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Boulder City Conservation Easement (BCCE) Management

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- [History](#)
- Purpose
- Property Overview
- Management
- New Projects



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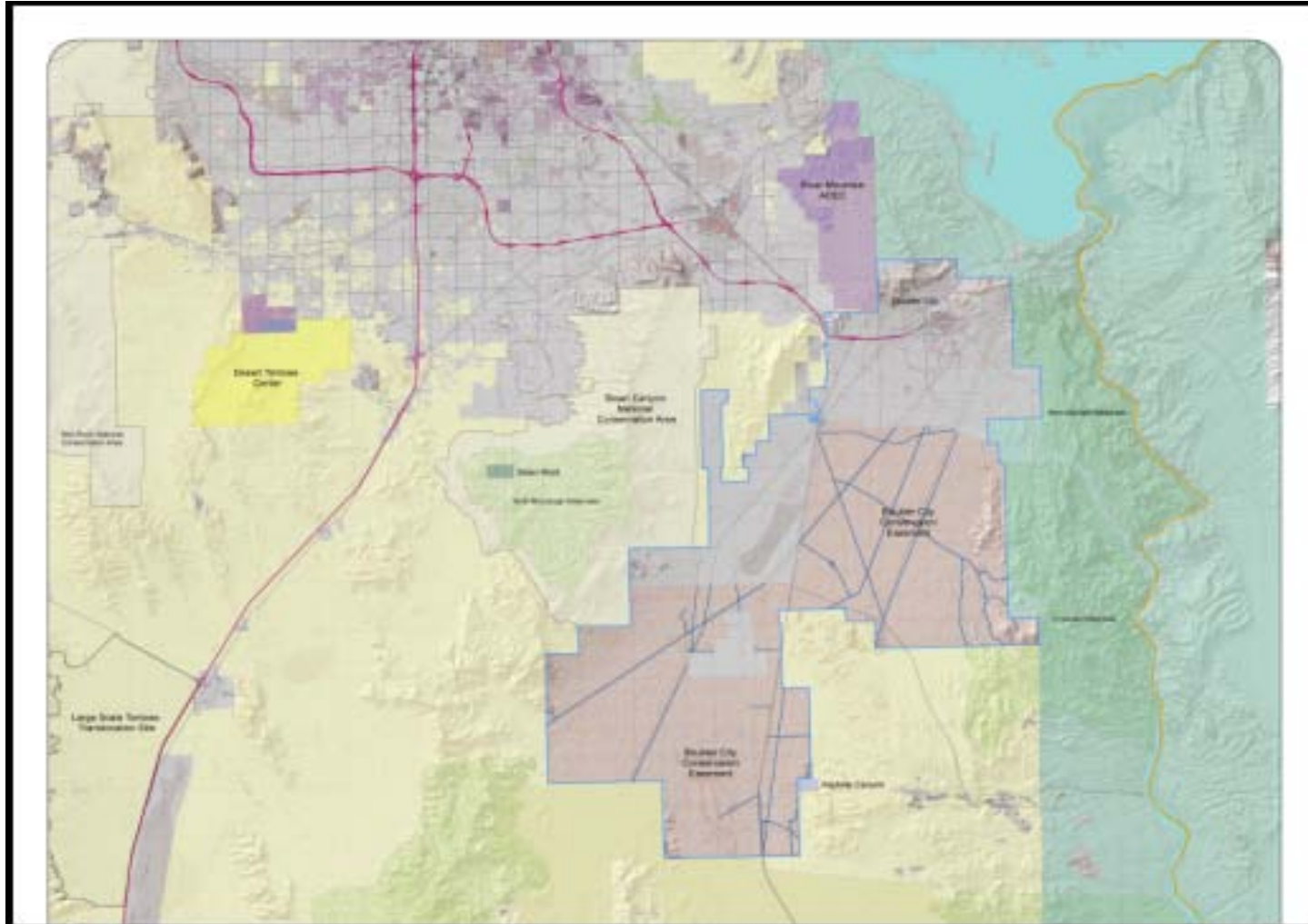
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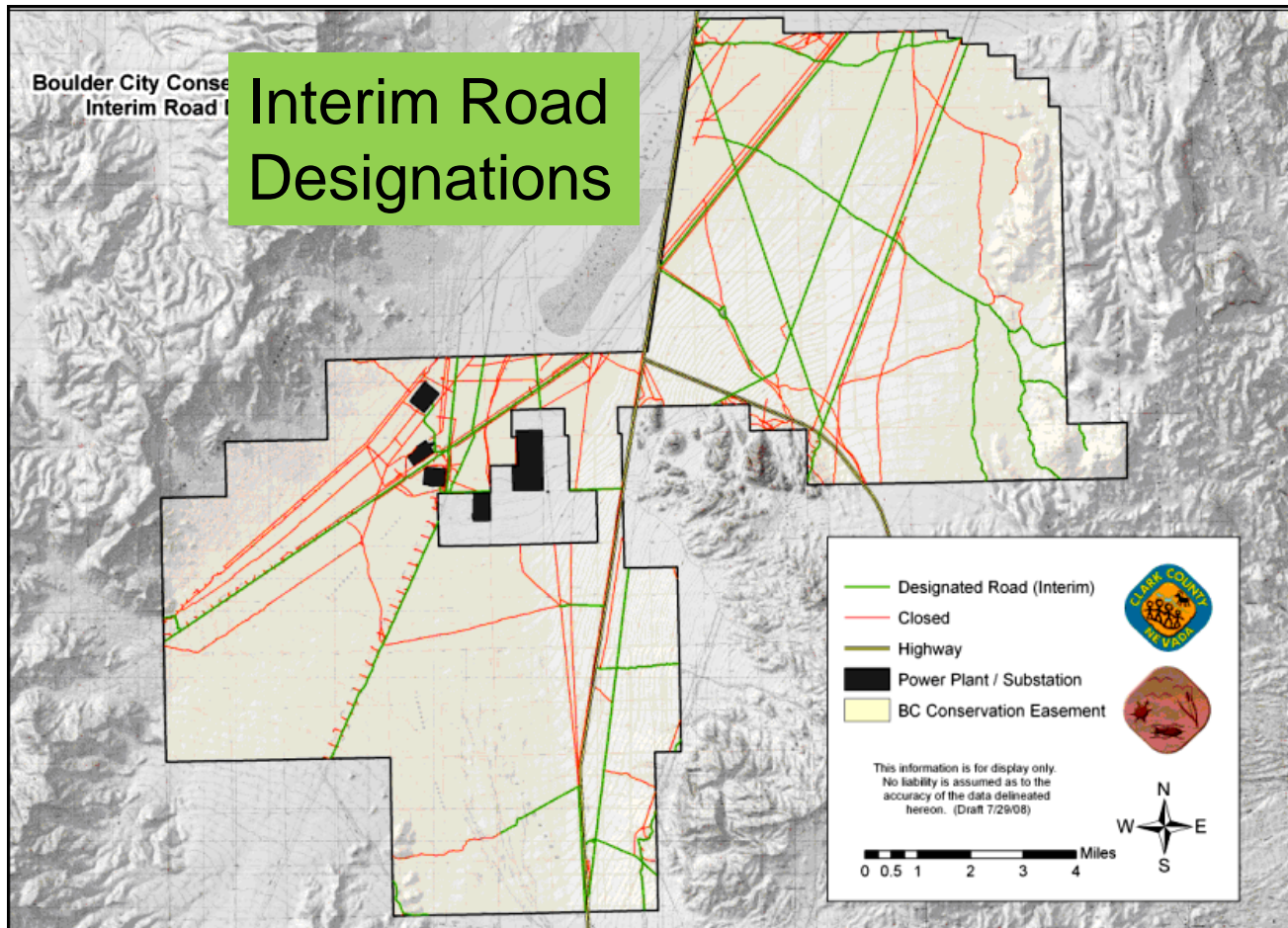
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- Finalize road designations



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- Update and implement Management Plan





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- Create “best practices” for restoration





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- Maintain signage

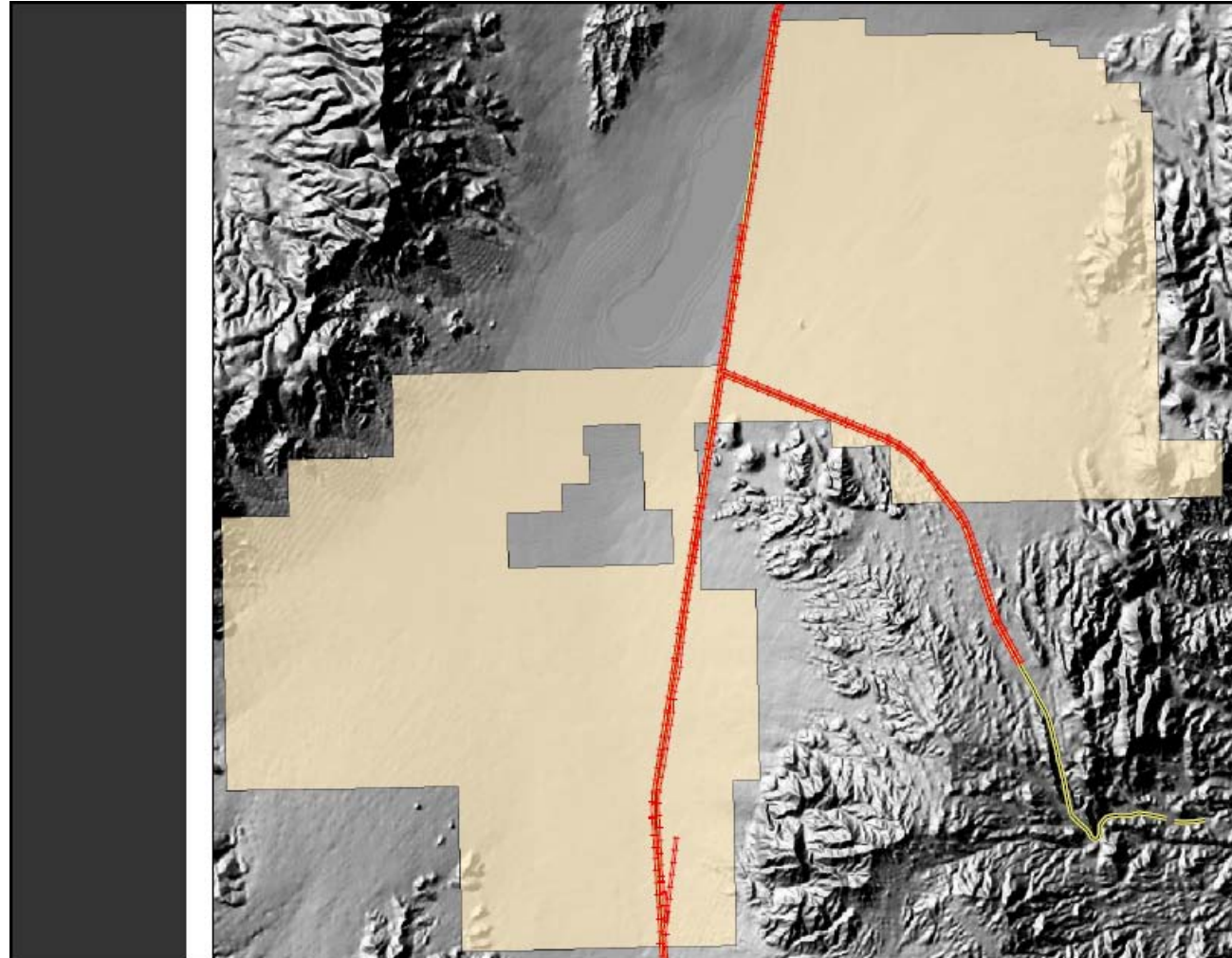




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- Monitor desert tortoise fencing
 - NDOT Right of Ways





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- Plan for desert tortoise guards





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- Implement pilot desert tortoise and vegetation monitoring project
- Implement the “best practices” for utilities and other disturbances
- Update brochure





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- **Develop signage/damage database**



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Questions?