



TEMPORARY CLOSURE ORDER

Bureau of Land Management California

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF OSBORNE OVERLOOK

September 17, 2026

Office: El Centro Field Office, California Desert District, California

Action: Restriction on overnight camping at Osborne Overlook

Summary: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will temporarily prohibit overnight camping at Osborne Overlook in the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area for up to seven days surrounding the Halloween, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, and Presidents' Day holiday weekends. Day-use of the area will not be restricted.

Rationale: Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1, this closure is for emergency response access for law enforcement and medical personnel to provide a safe landing zone for medical airships, consistent with the California Desert Conservation Area recreation element goal to "provide a minimum of recreation facilities. These facilities should emphasize resource protection and visitor safety."

Exemptions: This order does not apply to:

1. Federal, State, and local officers and employees in the performance of their official duties.
2. Members of organized rescue or firefighting forces in the performance of their official duties.
3. Persons with written authorization from the BLM. Authorized users must have in their possession a written permit or contract from the BLM, signed by the BLM Authorized Officer.
4. BLM employees, contractors, or agents engaged in official duties.
5. Parties who carry written approval signed by the BLM Authorized Officer allowing access to the described public lands.

Location: Along Highway 78, approximately halfway between Cahuilla Ranger station and the Glamis Beach Store in the area known as Osborne Overlook (Section 36, Township 13 South, Range 17.5 East, Imperial County, California) (32.9857, -115.1347), [see map](#).

Dates: October 26 - November 1, 2026; November 23 - 29, 2026; December 28, 2026 - January 3, 2027; February 8 - 15, 2027.

Notifications Methods and Posted Locations: Electronically posted to the BLM El Centro web page and Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area social media. Physically posted at the BLM El Centro Field Office.

Penalties: Any person who violates the temporary closures or restrictions in this order may be tried before a United States magistrate and fined in accordance with [18 U.S.C. 3571](#), imprisoned no

more than 12 months under [43 U.S.C. 1733\(a\)](#) and [43 CFR 8360.0-7](#), or both. In accordance with [43 CFR 8365.1-7](#), State or local officials may also impose penalties for violations of State law.

For Further Information Contact: El Centro Field Office at 760-337-4400 or
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Signed by:

Field Manager (Acting)

Date