

MRAN Meeting Minutes 2-4-2019

Call to order at 6:43pm by President Roy Ulrich

Roll Call: Bushwackers 0, Camp Valley Cowboys 0, Coyotes 2, Darkside 2, Gamblers 2, Groundshakers 2, Jackrabbits 1, Silver State Trail Blazers 2, Souther Nevada Desert Racers 2, Wild Bunch 2, and Yuccachuckers 0. 15 voters in total

Joe Amey approved January's Minutes and Michael Collins seconded

Officer Reports

President Roy Ulrich: Thank you to The Gamblers for their race. Good job considering the circumstances. Please make sure to include Kenda Tires on our flyers and thank them at riders meetings. Also use the Kenda tires hashtag when making comments on social media.

Vice President Joe Amey: Since the government opened the permit got put in for our MRAN joint effort night race in Jean Dry Lake bed for June 22nd. We had a 3 year permit so should go through without issues. We will change the course but it will still be around 15 miles. Please let club members know this is a joint effort race and to plan to be present.

Treasurer Michael Collins: All bills are paid for the year end trophies and the banquet. We have some new sponsors like Local 88 Union, Monarch Racing and Cooper Motorsports. Discussed Gamblers online sales and how well it did. We are paying \$100 for pizzas and drinks for the MRAN meetings and everyone agrees. The budget looks good right now as well. MRAN owes Gamblers money from online sales. Will follow up with Beth from the AMA to see if we get money back from memberships sold at clubs races. Jarrod Wheeler approved the Treasurers report and Heidi Ulrich seconded.

Referee Assistant Jarrod Wheeler: Online memberships 93 big bikes and 29 mini riders. Gamblers race sold 52 big bike cards and 22 mini cards. Also, 8 one day cards. Discussed moving a few riders up and several down in class due to overall results.

Public Relations Gary Smith: Working on sponsors to give away product or cash rather than discounts. Kenda is already working out for us and will be getting tires from them. A bit overwhelmed but thanks to Coach and Roy things are working out.

Legislative Officer Bob Adams: Passed out Las Vegas Loop Trail map for all to see. Most of environmentalist have the money and lawyers to fight with legislators and we do not. The way we get through to them is by voter turnout. We need to write letters and let them know we need our lands managed for multiple use not shut down for development and wilderness. These lands need to be used for recreation. We have only sent in a few letters and we need to do more. Please mention:

Coach, Kody Liveri, Mark Tichner, Dave Heath, & Garin sent emails. Kody's email to Commissioner Kirkpatrick has evolved into a running dialogue. That's what we want.

Discussed putting a table up at the races to advise MRAN members how to write the letters and where to send them. Garon B. talked about how easy it was to find his county commissioner on google. Garon's meeting comment was 'you don't realize how easy it is until you get started' It is easier

for commissioners to say “no” to us than the environmentalists. The last bill is getting pushed through because the first year it was being discussed we were not part of the conversation.

Bobs Legislative report:

Squeaky wheel gets the grease.

Legislative Advocacy is a tool box to make your squeak heard above others.

Clark County Federal Land Bill is a case study of Legislative Advocacy.

Big Developer Money v. People

People v. People, two equal sides fighting over the same patch of dirt.

Other side motivated by a cause to protect public land from people.

Our other side wants to continue playing on that same land.

Cause has proven to be the greater motivator. Anti-accessors fight harder to close places they've never been than we fight to keep the places we ride. Preservation area grow while riding areas shrink.

Because some of us spoke up Clark County's elected leaders threw us a bone forming the OHV Advisory Committee. With some changes we could make this work. It looked like that might happen. To pressure Clark County officials to better see our side I wrote talking points and asked all email their Clark County Commissioner. Only 4 of us sent emails. Some good letters, but short of number needed to send a message. The January 16th OHV Committee meeting County Staff made it apparent what's offered is all we'll get. A request to take our Crescent Peak riding/racing area out of the Mt. Sterling Wilderness Expansion was responded to by no, it's too important to Friends of Wilderness. That shows which side is fighting the hardest. Nevada Friends of Wilderness mass emails its members and members send a thousand emails and make phone calls to elected officials demanding what's in the talking points. We have enough members. But because our most of our members won't contact their elected officials, officials aren't afraid to tell us no.

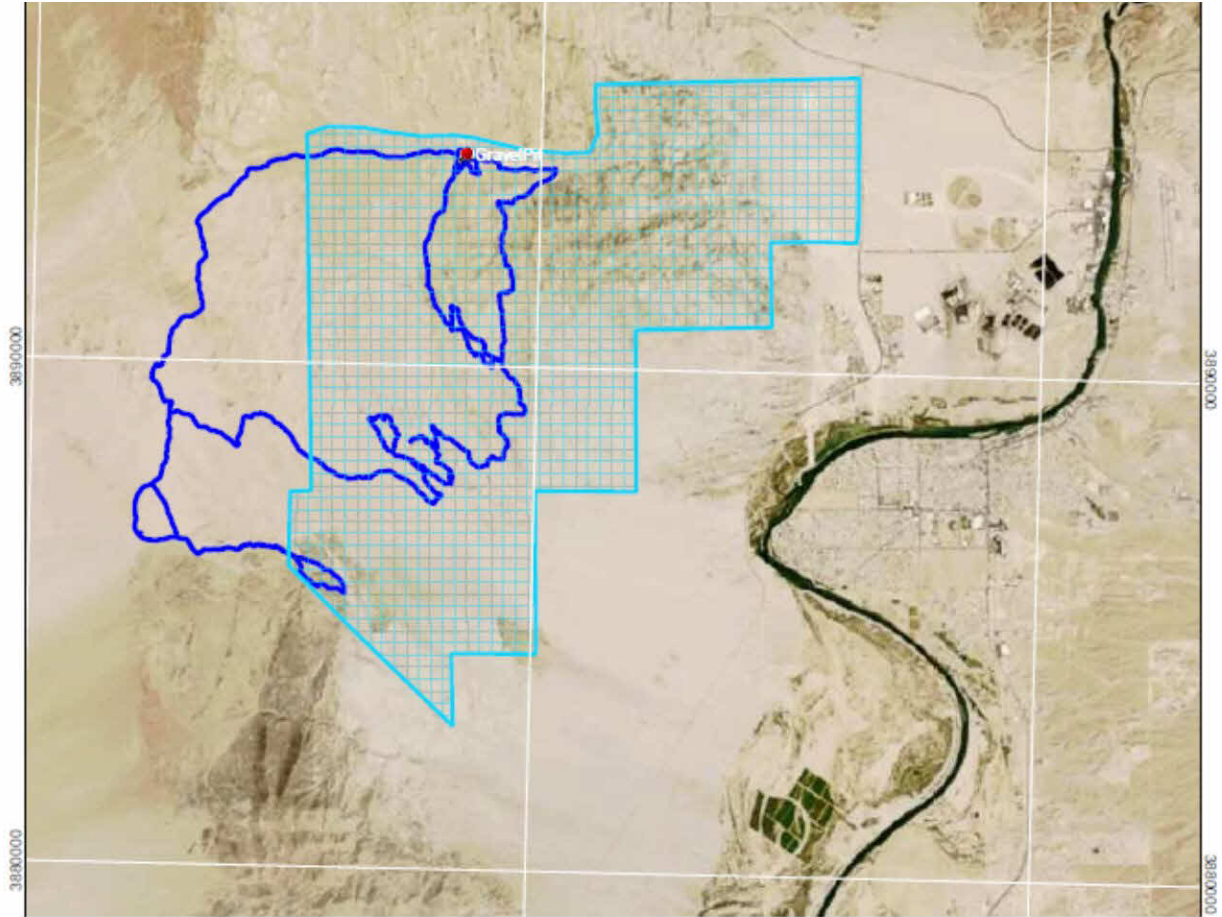
All sides agree we need a new RMP (Resource Management Plan). Southern Nevada BLM managed public land is currently managed per the 1998 RMP. Under the 1998 RMP we'll continue to lose little by little. Clark County wrote its own planning to implement it by passing it as a federal law. Under Clark County's RMP we'll lose what's left all at once. If they'd reasonably give us something it'd

be best to take it because we're not fighters. Legislative Advocacy is like a tug of war. We're bigger and stronger. But game day a dozen of us show up against a hundred of them. The best way for us to fight Clark County's RMP isn't head on. Fight it by endorsing the BLM's 2014 RMP with changes suggested in MRAN's comments.

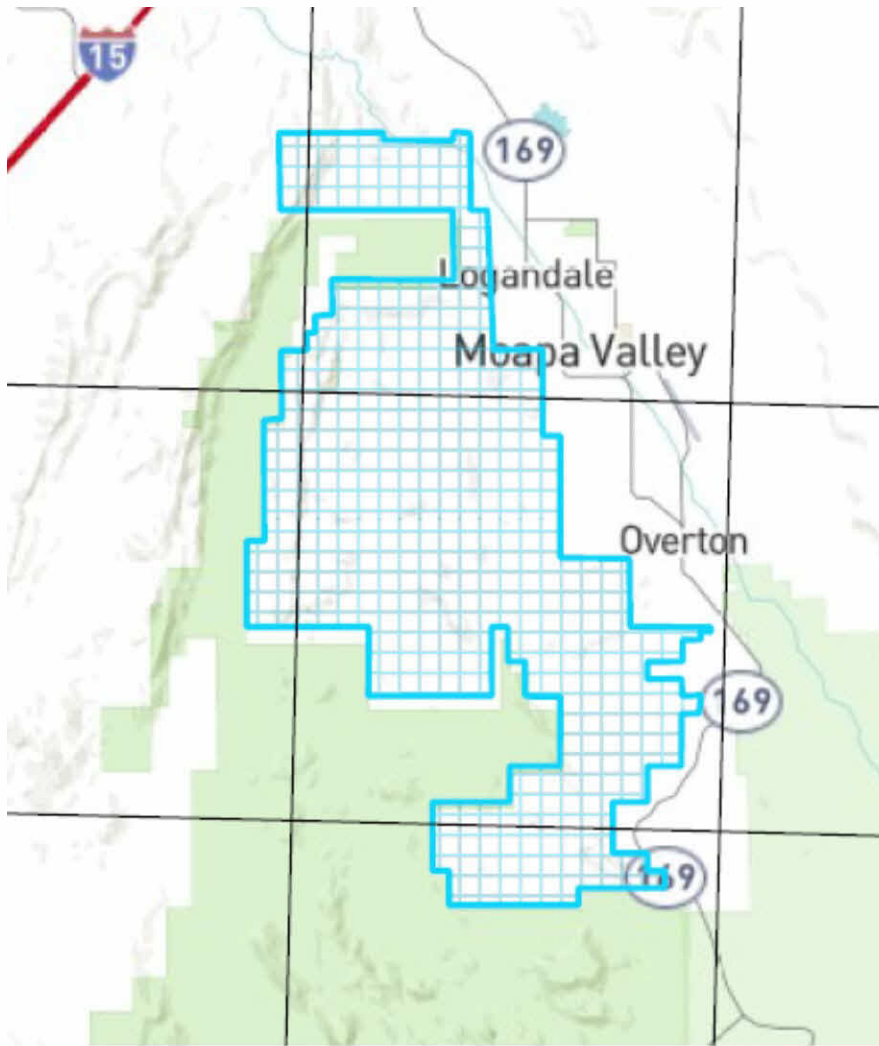
1. Elevate priority of Recreation equal with Development and Preservation. DONE April 18, 2018.
2. The greatest share of public land should be managed by Conservation for Sustainable Multiple Use. Create a permanent Multiple Use designation.
3. Remove VRM (Visual Resource Management), LWC (Lands with Wilderness Characteristics), and Buffer Zone categories.
4. Limit designation of special management areas, i.e., ACEC (Area of Critical Environmental Concern), Special Species Habitat, Land of Ecological Importance. It all being "special" or "unique" defies the word definitions.
5. Refer to OHV riders. BLM docs refer to OHVs.

I asked Clark County for OHV area boundary maps. They sent shapefiles for Laughlin, Logandale, Nelson Hills & Sandy Valley. No map for Apex.

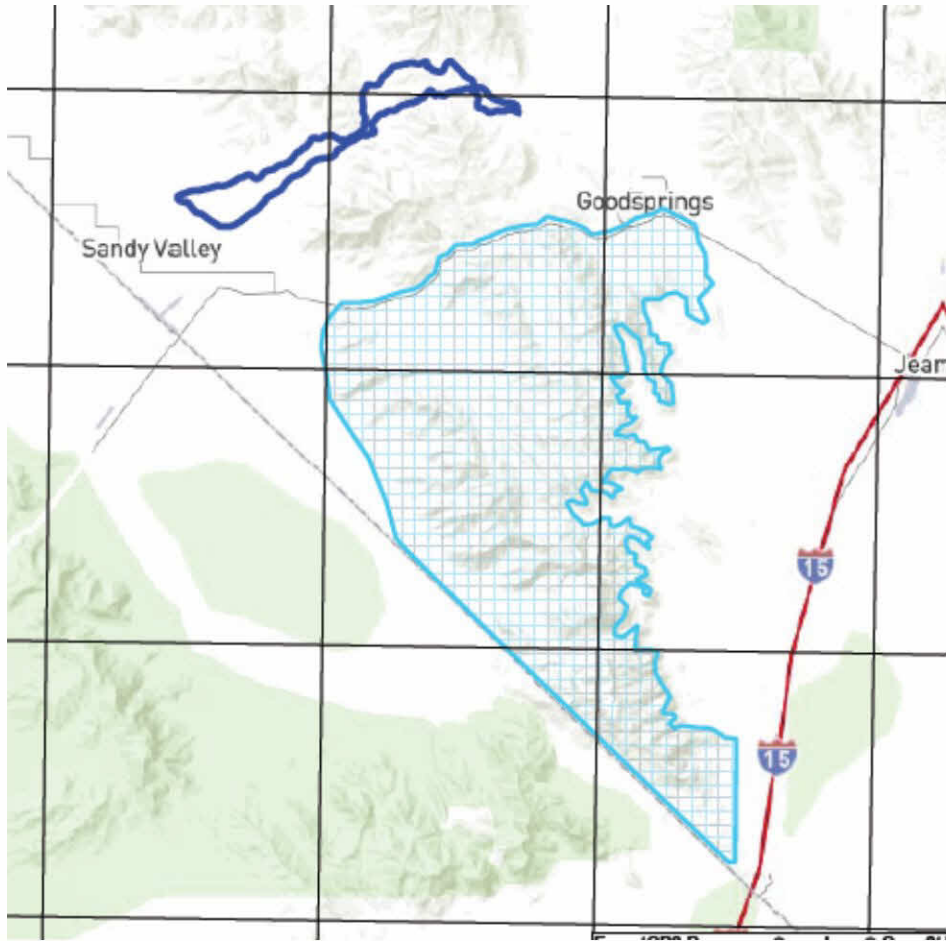
The use designation for all yet to be determined, i.e. Open, marked designated routes or existing routes.



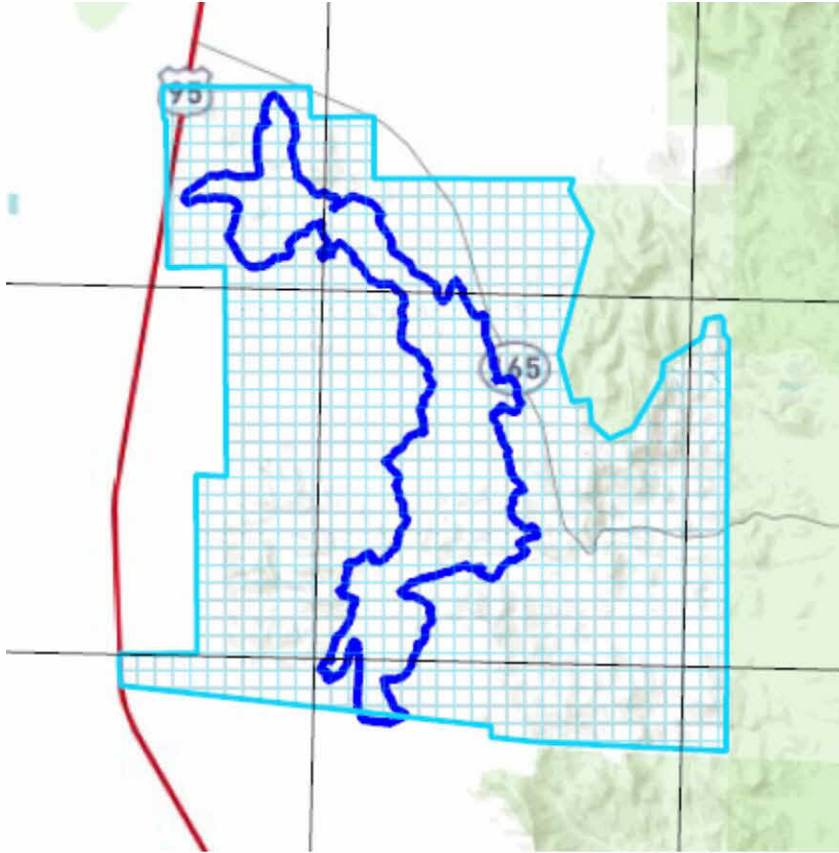
LAUGHLIN, LIGHT BLUE is OHV area. BLUE is recent motorcycle course.



LOGANDALE TRAILS. Currently managed as play area.



SANDY VALLEY 40,755 acres. LIGHT BLUE is area offered. BLUE is motorcycle race course we've used, but won't be allowed to race there again if Clark's Bill passes.



NELSON HILLS course remains almost intact. If they took out the little kick in the bottom boundary it'd remain intact. That may be one of the few things Clark County will compromise. Nelson PBO limits number of racers and only 1 race a year.

Steve Paxton OHV Commission: He would like to sit at the table with Bob at some races to educate our members. The OHV meeting got moved due to other urgencies. We, as off road enthusiast, are getting pushed around for sure. We need to keep showing up.

Scoring Michael Collins: Online signups are the way to go. Much easier at the races when many riders sign up online for memberships and the races. Power source went out at the Gamblers race but got all the bugs worked out. Make sure each club putting on the race has several members for signups and scoring.

Web Admin Heidi Ulrich: No issues. Everything is working. Joe Amey asked that we please change our moto back to "Better the Sport, Participate".

Gambler Post Race Report: 181 bikes in total and only 10 DNFs. Had a great day despite the quick change. Mesquite MX did a great job helping us keep our race date. Gamblers club was great!

Darkside Pre-race Report: All marked and ready to go. Steve Jones needs to sign the permit and all is ready. 37 mile loop, 2 loops for AA, Expert and Amateurs. 1 lap for Novice and Super Seniors. 4 race format to allow the 50 Novice to have their own race.

Wild Bunch Pre-race Report: Should have permit by Friday. 45 miles for big bikes. 2 laps for AA, Expert, and Amateurs. 1 loop for Novice and Super Seniors. 10 mile loop for minis. Standard MRAN format. Pits are at gravel pits where the Pahrump highway meets Highway 95. Alternate pits at mile marker 23.

New Business: 1. All in favor of supporting BLM 2014 RMP revision Alternate 3 with edits. We need a permanent multiple use plan for the land to be managed by BLM. We need to remove buffers and wilderness as they limit land usage. Needs to be used for all public use, not just OHV as well. a motion was made and passed unanimously, **To continue working in good faith with Clark County for a equitable land use plan, but based on what Clark County has put on the table, MRAN endorses implementation of BLM's SNDO (Southern NV Dist. Office) 2014 RMP (Resource Management Plan) Alternate 3, with changes listed in the meeting Legislative Report.** 2. Casseli Foundation has put out guidelines for course marking that some other race entities are using. SSTB will be using them at their race this year for the joint National race with MRAN.

Next meeting will be Monday March 4th at 6:30 pm at Sportsman Cycle.

Meeting motion to adjourn by Scott Weisheim at 8:36 pm and seconded by Dustin Vasquez.