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MARINE PUBLIC OUTREACH

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At the December 17 meeting in Johnson Valley, the speaker was Maj Valerie

Hodgson, Program Manager, G-5 Community Plans and Liaison Office,

Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center. In the audience were residents and OHV enthusiasts from Lucerne Valley, Landers and Yucca Mesa, including members of the Partnership for Johnson Valley, the Friends of Giant Rock and MyJeepRocks.

By audience request, discussion mostly covered plans to expand the Base into the Johnson Valley OHV area.

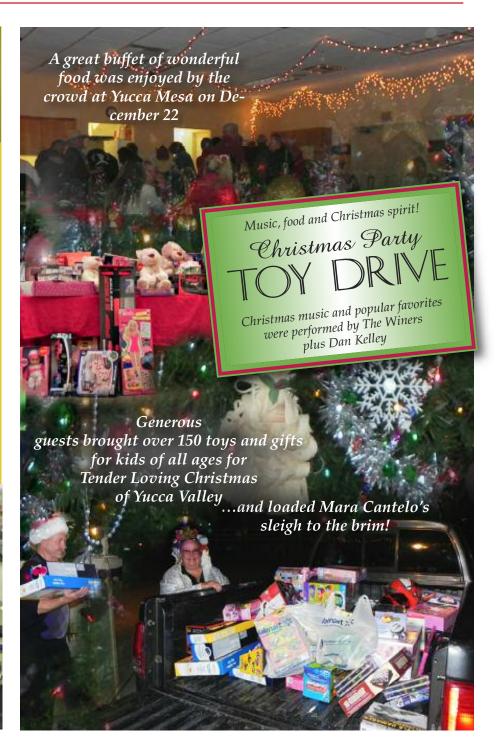
The Marines recently proposed more changes to their preferred alternative,

increasing the "shared-use" area by 4,900 acres (there are over 180,000 acres in the existing public access OHV area), and leaving management of this area in the hands of the Bureau of Land Management.

The intensely interested audience kept Maj Hodgson for over an hour.







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