

## The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

### and what it means for the Bureau of Land Management

Passed by Congress and signed by President Biden in November 2021, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law was historic in its breadth: more than 350 distinct programs, government-wide. The Law promised to rebuild America's roads, bridges and rails; expand access to clean drinking water; ensure that every American has access to high-speed internet; tackle the climate crisis and advance environmental justice, while investing in communities – urban and rural – that have too often been left behind.



For BLM, the law was also significant, providing investments aimed at making America's public lands healthier, safer, and more accessible.

BLM has concentrated most of its efforts into three primary activities. The Bureau received a large investment of funds for wildland fire mitigation, hazardous fuels management, firefighter labor compensation and mental health initiatives, fire science research, and burned area rehabilitation and restoration. Two other initiatives are ecosystem restoration, and plugging and restoring lands around orphaned wells. Ecosystem Restoration is part of our core mission, and besides funding from this act, BLM leverages appropriated funds from Congress and from other sources like the Inflation Reduction Act.

CALIFORNIA: Fort Ord National Monument, Swazey Recreation Area, partnership with Western Shasta Resource Conservation District: Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding was crucial in providing late season goat grazing in 2023 to reduce wildfire hazards adjacent to residential areas. Photo by Eric Morgan, BLM.

## **BY THE NUMBERS: Ecosystem Restoration: 2024-2026**

# \$41 Million

#### By Project Type: (dollars rounded)

Authority Agreements  Invasive Species 10 Projects \$2.6 Million Control and Eradication  Resilient Recreation 8 Projects \$1.8 Million Abandoned Mine 15 Projects \$9.4 Million Land Restoration	TOTAL	74 Projects	\$40.6 Million
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Alaska	10 Projects	\$10.65 Million
Arizona	5 Projects	\$2.95 Million
California	7 Projects	\$3.76 Million
Colorado	6 Projects	\$2.89 Million
Eastern States (AL, FL, MD)	3 Projects	\$1.16 Million
Idaho	7 Projects	\$2.74 Million
Montana/Dakotas	6 Projects	\$4.35 Million
Nevada	1 Project	\$350,000
New Mexico	8 Projects	\$2.36 Million
Oregon/Washington	10 Projects	\$5.23 Million
Utah	1 Project	\$300,000
Wyoming	2 Projects	\$1.35 Million
Multi-Unit Projects	4 Projects	\$395,000
Headquarters	4 Projects	\$2.10 Million
TOTAL	74 Projects	\$40.57 Million