# End of Field Season Implementation Summary

**PURPOSE:** The AIM implementation summary is intended to provide an overview of each project’s implementation efforts and to capture lessons learned. This information will be used to improve the AIM implementation process in future years as well as serve as a resource for new implementation efforts. To help better understand each part of the AIM implementation process, we have broken down this summary into several components: plan and fund, design, training, data collection, QA and QC, storage, and analysis and reporting. We have also included a section on your experience working with AIM, as well as a general section at the end for comments or questions that we may have missed. We thank you in advance for your valuable input.

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| **AIM Implementation Details** |
| **Project Lead Name** |  |
| **Location** |  |
| **Cost**  |  |
| **# Plots sampled in 2024** |  |
| **Project area 2024** |  |
| **Data collection start date** |  |
| **Data collection end date** |  |
| **Number of field crews** |  |
| **Field crew size** |  |
| **Field crew training date(s) and location** |  |
| **Field crew calibration date(s)** |  |

**Plan and Fund:**

*Briefly describe the planning and funding process, including mechanisms, timeline, resource availability, etc. What worked well about this step? How could planning and funding be improved?*

**Design:**

*Briefly describe the design phase, including your experience filling out the Monitoring Design worksheet, engagement with the NOC/Jornada/NAMC and your local resource staff, and approach (study area, stratification, sample size). What recommendations would you make to better implement this portion of the process?*

**Field Season Preparation and Training:**

*Briefly describe the field season preparation and training process. Were you able to hire crews and gather materials in the necessary time frame? Was the training adequate? Do you have any recommendations to improve content, structure, presentation of materials that could assist future crews? Was all the information covered in the training allowing you or your crews to successfully carry out the field season? How can we improve training and field season preparation?*

**Data Collection:**

*Briefly describe the data collection portion of the field season, including timeline, data management, and supplemental indicators (if any) collected. What was your experience coordinating and managing crews? Was there adequate support available from the SO/NOC/Jornada during this phase? What recommendations would you make to better implement this portion of the process?*

**Data QA and QC:**

*Briefly describe your data quality assurance (QA) and quality control (QC) process. How often did the crews calibrate? Was this an effective tool for ensuring data quality? Was the data correction and completeness process adequate? What was your experience working with the NOC/Jornada on QA and QC? How can this process be improved?*

**Storage:**

*Briefly describe your experience working with Field Maps and Survey 123. What was your experience working with the NOC to submit data? Is there anything you would recommend improving the process?*

**Analysis and Reporting:**

*Briefly describe your analysis and reporting using AIM data. Who is involved in this step? What are realized benefits and challenges of using AIM data in your reports? What other resources or tools would be helpful in this process? How will these analyses and/or reports be used?*

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| **Data analysis and reporting applications (check all that apply):*** Land use plan effectiveness
* Watershed assessment
* Treatment effectiveness
* Grazing permit renewal
* Sage grouse habitat assessment
* Energy development monitoring
* Other:
* Other:
* Other:
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**Working with the AIM team:**

*Briefly describe your experience in working with the National AIM team. Please comment on organization, communication, direction, availability of appropriate expertise. How can the AIM team provide be more supportive to AIM implementation across BLM?*

**General:**

 *Do you have any additional thoughts, suggestions, or comments to improve AIM implementation in the future?*

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