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**Dedicated to protecting our lands for the
people, not from the people.**

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Diana Mead, CORVA President

Good things are happening! Now is a great time to renew you membership and to donate to CORVA

Later in this issue you will read about Inland Empire 4 Wheel Forest OHV Challenge Grant. They have stepped up with a matching donation opportunity. We have also gotten wonderful donations from San Diego Of Road Coalition, Eastern Sierra 4WD Club, Off-R-Rockers and a few individuals making July our best donation month ever. Thank you!

Unlike many of our adversaries, and our sister organizations, CORVA has only one paid employee (and it is a pretty small salary.) The rest of your board are volunteers, using our personal resources to protect off road motorized recreation. We do a lot with a small amount of money, but we can so so much more with MORE. Your membership and donations free us from fundraising and allow us to do what we are becoming recognized for, education, political activism, negotiation and empowering stakeholders.

Thank you for your donations. Thank you for your membership. Thank you for volunteering. Thank you for your trust in CORVA.



MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Amy Granat, CORVA Managing Director

We argue, fight, beg and plead for off-road recreational access on a regular basis, but for everyone else who finds their favorite area or trail at risk of closure we offer some sage advice.

CORVA is the most dynamic and active organization working for OHV enthusiasts in the state through a combination of strategies. We are not afraid of trying new avenues to convince people that motorized vehicle use is sustainable and enjoyable, and a boon to local and rural economies around the state.

These are some of the most important attributes when advocating for Off-Road Access:

- Persevere politely – don't take no for an answer!
- Knowledge of the issues – do your homework and display an understanding of the issues at play.
- Understand limitations of federal/state policy – is there a legitimate reason in policy that is quoted to close an area (hint: usually there isn't).
- Commit yourself to equity for all types of off-road access – insist on fairness and parity for motorized access as compared with non-motorized access, and motorized access to non-motorized activities such as rockhounding.
- Know when to ask for help, when to yell, and when to pursue legal action! CORVA is always here to help!

Because of CORVA's 45 year history of positively influencing policy and enhancing off-road recreation, we have a statewide reach of federal and state agency personnel and we usually know about proposed changes in policy before they happen. CORVA keeps avenues to federal and state representatives open and we are willing to ask for help when we feel it may result in positive change for OHV access or off-road enthusiasts.

These are some of the least important attributes when advocating for Off-Road Access:

- Bravado and posturing – it's overrated and unlikely to win allies.
- Demeaning criticism and attitude – especially when directed towards agency personnel, fellow off-road enthusiasts and advocates it is unlikely to elicit positive change.
- Rudeness or impertinent behavior – paints a negative picture of the entire OHV community.
- Assuming your voice is the most important – it is always better to work with a coalition of folks who have the same goal.

On some issues CORVA works with non-motorized representatives as well, because it's critical to expand our reach when speaking for access. After all, most people share one thing in common – everyone uses some type of motorized vehicle to reach public land. Whether they unload mountain bikes or a horse trailer after arriving is irrelevant; it's important they have the motorized access to get where they wish. After all, as evidence of the freedoms we hold so important in our country, everyone should have the right to recreate in the fashion they chose.

Right now in California it is the height of the summer, and we are suffering through intense wildfire activity. Off-roaders can be part of the solution by reaching out to hard hit communities and working with the Red Cross or local Office of Emergency Services. Many of us live in rural areas and understand the fear of fire, and more of us value the landscape in our forests and deserts and hate to see it destroyed by fire. Do your part, however small that may be to help your community.



CORVA LAND USE REPORT

by Bruce Whitcher, VP Land Resources and Public Policy

Obama Proclaims 3 New National Monuments

In a massive expansion of his lands legacy, Obama created three new national monuments in Nevada, California and Texas on July 3, 2015.

Using his authority under the Antiquities Act, the president created a protected area spanning roughly 704,000 acres in central Nevada's Basin and Range, as well as smaller ones in California's Berryessa Snow Mountain and Texas' Waco Mammoth.

With the new designations, Obama has established or expanded 19 national monuments for a total of more than 260 million acres of public lands and waters, more than any previous president. The Basin and Range monument alone, at more than 1,000 square miles, is nearly the size of Rhode Island.

Before Friday Obama had protected 1,142,036 acres of public land; that figure has now nearly doubled, to 2,176,821 acres. He has now bested Teddy Roosevelt in terms of protecting more land under the Antiquities Act, though Presidents Carter, Clinton and Franklin Delano Roosevelt have put more land off limits to development under the law.

Obama's aggressive use of his executive authority in the arena has already prompted a congressional backlash. Earlier this year the House narrowly approved an amendment offered by Rep. Crescent Hardy (R-Nev.) on the Interior Department's annual spending bill that would block the use of federal money to carry out the presidential designation of a national monument under

the Antiquities Act in 17 counties in Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon and Utah.

But GOP leaders pulled the bill the following day, so the fate of the language remains unclear.

The move marks a major victory for retiring Sen. Harry Reid (D-Nev.), who had personally lobbied Obama to create the desert monument. The area, which is sparsely populated and undeveloped, serves as a migration corridor for large mammals such as mule deer and pronghorn, as well as habitat for imperiled species including the sage grouse, hoary bat and the flowering White River catseye.

The Basin and Range is significantly larger than the president's previously biggest national monument, the nearly-500,000-acre Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks in New Mexico. Broadly supported by environmentalists, it is also home to a major earthen sculpture, "City" which the artist Michael Heizer has worked to create over nearly half a century.

Many local office holders and ranchers opposed the designation, arguing it could impede economic development and threaten local grazing operations. While the proclamation stipulates it will not affect any grazing activities in the area Connie Simkins, who serves as secretary as the local grazing board that encompasses one of the affected counties, noted that the creation of the Great Basin National Park ultimately ended grazing there through later regulation.

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Federal land use bills reintroduced into Congress:

Desert Protection and Recreation Act, S 1441, (Feinstein)

Clear Creek National Recreation Area and Conservation Act, HR 1838 (Farr)

Central Coast Heritage Protection Act, (Lois Capps)

BLM and Forest Service plans:

West Mojave Plan - Final Supplemental Plan due Fall of 2015

Forest Plan Revisions for Sequoia, Sierra, and Inyo National Forests – draft environmental impact statement due for publication fall 2015

Forest Service Travel Management Subparts A and C

State OHV Division plans:

Carnegie SVRA General Plan – comment period closed, final plan under development



Off-roaders have great potential to guide, inform and teach others about the beauty of the land we experience through our travels. We intuitively understand how getting away from home and spending a night on the Rubicon or a star-filled evening in the desert allows us to reconnect our souls to nature. After a long day riding single-track or rock crawling, the simple joy of sitting around a campfire rejuvenates our beings in a way that borders the miraculous. This is what we can share with others.

INTRODUCING THE CORVA FOUNDATION: “HELPING OFF-ROADERS HELP OTHERS”



It's a proven fact that people need to experience that connection to the mountains or desert to feel the force of Mother Nature and understand why we must continue to care for our land; why stewardship is of critical importance at this juncture in history. At the present time in California 15 wildfires of various sizes are burning throughout the state. At the same time, America's children and grandchildren are said to be suffering from 'nature deficit disorder' because of the extensive time they spend in front of computer screens and cell phones.

Off-roaders can help solve these problems and more as ambassadors working within our communities, helping others to experience what we have been lucky enough to enjoy for many years. Teaching and guiding others in the ways of the backcountry come as second nature to most of us because of the years we have spent doing the same – rather than sitting on a couch indoors.

There is great ignorance in the world about off-roading and the tremendous amount of stewardship entailed in calling oneself an off-roader or OHV enthusiast. We see firsthand the affects of ignorance as more and more areas are called to be closed to off-road access because of misunderstanding about the great contributions OHV enthusiasts bring to the landscape. CORVA, the California Off-Road Vehicle Association works to change this status quo through politics and policy and legal action. The new CORVA Foundation will change this status quo through education and action. We are looking for people to work with us because there are many projects and communities that need our help. Inner city children need a chance to visit the areas we love, and off-roaders can provide the transportation and education. Fire Safe Councils up and down the state are working hard to prevent catastrophic wildfire, and OHV enthusiasts are the folks who can get into the backcountry and report on the true conditions existing in a landscape.

And most importantly, we must educate our own in the ways of 'leave no trace' and 'pack it in, pack it out'. There are new people entering our community all the time as off-roaders, and we must have classes set up for these folks and have them understand that every trip into the backcountry is an opportunity to lead by example.

Help the CORVA Foundation achieve our goals by donating. Donations are fully tax deductible and help us change the image and action of off-roaders by 'Helping Off-Roaders Help Others'.

**Donations can be sent to: CORVA Foundation, PO Box 298,
Clarksburg, CA 95612**



DESERT RECREATION BILL WILL PERMANENTLY SET ASIDE AREAS FOR OFF ROAD USE

Bob Ham, Assistant Southern Regional Director - Legislation

CORVA and other off road advocacy organizations are working for passage of S. 414, the California Desert Conservation and RECREATION Act, that was introduced in the Senate earlier this year.

Ever since the 1970's when Congress would designate new Wilderness Areas in the California Desert, off roaders were angry because they would invariably lose access to roads in areas where they were once able to legally recreate with their motorized vehicles. The politicians and bureaucrats would simply point out that there were still millions of acres left where OHV use would remain legal. In reality the effect of having the Congress permanently close these Wilderness areas to our use was to establish the boundaries for the next battle over where they would try to move us out of next. Once this pattern became clear, CORVA and our allies began to ask Congress "if you are going to permanently designate areas where we cannot go, why not begin to designate areas where we will be guaranteed permanent access?" Of course this simple and logical sounding request was generally ignored as more and more Wilderness bills were introduced and more and more acres were permanently lost to off road recreation and new lines were established for the next battle over lands that we would have to fight to protect for our continued access.

Today that vicious cycle may be changing for the better in the form of S. 414. Several years ago a staff member from Senator Dianne Feinstein's office reached out to CORVA and our allied off-road advocacy organizations with the news that the Senator was concerned over the conversion of sensitive lands in the California Desert to the development of solar or wind energy projects. Her main concern was over the lands that conservancy groups bought up from the railroads and other private landowners and donated to the BLM with the expectation that the lands would remain as open space. When the conservancy organizations complained to her that the lands they donated as open space were now becoming candidates for solar/wind energy projects, the Senator decided to reach out to all the desert stakeholders to prepare what she hoped would be the last Wilderness bill for the California Desert. What evolved after years of negotiations between the conservancy advocates, off road groups, Wilderness supporters, energy developers, and others turned into the California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act (CDCRA) or S. 414.

When the bill was finally introduced in April it included 5 areas that would be permanent Congressionally designated OHV Recreation Areas and one other area in Vinagre Wash along the Colorado River in Imperial County where miles of existing roads will be permanently designated open for motorized recreation. The bill also designates areas to be studied for possible addition expansion of the newly designated OHV Recreation Areas. CORVA is now working in concert with our allies in ORV recreation to get a prompt hearing for this bill in the Senate. Although we did not get everything we asked for in the bill, there is enough benefit for CORVA to tell the Senator that we will support her bill although we will continue to work to add additional protections for OHV recreation as the bill works its way through the legislative arena. We are also working with the House of Representatives to develop a similar bill for introduction in the House that will be even better for off road interests than S. 414. CORVA expects to see a House bill introduced within the next few weeks.



Watch the CORVA facebook site for ongoing updates on this issue and please

be prepared to send letters or emails of support for our position when asked on the CORVA website or facebook page.



DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN TO YOU

Jim Woods, Southern Regional Director

I enjoy the posts on Facebook; they help me keep up with all of my friend's adventures, good or bad. Recently, there was a post from Gunner Velasquez, a King of the Hammers co-driver for car #4585, that after a long drive on a highway in San Diego, he was upset because the trail that he wanted to use was locked and closed without notice.

I thought, "Why was it closed?" Some type of trail management by the Forest Service or just a seasonal closure? Can the Forest Service do a better job letting the public know of when trails are closed? This is a situation Gunner should know about. Is there a CORVA Club in that area working on trail management?

The best way for this not to happen is to be involved. Club and personal involvement will provide

a vast knowledge of how the Forest Service and other regulatory agencies work, and when and why they might close a familiar trail from regular use. Recently CORVA was contacted by the Eastern Sierra 4x4 Club of Bishop, CA. They discovered a huge amount of trail closures that Inyo National Forest Service planned, using the "trail management" criteria as the reason. (This is exactly what has happened in the Plumas lawsuit we are now involved in.)

Our managing director, Amy Granat called for a meeting with the Inyo National Forest Supervisor and was able to negotiate a two week extension. The club immediately began to inventory the trails to prove and document their worth and quality of recreation value. They attended a follow-up meeting, with a representative

from Congressman Cook's office attending; and now have a mutually respectful working relationship with the forest service. They will be involved in the rest of the process and will never take trail usage for granted again. While the club involvement hasn't exactly guaranteed that trails will always be open, their involvement has made it a much better process and hopefully will help the outcome.

So where does this leave you and/or your club? Are all of your favorite trails open? Are they gated? Are you going to wait to drive up to that closed gate before you get involved and then find out it is too late, or be proactive like Eastern Sierra 4WD? (By the way, they admit that they almost waited too long!!)

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SAN DIEGO OFF-ROAD COALITION FUN RUN

Save the date November 7, 2015

The San Diego Off-Road Coalition Lost Lizard Fun Run will be in a new location this year, by Superstition Mountain. Our base camp will be at "The Dip" right by Huff Road just past Wheeler Road. We will have a fun route, games at the checkpoints, great prizes for best hand, second best hand and worst hand as well as our giant raffle. Plan to camp with us all weekend, explore this great open OHV area and help SDORC protect our off-road lifestyle.



Visit the SDORC website for more event information and pre-registration:

<http://www.sdorc.org/sdorc.org/Welcome.html>



The Berryessa and Snow Mountains National Monument –The OHV Perspective

The Berryessa Snow Mountains national monument proclamation calls for a management plan to be jointly developed by the Forest Service and the BLM. As with most national monuments existing uses, including the use of off highway vehicles on designated routes, may continue as long as this is consistent with the care and management of cultural and natural resources described in the proclamation.

Despite this provision both OHV use and grazing have been heavily restricted or eliminated by management plans in other national monuments. With the Stonyford and the Upper Lake Ranger District OHV areas originally included in the National Conservation Area this was a potential cause for concern. The most recent map of the Monument now places the majority of these OHV areas outside the Monument boundary. A few important routes remain within or cross the Monument boundary, such as the important Upper Lake to Stonyford cross forest trail.

The OHV community has largely supported designation of the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument. This is consistent with past efforts by OHV organizations, primarily the Blue Ribbon Coalition, that were heavily involved in the development of the North Coast National Conservation Area several years ago.

As with the San Gabriel National Monument more will be known following development of the management plan, but the outcome looks promising for at least maintaining but not expanding OHV opportunity within National Monuments at this time.

San Gabriel National Monument

Proclaimed by President Obama last year, the national monument includes Approximately 330,000 acres of the Angeles National Forest and 4000 acres of the San Bernardino National Forest. A Monument management plan is under development by stakeholder groups. Recently published documents have called for the current management direction for roads and trails to continue unchanged as long as this is consistent with care and management of cultural and natural resources described in the monument proclamation.

Congressional Lands Bills

Lands bills are stalled in Congress at this time. President Obama has made it clear that he will use executive powers under the Antiquities Act to develop

his environmental legacy through proclamation of national monuments if Congress fails to act.

Desert Protection and Recreation Act, S 1441, (Feinstein)

This bill is very similar to the bill introduced in 2012, but includes amendments that are favorable for OHV interests, including designation of Dumont Dunes as an OHV area, study of important routes of travel for designation within the proposed Mojave Trails National Monument, and study of expansion of the Spangler “open” area to include the “C routes”. The bill maintains existing recreation uses, including hunting, vehicular travel on existing open roads and trails, camping, horseback riding, rock collecting, etc. **This bill would not close any existing designated routes.**

Clear Creek National Recreation Area and Conservation Act, HR 1838 (Farr)

This bill is essentially the same bill introduced last year. It would:

- Establish an interim management plan for the area as the 2005 Clear Creek Travel Management Plan.
- After no more than 2 years, create a long term management plan
- Designate the Joaquin Rocks Wilderness Area – 21,000 acres
- Designate 5 new wild and scenic rivers
- Release, as a wilderness study area, the San Benito Mountain WSA

Central Coast Heritage Protection Act

This bill is essentially the same bill introduced by the Congresswoman Lois Capps in 2014.

The bill would not close any existing roads, trails, or areas open to motorized vehicles.

Wilderness: Designate 245,665 acres of wilderness in the Los Padres National Forest and the Carrizo Plain National Monument.

Condor National Recreation Trail: Designate a hiking trail corridor for approximately 400 miles along the spine of the coastal range from Los Angeles County to the northernmost point of the Los Padres National Forest in Monterey County.

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USFS Forest Plan Revisions for Inyo, Sequoia, and Sierra National Forests—

CORVA is monitoring developments closely. A Wilderness Evaluation and Inventory process is nearing completion. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Forest Plan revisions will be released in the fall.

BLM Land Use Plans - “WEMO” West Mojave Plan

This is the most significant land use plan for traditional recreational uses of the desert. The BLM’s West Mojave Plan has been the subject of protracted litigation for decades. Following a court ordered supplemental environmental plan, the BLM released this important document for public comment. The comment period ended June 4, and we anticipate release of the Final Environmental Impact Statement by the fall of 2015.

The Draft West Mojave Route Network Project (WMRNP) and Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) describe and analyze alternatives for the planning and management of a transportation and travel network and livestock grazing on public lands and resources within the West Mojave Planning Area.

State of California OHV Division Plans

Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area (SVRA) General Plan Update

The comment period closed on June 29th. CORVA submitted extensive comments in support of the draft General Plan.

Next steps: The agency will consider public comments and revise the draft General Plan as necessary. The General Plan will then be adopted and certified in the fall of 2015.

Carnegie SVRA is mainly a destination for intermediate and advanced off-highway motorcycles from multiple age groups. Known for steep hillsides and challenging terrain, the SVRA attracts families and single riders who want to ride for a few hours, camp and ride for several days, or compete in or watch hill climbs or other special events.

Various facilities that support recreation opportunities are located within the approximately 4,675-acre SVRA: 1,575 acres in the original SVRA and 3,100 acres in the expansion area. Existing facilities include multiple restrooms, day-use sites for picnicking and staging, and recreational facilities that include off-highway vehicle (OHV) trails, a motocross track, and all-terrain

vehicle (ATV)/motocross track, 70cc children’s track, 110cc beginner track, 4x4 challenge area, hill climb special-event area, campsites, and park concessions.

The General Plan is a guidance document intended for use over many years, and it outlines goals and guidelines that apply to the entire Carnegie SVRA.

Travel Management Subpart A

This complex and rather confusing effort by the Forest Service to determine the minimum necessary road system continues. Although this planning project specifically excludes roads and trails previously designated by Travel Management Subpart B, many of these Forest designated route systems are heavily dependent on Forest roads for connectivity. In some cases road closure proposals have recommended the destruction of key connecting routes leaving OHV routes as isolated segments that cannot be accessed. This requires careful attention by local user groups who have an intimate knowledge of local roads and trails. CORVA has been monitoring and facilitating developments in these areas.

Travel Management Subpart C – regulation of over snow vehicle use

Five-Forest Over-Snow Vehicle Use Designation Analysis:

- The Lassen, Tahoe, Eldorado, Stanislaus, and Plumas National Forests are beginning an analysis, based on Subpart C of the Travel Management Rule, to allow, restrict or prohibit over-snow vehicle (OSV) use through the designation of roads, trail and areas on National Forest System Lands. These analyses will support the decisions to designate over-snow vehicle use on National Forest System roads, trails, and areas on National Forest System lands.
- In addition, the national forests will combine the analysis needed for OSV use designations with analysis to formalize the identification of National Forest System Snow Trails that will be groomed for OSV use.
- An over-snow vehicle is defined as “a motor vehicle that is designed for use over snow and that runs on a track or tracks and/or a ski or skis, while in use over snow” (36 CFR §212.1).

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CORVA is proud to cosponsor the Hungry 4 Change Off-Road Poker Run together with the OHMVR Division of State Parks on Labor Day Weekend at Hungry Valley SVRA. Mountain Families Resource Center based in Frazier Park. All proceeds from the event will go towards programs teaching leadership skills to youth and teens from the rural mountain areas around Frazier Park. We encourage our members to enjoy Labor Day and contribute to a great cause and supporting rural youth programs by attending Hungry 4 Change!

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Hungry Valley SVRA in Gorman, CA

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- Driver/Rider Information Meeting: 8:30am

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- Cutoff Time to Start Course: 2:00pm
- Complete 5 Checkpoint Course and Turn in Hand by: 4pm
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- Winners Announced: 5pm (Winner must be present)

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California State Parks and CORVA



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- 4x4 Vehicle SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:**
- Tow rope or strap
 - Seatbelts for all passengers
 - Fire extinguisher
 - Roll bar or hard top
 - Emergency brake, parking brake, line-lock or other redundant braking system.
 - Muffler (not open)
 - First aid kit
 - Jack capable of lifting vehicle
 - Spare tire within 3 inches diameter of other tires, or, for tires 37" or larger, run-flats or tools to repair/replace-inflate tire.
 - Tow balls are not permitted
 - Tires with reasonable tread life and of off-road design
 - Loose items secured
 - Antenna properly restrained
 - Air pressure lowered to 15 psi maximum before inspection
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- ROV/Motorcycle/ATV SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:**
- Helmet (Mandatory)
 - Spark Arrestor (Mandatory)
 - Pants
 - Long Sleeve Shirt
 - Riding Boots
 - Gloves
 - Goggles
 - First aid kit
- Note: Best Practice Network is still a work in progress

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JOIN CORVA'S FIGHT FOR ACCESS TO OUR NATIONAL FOREST

When you find your favorite trail is threatened, where do you turn? If you're like many people in the off-road community, you turn to CORVA.

Why? Because you know that CORVA has a 45 year history of standing up for everyone in the off-road community. You know we will **fight for you and your trail** to the best of our ability.



Donate today and help save access
to our National Forests!

Your membership and donations have helped CORVA become California's Off-Road Voice for Access, Conserving Opportunities and Protecting OHV Recreation!

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Visit the Inland Empire 4 Wheelers
at www.IE4W.com

You know CORVA was the first organization to intervene to defend Ocotillo Wells SVRA and filed a lawsuit against the Forest Service this year to protest closures due to Travel Management. Your donation will help us do even more!

Double your donation now by meeting the IE4W Challenge!



CORVA MERCHANDISE

CORVA accepts donations for all merchandise listed below.

Although your donation is not tax deductible, they are one way CORVA raises funds to continue to fight for Off-Road recreation access. When you promote CORVA by wearing a shirt or hat, displaying stickers, etc. you are helping spread the word to your fellow off-roaders. Show them you support CORVA – Order Today!

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(Incl. 1 trucker hat, 2 coffee cups, 2 cozies and 1 sm sticker)
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- Gift Membership \$30.00
(Incl. 2 stickers and monthly newsletter. We'll send an acknowledgement along with your gift.)

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- These forests are undertaking the Subpart C analysis in order to:
 - provide a manageable system of trails and areas designated for over-snow vehicle use, consistent with and to achieve the purposes of Travel Management Regulations at 36 CFR part 212;
 - ensure that over-snow vehicle use is well managed to promote safety of all users, minimize impacts natural resources, and minimize conflicts among the various uses
- These forests are also undertaking the analysis to identify and formalize the system of over-snow vehicle trails that will be groomed to meet the terms of a court-required settlement agreement.
- The project will undergo analysis under NEPA which provides opportunities for input from local communities, local government, and all interested parties.
- The Lassen National Forest began their NEPA analysis first, followed by the Tahoe, Eldorado, Stanislaus, and Plumas National Forests. Each Forest will prepare a separate Environmental Impact Statement.
- The Forest Service's goal in designating over-snow vehicle use is to ensure that the use of over-snow vehicles is well managed to promote the safety of all users, minimize impacts to natural resources, and to minimize conflicts among the

various uses. Once the NEPA decisions for the designation of roads, trails and areas have been issued over-snow vehicle use that is inconsistent with the designations would be prohibited under 36 CFR part 261.

- These designations will apply to the lands on each of these five national forests that receive adequate snowfall for over-snow vehicle use to occur.
- Currently, the five national forests manage approximately 1,000 miles of groomed OSV trails. These estimates, by forest, are currently being validated and refined utilizing Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and will be updated, if needed, once this validation step is completed.

National Forest	Groomed Miles of OSV Trails (Approximate)
Eldorado	50
Lassen	400
Plumas	200
Stanislaus	60
Tahoe	300

There are financial limitations on the size of each forest's snow trail grooming program and the frequency at which the grooming occurs.

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In order for CORVA to help you and your club, we need you to be involved in CORVA. You should be an individual member; your club should be a CORVA club, and perhaps someone from your area might consider becoming a board member. We need a Vice President of Marketing, a State Secretary and a Vice President of Education. We need volunteers to work at the upcoming Super Sports Sand Show in Orange County September 18th - 20th, and the Lucas Off-Road Expo at the Fairplex in Pomona October 3rd & 4th. Working these events with the existing CORVA Board members is fun and educational. Send us your stories, club event news and pictures for our newsletter. Send us the off-road news you see locally for the CORVA website and Facebook page. We want you to be our eyes and ears for your local communities.

The more you are involved, the better we can represent you. We have been the lead in major issues like Ocotillo Wells and Plumas National Forest. We will continue to focus on protecting our public land for off-road use. We want to educate more off-road users who have no idea what is happening in their local area until it becomes too late. We can't let this happen! But we need your help.

Please consider volunteering for CORVA. Come work a booth, submit an article, join us on a board meeting every 4th Monday of the month. Send an email and we will provide the call in number. You will learn many things and help keep our off-road opportunities available. The gate you keep open may be just down the road or even in your own back yard.

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The California Off-Road Vehicle Association (CORVA) is a varied group of outdoor recreationalists who are extremely active in promoting the positive aspects of vehicular access on public lands and protecting that right.

The group is composed of the owners of "Green Sticker" vehicles such as ATV's, motorcycles, 3-wheelers, trail bikes, and dune buggies, as well as "street legal" 4x4 vehicles, dual sport motorcycles, baja and desert racers, and snowmobiles.

We work with land managers for responsible off-highway vehicular access and recreation opportunities. Secondly, we educate our membership on the constantly changing rules and regulations and promote conservation, clean-up and trail maintenance projects.

We participate in lobbying activities in both Sacramento and Washington DC. We work closely with the State Department of Parks and Recreation providing input to

the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) program from the users' standpoint.

We provide a valuable resource to land managers in the form of dedicated OHV and OSV enthusiasts who believe in using our public lands responsibly.

We are active at all levels of the land management public process with both the BLM and USFS as well as at the county and local levels. We do this by commenting on many environmental documents on issues that affect us.

We coordinate with other multiple use organizations such as snowmobiles to horse enthusiasts to protect multiple use rights that we both share. Only together can we fight the extremists.

We are dedicated to protecting our lands for the people, not from the people.

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