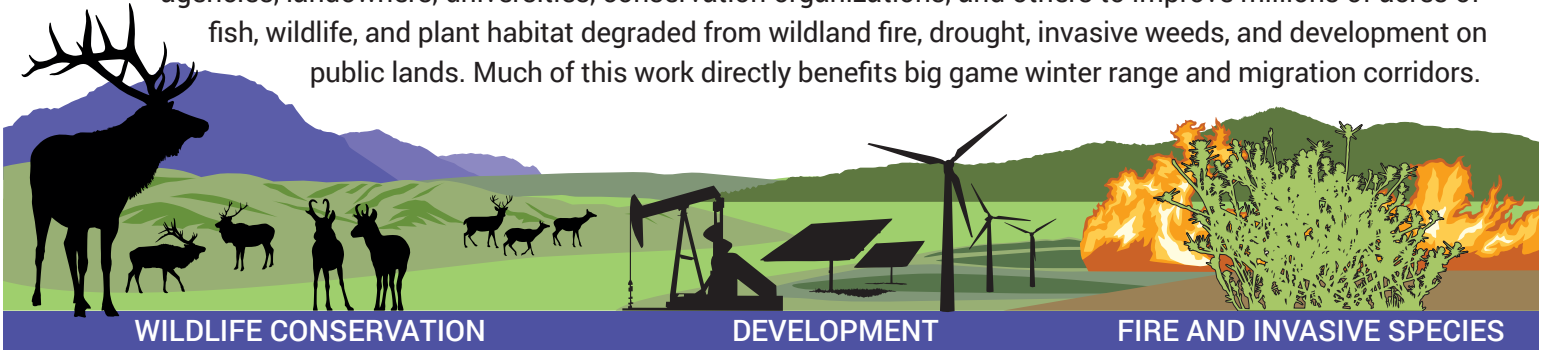




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Five Years of Progress on Secretarial Order 3362: Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors

Secretarial Order 3362 was signed in 2018 to emphasize the importance of conserving and improving elk, mule deer, and pronghorn antelope habitat. Each year, the BLM works cooperatively with state and Tribal governments, federal agencies, landowners, universities, conservation organizations, and others to improve millions of acres of fish, wildlife, and plant habitat degraded from wildland fire, drought, invasive weeds, and development on public lands. Much of this work directly benefits big game winter range and migration corridors.



WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

DEVELOPMENT

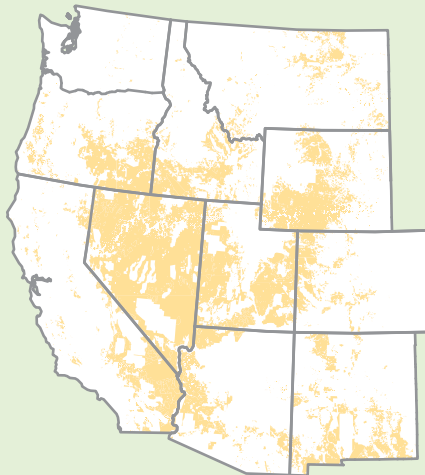
FIRE AND INVASIVE SPECIES

Over the last five years, the BLM has...

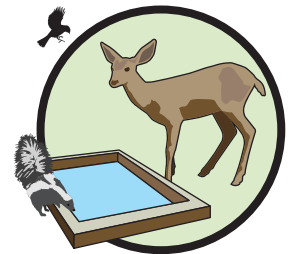
Removed or modified over **1,250 miles** of fencing to improve wildlife movement and migration



Improved over **3 million acres** of big game habitat, with over **1 million acres** located in state-identified migration corridors



Installed or maintained over **1,150 water developments** for use by big game animals and other wildlife

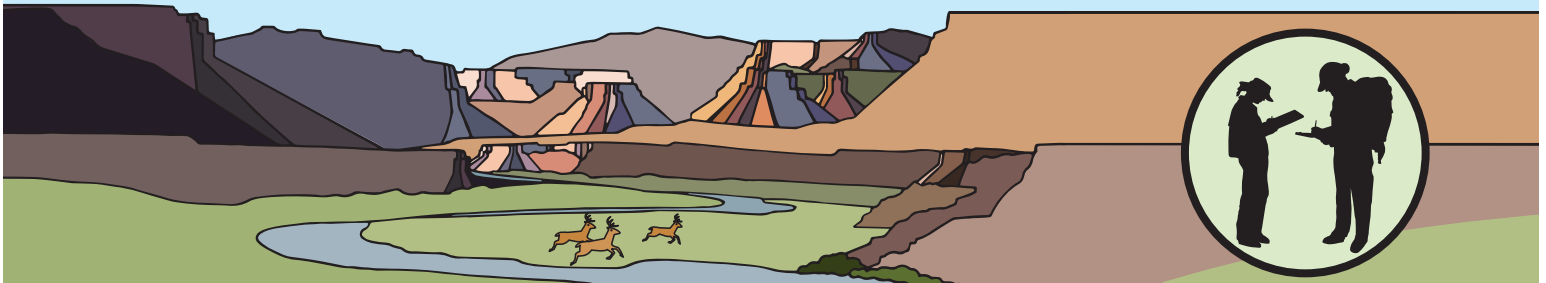


Partnerships

Attended over 335 regional and local coordination meetings

Supported over 70 monitoring and research projects related to big game movement

Concentrated habitat work in areas identified by State Action Plans



To improve big game habitat, the BLM annually treats...

~207,000 acres
mechanically



~21,000 acres
with prescribed fire



~177,000 acres
with planting/seeding



~207,000 acres
for invasive plant removal



Since the inception of SO 3362, this focused effort has resulted in...

~2.9 million acres
of improved habitat
for mule deer

~1.7 million acres
of improved habitat
for elk

~1.9 million acres
of improved habitat
for pronghorn

Improved ecosystem health
for plants, animals, and fish



How does the BLM support work benefitting big game species?

These efforts take a significant amount
of money and human resources.

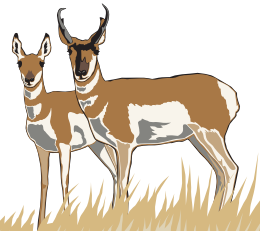
The BLM contributes approximately
\$30 million per year
on improvement projects that benefit big game
habitat and migration corridors.



This funding represents only a portion of the total amount
spent each year to conserve wildlife habitat on public
lands. Several BLM programs (fire and fuels, range,
greater sage-grouse) and multiple conservation partners
provide additional support.



The BLM has provided NFWF
~\$10 million to the Western
Big Game Seasonal Habitat
and Migration Corridors Fund,
which has leveraged over
\$70 million
in matching
contributions.



The result:
ONE million additional acres
of big game habitat protected or improved
900 more miles of fencing made
wildlife friendly

