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DATE: All nominations should be
received by the appropriate BLM State
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date of this notice.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

**Notice of Availability of a Draft
Environmental Impact Statement for
the Black Rock Desert-High Rock
Canyon Emigrant Trails National
Conservation Area Resource
Management Plan, Nevada**

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of a Draft
Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)
for the Black Rock Desert-High Rock
Canyon Emigrant Trails National
Conservation Area Resource
Management Plan (RMP), Nevada.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section
202 of the National Environmental
Policy Act of 1969, a Draft Resource
Management Plan/Environmental
Impact Statement has been prepared for
the Black Rock Desert-High Rock
Canyon Emigrant Trails National
Conservation Area.

The Black Rock Desert-High Rock
Canyon Emigrant Trails National
Conservation Area Act of 2000 (the Act)
gave special designation to 1.2 million
acres of public lands managed by the
Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in
northwestern Nevada, collectively
known as "Black Rock-High Rock." The
Act designated 815,000 acres as a
National Conservation Area (NCA) and
752,000 acres as 10 Wilderness Areas
(378,000 of the Wilderness acres overlap
the NCA). The NCA and associated
Wilderness Areas were created
specifically to protect one of the last
nationally significant segments of the
historic emigrant trails used by pioneers
to travel from the eastern States to
Oregon and California, and a landscape
largely unchanged since the mid-1800s.
Black Rock-High Rock contains an array
of unique historic, cultural, educational,
wildlife, riparian, and wilderness
resources, threatened species, and
recreational values. The Act also
identified wilderness, grazing, and
special recreation permit events as
valuable existing land uses that are
expected to continue.

Designating Black Rock-High Rock as
an NCA and Wilderness Areas placed
new emphasis and requirements on
resource uses in the area. The DEIS/
RMP has been developed to address
these changes. This DEIS/RMP does not
evaluate the designation of the NCA and
Wilderness Areas, but rather develops
several resource management
alternatives that fully comply with the
NCA Act and the Wilderness Act and
other applicable laws, regulations and