



Guide to the Nevada Division of State Parks Records

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Nevada. Division of State Parks
Title:	Nevada Division of State Parks Records
ID:	MS-00136
Date [inclusive]:	1863 to 1978
Date [bulk]:	approximately 1920-1970
Physical Description:	1.20 Cubic Feet (3 boxes)
Physical Description:	1.25 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Nevada Division of State Parks Records consist of materials produced or collected between 1863 and 1978 by the Nevada Division of State Parks. The collection includes materials recovered at Spring Mountain Ranch belonging to the Kiel, George, and Wilson families. The majority of the collection consists of administrative records and correspondence from the Nevada Division of State Parks. It also contains a photograph album of images taken during excavation efforts at the Pueblo Grande de Nevada archaeological site.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Background

The Nevada Division of State Parks is charged with protecting and managing parks in the Nevada State Parks System. The Nevada Legislature renamed the system the Nevada Division of State Parks in 1963 and reorganized operations under the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Source:

"History," Nevada State Parks website, Accessed February 4, 2020. <http://parks.nv.gov/about/about-nevada-state-parks>

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Arrangement

Materials are arranged chronologically.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were deposited in UNLV Special Collections and Archives by the Nevada Division of State Parks, who retain ownership, between approximately 1975 to 1982; accession numbers T-23, 1977-213, 1979-79, 1980-109, 1981-113, and 1982-5.

Processing Note

Materials were processed by Special Collections Staff. In 2015, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Franklin Howard revised and enhanced the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards. In 2020, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Angela Moor and James Howard rehoused the materials and revised the finding aid.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

The following resources may provide additional information related to the materials in this collection:

Wilson Family Papers, 1880-1972. MS-00125. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

James B. Wilson Photographs. PH-00011. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Kiel Family Photographs, approximately 1893-1904. MS-00838. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Pueblo Grande de Nevada Manuscript Collection, 1924-1983. MS-00208. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Parks -- Nevada
- Valley of Fire State Park (Nev.)
- Spring Mountain Ranch State Park (Nev.)
- Lost City Museum

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
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Materials recovered from Spring Mountain Ranch	
Wilson family papers, 1911 to 1929	box 01
Papers related to fur trade, 1932	box 01
Materials found in Tweed Wilson's house, 1895 to 1946	box 01
Kiel and George family papers, 1863 to 1948	box 01
Article about "Little Feat," band of Lowell George, <i>Rolling Stone</i> , 1973	box 01
Sandstone Ranch papers, 1940 to 1956	box 01
Materials found in corrugated storage shed, 1916 to 1924	box 01
Scraps of paper found at Spring Mountain Ranch, 1910	box 01
Yount and Fayle ledger page, 1915	box 01
Nevada State Parks Administrative Records	
Photocopies of newspaper articles and research about Kiel and George families and correspondence to Elizabeth Warren from Nebraska State Historical Society regarding Ellis B. George, 1975	box 01
Newspaper clippings about parks and recreation, 1955 to 1978	box 01
Newspaper clippings about parks and recreation, 1970 to 1975	box 01
Newspaper clippings about parks and recreation, 1961 to 1977	box 01
Boulder Dam Recreation Area; brochures and reports from National Park Service, 1935 to 1946	box 01
Specifications and plans for pavilion near Lehman Caves, White Pine County, 1930 to 1935	box 02
Correspondence and information about Valley of Fire State Park, 1935 to 1941	box 02
Correspondence and materials from Nevada State Parks Commission, 1940 to 1959	box 02
Correspondence about Nevada State recreational study report, 1937 to 1940	box 02
Brochures and map of Death Valley National Monument, 1937	box 02
Correspondence about Northumberland Caves, 1938	box 02
Correspondence about Lunar Crater signage, 1939	box 02
Correspondence and information about caves in Nevada, 1940 to 1958	box 02
Correspondence and reports about possible purchase of Bowers Mansion, 1943 to 1946	box 02
Nevada State Park Commission expenditure reports, 1959	box 02
"Preserve the integrity of our state parks," speech by Leslie H. Gould, Nevada State Park Advisory Commission, 1966	box 02

Nevada State Park System, interpretive program memos, 1969 to 1970	box 02
Nevada State Park System, interpretive budget and plans, 1970 to 1975	box 02
Nevada State Park System, budgets and planning materials, 1972 to 1973	box 02
Correspondence related to the Valley of Fire, 1972 to 1973	box 02
Nevada State Park System, budgets, 1973 to 1974	box 02
Nevada State Park System, budgets, 1974 to 1975	box 02
Lost City photograph album	
Lost City album: photographic prints, 1924	box 03
Lost City album: photographic negatives, 1924	box 03