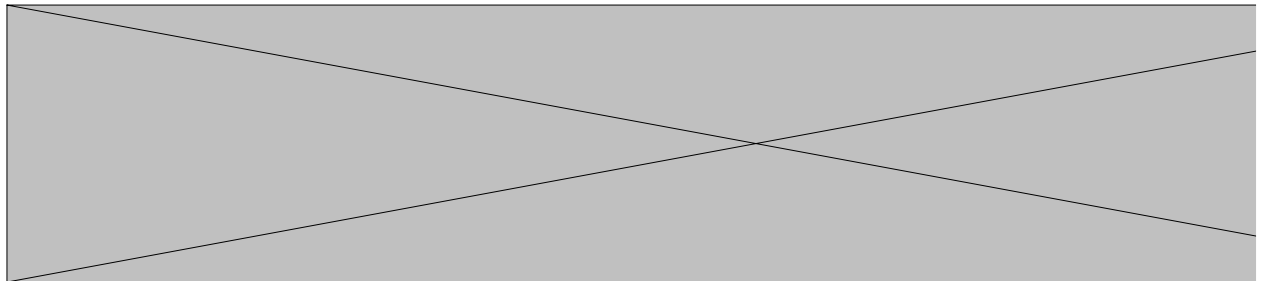


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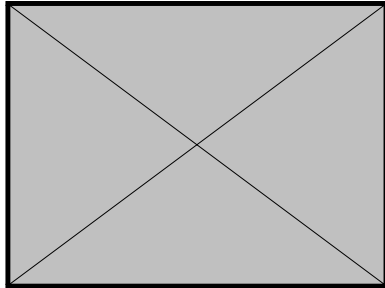
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RECREATION

2017 Total Solar Eclipse Viewing Tips

On Monday, August 21, 2017, millions of people across the United States will get to see one of nature's most awe-inspiring sights -- a total solar eclipse.



wide-open spaces and low light pollution, public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management in Wyoming, Idaho and Oregon are the perfect places to view this rare event. ([DOI blog](#))

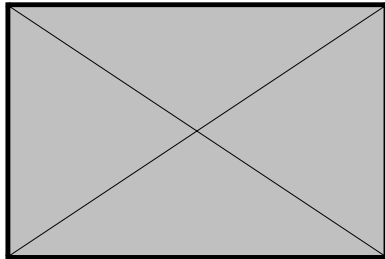
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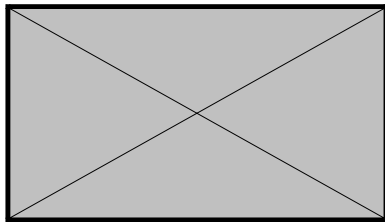
Find Your Adventure



The Bureau of Land Management invites you to explore many of the hidden gems on your public lands. We want to remind you to always be safe and make sure you prepare for whatever adventure you choose. Many recreation opportunities on BLM-managed public lands are often rugged, offering unparalleled connections to the American outdoors. ([BLM Public Lands Tumblr](#))

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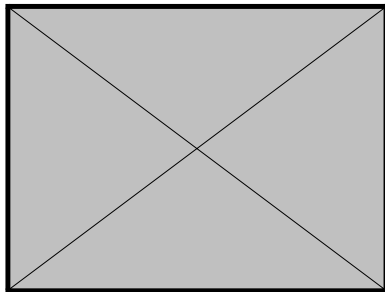
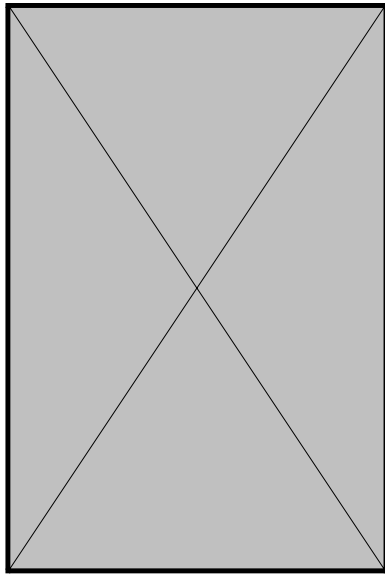
Video: Colorado's Alpine Loop



Located northeast of Silverton, Colorado in San Juan and Hinsdale counties, the Alpine Loop Back Country Byway is a premiere visitor destination. The Alpine Loop draws off-highway-vehicle enthusiasts from across the country. The area is treated with a network of roads that climb above timberline, offering unparalleled vistas in alpine environment. There are also fantastic hiking and camping opportunities. Scattered along the Alpine Loop are ruins of our nation's frontier history, where visitors can learn about the bustling towns that once thrived here. ([BLM Colorado Facebook](#))

Out of this World: New Mexico's Bisti Badlands

Like the set scenery for a science-fiction movie that takes place on another planet, the Bisti/De-Na-Zin Wilderness, most commonly referred to as Bisti Badlands, is home to phantasmagoric formations that have been shaped by wind and water over time. ([My Public Lands Tumblr](#))

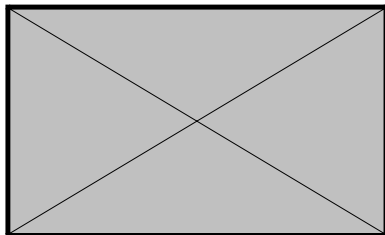


Volunteers help BLM Celebrate National Trails Day

For Mel Langdon, volunteering at the BLM Campbell Tract on National Trails Day is about paying it forward. “I raised some kids and they came to camps,” said Langdon. “I appreciate all the facilities that are here. I want to give a little payback for that and for the next kids coming up.” Langdon was one of many people who came to help build and repair fences, plant trees, improve water quality at Campbell Creek, and weed and replant the gardens at the BLM Campbell Tract on National Trails Day. ([BLM Alaska Facebook](#))

COMMERCIAL

Made In America: 12 things brought to you by the Interior Department

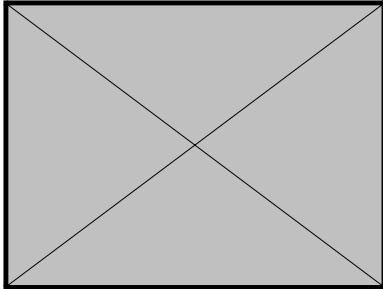


On March 3, 1849, the Department of the Interior was created to manage the nation's internal affairs. Interior's diverse mission -- which includes managing America's vast natural and cultural resources, honoring tribal relations, and supplying the nation with energy -- has earned it the nickname “The Department of Everything Else.” Nearly 170 years since it was established, Interior continues to provide invaluable services to the public. From mapping data used by companies to new technologies, Interior is developing innovations, programs and products that are Made in America to serve the public. ([DOI blog](#))

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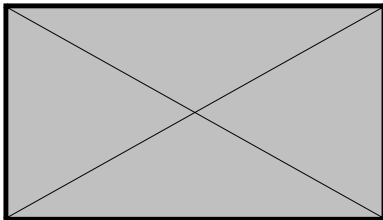
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Celebrating Your Public Lands during “Made in America Week”

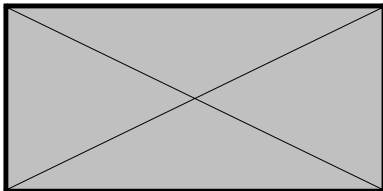
This week, July 17-21, the Bureau of Land Management joins the Department of the Interior in celebrating the Trump Administration’s “Made in America Week.” With responsibility for managing more than 10 percent of the nation’s land and 30 percent of its subsurface minerals, the BLM supports the production of made goods and services in many ways. ([BLM News Release](#))



Video: Newberry Geothermal Project

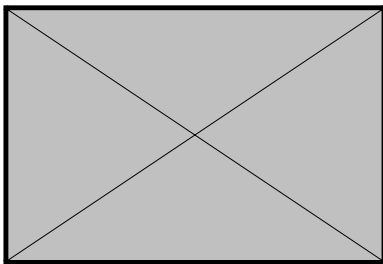
Did you know, the Newberry Geothermal project has the potential to create 1,000 full-time jobs in south Deschutes County? When completed this project will have a large economic footprint and benefit to the local area. ([BLM Facebook](#))

Ever wonder why Alaska is just so different?



Well it's not just the latitude, or size, or wildlife, or that 800-mile oil pipeline. Alaska was different from the start. The land that later became our 49th state was acquired through a land purchase by the federal government as part of the Alaska Purchase treaty. People settled in the Last Frontier for military postings or search for gold and new adventures, or the promise of a new life. After awhile, people wanted to transition from a territory to a state. Alaska became the 49th state in 1959 and as a part of the Statehood Act, the federal government gave the new State of Alaska 104 million acres of federal land to get the State going and to develop a local economy... ([BLM Alaska Facebook](#))

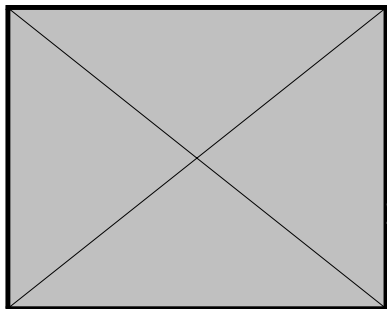
CONSERVATION



Utah Girl Scouts Earn a Respect and Protect Patch

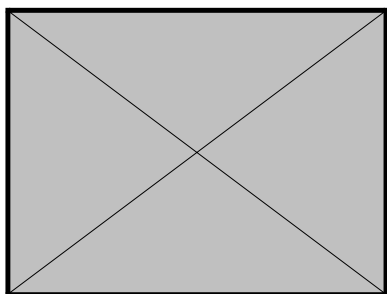
This month, thirty Girl Scouts from four troops across Utah earned the Project Archaeology “Respect and Protect” patches at the Project Archaeology Scout Camp in Utah’s scenic Professor Valley. Project Archaeology is a premiere program that teaches students and teachers about American history and cultural heritage. ([My Public Lands Tumblr](#))

Record of the Day via BLM Eastern States

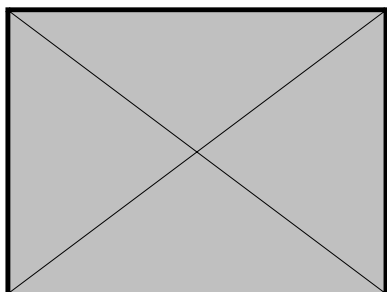


The General Land Office provides live access to scanned images of eleven million federal land records dating back to 1785. These records are source title documents for all lands in the US Public Land Survey (PLSS). In this role they support all commercial, recreational and conservation efforts on private and public lands in the PLSS states. ([BLM Eastern website](#))

RAP Camp Students Have Fun Learning about Forest and Natural Resource Careers

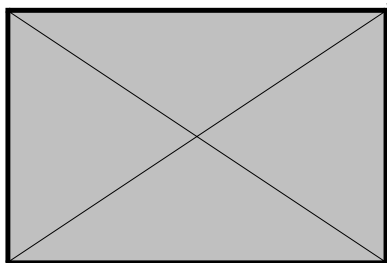


For Grant Union High School student Chee Cha, Resources and Forest Camp did more than teach her about the many career opportunities in natural resource management – it also taught her how to challenge. Approximately 30 high-school-aged students from northern and central California, one student from southern Oregon, and one high schooler from Iowa, attended the 26th annual RAP Camp from June 11 to 17 in the Woods, approximately 40 miles from Medford and Klamath Falls. ([BLM California Facebook](#))



Making a Traditional Pit River Summer House

BLM California, with considerable contributions from the Pit River National Wildlife Refuge and Modoc National Forest, successfully built a traditional Pit River summer house. The experience taught school archaeologists alike valuable lessons including a traditional technique and it truly takes a community to build a tule house. ([BLM California Facebook](#))

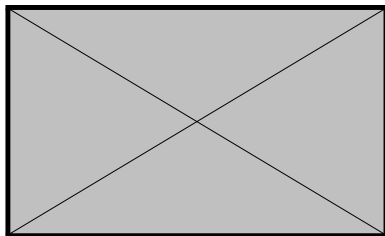


Video: Protecting Native American Ruins

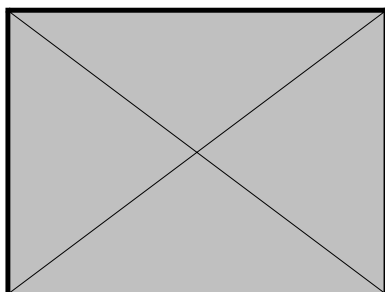
Cultural resources are a fragile, limited resource with potential public and scientific uses. They are an irreplaceable part of our Nation's heritage. Management of cultural resources on the public lands is primarily governed by the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA). With FLPMA, the BLM follows the same multiple use principles and planning and decision making processes that are followed in managing other resources on the public lands. ([BLM Oregon Facebook](#))

HEADLINES AND HIGHLIGHTS

8 Things You Didn't Know About the Bureau of Land Management

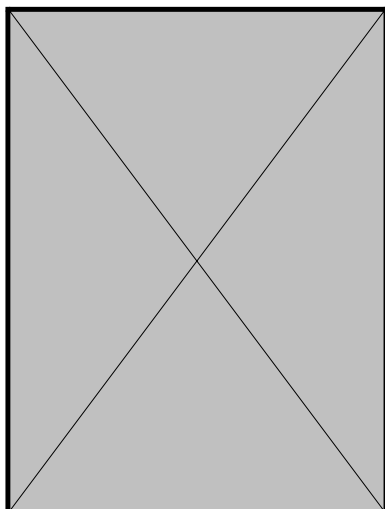


One of nine bureaus under the Interior Department, the Bureau of Land Management's roots go back to America's founding. BLM was established on July 16, 1946, when the General Land Office and the U.S. Geological Survey were merged. More than 70 years later, it remains a small agency managing public lands for multiple-uses like recreation and natural resource development for the benefit of present and future generations. ([DOI](#))



Video: Endangered Pygmy Rabbits Rescued from Cowlitz Washington Wildfire

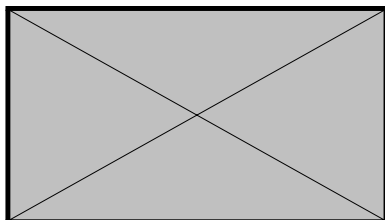
Dozens of pygmy rabbits were saved thanks to the quick teamwork of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife biologists and BLM firefighters after the Sutherland Canyon Fire swept across a state-managed landscape on ground late last month. ([BLM Oregon Facebook](#))



Saving an Eagle's Life

In late June, BLM Ranger Mike Thompson and Utah Canyon Outfitter Caitlin Clery rescued a young male eagle from the depths of a slot canyon at the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. The eagle was found during a Utah Canyon Outdoors guided hike, and appeared to be endangered and in need of rescuing. ([BLM Utah Facebook](#))

Related: Eagle rescued from Slot Canyon ([Southwest Wildlife Foundation Utah YouTube](#))

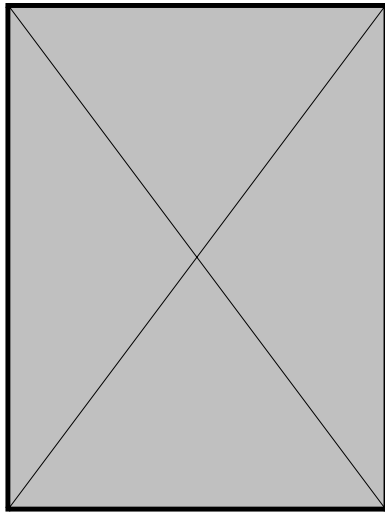


Murphy Complex - Ten Years Later

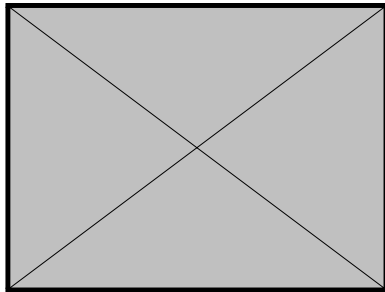
This week marks 10 years since the start of the Murphy Complex fire. This 653,000-acre fire was the biggest in Idaho since 1910. It destroyed homes, plants, property and resources in Idaho and Nevada. This is the story of the Murphy fire, the people who lived through it and BLM's effort to help the area recover from it. ([BLM Idaho Facebook](#))

National Interagency Fire Center Welcomes New Smokejumpers

The Boise BLM smokejumper base at the National Interagency Fire Center welcomed three new female smokejumpers. Jessica Crump, Martha Schoppa, and



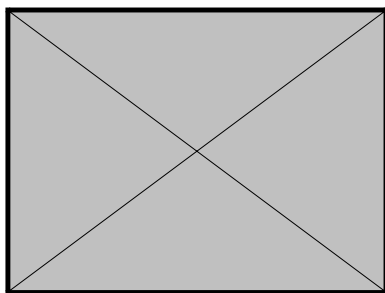
These are all new smokejumpers at Boise who are ready for the next firefighting careers. Of the 80 smokejumpers at the Boise base, they comprise the only females. ([My Public Lands Tumblr](#))



Federal, State Officials Chart Next Steps in Sage-grouse Conservation

The Bureau of Land Management and states with sage-grouse have begun drafting a report responding to Secretarial Order 3353, Great Grouse Conservation and Cooperation with Western States, signed by Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke to support partnerships in managing grouse populations. Federal and state resource managers met for a week in Denver to identify opportunities for incorporating the experience of federal and state employees in the field as well as proven state approaches to on-the-ground management. ([BLM News Release](#))

WILDLIFE QUESTION OF THE WEEK



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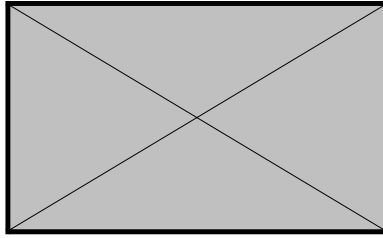
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DOI HIGHLIGHTS

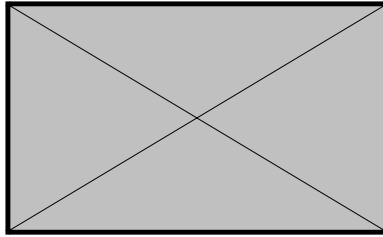
Interior Announces \$13.3 Million for Improvements to National Parks and Recreation in 22 Cities

The U.S. Department of the Interior and the National Park Service



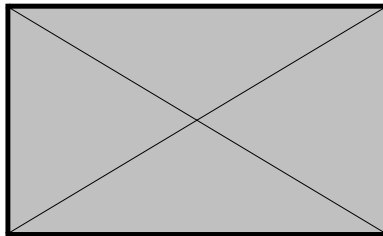
\$13.3 million through the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership assist 22 cities in 17 states with projects to plan, build, and enhance other outdoor recreation facilities in underserved communities. The private partnerships leverage \$13.3 million in federal funding with from local governments, private firms, and non-profit organizations accessibility of playgrounds, create canoe and kayak launches and piers, restore vacant industrial land for park uses, and make other investments in parks across the country. ([DOI News Release](#))

Secretary Zinke Announces 76 Million Acres Offered Mexico Region-Wide Oil and Gas Lease Sale



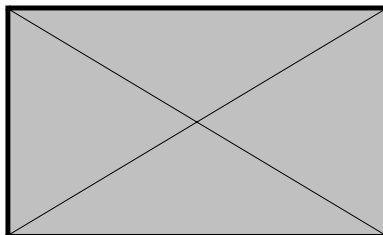
U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke announced that the Department offer 75.9 million acres offshore Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida for oil and gas exploration and development. The region-wide sale scheduled for August 16, 2017 would include all available unleased federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico and provide a reduced royalty for shallow water leases to encourage exploration and production under current market conditions. ([DOI News Release](#))

Secretary Ryan Zinke Appoints Veteran Interior Official Willens as Assistant Deputy Secretary of the Interior



U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke announced the appointment of Interior Department official and former Chief of Staff to Rep. Steve Todd Willens as Assistant Deputy Secretary of the Interior. In this role, Willens will work closely with yet-to-be-confirmed Deputy Secretary David Bruckner. Willens brings with him more than 20 years of public policy and government affairs experience, with proven successes on behalf of prior Administrations, Members of Congress, national associations, and the private sector. Willens possesses a deep knowledge and understanding of the Department's complex policies, ranging from land to energy, wildlife, and water. ([DOI News Release](#))

Related: Interior Welcomes Seven New Hires ([DOI News Release](#))



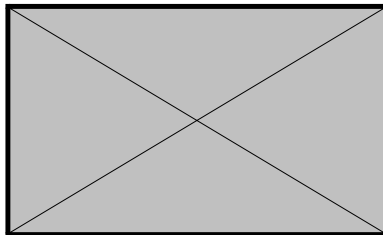
Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke's Statement on the Environmental Monuments Review Public Comment Period

On Monday, July 10, the formal public comment period closed for the review of national monuments. More than 1.2 million comments were received on [Regulations.gov](#) and thousands more were received via traditional mail.

seven national monuments designated since January 1, 1996 that than 100,000 acres, or that were considered to have inadequate p are under review in accordance with President Donald J. Trump's 2017, executive order. ([DOI News Release](#))

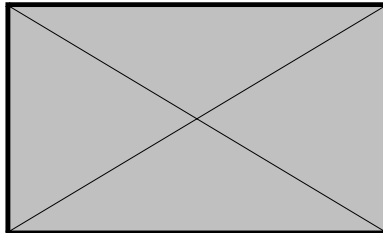
Related: Secretary Zinke Announces Recommendation on Idaho's the Moon and Washington's Hanford Reach National Monuments [Release](#))

Secretary Zinke Announces Nearly \$32 Million in Boating Recreation and Tourism Grants



U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke announced nearly \$32 million in maritime- and boating-related grants that will benefit boating recreation and tourism by improving boating infrastructure, keeping water clean and preserving maritime heritage and inland waterways. Secretary Zinke made the announcement at the Yorktown Historic Freight Shed Lawn at the Yorktown Landing, where he was joined by local Congressman Scott Taylor. ([DOI News Release](#))

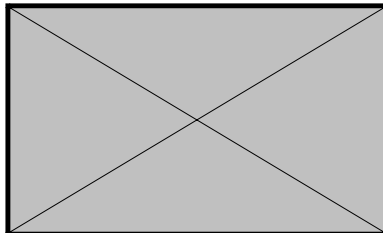
Zinke Signs Secretarial Order To Streamline Process for Federal Onshore Oil And Gas Leasing Permits



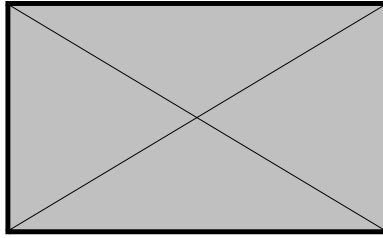
U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke signed a secretarial order to streamline the permitting process, identify solutions to improve the permitting process on federal lands, and to identify solutions to improve access to additional parcels of federal land that are appropriate for mineral leasing. As of January 31, 2017, the Bureau of Land Management had 2,800 Applications for Permit to Drill pending. ([DOI News Release](#))

Related: Interior's Role in American Energy Dominance ([DOI video](#))

Department of the Interior Awards \$6.9 Million to 17 Projects for Drought Preparation

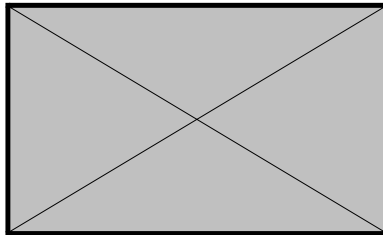


Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke announced that the Bureau of Land Management is awarding 17 projects in California, Colorado, Nevada, Oklahoma, and Montana a total of \$6.9 million to proactively prepare for and address drought in their communities. The federal funding will be leveraged to support a total of \$47.9 million for the development of drought contingency plans and the implementation of drought resiliency projects. ([DOI News Release](#))



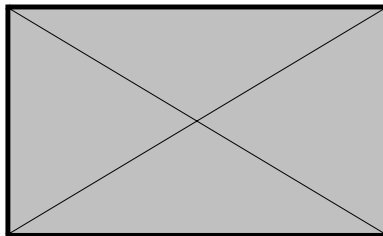
Secretary Zinke, Senators, and Local Officials Announce Communities to Receive Record \$465 Million in PILT

While meeting with local, state and federal officials in Nevada, U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke announced that more than 1,900 local governments around the country will receive \$464.6 million in Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding for 2017. Nevada has more federally-owned land than any other state (as a percentage) and will receive \$26,184,790. This year's funding is the largest amount ever allocated in the program's 40-year history. The funding level continues to underscore the Trump Administration's commitment to rural communities. ([DOI News Release](#))



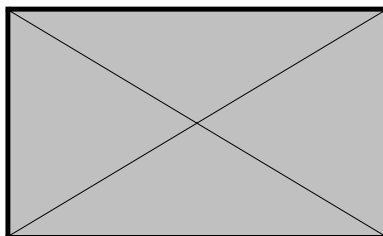
Secretary Zinke Announces Initiatives to Protect Western Ecosystems and Hydroelectric Facilities from Invasive Species

U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke praised a package of action initiatives developed through collaboration with western governors, state and Tribal agencies to protect areas in the West from the ecological threats posed by invasive mussels. ([DOI News Release](#))



Secretary Zinke Announces Recovery and Delisting of Yellowstone Grizzly Bear

Due to the success of conservation efforts and collaboration among stakeholders, U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke announced that the Yellowstone population of the grizzly bear has been recovered to a level where federal protections can be removed and overall management returned to the states and tribes. The population has rebounded from 136 bears in 1975 to an estimated 700 today and meets all the criteria for delisting. ([DOI News Release](#))



Interior Announces Regulatory Reform Initiative to Make Government Work for America

The Department of the Interior announced an initiative to alleviate unnecessary regulatory burdens placed on the American people. This initiative is the vision set out by President Trump in Executive Order 13777, "Regulatory Reform Agenda." This initiative is part of a government-wide initiative to alleviate unnecessary regulatory burdens on the American people. ([DOI News Release](#))

WILDLIFE QUESTION OF THE WEEK ANSWER

White-nose syndrome has ravaged bat populations in many parts of this nation. U.S. Fish and Service announced over \$1 million in grants to 37 states and the District of Columbia to help combat white-nose syndrome, a fungal disease that has killed millions of North American bats in recent years. The grants will help states find ways to prevent the spread of WNS while increasing survival rates of afflicted species. (USFWS News Release)

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