

Round 20 Preliminary Recommendation

Expenditure of the Special Account for the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act

April 22, 2024

INTRODUCTION

The Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998, (SNPLMA, Public Law 105–263, as amended) authorizes specific uses for revenues from the sale of public lands identified for disposal in the Las Vegas Valley. SNPLMA created an account with the United States Department of the Treasury (SNPLMA Special Account) into which 85 percent of the revenue generated by eligible land sales are deposited. SNPLMA authorizes the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) to expend the revenue in the SNPLMA Special Account for projects that fall into expenditure categories, which are the subject of this recommendation. Under SNPLMA, the remaining 15 percent of revenue is distributed to the State of Nevada’s general education program (5 percent) and to the Southern Nevada Water Authority (10 percent) for water treatment and transmission facility infrastructure in Clark County, Nevada.

SNPLMA and subsequent amendments authorize the Secretary to expend without further appropriation, amounts deposited in the SNPLMA Special Account for the following purposes:

- Acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands and interests in land in Nevada, with priority given to lands within Clark County;
- Capital Improvements at the Lake Mead National Recreation Area, the Desert National Wildlife Refuge, the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area, the Great Basin National Park, and other areas administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the United States Department of Agriculture’s Forest Service (FS) in Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties, and the Spring Mountains National Recreation Area;
- Development and implementation of a multi-species habitat conservation plan (MSHCP) in Clark County, Nevada;
- Development of parks, trails, and natural areas (PTNA) in Clark, Lincoln, White Pine, and Churchill Counties in Nevada, and Carson City, Nevada (subject to a limitation that PTNA projects must be adjacent to the Carson River or within 100-year floodplain of the Carson River), pursuant to a cooperative agreement with units of local government or regional governmental entities;
- Conservation Initiatives on federal land in Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties, Nevada, and Carson City, Nevada (subject to the limitation that the land must be adjacent to the Carson River or within the 100-year floodplain of the Carson River) administered by the Department of the Interior or the Department of Agriculture;
- Environmental Improvement Program projects pursuant to the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act (LTRA, Public Law 106–506) which authorized funding up to \$300 million for environmental improvement program projects;
- Development and implementation of multi-jurisdictional hazardous fuels reduction and wildfire prevention plans (Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention) for the Lake Tahoe Basin, the Carson Range in Douglas and Washoe Counties and Carson City, and the Spring Mountains in Nevada;

- Implementation of the Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration Project (ENLRP) in White Pine and Lincoln Counties; and
- Reimbursement of certain implementation costs.

The Secretary has charged the BLM with implementation of SNPLMA. The BLM, in collaboration with the National Park Service (NPS), United States Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), Bureau of Reclamation (BOR), USDA Forest Service (FS), the State of Nevada, and affected local governments throughout the states of Nevada and California, has developed a funding recommendation process that identifies projects in eight expenditure categories. The *SNPLMA Implementation Agreement* (November 20, 2018) documents this process.

BACKGROUND

The Preliminary Recommendation is an interim product in the process of identifying and selecting projects for funding in seven of the eight categories: Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisitions; Capital Improvements; MSHCP; PTNA; Conservation Initiatives; ENLRP; and Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention.¹ The list of projects was generated from a call for nominations that was open from August 7, through November 5, 2023. Forty-eight (48) projects across six categories were received for a total requested amount of \$624,679,537. An additional project in the Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisition category was later accepted as an off-cycle nomination and is requesting a total of \$335,045. Combined, nominations submitted total approximately \$625,014,582.

The Subgroup for each expenditure category, except the MSHCP category, reviewed, scored, and ranked the nominations between January 24 and March 6, 2024. Subgroups consist of representatives from the eligible entities for each category.

Clark County is the official nominating entity for SNPLMA funds in the MSHCP category. Clark County reviews MSHCP nominations under a separate evaluation and consultation process. The process includes working collaboratively with the FWS and its Permittees of the “Multiple Species Incidental Take Permit.” Following a Clark County led public comment period, MSHCP nominations are prioritized and forwarded by the Clark County Board of County Commissioners for submittal to the SNPLMA Division for funding consideration.

Subgroup and Clark County MSHCP recommendations were forwarded to the Partners Working Group (PWG) for consideration in developing this Preliminary Recommendation. The PWG includes representatives from BLM, NPS, FWS, BOR, FS, State of Nevada, local governments, and the Nevada Association of Counties. The Preliminary Recommendation includes a proposed budget and a list of projects for each of the seven expenditure categories in the appendix. The projects outlined within the appendix table are listed in the priority order ranked by the

¹ The funding commitment of \$300 million (P.L. 106–506 and P.L. 108–108) for the eighth category, restoration projects at Lake Tahoe, was met in full in Round 12 of approved Lake Tahoe Restoration Projects. Funds authorized for primary projects, which are not needed to complete the project, may fund any project on a list of secondary projects approved for funding.

Subgroups. The appendix table also indicates which projects the PWG is recommending or not recommending for funding as indicated in the appendix table.

Round 20 SNPLMA Executive Committee Direction

The Executive Committee (EC) provided direction that was incorporated into the Round 20 call for nominations. This direction included:

- Nominations for SNPLMA Round 20 funding were limited to three per eligible agency/entity per category (except in the Hazardous Fuels category, where entities were limited to three per eligible agency/entity per legislative area (Lake Tahoe Basin, Carson Range in Douglas and Washoe Counties and Carson City, and the Spring Mountains in Nevada). Other direction includes nominations being limited to the best value option for a viable project and a desire to see projects that leave a legacy on the landscape.
- The EC emphasized that the SNPLMA Strategic Plan² is the guiding document for all nominations in Round 20. The EC has identified three values on which to focus SNPLMA implementation: sustainability, connectivity, and community.
 - The above three values are addressed through two Goals in the Strategic Plan:
 - Goal 1: Sustain the quality of the outdoor environment by conserving, preserving, and restoring natural, cultural, and historical resources.
 - Goal 2: Improve the quality of life for all public in urban and rural communities by enhancing recreational opportunities that connect people with the outdoor environment.
- Past performance is another factor considered in the decision for funding recommendations. To be qualified to have projects recommended for Round 20 funding in a category, an entity may only have 1 project with a red level of concern³ on the *Focus Projects for Closeout* list (“Focus List”) or have less than or equal to 10 percent of active⁴ projects in such status (with the exception of those in litigation or those experiencing a recent natural disaster).

PWG RECOMMENDATIONS

The PWG recommends expenditures of \$298,143,283 across the seven eligible funding categories, plus \$50 million for a Special Account Reserve (SAR), for a total Round 20 Preliminary Recommendation of \$348,143,283. In developing its recommendation, the PWG considered the Subgroups’ recommendations as well as the previously mentioned EC direction and the following specific PWG direction from the EC.

² The *SNPLMA Strategic Plan* was signed by EC members on November 19, 2019, and is available on the SNPLMA website at <https://www.blm.gov/snplma>.

³ The Focus List is a subset of the *Projects of Concern* (POC) list that identifies projects with a color designation of green, yellow, orange, or red to indicate increasing levels of concern regarding the ability to complete the project as nominated, on time, and/or within budget.

⁴ Active projects are those that have not yet been completed and closed out financially or terminated.

- The EC believes it is important to fund the best projects. This means that the PWG may recommend categories receive little or no funding and may not recommend projects for all eligible entities within a category. This includes taking advantage of high value, time-sensitive land acquisition opportunities when they arise. The PWG may consider high value land acquisition opportunities even if it means limiting funding for other projects in a round. Land is considered to be high value when its acquisition will accomplish the preservation of natural, scientific, aesthetic, historical, cultural, watershed, wildlife and other values contributing to the public enjoyment and biological diversity; enhance recreational opportunities and public access and when those values are at risk of being lost to development. High value acquisition of land or interest in land can be submitted under three categories: Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisitions, PTNA, and MSHCP.
- The EC asked the PWG to consider a funding recommendation for the round that would allow for reliable and predictable funding levels based on out-year revenue projections for future rounds through 2034.

ROUND 20 PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION

The following table shows the Preliminary Recommendation by category. In addition, detailed tables of nominated projects for each category can be found in the appendix. Projects not approved and/or fully funded as part of Round 20 may be nominated again, in full or in part, in a subsequent round at the discretion of the nominating entity.

ROUND 20 PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION FUNDING

EXPENDITURE CATEGORY	PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION
Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisition	\$335,045
Capital Improvements	\$38,488,858
Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan	\$4,098,664
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas	\$201,673,903
Conservation Initiatives	\$23,008,916
Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration Project	\$4,836,638
Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention	\$25,701,259
All Categories Total	\$298,143,283
Special Account Reserve	\$50,000,000
Total Round 20 Funding Recommendation	\$348,143,283

Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisitions

One project nomination was received in the Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisition expenditure category totaling \$335,045. This nomination was submitted as an off-cycle high value land acquisition. This acquisition is considered high value because it helps secure recreation access to a popular hiking trail, and protect creek, meadow, and aspen resources for wildlife. The nomination is for a fee acquisition. The Subgroup recommended funding this project.

The PWG preliminary recommendation for the Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisition category is to fund the off-cycle land acquisition for a total of \$355,045. A detailed table of the project nominated in this category can be found in the appendix.

Capital Improvements

Eight (8) project nominations were received in the Capital Improvements expenditure category totaling \$88,667,118. The Capital Improvements Subgroup reviewed, scored, and ranked all projects and forwarded them to the PWG for consideration. The Subgroup recommended funding the first through fourth ranked projects.

The PWG preliminary recommendation for the Capital Improvement category is to fund the projects ranked first through fourth, seventh and eighth. The PWG is recommending funding the seventh ranked project *Cathedral Rock Trail Reconstruction* because the trail is connected to the fourth ranked project and completing both projects at the same time will improve recreation opportunities and mitigate safety hazards and prevent confusing trail closures in the backcountry. The PWG is also recommending the eight ranked project *Proposed Telecommunications Modernization Project* because it will mitigate safety concerns for visitors to the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area (NCA) – the most visited NCA in the BLM system, and it will provide new opportunities for the BLM to connect with visitors through emerging multimedia technology.

A detailed table of all projects nominated in this category, sorted by recommended and not recommended for funding, can be found in the appendix.

Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP)

Three (3) project nominations were received from Clark County for the MSHCP expenditure category totaling \$4,098,664. The MSHCP category ranking process is managed by Clark County. The process Clark County follows was briefly described above, in the background section of this document, and is outlined in detail in the *SNPLMA Implementation Agreement*.

The PWG preliminary recommendation is to fund all three of the Clark County projects for a total of \$4,098,664. A detailed table of all projects nominated in this category can be found in the appendix.

Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA)

Twenty-three (23) project nominations were received in the PTNA expenditure category for a total of \$472,691,347. The PTNA Subgroup reviewed, scored, and ranked all projects and forwarded them to the PWG for consideration. The Subgroup's recommendation used the

ranking results balanced with the nominating entities “best of the best” project proposals and needs of the different communities (both rural and urban) throughout the state. This resulted in the Subgroup recommending funding for the top 15 ranked projects. The Subgroup also recommended that the PWG consider the remaining 8 projects if there is additional funding.

The PWG considered the Subgroup recommendation, however, at the time of the PWG meeting White Pine County is unqualified to receive funding per the SNPLMA Implementation Agreement business rules because White Pine County has 3 projects on the Focus List which disqualifies White Pine County from funding recommendation in the Preliminary Recommendation. If White Pine County can close at least 2 of the 3 projects before the EC meets to develop the Final Recommendation, then White Pine County could be qualified to have projects recommended for funding.

The PWG is not recommending the fifth ranked project *Bermuda Larson Park* and the eleventh ranked project *Echo Trail Park – Phase II* because those projects are the third projects for the City of Henderson and Clark County, respectively, whereas all other qualified entities have no more than two projects recommended for funding. The value of those two projects total \$73,995,800.

The PWG is recommending swapping the Churchill County project ranked tenth *North Maine Softball Complex Upgrade* valued at \$9,947,810, for the twentieth ranked project *3C Recreational Complex Expansion* valued at \$32,355,772. The rationale for the project swap within Churchill County is because the *3C Recreational Complex Expansion* project will serve more constituents and support the economic development of Churchill County through increased programming opportunities at the event center.

Finally, the PWG is recommending adding Southern Nevada Water Authority’s project ranked eighteenth *Las Vegas Wash Restoration Activities* because it supports improving wildlife (bird and mammal), plant, and aquatic habitat, for a reasonable cost. Also, restoration of the Las Vegas Wash contributes to the protection of the Las Vegas Valley municipal water supply. This would also give the Southern Nevada Water Authority a second recommended project.

The PWG preliminary recommendation for the PTNA category is to fund nominations ranked one through three, sixth, eighth, ninth, twelfth, fourteenth, fifteenth, eighteenth, and twentieth for a category total of \$201,673,903. A detailed table of all projects nominated in this category, sorted by recommended and not recommended for funding, can be found in the appendix.

Conservation Initiatives

Six (6) project nominations were received in the Conservation Initiatives expenditure category totaling \$28,537,011. The Conservation Initiatives Subgroup reviewed, scored, and ranked all projects and forwarded them to the PWG for consideration. The Subgroup recommended the top four ranked projects for funding.

The PWG preliminary recommendation for the Conservation Initiatives category is to fund the top five Subgroup ranked projects for a total of \$23,008,916. The PWG acknowledges that the fifth ranked project *Managing Illegal Roads to Protect Recreation, Safety, and Resources* has

reported damage to what is being called “the most significant cultural resources site in all of southern Nevada.” This project will provide funding to prevent further degradation of the cultural site, as well as other sensitive resources of the Lake Mead National Recreation Area. A detailed table of all projects nominated in this category, sorted by recommended and not recommended for funding, can be found in the appendix.

Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration Project (ENLRP)

Two (2) project nominations were received in the ENLRP expenditure category totaling \$4,836,638. The ENLRP Subgroup reviewed, scored, and ranked all projects and forwarded them to the PWG for consideration. The Subgroup recommended funding both projects.

The PWG preliminary recommendation for the ENLRP category is to fund both Subgroup recommended projects for a total of \$4,836,638. In addition to restoring native vegetation communities across the Great Basin landscape, the PWG recognizes that this category also accomplishes hazardous fuels reduction through the proposed restoration projects. A detailed table of all projects nominated in this category can be found in the appendix.

Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention

Six (6) project nominations were received in the Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention expenditure category totaling \$25,701,259. The Subgroup reviewed, scored, and ranked all six projects and forwarded them to the PWG for consideration. The Subgroup recommended funding all six projects.

The PWG preliminary recommendation for the Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention category is to fund all six Subgroup recommended projects for \$25,701,259. A detailed table of all projects nominated in this category can be found in the appendix.

ROUND 20 PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Environmentally Sensitive Lands:** The “anticipated cost” for land acquisitions reflects the owner’s asking price, which has been determined to be reasonable based on market evidence, plus estimated costs for other allowable expenses such as appraisals and case management but does not reflect the actual value of any property or the actual price to be paid for any property. The actual purchase price will be based on the appraised fair market value determined by a federally obtained and/or reviewed and approved appraisal.
- **Capital Improvements:** There is a statutory expenditure limitation for Capital Improvements of 25 percent of the amounts available to the Secretary from the fiscal year (determined without taking into account amounts deposited as a result of lands that are sold, leased, or otherwise conveyed per Airport Environs Overlay District Land Transfer). The Round 20 recommended projects are projected to be less than the fiscal year spending cap (currently approximately \$65 million) before the Secretary issues a decision. Up-to-date figures will be provided to the Secretary before a decision is made to ensure compliance with the limitation on this category.

- **Conservation Initiatives:** There is a statutory expenditure limitation for Conservation Initiatives of 10 percent of available funds since inception of SNPLMA. The cost of already approved projects plus the Round 20 recommended projects are less than this spending cap.
- **Special Account Reserve (SAR):** The PWG recommends that the overall budget request for Round 20 include a provision for a \$50 million SAR to cover higher than expected costs for approved projects. This is consistent with the recommendation in previous rounds to allow a reserve fund to be spent at the discretion of the EC as described in the *SNPLMA Implementation Agreement*.

ROUND 20 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The following appendices list the project nominations that have been received and reviewed for possible funding under Round 20 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act. The purpose of releasing these lists is to obtain input from interested parties on recommended and not recommended project nominations. Beginning April 22, 2024, the BLM is accepting written comments on any nomination until close of business (4:30 PM Pacific Time) on June 5, 2024. Comments should be emailed to snplma@blm.gov or mailed to:

SNPLMA Executive Committee Chair
BLM Southern Nevada District Office
4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89130

The SNPLMA Executive Committee will meet following the comment period to review comments received and develop a Final Recommendation for consideration by the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture.

Questions may be addressed to the SNPLMA Division, BLM Southern Nevada District at rwandel@blm.gov or (702) 515-5116.



APPENDIX

PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION MATRICIES

FOR:

ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LAND ACQUISITIONS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

MULTI-SPECIES HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN

PARKS, TRAILS, AND NATURAL AREAS

CONSERVATION INITIATIVES

EASTERN NEVADA LANDSCAPE RESTORATION PROJECT

**HAZARDOUS FUELS REDUCTION AND WILDFIRE
PREVENTION**

Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263)
Round 20 Nominations - Environmentally Sensitive Land Aquisitions
Preliminary Recommendation

The U.S. Forest Service will acquire an approximately 19.08-acre private inholding located on the east slope of the Sierra Nevada Carson Range within the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest in Area Management 2. The acquisition will help protect sensitive species such as California spotted owl, flammulated owl, northern goshawk, as well as other sensitive species. The acquisition will also consolidate National Forest System lands, protect riparian and wetland areas, and expand recreational access to public lands. project nominations that have been received and reviewed for possible funding under Round 20 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263). The purpose of releasing these lists is to obtain input from interested parties. Beginning April 22, 2024, the BLM is accepting written comments on these nominations until close of business (4:30 PM Pacific Time) on June 5, 2024. Comments should be mailed to the SNPLMA Executive Committee Chair, BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89130, faxed to (702) 515-5110, or emailed to snplma@blm.gov. The SNPLMA Executive Committee will meet following the comment period to review comments received to develop a final recommendation for consideration by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture. Questions may be addressed to the SNPLMA Division, BLM Southern Nevada District Office at (702) 515-5116.

Round 20 Environmentally Sensitive Land Aquisitions Recommended for SNPLMA for Funding										
Rank	Tab #	Property Name	Acres	County	Acquiring Agency	Field Office	Nominating Entity	Resource Values	*Nomination Request	Funding Recommended
1	1	Thomas Creek Canyon Ranch Acquisition	19.08	Washoe	USDA FS	FS-4 Carson	USDA FS	Recreation, Hiking, Creek Fishing, Nature Walking, Access, Riparian Area, aspen grove, meadow, foraging habitat, breeding habitat, cover habitat, as California spotted owl, flammulated owl, northern goshawk, white-headed woodpecker, mountain quail, peregrine falcon, monarch butterfly, mule deer, creek, undeveloped, Sierra Valley ivesia	\$335,045	\$335,045
Round 20 Environmentally Sensitive Lands Acquisitions Recommended for SNPLMA Totals:								Acres: 19.08	Funding: \$335,045	\$335,045
Round 20 Environmentally Sensitive Lands Acquisitions Recommended for SNPLMA Total Acres:										19.08
Round 20 Environmentally Sensitive Lands Acquisitions Recommended for SNPLMA Total Funding:										\$335,045

* Nomination Request includes the owner's asking price, plus an estimated amount for associated expenses such as appraisals, surveys, and other allowed costs.

Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263)
Round 20 Nominations - Capital Improvements
Preliminary Recommendation

The following is a prioritized list of Capital Improvements project nominations that have been received and reviewed for possible funding under Round 20 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263). The purpose of releasing these lists is to obtain input from interested parties. Beginning April 22, 2024, the BLM is accepting written comments on these nominations until close of business (4:30 PM Pacific Time) on June 5, 2024. Comments should be mailed to the SNPLMA Executive Committee Chair, BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89130, faxed to (702) 515-5110, or emailed to snplma@blm.gov. The SNPLMA Executive Committee will meet following the comment period to review comments received to develop a final recommendation for consideration by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture. Questions may be addressed to the SNPLMA Division, BLM Southern Nevada District Office at (702) 515-5116.

Round 20 Capital Improvements Recommended Primary Funding List

Rank	Tab #	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Location	Nomination Request	Funding Recommended	Total Recommendation
1	3	Construct Campground and Improve Recreational Access in Strawberry Creek	NPS	Strawberry Creek, Great Basin National Park	\$4,198,668	\$4,198,668	\$4,198,668
2	8	Public Restrooms and Drinking Water System Modernization and Expansion	BOR	Hoover Dam	\$11,959,570	\$11,956,570	\$16,155,238
3	4	Hoover Dam Visitor Tour Route Refurbishment	BOR	Hoover Dam	\$10,955,640	\$10,955,640	\$27,110,878
4	1	Bristlecone Trail Reconstruction	USFS	The project area is approximately 35 miles northwest of Las Vegas, within the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. This area is easily accessed via NV State Highway 156 in Lee Canyon on the SMNRA.	\$3,269,150	\$3,269,150	\$30,380,028
7	2	Cathedral Rock Trail Reconstruction	USFS	The project area is approximately 25 miles northwest of Las Vegas, NV within the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. The Cathedral Rock Trail is located in Kyle Canyon, easily accessed via NV State Highway 157.	\$1,993,725	\$1,993,725	\$32,373,753
8	7	Proposed Telecommunications Modernization Project	BLM	Core area within the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area, Las Vegas, NV	\$6,112,106	\$6,112,106	\$38,485,859
Totals for Round 20 Capital Improvements Recommended Primary Funding:					\$38,488,859	\$38,485,859	

Round 20 Capital Improvements Not Recommended Funding List

Rank	Tab #	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Location	Nomination Request	Funding Recommended	Total Recommendation
5	6	Mohave District Public Safety and Community Annex at Katherine Landing	NPS	Lake Mead National Recreation Area Katherine Landing. Although the building itself will be physically located in Arizona, it is less than a couple miles to the Nevada border (via the lake) and 7 miles by car to Laughlin, NV and serves Clark County.	\$24,818,031	\$0	\$38,485,859
6	5	Mead District Public Safety Annex at Boulder Beach	NPS	Boulder Beach building site to serve the Mead District of the Lake Mead National Recreation Area	\$25,360,229	\$0	\$38,485,859

Totals for Round 20 Capital Improvements Not Recommended Funding: \$50,178,260 \$0

Totals for Round 20 Primary Funding Recommendation:						\$38,485,859	
Totals for Round 20 Secondary Funding List:						\$0	
Totals for Round 20 Recommended List:						\$38,485,859	

**Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263)
Round 20 Nominations - Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP)
Preliminary Recommendation**

The following is a prioritized list of Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) project nominations that have been received and reviewed for possible funding under Round 20 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263). The purpose of releasing these lists is to obtain input from interested parties. Beginning April 22 2024, the BLM is accepting written comments on these nominations until close of business (4:30 PM Pacific Time) on June 5, 2024. Comments should be mailed to the SNPLMA Executive Committee Chair, BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89130, faxed to (702) 515-5110, or emailed to snplma@blm.gov. The SNPLMA Executive Committee will meet following the comment period to review comments received to develop a final recommendation for consideration by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture. Questions may be addressed to the SNPLMA Division, BLM Southern Nevada District Office at (702) 515-5116.

Round 20 Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) Recommended Primary Funding List							
Rank	Tab #	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Location	Nomination Request	Funding Recommended	Total Recommendation
1	2	Connectivity Management Plan Implementation	Clark County	Along roads/highways (US-95, US-93, SR-163 and SR-165), adjacent to the Las Vegas Valley in Clark County, NV	\$948,664	\$948,664	\$948,664
2	3	Tule Springs Enhancement and Wildlife Protection	Clark County	US-95/Corn Creek Road within the Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument, northwest of Las Vegas, Clark County, NV	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$3,448,664
3	1	Boulder City Conservation Easement Translocation Plan Update	Clark County	2-miles south of Boulder City and US-95/I-11, within the BCCE	\$650,000	\$650,000	\$4,098,664
Totals for Round 20 Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) Recommended Primary Funding:					\$4,098,664	\$4,098,664	
						Totals for Round 20 Primary Funding Recommendation:	\$4,098,664
						Totals for Round 20 Secondary Funding List:	\$0
						Totals for Round 20 Recommended List:	\$4,098,664

Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263)
Round 20 Nominations - Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
Preliminary Recommendation

The following is a prioritized list of Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas project nominations that have been received and reviewed for possible funding under Round 20 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263). The purpose of releasing these lists is to obtain input from interested parties. Beginning April 22 2024, the BLM is accepting written comments on these nominations until close of business (4:30 PM Pacific Time) on June 5, 2024. Comments should be mailed to the SNPLMA Executive Committee Chair, BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89130, faxed to (702) 515-5110, or emailed to snplma@blm.gov. The SNPLMA Executive Committee will meet following the comment period to review comments received to develop a final recommendation for consideration by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture. Questions may be addressed to the SNPLMA Division, BLM Southern Nevada District Office at (702) 515-5116.

Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas Recommended Primary Funding List							
Rank	Tab #	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Location	Nomination Request	Funding Recommended	Total Recommendation
1	23	Wetlands Park Enhancements	Clark County	7050 Wetlands Park Lane, Las Vegas, NV	\$19,311,943	\$19,311,943	\$19,311,943
2	14	Morrell Park Renovation	Henderson	500 Harris St and Major Ave, Henderson, NV	\$18,583,513	\$18,583,513	\$37,895,456
3	7	Downtown Park Renovation	Henderson	105 West Basic Rd/Lead St, Henderson, NV	\$16,475,834	\$16,475,834	\$54,371,290
6	13	Mills Park Master Plan Implementation	Carson City	1111 E. William Street, Carson City, NV	\$14,917,800	\$14,917,800	\$69,289,090
8	15	Mountain's Edge Regional Park Phase II	Clark County	8101 Mountains Edge Parkway, Las Vegas, NV	\$43,618,352	\$43,618,352	\$112,907,442
9	21	Valley View Park Renovation	North Las Vegas	2000 Bennett St, North Las Vegas, NV	\$7,471,227	\$7,471,227	\$120,378,669
12	16	Multi-Sport Complex	Lincoln County	250 Burnin Red Road, Panaca, NV	\$27,339,462	\$27,339,462	\$147,718,131
14	3	Bettye Wilson Soccer Complex Upgrades	Las Vegas	7460 Caliche Way, Las Vegas, NV	\$19,300,000	\$19,300,000	\$167,018,131
15	22	Warm Springs Natural Area Wildlife and Bird Viewing Tower	Southern Nevada Water Authority	4240 Warm Springs Rd, Moapa, NV	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$168,018,131
18	11	Las Vegas Wash Restoration Activities	Southern Nevada Water Authority	7050 Wetlands Park Lane, Las Vegas, NV	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	\$169,218,131
20	1	3C Recreational Complex Expansion	Churchill County	227 Sheckler / 485 Miners Rd, Fallon, NV	\$32,355,772	\$32,355,772	\$201,573,903
Totals for Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas Recommended Primary Funding:					\$201,573,903	\$201,573,903	

Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas Not Recommended Funding List

Rank	Tab #	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Location	Nomination Request	Funding Recommended	Total Recommendation	
4	10	Ely Little League Fields Renovation	White Pine County	1150 Avenue M, Ely, NV	\$12,378,175	\$0	\$201,573,903	
5	2	Bermuda Larson Park	Henderson	southwest Henderson, NV	\$48,052,149	\$0	\$201,573,903	
7	12	McGill Ballpark Restoration	White Pine County	56 S Fourth Street McGill, Nevada 89318	\$5,206,471	\$0	\$201,573,903	
10	20	North Maine Softball Complex Upgrade	Churchill County	Adjacent to US-95/N. Maine St and west of N. Broadway St, Fallon, Nevada	\$9,947,810	\$0	\$201,573,903	
11	9	Echo Trail Park Phase II	Clark County	5655 S. Buffalo Dr, Las Vegas, NV	\$25,943,651	\$0	\$201,573,903	
13	8	East Ely Railway Phase IV	White Pine County	1100 Avenue A, Ely, NV	\$38,675,362	\$0	\$201,573,903	
16	17	Oser Regional Park Reconstruction	Churchill County	325 Sheckler Rd Fallon, NV	\$36,675,573	\$0	\$201,573,903	
17	5	Craig Ranch Regional Park Improvements	North Las Vegas	628 W. Craig Rd, North Las Vegas, NV	\$21,199,200	\$0	\$201,573,903	
19	4	Chuck Minker Sports Complex	Las Vegas	275 N. Mojave Rd, Las Vegas, NV	\$47,203,000	\$0	\$201,573,903	
21	19	Seastrand Park Renovation	North Las Vegas	6330 Camino Eldorado Blvd, North Las Vegas, NV	\$13,403,053	\$0	\$201,573,903	
22	6	Darling Tennis Center Expansion	Las Vegas	7901 W Washington Ave, Las Vegas, NV	\$9,647,000	\$0	\$201,573,903	
23	18	Pioche Main Street Linear Park	Lincoln County	generally, 647 Main Street, Pioche, NV	\$2,686,000	\$0	\$201,573,903	
Totals for Round 20 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas Not Recommended Funding:					\$271,017,444	\$0		
							Totals for Round 20 Primary Funding Recommendation:	\$201,573,903
							Totals for Round 20 Secondary Funding List:	\$0
							Totals for Round 20 Recommended List:	\$201,573,903

Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263)
Round 20 Nominations - Conservation Initiatives
Preliminary Recommendation

The following is a prioritized list of Conservation Initiatives project nominations that have been received and reviewed for possible funding under Round 20 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263). The purpose of releasing these lists is to obtain input from interested parties. Beginning April 22 2024, the BLM is accepting written comments on these nominations until close of business (4:30 PM Pacific Time) on June 5 2024. Comments should be mailed to the SNPLMA Executive Committee Chair, BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89130, faxed to (702) 515-5110, or emailed to snplma@blm.gov. The SNPLMA Executive Committee will meet following the comment period to review comments received to develop a final recommendation for consideration by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture. Questions may be addressed to the SNPLMA Division, BLM Southern Nevada District Office at (702) 515-5116.

Round 20 Conservation Initiatives Recommended Primary Funding List

Rank	Tab #	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Location	Nomination Request	Funding Recommended	Total Recommendation
1	4	Promoting Native Plants for Restoration, Landscaping, and Water Conservation	FWS	Las Vegas, Nevada	\$5,111,240	\$5,111,240	\$5,111,240
2	1	Improving Recreational Fishing Opportunities and Native Trout Conservation	NPS	This project is located on Great Basin National Park lands and adjacent BLM lands in the Big Wash watershed in Eastern White Pine County, NV.	\$1,939,062	\$1,939,062	\$7,050,302
3	6	Wildlife Water Reestablishment for Deset Bighorn Sheep Conservation	FWS	Desert National Wildlife Refuge, NV	\$1,858,117	\$1,858,117	\$8,908,419
4	2	Landscape-level Migration Monitoring, Outreach, and Restoration	FWS	Corn Creek, Mt. Charleston, and Overton area of Clark County.Pahranagat Valley of Lincoln County.Great Basin NP of White Pine County.	\$5,435,854	\$5,435,854	\$14,344,273
5	3	Managing Illegal Roads to Protect Recreation, Safety, and Resources: Phase 1	NPS	Lake Mead National Recreation Area, Government Wash and Overton Arm	\$8,664,643	\$8,664,643	\$23,008,916

Totals for Round 20 Conservation Initiatives Recommended Primary Funding: \$23,008,916 \$23,008,916

Round 20 Conservation Initiatives Not Recommended Funding List

Rank	Tab #	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Location	Nomination Request	Funding Recommended	Total Recommendation
6	5	Restore and Protect Unique Pine Species on Federal Lands of Lincoln and White Pine Counties	BLM	Higher elevation mountain ranges throughout Lincoln and White Pine Counties	\$5,528,095	\$0	\$23,008,916

Totals for Round 20 Conservation Initiatives Not Recommended Funding: \$5,528,095 \$0

Totals for Round 20 Primary Funding Recommendation:						\$23,008,916
Totals for Round 20 Secondary Funding List:						\$0
Totals for Round 20 Recommended List:						\$23,008,916

Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263)
Round 20 Nominations - Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration Project (ENLRP)
Preliminary Recommendation

The following is a prioritized list of Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration Project (ENLRP) project nominations that have been received and reviewed for possible funding under Round 20 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263). The purpose of releasing these lists is to obtain input from interested parties. Beginning April 22, 2024, the BLM is accepting written comments on these nominations until close of business (4:30 PM Pacific Time) on June 5, 2024. Comments should be mailed to the SNPLMA Executive Committee Chair, BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89130, faxed to (702) 515-5110, or emailed to snplma@blm.gov. The SNPLMA Executive Committee will meet following the comment period to review comments received to develop a final recommendation for consideration by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture. Questions may be addressed to the SNPLMA Division, BLM Southern Nevada District Office at (702) 515-5116.

Round 20 Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration Project (ENLRP) Recommended Primary Funding List							
Rank	Tab #	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Location	Nomination Request	Funding Recommended	Total Recommendation
1	1	Cooperative Weed Management, Restoration and Outreach	NPS	NPS, Forest Service and private lands in Snake and Spring Valleys in White Pine and Lincoln Counties.	\$1,973,458	\$1,973,458	\$1,973,458
2	2	North Schell Phase III	USFS	Project area is located on the Ely Ranger District, the North end of the Schell Creek Range. Approximately 30 miles north east of Ely, NV.	\$2,863,180	\$2,863,180	\$4,836,638
Totals for Round 20 Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration Project (ENLRP) Recommended Primary Funding:					\$4,836,638	\$4,836,638	
						Totals for Round 20 Primary Funding Recommendation:	\$4,836,638
						Totals for Round 20 Secondary Funding List:	\$0
						Totals for Round 20 Recommended List:	\$4,836,638

Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263)
Round 20 Nominations - Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention
Preliminary Recommendation

The following is a prioritized list of Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention project nominations that have been received and reviewed for possible funding under Round 20 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105 - 263). The purpose of releasing these lists is to obtain input from interested parties. Beginning April 22 2024, the BLM is accepting written comments on these nominations until close of business (4:30 PM Pacific Time) on June 5, 2024. Comments should be mailed to the SNPLMA Executive Committee Chair, BLM Southern Nevada District Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89130, faxed to (702) 515-5110, or emailed to snplma@blm.gov. The SNPLMA Executive Committee will meet following the comment period to review comments received to develop a final recommendation for consideration by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture. Questions may be addressed to the SNPLMA Division, BLM Southern Nevada District Office at (702) 515-5116.

Round 20 Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention Recommended Primary Funding List							
Rank	Tab #	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Location	Nomination Request	Funding Recommended	Total Recommendation
1	5	National Resilience Corridors, Phase II	USFS	East shore of the Lake Tahoe Basin, from Incline Village to Stateline, NV.	\$3,818,755	\$3,818,755	\$3,818,755
2	4	Mount Charleston Hazardous Fuels Reduction	USFS	Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, Spring Mountains National Recreation Area	\$3,192,550	\$3,192,550	\$7,011,305
3	6	Utility Corridors Resilience - Zone 2 and Zone 3, Phase II	USFS	Utility corridors on the California-side of the Lake Tahoe Basin, from Stateline, NV clockwise around Lake Tahoe to Kings Beach, CA.	\$10,219,650	\$10,219,650	\$17,230,955
4	1	Clear Creek Defense Zone	CCFD	Carson City	\$2,782,816	\$2,782,816	\$20,013,771
5	3	Meadow Restoration and Fuels Reduction	USFS	Baldwin, Freel, Hellhole, and Meiss meadows are located within the Lake Tahoe Basin on National Forest System Lands in Eldorado County, California.	\$2,133,825	\$2,133,825	\$22,147,596
6	2	Little Valley Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Wildfire Mitigation & Fire-Adapted Forest Restoration	UNR	Whittell Forest and Wildlife Area, west of Washoe Valley, north of Carson City, east of Incline Village, within the Sierra Front WUI	\$3,553,663	\$3,553,663	\$25,701,259
Totals for Round 20 Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention Recommended Primary Funding:					\$25,701,259	\$25,701,259	
					Totals for Round 20 Primary Funding Recommendation:		\$25,701,259
					Totals for Round 20 Secondary Funding List:		\$0
					Totals for Round 20 Recommended List:		\$25,701,259