

Senate Joint Resolution No. 9—Senators Jones, Ford, Gustavson, Hutchison, Segerblom; Denis, Goicoechea, Hammond, Hardy, Kihuen, Manendo, Parks, Settlemeyer, Smith, Spearman and Woodhouse

Joint Sponsors: Assemblymen Bobzien, Hardy, Wheeler, Healey, Oscarson; Daly, Duncan, Hansen, Livermore and Swank

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION—Urging the Director of the Bureau of Land Management to expedite the process for approving special recreation permits for certain uses of federal public lands in Nevada.

WHEREAS, Outdoor recreation in Nevada generates \$14.9 billion in consumer spending annually, creates 148,000 jobs and generates \$4.8 billion in wages and salaries and \$1 billion in state and local tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, Nevada has an abundance of federal public lands suitable for outdoor recreation that are managed by the Bureau of Land Management of the United States Department of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, Operators of outdoor recreation-related businesses are required to apply to the Bureau of Land Management for special recreation permits for commercial and competitive uses of those public lands; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Land Management has adopted regulations, 43 C.F.R. Part 2930, Subpart 2932, which set forth the procedure for applying for a special recreation permit; and

WHEREAS, The processing of special recreation permits by the Bureau of Land Management is often slow; and

WHEREAS, The slow processing of special recreation permits by the Bureau of Land Management deters outdoor recreation-related businesses from operating effectively and profitably; and

WHEREAS, Expedited processing of special recreation permits by the Bureau of Land Management would serve to create additional jobs for Nevadans and generate additional state and local tax revenue; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That the Nevada Legislature hereby urges:

1. The Director of the Bureau of Land Management to expedite the process of approving special recreation permits for commercial and competitive uses of federal public lands in Nevada for nonmotorized events;



2. The Director of the Bureau of Land Management to amend the provisions of 43 C.F.R. Part 2930, Subpart 2932, to further expedite the process of approving those special recreation permits; and

3. The Nevada Congressional Delegation to use its best efforts to encourage the Director of the Bureau of Land Management to expedite the process of approving those special recreation permits and to make any necessary amendments to the provisions of 43 C.F.R. Part 2930, Subpart 2932; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Interior, the Director of the Bureau of Land Management and each member of the Nevada Congressional Delegation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.

