



Million Hills Wilderness Study Area

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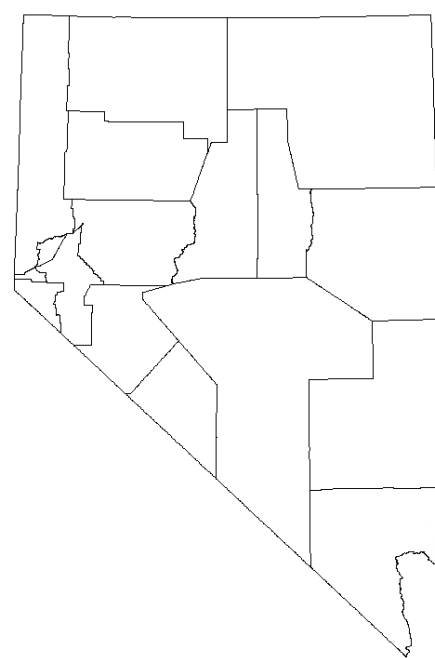
Size: 21,296 acres
Elevation Range: 2,035 - 4,826 feet
Designation: Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA)

Area Description

The Million Hills Wilderness Study Area (WSA) covers 21,296 acres about 60 air miles east of Las Vegas. The borders of the Million Hills WSA draw an elongated shape across the beautiful Gold Butte Region, about 10 miles in length and just over five miles at the widest point.

Gently rolling hills and low ridges sprawl across the low desert in the northern half of the WSA. To the south, colorful folds of mountain and rocky outcrops of the Azure Ridge and Million Hills bring a more dramatic change in scenery. In the higher country, steep, rugged drainages and canyons cut perpendicular to the north-south run of the mountains.

Two developed springs provide critical water sources in this desert environment, with New Spring in the southwestern corner of the WSA and Julie's Spring northwest of the Azure Ridge. This stunning region is home to raptor nesting sites, unique to the area. Million Hills WSA is also home to a large population of burros and nearly 9,000 acres of habitat for the endangered desert tortoise.



Directions

The Million Hills WSA sits along the Nevada-Arizona border, north of Lake Mead. Thomas Gap Road provides access along a mile of the northeast boundary from the Nevada-Arizona border.

Departing south from Thomas Gap Road, the western boundary runs southwest to a mining exploration road, then south to the Garden Spring Road, which runs through the WSA. The western boundary continues south from Garden Spring Road, meeting and then following Devil's Cove Road.

Recreation

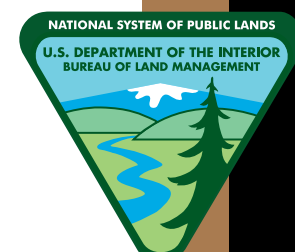
Striking geological features and unique wildlife habitats make Million Hills WSA a great destination for hiking, photography, bird watching, camping and backpacking.

Maps

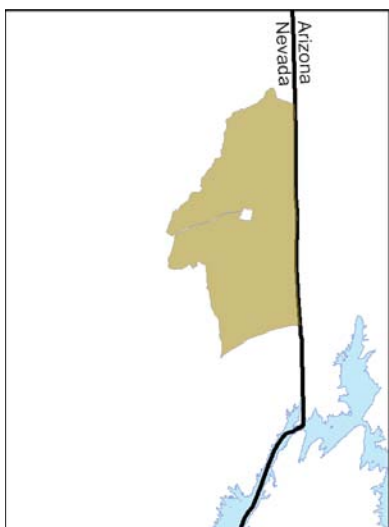
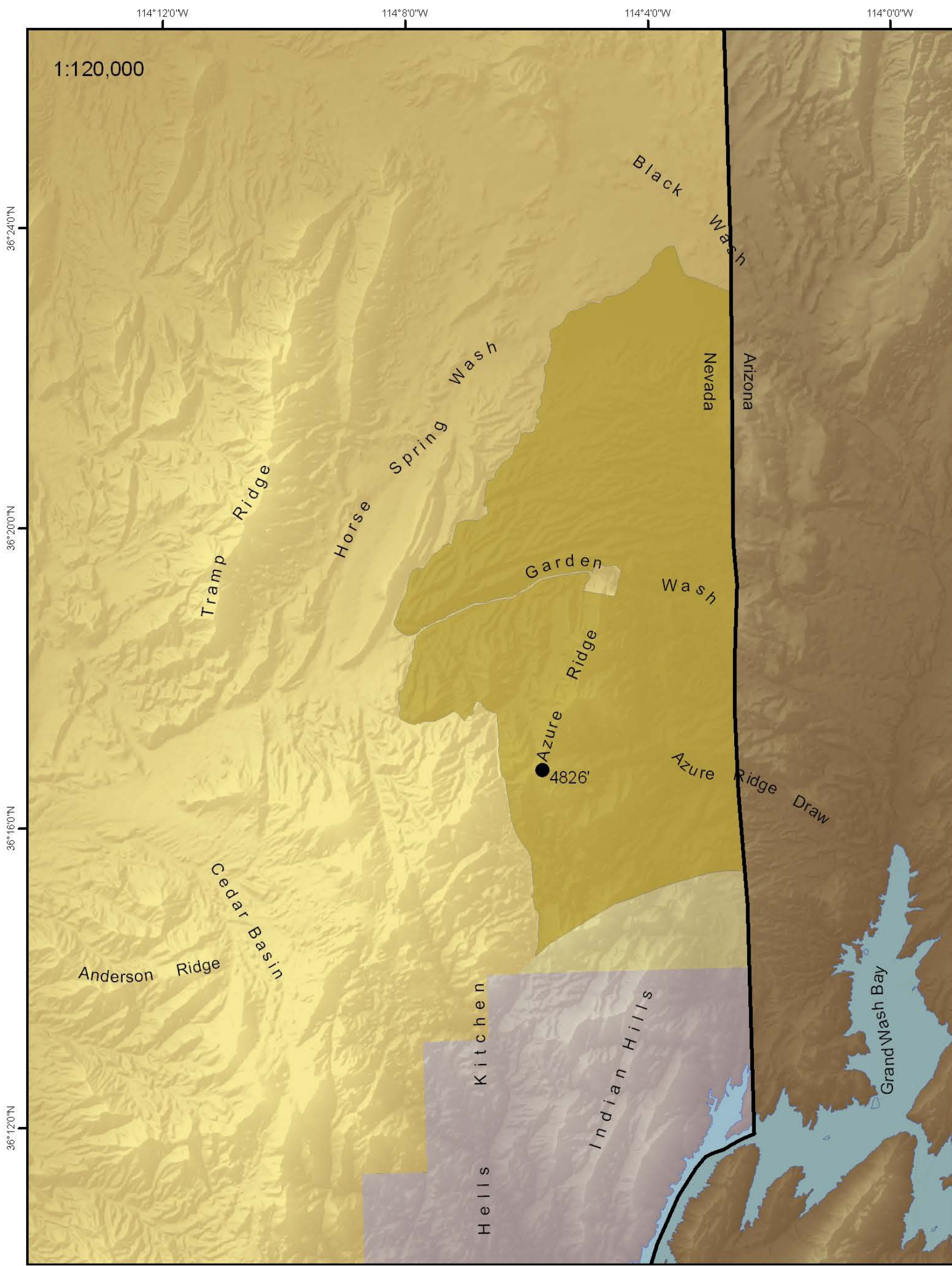
USGS 7.5 Quadrangle Maps: Saint Thomas Gap, Gold Butte, Azure Ridge, and Iceberg Canyon.

Additional Information

- Please limit group sizes to 12 members.
- Maximum length of stay: 14 days.
- Non-commercial hunting, trapping and casual collection of wildlife is allowed subject to applicable state regulation.
- Signs indicating "Wilderness Study Area" and "Closed Route" are placed at various intervals. Obey all posted signs.
- Motorized and mechanized vehicle use is limited to designated roads and trails.



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Legend

- Highest point
- Bureau of Land Management Wilderness Study Area
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- National Park Service
- Lake Mead



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