

Legislative Issue Report for MRAN Sept. 9, 2019 meeting by Bob Adams

Teamwork: Experiences shared from other places are the less riders have left the harder they fight to keep it. The sooner we fight the more we'll keep. When access is denied to places we've raced it's not an individual club issue. Make it a MRAN issue because our strength is our numbers. I'll be the bad guy pointing out Code details to BLM officials so clubs can keep friendly relationships.

August Issues I addressed:

1. US Forest Service planning rule.
2. RTP (federal Recreational Trails Program) grant pre-applications:
 - 2.1. Town of Pahrump Southside TH (trailhead) improvements.
 - 2.2. NV OHV Commission and towns of Pahrump, Armagosa, and Beatty on Pahrump to Beatty portion of the Pahrump to Tonopah Trail.
 - 2.3. Wheeler Pass Road TH & OHV Open Area with Steve Paxton and Ross Williams.
3. So NV Eco Dev & Conservation Act. Let's keep up the pressure to kill it while stalled. If enacted this will change southern Nevada offroading as we know it.
4. President Trump's proposed changes to the Endangered Species Act.
5. 40 acres on Pahrump Fairgrounds designated for an OHV park.

I'm asking MRAN members to email their elected officials. It's as easy as complaining on Facebook. The difference is you're reaching people who make the decisions. Personal calls and emails (or letters) count the most. But if you don't have time to do that, copy, paste, and email suggested comments. There's enough of us to influence government if more of us tried.

POST Issues and Suggested Comments on racemran.com for the So NV Economic Development and Conservation Act and changes to the Endangered Species Act for members to copy, paste, and email to their Congressman and 2 US Senators, and President Trump.

Award Members who comment:

RM cash cards for substantive comments (per CFR definition). No rule change required for this.

Starting next year pay points for substantive comments. Rule change attached. This won't change standings if all give an hour a month to protect our access to public land.

Legal Defense Fund for a cash reserve when we need it. Others knowing we have the cash to sue keeps us from having to. Think of it as a fire extinguisher that pays interest. By not having it there's hell to pay when you need it. Discuss for consensus of framework and amounts before writing a rule change.

Summary: What's happening here happened in So Cal 30 years ago. We're making the same mistakes they did.