**Docket Number: 81**

**BIGHORN SPRING (S013307)**

**Preliminary Docket Information**

# DOCKET INFORMATION FORM

Compiled by: Alexa Kreiling Date: 6/10/2024
Initial Docket Information Form ☒ Amendment # _____ (1,2,3 ...)
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**Park Unit:** MOJA **Docket #:** 81 **Docket Title** Bighorn Spring tributary to Playground Wash (S013307)

**Docket Type:** **Select all applicable:** ☒ PC/V (pre-code/vested) ☐ APP (appropriative) ☐ RIP (riparian) ☐ FRR (federal reserved right) ☐ PWR (public water reserve) ☒ ACQ (acquired) ☐ GW (groundwater) ☐ Own (ownership) ☐ Other _____

**Region:** ☐ NER & NCR ☐ IMR ☐ SER ☐ MWR ☐ IMR ☒ PWR ☐ AKR

**Source:** ☐ Groundwater ☒ Spring (When recognized by the State as separate from groundwater and surface water) ☐ Surface Water ☐ Direct Diversion ☐ Diversion to Storage ☐ Instream Flow
Name: Bighorn Spring

State: CA
County: San Bernardino

**Owner:** U.S. National Park Service (As listed by the State)

**Application #:** S013307 **Date:** 1/28/2010
**Permit #:** _____ **Date Issued:** _____
**License / Certificate #:** _____ **Priority Date:** 1920
**Ruling/Order/Decree #:** _____ **Date Issued:** _____

**Quantity:** Rate: 525 Units: ☐ cfs ☐ gpm ☐ afy ☒ other gpd
Duty: _____ Units: ☐ cfs ☐ gpm ☐ afy ☐ other _____

**Use(s):** ☐ Domestic ☐ Livestock ☐ Irrigation ☐ Municipal ☐ Industrial/Commercial ☒ Wildlife ☐ Instream ☒ other Recreation

**POD Name / Location:** _____ ☐ Multiple PODs (see water right)
Qtr: NW Qtr: SE Sec: 35 T: 9 N R: 12 E PM: _____
Latitude: 34.82590277 Longitude: -115.68886809
UTM _____ , _____ Datum: _____

**POU Name / Location:** _____ ☐ Multiple POUs (see water right)
Qtr: _____ Qtr: _____ Sec: _____ T: _____ R: _____ PM: _____
Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____
UTM _____ , _____ Datum: _____

**Narrative / Remarks:** Enter short narrative in the space below, attach additional page(s) as needed.

-3/29/1989 Clay Overson & Sandra Overson (Granite Mountain Ranch) filed statement.

-Supplemental Statements of Water Diversion and Use (1992, 1993, 1994) claimed Pre-1914 and year of first use as 1900-1920.

-1/25/1994 California Desert Protection Act of 1994, Mojave National Preserve created.

-Granite Mountain Ranch allotment retired.

-7/24/2012 NPS informed SWRCB purpose of use changed to wildlife and recreation (Hansen_CA SWRCB_07-24-2012.pdf).

-eWRIMS data: Supplemental Statements of Water Diversion and Use (1994, 1995, 1996) filed by Overson.

☒ Additional Page(s) Attached

-Blank Supplemental Statements of Water Diversion and Use (1998, 1999, 2000) sent ~2/2001 to NPS 222 E Main St., Ste 202, Barstow, CA 92311; Holder History: Overson 09/14/1994 – 09/15/199; N/A 9/15/1994 – 6/21/2000; NPS 06/21/2000 - 10/25/2001.

-9/2014 Phone conversation with Darin Clark (SWRCB) status in eWRIMS is changed to inactive when SWRCB attempts to and is unable to contact owner of record or agent, generally due to an undeliverable notice from USPS.

☐ Additional Page(s) Attached

02 STATE

Mojave National Preserve

BIGHORN SPRING (S013307)

State Water Rights Documentation

**United States Department of the Interior**

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Water Resources Division
1201 Oakridge Drive, Suite 250
Fort Collins, Colorado 80525-5596

TAKE PRIDE IN AMERICA

IN REPLY REFER TO:

July 24, 2012

L54 (2380)
MOJA/Water Rights

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Water Rights
1001 I Street, 14th Floor
P.O. Box 2000
Sacramento, California 95812-2000
Attn: Kelli Garver

Re: Change of Purpose of Use of Pre-1914 Claims, Mojave National Preserve

Ms. Garver:

Please find attached a list of Pre-1914 Claims held by Mojave National Preserve. These claims were originally established for livestock watering purposes in conjunction with the grazing of cattle on federal land. The associated grazing allotments are located within or adjacent to Mojave National Preserve and have been retired. Consequently, these claims are now used for wildlife and recreation purposes.

Please accept this letter as our request to change your records to reflect a change in the purposes of use of these claims from livestock watering, to wildlife and recreation uses.

If you have any questions, please contact Eric Lord at (970) 225-3526, or by email at: eric_lord@nps.gov.

Sincerely,

Wm. R. Hansen

William R. Hansen
Chief, Water Rights Branch
National Park Service

Enclosure

cc: Mojave National Preserve – Superintendent Dubois
SOL (Lakewood) - Fahmy

2380 - Rosenlieb

MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE
PRE-1914 CLAIMS

| STATE ID | SOURCE | CURRENT USE |
|---|---|---|
| | | |
| S10060 | Beck Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S10061 | Bathtub Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S10062 | Coyote Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S10063 | Wildcat Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S10065 | Burro Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S10066 | Bullock Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S10067 | Mexican Water Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S10068 | Silver Lead Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S10069 | Marl Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S11343 | Kessler Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S11344 | Kessler Spring Wells | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S11345 | Cut Springs | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S11346 | White Rock Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S11347 | Live Oak Springs | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S11348 | Cottonwood Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S11349 | Butcher Knife Canyon | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S11350 | Sacaton Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13296 | Sheephorn Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13297 | Bull Canyon Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13298 | Cottonwood Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13299 | Budweiser Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13300 | Willow Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13301 | Lower Snake Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13302 | Upper Snake Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13303 | Cottonwood Spring 2 | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13304 | Unnamed Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13305 | Van Winkle Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13306 | Coyote Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13307 | Bighorn Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13308 | Arrowweed Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13309 | Quail Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13310 | Upper Quail Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13311 | Twin Springs | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13312 | Horse Hills Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13313 | Unnamed Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13314 | Unnamed Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13315 | Cornfield Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13316 | Dam Good Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |

MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE
PRE-1914 CLAIMS

| STATE ID | SOURCE | CURRENT USES |
|---|---|---|
| | | |
| S13317 | Pipe Wrench Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13318 | Bolder Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13319 | Unnamed Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13429 | Hackberry Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13430 | Vontrigger Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13431 | Hogaboom Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13432 | Unnamed Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13433 | Rock Springs | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13434 | Govt Holes Well | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13435 | Govt Holes Well | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13436 | Woods Canyon Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13437 | Watson Well | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13438 | Black Diamond Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13439 | Eagle Well | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13440 | Lanfair Well | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13441 | Payne Wells | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13442 | Carruthers Well | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13443 | Headquarters Well | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13444 | Brant Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13445 | Cliff Canyon Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13446 | 4th of July Canyon | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13447 | Young Well | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13448 | Slaughter House Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13449 | Unnamed Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13450 | Hidden Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13451 | Barnwell Wells | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13452 | Lecyr Well | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13453 | Hummingbird Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13454 | Keystone Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13455 | Carruthers Canyon | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13456 | Quail Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13457 | Willow Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |
| S13458 | Dove Spring | Wildlife, Recreation |

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

# SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT OF WATER DIVERSION AND USE

If the information below 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.

**Please Complete and Return This Form by July 1, 2001.**

Owner of Record: U S NATIONAL PARK SERVICE ;

U S NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
222 E MAIN ST STE:202
BARSTOW, CA 92311

Statement No: S013307
Password: 04190110028460
Phone Number: (760)255-8801

*If the mail recipient's name, address or phone No. is wrong or missing, please correct.

Source Name: BIGHORN SPRING
Year of First Use: 1920
Tributary To: PLAYGROUND WASH
County: San Bernardino
Parcel Number:
Diversion Within: NW1/4 of SE1/4 Section 35, T09N, R12E, SB&M

A. Water is used under: Riparian claim _____ Pre 1914 right _____ Other (explain): _____

B. Year of first use (Please provide if missing above) _____

C. Amount of Use – Enter the amount of water used each month. If monthly and annual use are not known, check the months in which water was used.

Amounts below are: Gallons _____ Acre-feet _____ Other _____

| Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | Aug | Sept | Oct | Nov | Dec | Total Annual |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1998 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1999 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

D. Purpose of Use - Specify number of acres irrigated, stock watered, persons served, etc.

Irrigation _____ acres; Stockwatering _____ ; Domestic _____ ;

Other (specify) _____

E. Changes in Method of Diversion – Describe any changes in your project since your previous statement was filed. (New pump, enlarged diversion dam, location of diversion, etc.)

_____

F. Please answer only those questions below which are applicable to your project.

1. Conservation of water
   a. Are you now employing water conservation efforts? YES ___ NO ___
   Describe any water conservation efforts you have initiated: _____

   b. If credit toward beneficial use of water under claimed pre 1914 appropriative water right for water not used due to a conservation effort is claimed under section 1011 of the Water Code, please show the amounts of water conserved:

   Reductions in Diversions:

   yr____ _____ (af/mg) yr____ _____ (af/mg) yr____ _____ (af/mg)

   Reductions in consumptive use:

   yr____ _____ (af/mg) yr____ _____ (af/mg) yr____ _____ (af/mg)

   I have data to support the above surface water use reductions due to conservation efforts. YES ___ NO ___

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2. Water quality and wastewater reclamation

   a. Are you now or have you been using reclaimed water from a wastewater treatment facility, desalination facility or water polluted by waste to a degree which unreasonably affects such water for other beneficial uses? YES _____ NO _____.

   b. If credit toward use under a claimed pre 1914 appropriative water right through substitution of reclaimed water, desalinated water or polluted water in lieu of appropriated water is claimed under section 1010 of the Water Code, please show amounts of reduced diversions and amounts of reclaimed water used:

   yr_____ _____ (af/mg) yr_____ _____ (af/mg) yr_____ _____ (af/mg)
   I have data to support the above surface water use reductions due to wastewater reclamation. YES ___ NO ___

3. Conjunctive use of surface water and groundwater

   a. Are you now using groundwater in lieu of surface water? YES _____ NO _____.

   b. If credit toward use under a claimed pre 1914 appropriative right through substitution of groundwater in lieu of appropriated water is claimed under section 1011.5 of the Water Code, please show the amounts of groundwater used:

   yr_____ _____ (af/mg) yr_____ _____ (af/mg) yr_____ _____ (af/mg)
   I have data to support the above surface water use reductions due to conjunctive use efforts. YES ___ NO ___

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I understand that it may be necessary to document the water savings claimed in "F." above if credit under Water Code sections 1010 and 1011 is sought in the future.

I declare that the information in this report is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DATE:_____, 20_____ at _____, California

SIGNATURE: _____

PRINTED NAME:_____
(first name) (middle init.) (last name)

COMPANY NAME:_____

If there is insufficient space for your answers, please use the space provided below.

| ITEM | CONTINUATION |
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An appropriative right is required for use of water on nonriparian land and for storage of water. Generally, appropriative rights may be exercised only when there is a surplus not needed by riparian water users. Since 1914, new appropriators have been required to obtain a permit and license from the State. Appropriate rights can be granted to waters "foreign" to the natural stream system.

Statements of Water Diversion and Use must be filed by riparian and pre 1914 appropriative water users as set forth in Water Code section 5100 with specific exceptions. The filing of a statement (1) provides a record of water use, (2) enables the State to notify such users if someone proposes a new appropriation upstream from their diversions, and (3) assists the State to determine if additional water is available for future appropriators.

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STATE WA[illegible] RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD, DIVISION OF WA[illegible]R RIGHTS
P.O. BOX 2000, SACRAMENTO, CA 95812-2000
(916) 657-2170

# SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT OF WATER DIVERSION AND USE

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**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM BY JULY 1, 1997**

**OWNER OF RECORD:** SANDRA OVERSON, CLAY OVERSON

SANDRA OVERSON
PO BOX 8
CIMA, CA 92323

**STATEMENT NO:** S013307

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**SOURCE:** BIGHORN SPRING
**TRIBUTARY TO:** PLAYGROUND WASH
**COUNTY:** SAN BERNARDINO
**DIVERSION**
**WITHIN:** NW¼ OF SE¼ SECTION 35, T9N, R12E, SB&M.

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:**
( ) -
**YEAR OF FIRST USE:** 1920
**PARCEL NO:**

A. Water is used under: Riparian claim _____; Pre 1914 right ✓; Other (explain): _____

B. Year of first use (Please provide if missing above) 1900 - 1920.

C. Amount of Use - Enter the amount of water used each month. If monthly and annual use are not known, check the months in which water was used.

Amounts below are: ☐ Gallons ☐ Acre-feet ☐ (other) _____

| Year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Total Annual |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1994 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | |
| 1995 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | |
| 1996 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | |

D. Purpose of Use - Specify number of acres irrigated, stock watered, persons served, etc.

Irrigation _____ acres; Stockwatering 35 head; Domestic _____

Other (specify) of cattle year around

E. Changes in Method of Diversion - Describe any changes in your project since your previous statement was filed. (New pump, enlarged diversion dam, location of diversion, etc.)

No changes

F. If part of the water listed in Part C consists of reclaimed or polluted water, please indicate the annual amounts of reclaimed or polluted water in the space below.

None

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
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DIV. OF WATER RIGHTS
SACRAMENTO

**I declare under penalty of perjury that the information in this report is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.**

**DATED:** June 25, 1997 at Cima, **California**

**SIGNATURE:** Sandra Overson

**PRINTED NAME:** Sandra (FIRST NAME) K. (MIDDLE INIT.) Overson (LAST NAME)

**COMPANY NAME:** _____

**See back of page for General Information. If there is insufficient space for your answers, please number them in the space provided on the back of this form.**

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"Appropriation of Water in California"

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** PLEASE COMPLETE, SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL AND MAKE A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS ***

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS
P.O. BOX 2000 SACRAMENTO, CA 95812-2000

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SACRAMENTO

# SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT OF WATER DIVERSION AND USE

**STATEMENT NO:** S013307
**OWNER OF RECORD:** SANDRA OVERSON and CLAY OVERSON
CLAY OVERSON
SANDRA OVERSON
P O BOX 8
CIMA, CA 92323

**SOURCE:** BIGHORN SPRING
**TRIBUTARY TO:** PLAYGROUND WASH
**COUNTY:** SAN BERNARDINO
**DIVERSION**
**WITHIN:** NW¼ OF SE¼ SECTION 35, T9N, R12E, MDB&S.

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:** (619) 928 - 2532
**YEAR OF FIRST USE:** 1920
**PARCEL NO:**

(If any of the above information is inaccurate or missing, please correct. Notify this office if ownership or address changes occur during the coming year.)

**COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM BY JULY 1, 1995.**

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Amounts below are: ❑ Gallons ❑ Acre-feet ❑ (other) _____

| | JAN. | FEB. | MAR. | APR. | MAY | JUNE | JULY | AUG. | SEPT. | OCT. | NOV. | DEC | TOTAL ANNUAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1992 | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| 1993 | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| 1994 | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |

D. Purpose of Use - Specify number of acres irrigated, stock watered, persons served, etc.
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no changes

F. If part of the water listed in Part C consists of reclaimed or polluted water, please indicate the annual amounts of reclaimed or polluted water in the space below.

none

**I declare under penalty of perjury that the information in this report is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.**

DATED: June 1, 1995, at Cima, California

SIGNATURE: Sandra Overson

PRINTED NAME: Sandra (FIRST NAME) Kay (M. NAME) Overson (LAST NAME)

COMPANY NAME:

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STATEMENT OF WATER DIVERSION AND USE

ROUTE SHEET

NAME: Clay and Sandra Overson

STATEMENT NUMBER(S): S1[illegible]

1. Secretary KSN JUN 8 1990 KSN
   - ✓ Log in and assign Statement No.
   - ✓ Assign to staff engineer

2. Staff Engr. KSN JUN 8 1990 KSN
   - ✓ Review for acceptance and for completeness (WC5103)
   - Accept: yes ✓ no ___
   - ✓ Plot P.O.D. on spot map in Blue ink
   - List 1. Spot map page no.
     2. Name of Quad Sheet
     3. Minute series
     4. Calif. Coordinates with zone no.
     5. Stream Code
     All above information on the bottom of statement in black ink.

3. Secretary KSN JUN 8 1990 KSN
   - ✓ Send copy to diverter with form letter (WR40e) when complete
   - ✓ Log out to AWRIS unit

4. AWRIS JUN 1 8 1990 1423
   - ✓ Update AWRIS

5. File Room
   - File

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

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SACRAMENTO

# STATEMENT OF WATER DIVERSION AND USE

***(This is not a Water Right)***

*This statement should be typewritten or legibly written in ink.*

A. Name of person diverting water Clay & Sandra Overson

Address P. O. Box 8, Cima, CA 92323 Telephone:

B. Name of body of water at point of diversion Bighorn Spring

Tributary to ~~unnamed wash~~ Playground Wash

C. Place of diversion NW ¼ SE ¼ Section 35, Township 9N, Range 12E, SB B&M, San Bernardino County, or locate it on sketch of section grid on reverse side with regard to section lines or prominent local landmarks.

D. Name of works Bighorn Spring

E. Capacity of diversion works _____ cubic feet per second / gallons per minute

Capacity of storage reservoir _____ gallons / acre-feet

State quantity of water used each month in gallons or acre-feet

| Year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Total Annual |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1988 | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |

If monthly and annual use are not known, check months in which water was used. State extent of use in units, such as acres of each crop irrigated, average number of persons served, number of stock watered, etc.

35 head of cattle year around

Maximum annual water use in recent years _____ gallons / acre-feet

Minimum annual water use in recent years _____ gallons / acre-feet

Type of diversion facility: gravity X, pump ____

Method of measurement: weir ____, flume ____, electric power meter ____, water meter ____, estimate X

F. Purpose of use (what water is being used for) stock water

G. General description or location of place of use (use sketch of section grid on reverse side if you desire)

H. Year of first use as nearly as known 1920

I. Name of person filing statement Clay Overson

Position owner Organization Granite Mountain Ranch

Address P. O. Box 8, Cima, CA 92323 Telephone:

I declare under penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DATED: March 29, 19 89, at Cima, California.

Signature: Clay Overson

*See Instructions on Reverse Side*

WR 40 (6/83)

O-41 Flynn 15'
Zone-5

N490500 E 2693800

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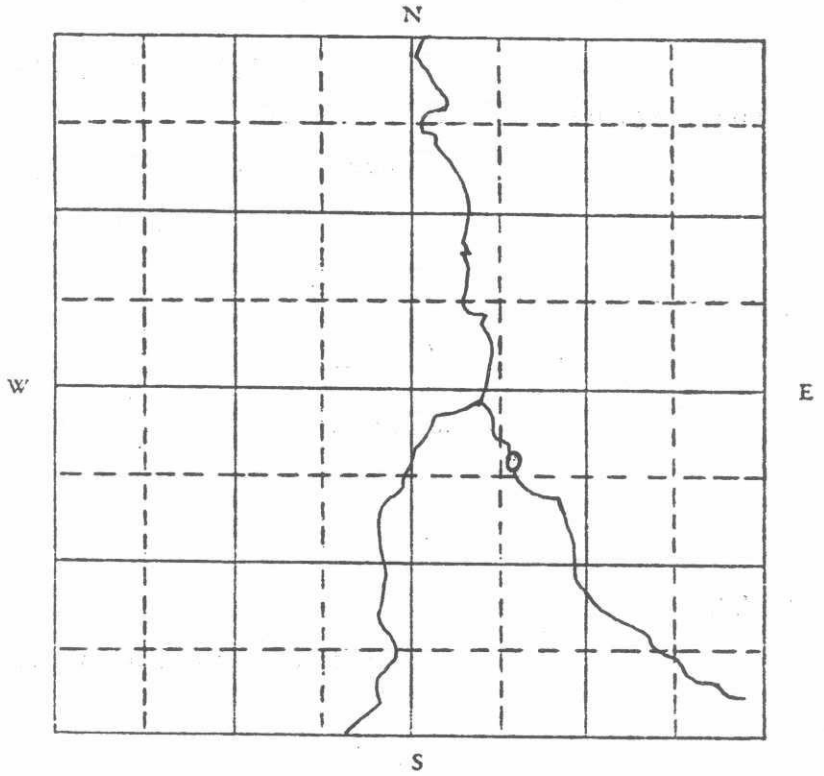


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INSTRUCTIONS:

A separate statement should be filed for each point of diversion.

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Please send the completed statement to: STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
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03 HISTORY

Mojave National Preserve

BIGHORN SPRING (S013307)

Land History

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Note to File

Date: May 22, 2024
From: Alexa Kreiling, WRB Water Rights Research Assistant
File: MOJA Technical Report
Subject: Land History
Activation: California Desert Protection Act of 1994 – June 3, 1995

Director, National Park Service and Director, Bureau of Land Management. 1995. To: National Park Service, WASO Directorate and Others. Re: Activation: California Desert Protection Act of 1994 – June 3, 1995
IRMA – Data Store – Published Report – (Code: 2229521)
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The purpose of this memorandum is to outline the actions that need to be taken to implement the California Desert Protection Act of 1994 and indicate the responsible officials. Its primary audience is park managers, staff, and the interested public. Its objectives are to provide an administrative history, outline steps for activating the act's provisions, and clarify the responsibilities of federal and state officials. Key aims include designating and managing new wilderness areas and national parks, protecting natural resources, preserving traditional land uses like grazing, and coordinating law enforcement and land management activities. The document is crucial for guiding the effective management and preservation of the protected areas.

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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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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

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| 8386 | 160-01 | PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM) | 19,802.00 | 10/31/1994 | 0.00 | FEE | WTHDR | FED | CA | SAN BERNARDINO | |
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| 8386 | 181-01 | PUBLIC DOMAIN (BLM) | 280.00 | 10/31/1994 | 0.00 | FEE | WTHDR | FED | CA | SAN BERNARDINO | |
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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 |
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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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The purpose of this report is to describe how the park was conceived and established and how it has been managed to the present day. Its primary audience is park managers and staff, but it is also directed to the interested public. The report aims to be as comprehensive as possible while emphasizing management issues of ongoing concern. It is essentially a chronological narrative with the selection of topics and the amount of detail weighted somewhat more heavily toward the recent past. While the administrative history covers many diverse management issues, its core objective is to distinguish those historical themes that most ably explain this national park's unique character and course of development.

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