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48 Male  
52 Female  
[109]

***Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated. Due to rounding, not all tables will add to 100% and totaled responses may vary from individual responses.***

1. How important is it for your elected officials to have each of the following priorities--very important, pretty important, just somewhat important, not that important?

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VERY IMPORTANT*

	<b>Total Important</b>	<b>Very Important</b>	<b>Pretty Important</b>	<b>Just Some- what Important</b>	<b>Not That Important</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>
Protecting the desert landscapes, mountains and valleys, recreation areas, and other outdoor spaces that make up our public lands and making sure they are not sold off to private corporations ** .....	<b>79</b>	64	15	16	4	1
Protecting the desert landscapes, mountains and valleys, recreation areas, and other outdoor spaces that make up our public lands * .....	<b>74</b>	52	22	22	3	1
Having strong policies to address air pollution .....	<b>64</b>	50	14	25	10	2
Expanding the use of renewable energy sources, such as solar, wind, and geo-thermal power .....	<b>60</b>	45	16	25	14	1
Having strong policies to address climate change .....	<b>55</b>	45	10	23	21	1

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).  
\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

- 2a. How much do you think the FEDERAL government is doing to protect indigenous sacred places and lands for outdoor recreation and wildlife protection? Do you think it is doing too much to protect these places and lands, too little, or about the right amount? \*

Too much.....	8
Too little .....	48
About the right amount .....	35
Not sure .....	9

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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- 2b. How important is it for the federal government to protect places that are sacred to indigenous people and tribes--extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not that important, or not important at all?  
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Extremely important .....	37
Very important .....	34
Somewhat important .....	21
Not that important .....	4
Not important at all.....	3
Not sure .....	1
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<b>Total Important</b>	<b>70</b>

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

3. Over the past year, how many times do you think you have visited public lands such as recreation areas, parks, forests, national monuments, national wildlife refuges, or other public land in Nevada?

Once or twice.....	19
Three to five times .....	19
Six to ten times .....	18
Eleven to twenty times .....	11
More than twenty times .....	16
Never .....	16
Not sure .....	-
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<b>Total 5 or less</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Total 6-10</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Total 11 or more</b>	<b>33</b>

**Moving along...**

4. Throughout history, Democratic and Republican presidents have created national monuments to protect special places with ecological and cultural values. These national monuments limit the development of fossil fuel and renewable energy, new road construction, and mining, and encourage hunting, hiking, camping, and scenic driving.

Do you generally support or oppose protecting national monuments in Nevada? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "SUPPORT" OR "OPPOSE," ASK:)** And do you strongly or just somewhat (support/oppose) protecting national monuments in Nevada?

Strongly support .....	66
Somewhat support .....	25
Somewhat oppose .....	3
Strongly oppose.....	3
Not sure .....	3
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<b>Total Support</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>6</b>

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5. Considering this information about national monuments, Avi Kwa Ame, also known as Spirit Mountain, is a potential new national monument in Nevada. Would you support or oppose [FORM A: Joe Biden/FORM B: the federal government] designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument? (IF RESPONDENTS SAYS "SUPPORT/OPPOSE," ASK:) And do you strongly or just somewhat (support/oppose) oppose [FORM A: Joe Biden/FORM B: the federal government] designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument?

Strongly support .....	35
Somewhat support .....	24
Somewhat oppose .....	3
Strongly oppose.....	7
Not sure .....	30
<b>Total Support</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>10</b>

- 6a. If Avi Kwa Ame is designated as a NEW national monument, do you think it would help, hurt, or not make much difference to the state of Nevada as a whole when it comes to (READ ITEM)? \*

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY HELP

	<u>Help</u>	<u>Hurt</u>	<u>Not Make Much Difference</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
Protecting Nevada's natural areas for future generations .....	72	2	21	4
Protecting the places where Nevadans participate in outdoor recreation, such as hiking, backpacking, and camping .....	65	5	23	7
Preventing land exploitation that would hurt Nevada's environment and quality of life .....	51	10	31	8
Generating new jobs and economic development in Nevada .....	46	5	43	6

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

- 6b. If a unique place in Nevada is designated as a NEW national monument, do you think it would help, hurt, or not make much difference to the state of Nevada as a whole when it comes to (READ ITEM)? \*\*

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	<u>Help</u>	<u>Hurt</u>	<u>Not Make Much Difference</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
Protecting Nevada's natural areas for future generations .....	80	3	14	3
Protecting the places where Nevadans participate in outdoor recreation, such as hiking, backpacking, and camping .....	71	7	20	3
Preventing land exploitation that would hurt Nevada's environment and quality of life .....	59	10	24	6
Generating new jobs and economic development in Nevada .....	50	4	41	5

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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7. Now I'm going to read you some statements that supporters of designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument might make. For each one, please tell me whether you think this is a very convincing, fairly convincing, not that convincing, or not at all convincing reason to designate Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VERY CONVINCING

	<b>Total Con- vincing</b>	<b>Very Con- vincing</b>	<b>Fairly Con- vincing</b>	<b>Not That Con- vincing</b>	<b>Not Con- vincing At All</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>
<b>[ECOLOGICAL]</b> The proposed monument contains some of the most visually stunning, biologically diverse lands in the Mojave Desert. Some of these biological treasures are the eastern edge of the world's largest Joshua tree forest, habitat for the desert tortoise, and a migratory corridor for desert bighorn sheep. Designating the area as a monument would protect the land and preserve these essential habitats. * .....	<b>83</b>	56	28	7	9	1
<b>[CULTURAL]</b> The proposed monument is considered sacred by the twelve native tribes in the area, such as the Yuman speaking tribes. Designating the area as a monument would protect sacred Native American and Indigenous cultural sites, values, and practices from looting, vandalism, and degradation.....	<b>82</b>	53	29	9	8	2
<b>[RECREATION/OVERCROWDING]</b> As more people visit and relocate to Las Vegas, places like Red Rock Canyon will become more overcrowded and access will be limited. Designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument would provide more opportunities for people to enjoy public lands and have guaranteed access to outdoor spaces for camping, hiking, biking, and other recreation ** .....	<b>81</b>	47	34	11	7	1
<b>[RECREATION/RED ROCK]</b> Just like the example of Red Rock Canyon and the more than two million people each year who enjoy that area, designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument would provide more opportunities for people to enjoy public lands and have guaranteed access to outdoor spaces for camping, hiking, biking, and other recreation * .....	<b>75</b>	46	29	13	10	1
<b>[CLIMATE]</b> Our planet is facing a climate and conservation crisis. The United States is losing a football field's worth of natural land every thirty seconds. Designating Avi Kwa Ame as a monument would protect the natural land from development and ensure that these lands are managed in a way that helps address climate change ** .....	<b>66</b>	41	25	19	12	2
<b>[ENDORSED]</b> Designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument already has the support of numerous leaders and groups across the state, which includes the Nevada legislature, conservation groups, tribal leaders, and local Searchlight, Boulder City, and Laughlin officials and residents **.....	<b>74</b>	39	35	15	9	2
<b>[ECONOMY]</b> The outdoor recreation economy in Nevada generates nearly fifty thousand direct jobs in the state and adds nearly four billion dollars to the economy. Designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument would improve the state's economy with more new jobs and revenue sources, and would play an important role in boosting the state's tourism economy * .....	<b>65</b>	38	27	18	15	2

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\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B)..

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8. Now I'm going to read you some statements that opponents of designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument might make. For each one, please tell me whether you think this is a very convincing, fairly convincing, not that convincing, or not at all convincing reason to OPPOSE designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VERY CONVINCING

	<b>Total Con- vincing</b>	<b>Very Con- vincing</b>	<b>Fairly Con- vincing</b>	<b>Not That Con- vincing</b>	<b>Not Con- vincing At All</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>
<b>[STATE CONTROL]</b> Nevadans know what is best when it comes to handling the state's public land, not a handful of politicians in Washington, D.C. Designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument gives the federal government even more power over Nevada while local officials are left out of decision-making for their own land.....	<b>48</b>	26	23	21	29	2
<b>[LAND GRAB/GENERAL]</b> This is yet another example of a federal land grab to benefit an extreme environmental agenda. Federal bureaucrats have taken lands away from citizens. This unconstitutional policy shift moves us from a nation founded on private property principles to one controlled by the administrative state ** .....	<b>43</b>	25	18	24	31	2
<b>[ACCESS/VEHICLES]</b> Designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument would reduce access to our public lands. It would put unfair limits on when and how local residents can use ATVs and off-highway vehicles and other ways to productively use the natural land ** .....	<b>42</b>	19	23	22	34	2
<b>[LOCALS/GENERATIONS]</b> Designating this monument is not about what local Nevadans want or need. Our local property rights and those of families who have been grazing and accessing lands for generations pre-date the claims of the federal government on these lands ** .....	<b>41</b>	19	22	22	35	2
<b>[ENERGY]</b> Designating this area as a national monument would PREVENT development of needed energy resources in Nevada, hurting the development of the state's energy industry. Energy projects would create hundreds of jobs, but any energy project would be stopped if Avi Kwa Ame is designated a national monument ** .....	<b>40</b>	17	24	26	30	4
<b>[ECONOMY]</b> National monuments block access to lands which hurts rural economies. They lead to the loss of jobs, reduced wages, and reduced public access for important industries such as farming, ranching, timber harvest, mining, oil, gas exploration, fishing, and motorized recreation .....	<b>38</b>	16	23	22	38	2
<b>[LAND GRAB/STATS]</b> This is yet another example of a federal land grab to benefit an extreme environmental agenda. The national agenda to protect thirty percent of America's land and ocean by 2030 is an unconstitutional policy shift, moving us from a nation founded on private property principles to one controlled by the administrative state.* .....	<b>34</b>	16	18	24	40	2

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\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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	<b>Total Con- vincing</b>	Very Con- vincing	Fairly Con- vincing	Not That Con- vincing	Not Con- vincing At All	Not Sure
<b>[CLEAN ENERGY]</b> Designating this area as a national monument would PREVENT development of needed clean energy resources in Nevada, hurting the development of the state's solar and wind industry. There are currently major solar and wind developers interested in the area who would create hundreds of jobs and expand access to renewable energy, but the projects would be stopped if Avi Kwa Ame is designated a national monument. * .....	<b>44</b>	15	29	18	35	3
<b>[LOCALS/AGENDA]</b> Designating this monument is not about what local Nevadans want or need, it's about the desires of a few rich individuals who do not even live here. Monuments are a part of the radical environmental agenda that does not take Nevadan's needs or our way of life into account * .....	<b>31</b>	15	16	21	45	3
<b>[ACCESS/GENERAL]</b> Designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument would reduce access to our public lands. It would put unfair limits on when and how local residents can productively use the natural land * .....	<b>35</b>	14	20	21	39	5

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

9. Based on everything you have heard, would you support or oppose [**FORM A:** Joe Biden/**FORM B:** the federal government] designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "SUPPORT/OPPOSE," ASK:)** And do you strongly or just somewhat (support/oppose) [**FORM A:** Joe Biden/**FORM B:** the federal government] designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument?

Strongly support .....	47
Somewhat support .....	24
Somewhat oppose .....	8
Strongly oppose .....	12
Not sure .....	10
<b>Total Support</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>20</b>

10a. And, regardless of how you feel about this idea, which ONE or TWO of the following impacts matter the most when considering your view on designating a new national monument in Nevada? \*

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE*

The impact it will have on archeological sites, including sites that are sacred to Native-American communities .....	39	>
The impact it will have on wildlife and natural habitats .....	38	
The impact it will have on public access for hunting, fishing, and hiking .....	18	
The impact it will have on the local economies near national monuments ....	14	
The impact it could have on the status of other national monuments across the country .....	9	
None (VOL) .....	6	
Not sure.....	8	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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10b. And, regardless of how you feel about this idea, which ONE or TWO of the following impacts makes you most concerned about designating a new national monument in Nevada? \*\*

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It would give the federal government more power.....	20	>
It would benefit a few rich individuals outside of Nevada .....	17	
It would infringe on the constitutional rights of land-owners .....	15	
It would hurt the local ranching and sportsman industries.....	15	
It would prevent the development of wind and solar energy resources.....	14	
It would reduce access to public lands.....	14	
None (VOL) .....	18	
Not sure.....	10	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

10c. Would you approve or disapprove of a member of Congress from Nevada who SUPPORTS designating Avi Kwa Ame as a national monument? \*

Approve .....	65
Disapprove .....	20
Not sure.....	15

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

10d. Would you approve or disapprove of a member of Congress who SUPPORTS protecting public lands by designating them as monuments? \*\*

Approve .....	69
Disapprove .....	19
Not sure.....	12

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

**FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.**

F1. What is the last grade that you completed in school?

Grade school.....	-
Some high school.....	3
High school graduate .....	19
Some college, no degree .....	23
Vocational training, 2-year college .....	12
4-year college/bachelor's degree .....	22
Some postgraduate work, no degree .....	3
2-3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree .....	13
Doctoral/law degree .....	4
Not sure/refused.....	1

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F2. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be very conservative, somewhat conservative, middle of the road, somewhat liberal, or very liberal?

Very conservative .....	15
Somewhat conservative.....	23
Middle of the road .....	29
Somewhat liberal .....	16
Very liberal.....	13
Not sure .....	4
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<b>Total Conservative</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Total Liberal</b>	<b>29</b>

1h1. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? **(IF RESPONDENT SAYS "NOT SURE/REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? (READ LIST.)**

18-24 .....	7
25-29 .....	6
30-34 .....	7
35-39 .....	6
40-44 .....	10
45-49 .....	7
50-54 .....	9
55-59 .....	9
60-64 .....	9
65-69 .....	9
70-74 .....	9
75 and older.....	12
Not sure/refused .....	1

1hi. Again, for statistical purposes only, are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? And to ensure that we have a representative sample, what is your race--white, Black or African American, Asian, or something else?

White .....	70
Black/African American.....	5
Asian.....	1
Other.....	6
Hispanic/Latino/Spanish origin .....	15
Not sure/refused .....	2

1fg. Regardless of how you may be registered, how would you describe your overall point of view in terms of the political parties? Would you say that you are mostly Democratic, leaning Democratic, completely independent, leaning Republican, or mostly Republican? **(IF INITIAL RESPONSE IS "NOT SURE" OR REFUSED, SAY:)** As a reminder, your answer is completely confidential and is being used for statistical purposes only. With that in mind, which would you say best describes you?

Mostly Democratic .....	25
Leaning Democratic.....	8
Completely independent .....	25
Leaning Republican .....	12
Mostly Republican .....	26
Not sure .....	4
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<b>Total Democratic</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Total Republican</b>	<b>38</b>

PARTY REGISTRATION FROM FILE	
Democrat .....	35
Republican.....	32
Nonpartisan .....	32

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