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# Avi Kwa Ame National Monument

April 2024 Update

## April 13 Celebration Event



**FRIENDS OF  
AVI KWA AME  
NATIONAL MONUMENT**

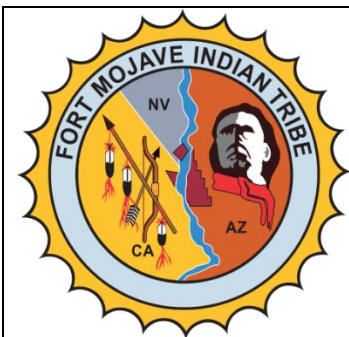
Mark your calendars for the April 13! Friends of Avi Kwa Ame, in collaboration with BLM, will celebrate the one-year anniversary of the Avi Kwa Ame National Monument. The event will offer something for everyone with both morning activities at and near Walking Box Ranch and an afternoon event at the Searchlight Community Center.

Reservations are required for the morning activities and they are filling up fast. Activity options begin at 8:30 a.m. and include Walking Box Ranch house tours, Walking Box Ranch ground tours, Wee Thump bird walk, Wee Thump flower walk, Grandpas Road bird walk and Mystery Ranch stewardship event and tour. Visit <https://www.friendsofavigwaame.org/events/avikwaame-anniversary> to register.

Searchlight Community Center's doors will open for the afternoon festivities at 12:30 p.m. The formal part of the celebration will begin at 2 p.m. with presentations followed by Fort Mojave Indian Tribe's band and bird singers doing a performance.

## Fort Mojave Indian Tribe's Celebration Event

Southern Nevada District leaders were honored to celebrate with the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe at the Pipa Aha Macav Cultural Center on the one-year anniversary of the designation of the Avi Kwa Ame National Monument. The event featured Tribal veteran's posting of colors, Tribal band performance, special remarks and recognition by Vice Chair Shan Lewis, Tribal Council Secretary and Tribal Elder Collen Garcia, Director of the Aha Macav Cultural Center Linda Otero, as well as Tribal Royalty and finished with a bird dance and song performance. Other highlights included a framed and mounted Presidential Monument proclamation as well as delicious refreshments and Monument t-shirts, posters, magnets and stickers. In celebration for years to come, the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe has established March 21 as a holiday.



## Introducing the Foundation for America's Public Lands

The BLM's mission requires balancing a variety of multiple uses and interests while also ensuring natural, cultural and historic resources are maintained for present and future generations. Despite this broad mandate, BLM has limited resources to carry out this mission. Other public land agencies have benefitted from having a foundation partner for decades and the BLM has not had the same support – until now.

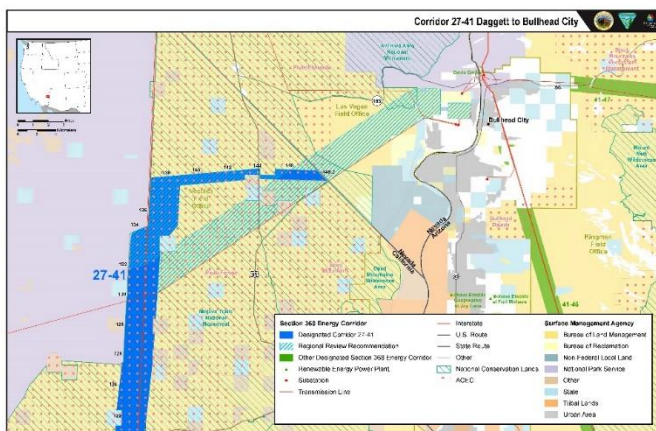
As the official charitable partner of the BLM, the Foundation for America's Public Lands (the Foundation) works hand-in-hand with the BLM to support its work on the public lands and waters it manages through partnerships, resources and stakeholder engagement. Its mission is to connect everyone to America's public lands and waters and sustain these special places for the benefit of present and future generations through its three strategic priorities: awareness; access and stewardship.



To learn more about the Foundation please visit: <https://americaslands.org/>

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## 368 Corridor Update



As you may recall, the BLM National Headquarters hosted a public meeting on January 10, 2024 in Laughlin about the Section 368 Energy Corridors Regional Review Revisions across the West.

The public comment period closed on February 2, 2024 and BLM is currently developing alternatives and expects to have a Draft Environmental Impact Statement out for public comment in December 2024.

For more information, please visit website <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2022227/510> and <http://corridoreis.anl.gov>.

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## Any questions?

For general inquiries, contact the monument e-mail at [blm\\_nv\\_avikwaame@blm.gov](mailto:blm_nv_avikwaame@blm.gov). If you are interested in scheduling a Government-to-Government meeting regarding any of these topics, please contact Kat Aben, BLM Southern Nevada District Tribal Liaison, at (702) 515-5044 or [kaben@blm.gov](mailto:kaben@blm.gov).