

Off-road drivers get OK to race through Nev.

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More than 300 off-road racers have won permission to drive across Nevada's newest national monument next week, but they won't be allowed to race or go off-road.

On Friday, the Bureau of Land Management issued a special recreation permit for the Best in the Desert "Vegas to Reno" off-road race, which is scheduled to begin Aug. 19 near the Lincoln County town of Alamo and end Aug. 20 in Dayton.

As a condition of the permit, race participants have been cleared to cross the newly designated Basin and Range National Monument, but they won't be allowed to drive faster than 35 mph or pass other vehicles.

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