



Management and Conservation of Pinyon and Juniper Woodlands

Public Workshop Hosted by the Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service

Agenda

May 8 (*half day*), 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. PDT

May 9, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. PDT

Nugget Casino Resort

1100 Nugget Ave, Sparks, NV, 89431

Cascade 1 and 2 Meeting Room

Virtual Attendance Option Link: https://empsi.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VybVJfzkSA6A1bXZ11chJQ#/registration

Question and answer sessions

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Project website

Access via <https://www.blm.gov/workshop-management-and-conservation-pinyon-and-juniper-woodlands>



Workshop Objective: Create a venue for sharing information among federal agencies, other land managers, Tribes, public land users, academic researchers, NGOs, state and local governments and other interested entities on the range of ecosystem science and knowledge, management trends, social and cultural values, existing and potential threats, and climate resilience of pinyon and juniper woodlands, particularly mature and old-growth woodlands.

Note: Agenda and Confirmed Presenters are subject to change.



Day I (Half-day)

Time	Agenda Item	Facilitator(s)/Presenter(s)
Day I – May 8		
1:00 – 1:30 p.m.	Welcome and Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop objectives and introduction Opening remarks from agency leadership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Val Stanson, AECOM Nada Culver, Principal Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management Troy Heithecker, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest Systems
1:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Presentation: Mature and Old-Growth Forests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Order 14072 Inventory and Threat Analysis, focused on pinyon and juniper woodlands Question & Answer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aaron Kamoske, Ecological Analyst, USDA Forest Service
2:00 – 3:10 p.m.	Presentation: Pinyon Juniper Ecology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the historical context and distribution of the various types of pinyon-juniper systems? What are the values associated with old-growth pinyon and juniper woodlands we should seek to conserve and preserve? Question & Answer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peter Weisberg, Professor, Landscape Ecology Miranda Redmond, Assistant Professor, Forest Science and Climate Change
3:10 – 3:30 p.m.	BREAK	
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Native American Perspectives, Knowledge and History on Pinyon Juniper Ecological Stewardship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome by Jon Raby, BLM Nevada State Director Panel discussion by Tribal leaders on the relationship between humans and the pinyon-juniper woodlands cultural and spiritual responsibilities, and how we can best preserve pinyon-juniper and achieve sustainable outcomes by working together. Question & Answer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairman Brian Mason, Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation Chairman Serrell Smokey, Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California Chairman Robert Gomez, Tubatulabals of Kern Warren Graham (representing Chairman O’ Neil), Duckwater Shoshone Tribe - Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Crystal Miller (representing Chairwoman Andrea Martinez), Walker River Paiute Tribal Administrator Joseph Lent (representing Chairman Sam) Bridgeport Indian Colony Council Member
5:00 – 5:05 p.m.	Closing Remarks & Comment Period <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss how to submit comments and other details concerning the comment period. Day 2 program overview 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Val Stanson, AECOM



Day 2

Time	Agenda Item	Facilitator(s)/Presenter(s)
Day 2 – May 9		
9:00 – 9:15 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Val Stanson, AECOM
9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Presentation: Trends and Threats <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the current trends (e.g., contracting/expanding, future conditions), including both geographic and population dynamics? • What are the biggest threats to pinyon-juniper ecosystems? How do we determine which threats are most urgent in specific areas? How do we apply social values to our understanding of threats? • Question & Answer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob Shriver, Assistant Professor, Plant Ecology & Population Biology • Ali Urza, Research Ecologist, Rocky Mountain Research Station • Rhiana Jones, Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	BREAK	
10:45-11:30 a.m.	Presentation: Pinyon Jay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pinyon Jay and woodland habitat • Question & Answer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Boone, Great Basin Bird Observatory
11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Panel: Managing for Wildlife Habitat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing woodlands for big game and sage-grouse • Question & Answer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Belinda, Mule Deer Foundation • Pete Coates, USGS
12:15 p.m.	Lunch Dismissal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Val Stanson, AECOM
12:15 – 1:30 p.m.	LUNCH	
1:30 – 1:45 p.m.	Pinyon Juniper Genetics Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunity to contribute to genetic research by collecting leaf tissue samples. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carla Roybal, USGS
1:45 – 3:00 p.m.	Panel: Managing for woodland values and resilience <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodland values, historical context, learning through experience, and current management approaches • Partnerships and youth engagement • Bureau of Indian Affairs forestry and funding programs • Question & Answer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raven Honga, Hualapai Tribal Forestry • Heather Stone, Bureau of Land Management • Thomas Gustie, Bishop Paiute Tribe • Orvie Danzuka, Bureau of Indian Affairs and Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs



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Day 2 – May 9		
3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Presentation: Managing for woodland values and resilience <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do we plan for a diversity of ecosystems and conditions? • Are there potential management methods for increasing climate resiliency of pinyon-juniper systems? What are the data and information gaps preventing us from more effectively managing pinyon-juniper for increased resiliency? • Question & Answer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ali Urza, Research Ecologist, Rocky Mountain Research Station • Peter Weisberg, Professor, Landscape Ecology
4:00 – 4:15 p.m.	BREAK	
4:15 – 5:00 p.m.	Interactive Marketplace <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop participants can visit with available speakers and presenters at stations inside the venue. 	