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# The Havasu 4 Wheelers **TRAIL TALK**

**YOUR MONTHLY CLUB NEWSLETTER**



September 2013

**A FAMILY FOUR-WHEELING CLUB DEDICATED TO THE MOTTO ----- "TREAD LIGHTLY!"**



## Upcoming Club Runs (1-5 rating)

Check the Havasu 4 Wheelers Website for updates on runs

B/R Roulette Mine (3.25) ..... Sept. 21st  
9:00am, Scenic Turnout, Hwy 95 South, Charles Leipart

Please Note: Please be at the departure location  
20 minutes before the departure time.

Call Trail Boss if you are unable to attend.

## Other Club Happen's

Ladies' Luncheon ..... Sept. 19th  
12:30pm, Barley Brothers 1425 McCulloch Blvd., Diana Delk

H4W Board Meeting ..... Sept. 23rd  
4:00pm, Genealogy Library, Jim Bowen

Cooks Night Out ..... Sept. 24th  
5:00pm, Elk's Lodge 3532 McCulloch Blvd., Rodger Delk  
(Build your own Hamburger)

Men's Breakfast ..... Sept. 26th  
8:00am, Bad Miguel's, Gary Wiskus

H4W Membership Meeting ..... Sept. 26th  
7:00pm, Realtor's Center, Jim Bowen

## Future Happen's

H4W Board Meeting ..... Oct. 21st  
4:00pm, Genealogy Library, Jim Bowen

H4W Membership Meeting ..... Oct. 24th  
7:00pm, Realtor's Center, Jim Bowen

Turkey Roast ..... Nov 9th  
TBA, Rodeo Grounds @ SARA Park, Jim & Joanne Malara

Awards Banquet ..... Mar 14th 2014  
5:00pm, Shugrue's, 1425 McCulloch Blvd., Rodger & Diana Delk

Moab Utah ..... May 5-9, 2014  
Information TBA, Mike & Cheryl MacLean

## **D** residents Message

Hello fellow  
Havasu -  
4 - Wheelers!



I hope your summer has been as much fun for you as it has been for me. I am one of the "wimps" that heads for cooler higher altitudes during the summer. The Jeeping and motorcycling in Colorado this summer has been "tough"—but someone has to do it! Those of you who stayed in Lake Havasu for the summer—I hope you had plenty of opportunities to play with your "water toys".

Speaking of "toys"—it's about time to get out our "dirt toys" for another year of "4 Wheeling"! I think sometimes we forget just how blessed we all are to live in an area like we do, have a great area to go "4 Wheeling" in, and have a local BLM office that is as much a pleasure to work with as our local office is!

Take a few minutes and read the blurb in our newsletter (starting on page 7) from the Blue Ribbon Coalition on Utah land use. Blue Ribbon is one of the organizations our club donates to each year. They are really doing some fine work and the brief overview will give you an interesting overview of some of the battles going on around the country.

While we have been able in LHC to maintain a rather "low profile" on the "anti-access groups" radar—it may not always be the same. It is worth at least 5 minutes of our time to read and be kept up to date on what's going on in the world of the "well financed groups" continually chipping away at trails all over the country!

When I talk to people from other parts of the country and tell them about all the things our H4W Club is involved in—they cannot believe the size of our club and all the things our club does during the year! So—thanks to all of you that chip in during the year to help—and to the rest of you—we love you in our club—how about making this the year you say—"I will help out in at least one small way"!

See you at our September meeting!

*Happy Labor  
Day!*



*Jim Bowen*

# It's Jeeping Season!



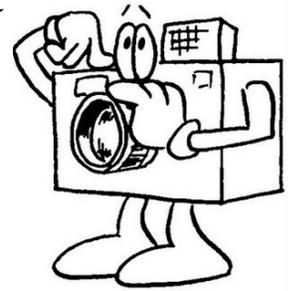
It's that time of the year again as we Havasu 4 Wheelers air up sleeping tires and dust off the equipment. Tighten up those bolts and nuts, check those

fluid levels and get ready for jeeping.

One item of critical importance is your club required serviceable fire extinguisher. A year of off roading and rattling around can pack down its load of dry chemical power into a solid rock. And it will and does happen. Now that you have a brick of dry chemical that won't come out of the extinguisher's nozzle if you ever need it, what to do? Don't call 9-1-1 - just grab a soft rubber mallet and gently tap the sides of the extinguisher as you turn it in your hand. This is also the proper time to look at its inspection tag to determine if it is also due for recharging service. Does the gauge show "in the green"? No problemo, there are fire extinguisher service companies right here in Havasu. So do the right thing and make this a mandatory part of your seasonal preparation.



While you are at it, make that yearly inspection of your Havasu 4 Wheelers club required First Aid Kit. Check to ensure that any items you may have used last season are replenished, that any ointments, lotions, or antibiotics have not exceeded their useable dates, and that the contents are secure and protected from water and dust contamination. It is also mandatory that you carry at least a two day spare supply of any prescription medicines you must take regularly. Remember - your mother is not in the Jeep so it's up to you to care of yourself.



This is Bob Scholl, the Assistant Newsletter Editor (actually, I bring Wanda coffee and grief.)

Have you ever been at a H4W function and whispered to a friend, asking them: "who is that person?" We all don't have memories like an elephant and either don't know or simply forget names and faces. I am very bad about this.

So, I have volunteered to create and maintain a photo book for all of our Havasu 4 Wheeler members. The photo book will be posted on the password side of the H4W Web Site ([www.havasu4wheelers.org](http://www.havasu4wheelers.org).) The photo book will be most helpful for our trail bosses and organizers.

In order to do so, I will need your help, please. Jeeping season in Havasu is soon approaching and our members are beginning to return to the area. So, I thought it would be a good time to send out a reminder for those members who have not yet provided a current photo of themselves and/or significant other.

Thanks for your assistance.

Contact Bob Scholl if you have any questions.



## "Sunshine"

If you know of anyone in the club who might need some cheering up, please contact Trish Reister at [trishreister@gmail.com](mailto:trishreister@gmail.com). She will be happy to send cards on behalf of the entire *Havasus 4 Wheelers* membership. ❖

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# PALOMA WASH PETE



Well howdy there folks, I'm known around here as Paloma Wash Pete.

Gets pretty lonesome out here so to pass the time I gets my learning book out and reads up some. I used to git a flummoxed something awful about the desert, rocks, critters and plants but now I knows a fair spell so sit back and enjoy some schooling.

This month I want to tell you about buzzards and more specifically the Turkey Vulture which you will see here. It is a scavenger and feeds almost exclusively on carrion - dead critters. Finds its food using its keen eyes and sense of smell, flying low enough to



detect the gases produced by the beginnings of the process of decay in dead animals. In flight, it uses thermals to move through the air, flapping its wings infrequently. It roosts in large community groups. Lacking a syrinx—the vocal organ of birds—its only vocalizations are grunts or low hisses. It nests in caves, hollow trees, or thickets. Each year it generally raises two chicks, which it feeds by regurgitation.

A large bird, it has a wingspan of 5 to 6 feet and a length of five to 6 and a half feet. They weigh 2 to 5 pounds.

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July 15, 2013

## Utah vs. Feds: Fighting to keep 4X4 trails open

By Amy Joi O'Donoghue  
Deseret News



*This road in Dry Canyon in Box Elder County is one of the 12,400 roads the state is seeking title to in its fight with the federal government over preserving access. (Public Lands Policy Coordination Office)*

**SALT LAKE CITY** — A legal team from Utah is traveling to remote areas throughout the state, recording testimony from aging witnesses and filming panoramic views of roads that snake through canyons or cross sagebrush-peppered lands. The information is being compiled for the state's legal fight against the federal government in which it filed 22 lawsuits in 2012 that have since been consolidated into one case.

In a briefing recently given to a committee of lawmakers, Kathleen Clarke said there is some urgency in getting depositions from witnesses because they are aging. "Some of these folks are our best witnesses," said Clarke, who is director of the Governor's Public Lands Policy Coordination Office. "Not knowing how long it will take or if any of these cases will ever be heard in court, we have an awfully long line of witnesses to get through."

Clarke said that as part of the requirement that the state prove that the roads existed and had 10 years of use prior to 1976, the legal team is also filming the roads. "We are filming so the judge won't have to get into a Jeep and drive down these roads."

The roads in question are what's called RS2477 roads — named after a statute enacted in 1866 to promote settlement of the western United States by granting rights-of-way to states and counties for transportation. The statute was repealed by the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, but that action was subject to "valid existing rights," giving rise to an interpretation by Utah and other Western states that the federal government can't forbid access.

Negotiations with the Department of Interior over title to the roads have lingered for years, finally propelling contentious legal battles in which Utah has alternately been victorious and suffered defeat. One such loss was access to Salt Creek Road in Canyonlands National Park, which the state and San Juan County contend was illegally closed by the National Park Service.

Harry Souvall, public lands section chief for the Utah Attorney General's Office, said the case has been heard on appeal by the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals, with a decision to be released later this year. The Salt Creek Road, he told lawmakers, is a good example of why many of the disputed roads are critical for economies of rural counties in Utah. "Park service attendance and tourism in San Juan County were dropping and it's because people can no longer drive to see Angel Arch. It is now a nine-mile hike to get in there to see it. A lot of people can't do a nine-mile hike in sand to see anything, let alone this gem," he said. The National Park Service has maintained the road was closed to motorized traffic because it was a streambed that was suffering from environmental degradation.

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Souvall said the state has another RS2477 case stemming from a Kane County road dispute that is likely to be heard before the 10th Circuit as well. Together, the two cases have the potential to bring clarity and certainty to the issue. "There's still that question on what we can or cannot obtain," he said.

The state's efforts have been resoundingly criticized by multiple environmental groups that argue its quest for title to the roads is a costly, irresponsible battle that will only lay waste to pristine landscapes. "I am sort of shocked when I hear it is 12,500 roads and the largest litigation effort in the state," said Heather Bennett, with For Kids and Lands, an education coalition. "It comes back to the question of what is the best use of resources in this state." The Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance in particular asserts the state wants "roads to nowhere" that are often narrow deer trails or traverse slick rock vistas.

But Souvall said nearly all the 12,400 roads that are part of the consolidated lawsuit have been vetted through a process that includes historical aerial imagery. "A road that is closed is going to look like a deer trail," he said.

To support its documentation that the roads were used for a decade or more, Souvall said a legal team has been taking testimony from aging witnesses to preserve the historical record. "In another case, we had taken a bunch of witness statements from 2000 to 2002. In 2009, when we were going through those statements, we found that approximately 40 percent of our witnesses were either dead or incapable of testifying. We lost almost half our witnesses."

The state struck an agreement with the Department of Justice to take 225 "preservation" depositions from witnesses who are 70 years or older who have health conditions and from witnesses age 80 and older. "They may not be here to testify in live court," he said, adding that two of the witnesses are more than 100 years old.

To prepare the witnesses, Souvall's legal team takes them out on the road in question to see how much they remember. A Google Earth-style camera also captures a 360-degree view of the road as part of the state's documentation. "Some of them know over 200 roads and some of them are over age 80," he said. "It is impossible to expect them to remember the details if we don't do this." The process of gathering the preservation depositions is expected to take the full two years that make up the agreement, he added. "It is a large effort," he said. "The process is designed to be as efficient as possible while still preserving the testimony of witnesses due to poor health or age."

One lawmaker questioned Souvall about that effort and why the state is pursuing claims to the roads in the wake of such criticism. He mentioned a road in Uintah County that offered a breathtaking view of surrounding scenery. "It's a stunning vista. You see people camped there. I don't know how you put a price on Scouting trips, family reunions and everyone being able to go there, from grandpa to infants," he said. "Once it is our right, our road, it is much more difficult to close that road. The fact that it is ours does not mean it will be abused."

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# Havasu 4 Wheeler's The Rescue

By Jim Bowen

**M**onday August 19<sup>th</sup> a group of Havasu 4 Wheelers came across an elderly gentleman in desperate need of some help. A group of our members (8 Jeeps total) were on a "Jeep Run" in the San Juan Mountains north of Silverton, Colorado. We were back in Velocity Basin (it's next to Minnehaha Basin) to take pictures and visit a scenic little lake. We noticed a pickup truck that appeared to be stuck about 100 yards from where we decided to have lunch. Upon further investigation we found the driver was about 85 years old, alone, and had been stuck there for two nights! He was out of food, out of water, almost out of gas (ran his engine to keep warm at night), and his left rear tire was shredded from trying to get "unstuck".

"Have no fear—the Havasu 4 Wheelers are here!" Several of the ladies in the group rounded up some water and extra food-(don't we always have extra food?). Chuck Guibord got to use his winch with Phil Hatch's snatch block pulley to get him "unstuck". After finding a sort of level spot the truck was jacked up—Kevin Hoppe demonstrated his battery operated lug wrench—another Jeoper pumped up his very low spare (you guys have air compressors?)—and several of the ladies demonstrated their prowess with digital cameras!

After talking a quad rider out of a gallon on gas, we put him in the center of our convoy and led him back down to the main graded road. Two things stood out in our minds from the incident. One-it was amazing how unprepared and ill prepared he was to be where he was! Two—it was interesting and dis-appointing how many other people had seen him the day before and had not offered to help!

It is nice to be in a club like the Havasu 4 Wheelers where we have many members not only more than willing to help but also "equipped" to help!



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# Blue Ribbon Coalition Utah Land Use Update

## Greetings BRC members and supporters in Utah!

Today we have a Utah Land Use Update with news about some important meetings - so be sure to read and forward to friends and family.

Some of the updates were previously blasted to our alert list, including the big news about the latest lawsuit filed by SUWA, or as some of you like to refer to them... **Sue-Ya**. We also have an update about the effort to formulate an Eastern Utah lands bill and the (lack of) progress on two key BLM management plans.

Using that humorous "**Sue-Ya**" epithet to describe the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance is quite apropos, at least in our opinion. Their latest lawsuit is making nationwide news, including the [natural resource newsletters](#) in Washington, DC.

### IMPORTANT:

In our previous update, we noted that the return to the federal court room triggered memories of the many legal actions fought by BRC stretching all the way back to 1997. In a lot of the cases, as in the current SUWA case, we enter the case to "defend" federal land managing agencies against further closures. It is a little distasteful because, to be honest, we aren't that happy with the new travel decisions. Still, "defending" the land managers is an important and essential part of our Legal Program.

But those same agencies sometimes capitulate to the special interests and we must fight back. On more than a dozen occasions the BRC Legal Program has filed suit against the land managers to fight decisions that unlawfully restricted access, including five (5) cases since adoption of the 2005 Forest Service Travel Management Rule.

We cannot continue this unparalleled effort without the continuing support of our litigation partners, members and financial supporters.

Your generous support of BRC and our legal program has never been more urgently needed. You see, during the economic downturn our traditional fund raising efforts have not been as successful as in the past. While the Board and staff are working on a new approach to raising funds, we must remain engaged with our legal arm on multiple fronts defending our right to recreate on public lands.

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Public Lands Policy Director  
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Public Lands Office Manager  
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## Federal Court Deja-Vu So many familiar faces... so much more gray hair!

It has been only 12 years since we first met the radicals at SUWA in the federal courtroom and just 9 years since the Supreme Court handed them a 9-0 slap down. But on Tuesday, July 2, 2013, U.S. Senior District Judge Dale Kimball heard oral arguments in their latest attempt to lock up millions of acres of scenic BLM land in Utah.

This time SUWA is joined by preservationist special interest biggies like The Wilderness Society, National Parks Conservation Association, and the Sierra Club. The latest suit challenges six (6) Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resource Management Plans (RMP) and Travel Plans (known now as "Travel Management Decisions") covering nearly 12 million acres in Utah. The case is so massive the court decided to divide it up via BLM Field Office. The Richfield office, home to the YouTube-famous "Cainville" open riding area is up first. (For a complete history of the case check our [Summer 2012 Utah Update here.](#))

Now... let me just stop and give our readers a bit of context. The former management plan in Richfield allowed open riding on 77% of the lands managed by the Field Office, 10% was closed to motorized people, and 13% had travel limits to designated roads and trails. The new plan has less than 1% open riding, closes 13% to motorized use and limited 77% to designated routes. The Travel Decision also closed hundreds of miles of existing roads and trails that were previously open.

That isn't enough for these radical environmentalists and this (latest) lawsuit uses every trick in the book to close even more.

Paul Turcke, BRC's Lead Counsel, is representing people who use the roads and trails in Utah. He argued on behalf of a coalition of OHV advocacy groups (Trails Preservation Alliance ([TPA](#)), Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition ([COHVCO](#)), and BlueRibbon Coalition ([BRC](#))). The court also heard from lawyers representing the State of Utah and its State Institutional Trust Lands, the affected counties and the oil and gas industry.

On the other side was a phalanx of staff attorneys from SUWA and Earth Justice (Earth Justice is the foundation funded legal arm of the Sierra Club). The plaintiffs typically get to make their argument first, and as you might imagine, the presentation focused on complaints that the BLM didn't close enough lands to people who use vehicles for access and recreation. Among the complaints was that the BLM didn't sufficiently analyze impacts from OHV use on global warming.



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**We're not joking, and no, SUWA's attorneys didn't complain to the court about the greenhouse gasses emitted by wealthy hikers who drive in from California or fly in from Europe and Asia.**

An attorney from the Department of Justice defended the BLM's plans, outlining eight years of seemingly endless environmental analysis. Paul Turcke, representing you, went next and focused on the specifics of SUWA's legal arguments. He was followed by Shawn Welch, Kathy Davis and Tom Mitchell, representing counties, the State of Utah and SITLA (Utah's School Trust lands), respectively. They did a great job of dissecting SUWA's remaining arguments and describing how the decisions have affected Utah.

The Court has taken the matter under advisement and can be expected to render a decision in perhaps 60-120 days. Regardless of its brilliance and/or final outcome, that decision will likely be appealed. The case will then theoretically move on to the Price office, home of the San Rafael Swell or the Moab office, home of, well, Moab.

We'll have updates and info as they become available. (Again, a complete history of this case is [here](#).)

**Utah Congressmen begin talks on Wilderness  
UPDATE: Tentative Dates for Meetings**

All three of Utah's U.S. House representatives, led by Rep. Rob Bishop (UT), Chairman of the U.S. House Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation, are initiating a process to develop federal legislation aimed at addressing many of the contentious issues plaguing public lands management in six (6) eastern Utah counties (Carbon, Emery, Grand, San Juan, Uintah and Wayne).

It seems logical to assume that the effort was motivated by a letter sent to President Obama requesting yet another massive National Monument be designated near Moab, Utah. That request, signed by over 100 outdoor business members of the Outdoor Industry Association (OIA), has been criticized by the entire Utah Congressional delegation, Utah's Governor Herbert and the affected counties. Indeed, Grand County (Moab) sent a letter to President Obama asking that he NOT designate a monument!

The big news here is that the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance (SUWA) has agreed to participate. This is big news because in such previous efforts, SUWA has been unwilling to even consider any proposal other than their gargantuan 10 million acre Wilderness proposal.

It is reasonable to assume that SUWA will play the role of the spoiler, participating only long enough to find a reason to bolt from the process and then appealing to President Obama to unilaterally impose SUWA's long sought plans for a Greater Canyonlands National Park.

While that may be a reasonable assumption, we should note that high level staffers from the Pew Foundation are participating, and when you have the people who fund a huge percentage of the anti-access efforts at the table, who knows what can happen.



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## UPDATE: Tentative dates for meetings announced

There have been some meeting and field tour dates announced. We have that list [here](#).

We encourage OHV users to attend the participate, but as always, our Action Alert list will be your best source for up-to-date info. Stay tuned via BRC's Action Alert list to keep tabs on this important issue. Subscribe [here](#).

## Quick Utah BLM Updates

### Cedar City Field Office

#### Resource Management Plan & Environmental Impact Statement (RMP and EIS)

The glacial pace of BLM's planning process is well known. Utah's Cedar City Field Office is on track to set a record for slowest pace ever as it is now in its third year of developing alternatives for its Resource Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (RMP DEIS).

For those new BRC members, think of an RMP as akin to a County Master plan, where general guidance is laid out for various uses in various areas.

The good news is they've completed the Analysis of the Management Situation (AMS) and have a Draft Evaluation Report for Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs). They also have an updated website with quite a number of documents that support or were developed as part of the current planning effort. [http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/cedar\\_city/planning.htm](http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/cedar_city/planning.htm)

Of importance to BRC's members is that the BLM is preparing Travel Management Plans (TMPs) in conjunction with the RMPs. BLM reports that they are working with local county governments and are performing inventories of the existing road network. That is all well and good, but we remain concerned that BLM is not inventorying for trails, as is required in their planning guidance. Local OHV clubs as well as USA-ALL and BRC are watching this developing situation closely.

### St. George BLM Update

We had heard a rumor that the St. George Field Office travel plan is on a parallel track with the development of the Resource Management Plans for the two newly designated National Conservation Areas and the Amendment to the St. George Resource Management Plan. However, as least as we understood it, the passage of the Washington County Wilderness Bill in 2009 mandated the completion of the travel plan within three years. Maybe we had that wrong, or maybe its just typical of today's governmental operations. In any event, the BLM says they are currently working on their route evaluations and are planning to have the draft out by fall 2013.

As always, we'll keep you updated and we'll let you know when the drafts of these two important plans are released for public review and comment. Until then, as we often say... stay tuned!



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# H4W September Birthday's



**Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat**

1 Mike Beets  
2 *Happy Labor Day!!*  
3 Mark Corder  
4 Jim Hofstetter  
5 Mike Shaw  
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7 Dan Klawitter

*Rosh Hashanah*

8 Jim Lund  
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11 Gene Hobday  
12 Karen McGowan  
13 Carl Brink  
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7th—Joe & Deena Hazlett  
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11th—John & Judy Justus  
15th—Rick & Patti Gire  
16th—Carl & Linda Brink  
24th—Brent & Shiela Keller  
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RATING	DESCRIPTION
1	<b>EASIEST:</b> Passable by stock vehicles. Gentle fairly wide grades.
2	<b>EASY:</b> Use of 2 wheel and some 4-wheel drive. Trail may have some rocks, loose road surface, and ruts but a reasonable line for driving.
3	<b>EASIEST MODERATE:</b> 4-wheel drive with aggressive tire treads. Expect a rough road with rocks and sand that requires lower tire pressure. Substantial sections of single lane.
3¼	<b>MODERATE:</b> Some 4 wheel driving experience needed. Same as above with some use of high and low range gearing. These trails have a rough, rutted surface, rocks and deep sand. Sections may be steep enough to cause traction problems, narrow shelf roads with steep drop-offs and tight clearance between rocks.
3½	<b>HARDER MODERATE:</b> For experienced drivers. At least a 2" lift and 33' tires with aggressive tire tread, one locked differential, high and low range gearing. Potentially dangerous, large rocks, ruts, steep slopes, loose surface and narrow clearances that need to be negotiated.
3¾	<b>HARDEST MODERATE:</b> Skilled experienced drivers only. Same as above with both differentials locked, some strapping/winchng. Very challenging sections, extremely steep grades, loose surfaces, large rocks, deep ruts and tight clearances.
4	<b>DIFFICULT:</b> Highly skilled experienced drivers only. Same as above with belly up, 4 to 1 transfer case or equivalent, skid plates, beefed up axles and suspension system. Probable strapping/winchng. Vehicle width and wheelbase should be considered. Possible body damage.
5	<b>HARD:</b> All of the above. Probable body damage.

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