WATER-RIGHT DOCKET

Mojave National Preserve

Docket No: 130

HEADQUARTERS 3 (G363744)

Preliminary Docket Information

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Application ID:	G363744	**Water Right Type:**	Groundwater Recordation
Permit ID:	None	**Water Rights Status:**	Inactive (06/04/2009)
License ID:	None	**Primary Owner:**	BLINCOE FARMS INC, AN IDAHO CORPORATION

Current Parties	Relationship	Effective Date
BLINCOE FARMS INC, AN IDAHO CORPORATION	Primary Owner	12/24/2002
WAGNER AND BONSIGNORE, CCE	Agent	12/24/2002
Need to report a change of ownership or agent? Click Here		

Historical Parties

Historical Parties	Relationship	Date Range

Record Summary	
Application Acceptance Date	12/17/2002
Permit Issuance Date	
License Issuance Date	
Face Value Amount	16.1
Subtypes (Statements Only)	

Name(s) of Sources of Water	County Location	Parcel Number	Diversion Site Name	Lat/Long Coordinates
UNKNOWN	San Bernardino	570-171-09	HEADQUARTERS 3	35.31767226 ; -115.58670448

Map It

Beneficial Uses	Acres	Direct Diversion Season	Collection to Storage Season
Domestic	0.0	1/1 to 12/31	
Stockwatering	0.0		

Electronic Reports

Year	Revision	Report Type	Date Received	View Report PDF
no reports submitted				

*For reports submitted prior to 2009, please contact our records room.

Water Rights Associated with Primary Owner

Application ID	Water Right Type	Water Right Status
S015623	Statement of Div and Use	Inactive
G363742	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363743	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363744	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363745	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363746	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363747	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363748	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363749	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363750	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363751	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive
G363753	Groundwater Recordation	Inactive

Associated Decisions/Orders

Decision/Order Number	Date	Description	View Document

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PLEASE COMPLETE. SUBMIT THE ORIG[illegible] AND MAKE A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS

State of California, State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights
P.O. BOX 2000, SACRAMENTO, CA 95812-2000
Info: (916) 341-5300, FAX: (916) 341-5400, Web: http://www.waterrights.ca.gov

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ANNUAL NOTICE OF GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION AND DIVERSION

If the owner information below is wrong or missing, please correct.

OWNER(S) OF RECORD **BLINCOE FARMS INC, AN IDAHO CORPORATION;**

RECORDATION NO.: G363744
CONTACT PHONE NO.: (916)441-6850

PRIMARY CONTACT OR AGENT FOR MAIL & REPORTING:

WAGNER & BONSIGNORE
444 NORTH THIRD ST STE 325
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814-0228

Owner's Designation of Well	State Well Number	Parcel Number
HEADQUARTERS 3	14N/13E-10D03 S	570-171-09

HQ well?

DEADLINE: Notices must be postmarked no later than **June 30, 2004** in order to be recorded.

REQUIRED FEES: A filing fee of $**115.00** is required for each Annual Notice of Groundwater Extraction and Diversion. Check or money order should indicate your recordation number(s) and be made payable to: State Water Resources Control Board. Do not send cash.

PLEASE READ THE GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE BEFORE COMPLETING THIS NOTICE

If the above information is inaccurate, please line it out in red and provide current information. Notify this office if ownership or address changes occur during the coming year.

1. TYPE OF DIVERSION ☐ Groundwater extraction or ☐ Surface diversion
2. OWNERSHIP. **Person listed below is:**
   - ☐ Owner of land on which well or point of diversion is located, and is extracting/diverting water.
   - ☐ Leesee of land on which well or point of diversion is located, and is extracting/diverting water.
   - ☐ Owner of land, but lessee is extracting/diverting water.
   - ☐ Other: Please explain: _____
3. AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER EXTRACTED DURING CALENDAR YEAR → _____ (Must be a specific number) ☐ acre-feet ☐ cubic-feet ☐ gallons
4. AMOUNT OF SURFACE WATER DIVERTED DURING CALENDAR YEAR → ☐ acre-feet ☐ cubic-feet ☐ gallons
   Annual quantity _____
   Season of diversion
   Begin _____
   End _____
   Maximum rate of diversion _____
5. METHOD OF MEASUREMENT ☐ Water Meter ☐ Power Meter ☐ Nonmetered or Estimated
6. TYPE OF WATER USE ☐ Agricultural ☐ Domestic or Municipal ☐ Other: _____
7. ACTION REQUESTED:
   - ☐ **Close this file. (Files may be reopened at any time – fee required)**
   - ☐ Record my water use. (Fee required)
   - ☐ Do not record my water use but keep my name on mailing list. (No fee required)
     - ☐ Transfer this file to: _____ (NEW OWNER'S FIRST NAME) (M. NAME) (LAST NAME)
       Company Name: _____
       Address: _____ (MAILING ADDRESS) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP CODE)
       Telephone: ( ) _____ Effective Date: _____
8. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION. Please list any changes in your project since last year (new pump, new land irrigation, new method of irrigation, etc.) or any other comments _____
9. CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE: I certify that the forgoing statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____ (FIRST NAME) (M. NAME) (LAST NAME

Company Name: _____

THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY R. _____ AMT: _____

GW-ANN-EXTRT (3-04)

GENERAL INFORMATION

The dependence on groundwater in the Counties of Riverside, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, and Ventura has resulted in diminishing water supplies. As water becomes more scarce, determination of your water rights by the courts may become necessary. Your Annual Notice of Groundwater Extraction and Diversion is required to establish a record of water use which can assist the court in determining your rights.

The California Water Code requires you to record your annual surface and groundwater use if your total groundwater extractions from all wells exceed 25 acre-feet. Extractions of less than 10 acre-feet from a single well need not be reported. Although there is no penalty for failure to file the annual notice, failure to file is considered nonuse of water. Therefore, persons who do not file notices may have difficulty in supporting a claim of water use during a lawsuit to establish ownership of groundwater rights.

Exceptions: (1) If you are currently reporting your pumpage to a watermaster, your water use is already on record, and you are exempt from the requirement of filing a notice, or (2) if Annual water use is less than the required amounts, filing is optional because these minimal amounts would probably not be affected by a water right dispute. All optional notices which are accompanied by appropriate fees will be recorded.

Should you require additional information about the Water Code requirements or assistance in completing this form, please write us or telephone (916) 341-5300.

TABLE 1: AGRICULTURAL WATER USE WORKSHEET (Optional)

To estimate your use of water, indicate below the crop type and number of acres. Then find the average irrigation requirement for each crop using Table II. Multiply acres (column 1) to applied water depth (column 2) to determine the amount pumped (column 3). Then total all amounts in column 3 to determine total irrigation use.

CROP	COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3
	ACRES	AVERAGE APPLIED WATER DEPTH (acre-feet per acre)	AMOUNT PUMPED (acre-feet) (column 1 X column 2)
		TOTAL IRRIGATION USE	

CONVERSION FACTORS
One acre-foot (af) = 43,560 cubic feet = 325,900 gallons
One miner's inch is approximately 9 gallons per minute.
An acre-foot covers one acre of land, 1 foot deep

TABLE II: AVERAGE DEPTH OF WATER APPLIED TO IRRIGATE EACH CROP (acre-feet per acre)*

LOCALITY	ALFALFA	AVOCADOS	BEANS	DATES	LEMONS	LETTUCE	PERMANENT PASTURE	TOMATOES
1. Los Angeles County								
a. Coastal Basin[1]		2.0 - 2.5			2.0 – 2.5	2.0 – 2.5		
b. Antelope Valley	5.5 – 6.0						5.5 – 6.0	
2. Eastern Riverside County								
a. Coachella & Blythe Area[2]	9.0 – 10.0			7.9 – 9.0	5.5 – 6.0	3.6 – 4.2	9.0 – 10.0	4.3 – 6.4
3. Western Riverside County	4.0 – 4.5	2.5 – 3.0			2.5 – 3.0	2.0 – 2.5	4.5 – 5.0	
4. San Bernardino County								
a. Chino Area	4.0 – 4.5	2.5 – 3.0			2.5 – 3.0	2.0 – 2.5	4.5 – 5.0	2.3 – 2.5
b. San Bernardino Area	4.0 – 4.5	2.5 – 3.0			2.5 – 3.0	2.0 – 2.5	4.0 – 5.0	2.3 – 2.5
c. Barstow-Apple Valley	6.0 – 6.5						6.0 – 6.5	
d. Ontario	4.0 – 4.5	2.5 – 3.0			2.5 – 3.0		4.0 – 5.0	2.3 – 2.5
e. Highlands-Redlands	4.0 – 4.5	2.5 – 3.0			2.5 – 3.0		4.0 – 5.0	2.3 – 2.5
5. Ventura County	4.0 – 4.5	2.3 – 2.5	1.3 – 1.5		2.3 – 2.5	2.0 – 2.5	4.0 – 4.5	2.0 – 2.5

*Based on information provided by Agricultural Extension Service of the University of California.
Updated: Department of Water Resources, Southern District // Backup data for the California Water Plan, Bulletin 160-98. Date August 21, 2000

[1] Unit use values for crops grown in each region.
[2] Unit use for dates was not changed from previous table.

Land History

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Water Rights Branch

Note to File

Date: May 23, 2016
From: Joseph Chafey, WRB Hydrologist
File: MOJA Dockets with Grazing Allotment Water Rights
Subject: Land History
From Neglected Space to Protected Place: An Administrative History of Mojave National Preserve by Eric Charles Nystrom, March 2003

Nystrom EC and Great Basin CESU. 2003. From Neglected Space to Protected Place: An Administrative History of Mojave National Preserve. Administrative History
IRMA – Data Store – Published Report – (Code: 650008)
https://irma.nps.gov/DataStore/Reference/Profile/650008

Description

Report on the formation and management of Mojave National Preserve. Information on mining issues, resources, and threats to the Preserve are included.

Chapter 8 – Administrative History (excerpt)

For Mojave National Preserve, grazing is a controversial and important issue that cannot be ignored. Widespread political and cultural overtones help make grazing a sensitive issue for everyone involved. As such, park management tread carefully but deliberately in the arena of grazing management. The Park Service has long viewed grazing as antithetical to its mission, permitting the activity in certain parks only when political circumstances absolutely required it. Park Service culture and policy have historically limited grazing in national parks, initially to differentiate itself from the Forest Service, and in later years to help maintain ecosystems. The long history of grazing in Mojave National Preserve and permission for its continuation in perpetuity by legislative action complicates natural resource decisions, making the goal of a functioning pre-grazing ecosystem frustratingly difficult to achieve.

At the time Mojave National Preserve was established, all or part of eleven BLM grazing allotments, established under the 1934 Taylor Grazing Act, were included within the park. Superintendent Marvin Jensen brought a background in range conservation with him and established a friendly management tone toward grazers. All existing operations were issued NPS permits to continue with their ranching activity, and management of the range did not differ substantially from BLM activity.

The Park Service also took concrete steps toward limiting grazing when possible, providing that the situation was politically feasible. The portion of the Piute allotment within the park was for ephemeral forage only and was in desert tortoise habitat. Management decided that any ephemeral forage must, at behest of the Desert Tortoise Recovery Plan, be used by the desert tortoise, so a permit to graze ephemeral forage would never be issued. A second allotment, Crescent Peak, was owned by a conservation group, who had purchased it as part of a move to

eliminate grazing in southern Nevada. Since no active grazing was taking place, the permit was retired. Not long after the creation of the Preserve, the rancher who held the Clark Mountain grazing allotment passed away, and Park Service regulations forbid the issue of a permit for renewed operations there. Irene Ausmus held the Round Valley allotment, just large enough for her to keep her two pet cows in feed, but not so big as to cause significant resource issues for the park.

Major cattle operations in Mojave National Preserve were essentially controlled by three groups. The Overson family was responsible for the largest share of the acreage, with the OX and Kessler Springs ranches owned by Gary and Linda Overson, and the Granite Mountains ranch owned by their son, Clay Overson. Next in size were the Valley View and Valley Wells allotments, both owned by Richard Blincoe, an Idaho agriculturalist, and managed by Tim Overson. The Blair family operated the 7IL Ranch on the Colton Hills and Gold Valley allotments. During the CDPA debate, the Blairs worked to preserve their ranching way of life, and an original clause that specified a twenty five year sunset on Mojave ranching was removed from the bill largely as a result of their efforts. In 2001, the park concluded an arrangement begun in 1998 where the 40 acres of park land that included the 7IL Ranch headquarters were swapped to the Blairs for 40 acres of undisturbed land in critical desert tortoise habitat owned by the ranching family. Touted as a "win-win" situation for the Blairs and the Park Service, the deal also showed locals that the government was not out to destroy family ranchers in the Preserve.

Ranch lands are identified in the California Desert Protection Act as top priorities for acquisitions. In contrast to the Blairs' opposition to the CDPA, Gary Overson specifically requested that his ranchlands be included in the park, to guarantee an acceptable purchase price should he decide to sell his property. Beginning in 1995, Deputy Superintendent Mary Martin worked to coordinate the sale of Overson's ranch to the National Parks Conservation Fund, but after years of contract negotiations, the deal fell through at least in part as a result of strict timelines and reluctance on the part of BLM. Undaunted, Martin sought another donor, but Overson doubted the ability of the Park Service to complete a buyout, as a result of the earlier failed experiment. Overson looked for another private buyer for his ranch, but the park made it clear to the buyer that issuance of a new grazing permit "is not certain" and that "the application process ... is subject to lengthy and potentially costly delays and complex administrative and legal procedures and challenges." As a trial run, Mojave National Preserve and the National Park Foundation worked to move the Granite Mountains Ranch, owned by Overson's son, to NPS control. The deal was completed in April 2000, and set the stage for the park's successful acquisition of Gary Overson's holdings in January 2001. In 2002, Blincoe also agreed to sell his ranches to the park.

The effect of the Overson and Blincoe allotment acquisitions cannot be overstated. Total grazing in the Mojave National Preserve was reduced from some 37,000 Animal Unit Months (AUMs) to approximately 4,000 AUMs, leaving the 7IL as the only major cattle ranch in the Preserve. The elimination of grazing will move the formerly grazed lands closer toward a goal of a more naturally functioning ecosystem. The Park Service also gained control of a tremendous number and variety of structures associated with cattle ranching in the eastern Mojave desert. In 2002, a consultant produced a National Register district nomination for the Overson properties, signifying their historic importance to the east Mojave; future plans may include interpretive programs and utilizing some structures for NPS employee housing. The ranches acquired by Mojave National Preserve included some private lands among the holdings, but the most valuable assets to the park were the grazing permits and the ranchers' water rights.

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Note to File

Date: May 9, 2016
From: Joseph Chafey, WRB Hydrologist
File: MOJA Dockets (All)
Subject: Land History
1) California Desert Protection Act of 1994
2) MEMORANDUM Activation: California Desert Protection Act of 1994 – July 3, 1995

1) California Desert Protection Act of 1994
IRMA – Data Store – Published Report – (Code: 2229501)
https://irma.nps.gov/DataStore/Reference/Profile/2229501

Description

An act to designate certain lands in the California Desert as wilderness, to establish the Death Valley and Joshua Tree National Parks, to establish Mojave National Preserve, and for other purposes.

2) MEMORANDUM Activation: California Desert Protection Act of 1994 – July 3, 1995
IRMA – Data Store – Memorandum – (Code: 2229521)
https://irma.nps.gov/DataStore/Reference/Profile/2229521

Description

Outlines the actions that need to be taken to implement the California Desert Protection Act of 1994 and indicates the responsible officials.

United States Department of the Interior

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Pacific West Region
Pacific Land Resources Program Center
1111 Jackson Street, Suite 700
Oakland, California 94607

IN REPLY REFER TO:

L1429

SEP 24 2003

Memorandum

To: Chief, National Program Center, Land Resources Division, WASO

From: Chief, Pacific Land Resources Program Center, PWR

Subject: Transmittal of Deed Assembly

Area: Mojave NP

Tract No.: See Exhibit "A"

Landowner: PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)

Deed No.: 2

State: California

County: San Bernardino

The original documents for this subject acquisition are transmitted herewith as follows:

( ) 1. Recorded Deed

( ) 2. Final Title Opinion

( ) 3. Final Title Insurance

( ) 4. Certificate of Inspection & Possession

( ) 5. Payment and Closing Sheet

( ) 6. Accepted Offer to Sell

( ) 7. Hazardous Materials Survey

( ) 8. Administrative Certificate/ Waiver

( ) 9. Lis Pendens

( ) 10. Complaint/DT

( ) 11. Judgment

(X) 12. Public Law 103-433 10/31/94

Jordan S. Humphrey

MOJAVE NP

TRACT	LANDOWNER	MOA	ACRES	CONVEYED
101-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	35,429.09	10/31/94
102-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	17,922.00	10/31/94
103-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	12,321.46	10/31/94
104-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	10,176.00	10/31/94
105-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	2,591.00	10/31/94
106-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	21,553.00	10/31/94
107-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	21,983.00	10/31/94
108-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,089.43	10/31/94
109-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	20,342.00	10/31/94
110-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,294.00	10/31/94
111-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,214.00	10/31/94
112-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	14,578.00	10/31/94
113-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	6,075.00	10/31/94
114-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	11,490.00	10/31/94
115-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	21,417.00	10/31/94
116-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,170.00	10/31/94
117-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	23,271.00	10/31/94
118-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	17,577.30	10/31/94
119-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	15,608.11	10/31/94
120-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	16,152.35	10/31/94
121-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	24,392.45	10/31/94
122-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	13,071.47	10/31/94
123-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	11,511.00	10/31/94
124-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	6,331.00	10/31/94
125-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	20,490.00	10/31/94
126-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	10,236.00	10/31/94
127-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	16,674.48	10/31/94
128-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	18,071.41	10/31/94
129-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	15,640.23	10/31/94
130-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,456.00	10/31/94
131-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	23,522.00	10/31/94
131-04	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	80.00	10/31/94
132-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	21,867.27	10/31/94
133-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,860.12	10/31/94
134-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	19,882.57	10/31/94
135-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	9,575.00	10/31/94
135-10	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	146.60	10/31/94
136-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	10,189.04	10/31/94
137-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	21,619.27	10/31/94
138-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	21,766.02	10/31/94
139-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	21,727.94	10/31/94
140-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	23,664.00	10/31/94
141-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,647.00	10/31/94
142-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	21,549.00	10/31/94
143-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	20,157.47	10/31/94
144-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	10,660.77	10/31/94

MOJAVE NP

TRACT	LANDOWNER	MOA	ACRES	CONVEYED
145-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	11,189.11	10/31/94
146-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	25,688.24	10/31/94
147-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	19,509.74	10/31/94
148-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	16,796.72	10/31/94
149-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	16,861.68	10/31/94
150-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,481.49	10/31/94
151-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,605.00	10/31/94
152-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	23,379.00	10/31/94
153-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	23,366.00	10/31/94
153-04	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	1.95	10/31/94
153-05	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	2.07	10/31/94
154-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	21,753.18	10/31/94
155-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	15,679.47	10/31/94
156-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	8,996.12	10/31/94
157-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	4,917.25	10/31/94
158-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	17,587.00	10/31/94
159-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	19,822.00	10/31/94
160-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	19,802.00	10/31/94
161-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	10,099.00	10/31/94
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167-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	3,678.00	10/31/94
168-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	15,863.00	10/31/94
169-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	15,487.00	10/31/94
170-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	16,168.00	10/31/94
171-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	12,696.00	10/31/94
172-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	21,093.00	10/31/94
173-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,260.00	10/31/94
174-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	19,754.00	10/31/94
175-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	2,609.00	10/31/94
176-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	22,344.16	10/31/94
177-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	18,354.00	10/31/94
178-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	12,696.00	10/31/94
179-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	4,515.00	10/31/94
180-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	2,518.00	10/31/94
181-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	280.00	10/31/94
184-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	5,141.65	10/31/94
185-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	3,180.89	10/31/94
186-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WITHDR	4,162.70	10/31/94
189-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	WIHTDR	3,274.77	10/31/94

09-24-2003: Memorandum to Chief, National Program Center, Land Resources Division, WASO from Chief, Pacific Land Resourc

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
TRACTS CONVEYED BETWEEN 10/31/1994 AND 10/31/1994 FOR MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE
RUN DATE: 09/18/2003

AREA: MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE

AREA	TRACT	LANDOWNER	ACRES	CONVEYED	AMOUNT	ESTATE	MOA	STATUS	ST	COUNTY	NEGOTIATOR
8386	101-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	35,429.09	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	102-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	17,922.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	103-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	12,321.46	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	104-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	10,176.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	105-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	2,591.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	106-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,553.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	107-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,983.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	108-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,089.43	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	109-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	20,342.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	110-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,294.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	111-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,214.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	112-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	14,578.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	113-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	6,075.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	114-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	11,490.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	115-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,417.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	116-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,170.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	117-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	23,271.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	118-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	17,577.30	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	119-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	15,608.11	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	120-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	16,152.35	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	121-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	24,392.45	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	122-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	13,071.47	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	123-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	11,511.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	124-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	6,331.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	125-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	20,490.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	126-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	10,236.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	127-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	16,674.48	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	128-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	18,071.41	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	129-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	15,640.23	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	130-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,456.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	131-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	23,522.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	131-04	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	80.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	132-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,867.27	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	133-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,860.12	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	134-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	19,882.57	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	135-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	9,575.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	135-10	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	146.60	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	136-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	10,189.04	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	137-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,619.27	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	138-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,766.02	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	139-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,727.94	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	140-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	23,664.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	141-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,647.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	CHULLA
8386	142-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,549.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	

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8386	143-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	20,157.47	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	144-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	10,660.77	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	145-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	11,189.11	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	146-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	25,688.24	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	147-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	19,509.74	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	148-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	16,796.72	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	149-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	16,861.68	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	150-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,481.49	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	151-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,605.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	152-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	23,379.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	153-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	23,366.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	153-04	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	1.95	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	153-05	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	2.07	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	154-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,753.18	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	155-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	15,679.47	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	156-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	8,996.12	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	157-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	4,917.25	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	158-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	17,587.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	159-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	19,822.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	160-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	19,802.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	161-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	10,099.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	162-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	14,894.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	163-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	13,298.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	164-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	14,153.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	165-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	13,437.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	166-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	5,163.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	167-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	3,678.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	168-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	15,863.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	169-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	15,487.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	170-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	16,168.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	171-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	12,696.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	172-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	21,093.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	173-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,260.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	174-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	19,754.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	175-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	2,609.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	176-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	22,344.16	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	177-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	18,354.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	178-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	12,696.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	179-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	4,515.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	180-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	2,518.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	181-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	280.00	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	184-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	5,141.65	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	185-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	3,180.89	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
8386	186-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	4,162.70	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	

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8386	189-01	PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM)	3,274.77	10/31/1994	0.00	FEE	WTHDR	FED	CA	SAN BERNARDINO	
	89	TRACTS	1,355,599.04		0.00						

AREA: MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE, CALIFORNIA

AUTHORIZATION
Act of October 31, 1994 (P.L. 103-433), established Mojave National Preserve.

ACQUISITION AUTHORITY
Act of October 31, 1994, authorized acquisition by donation, purchase or exchange. Privately owned lands may be acquired only with the consent of the owner unless the owner's use or proposed use of the land is deemed incompatible with the purposes of the preserve. Construction or modification of a single-family residence shall not be considered incompatible with purposes of the preserve. Lands or interests owned by the State of California, or any political subdivision thereof, may be acquired only by donation or exchange, except for lands managed by the California State Lands Commission. The act authorized the transfer to the National Park Service (NPS), without consideration, of described lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The act provides that if a person holding a grazing permit is willing to convey to the United States any base property with respect to which such permit was issued, the Secretary shall make the acquisition of such base property a priority.

ESTABLISHED
October 31, 1994

BOUNDARY REVISIONS
None

ACREAGE LIMITATIONS
None

STATUTORY CEILING FOR LAND ACQUISITION
Act of October 31, 1994, authorized appropriations for land acquisition by NPS and BLM not to exceed a total of $300,000,000.

REMARKS
Act of October 31, 1994, requires that:
(1) Until acquired by the United States, no non-Federal lands within the park boundary shall be subject to rules or regulations applicable solely to Federal lands within such boundary.
(2) None of the lands within the park boundary shall be granted to or otherwise made available for use by the Metropolitan Water District pursuant to the Boulder Canyon Project Act or any similar acts.
(3) Upon request of the California State Lands Commission, the Secretary shall negotiate to acquire by exchange State School lands within the boundaries of the park system units designated by the act. Until all such State school lands have been acquired, no Federal lands or interests within the State of California may be disposed of prior to providing the State an opportunity to enter into an exchange of those Federal lands for State School lands.
(4) Lands and interests in land to be acquired pursuant to this act shall be appraised without regard to the presence of a threatened or endangered species.

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Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on park resources. Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating the fee title to lands or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities on or under such lands granted to the Metropolitan Water District pursuant to the Act of June 18, 1932 (47 Stat. 324), which are located on lands included in the Joshua Tree National Park, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 601(a)(2). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on park resources. The Secretary shall prepare within one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this Act, in consultation with the Metropolitan Water District, plans for emergency access by the Metropolitan Water District to its lands and rights-of-way.

SEC. 407. JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION.

(a) The Secretary shall establish an Advisory Commission of no more than fifteen members, to advise the Secretary concerning the development and implementation of a new or revised comprehensive management plan for Joshua Tree National Park.

(b)(1) The advisory commission shall include an elected official for each County within which any part of the park is located, a representative of the owners of private properties located within or immediately adjacent to the park, and other members representing persons actively engaged in grazing and range management, mineral exploration and development, and persons with expertise in relevant fields, including geology, biology, ecology, law enforcement, and the protection and management of National Park resources and values.

(2) Vacancies in the advisory commission shall be filled by the Secretary so as to maintain the full diversity of views required to be represented on the advisory commission.

(c) The Federal Advisory Committee Act shall apply to the procedures and activities of the advisory commission.

(d) The advisory commission shall cease to exist ten years after the date of its establishment.

TITLE V—MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE

SEC. 501. FINDINGS.

The Congress hereby finds that—

(1) Death Valley and Joshua Tree National Parks, as established by this Act, protect unique and superlative desert resources, but do not embrace the particular ecosystems and transitional desert type found in the Mojave Desert area lying between them on public lands now afforded only impermanent administrative designation as a national scenic area;

(2) the Mojave Desert area possesses outstanding natural, cultural, historical, and recreational values meriting statutory designation and recognition as a unit of the National Park System;

(3) the Mojave Desert area should be afforded full recognition and statutory protection as a national preserve;

(4) the wilderness within the Mojave Desert should receive maximum statutory protection by designation pursuant to the Wilderness Act; and

(5) the Mojave Desert area provides an outstanding opportunity to develop services, programs, accommodations and facilities to ensure the use and enjoyment of the area by individuals with disabilities, consistent with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Public Law 101–336, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101), and other appropriate laws and regulations.

SEC. 502. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE.

There is hereby established the Mojave National Preserve, comprising approximately one million four hundred nineteen thousand eight hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Mojave National Park Boundary—Proposed", dated May 17, 1994, which shall be on file and available for inspection in the appropriate offices of the Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

SEC. 503. TRANSFER OF LANDS.

Upon enactment of this title, the Secretary shall transfer the lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management depicted on the maps described in section 502 of this title, without consideration, to the administrative jurisdiction of the Director of the National Park Service. The boundaries of the public lands shall be adjusted accordingly.

SEC. 504. MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.

Within six months after the date of enactment of this title, the Secretary shall file maps and a legal description of the preserve designated under this title with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the United States House of Representatives. Such maps and legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this title, except that the Secretary may correct clerical and typographical errors in such legal description and in the maps referred to in section 502. The maps and legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

SEC. 505. ABOLISHMENT OF SCENIC AREA.

The East Mojave National Scenic Area, designated on January 13, 1981 (46 FR 3994), and modified on August 9, 1983 (48 FR 36210), is hereby abolished.

SEC. 506. ADMINISTRATION OF LANDS.

(a) The Secretary shall administer the preserve in accordance with this title and with the provisions of law generally applicable to units of the National Park System, including the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535; 16 U.S.C. 1, 2–4).

(b) The Secretary shall permit hunting, fishing, and trapping on lands and waters within the preserve designated by this Act in accordance with applicable Federal and State laws except that the Secretary may designate areas where, and establish periods

when, no hunting, fishing, or trapping will be permitted for reasons of public safety, administration, or compliance with provisions of applicable law. Except in emergencies, regulations closing areas to hunting, fishing, or trapping pursuant to this subsection shall be put into effect only after consultation with the appropriate State agency having responsibility for fish and wildlife. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as affecting the jurisdiction or responsibilities of the States with respect to fish and wildlife on Federal lands and waters covered by this title nor shall anything in this Act be construed as authorizing the Secretary concerned to require a Federal permit to hunt, fish, or trap on Federal lands and waters covered by this title.

SEC. 507. WITHDRAWAL.

Subject to valid existing rights, all Federal lands within the preserve are hereby withdrawn from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws; from location, entry, and patent under the United States mining laws; and from disposition under all laws pertaining to mineral and geothermal leasing, and mineral materials, and all amendments thereto.

SEC. 508. REGULATION OF MINING.

Subject to valid existing rights, all mining claims located within the preserve shall be subject to all applicable laws and regulations applicable to mining within units of the National Park System, including the Mining in the Parks Act (16 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.), and any patent issued after the date of enactment of this title shall convey title only to the minerals together with the right to use the surface of lands for mining purposes, subject to such laws and regulations.

SEC. 509. STUDY AS TO VALIDITY OF MINING CLAIMS.

(a) The Secretary shall not approve any plan of operation prior to determining the validity of the unpatented mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites affected by such plan within the preserve and shall submit to Congress recommendations as to whether any valid or patented claims should be acquired by the United States, including the estimated acquisition costs of such claims, and a discussion of the environmental consequences of the extraction of minerals from these lands.

(b)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary shall permit the holder or holders of mining claims identified on the records of the Bureau of Land Management as Volco #A CAMC 105446, Volco #B CAMC 105447, Volco 1 CAMC 80155, Volco 2 CAMC 80156, Volco 3 CAMC 170259, Volco 4 CAMC 170260, Volco 5 CAMC 78405, Volco 6 CAMC 78404, and Volco 7 CAMC 78403, Volco Placer 78332, to continue exploration and development activities on such claims for a period of two years after the date of enactment of this title, subject to the same regulations as applied to such activities on such claims on the day before such date of enactment.

(2) At the end of the period specified in paragraph (1), or sooner if so requested by the holder or holders of the claims specified in such paragraph, the Secretary shall determine whether there has been a discovery of valuable minerals on such claims and whether, if such discovery had been made on or before July 1, 1994, such claims would have been valid as of such date under the mining laws of the United States in effect on such date.

(3) If the Secretary, pursuant to paragraph (2), makes an affirmative determination concerning the claims specified in paragraph (1), the holder or holders of such claims shall be permitted to continue to operate such claims subject only to such regulations as applied on July 1, 1994 to the exercise of valid existing rights on patented mining claims within a unit of the National Park System.

SEC. 510. GRAZING.

(a) The privilege of grazing domestic livestock on lands within the preserve shall continue to be exercised at no more than the current level, subject to applicable laws and National Park Service regulations.

(b) If a person holding a grazing permit referred to in subsection (a) informs the Secretary that such permittee is willing to convey to the United States any base property with respect to which such permit was issued and to which such permittee holds title, the Secretary shall make the acquisition of such base property a priority as compared with the acquisition of other lands within the preserve, provided agreement can be reached concerning the terms and conditions of such acquisition. Any such base property which is located outside the preserve and acquired as a priority pursuant to this section shall be managed by the Federal agency responsible for the majority of the adjacent lands in accordance with the laws applicable to such adjacent lands.

SEC. 511. UTILITY RIGHTS OF WAY.

(a)(1) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating any validly issued right-of-way or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities in such right-of-way, issued, granted, or permitted to Southern California Edison Company, its successors or assigns, which is located on lands included in the Mojave National Preserve, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 601(a)(3). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.

(2) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of prohibiting the upgrading of an existing electrical transmission line for the purpose of increasing the capacity of such transmission line in the Southern California Edison Company validly issued Eldorado-Lugo Transmission Line right-of-way and Mojave-Lugo Transmission Line right-of-way, or in a right-of-way if issued, granted, or permitted by the Secretary adjacent to the existing Mojave-Lugo Transmission Line right-of-way (hereafter in this section referred to as "adjacent right-of-way"), including construction of a replacement transmission line: *Provided*, That—

(A) in the Eldorado-Lugo Transmission Line rights-of-way (hereafter in this section referred to as the "Eldorado rights-of-way") at no time shall there be more than three electrical transmission lines;

(B) in the Mojave-Lugo Transmission Line right-of-way (hereafter in this section referred to as the "Mojave right-of-way") and adjacent right-of-way, removal of the existing electrical transmission line and reclamation of the site shall be completed no later than three years after the date on which construction of the upgraded transmission line begins, after which time there may be only one electrical transmission line

in the lands encompassed by Mojave right-of-way and adjacent right-of-way;

(C) if there are no more than two electrical transmission lines in the Eldorado rights-of-way, two electrical transmission lines in the lands encompassed by the Mojave right-of-way and adjacent right-of-way may be allowed;

(D) in the Eldorado rights-of-way and Mojave right-of-way no additional land shall be issued, granted, or permitted for such upgrade unless an addition would reduce the impacts to preserve resources;

(E) no more than 350 feet of additional land shall be issued, granted, or permitted for an adjacent right-of-way to the south of the Mojave right-of-way unless a greater addition would reduce the impacts to preserve resources; and

(F) such upgrade activities, including helicopter aided construction, shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.

(3) The Secretary shall prepare within one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this title, in consultation with the Southern California Edison Company, plans for emergency access by the Southern California Edison Company to its rights-of-way.

(b)(1) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating any validly issued right-of-way, or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities in such right-of-way; prohibiting the upgrading of and construction on existing facilities in such right-of-way for the purpose of increasing the capacity of the existing pipeline; or prohibiting the renewal of such right-of-way issued, granted, or permitted to the Southern California Gas Company, its successors or assigns, which is located on lands included in the Mojave National Preserve, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 601(a)(3). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.

(2) The Secretary shall prepare within one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this title, in consultation with the Southern California Gas Company, plans for emergency access by the Southern California Gas Company to its rights-of-way.

(c) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating any validly issued right-of-way or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities of existing facilities issued, granted, or permitted for communications cables or lines, which are located on lands included in the Mojave National Preserve, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 601(a)(3). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.

(d) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating any validly issued right-of-way or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities of existing facilities issued, granted, or permitted to Molybdenum Corporation of America; Molycorp, Incorporated; or Union Oil Company of California (d/b/a Unocal Corporation); or its successors or assigns, or prohibiting renewal of such right-of-way, which is located on lands included in the Mojave National Preserve, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 601(a)(3). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.

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ABSTRACT

This report presents an overview of the water resources, watersheds, and principal water related issues in the National Park Service's Mojave National Preserve. The Preserve, which is located in San Bernardino County, Southern California and totals nearly 1.6million acres, provides for the preservation of natural and cultural resources, outdoor recreation, and appreciation of the California desert. The mountains of the Preserve also contain the headwaters of major desert watersheds, which are the areas where groundwater recharge occurs.

The report provides a summary of common meteorological data for the area, including precipitation, humidity, evaporation, and temperatures. The principal hydrologic basins are described, discussing the processes of surface and ground-water flows, flooding, and aquifer recharge. Details are given on the springs, seeps, and guzzlers (artificial water catches) in the Preserve, describing locations of these water features and discussing flow and water quality.

An overview of wells is presented, listing the numbers of wells, and discussing well yields, depths to water table, and quality of the ground water, with tables of data or summary lists included as appendices.

Information is provided on key sources of information, agency programs, literature, and relevant expertise related to water resources and water issues in the area, providing names of key individuals. Water resource issues in the area are discussed, including: mining activities and their water demands and potential water quality impacts; the possible deleterious effect of development at the Preserve's periphery on the springs and wells in the Preserve; the concern of attaining and protecting water rights for the Preserve; possible contamination by hazardous wastes; flooding at selected sites where resources or structures could be at risk of flash floods; how to manage guzzlers within the context of a wilderness area; and the questions of exotic vegetation and animals and their impacts on riparian zones or seep areas.

Recommendations are presented, to flag the issues which should be of concern to the Preserve and to suggest ideas or follow-up work to tackle certain problems or to collect needed information. Draft proposals (project statements) are presented for six project ideas.