



# FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX

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Cultural resources include landscapes, places, archaeological sites, objects, historical buildings, and structures that are generally more than 50 years old. As of June 2016, 1,069 archaeological sites have been identified within the existing Fallon Range Training Complex. To date, 113 of the sites, and 14 Navy-managed buildings and structures, are eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Cultural resources are managed in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

### CULTURAL RESOURCES PLANS, SURVEYS, AND AGREEMENTS

The Navy develops and implements various cultural resources plans, surveys, and agreements and works closely with local tribes on mutual interests. Some of these activities include:

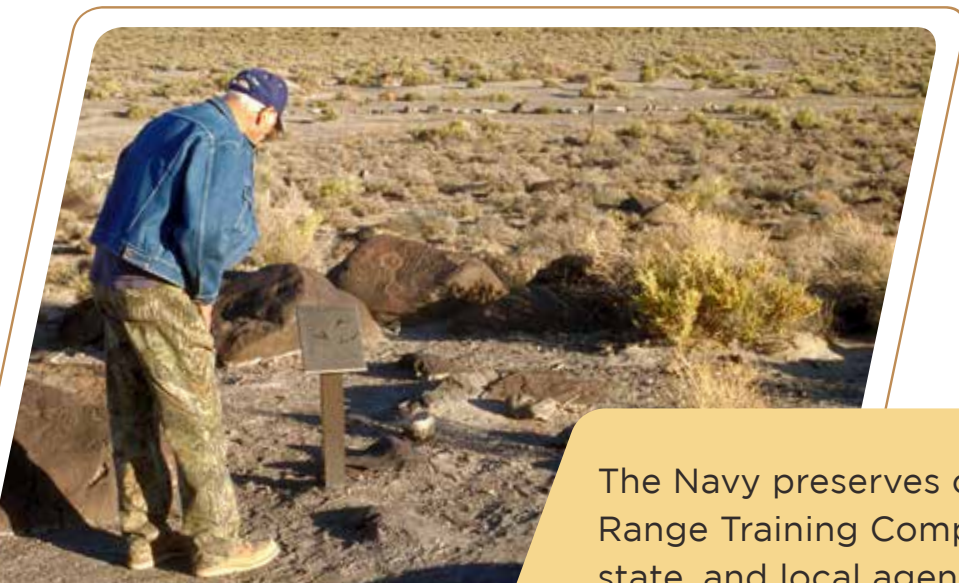
- ▶ Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan
- ▶ Programmatic Agreement with the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office, the Bureau of Land Management, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
- ▶ Ongoing archaeological, historic building, and landscape surveys



### COLLABORATING AND PARTNERING TO PRESERVE THE ENVIRONMENT

The Fallon Ranges cover a vast area of land and airspace within the jurisdiction of multiple federal and state agencies. The Federal Aviation Administration manages the airspace, and the Bureau of Land Management manages most of the land underlying this airspace. Other major landholders and management agencies include the U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Native American tribes.

The Navy partners with agencies, tribes, and other entities to proactively identify potential impacts on cultural resources from training activities. Steps are taken to eliminate or minimize impacts on eligible and unevaluated sites, and sites that are important to Native American tribes.



The Navy preserves cultural resources at the Fallon Range Training Complex and partners with federal, state, and local agencies and tribes to manage sensitive resources found on the Fallon Ranges.

## INTEGRATED CULTURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN

The overall goal of the Navy's Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan (ICRMP) is to efficiently manage the cultural resources present on Naval Air Station (NAS) Fallon and the Fallon Ranges in a spirit of stewardship while fulfilling the military mission. This overall goal is accomplished by supporting early identification of potential conflicts between the mission and cultural resources, and developing mitigation measures in cooperation with consulting partners and interested parties when conflicts arise.

Recommendations are provided in the ICRMP to assist in future planning and ensure compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. These recommendations include completing surveys and inventories that address gaps in known cultural resources, a maintenance plan for known resources, a treatment plan for unevaluated resources, and the development of cultural resource orientation and training programs for Navy personnel.

Recommendations are made for cultural resources in a manner that:

- ▶ Are consistent with existing laws and regulations and do not compromise the military mission;
- ▶ Integrates and coordinates all cultural resources management activities;
- ▶ Provides for sustainable multipurpose uses of cultural resources; and
- ▶ Provides for public access and the use of cultural resources when appropriate, subject to safety and military security considerations.

### Cultural Resources Management Awards

Naval Air Station Fallon has received several Department of Defense awards for cultural resources management:

- Chief of Naval Operations Environmental Award: 2010, 2012, 2015
- Secretary of the Navy Environmental Award: 2010 and 2015
- Secretary of Defense Meritorious Citation: 2010



### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Environmental conservation efforts have been a part of Navy activities for decades, and the Navy is proud of its successful stewardship programs.

To reduce or eliminate impacts of training on cultural resources, the Navy implements protective measures, such as monitoring and avoidance.

