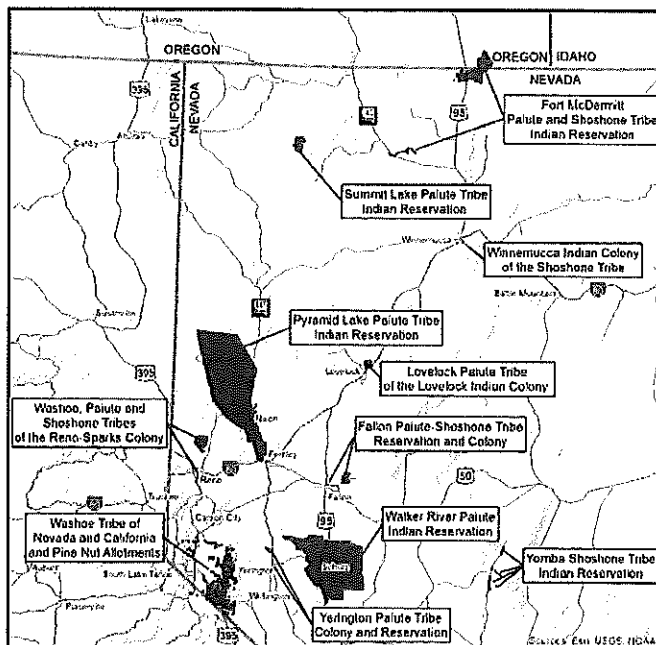


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Notice of Availability of the Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment for the Western Nevada Agency Wildland Fire Management Plan



This notice is to advise interested parties that the Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment for the Western Nevada Agency (WNA) Wildland Fire Management Plan (WFMP) is available for public review at the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) WNA office in Carson City at the address listed below. The proposed action is the implementation of the 2017 WFMP, which is a strategic, programmatic plan that identifies fire management activities that would be carried out on Tribal lands within the WNA (refer to map). The WFMP has been prepared to integrate current national wildland fire policy and management direction. The 2017 WFMP would ensure that the full range of strategic and tactical options are available and considered in every wildland fire response.

TO OBTAIN A COPY: To request a copy of the Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment, please contact Mr. Raymond Bennett at the BIA WNA, (775) 887-3521 or email at rnbenett@blm.gov.

COMMENTS: Individuals who may be affected by, or interested in, this proposed action may submit written comments to: Mr. Raymond Bennett, Assistant Fire Management Officer, BIA WNA, 311 E. Washington St., Carson City, NV 89701. Written comments will be received at BIA's WNA address during the 30-day comment period, beginning March 15, 2017 and closing April 17, 2017. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. We will not, however, consider anonymous comments. All submissions from organizations or businesses and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

This notice is published pursuant to Section 1503.1 of the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500 through 1508) implementing the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 et. seq.) and the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 1-6), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.