



RESOLUTION OHV-26-01

Adopted by the
CALIFORNIA OFF-HIGHWAY MOTOR VEHICLE RECREATION
COMMISSION
at a meeting conducted in
Santa Clarita, California
February 26, 2026

Final Environmental Impact Report For Hungry Valley State Vehicular Recreation Area

WHEREAS, the Director of California State Parks has presented to the California Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission (Commission) as the lead agency for approval of California State Park General Plan Updates, the proposed Draft General Plan Update (Plan) dated January 2026, and Final Environmental Impact Report (“FEIR”) for Hungry Valley State Vehicular Recreation Area (SVRA); and

WHEREAS, the Plan covers the original 19,625-acre SVRA; and

WHEREAS, approval of the Plan is a discretionary decision that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was prepared concurrent with the Plan, pursuant to Public Resource Code Section 5002.2 and the California Code of Regulations Section 15166 (CEQA Guidelines), providing a discussion of the potential environmental impacts of implementing the Plan and addressing all requirements of an EIR; and circulated to the public for the appropriate timeframe; and

WHEREAS the Plan is the “project” under CEQA, and the associated EIR functions as a “Program EIR” pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15168, covering implementation of the Plan, including its goals and guidelines and land use designations; additional CEQA review will be conducted for each specific project envisioned in the Plan as the projects move forward; and

WHEREAS, the Plan includes a detailed series of environmental protection measures within its goals and guidelines to avoid significant environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, as stated in Section 3.2, Air Quality of the Draft EIR, the operation of Hungry Valley SVRA as envisioned in the Plan, even with the implementation of goals, guidelines, and mitigation measures to reduce impacts, would have significant and unavoidable impacts associated with Air Quality; and

WHEREAS, the Plan and operation of Hungry Valley SVRA include the following conditions that render acceptable the significant and unavoidable effects related to Air Quality:

- Hungry Valley SVRA is legislatively established and sited through Public Resource Code 5006.48, which directs California State Parks to operate Hungry Valley SVRA as an off-highway vehicle (OHV) recreation facility;
- California State Parks is directed by Public Resources Code 5090.43(a) to make the fullest public use of outdoor recreational opportunities on SVRA lands, and inherent in the operation of an OHV recreation facility are air quality impacts associated with engine emissions and fugitive dust emissions;
- Hungry Valley SVRA provides an OHV recreation destination in proximity to large Southern California urban centers, limiting the amount of criteria air pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions associated with citizens traveling to and from the SVRA;
- The General Plan Update contains a set of goals and guidelines to be implemented to reduce adverse impacts on air quality resulting from General Plan implementation, and mitigation measures as outlined in the attached Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP); and
- A variety of additional mitigation measures were examined during the EIR process, in consultation with local air district staff, and when considering staff availability, funding requirements, topographical and water supply constraints, effectiveness, and the General Plan objectives, no additional mitigation measures were found feasible to reduce the identified significant impacts to a less-than-significant level.

WHEREAS, a Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations was made by the Director when he made the finding that a commitment to responsibly managing Hungry Valley SVRA to reduce air quality impacts during future operation and planning efforts outweighs the potential adverse air quality environmental effects required as a part of the approval of the Project; and

WHEREAS the General Plan Update is subject to the CEQA, and the Plan and EIR function as a “tiered EIR” pursuant to PRC 21093, covering general goals and objectives of the Plan, and that the appropriate level of CEQA review will be conducted for each project relying on the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Commission toured Hungry Valley SVRA on February 25, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Commission met in Santa Clarita, California, on February 26, 2026, to receive public comments and consider the Plan and related environmental documents for Hungry Valley SVRA for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that this Commission has reviewed and considered the information and analysis in the EIR prior to approving the Plan, and this Commission finds and certifies that the EIR prepared for the Plan reflects the independent judgment and analysis of this Commission and has been completed in accordance with CEQA; and be it

RESOLVED: in connection with its review of the General Plan Update prior to approval, this Commission independently finds that the environmental conclusions contained in the EIR are supported by facts therein and that each fact in support of the findings is true and is based on substantial evidence in the record and that goals and guidelines have been incorporated into the Plan that will avoid significant or potentially significant impacts, with the exception of impacts associated with Air Quality; and be it

RESOLVED: The location and custodian of the General Plan Update and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings on which the Commission’s decision is based with the Department of Parks and Recreation, located in the Natural Resources Agency building, Sacramento, California; and be it

RESOLVED: The California Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission hereby certifies the Environmental Impact Report prepared for the Hungry Valley State Vehicular Recreation Area State Park General Plan Update, dated January 2026; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: A Notice of Determination will be filed with the Office of Planning and Research within five days of this approval.

Attest: This Resolution was duly adopted by the California Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission on February 26, 2026, at the Commission’s duly noticed public meeting.

By: _____ Date: _____

Vicki Perez
Secretary to the Commission
For Armando Quintero, Director
California State Parks