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Bureau of Land Management

BLM Nevada Overview

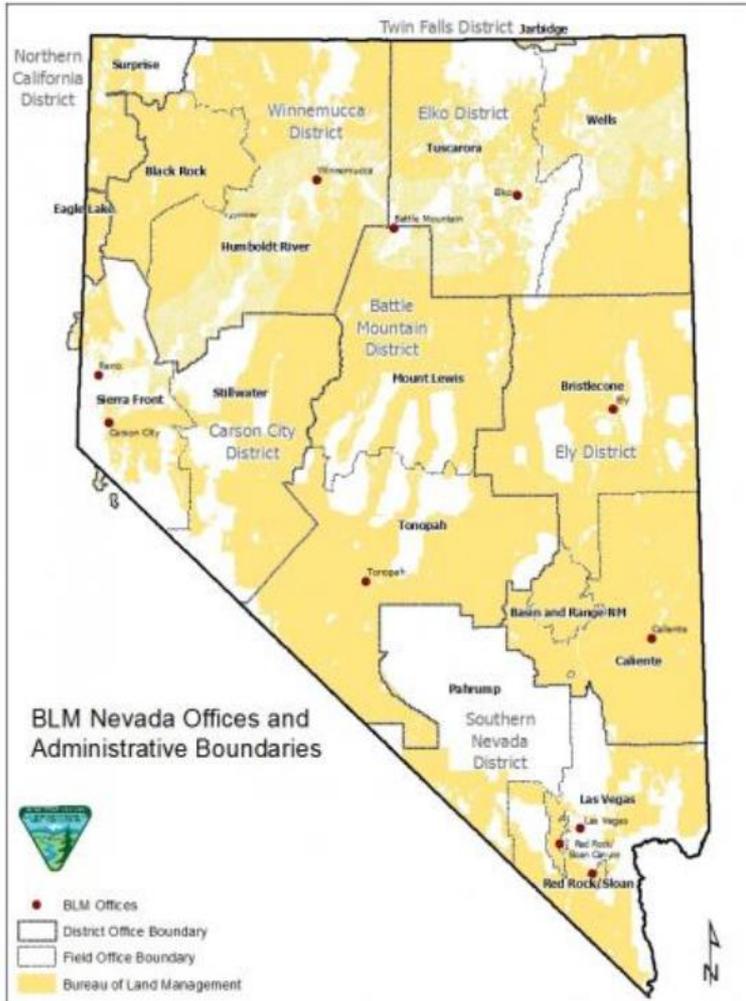
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Incandescent Rocks





BLM Nevada



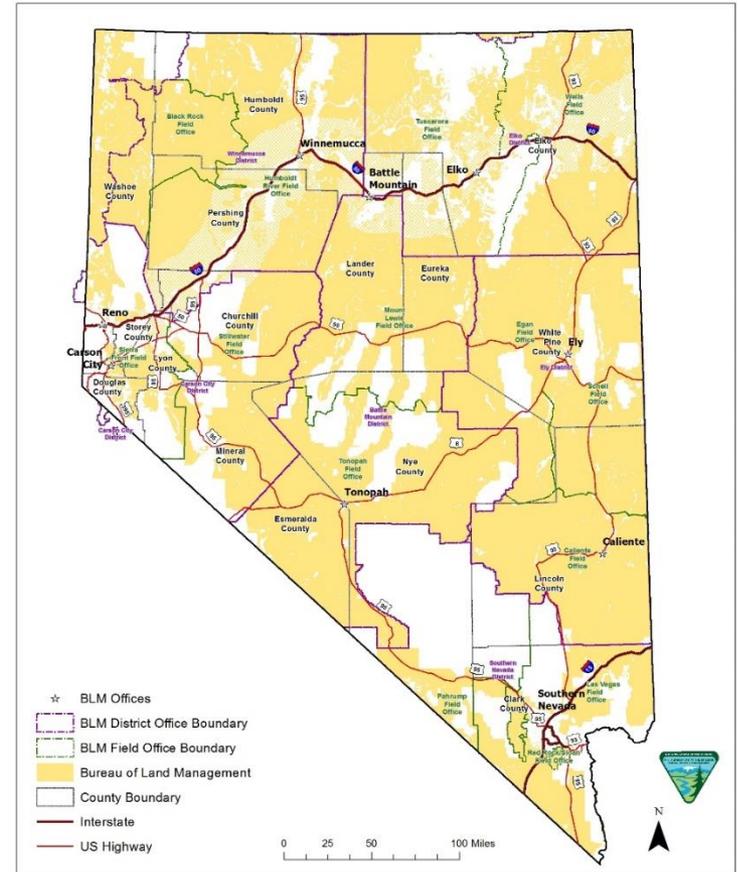
- **48 million acres (~68% of the State of Nevada)**
- **59 million acres federal mineral estate**
- **6 District Offices; 11 Field Offices**
- **20 federally recognized tribes, 28 tribal communities**
- **\$9.2B in Economic Output for Nevada**
- **38,000~ wild horse and burros; 83 HMAs (over ½ of the agency total)**
- **Several of the largest SRPs (Burning Man, V2R)**
- **280,000 active mining claims**
 - This makes up ½ of all claims in BLM



Priorities

BLM Nevada

- Support for Local Communities and Economies
- Public and Employee Safety
- Workforce Development
- Energy and Minerals Development and Infrastructure
- Public Access to Public Lands
- Sound, Effective Resource Management
- Fiscal Responsibility
- Support for Tribal Nations





BLM Partners in Nevada

- **17 Counties**
 - \$28.1M statewide in PILT in 2024
 - Washoe County received \$4.2M in 2024 PILT
- **Nevada Native Seed Partnership**
- **Military partners**
 - Naval Air Station Fallon
 - Nellis AFB





Energy and Minerals– Emergency Permitting Process

Expedited review and approval of projects related to:

NEPA

- Identification, leasing, siting, production, transportation, refining, or generation of energy.
- Environmental assessment, normally one year to now be reviewed within approximately 14 days.
- Environmental impact statement, typically a two-year process will be reviewed in roughly 28 days.

Endangered Species Act

- Expedited Section 7 consultation process:
- Appropriate bureau notifying the FWS that it is using emergency consultation procedures. Following notification, the appropriate bureau can then proceed with deciding whether to approve the action.

National Historic Preservation Act:

Bureaus will follow alternative procedures for compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA for proposed undertakings responding to the energy emergency

- Opportunity to comment within seven days of the notification.
- Following that notification and comment period, the appropriate bureau will take into account any comments received and then decide whether to approve the proposed undertaking.



BLM Nevada Minerals Programs

- **Mining claims- Nevada has ~264,894 active mining claims which represents 48.5% of all mining claims in the nation.**
- **Largest gold mine in North America permitted in BLM NV**
- **Total gold produced in permitted mines = 3,479,748 ounces of gold mined at a net value of \$8.3 billion (2024 production)**
- **Reclamation bonds- Nevada BLM holds ~\$4.6 billion in reclamation bonds**
- **Model permitting process - 6-12 months**





BLM Nevada Recreation Programs

\$552M in BLM economic contributions

\$6.0B recreation economy in Nevada

Special Recreation Permits:

- **Burning Man – largest special recreation permit in the agency**
- **Reno Rodeo Cattle Drive**
- **Off-Highway Vehicle Races. Vegas to Reno. Stead Motocross track.**





Grazing

BLM continues to work with ranchers and other stakeholders to:

- **Streamline permitting and rangeland management, and improve range conditions**
 - **Rules and Policy.** Currently reviewing and revising the Grazing and regulations and associated Instruction Memoranda (IM), manuals, or handbooks to cut red tape and reduce costs.
- **Provide more flexibility to permit holders to maximize planning for and responding to environmental changes**
- **Apply new technologies and grazing practices to lower costs, develop tools to implement land health, and accelerate the permitting process**
- **Strong relationships with the industry has helped cooperative monitoring and outcome-based grazing become BLM policy**





BLM Nevada Resource Programs

- **Greater Sage-grouse**
 - New Resource Management Plan Amendments (December 2025)
 - Plans strengthen American energy security while ensuring the sage-grouse continues to thrive
- **Lahontan Cutthroat Trout recovery**
- **Outcome and targeted grazing, including university research – innovative grazing practices/methods**





BLM Nevada Wild Horse and Burro Programs

- **38,000, wild horse and burro population**
 - down from 49,200
- **FY26 Gather Outlook**
 - Robust gather schedule
- **Three holding facilities in Nevada**
- **Annual adoption events at NNCC**
 - 60-90 Wild horses and burros adopted each year
 - Since 2021 generated \$851,000 from adoptions





BLM Nevada Wildland Fire Programs

- **NEW: All Interior fire services have been consolidated into the U.S. Wildland Fire Service**
- **Nevada BLM received \$16 million budget increase between fuels and suppression**
- **70 seasonal positions converted to career seasonal or PFT**
- **460 fire personnel in NV**
- **Overall Increase in Wildland Firefighter Support – allowing BLM Nevada to be one of the most progressive programs in the Nation**
- **Nevada Shared Stewardship – Interagency Collaborative Working Partnership prioritizing targeted program of work**





BLM Nevada Law Enforcement

- **BLM Nevada has a total of 30 uniformed law enforcement officers and five agents. There are also five Certified Peer Support Officers. The teams are organized into four zones.**
- **Great partnership with Washoe County and an MOU that integrates our operations.**
- **BLM Nevada Law Enforcement continues to expand statewide support, responding to growing recreation use, and interagency requests, annually supporting more than 20 national detail operations and responding to over 12,500 incidents statewide**

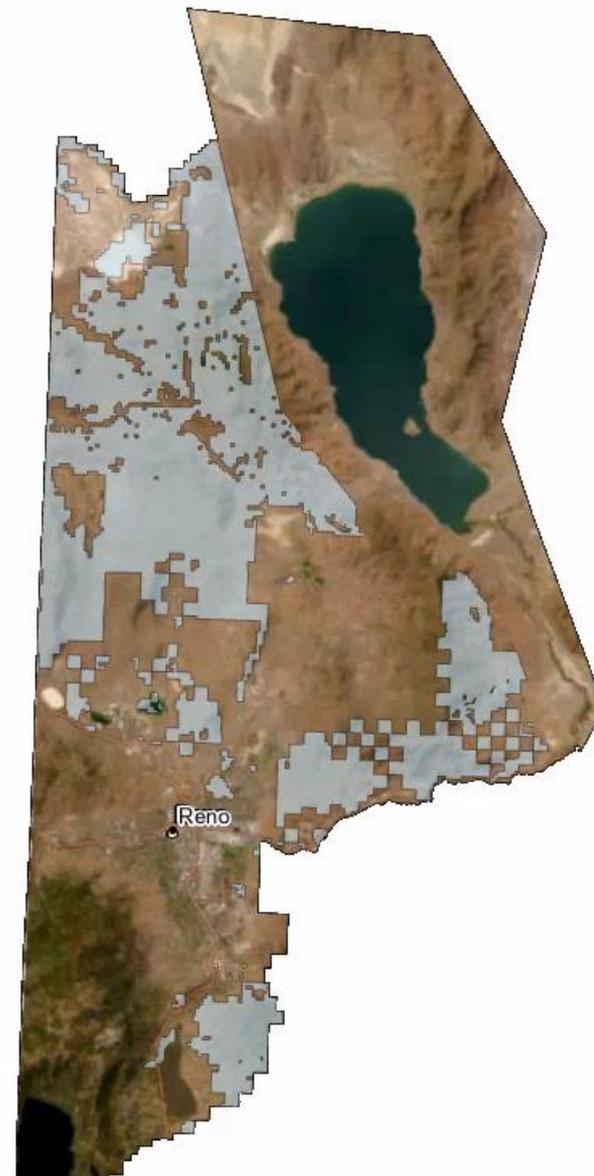


North Reno Recreation Area



BLM Carson City District

Projects and Efforts in Washoe County

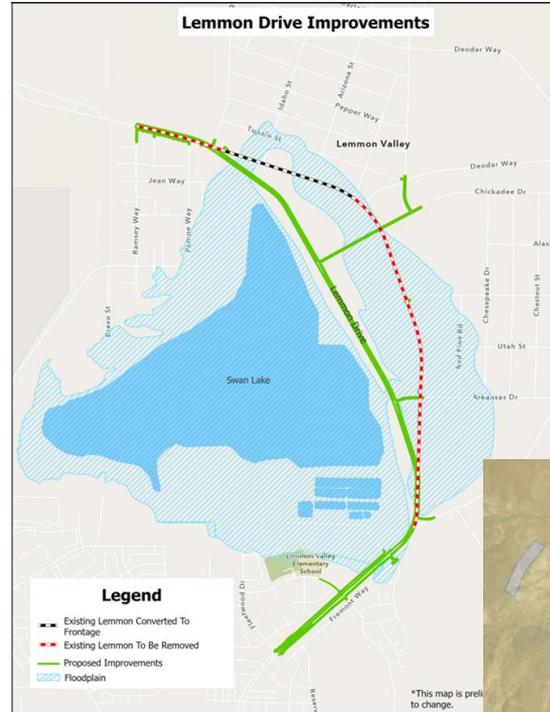




Lands and Realty

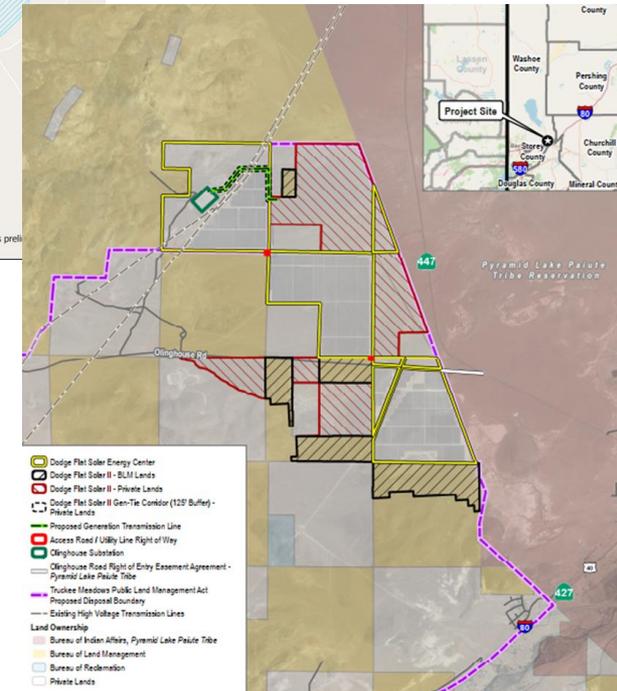
Lemmon Drive Road Realignment

- Approximately 2.5 miles to of new roadway to provide resilient transportation infrastructure with the Swan Lake 100-year flood plain.
- Average annual daily traffic anticipated to be 16,000 vehicles/day by 2050
- Currently conducting NEPA
- Construction anticipated to be completed by Fall 2027



Dodge Flat II Solar

- Approximately 1,571 acres (500 acres on BLM; 1,071 acres on private)
- 200 MW Solar and 200 MW Battery Storage project
- Located in Washoe County, about 3 miles NW of Wadsworth
- March 2026: Final EA/RMP Amendment comment period and Governor’s Consistency review





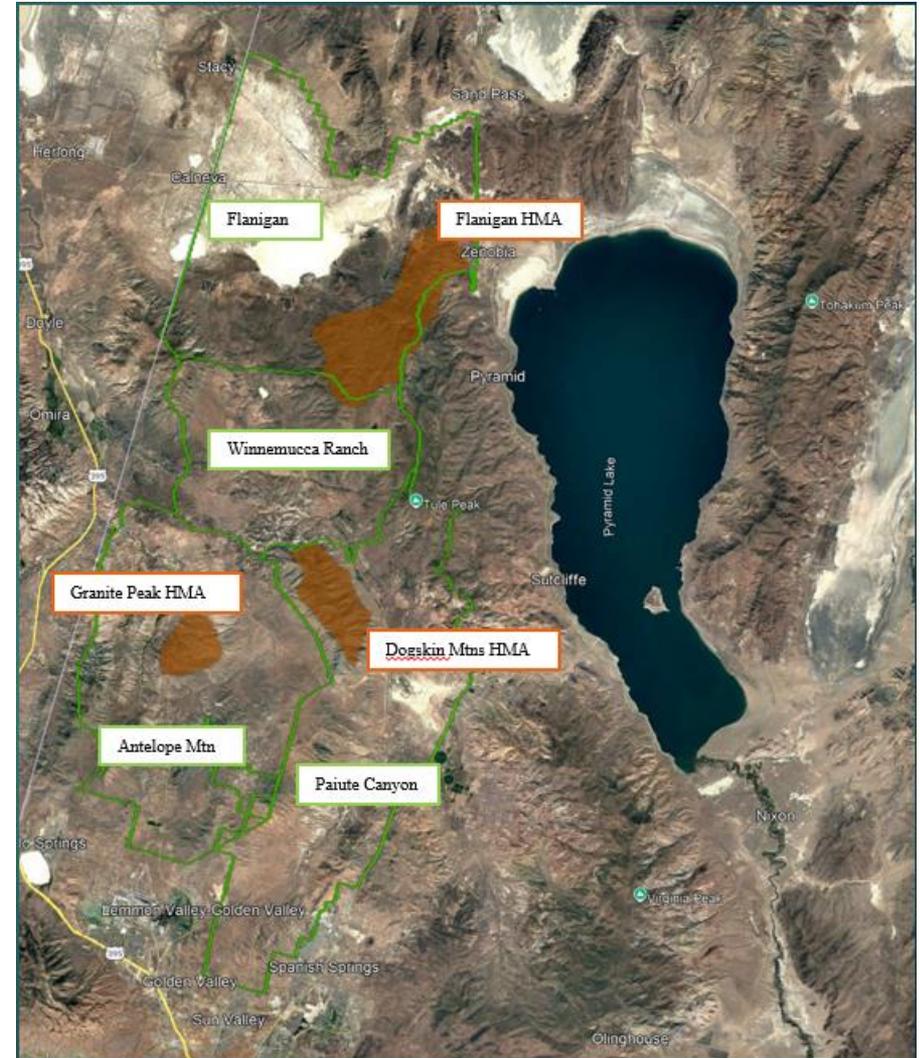
Range and Wild Horse & Burro

Flanigan Allotment Grazing Permit Renewal

- July 2025 Finalized Land Health Assessment
- December 2025 Draft Standards Determination Document public review
- Fall 2025 completed fencing repairs and installed pipeline and trough to protect Sheep Springs from wild horse damage and more compatible with livestock use
- June 2026 will publish Final EA and Proposed Decision

North Complex Wild Horse Gather Plan

- Wild horses are above appropriate management levels and move frequently among and out of the Flanigan, Dogskin Mtns, and Granite Peak HMAs
- Preparing a combined gather plan for the area
- June 2026 will publish Preliminary EA





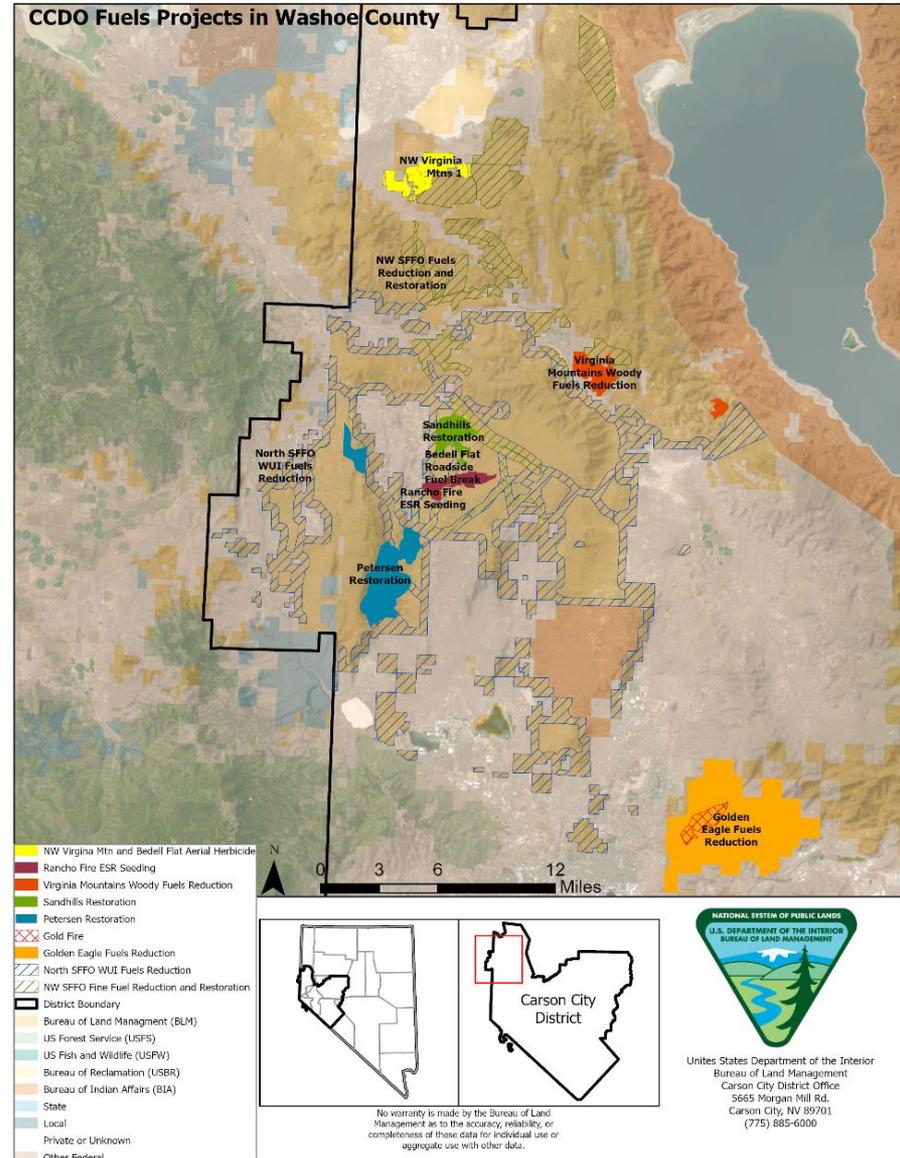
Fuels and Fire Restoration

Current and Completed Efforts:

- Rancho Fire ESR seeding
- Winnemucca Ranch Road fuels reduction and fuel break maintenance
- Petersen/Sandhills restoration
- NW Virginia Mountains and Bedell Flat roadside fuel break aerial herbicide
- Invasive Plant Species Control in Winnemucca Ranch, Antelope Mtn, and Paiute Canyon allotments:
 - 5,000 acres of inventory
 - 500 acres of treatment (mechanical and chemical)
 - 500 acres of monitoring

Future Efforts:

- Gold Fire ESR/Golden Eagle fuels herbicide
- Northern Virginia Mountains fine fuel reduction/restoration
- North Reno WUI Fuel Reduction Project:
 - Construct new and maintain prior fuel breaks





Recreation and Public Access

OHV Recreation Area Improvements:

- Received \$305,000 Nevada State Parks grant to improve OHV areas
- Projects include enhancing visitor experience and safety at Jumbo Grade and North Reno Recreation Area (aka Moonrocks)

Target Shooting:

- Working with Washoe County to develop R&PP proposal for a designated target shooting range in Washoe County



North Reno Recreation Area



BLM Nevada Dumping & Abandoned Vehicle Mitigation

- **AB415 – Strengthened Authority:**
 - Faster removal of abandoned vehicles
 - Clear penalties and streamlined coordination
- **Scrap Metal Market Advantage:**
 - Higher metal prices = free/low-cost tows
 - Faster vehicle removals at minimal cost
- **New Funding Opportunities:**
 - Provide funds for large dumpsters
 - Supports major cleanup operations
- **Landfill Support Programs:**
 - Free disposal for public-land cleanup trash to the public
 - Encourages volunteer participation



Chimney, North Reno



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Friends of Moonrocks Clean Up Day 2025



End of the World, East Reno



Thank you!



Virginia Peak overlooking Truckee River