

Silverstate Off- Highway Vehicle Trail

Highlights

- The Silver State Off-Highway Vehicle Trail – Lincoln Section was designated on November 30, 2004 by Title IV of the Lincoln County Conservation, Recreation and Development Act, or Public Law 108-424 (LCCRDA). The Trail covers approximately 260 miles of established roads and maintained or established two-tracks from Patterson Pass on the northern end of the Trail to just north of Highway 93, west of Caliente on the southern end of the Trail.
- The Silverstate Trail is the only congressionally designated Off Highway Vehicle trail to date.
- Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) money was applied for and secured to accomplish the planning and implementation phases of the Silverstate Trail.
- In the fall of 2006, the BLM began the development of a management plan for the trail. An Environmental Assessment was written to analyze the potential impacts of implementing modifications and improvements to make the trail more suitable for Off Highway Vehicles. In the fall of 2007, the Environmental Assessment was completed.
- The BLM is now implementing the management plan and is working to ensure the public is provided a trail setting where they may experience an organized and quality Off-highway vehicle experience.

Trail improvements being implemented include:

1. Trailhead development with parking, restrooms and signage to guide the public onto the trail.
 2. Trail re-routes and improvements aimed at decreasing the chance for resource damage and conflicts with other uses.
 3. Signage of the Muleshoe, Coyote and Deadman crossings. These crossing were added to provide a long distance loop riding experience.
 4. Installation of information and interpretive signs aimed at providing trail users with: safety information, rider etiquette rules, and natural, cultural and biological resources available for viewing along the trail.
 5. Implementation of a monitoring plan created for the trail.
- The BLM plans to complete the implementation of the management plan for the trail in 2008.



FACT Sheet

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260 miles

Elevation: approximately 4,000 to 7,500 feet

Background and Location

The Silver State Trail, SST, is the first congressionally designated OHV trail and lies within Lincoln County. The trail runs near Pioche, Panaca, Caliente, and Alamo. The trail is easy to moderate in difficulty, with the exception of the Chief Mountain area that provides more challenging riding opportunities.

Getting There

There are currently three designated and open trailheads to stage your ride from, as well as numerous access roads from US Highways 318 and 93.

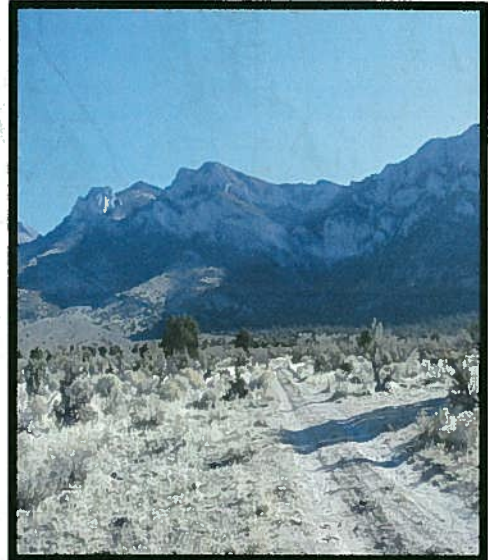


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Area Description

The Silver State Trail winds its way up ranges such as the Highland Range and plummets into Dry Lake Valley before making another ascent. Vegetation consists primarily of desert brush and grass at the lower elevations and a scattering of pinyon and juniper stands on the upland slopes.

This is backcountry off-roading at its best. Out on the trail, expect your only visitors to be the numerous species of wildlife that call this pristine Nevada landscape home. Big Rocks Wilderness area abuts the SST and offers panoramic views of red limestone rock formations that give this area its name.

Additional Information

There are no services on the trail so please plan ahead and be prepared. There are places to refuel in Pioche, Caliente, Panaca and Alamo. Also, please take into consideration the sometimes harsh climate of Eastern Nevada. Winter temperatures can be severely cold and summertime temperatures can easily reach over 100° F. Please dress accordingly and remember to bring plenty of water.

Please be a respectful and a responsible land steward, and remember to

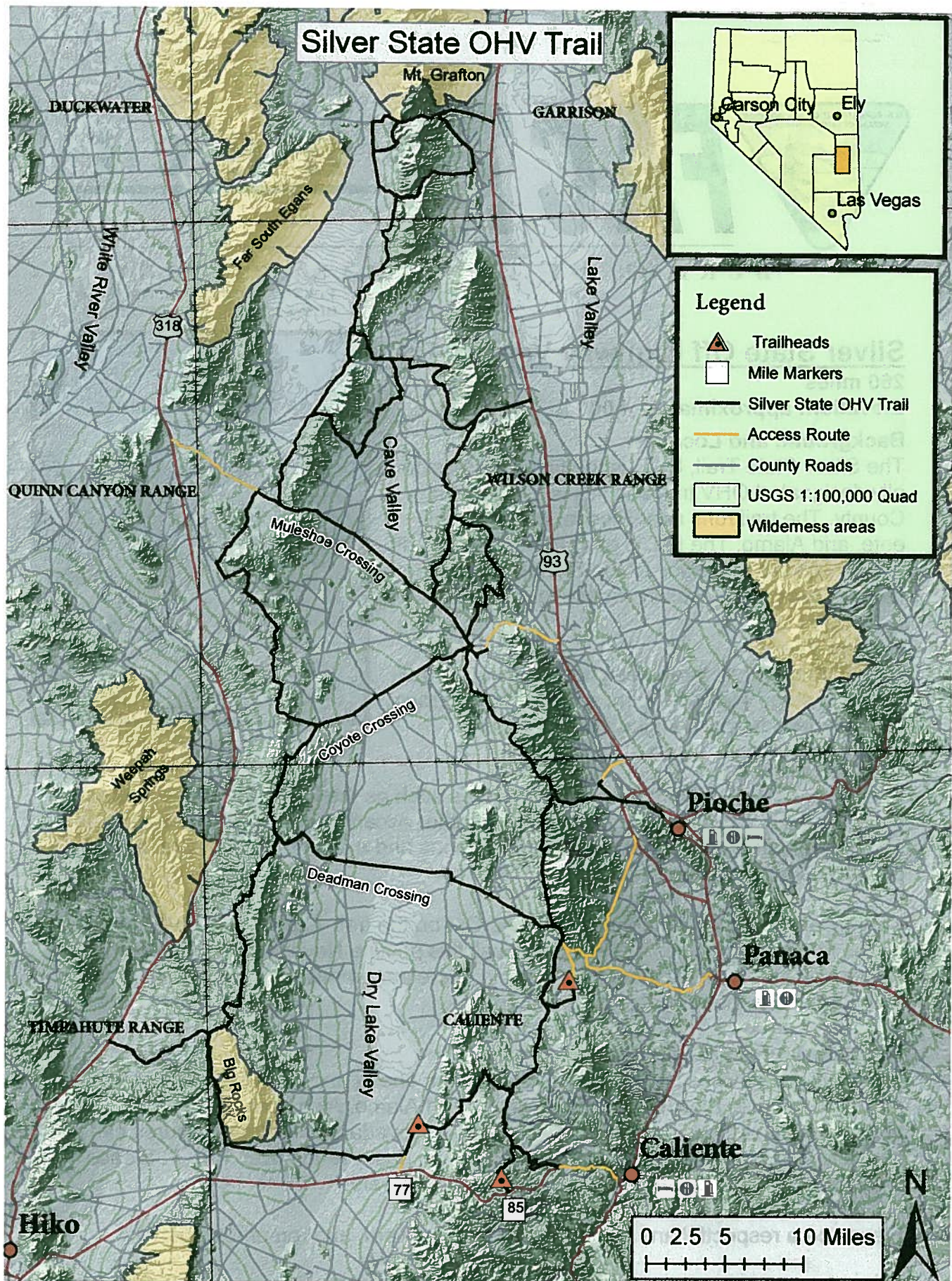
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Legend

- Trailheads
- Mile Markers
- Silver State OHV Trail
- Access Route
- County Roads
- USGS 1:100,000 Quad
- Wilderness areas



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