

## **HDR Pre-Run: "Devils Loop Trail" Stoddard Valley OHV area**

**Run Date:** Saturday – May 19, 2018

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**Meeting Location:** From LA/OC take the 15 Fwy North to Lenwood Rd exit. Turn right on Lenwood Rd., then left on Mercantile Way by the 76 gas station. Pull into the dirt area on the right and look for the Jeeps. This meet spot is suitable for leaving tow vehicles.

**GPS coordinates:** N 34° 50.898", W 117° 04.866"

**Meeting Time:** 8:30 am, plan is to leave for the trail at 9:00 am

The objective is to pre-run the Devils Loop. This is the trail that the Dirt Devils lead for Cal 4 Wheel at the High Desert Roundup (HDR) in the Stoddard Valley OHV area.

**Trail description:** We will take a sandy wash from the meet spot to the start of the Devils Loop trail. The devils loop is a moderate trail located in the Stoddard Valley OHV area. The trail is considered moderate but has a few difficult sections. Most of these have a by-pass. The difficult sections are rocky with ledges that have steep drop-offs. There is also a steep hill climb and a squeeze. The trail has lots of rocks of all sizes and shapes.

We start the trail at the gate keeper. The gate-keeper is a (Dirt Devil made) rocky section at the beginning of the trail. The point of the gate-keeper is to test drivers and rigs: if you can't make this section, don't continue.

After the gate-keeper, we will continue with the rest of the trail. This run will be much like an adopt-a-trail run with some trail marking and maintenance activities along the way.

The return trip to the Lenwood Rd. meet spot is via the sandy wash. There are bypasses for all but one of the rocky obstacles.

**Trail Rating:** Moderate, On a scale from 1 to 10 were 1 is a graded dirt road and 10 is the most difficult hammer trail. Devils Loop is a 6.

**Special Equipment Required:** 33 inch tires with at least one locker is recommended, Body/wheel damage is possible. Recovery attachment points (tow hooks, D-rings) recommended

**Reminder to Bring:**, Lunch, water, pry bars, gloves, trash bags, camera, chair. etc.

**Lunch:** We will stop for lunch along the trail.

### **High Desert Round Up (HDR) May 26-28**

California Four Wheel Drive Association (Cal 4 Wheel) runs this annual event. The event includes several trail runs, a raffle, Saturday BBQ dinner, games and loads of fun for all participates. The event is held at the Slash X Cafe on Hwy. 247 south of Barstow in the Stoddard Valley Off-Highway Vehicle Area.

The club needs your support for this important Cal 4 Wheel event. Cal 4 Wheel is on the front lines protecting our access to public lands. HDR is an important fund raiser that helps Cal 4 Wheel keep our trails open. Please get involved by volunteering to help make HDR a successful event.