

# Green River Launch Complex ("New Area 51")

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[The Green River Launch Complex was the area referred to as the "New Area 51" in the Popular Mechanics article.]

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I feel I must comment on the use of the Green River Launch Complex as the "new Area 51". As a person who commented on the environmental impact on the proposed reactivation of the Green River Launch Complex to be used in launching Theater Ballistic Missiles (first two stages of obsolete Minuteman Missiles). I find it humorous that it is even mentioned as a viable site for anything since the site was proposed back in 1994, because the immediate area would have necessitated closing Interstate 70 for several hours at a time; Retrieval of the 1st rocket stage in the lower Needles District of Canyonlands National Park near the Newspaper Rock area, while the second stage of the rocket continued on to White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. Should there have been a miss-hap during the launch procedure, the debris could have fallen on the Town of Moab, Utah, or Canyonlands National Park. Since the study it was decided by Department of the Army, U.S. Army Space and Strategic Defense Command, Huntsville, Alabama, to use other sites for their tests. I am a member of an off-road club that drives into that area--I can assure anyone that that place is not a "new Area 51".

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From Glenn:

That environmental impact study and all the public reports associated with it ought to tell you more than you ever wanted to know about the "New Area 51." Every detail about the area will be included in those reports and anything missing would be obvious.

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