

Monument Manor: meeting regarding off-road vehicle use  
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*There is a meeting coming up that will address off-road vehicle use in our area.*

**BLM** is holding an open-house meeting on **Wed, April 19 from 5:30pm to 6:30pm** at the Yucca Valley Community Center to review their proposal to temporarily restrict off-road vehicle use to street legal vehicles **ONLY** on BLM segments within roadways maintained by the County.

The BLM's proposed temporary limit would **NOT** prohibit off-road vehicle travel on community roads **NOT** maintained by the County.

See email below from Morongo Basin Conservation Association.



**BLM to hold route system meetings for public input**

Dear MBCA Members and Supporters,

MBCA keeps you informed about off-road vehicle issues impacting our rural neighborhoods and wilderness areas. As many of you are aware, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is in the process of revising their WEMO (West Mojave) Route System.

MBCA along with conservation partners COW (Citizens OHV Watch) and ARR (Alliance for Responsible Recreation) hold the position that it is unacceptable for the BLM to utilize our community roadways within their OHV route system. We advocate that BLM routes starting, terminating and otherwise utilizing community residential roadways should be designated for street legal vehicle use only.

It appears our voices have been heard and are being considered by the BLM in planning for the route system revision. However, it is important for us to continue our advocacy to insure the outcomes we are working for. BLM will be hosting two open-house meetings to gather public input on a proposal to temporarily restrict use to street legal vehicles **ONLY** on the 148 miles of roadways located on BLM route segments located within a CSA and maintained by the County of San Bernardino Public Works Department. However, if you live on a community road that is **NOT** a County maintained roadway, the BLM's proposed temporary limit would **NOT** prohibit OHV travel on those roadways.

**While MBCA supports the BLM's proposal to temporarily limit usage on their routes that incorporate County maintained roadways to street legal only vehicles, BLM must provide protections for all residential roads whether or not they are County maintained. Your voices will be important for BLM to hear to endorse street legal only designation and to expand it to include similar protections for all our rural residential roadways.**

Plan to attend one of the scheduled BLM open-house meetings:

**WHERE:** [BLM at Yucca Valley Community Center](#) (Yucca Conference Room) 57090 29 Palms Highway, Yucca Valley

**WHEN:** Wednesday, April 19, 2017 - 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** [BLM at Barstow Field Office](#) (Main Conference Room)

2601 Barstow Rd, Barstow, CA 92311

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 20, 2017 - 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Note: For important background information on off-road-vehicle issues and the history of the Basin that resulted in the checkerboard pattern of public & private roadway jurisdiction, click [here](#) for MBCA website's Rural Roads and OHV Limits. Included are a set of documents necessary to understand legal positions of property owners should BLM open County unmaintained dirt roads to OHV riding.

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