

Monument Review Team Initial Meeting Agenda

May 11, 2017, 10 am, Room 6122

Mission Summary

Introductions

Initial data call (attached to transmittal email) discussion –

**initial impressions on how much of this is likely to be available
and how long to assemble**

**Tentative due dates – Bears Ears and Grand
Staircase/Escalante Tuesday 5/16**

All others Friday 6/2

Options to guide review

Help with public comments

Marine Monuments - with NOAA, possibly others

**Other agencies – DOD and Forest Service, Energy, Homeland Security,
others**

Other – suggestions , comments, questions

**Next meeting next week, to be determined by availability of Downey
Magallanes of Sec. staff – any times members not available?**

NATIONAL MONUMENTS BEING INITIALLY REVIEWED PURSUANT TO CRITERIA IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13792

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Bears Ears	Utah	2016	1,353,000
Berryessa Snow Mountain	California	2015	330,780
Canyons of the Ancients	Colorado	2000	175,160
Carrizo Plain	California	2001	204,107
Cascade Siskiyou	Oregon	2000/2017	100,000
Craters of the Moon	Idaho	1924/2000	737,525
Giant Sequoia	California	2000	327,760
Gold Butte	Nevada	2016	296,937
Grand Canyon Parashant	Arizona	2000	1,014,000
Grand Staircase Escalante	Utah	1996	1,700,000
Hanford Reach	Washington	2000	194,450.93
Ironwood Forest	Arizona	2000	128,917
Marianas Trench	CNMI/Pacific Ocean	2009	60,938,240
Mojave Trails	California	2016	1,600,000
Northeast Canyons and Seamounts	Atlantic Ocean	2016	3,114,320
Organ Mountains Desert Peaks	New Mexico	2014	496,330
Pacific Remote Islands	Pacific Ocean	2009	55,608,320
Papahānaumokuākea	Hawaii	2006/2016	89,600,000
Rio Grande del Norte	New Mexico	2013	242,555
Rose Atoll	American Samoa	2009	8,609,045
Sand to Snow	California	2016	154,000
San Gabriel Mountains	California	2014	346,177
Sonoran Desert	Arizona	2001	486,149
Upper Missouri River Breaks	Montana	2001	377,346
Vermilion Cliffs	Arizona	2000	279,568

NATIONAL MONUMENTS BEING REVIEWED TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE DESIGNATION OR EXPANSION WAS MADE WITHOUT ADEQUATE PUBLIC OUTREACH AND COORDINATION WITH RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

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Duplicate Group 9, Bears Ears set – not primarily about Bears Ears. 456 form letters, plus scattered later submissions

As a member of the American Motorcyclist Association and an off-highway vehicle recreation enthusiast, I applaud the U.S. Department of the Interior for the opportunity to comment on its review of certain National Monuments designated or expanded since 1996 under the American Antiquities Act of 1906, to implement Executive Order 13792 of April 26.

Excerpts from an AMA guest blog written by Clif Koontz address the Grand Staircase-Escalante, Canyons of the Ancients and Bears Ears National Monuments. Koontz is the executive director of Ride with Respect, a nonprofit organization based in Moab, Utah, that conserves shared-use recreation through trail work and education.

Koontz states, "The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument closed half of the existing routes open to motorized recreation. The federal land managers even prohibited off-highway motorcyclists from riding the graded, gravel roads." He added, "Fortunately, the affected county asserted its jurisdiction over those roads, but not before having to fight the federal land managers in court."

At the Canyons of the Ancients National Monument, Koontz says, federal land managers first closed the single-track trails, then prohibited motorcycles from "motorcycle trails" that actually were roads for four-wheeled vehicles. Those roads are a far cry from the actual single-track trails they had closed to responsible recreation."

For the new Bears Ears National Monument, Koontz states, it "encircles many 4WD roads, ATV trails and motorcycle trails where Ride with Respect has worked. ... If history is any guide, these routes will eventually be closed due to the national monument status, despite the fact that we've made them sustainable, not to mention that they avoid archaeological sites."

However, the AMA believes some previous monument designations go beyond the "requirements and original objectives of the Act."

Moreover, these designations did not consider the multiple-use policy of section 102(a)(7) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (43 U.S.C. 1701(1)(7)).