SOUTHERN NEVADA PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT ACT

ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LAND ACQUISITION
ROUND 16 RANKING CRITERIA

Unless otherwise specified, points are awarded for each factor on a sliding scale from 0 to the maximum allowed.

I. Contributes toward preservation of a specially designated species

Factors:

A. Does the acquisition have a significant contribution toward preservation or recovery of one or more specially designated species present on the property? (Include both plant and animal.)	6
B. Does the acquisition contain habitat which supports one or more special status species?	4
C. Are there one or more species present on the property that are listed as threatened and endangered?	6
D. Does the acquisition contribute to creation, conservation, and/or preservation of biodiversity, wetland/riparian area or watershed?	4
Total	**20**

II. Preserves a significant natural, aesthetic or scientific feature

Factors:

A. Does the property contain one or more natural, aesthetic, or scientific features?	4
B. Is one or more of the features in A above eligible for special designation? (Do not address plant or animal species.)	4
C. Does the acquisition make a significant contribution to preserving these values?	5
D. Does a specific management plan(s) exist for these resource values?	2
Total	**15**

III. Preserves significant historic, paleontological, or cultural values

Factors

A. Does the property contain one or more historic, paleontological, or cultural values?	4
B. Is one or more sites on the property eligible for a special designation? (Do not address plant or animal species.)	4
C. Does the acquisition make a significant contribution to preserving these resource values?	5
D. Does a specific management plan(s) exist for these resource values?	2
Total	**15**

IV. Enhances recreational opportunities or improves access to Federal or other public lands

Factors:

A. Does acquisition of the property provide recreational opportunities on the land?	3
B. Does the acquisition provide improved access to Federal or other public lands?	3
C. Does the acquisition address a public demand for recreational opportunity or a public demand for access to Federal or other public lands?	3
D. Does a specific management plan(s) exist for these resource values?	1
Total	**10**

V. Provides for better management of Federal lands or better management of resource values

Factors:

A. Does the acquisition provide for better management of Federal lands or better management of resource values?	10
B. Is the property an in holding in a specially designated area or does the property otherwise consolidate federal ownership?	5
Total	**15**

VI. Estimated post-acquisition management costs *(Pick only A or B and award points on a sliding scale.)*

Factors:

A. There are no added management costs.	5
B. There are added management costs but costs are offset by contributions from other entities or future cost savings due to consolidation of Federal lands.	5
Total	**5**

VII. Has the support of the State, local governments, other agencies, and/or other interested parties (Written verification of support must be included in the nomination to receive points.)

Factors:

A. Is the acquisition supported by the County/local government in which the property is located?	2
B. Is the acquisition supported by environmental, recreational, and/or scientific groups?	2
C. Is the acquisition supported by Fish & Wildlife Service Ecological Services, State Historic Preservation Office, or other federal, state or tribal governmental entities?	2
D. Does the acquisition further the goals and objectives of the County/local government land use plan or goals/objectives contained in some other official County/local government document?	2
Total	**8**

VIII. Other Considerations

Factors:

A. Would the acquisition prevent planned development or other incompatible uses?	5
B. Have funds been committed from another source to defray some of the costs of acquiring the property?	2
Total	**7**

Note: A letter of commitment on the letterhead of the entity making the commitment under Factor B must be included in the nomination to receive points for the factor.

IX. Is proposed Federal acquisition in Clark County, Nevada? **Points = 5**
(If "yes" the total 5 points is to be awarded.)

Total Possible Points	**100**