

**PIPER MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS**  
**72,152 Acres**  
**Designated October 31, 1994 by the California Desert Protection Act,**  
**Public Law 103-433**

This is the final legal description as required in Section 103(b) of the above mentioned Act. It describes the boundary for the Piper Mountain Wilderness Area located in Inyo County, California and managed by the Bureau of Land Management. The boundary is more particularly described as follows:

**Western Unit**

From the section corner of sections 1, 6, 7, and 12, on the range line between T. 7 S., Rs. 36 and 37 E., Mount Diablo Meridian, said point being the point of beginning,

thence northerly, on said range line, to point 1, the north 1/16 corner of sections 1 and 6;

thence easterly, on the east/west centerline of the northwest 1/4 of section 6, to point 2, the northwest 1/16 corner of section 6;

thence northerly, on the north/south centerline of the northwest 1/4 of section 6, to point 3, the intersection of a line parallel with and 30 feet easterly of the centerline of a jeep trail;

thence northerly, parallel with and 30 feet easterly of centerline of said jeep trail, to point 4, the intersection of the line between sections 30 and 31, T. 6 S., R. 37 E.;

thence northerly, to point 5, the center-west 1/16 corner of section 30;

thence northeasterly, to point 6, the east 1/16 corner of sections 19 and 30;

thence northeasterly, to point 7, a hill having NAD 1927 coordinates 37° 25' 21" N. latitude, 117° 56' 19" W. longitude, as scaled from the USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle "Chocolate Mtn., Calif.-Nev.", 1988 (provisional);

thence northwesterly, to point 8, a hill having NAD 1927 coordinates 37° 25' 37" N. latitude, 117° 56' 28" W. longitude, as scaled from the USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle "Chocolate Mtn., Calif.-Nev.", 1988 (provisional);

thence northeasterly, to point 9, the intersection of a line parallel with and 500 feet southeasterly of centerline of Highway 168 and a line parallel with and 30 feet southwesterly of centerline of the Chocolate Mountain jeep trail;

thence southeasterly, changing to southerly, parallel with and 30 feet southwesterly, changing to easterly, of centerline of said jeep trail, to point 10, the intersection of a line parallel with and 300 feet northerly of centerline of the Big Pine/Death Valley Road;

thence northwesterly, changing to southwesterly, parallel with and 300 feet northeasterly, changing to northwesterly of said road, to point 11, the intersection of the section line between sections 9 and 16, T. 8 S., R. 37 E.;

thence westerly, between sections 9 and 16, to point 12, the corner of sections 8, 9, 16, and 17;

thence southerly, between sections 16 and 17, to point 13, the intersection of a line parallel with and 300 feet northwesterly of centerline of the Big Pine/Death Valley Road;

thence southwesterly, parallel with and 300 feet northwesterly of centerline of said road, to point 14, the intersection of the section line between sections 10 and 15, T. 9 S., R. 36 E., said point on the Inyo National Forest boundary;

thence westerly, between sections 10 and 15, coincident with the Inyo National Forest boundary, to point 15, the section corner of sections 9, 10, 15, and 16;

thence northerly, between sections 9 and 10, and sections 3 and 4, coincident with the Inyo National Forest boundary, to point 16, the closing corner of sections 3 and 4 only, on the township line between Ts. 8 and 9 S., R. 36 E.;

thence westerly, on said township line, coincident with the Inyo National Forest boundary, to point 17, the section corner of sections 32 and 33 only, T. 8 S., R. 36 E.;

thence northerly, between sections 32 and 33, 28 and 29, and 20 and 21, coincident with the Inyo National Forest boundary, to point 18, the section corner of sections 16, 17, 20, and 21, T. 8 S., R. 36 E.;

thence westerly, between sections 17 and 20, coincident with the Inyo National Forest boundary, to point 19, the section corner of sections 17, 18, 19, and 20;

thence northerly, leaving the Inyo National Forest boundary, between sections 17 and 18, to point 20, the intersection of a line parallel with and 30 feet southerly of centerline of a jeep trail, said intersection located near the north 1/16 corner of sections 17 and 18;

thence easterly, parallel with and 30 feet southerly of centerline of said jeep trail, to point 21, the intersection of the section line between sections 16 and 17;

thence southerly, between sections 16 and 17, to point 22, the 1/4 corner of sections 16 and 17;

thence easterly, on the east/west centerline of section 16, to point 23, the center 1/4 of section 16;

thence northerly, on the north/south centerline of section 16 and the north/south centerline of section 9, to point 24, the center-south 1/16 corner of section 9;

thence easterly, on the east/west centerline of the southeast 1/4 of section 9, to point 25, the southeast 1/16 corner of section 9;

thence northerly, on the north/south centerline of the southeast 1/4 and the north/south centerline of the northeast 1/4 of section 9, to point 26, the east 1/16 corner of sections 4 and 9;

thence easterly, between sections 4 and 9, and sections 3 and 10, to point 27, the west 1/16 corner of sections 3 and 10;

thence northerly, on the north/south centerline of the southwest 1/4 of section 3, to point 28, the center-west 1/16 corner of section 3;

thence westerly, on the east/west centerline of section 3, to point 29, the intersection of a line parallel with and 30 feet easterly of centerline of a jeep trail;

thence northeasterly, parallel with and 30 feet easterly of centerline of said jeep trail, to point 30, the intersection of the east/west centerline of the northwest 1/4 of section 3;

thence easterly, on said east/west centerline, to point 31, the northwest 1/16 corner of section 3;

thence northerly, on the north/south centerline of the northwest 1/4 of section 3, to point 32, the west 1/16 corner of sections 3 and 34 on the township line between Ts. 7 and 8S., R. 36E.;

thence northerly, on the north/south centerline of the southwest 1/4 of section 34, T. 7S., R. 36E., to point 33, the intersection of a line parallel with and 30 feet southeasterly of the centerline of a jeep trail;

thence northeasterly, parallel with and 30 feet southeasterly of centerline of said jeep trail, to point 34, the intersection of the section line between sections 2 and 11;

thence easterly, between sections 2 and 11, and sections 1 and 12, to the point of beginning.

#### **Central Unit**

From the section corner of sections 4, 5, 32, and 33, Ts. 6 and 7 S., R. 38 E., Mount Diablo Meridian, thence westerly on the township line between sections 5 and 32 to the intersection of a line parallel with and 30 feet westerly of centerline of the Horse Thief Canyon jeep trail, said intersection being the point of beginning;

thence southwesterly, parallel with and 30 feet northwesterly of centerline of said jeep trail, to point 35, the intersection of a line parallel with and 30 feet northeasterly of centerline of the Chocolate Mountain jeep trail, said intersection located in the northwest 1/4 of section 36, T. 7 S., R. 37 E.;

thence northwesterly, parallel with and 30 feet northeasterly of centerline of said jeep trail, to point 36, the intersection of a line parallel with and 500 feet southeasterly of centerline of Highway 168;

thence northeasterly, to point 37, a peak having NAD 1927 coordinates 37° 26' 01" N. latitude, 117° 55' 53" W. longitude as scaled from the USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle "Chocolate Mtn., Calif.-Nev.," 1988 (provisional), and having a spot elevation of 6809 feet as shown on said quadrangle;

thence northeasterly, to point 38, the section corner of sections 8, 9, 16, and 17, T. 6 S., R. 37 E.;

thence northeasterly, to point 39, the intersection of the threads of washes, said intersection located in the southwest 1/4 of section 9 and having NAD 1927 coordinates 37° 26' 27" N. latitude, 117° 55' 33" N. longitude as scaled from the USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle "Chocolate Mtn., Calif.-Nev.," 1988 (provisional);

thence northeasterly, on the thread of said wash, to point 40, a point East of a knob, said knob located in the northwest 1/4 of the northwest 1/4 of section 10, and having an elevation of 5682 feet, as shown on the USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle "Chocolate Mtn., Calif.-Nev.," 1988 (provisional);

thence East, to point 41, the intersection of a line parallel with and 100 feet southwesterly of centerline of the North Eureka Valley Road;

thence southeasterly, parallel with and 100 feet southwesterly of centerline of said road, to point 42, the intersection of a line parallel with and 30 feet southwesterly of the Horse Thief Canyon jeep trail, said intersection located in the northwest 1/4 of section 32, T. 6 S., R. 38 E.;

thence southeasterly, parallel with and 30 feet southwesterly of centerline of said jeep trail, to the point of beginning.

#### **Eastern Unit**

From the section corner of sections 4, 5, 32, and 33, Ts. 6 and 7 S., R. 38 E., Mount Diablo Meridian, thence westerly on the township line between sections 32 and 5 to the intersection of a line parallel with and 30 feet easterly of centerline of the Horse Thief Canyon jeep trail, said intersection being the point of beginning;

thence northwesterly, parallel with and 30 feet northeasterly of centerline of said road, to point 43, the intersection of a line parallel with and 100 feet southwesterly of centerline of the North Eureka Valley Road;

thence southeasterly, changing to southwesterly, parallel with and 100 feet southwesterly, changing to northwesterly of centerline of said road, to point 44, the intersection of a line between a point on a line parallel with and 50 feet southeasterly of the centerline of the North Eureka Valley/Fish Lake Valley Road, nearest to elevation point 4497T, and the corner of sections 29, 30, 31, and 32, T. 7 S., R. 38 E., said line coincident with the Death Valley National Park boundary in the NE1/4 of section 23, T. 7 S., R. 38 E.;

thence southwesterly, on said line, coincident with the Death Valley National Park boundary, to point 45, the corner of sections 29, 30, 31, and 32;

thence southwesterly, coincident with the Death Valley National Park boundary, to point 46, a point 50 feet easterly of the intersection of two unnamed road centerlines, also being near the elevation point 3500T as shown on the U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle "Horse Thief Canyon, Calif.," 1987 (provisional);

thence leaving the Death Valley National Park boundary, continuing southwesterly on the prolongation of said line, to point 47, the intersection of a line parallel with and 30 feet easterly of jeep trail;

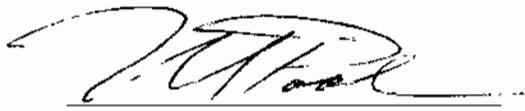
thence northeasterly, parallel with and 30 feet southeasterly of centerline of said jeep trail, to the true point of beginning.

## END OF DESCRIPTION

The above description containing approximately 72,152 acres utilizes the Chocolate Mountain, Cowhorn Valley, Deep Springs Lake, Horse Thief Canyon, Joshua Flats, Soldier Pass, and Sylvania Canyon 7.5 minute quadrangle maps prepared by the U.S.G.S. The boundary calls listed herein are in part a result of scaling distances from said quadrangle maps and are not a result of survey. All courses have been depicted upon the above mentioned quadrangle maps and are made a part of this official record. Acreage is calculated from the BLM California State Office ArcInfo wilderness coverage.

I hereby certify the legal description and map herewith represent the location of the boundary of the Piper Mountain Wilderness area designated by the California Desert Protection Act, Public Law 103-433, dated October 31, 1994.

Signed:



Mike Pool  
State Director, California

6/17/05  
Date