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# Nevada Rail Project Programmatic Agreement

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# Nevada Rail Project Programmatic Agreement

- Purpose – ensures Nevada Rail Project activities follow stipulations to manage historic properties and treat or mitigate effects.
- Parties: DOE, Bureau of Land Management, Nevada State Historic Preservation Office, Surface Transportation Board.
- Adheres to BLM State Protocol Agreement and requires BLM eligibility determinations.
- Preliminary Draft developed jointly by BLM and DOE.
- Tribes invited to become concurring parties.





# Nevada Rail Project Programmatic Agreement, cont.

- **Covers all project phases:**
  - ◆ **EIS**
  - ◆ **Planning**
  - ◆ **Construction**
  - ◆ **Operation**
- **PA includes:**
  - ◆ **Rail corridor**
  - ◆ **Sidings**
  - ◆ **Man camps**
  - ◆ **Burrow pits**
  - **Access roads**





# **Nevada Rail Project Programmatic Agreement, cont.**

- Area of potential effect: alignment - 200 feet wide; roads - 50 feet in either side of center line; staging and other disturbed areas – 100 foot buffer.
- 20% Class II statistical survey for EIS.
- 100% Class III survey will be completed prior to any construction.
- Desert Research Institute will provide curation facility.
- Distributed to Tribes and SHPO for initial review. Comments due by September 30, 2005.

