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Sloan Canyon September Newsletter

“The environment is where we all meet; where we all have a mutual interest; it is the one thing all of us share.” -Lady Bird Johnson

One way you can share your mutual interest about the environment is by providing feedback on the Sloan Canyon NCA Supplemental Rules Environmental Assessment. It is out for 60-day public comment period so please offer your feedback at [EplanningUi \(blm.gov\)](http://EplanningUi.blm.gov).



Education Tip: Did you know September marks the peak of fall bird migration season? Birds will begin to migrate south in search of warmer weather, more food, and more daylight hours as the Northern Hemisphere heads towards winter. Did you know that you can help migrating birds by turning your lights off at night? Most of the millions of birds that migrate each year travel at night using the magnetic pull of the earth and using the moon and stars to set their course. By turning off our lights we can reduce the skyglow over Las Vegas and help the birds reach their destination. Learn more at the [Sloan Canyon Speaker Series](#) on **Sept. 19 at 10:30am.**

Fun Fact: National Public Lands Day (NPLD) is the nation’s largest single-day volunteer effort for public lands. This year BLM, the City of Henderson, and the Clark County Library District will be hosting a trail clean-up and story walk on [Sept 21 from 8-11am at the McCullough Hills Trailhead](#). So, roll up your sleeves and join forces for a common goal- stewarding America’s natural resources for future generations to enjoy.

Friendly Reminder: The last few weeks at Sloan Canyon, coyotes have been commonly seen running around and heading into neighborhoods. Coyotes are a very important part of our environment helping to keep the small mammal population in check. They are smart and adaptable animals and can get used to being around humans. According to Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW), people can reduce or eliminate coyote sightings in their neighborhoods by reinstating coyotes’ fear of humans with hazing techniques and discouraging their return by removing attractants. Some hazing techniques include standing your ground, using a loud voice, looking as big as possible, and not running away. People can remove attractants by ensuring garbage cans, pet food, and compost are inaccessible to the coyote. **You should never feed a coyote or any other wild animal.** If you have questions about coyotes call NDOW at 702-486-5127.

Etiquette Principle: September sometimes brings slightly cooler temperatures, especially early in the mornings. A beautiful morning can quickly become very hot and can lead to issues if you are not correctly prepared. Make sure to bring at least a liter of water per hour along with salty snacks and appropriate sun protection when recreating in the desert.

In multi-use areas, mountain bikers and hikers should yield to equestrian users. Mountain bikers should also yield to hikers. Please note that motorized vehicles, including e-dirt bikes and ATVs, are not permitted within Sloan Canyon NCA. Be a good neighbor. Have a great, safe time out there this September!

