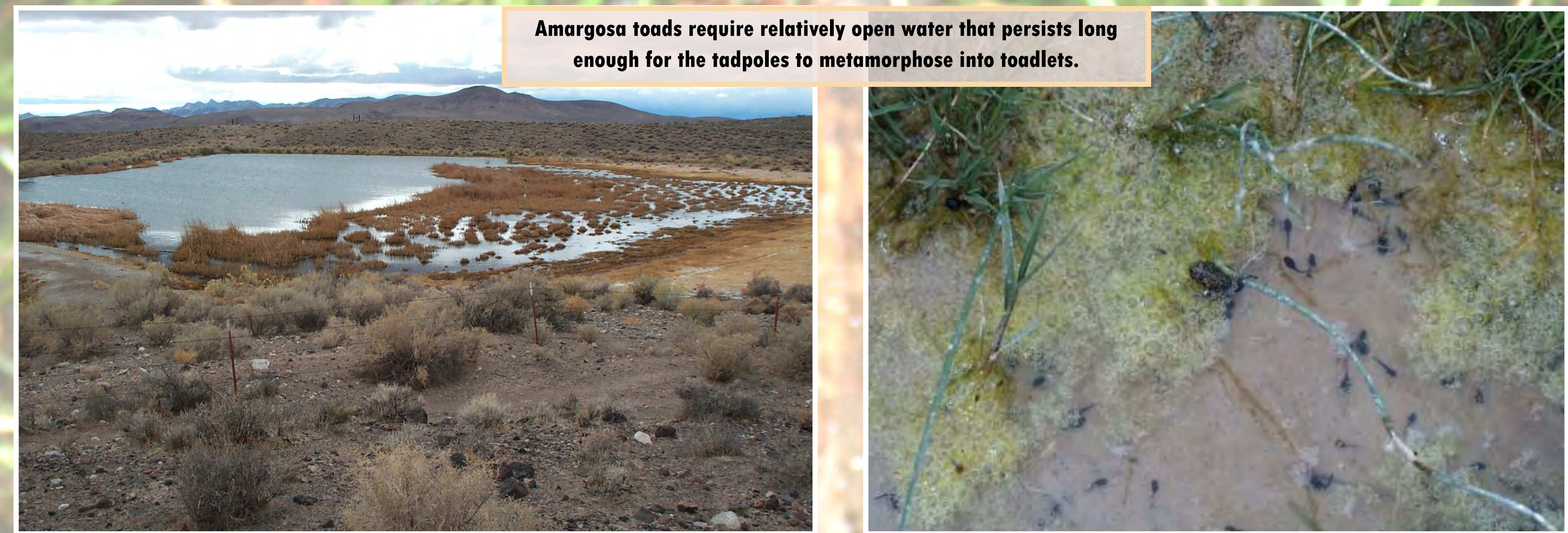
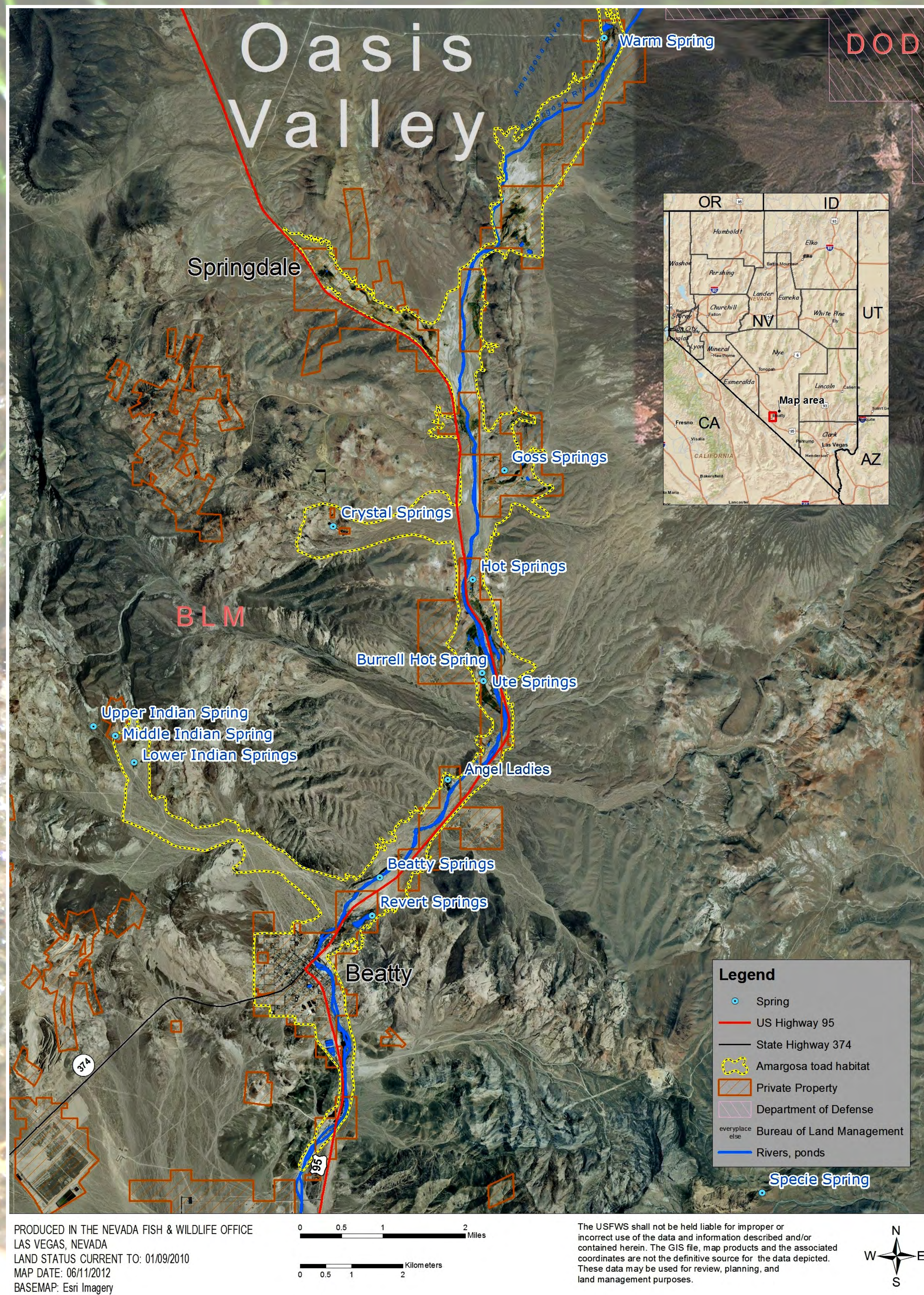




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Amargosa Toad Habitat Restoration on Private Property: A Success Story



Amargosa toads require relatively open water that persists long enough for the tadpoles to metamorphose into toadlets.

The Amargosa toad (*Anaxyrus nelsoni*) is endemic to Oasis Valley in southern Nye County, Nevada. The range of the Amargosa toad is estimated to occur along a 10-mile stretch of the Amargosa River and nearby spring systems, roughly between Springdale and Beatty.

The toad was petitioned for listing under the Endangered Species Act in 1994 and 2008 because of various potential threats including invasive species, habitat loss and ground water pumping.

Bi-annual population surveys are conducted by USFWS and volunteers to monitor the population.



The toads are measured.



Toads are tagged...



...and scanned to identify individuals.

Almost half, 49.65%, of the toad's habitat is on private property.
The other 50.35% is on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land.

The private property owners and many agencies have been working together to restore and improve Amargosa toad habitat. This teamwork prevented the need to list the Amargosa toad as endangered.

