

RESOURCE ROUT



Hikers have no problem navigating through this narrow section of Surprise Canyon, and a lawsuit will determine if vehicles will once again be allowed to traverse the canyon's tough terrain. File photo

Groups boxed into canyon arguments

Whether Surprise Canyon should be accessible to off-roaders is now up to the courts

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Maybe it should not be a surprise that the future of a controver-

sial road in Surprise Canyon will be decided by a judge.

Several conservation and environmental groups have filed a lawsuit to completely block any vehicular traffic in Surprise Canyon, located in Death Valley National Park. The short section of road has created a long trail of controversy and legal moves over the past 25 years.

The most recent suit filed by the conservation groups takes aim

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