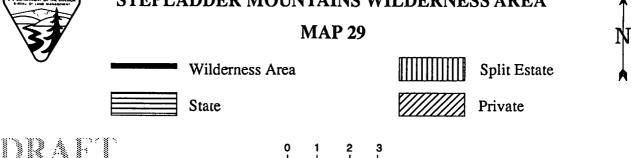
West of Mohawk Spring

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SURPRISE CANYON WILDERNESS

SIZE: 29,180 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Inyo County; 56 miles northeast of Ridgecrest, California and 27 miles

northeast of Trona, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or

trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: Small, alluvial slopes in the west gradually rise eastward into the jagged

> ridges and steep slopes of the western face of the Panamint Mountains. Deep canyons cut into the mountain range forming the interior of the wilderness. Elevations climb dramatically from 1,000 feet on the west side to more than 7,000 feet on the east and provide the beautiful vistas of the Panamint Valley. Creosote bush scrub and desert holly dot the alluvial

fans, while the rocky canyon walls support the rare and endangered

Panamint daisy. Cottonwood and willows grow in the canyons and pinyon and juniper on the higher slopes. Portions of Jail, Surprise and Happy

Canyons and riparian vegetation highlight this wilderness. Most of Surprise Canyon has been designated as an Area of Critical Environmental Concern to protect wildlife, vegetation, historic and cultural resources. Wildlife species include desert bighorn sheep and the indigenous

Panamint alligator lizard and rattlesnake.

Access: Access to this wilderness is via State Highway 178 through Panamint

> Valley and along Ballarat Road to Indian Ranch Road. Four-wheel drive routes provide access into Jail, Surprise and Happy Canyons. Check road

conditions before driving.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Desert Access Guide:

> Panamint - #2 Ballarat, Jail Canyon, Maturango

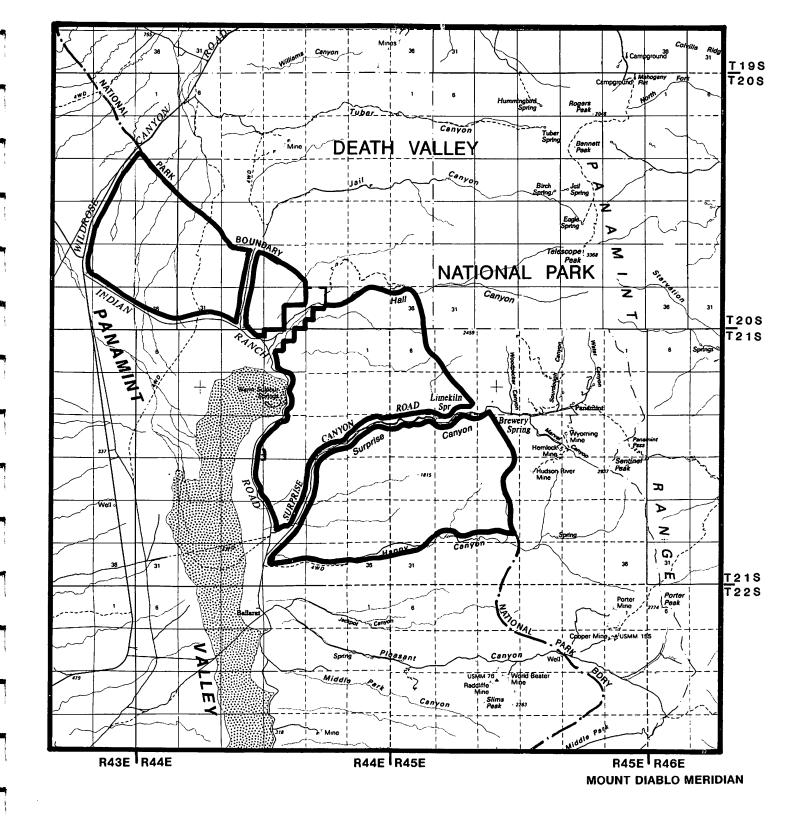
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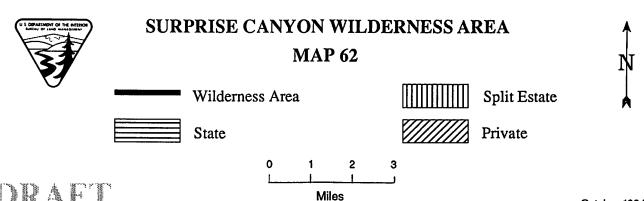
Telescope Peak.

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SYLVANIA MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

Size: 17,820 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: Inyo County; 30 miles east of Bishop, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: Sitting near the California-Nevada border, the terrain within the Sylvania

Mountains Wilderness starts on the desert floor. Gradually rolling hills on the western boundary give way to rough and mountainous rock rising to nearly 8,000 feet on the eastern boundary. Sagebrush scrub grows at the lower elevations and pinyon-juniper pine thrive along the mountain peaks. The Last Chance Range, Piper Mountain and Fish Lake Valley can all be viewed from this wilderness, providing a sense of vastness. Desert bighorn sheep roam this area, which is also home to deer and chuckar.

Access to this wilderness from the north is via State Highway 168,

approximately 32 miles north and east of Big Pine and along F-0756; and from the south via Big Pine-Death Valley Road, approximately 34 miles east of Big Pine and along North Eureka Road (F-1373). Check road

conditions before driving.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Eureka/Saline - #1 Horse Thief Canyon

Last Chance Mountain
Sylvania Canyon

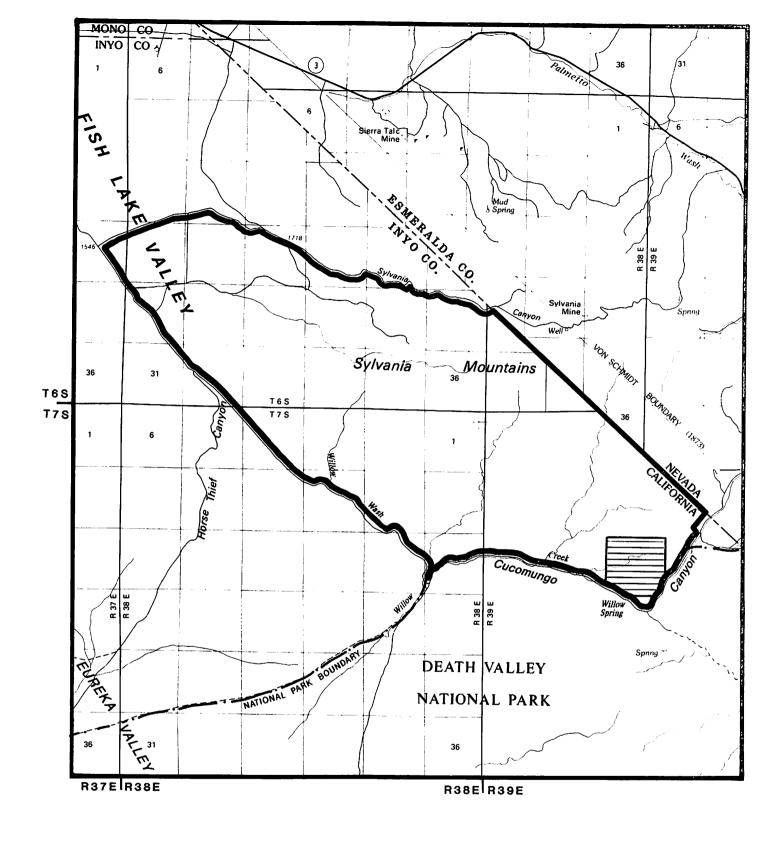
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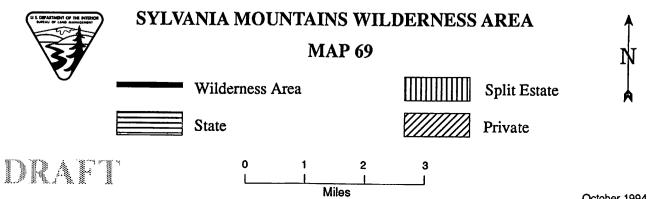
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TRILOBITE WILDERNESS

Size: 31,160 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION: County; 50 miles west of Needles, California

(Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES: This wilderness encompasses a large portion of the rugged Marble

Mountains and includes long alluvial fans on both sides of its range. Alternating dark brown and light brown striations have been tilted by geologic processes, thus presenting a marbled appearance. In the center of the wilderness are several prominent yellowish sandstone peaks with extensive talus slopes. This wilderness is named for the fossils which can be found within the region. The mountain range also is home to one of the larger and more rapidly growing desert bighorn sheep herds in the eastern

Mojave Desert.

Access this wilderness by traveling 28 miles east of Ludlow on Interstate

40, and take the Kelbaker Road exit. Travel south 1 mile, where the road

intersects a pipeline. Turn east and follow the pipeline road for

approximately one mile. The pipeline right-of-way forms the northern boundary of the wilderness for the next 11 miles. Four-wheel drive

vehicles are recommended.

Nonfederal Lands: Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the

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MAPS: Desert Access Guide: USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

Providence Mountains - #12 Amboy

Brown Buttes

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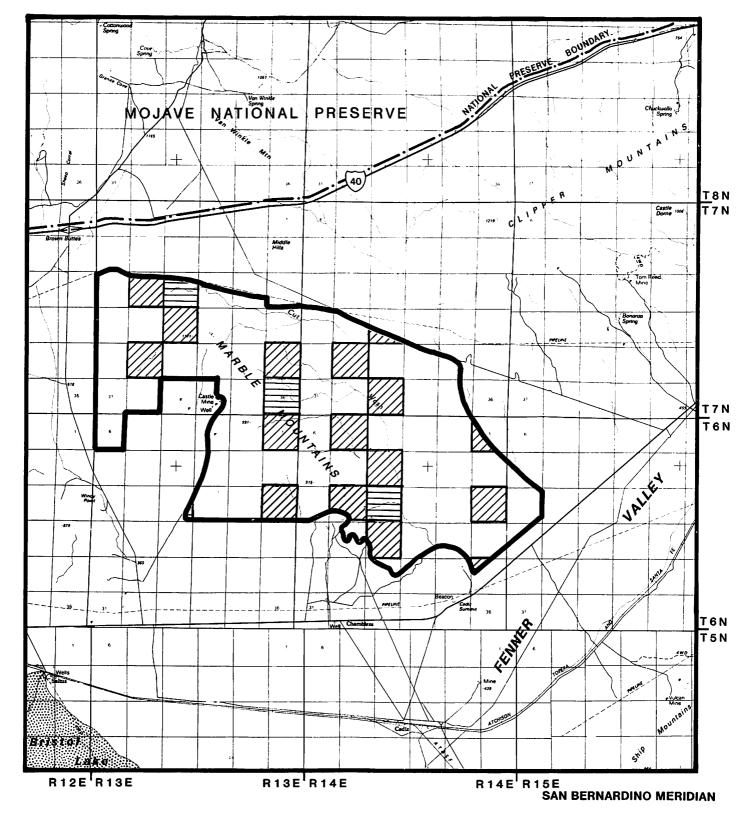
Cadiz Summit
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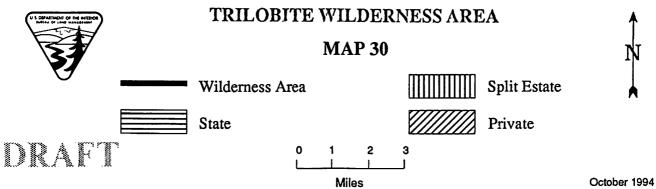
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TURTLE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

144,500 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 30 miles south of Needles, California (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Broad, open bajadas, eroded volcanic peaks, spires and cliffs converge to form the Turtle Mountains Wilderness. The volcanic formations shade the range in colors varying from deep reds, browns, tans and grays to black. The range lies in a horseshoe arrangement, parted by a large flat interior valley cut with numerous shallow washes. Places with names like Mopah Springs, Mohawk Springs, Coffin Springs and Gary Wash invite the dauntless wanderer, but do not rely on mapped springs for water. Always carry a gallon of water per person per day. Desert bighorn sheep, prairie falcon, golden eagle and desert tortoise make this wilderness area home.

Access:

To access the northern portion of this wilderness, go south on U.S. Highway 95 from Needles for approximately 25 miles to Turtle Mountain Road. Travel about 10 miles west, where the road splits. Take the south fork and follow the road for approximately 3 miles to an area known as Brown's Cabin or Carson's Well. Hike south into the wilderness. Careful driving is required when crossing the sandy Chemehuevi Wash. High clearance or four-wheel drive vehicles are recommended.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

Desert Access Guides: Parker/Blythe - #16 Arica Mountains, East of Milligan, Sheephole Mountains - #15

USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps:

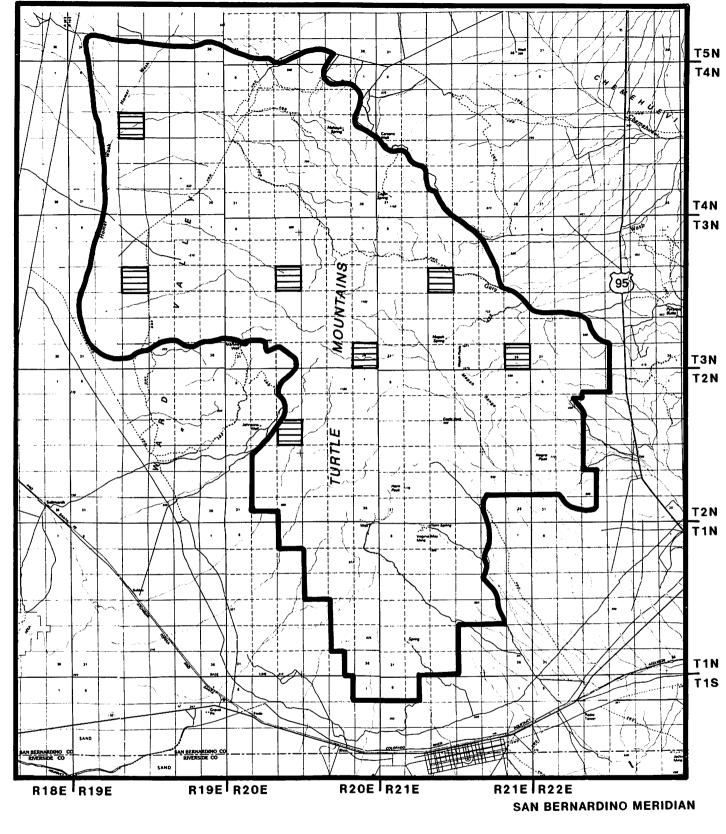
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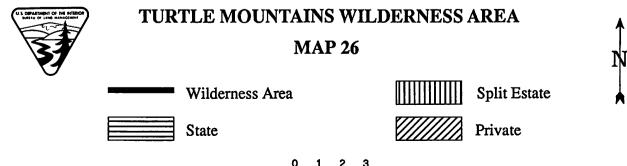
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WHIPPLE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS

SIZE:

77,520 acres, which may include other Federal, State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County; 10 miles northwest of Parker, Arizona (Note: Boundary set backs from roads or trails are 30 to 300 feet)

NATURAL RESOURCES:

The Whipple Mountains lie east to west across this wilderness. The western half of the range is created from pale green formations. A low angle fault separates the formation on the west from striking brick red volcanic formations to the east. The landscape is diverse, ranging from valley floors and washes to steep-walled canyons, domed peaks and eroded spires towering to 4,000 feet. Flowing westward from these colorful spires and domes are bajadas with isolated lava rock masses and red sandstone outcrops. Sonoran creosote bush scrub and the Sonoran thorn forest decorate the area. In addition, dense stands of palo verde, ironwood, smoke tree and cholla, saguaro, foxtail and Mojave prickly pear cacti all grow here. This unique array of vegetation support a variety of wildlife.

Access:

Access to the eastern boundary of the wilderness is by four-wheel drive vehicle on a powerline road. Start at Parker Dam on the Colorado River and go south on the California side to Black Meadow Landing Road (less than a mile). Take this paved road 6 miles to the dirt road that leads to Havasu Palms. Follow this route for 2.1 miles to the powerline road, which for the next 8 miles, forms the eastern boundary of the wilderness.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Private lands may lie within the wilderness area. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

MAPS:

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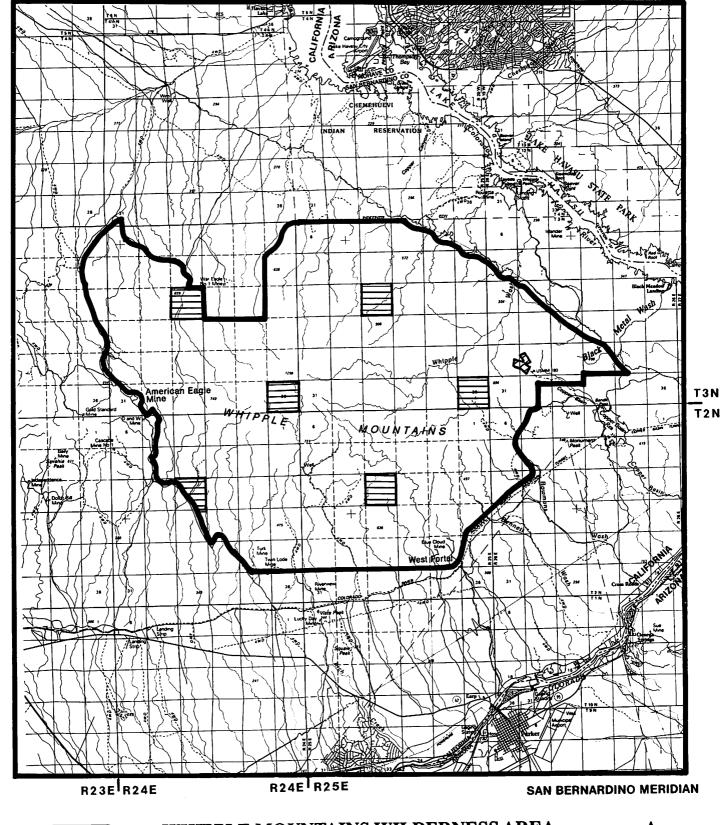
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Gene Wash, Havasu Lake,
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Parker North West, Sayahia Park

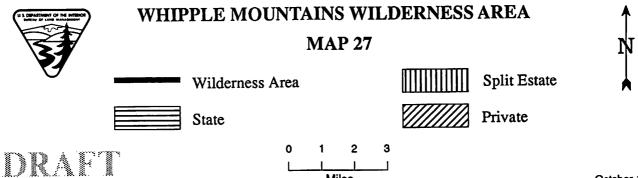
Parker North West, Savahia Peak, Whipple Mountain South West,

Whipple Wash.

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Appendix

Death Valley National Park

Joshua Tree National Park

Mojave National Preserve



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

Size: 3.4 million acres, which many include other State and private lands

LOCATION: Inyo County, California and portions of Nevada. Visitor centers are

located at Scotty's Castle and Furnace Creek.

NATURAL RESOURCES: This 60th National Park boasts many unique and unusual features: the

lowest spot in the Western Hemisphere, the largest National Park in the lower 48 states, the grandiose home of a miner (Scotty's Castle), towering mountains and forested mountain ranges. This is classic desert country where deep valleys, saline lakes, warm springs, waterfalls and sand dunes give character to this great expanse, where more than 3.1 million acres are wilderness. Rising from a minus 282-foot elevation at Badwater to the 11,049-foot high point at Telescope Peak, the desert terrain supports plant and animal life and an array of human history. Emigrant wagon trails and gold and borax prospecting are reminders of Death Valley's colorful past.

Access: Several roads, including paved state highways, provide access to and

within Death Valley National Park.

Nonfederal Lands: Several thousand acres of State lands and private lands lie within the park.

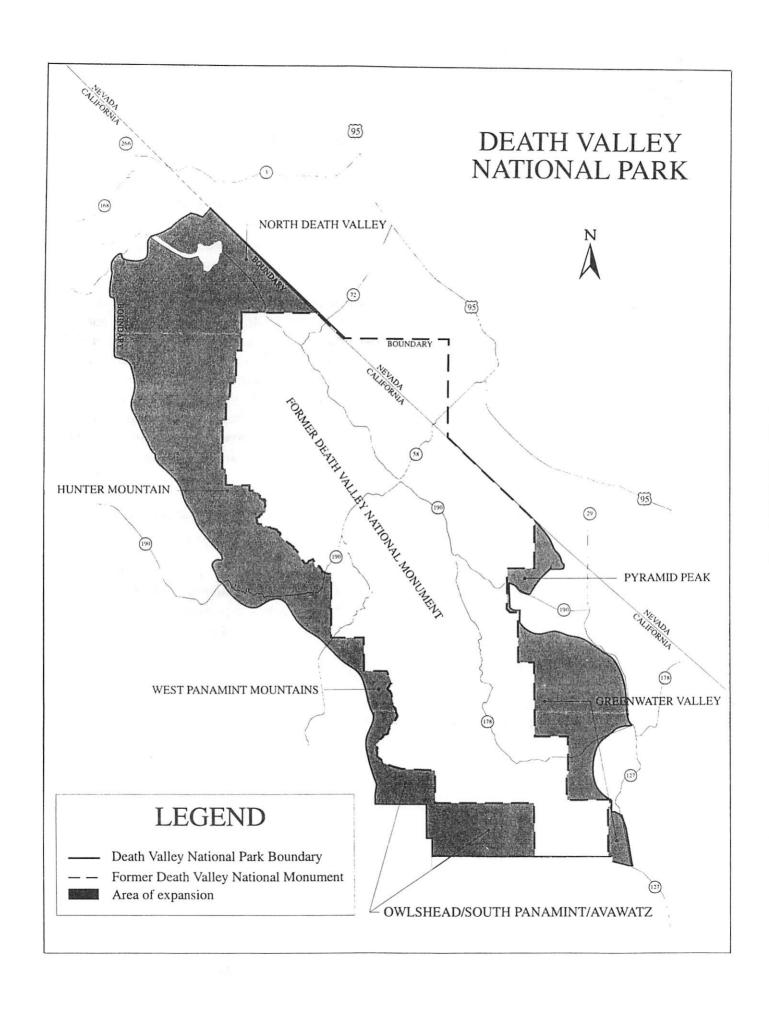
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permission.

CONTACT: Superintendent

Death Valley National Park Death Valley, CA 92328

(619) 786-2331





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JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK

Size:

794,000 acres, which many include other State and private lands

LOCATION:

Riverside County, California. Visitor centers are located at Twentynine

Palms (off State Route 62) and Cottonwood (off Interstate 10).

NATURAL RESOURCES:

Since its designation as a National Park, nearly 60 years ago, park rangers here have interpreted and preserved the geologic, biologic and cultural features found at this desert crossroad, where the Sonoran and Mojave Deserts meet. Rugged mountain ranges dominate the landscape and attest to the remote, dramatic and violent energy which shaped the land. Joshua tree forests dot the high elevation basins and ridges. Over 630,000 acres of the park are designated wilderness and are home to bobcat, golden eagle and coyote. Evidence of early man, Native American culture, early cattle ranching and mining can also be seen at this 128th National Park

unit.

Access:

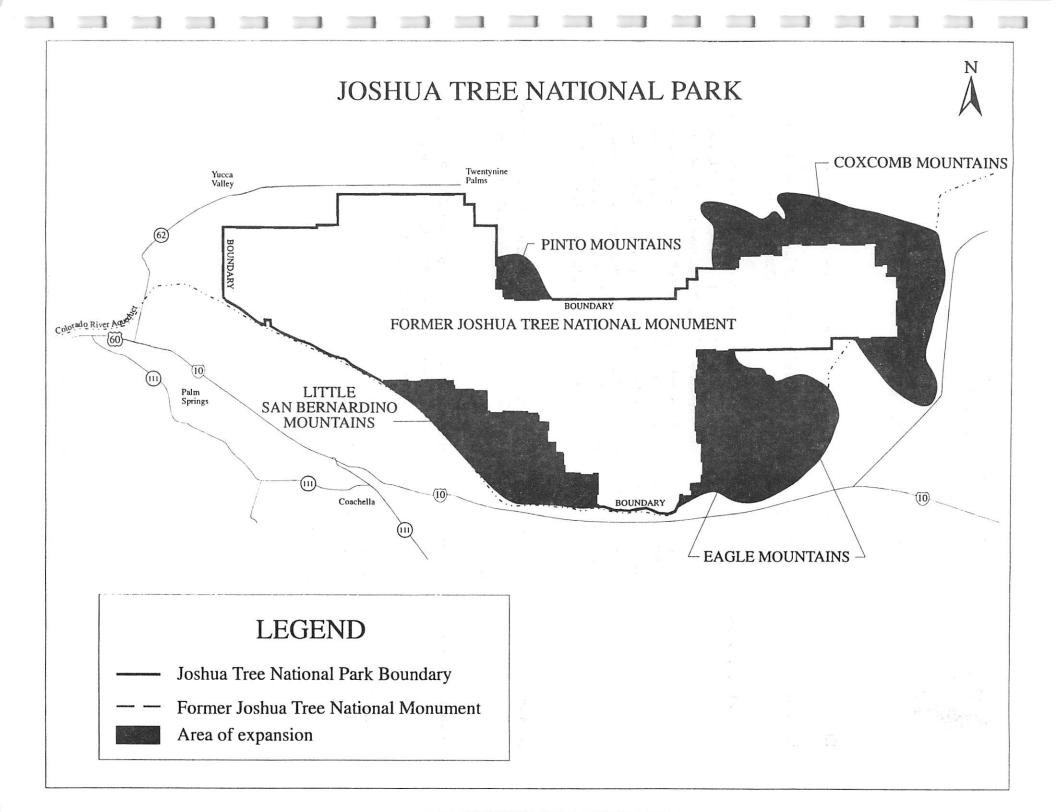
Major access to the park is provided by paved roads that connect Interstate 10 to Twentynine Palms. Other roads traverse scenic areas within the park.

Nonfederal Lands:

Several thousand acres of non-federally owned lands lie within the park, particularly in the Little San Bernardino park expansion. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without permission.

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MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE

SIZE:

1.4 million acres, which many include other State and private lands

LOCATION:

San Bernardino County, California north of Interstate 40 and south of Interstate 15, extending east to the Nevada California border. A noncontinuous unit lies north of Interstate 15 in the Clark Mountains. A

visitor contact station is located in Barstow.

NATURAL RESOURCES:

This newest unit of the National Park Service, the 368th, is regarded as the meeting place for three of four great American deserts - the Sonoran, Mojave and Great Basin. The geology of each of these deserts plays a role in the human story of this rarely seen desert wonderland. Miners, cattle ranchers, railroad speculators and wagons west each attempted to survive here, probably coming by way of a Native American trail known now as the Mojave Road. They saw strange volcanic features, towering sand dunes and the largest Joshua tree forest in the world. Nearly half of the

preserve is designated as wilderness.

Access:

Several roads, paved and unpaved, cross the preserve between

Interstates 40 and 15.

NONFEDERAL LANDS:

Several thousand acres of non-federally owned lands lie within the

preserve. Please respect the landowner and do not use these lands without

permission.

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