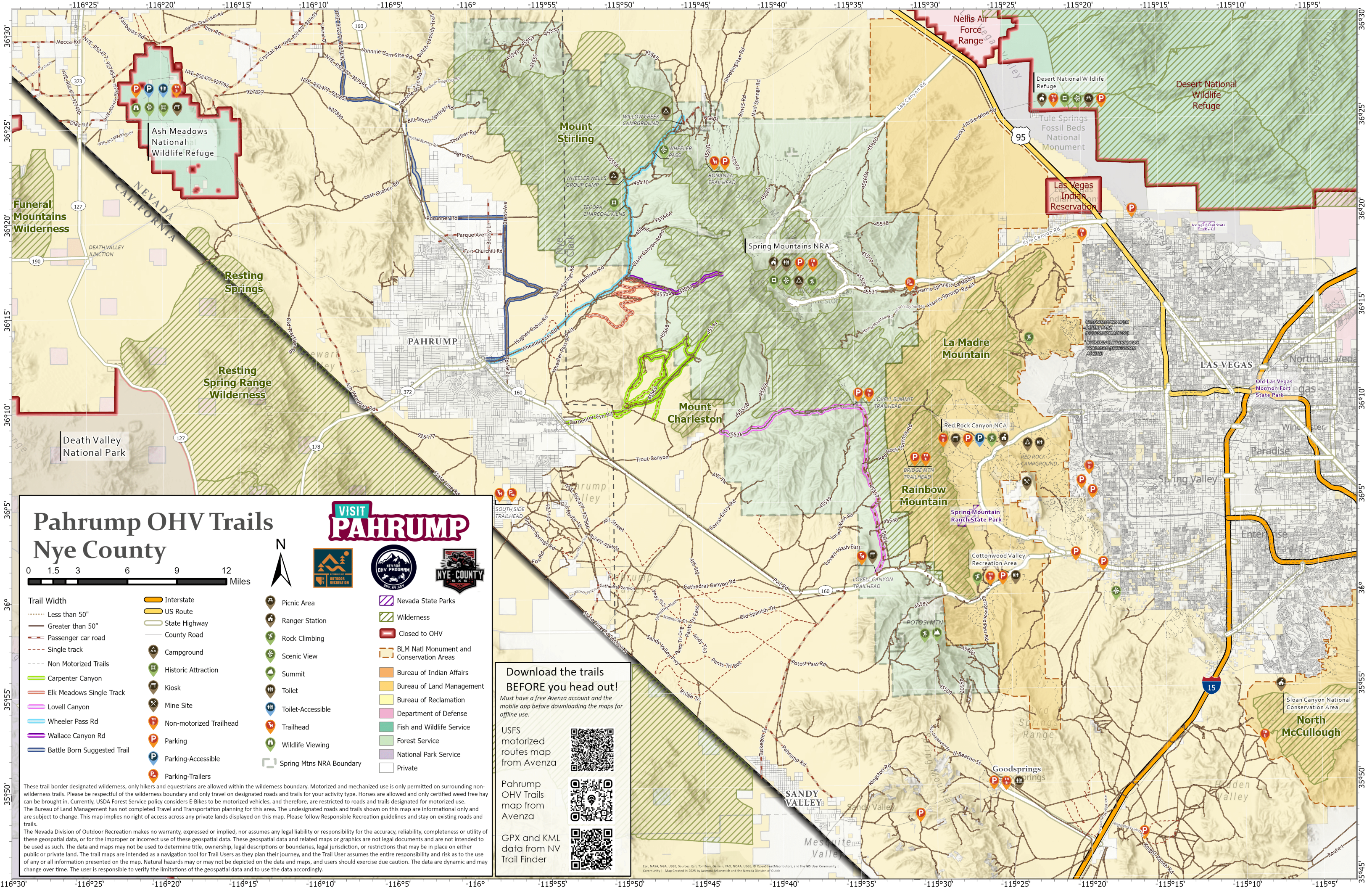




WELCOME TO PAHRUMP

60 miles West of Las Vegas - 180 Degrees Different

Pahrump, Nevada is located west of Las Vegas in the southeast corner of Nye County. Bordered by the Spring Mountain range to the east and the Nopah Vista to the west, it's a short drive from Las Vegas, Death Valley National Park, and the Dumont Dunes. The Southern Paiute Indians, who were the first to occupy the area centuries ago, originally named it "Pah-Rimpi" or "Water Rock" due to the abundant artesian wells throughout the valley. In 1862, prospector George Breyfogle created a lot of buzz when he bragged about finding amazingly rich gold deposits in the area. Excited to show off his discovery, he brought a mob of gold seekers to the valley. However, he was unable to navigate the landscape or lead them to the gold. For years, Breyfogle and other determined prospectors scouted the area in search of the gold with no luck. As a result, Pahrump became the base camp for the Nye Gold Seekers, a club dedicated to recreational mining and gold prospecting. From ATV and OHV (all terrain vehicles and off highway vehicles) to cultural festivals and spectacular events, visitors will be blown away by how much Pahrump has to offer.

RULES OF THE DIRT

-  Registering your OHV is required. Visit dmv.nv.gov/ohv.htm to learn more. (NRS 490)
-  Review Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 490.090 and Nye County Code Title 10 Chapter 10 on Off Highway Vehicles (10.10) for information on use of OHV's on paved roads.
-  Go slow and say Hello! Respect other trail users. Be courteous and yield right of way.
-  Please avoid all roads or areas posted with closures or restrictions, or as shown as closed on the map.
-  E-BIKES are considered motorized recreation and are not allowed within any wilderness or on non-motorized trails.
-  Always pack for the unexpected: extra food and water, first aid kit, fire extinguisher, fix-a-flat or extra tire, radio, and always let someone know where your going.
-  Never leave a campfire unattended. Drown them out so they are cool to the touch prior to departing camp.

Learn more about responsible recreation here: treadlightly.org



SUGGESTED ROUTES

CARPENTER CANYON



The Carpenter Canyon Road backcountry 4x4 trail is on the west side of the Spring Mountains near Pahrump. On a clear day, at the peak of this trail you get spectacular views from Charleston Peak to Telescope Peak in Death Valley National Park some 70 miles to the west. This route starts in the high desert and ends in the coniferous forest climate zone. You will likely see wild horses, burros, and deer. In the winter, upper Carpenter Canyon may be snowy and icy.

ELK MEADOWS



This is one of the longer trails systems in the Pahrump BLM riding area filled with fast and fun winding trail through a beautiful Joshua Tree Forest. The trail is a steady decline/incline the entire way and is mostly 50". The trail is dirt with loose rocks, sections of gravel, some easy rock slab sections, and some loose and steep climbs.

Routes in the area may not be marked. Be prepared with a paper map and GPS routes and stick to only existing roads, washes and trails.

LOVELL SUMMIT



The scenic Lovell Summit Road is a heavily used backcountry paved connector route between Lovell Canyon and Trout Canyon. From HWY 160 the route is paved making it a quick 30 minute drive. From Trout Canyon the road is dirt and may be more difficult to pass. This road is a crucial connector for the continuous backcountry road system on the west side of the Spring Mountains National Recreation Area. Non-motorized trail access to Lovell Canyon trail can be found where the paved half of Lovell Summit road ends.

WHEELER PASS



Wheeler Pass and the historic charcoal kilns are accessible by most 2WD high clearance vehicles but 4WD is recommended. The road starts off as a very wide maintained gravel road and begins to narrow to 50" winding trail as you begin to summit.

BATTLE BORN ROUTE



A series of connected dirt back roads that take you from Pahrump to Virginia City in Northern Nevada. The route is not maintained and may require good navigational skills. Download the full route for offline use at: <https://battleborntrail.com/battle-born-trail>.



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RESOURCES

NEARBY RECREATION

-  Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge
-  Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area
-  Cottonwood Valley
-  Spring Mtn Ranch State Park
-  Spring Mountains National Recreation Area
-  Death Valley National Park
-  Amargosa Dunes
-  Goldwell Open Air Museum / Rhyolite
-  Hoover Dam
-  Tecopa Springs

Emergency Services
911: For immediate emergencies and to reach first responders.
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