

Recreation Reminders from BLM Law Enforcement

Maintaining visitor safety, permittee rights, and the land's resources are among the BLM Law Enforcement's priorities. Before visiting BLM lands, know and respect the rules that are in place for visitor's safety and to protect the resources.

OHV/UTVing

BLM Utah is proud to provide countless miles for OHVing. Protect our privilege to ride by engaging in good riding and stewardship practices. Stay on designated roads and trails. Cross-country travel is allowed only in "open" areas. Please remember the following Utah laws:

- Children under the age 8 are not allowed to operate any OHV/UTV on public lands, roads or trails in Utah. Children ages 8 through 15 may operate an OHV/UTV provided they possess an Education Certificate issued by Utah State Parks and Recreation or equivalent from their home state.
- Resident operators 16 years of age or older may operate an OHV/UTV if they possess either a valid driver's license or an approved OHV Education Certificate.
- Operating any motor vehicle, including an OHV/UTV, while under the influence of alcohol is prohibited.
- Having an open container of alcohol while operating a motor vehicle, including an OHV/UTV, is prohibited.

SAFE SHOOTING PRACTICES

Did you know that most areas on BLM land are open to target shooting? With this great opportunity comes the great responsibility of respecting the closure areas and maintaining the integrity of the sport by following good stewardship practices.

- Shoot on a tarp to easily clean up bullet casings.
- Clean up your target and remove all shooting related debris
- Protect natural resources and leave your "range" looking better than when you arrived

With increased use of public lands over the holidays, please take extra caution to protect yourself, other visitors, and the natural landscape while target shooting:

- Know your target and beyond
- Shoot into a safe direction with good backstop
- Shooting across or near roads are prohibited
- Possession and use of explosive targets is prohibited on all public lands

- Be aware of shooting closure areas
- Avoid fire prone areas. A single spark can start a wildfire.

MOUNTAIN BIKING

Trails are built to preserve the delicate desert landscape, protect certain plant and wildlife species, and maintain the visual landscape to improve the visitor's experience. Please fight the urge to go off trail. Stay on designated routes!

- Don't light your toilet paper! It can start a wildfire. Bring a trowel and pack out your toilet paper.

DRONES

Drones are a lot of fun! However, they are not fun when a plane or helicopter cannot fly due to a drone being in the airspace. Please do not use drones during a search and rescue, medical emergencies, or firefighting operations. In these situations, drones are more of a hindrance than a help!

CULTURAL RESOURCES

How amazing are rock art and dinosaur bones! The BLM has laws in place to protect these resources. Please respect Utah's amazing human and paleontological history by only taking pictures.

- Don't remove cultural resources
- Leave rock art in its pristine condition. It does not need your autograph!
- Don't shoot cultural resources

HIKING AND CANYONEERING

Please use leave no trace principles and respect camping closure areas. Let family and friends know your itinerary before you leave. We are here to help! However, our ability to find you in the event you need help is challenged by not knowing your itinerary.

LARGE PARTIES

We don't want to shut down your raves! Please plan ahead of time and contact the correct BLM Office to inquire into a Special Recreation Permit.

HUNTING AND FISHING

Please follow all Utah Department of Wildlife Resources rules and regulations!