



Bureau of Land Management
Carson City District
Urban Interface Management Issues



Management Priority 1: Transient Camps



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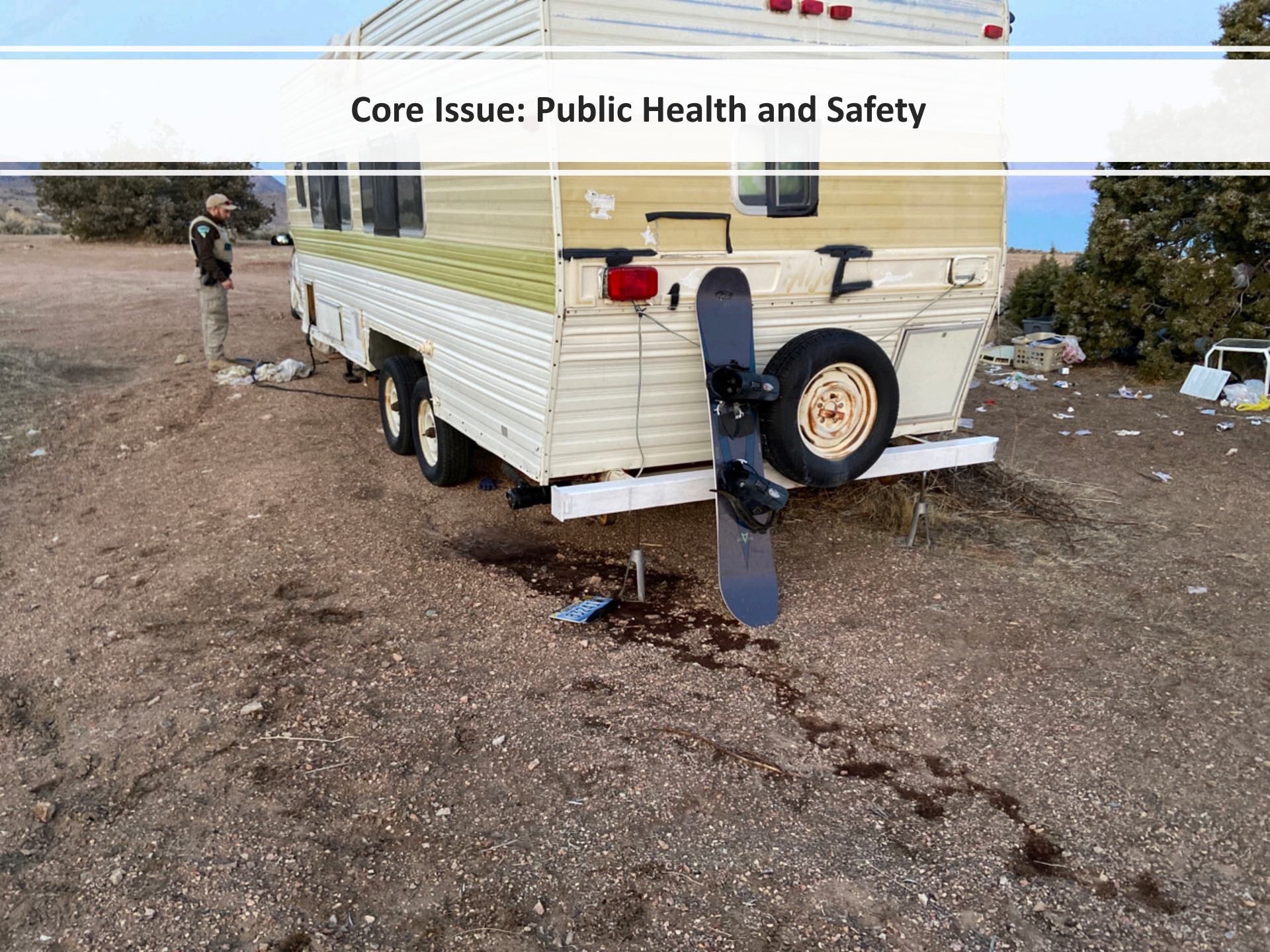
Management Priority 5: Trash Dumping



Priority 1: Transient Camps

- The Carson City District will be using existing authorities within Federal Register Notice 93–24399 to limit certain public lands within the urban interface to day-use only, beginning April 1, 2021.
- Within Washoe County, the closure will impact the urban/congested areas in Golden Valley and Sun Valleys
- Camping and campfires would be restricted in these areas to protect resources, restore access to other forms of recreation, and provide for public health and safety.

Core Issue: Public Health and Safety



Core Issue: Resource Damage



Core Issue: Negative Impacts to Legitimate Users



Core Issue: Limited Patrol Resources



Core Issue: Partnership and Collaboration



Transient Camps: Partnership and Collaboration

Request to partner agencies: Transient camping is an urban interface issue that negatively impacts public lands at the local, state, and federal levels, as well as neighboring landowners and communities. Without a coordinated approach, implementation of this proposal will simply displace transient campers from public lands managed by the BLM to neighboring public lands. To avoid this shifting of the issue, the BLM SFFO is looking to partner with the U.S. Forest Service, Washoe County, and the Sun Valley General Improvement District by:

- 1) Providing concerns and/or suggestions that the BLM should consider for implementation
- 2) Work with BLM law enforcement to provide transients resources or services offered by partner agencies
- 3) Assist with public education on the rule changes and provide information on other camping opportunities in the area

Management Priority 2: Moon Rocks OHV Area

- Moon Rocks is a popular OHV riding area in Washoe County with use approaching 40,000 visitors per year. An estimated 5,000-6,000 users visit the area on Memorial Day weekend.
- BLM initiated a short-term planning project for Moon Rocks in 2020 to facilitate improvements within the Moon Rocks project area by addressing immediate public health and safety related concerns, provide for trail maintenance, and manage environmental impacts caused by an increase in visitation. This project received funding through the Nevada State OHV Grant Program
- The long-term plan will address larger needs, such as route inventory, signage, additional trail maintenance, and development of camping and facilities. This will occur over the next 3-5 years

**Core Issue:
Public Health and Sanitation**



**Core Issue:
Public Safety**



**Core Issue:
OHV Management and Trail Maintenance**



Moon Rocks – Partnership and Collaboration

Request to partner agencies: The BLM is asking for support from partner agencies by:

- 1) Participating in the scoping process for BLM's short-term planning effort. The EA is anticipated to be released next week.
- 2) Supporting BLM's interest in making improvements to the Moon Rocks OHV area by sharing information about the planning process, guidelines for safe OHV use, and community efforts such as clean-up events.
- 3) Partnering with BLM law enforcement with conducting law enforcement patrols and providing emergency services in the Moon Rocks area during high use weekends.

Management Priority 3: Target Shooting

- BLM CCDO met with partner agencies and user groups in November 2019 and again in September 2020 to better understand the core issues and needs surrounding recreational target shooting in Washoe County.
- BLM's goal is to ensure recreational shooting access in Washoe County continues as a recognized, legitimate use of public lands while ensuring protection of resources, safety of public, and compliance with state, local and federal law.
- In coordination with our partner agencies and public land users, the BLM intends to move forward with a planning process that will help address the core issues and provide an improved user experience. Public scoping is anticipated in 2021.

Target Shooting: Core Issues

- **Trigger Trash**
 - **Degradation of Resources**
 - **Fire Danger**
 - **Safety of Public**
 - **Lack of Access to Developed Ranges**
 - **Non-compliance and agency alignment with state, local, federal laws**
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