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## Natural Resources Management Plan

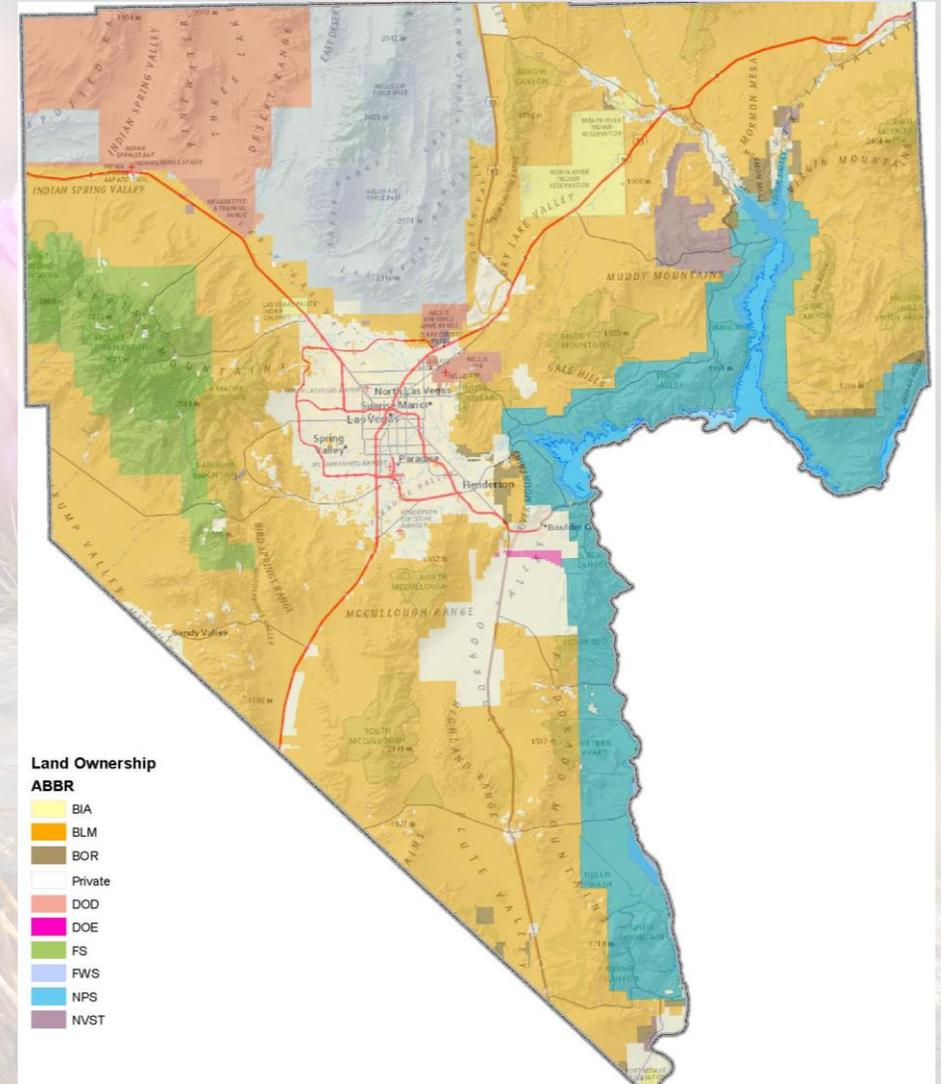
- Provides a vision for the future ecological health of an area
- A road map that guides you from where you are to where you want to be
- Helps landowners, communities, and planners work together to accomplish multiple objectives for the land

## Public Lands Plan

- Establishes policies to ensure that the management of public lands are consistent with local land use planning goals
- Aids in coordinating County interests with those of federal agencies
- Ensure continued compatible land uses, public access to public lands, and maintenance of resource values



- Nearly 90% of the land is managed by a federal agency
- Residential centers are “land-locked” by federal lands
- Planning for wildlife conservation, growth and development, and resource use require cooperation and coordination with federal agencies

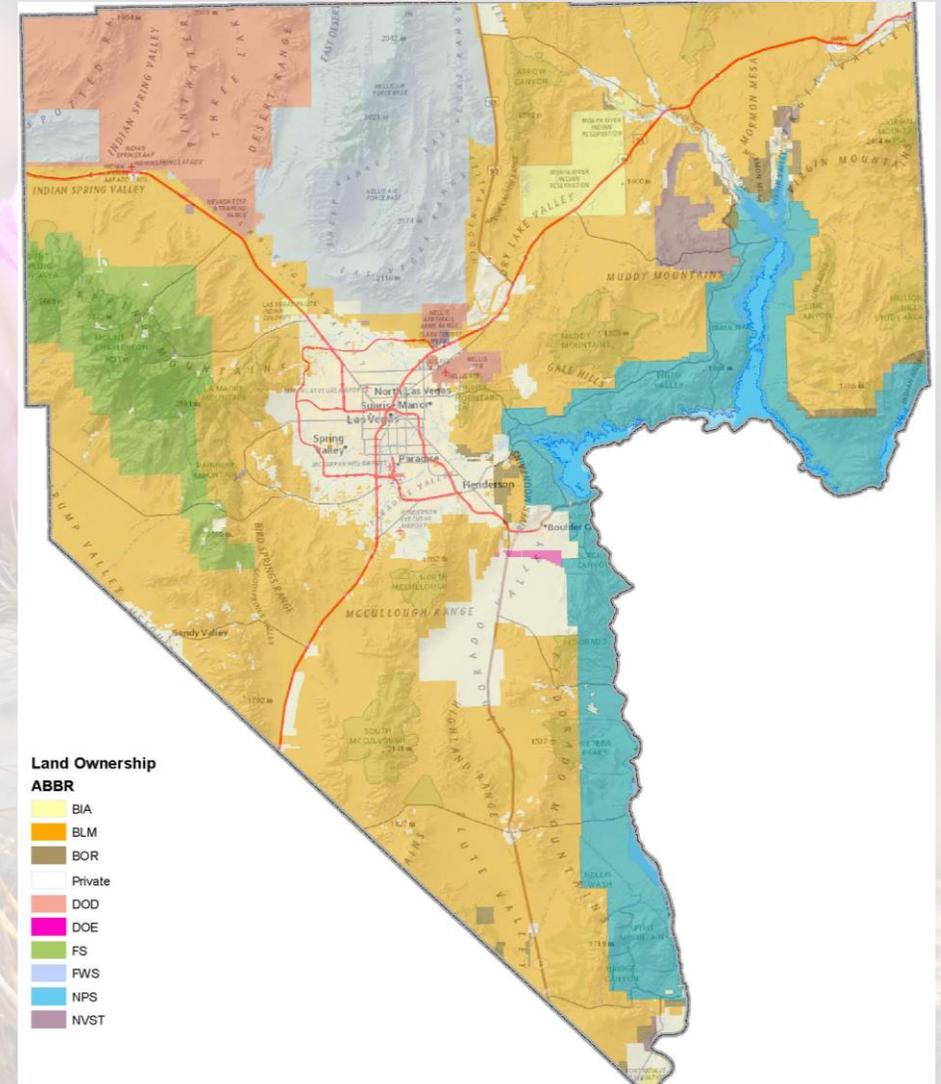




## Competing needs for open space

- Conservation of wildlife
- Passive recreation (hiking, nature viewing, camping)
- Mountain biking
- Horseback riding
- Trail running
- Off-highway vehicle recreation
- Target shooting
- Grazing
- Mineral resources
- Energy production
- Wildfire prevention

All requires coordination



## Identify Issues of Concern in your Community

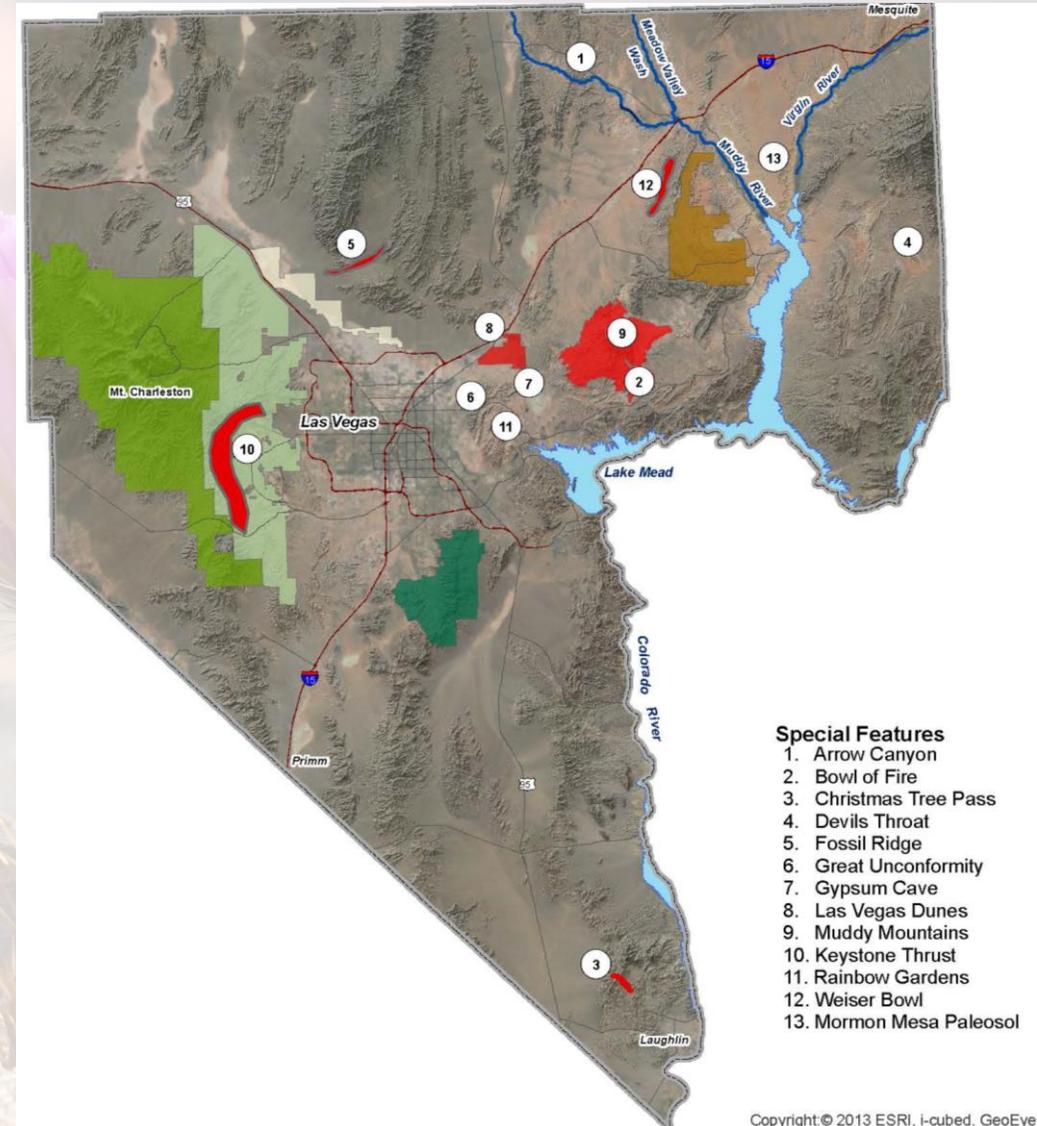
- Protecting water resources
- Preserving the character of popular recreation areas (Red Rock, Lake Mead, and Spring Mountains)
- Protecting wildlife
- Preserving a variety of recreational opportunities



## Natural Resources Inventory

- Tells you what you have to work with
- Not all resources can be protected – aids in prioritization
- Guides development towards areas where it is most suitable (i.e., least conflicts)

Make use of resource experts in other agencies – collaborate!



The Federal Land Policy and Management Act directs the BLM to:

“...keep apprised of State, local, and tribal land use plans; assure that consideration is given to those State, local, and tribal plans that are germane in the development of land use plans for public lands; assist in resolving, to the extent practical, inconsistencies between Federal and non-Federal Government plans, and shall provide for meaningful public involvement of State and local government officials, both elected and appointed, in the development of land use programs, land use regulations, and land use decisions for public lands...”