

Year: 2010 Inventory Unit Number/Name: NV-SN-30-003/Resting Springs Addition

FORM 1

DOCUMENTATION OF BLM WILDERNESS INVENTORY FINDINGS ON RECORD:

1. Is there existing BLM initial wilderness inventory information on all or part of this area?

No (Go to Question 2)

Yes X (if more than one unit is within the area, list the names/numbers of those units.):

a) Inventory Source:

Initial Inventory Decisions – Public Lands Administered by BLM Nevada – Wilderness (Sept. 1979)

b) Inventory Unit Number(s)/Name(s):

NV-050-0460/Resting Springs Range

c) Map Name(s)/Number(s):

Nevada BLM Initial Wilderness Inventory Decisions (September 30, 1979)

d) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s):

Las Vegas District

e) BLM Initial Inventory Findings on Record:

If more than one BLM inventory unit is associated with the area, list each unit and answer each question individually for each inventory unit):

Unit Number/Name	Size (Initial Acres)	Natural Condition? (Y/N)
NV-050-0460/Resting Springs Range	21,058	Y

Summary of any known primary reasons for prior findings from the table above:

21,058 acres will be intensively inventoried. Because of the effort done by this district on the Overthrust Belt special, accelerated inventory, public comments received in this unit were not field checked or verified. The original recommendation will stand and the BLM staff will field check the comments during the intensive inventory. The area appears to be in a natural condition.

2. Is there existing BLM intensive wilderness inventory information on all or part of this area?

No (Go to Form 2)

Yes X (if more than one unit is within the area, list the names/numbers of those units.):

a) Inventory Source:

Wilderness Study Area Decisions – Nevada BLM Intensive Wilderness Inventory (Nov. 1980)

b) Inventory Unit Name(s)/Number(s):

NV-050-0460/Resting Springs Range

c) Map Name(s)/Number(s):

Nevada BLM Wilderness Study Recommendations Based On Intensive Inventory (Apr. 1980)

d) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s):

Las Vegas District

e) BLM Intensive Inventory Findings on Record:

If more than one BLM inventory unit is associated with the area, list each unit and answer each question individually for each inventory unit):

Unit#/ Name	Size (Final Acres)	Naturalness? (Y/N)	Outstanding Solitude? (Y/N)	Outstanding Primitive & Unconfined Recreation? (Y/N)	Supplemental Values? (Y/N)
NV-050-0460/Resting Springs Range	11,000	Y	Y	Y	Y
NV-050-0460A/Resting Springs Range	4,568	Y	Y	Y	Y
NV-050-0460B/Resting Springs Range	4,560	N	N/A	N/A	N/A
NV-050-0460C/Resting Springs Range	520	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NV-050-0460D/Resting Springs Range	410	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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FORM 2

DOCUMENTATION OF CURRENT WILDERNESS INVENTORY CONDITIONS:

(1) Is the unit of sufficient size?

Yes No

Description:

The unit is located within 10 miles of the town of Pahrump, Nevada. The northern and eastern portion of the unit is adjacent to utility corridors and rights-of-ways. The BLM SNDO designated utility corridor is located in the southeast portion however no developments currently exist within the unit. The western portion of the unit is contiguous with the Resting Springs Wilderness Study Area (BLM, Pahrump Field Office) and Resting Spring Range Wilderness (BLM, Barstow Field Office) along the California/Nevada border. This single unit totals 9,284 acres.

(2) Is the unit in a natural condition?

Yes No N/A

Description:

The unit is predominantly natural. There is no known evidence human use or occupation and vehicle ways were located within the unit. This unit remains largely in its natural condition with man's work substantially unnoticeable.

(3) Does the unit (or the remainder of the unit if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalsness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for solitude?

Yes No N/A

Description:

The vegetation in the area consists of sparse low desert shrubs which provide no vegetative screening. The topography consists of low hills, arroyos, draws, saddles and bajadas east of the Resting Spring Range. This topographic relief would provide only minimal screening. Overall, the topographic and vegetative screening would provide minimal opportunity for solitude.

Outstanding opportunities for solitude must be identified within an area, however it need not be present on every acre in order for a unit to meet the element of solitude. While this unit in and of itself lacks outstanding opportunities for solitude, it is contiguous with Resting Spring Range Wilderness which is identified as having outstanding opportunities for solitude. This unit is considered a small roadless area contiguous with the designated Wilderness and therefore the discussion of the opportunity for solitude concludes that since the unit under review is contiguous with Resting Spring Range Wilderness opportunities for solitude do not stop at the administrative boundary.

- (4) Does the unit (or the remainder of the unit if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes No N/A

Description:

Though opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation exist, they are not outstanding. Opportunities for hiking within the unit are not unlike those opportunities found relative to general public lands. Opportunities for other types of recreation (horseback riding, camping) are limited due to the limited water availability. No big game animals are known to exist within the unit. The unit lacks outstanding opportunities for recreation both in the diversity in the number of primitive and unconfined recreational activities possible or the outstanding quality of one opportunity.

Outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation must be identified within an area, however it need not be present on every acre in order for a unit to meet the element. While this unit in and of itself lacks outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, it is contiguous with Resting Spring Range Wilderness which is identified as having outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation. This unit is considered a small roadless area contiguous with the designated Wilderness and therefore the discussion of the outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation concludes that since the unit under review is contiguous with Resting Spring Range Wilderness opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation do not stop at the administrative boundary.

- (5) Does the unit have supplemental values?

Yes No N/A

Description:

The Amargosa niterwort (*Nitrophila mohavensis*) is a federally listed endangered plant species and is located within the sub-unit. Wild horses are also found within the sub-unit.

Summary of Findings and Conclusion

Unit Name and Number: NV-SN-30-003/Resting Springs Addition
Map Title: Wilderness Inventory Unit NV-SN-30-003/Resting Springs Addition

Summary
Results of Analysis:

- 1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements?
NV-SN-30-003 Yes No

- 2. Does the area appear to be natural?
NV-SN-30-003 Yes No N/A

- 3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation?
NV-SN-30-003 Yes No N/A

- 4. Does the area have supplemental values?
NV-SN-30-003 Yes No N/A

Conclusion
Check One:

- The area—or a portion of the area—has wilderness character (items 1, 2 and 3 are checked “yes”).

- The area does not have wilderness character (any of items 1, 2 or 3 are checked “no”).

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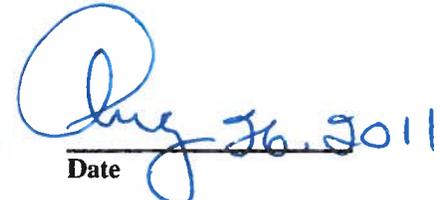
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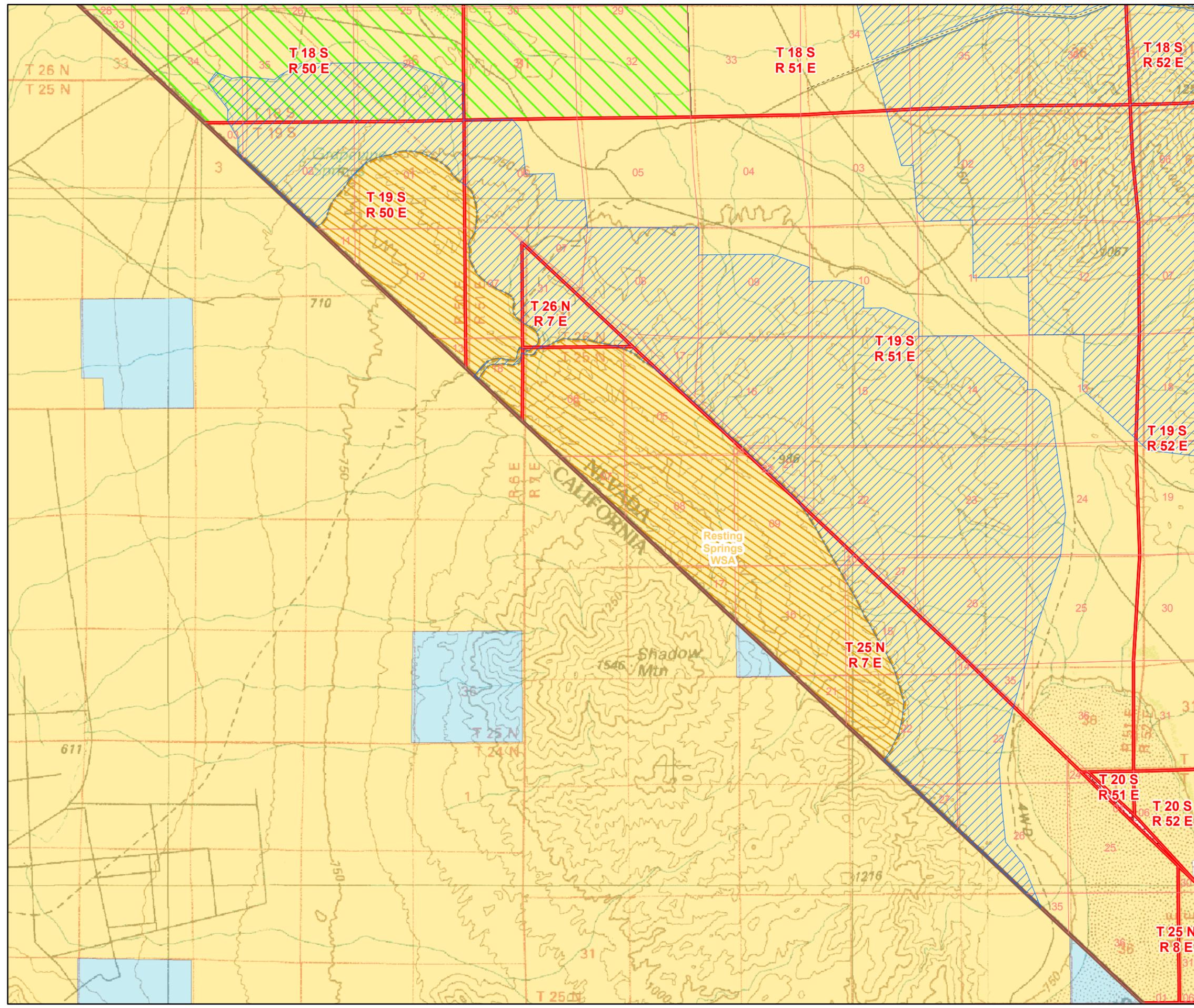
Approved by:

Field Manager
Pahrump Field Office


Date

This form documents information that constitutes an inventory finding on wilderness characteristics. It does not represent a formal land use allocation or a final agency decision subject to administrative remedies under either 43 CFR parts 4 or 1610.5-2.

Wilderness Inventory Unit NV-SN-30-003 Resting Springs Addition



	Wilderness Inventory Unit
	Designated Wilderness Area
	Wilderness Study Area
	Southern Nevada District Office
	Section Line
	Township Line
Major Road	
	Interstate
	US Highway
	State Highway
	County Highway
	Back Country Byway
	Paved Road
	Improved Road
	Unimproved Road
	Trail
	Restricted Road
ACEC	
	Biological
	Cultural
	Cultural/Biological
	Desert Tortoise
Land Status	
	Bureau of Indian Affairs
	Bureau of Land Management
	Bureau of Reclamation
	City of Las Vegas
	Clark County, Nevada
	Department of Defense
	Department of Energy
	Fish and Wildlife Service
	Forest Service
	National Parks Service
	State
	Private



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