

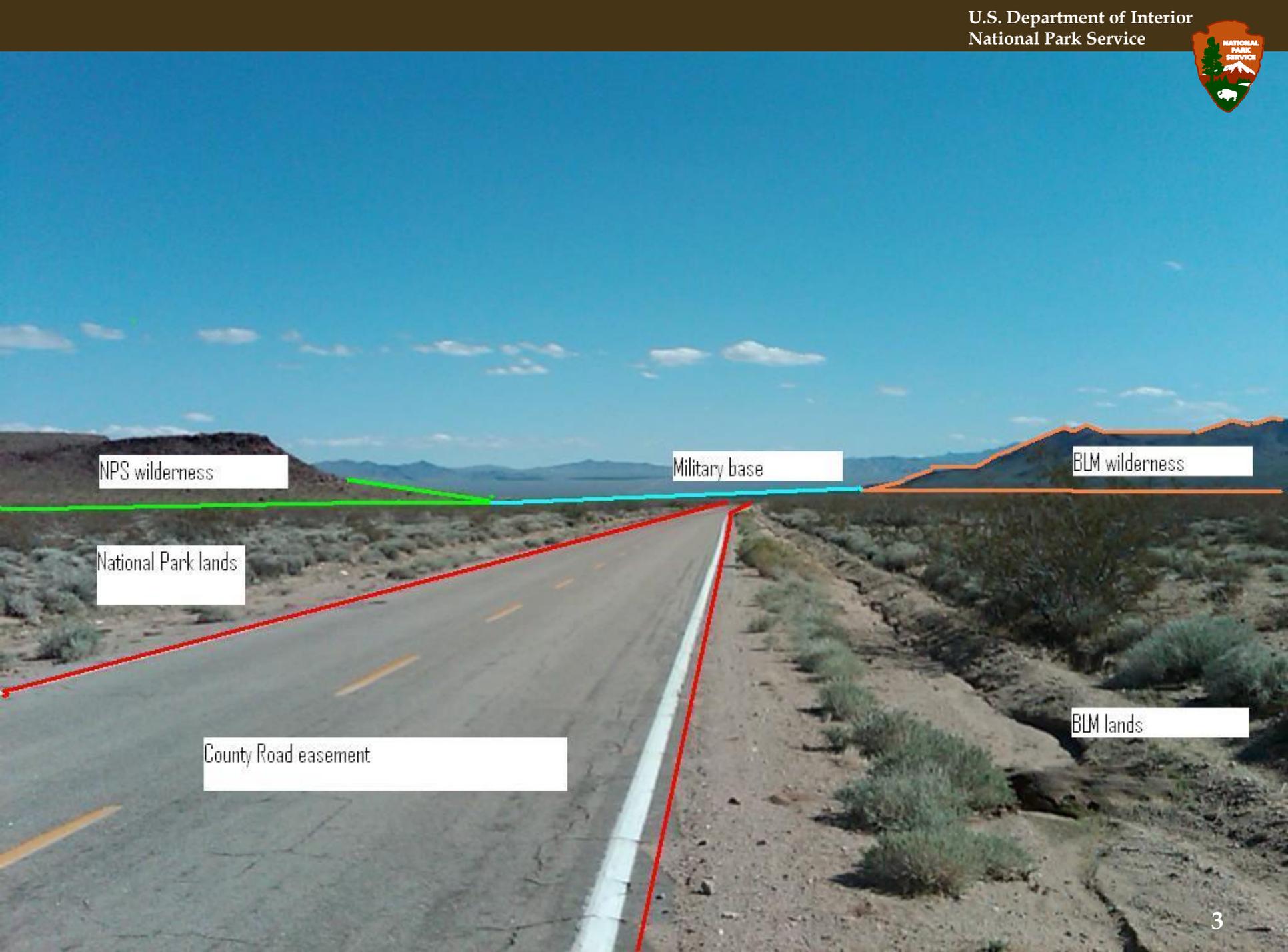


MANAGEMENT ACROSS BOUNDARIES

OBSTACLES AND OPPORTUNITIES

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NPS wilderness

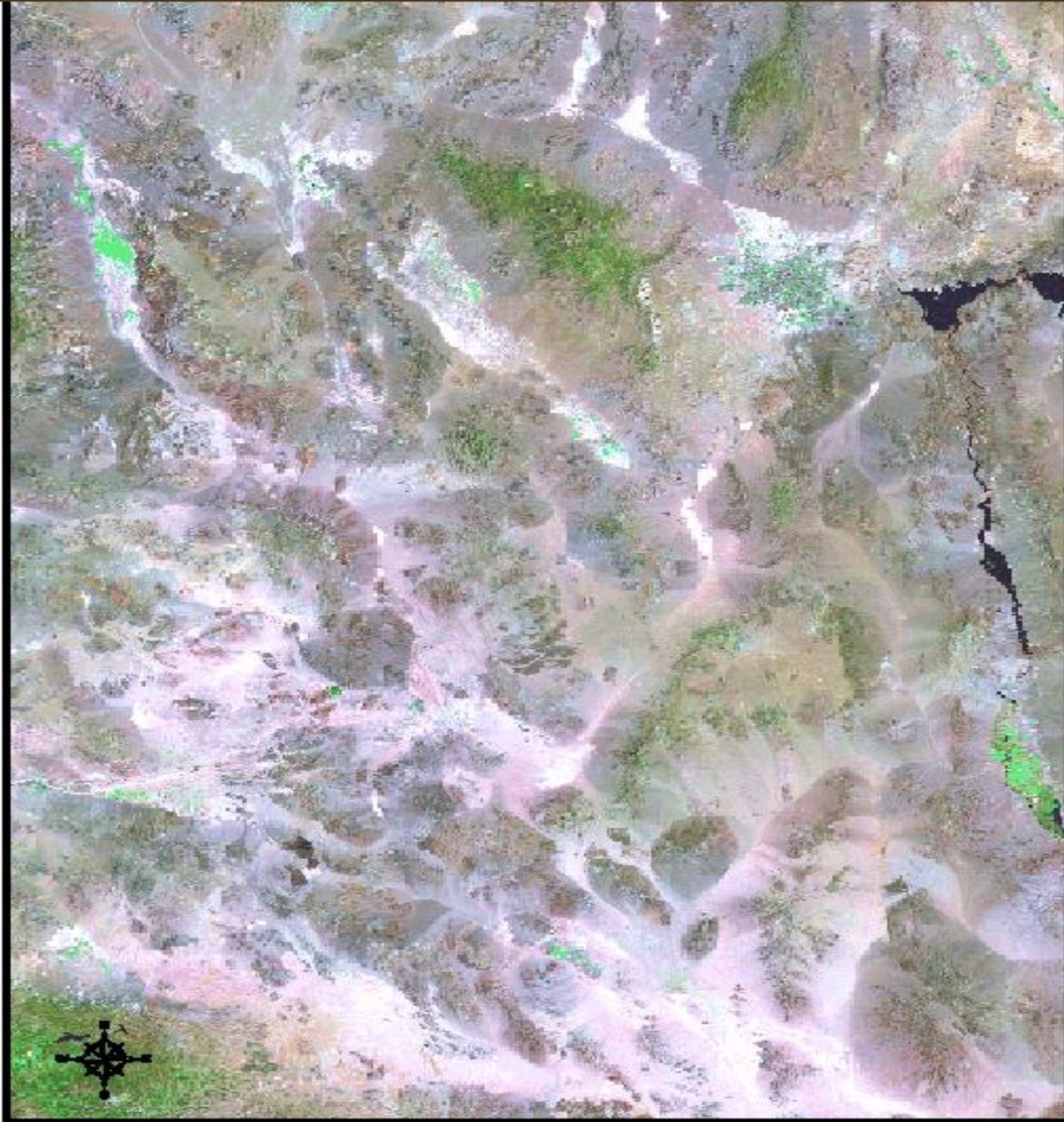
Military base

BLM wilderness

National Park lands

County Road easement

BLM lands





So what works?

- ❑ Groups like DMG and SNAP are model forums for collaboration and cooperation
- ❑ Land managers need to meet regularly, get to know each other, exchange information about current activities, set goals, and form targeted groups to focus on specific cross boundary issues
- ❑ Ad hoc groups need to be formed to tackle short term issues, while standing groups can focus on long term concerns
- ❑ We need coordinators to reach across the many groups and interact with each working group; they need to keep the records of the organization and do the logistics
- ❑ We have to respect each others missions and strive to learn more about them
- ❑ By doing these things it causes us to think outside our own boundaries and focus on desert-wide conservation issues



What opportunities are on the horizon?

- ❑ Clearly climate change and renewable energy are driving our priorities today
- ❑ Recovery of T/E species, invasive species, wildfire, restoration, and education are all ongoing collaborative efforts that are critical to continue and enhance
- ❑ These are all issues that dictate collaboration across boundaries – we cannot be successful if we work only inside our own box
- ❑ DMG and SNAP are working well on many of these issues, and are well situated to be a model for collaboration on climate change adaptation strategies
- ❑ Reaching outside the Mojave Desert to partner with other groups, on the entire Mojave Desert ecosystem conservation





Working across boundaries is the only option

