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Mojave Trails

Proposed National Monument



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Quick Facts

- Proposed Mojave Trails National Monument - about **941,413 acres**
- Located along the longest, **undeveloped stretch of Route 66** left in the country.
- **Route 66** was created in 1926 as part of the nation's first system of federal highways. Through literature ("Grapes of Wrath"), film, television and song, Route 66 became an international icon.
- There is a **Route 66 Club** in every country in the world.

Gaining National Monument status for the nearly 950,000 acres in the East Mojave Desert would protect existing uses of these lands for outdoor recreation, a national scenic highway, geologic exploration, wildlife corridors connecting national parks and federally protected wilderness areas.

Among the national treasures included in the proposed Mojave Trails National Monument are:

- Bigelow Cholla Garden Wilderness
- Cady Mountains
- Kelso Dunes Wilderness
- Pisgah Lava Flow
- Sleeping Beauty Valley
- Marble Mountain Fossil Beds

The monument would preserve the most pristine, undeveloped remaining stretch of historic Route 66. It would also bring clarity to our national renewable energy policy by concentrating energy development away from pristine public lands and along existing transmission lines.

