

Wilderness Awareness Workshop in the California Desert

January 24 - February 4, 2005

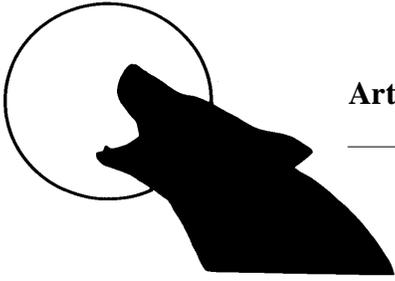
Purpose: This is an introductory course to increase basic understanding of the laws and values of the National Wilderness Preservation System in the California Desert. This training will provide participants with:

1. Increased awareness of the National Wilderness Preservation System, the wilderness resource, and wilderness values.
2. Increased understanding of wilderness legislation; the 1964 Act and subsequent legislation and how the legislation affects local decision-making.
3. An understanding of how wilderness fits into the overall mission/agenda of the specific agency and the role wilderness plays in the unit objectives and agenda.

Target Audiences: Members of the Desert Managers Group (BLM, Cal State Parks, DOD, FWS, FS, NPS): specifically, NON wilderness specialists involved with wilderness issues or in management of Wilderness including: line officers; visitor information providers; public affairs, maintenance, law enforcement, and resource managers (recreation, wilderness, fisheries, wildlife, fire, range, heritage, etc.)

Instructors:

BLM	Chris Barns (Arthur Carhart National Wilderness Training Center) Paul Brink (California State Office) Chris Roholt (California Desert District)
DOD	Major Jon Aytes (USMC, Twentynine Palms)
FS	Tim Williams (Region 5 Office)
NPS	Tim Devine (Arthur Carhart National Wilderness Training Center)



WORKSHOP AGENDA

- 8:30 am** **Welcome:** local line officer(s)
 --Workshop Purpose and Objectives for this office
- 8:40 am** **Introduction**
 --Logistics, overview of course and agenda
 --Participant introductions (what is their role in mgmt of unit wilderness)
- 9:00 am** *American Values: American Wilderness* -- video
- 10:00 am** Break
- 10:15 am** **The Wilderness Act of 1964 -- Sections 2, 4, and 5**
- 11:30 am** **The California Desert Protection Act of 1994 and the "Annexes"**
- 12:00 pm** Lunch
- 1:00 pm** **Four Cornerstones for Wilderness Managers** -- video and discussion
- 2:00 pm** **Wilderness and the non-Wilderness agencies** (will vary by location)
- 2:45 pm** Break
- 3:00 pm** **Case Studies, the Minimum Requirements Decision Process, Local Issues**
- 4:30 pm** **Where Do We Go From Here?:** local line officer(s)
- 4:45 pm** **Adjourn**