

Key BLM and Partner Messaging about the BLM's National Conservation Lands

The mission of the National Conservation Lands is to conserve, protect, and restore these nationally significant landscapes that are recognized for their outstanding cultural, ecological, and scientific values.

The National Conservation Lands are places that spark the imagination. Their spacious beauty has drawn people to the West for generations. The National Conservation Lands sustain for the future—and for everyone—these remarkable landscapes of the American spirit.

The National Conservation Lands are places where you can explore, hike, hunt, fish, and enjoy the natural and cultural splendor of the American West. They offer unequalled opportunities for education, scientific study, and self-discovery.

The National Conservation Lands are big, less crowded, and offer more ways to explore than other protected areas.

BLM manages over 45 National Monuments and National Conservation Areas, designated to protect objects of historic or scientific interest on public lands and encompass lands of tremendous beauty and diversity, ranging from the rugged California coastline to colorful desert canyons.

BLM manages approximately 28% of all Wilderness Areas, consisting of rugged mountain ranges, broad valleys, and desert plains that include the surviving remnants of the vast natural landscape that once covered all of North America.

BLM manages land along 18 of the total 30 National Scenic and Historic Trails nationwide. National Scenic Trails provide for outstanding outdoor recreation and National Historic Trails follow a historic trail or route of national significance.

BLM manages approximately 20% of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, established to preserve certain rivers with outstanding natural, cultural, and recreational values in a free-flowing condition for the enjoyment of present and future generations.

The National Conservation Lands help drive our nation's nearly \$650-billion outdoor recreation economy.