

**United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management
Visual Resource Management (VRM) Classification**

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District California Desert		Field Office Palm Springs	
Scenic Quality Rating Unit (SQRU) 03	Viewpoint 5 : Thermal Canyon	VRM Class II	

		Visual Sensitivity Levels						
		High			Medium			Low
Special Areas		I	I	I	I	I	I	I
Scenic Quality	A	II	II	II	II	II	II	II
	B	II	III*	III	III	IV	IV	IV
	C	III	IV					
		f/m	b	s/s	f/m	b	s/s	s/s
		Distance Zones						

* Note: If adjacent area is Class III or lower, assign Class III, if higher assign Class IV

Basis for Determining Visual Resource Inventory Classes

Class I. Class I is assigned to all special areas where the current management situations require maintaining a natural environment essentially unaltered by man.

Classes II, III, and IV. These classes are assigned based on combinations of scenic quality, sensitivity levels, and distance zones as shown in the matrix above.