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Documentaries Focus On the Spectacular Public Lands in the Las Cruces Area

Videos Released Highlighting Fort Stanton-Snowy River Cave and Prehistoric Trackways

LAS CRUCES- Two videos highlighting the amazing public lands in the Las Cruces area are available for viewing and reproduction. Environmental News Trust, a non-profit, recently filmed and produced two short documentaries on Fort Stanton-Snowy River Cave National Conservation Area (NCA) and Prehistoric Trackways National Monument. Both Videos are available for viewing online.

Fort Stanton- Snowy River Cave NCA, is home to an historic fort established in 1855 and used by the Buffalo Soldiers to protect settlers in the area. Beneath the 25,080 acre NCA lies the largest calcite “river” formation in the nation. Discovered in 2001, the Snowy River is intriguing and fascinating scientist. <http://conservationlands.org/blog/snowy-river-cave-nm-video>

Prehistoric Trackways National Monument contains footprints of amphibians, reptiles, plants and petrified wood dating back 280 million years. This “megatrackway” is helping scientists understand animal behaviors from a time predating dinosaurs. <http://conservationlands.org/blog/trackways-national-monument-video>

Both areas are part of the National Landscape Conservation System- our National Conservation Lands, a collection of some of the country’s most scenic, historic, natural and cultural. The National Conservation Lands are home to rare plants and animals, dinosaur fossils, and Native American sites. These lands conserve the essential fabric of the West, by playing a role in protection lands, water, and wildlife for future generations.

To learn more about the National Conservation Lands please visit: www.conservationlands.org

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