

# Geocaching on Public Lands

## DO know before you go

- Select terrain and difficulty level rating based on your outdoor skills.
- Determine local rules follow them.
- Check local weather conditions.
- Carry supplies such as water, food, extra clothes, map and compass.
- Let someone know your destination and expected return.
- Be mindful of the environment; turn back if the route is too difficult, the weather changes, or night falls

## DO minimize your impacts

- [Travel Sustainably](#) to your destination.
- [Leave No Trace](#) and [Tread Lightly](#) as you search.
- [Cache In, Trash Out](#).
- Search for "virtual caches," "earth caches," and USGS Benchmarks.

## DO contact your local BLM office BEFORE

- Placing a cache on public lands.
- Planning a geocaching event on public lands.
- Conducting commercial geocaching activities on public lands.

## Please be aware of the following while geocaching

- DON'T place caches in Wilderness.
- DON'T place caches at or damage cultural and archeological sites.
- DON'T create user trails to hidden caches.
- DON'T disrupt wildlife.