Township 8 South, Range 66 East

Chains

General Description

This is a typical southeastern Nevada desert township, consisting of nearly level to rolling desert valley to broken hills and ridges.

A rather low divide crosses the township in the northeastsouthwest direction, from near the northeast corner to near the southwest corner of the township. The area to the southeast of this divide drains southeasterly to Meadow Valley Wash, and the area to the northwest of this divide drains southwesterly to a desert sink situated several miles to the southwest.

Timber is very scarce and consists of a few stands of small scattering juniper on the hills and a few Joshua trees on the valley portions. Undergrowth consists mainly of sagebrush, rabbit brush, greasewood, desert bunch grass, and cacti.

Water is very scarce, especially in the summer months. The area is used sparingly for winter stock range. The A.U.M. rating is very low.

A narrow road, graded but otherwise unimproved, crosses the northwest portion of the township, leading northeasterly towards the Union Pacific Railroad station of "Elgin", and southwesterly towards paved U. S. Highway No. 93.