

Las Vegas Field Office – How to Nominate Federal Land for Purchase



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Step 1:Verify the land parcel is
located within the Southern
Nevada Public Land Management
Act (SNPLMA) disposal boundary line.





- Step 2: Verify that the land parcel is Federal Land using the Geographic Information System Management Office (GISMO) website.
 - a. Click on link to access GISMO: <u>OpenWeb</u> (clarkcountynv.gov)
 - b. Locate the land parcel of interest on GISMO
 - c. Once located, click on the land parcel of interest
 - d. The land parcel will become highlighted, and the property information will be displayed on the left side of the screen. (See image)
 - i. The Property Information window will provide the Assessors Parcel Number (APN), Owner Name(s), Jurisdiction, Legal Description, etc.





- Step 3: After verifying that the land parcel is within the SNPLMA disposal boundary and owned by the Federal Government, review a Master Title Plat (MTP) of the location.
 - a. Click link to access MTP: <u>Nevada</u> <u>Land Records - Search Form</u> (blm.gov)
 - b. Once on the website, enter the Township and Range including direction for each in the **START** line area
 - i. This Information can be found on GISMO under Legal Description (<u>Slide 3 Picture</u>)
 - c. Once information is entered click **FIND**
 - d. See Below Example for Legal Description:

T. 23 S., R. 61 E., sec 5

- i. There is always a zero before the Township and Range number
- ii. The next dropdown box is always a zero
- iii. The following dropdown is for the direction of the Township and Range. They are S (South), N (North), E (East), or W (West)
- iv. Under Meridian, please select Mt. Diablo



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- **Step 4:** The Next window will display the results.
 - a. A primary Maser Title Plat (MTP) will display the entire township.
 - A Supplemental MTP will display the individual sections within the requested township.
 - c. Locate the Section where the land parcel is located
 - d. Click on MTP under the Record Type

Nevada Principal Meridian will be Mt. Diablo

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- **Step 5:** The next window will display the Master Title Plat (MTP)
 - a. Locate the land parcel on the MTP
 - b. Determine the land status and identify any encumbrances such as:
 - i. Rights-of-way, withdrawals, leases, etc. (See Slide 7 Picture)
 - c. The MTP can also ascertain if the parcel currently has any reservations preventing the land from being sold such as:
 - i. Recreation and Public Purpose (R&PP) reservations
 - ii. Affordable Housing reservations

The highlighted section depicts legal land description: M.D.M, Nevada, T. 23 S., R. 61 E., sec 5





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Step 5:The picture on this slide is a
partial zoomed-in view of Section
5 of the Legal Land Description:

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada, Township 23 South, Range 61 East, Section 5.

The yellow highlights depicted in this picture are examples of a few possible encumbrances within Section 5 of the Master Title Plat (MTP).



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Step 6: Contact the local government that has jurisdiction of where the land parcel is located.

- a. Provide land parcel information to the local governmental jurisdiction.
- b. They will ascertain if the land use you propose meets their local planning and zoning requirements.
- c. Local Government representatives:

| i. Clark County | Tamara Williams | (702)455-2528 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| ii. City of North Las Vegas | Jared Luke | (702)633-1523 |
| iii. City of Las Vegas | Savannah DelValle | (702)229-6262 |
| iv. City of Henderson | Andrew Powell | (702)267-1555 |

- **Step 7:** If the proposed use of the land parcel you wish to nominate is acceptable by the governmental entity, the City or County will then submit the nomination to the BLM.
- **Step 8:** BLM Land sales are normally held twice a year in a competitive land auction. All parcels nominated will be appraised to establish the current fair market value and parcels cannot be sold less than this value. A notice of the sale must be published in the Federal Register and includes information such as sale parcels, time/location of the sale, sale procedures, bidder requirements and the sale parcels. Following the publication in the Federal Register, the notice will be published in the local newspaper. The entire process from nominating public lands for purchase takes approximately 12 to 18 months.



Thank You

Please continue to check our website at http://www.blm.gov/snplma for the latest upcoming sales information or call (702)515-5000 and ask to speak with the Realty Specialist currently on Public Contact (PC). We can also be reached by email at BLM_NV_LVFOLands@blm.gov