# FINAL INTEGRATED NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR

# WYOMING MILITARY DEPARTMENT LOCAL TRAINING AREAS IN LANDER, LOVELL, AND SHERIDAN

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#### **List of Acronyms and Abbreviations**

AR Army Regulation

Army U.S. Army

BCC Birds of Conservation Concern
BCR Bird Conservation Region

BGEPA Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act

BLM Bureau of Land Management BMPs best management practices

CFMO Construction and Facilities Management Office

CFR Code of Federal Regulations

CWA Clean Water Act

DoD U.S. Department of Defense

DoDI Department of Defense Instruction
EMD Environmental Management Division

EO Executive Order

EPA U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

ESA Endangered Species Act

GIS geographic information systems
HMA Hunter Management Area

INRMP Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans
IPaC Information for Planning and Consultation
ITAM Integrated Training Area Management

LTAs Local Training Areas
MBTA Migratory Bird Treaty Act

NEPA National Environmental Policy Act

NGB National Guard Bureau

NHPA National Historic Preservation Act
NRCS Natural Resources Conservation Service
NRHP National Register of Historic Places

NWI National Wetland Inventory
SAIA Sikes Act Improvement Act
SCS Soil Conservation Service

SGCN Species of Greatest Conservation Need

SHPO State Historic Preservation Office

STEP Status Tool for the Environmental Program

SWAP State Wildlife Action Plan

TAG Wyoming National Guard Adjutant Agent TES threatened, endangered, or sensitive species

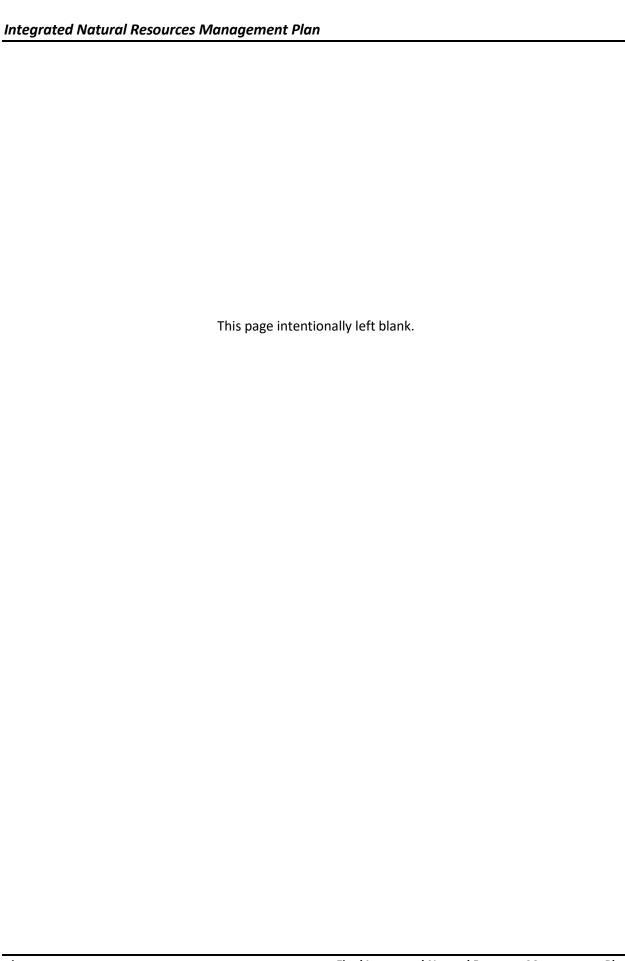
U.S.C. United States Code

USACE U.S. Army Corps of Engineers USFWS U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

WDAG Wyoming Department of Agriculture WGFD Wyoming Game and Fish Department

WYARNG Wyoming Army National Guard WYMD Wyoming Military Department

WYNDD Wyoming Natural Diversity Database



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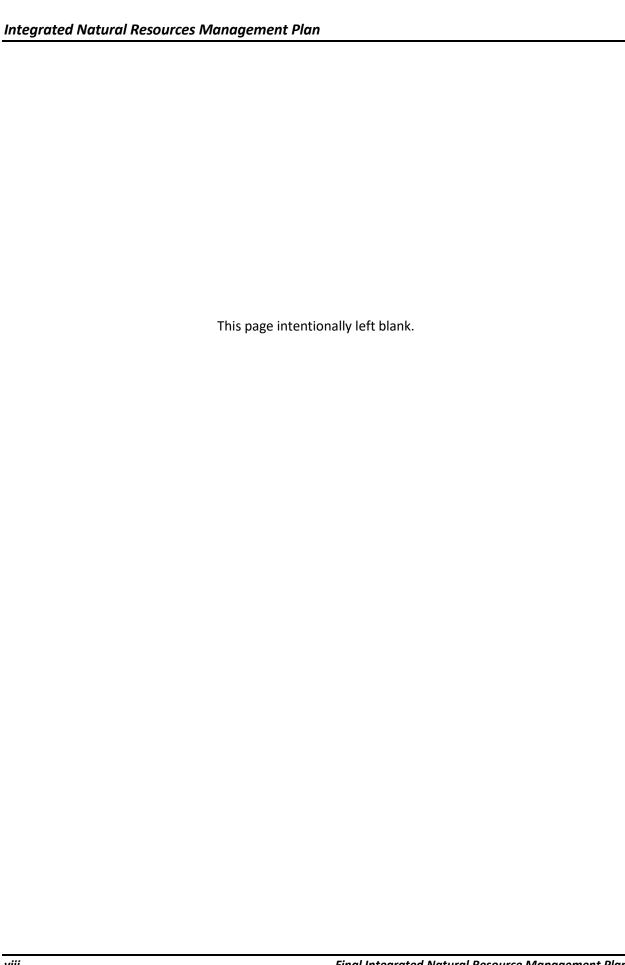
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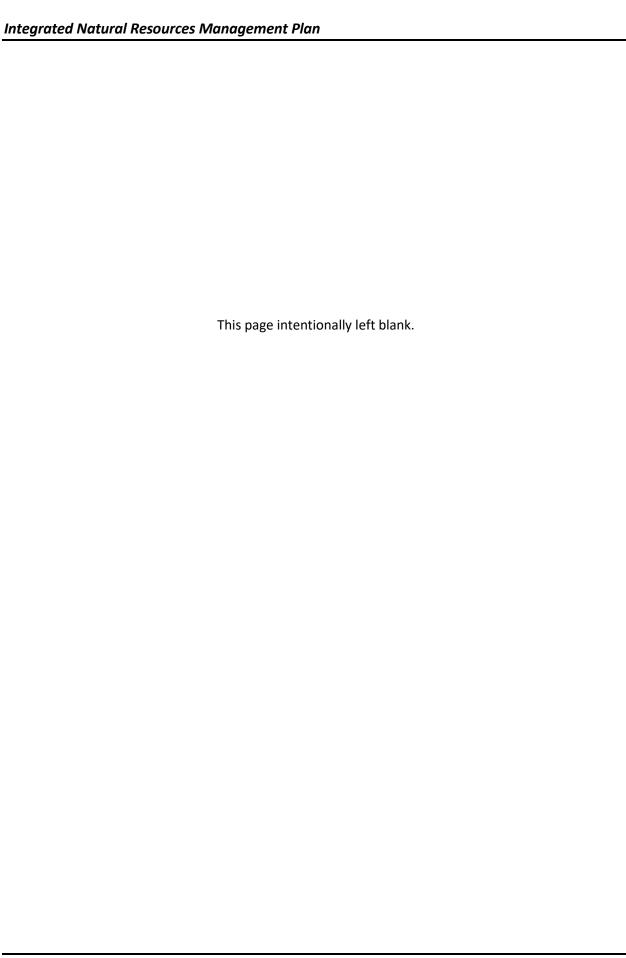
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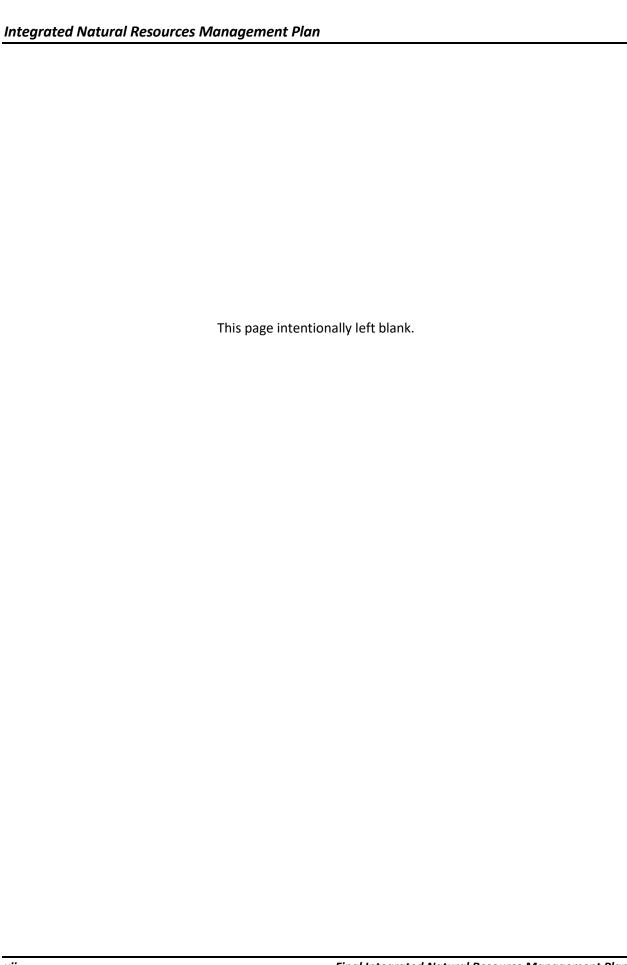
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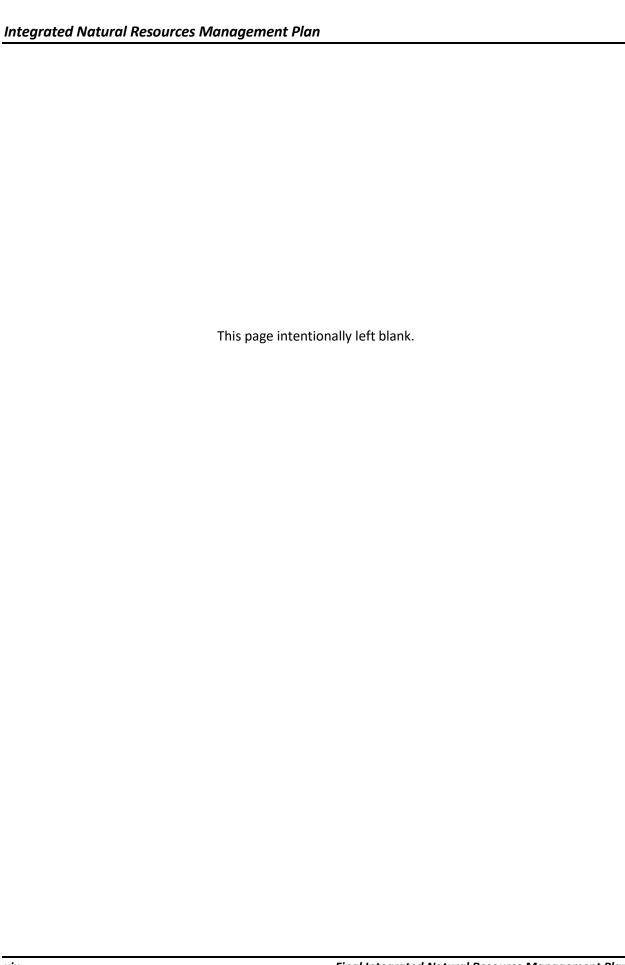
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#### 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under the Sikes Act, the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) is responsible for developing and implementing Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans (INRMP) for military installations where significant natural resources are present. INRMPs consider the following:

- Conservation and rehabilitation of natural resources on military installations
- Sustainable multipurpose use of the resources on military installations, which will include hunting, fishing, trapping and non-consumptive uses
- Facilitation of public access to military installations, subject to safety requirements and military security

The United States Army (Army) recognizes the importance of environmental stewardship in the DoD Instruction 4715.03, Natural Resource Conservation Program (DoD 2011), which formalizes policies and procedures for the integrated management of natural resources on military lands. This DoD Instruction updates programming priorities and establishes new performance metrics to better evaluation how natural resources management can enable the military mission and ensure long-term health of installation ecosystems. This DoD Instruction complies with laws and regulations pertaining to natural resources, such as the Endangered Species Act (ESA), the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA), and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA). The management goals and objectives in this INRMP include the active management and stewardship of three Local Training Areas (LTAs) to sustain ecosystems and military readiness.

# 1.1 Purpose of this INRMP

The purpose of this INRMP is to establish a plan consistent with the military use of the Lander LTA, Lovell LTA, and Sheridan LTA from 2022 to 2027. These three LTAs are Wyoming Army National Guard (WYARNG) military training areas on Federal land and managed by the Wyoming Military Department (WYMD). The three areas collectively encompass 8,864 acres (13.85 square miles). The sites are used infrequently for low-impact training activities, including mounted and dismounted land navigation exercises, field operations (e.g., bivouacs, operation centers), and convoy preparation. Activities conducted on the LTAs provides the opportunity for soldiers to train and ensures military readiness of Army National Guard units in Wyoming. This INRMP will allow the WYMD and WYARNG to achieve their goal of ensuring the sustainability of desired military training conditions and maintaining and enhancing ecosystem health on the LTAs. The INRMP additionally ensures that military activities conducted at the LTAs and associated natural resources conservation management are consistent with Federal regulations.

#### 1.2 INRMP Vision

The three LTAs included in this INRMP are similar in terms of size, natural resources, and frequency and intensity of military use. Therefore, the WYMD has combined the three LTAs into a single INRMP. In doing so, it will be easier to facilitate reviews of the INRMP with applicable agencies on a yearly basis. Additionally, projects common to each of the three LTAs may be funded and implemented in a coordinated manner.

#### 1.3 WYARNG Overview

The WYARNG comprises more than 1,500 soldiers that live in every Wyoming county. To support their training and readiness, the WYMD manages the LTAs such that there is no net-loss of training capacity. In addition, it is WYARNG's policy to maintain 100 percent compliance with all applicable environmental laws. This policy aligns with the DoD's goal of establishing a long-term approach to natural resource management that conserves and enhances ecosystems, while also ensuring continuation of quality testing and training activities for military personnel (DoD 2011, 2013). To help achieve the WYARNG's compliance goal, the WYMD coordinates with state and Federal agencies, including the National Guard Bureau (NGB), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD), and Wyoming Department of Agriculture (WDAG). The WYMD may also partner with universities, contractors, and nonprofit groups.

# 1.4 Relationship to the Military Mission

The WYMD recognizes that healthy ecosystems and viable natural resources are required to support the military mission. Environmental conditions at the LTAs must be maintained to provide stable lands for military readiness training activities. Areas that are degraded by previous training activities, land uses, or environmental disturbances, such as wildfire, may not provide the appropriate setting for quality training opportunities. Of particular concern is providing a safe place for guard units to train effectively and no-net-loss of the capability of the training area to support the mission. Changes to environmental conditions in the short-term may contribute to long-term ecological damage; therefore, long-term environmental management measures are imperative for conserving and restoring natural resources and allowing for the continued use of the LTAs to train guard units.

# 1.5 Partnerships

The WYMD has developed partnerships with several agencies that assist in the development and implementation of the natural resources management program at the three LTAs. USFWS and WGFD are the primary partners identified for wildlife management actions. The INRMP outlines the process and expected timeframes for coordinating with partners for environmental management projects.

# 1.6 Primary Natural Resource Management Goals

The WYMD has identified overarching goals that are applicable across the LTAs:

- Support ecosystem management to ensure no net loss of Army training lands. Protect, enhance, and rehabilitate natural resources so they remain viable and stable to support the military mission.
- Identify habitat and monitor for wildlife or plant species of special consideration (e.g., USFWS-listed, USFWS migratory birds of conservation concern, rare plants, big game, species of greatest conservation need as identified by WGFD in the Statewide Wildlife Action Plan) and provide for their protection and management.
- Manage public access for recreation use on training areas, while maintaining natural resource standards and ensuring military mission.
- Implement an invasive species management program to include identification of noxious weed infestations and eradication/control plans.

Specific goals and projects are developed for individual LTAs based on conditions assessed in the field and priorities identified by the WYMD.

# 1.7 Summary

This INRMP summarizes the ecological baseline for the three LTAs, including results of a field reconnaissance, summaries of recent biological field reports, and available biophysical geospatial data. Using this information, the WYMD developed management goals, objectives, and individual projects that will allow the WYMD to maintain and enhance ecosystem health while sustaining military readiness at the LTAs over the next five years. By preparing this INRMP, the WYMD is maintaining its commitment to ensure that environmental considerations are included in mission planning and readiness and that the WYMD is in compliance with all applicable Federal and state environmental laws. Ecological management goals and objectives in this INRMP also reflect the WYARNG's responsibility to an established no-net-loss training policy. The WYMD recognizes that the voluntary protection and thoughtful management of sensitive environmental resources on the LTAs can be accomplished with minimal impacts to military mission and training. In addition to management goals, objectives, and projects, this INRMP incorporates best management practices (BMPs) that will establish and maintain the WYMD's management of LTAs to support training opportunities.

# 2.0 OVERVIEW, GENERAL INFORMATION, COMPLIANCE, INTEGRATION, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The following section provides an overview of the purpose and scope of the INRMP, the regulatory authority on which the INRMP is developed, and an overview of the responsible parties and funding responsibilities for the INRMP and its contents.

# 2.1 Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this INRMP update is to provide guidance for natural resource management at the Lander, Lovell, and Sheridan LTAs. This plan has been developed in accordance with Army Regulation (AR) 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement; and the provisions of the Sikes Act (16 United States Code [U.S.C.] 670a et seq.). Prior to plan development, the most recent INRMP (updated in 2013 for Lovell and Sheridan and 2014 for Lander) for each LTA was reviewed and a site visit conducted to assess existing conditions. Site conditions and any changes since the previous INRMP update were discussed with the WYMD Natural Resource Manager.

This INRMP outlines management practices for each LTA, focusing on a combination of established INRMP activities with new natural resource initiatives identified as priorities during the update process. This INRMP also provides a framework for integrating INRMP projects with other plans and activities at each installation. This plan will allow the LTAs to continue with training and other activities with minimal restrictions, while concurrently ensuring installation compliance with related environmental regulations (e.g., The Sikes Act of 1960) and laws for the next 5 years.

The activities and amount of use by the WYARNG at the Lander, Lovell, and Sheridan LTAs varies. The Lander and Lovell LTAs are used occasionally for skills training and maintenance, including establishing areas of operation, camp set-up and takedown, camouflage, convoy movement, and land navigation. The Sheridan LTA is used semi-regularly throughout the year; activities are similar to those at the Lander and Lovell LTAs. The Sheridan LTA is also used by the Army Reserve Sheridan unit for training. The three areas collectively encompass 8,864 acres (13.85 square miles). The Lander and Lovell LTAs are leased by the WYMD from USACE. The Army owns the Sheridan LTA.

# 2.2 Authority

The Sikes Act of 1960 was enacted by Congress to address natural resources conservation and public access on military installations. The Sikes Act reflects the recognition that military lands have significant natural resources. Subsequent amendments to the Sikes Act in 1997 established the requirement for the DoD to develop and implement INRMPs for military installations with significant natural resources. In 2012, an amendment to the Sikes Act authorized the preparation and implementation of INRMPs for state-owned National Guard installations used for training purposes.

# 2.2.1 Federal and State Compliance

As required under the Sikes Act, this INRMP reflects mutual agreement of the USFWS and the WGFD concerning conservation, protection, and management of federally protected species and other fish and wildlife resources. The program and actions comply with Federal and state laws and responsibilities, and do not affect agency authority for protecting natural resources on the LTAs.

#### 2.2.2 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969

The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is a framework assessment for the identification and analysis of potential environmental impacts resulting from Federal actions. The process includes public review and comment of proposed actions. The results of the analysis and public comments are used to inform better decision making during project planning. NEPA is a Federal statute requiring the identification and analysis of potential environmental impacts of proposed Federal actions before those actions are taken. NEPA analyses for the original INRMPs were completed for each LTA. If changes do not result in consequences that are different than those originally analyzed for those documents or do not require public comment, then no NEPA analyses are required for document revision or updates.

# 2.3 Responsibilities

The DoD is responsible under the Sikes Act to carry out a program to provide for the conservation and rehabilitation of natural resources on military installations and state-owned National Guard installations. The Secretary of each military department must prepare and implement an INRMP.

The Lander, Lovell, and Sheridan LTAs are state-managed National Guard installations. The Wyoming National Guard Adjutant General (TAG) acts as the representative for the WYMD. The TAG or Adjutant General of the WYARNG is the authority responsible for approval and implementation of this INRMP. This person is also responsible legally for ensuring actions taken as part of the INRMP are in compliance with environmental laws and regulations.

The Environmental Management Division (EMD) of the Construction and Facilities Management Office (CFMO) is responsible for natural resource and land management at the LTAs. The CFMO, under direction of a manager delegated by the TAG, is the primary office in charge of actions and programs the INRMP implements. These duties include acquiring associated Federal and state permits, developing and completing projects, providing technical support for projects, and coordinating both military and nonmilitary personal and their activities that may affect natural resources at the LTAs.

The ARNG Installations & Environment Directorate (ARNG G-9) helps the National Guard installations comply with all environmental regulations. The ARNG is required to comply with all regulations under Title 40 of the United States Code of Federal Regulations, which comprises environmental regulations promulgated by the Environmental Protection Act and includes regulations such as the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The ARNG Installations & Environment Directorate ensures installations comply with these regulations as well as DoD regulations, executive orders, Secretary of Defense policies and state regulatory requirements.

Other Federal agencies involved in INRMP development include the USFWS and WGFD. The USFWS reviews INRMPs and provides comments or concurrence for actions that may affect federally protected species. The three LTAs are in the USFWS Mountain Prairie Region, headquartered in Lakewood, Colorado; any permit applications are submitted through this office. The Wyoming Ecological Field Services Office in Cheyenne, Wyoming, acts as local point of contact for the agency and reviews the INRMPs.

State wildlife and fish agencies, like the WGFD, also have a role in the development and implementation of INRMPs. The WGFD is the wildlife and habitat management authority in Wyoming. In addition to conducting population surveys, the agency also implements habitat improvement programs, issues permits for hunting, trapping, and handling of wildlife, and maintains lists of statewide species of conservation concern and habitat priority areas. The WGFD reviews INRMPs, provides comments on plans, and acts as a coordinating agency on wildlife projects and hunting programs on LTAs.

#### 2.3.1 Funding Responsibilities

Federal funds, disseminated primarily through the ARNG Installations & Environment Directorate (ARNG G-9), provide the primary source of funding for WYMD natural resource projects. The WYMD Natural Resource Program Manager develops, prioritizes, and obtains funding for natural resource projects. Funding requests for natural resource projects are submitted annually through the NBG's Status Tool for the Environmental Program (STEP), which favors projects that align with Federal and state laws and are identified as high priority. Because STEP prioritizes projects and has limited funds, not all projects submitted receive funding. Sources of other potential funding and partnership opportunities are discussed below.

The ARNG Installations & Environment Directorate (ARNG G-9) places funding for environmental and conservation projects under a unique category. Such funds are also distributed via the STEP process. Furthermore, some projects are considered "must fund," indicating a need for funding due to compliance agreements or for mitigation of Federal activities. Some activities identified within this INRMP are considered to be must-fund projects.

#### 2.3.1.1 Training Funds

The Integrated Training Area Management (ITAM) program provides funding for training area improvement. Natural resource projects that also improve the quality of the training area could receive ITAM funding. However, these funds currently are constrained due to the infrequent training that occurs at the Sheridan, Lovell, and Lander LTAs.

#### 2.3.1.2 The Legacy Resource Management Program

In 1991, Congress established the DoD Legacy Resource Management Program. The intent of the program is to improve natural and cultural resource management on military lands by funding projects that might not receive funding otherwise. Projects that exhibit new or innovative procedures for natural resource management on DoD lands are typically selected for funding. Project proposals are submitted through the Legacy Project Tracker, and projects can be resubmitted for funding on an annual basis.

#### 2.3.1.3 Cost-Share Funding

Each LTA is eligible for non-DoD sources of funding for natural resource projects. These could include grants and other funding through a variety of state, Federal, and private nonprofit organizations. Depending on the organization, cost-sharing occurs on a matching fund or 50:50 basis.

Grants are available through the WGFD for habitat improvement projects, such as protection of wetlands and riparian corridors, enhancement of sagebrush habitats, or water resource development. Long-term cooperative agreements in which the WGFD awards funding as long as the landowner allows hunter access and maintains project improvements are also available.

Some agencies focus programs and grants on range and vegetation improvements. These organizations include the Wyoming Office of State Lands and Investments, the Wyoming Department of Agriculture, and county Weed and Pest Districts.

#### 2.3.1.4 Other Sources

Opportunities for partnering or cooperative agreements with private or nonprofit organizations could potentially be used to complete projects. Although WYMD staff can complete all aspects of some funded

projects, contracting work to other entities is used, particularly when the project is large or has specific equipment or material needs.

Contracting with universities to collect environmental data and provide technical support is another option. Finally, some private non-profits, like the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, National Turkey Federation, or Water for Wildlife Foundation could provide project specific grants.

# 2.4 Conditions for Implementation and Revision

Implementation of this INRMP will occur through the programs and policies outlined for each LTA in Appendices A through C, specifically Section 5, *Natural Resources Program Management*, through Section 16, *NEPA Documentation*, of each appendix. This INRMP is designed to be updated and revised as needed to reflect changes in policies and regulations or implement new projects need to achieve goals and objectives.

As included with previous (2013 and 2014) INRMPs:

Formal adoption of this INRMP by the WYARNG constitutes a commitment to seek funding and execute projects, subject to the availability of funding, resources, and command priorities. All actions in this INRMP are subject to the availability of funds properly authorized and appropriated under Federal and state law. Nothing in this INRMP is intended to be nor will be construed to be a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act, 31 USC Section 1341.

DoD Manual 4715.03, *Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) Implementation Manual* (DoD 2013), considers an INRMP implemented when:

- Funding for projects and activities that support INRMP goals and objectives is acquired and
  used
- An adequate number of professionally trained personnel, including a natural resource manager, are available to complete INRMP projects and tasks.
- Coordination with WGFD and USFWS on the Plan effectiveness occurs annually.
- Specific INRMP action and project accomplishments are documented annually.
- Activities and projects are evaluated regularly for effectiveness, and activities are modified as needed to achieve current and future INRMP goals.

#### 2.4.1 Revisions and Updates

The Sikes Act states that review of an INRMP should be completed regularly, but that no more than 5 years should pass between reviews. To complete reviews, WYMD coordinates with USFWS and WGFD to review the document. These entities will also coordinate annually to review completed and upcoming projects. Reviews may lead to revisions or updates to the INRMP, but the Sikes Act does not specify a period in which the document needs to be published once the review is started. If revisions are required, the current INRMP remains active, and all related Federal and state laws and regulations remain applicable. The DoD outlines metrics for reviewing INRMP documents in their *Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 4715.03* (DoD 2011). These metrics balance the need for natural resource management in the LTAs, while retaining the use of the areas for military training. In the event no revisions or updates are needed, the document can be extended. The WYMD, USFWS, and WGFD then sign the document and provide concurrence letters stating the current plan meets the needs and requirements of the LTAs. Annual updates will be done on this INRMP in coordination with WGFD and USFWS.

#### Overview, General Information, Compliance, Integration, and Responsibilities

The DoDI (2013) also provides classifications for INRMPs that designate the phase of the document. These phases are used to denote if a document is compliant, under review, or in the process of being updated or revised. *Revised INRMPs* include major changes that would result in environmental impacts not covered under an existing NEPA document for the LTA. Such changes also include unanticipated impacts from operations that may have occurred since the plan was last reviewed or approved. Such revisions require additional NEPA analyses, including public comment and approval by appropriate Federal agencies.

Updated INRMPs include those with minor changes that do not differ significantly from an existing site-specific NEPA document. Such documents do not require public input or supplemental NEPA analysis. In 2015, the DoD released *Guidelines for Streamlined INRMP Review*. Designed to reduce the workload involved in updating existing INRMPs, the document provides a guideline for the WYMD, USFWS, and WGFD for INRMP review and concurrence. Updates do require a new signature page indicating approval by all signatories.

Updated INRMP documents need to include the scope of changes in the document. All proposed changes will appear in tracked changes, as well as a table, matrix format, or text. Updates must be clear and concise, and the format of the document should be similar to or the same as the existing INRMP. The proposed changes and actions need to be understood easily. Once completed, the revised document will be sent to USFWS and WGFD, along with a summary of proposed changes.

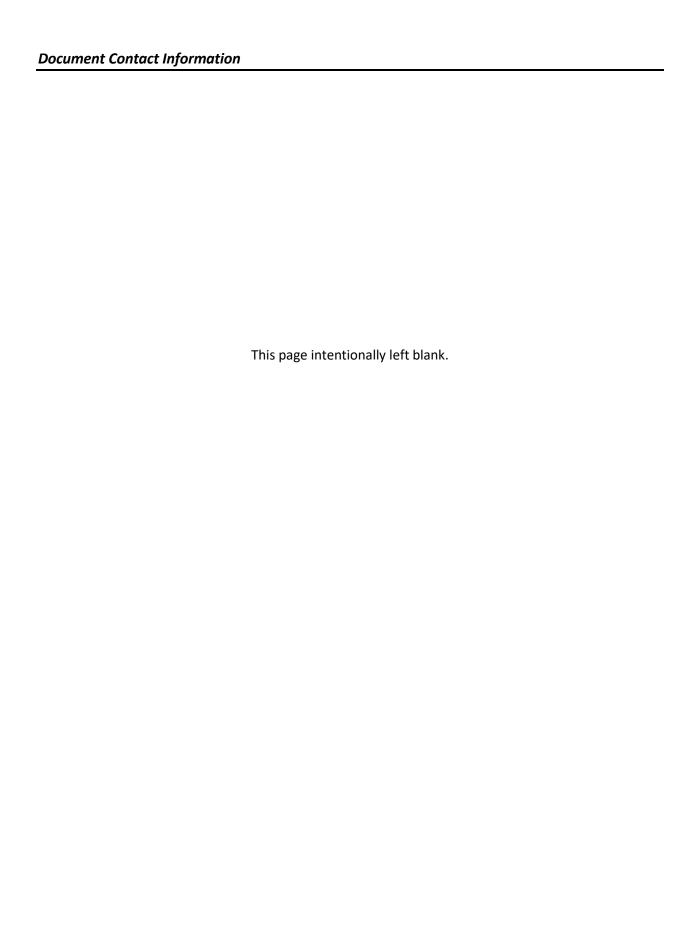
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#### APPENDIX A: LANDER LOCAL TRAINING AREA

#### A.1 INSTALLATION OVERVIEW

This section provides an overview of the Lander LTA, including a description of its location, history, purpose, and regional geographic setting.

#### A.1.1 Location and Area

The Lander LTA is approximately 1.8 miles east of the City of Lander in Fremont County in western-central Wyoming. Lander is 24 miles southwest of Riverton and 125 miles northwest of Rawlins on Highway 287. The general location and project vicinity is shown in Figure A-1. The LTA encompasses approximately 2.1 square miles (1,360 acres) and is leased by the WYMD from USACE.

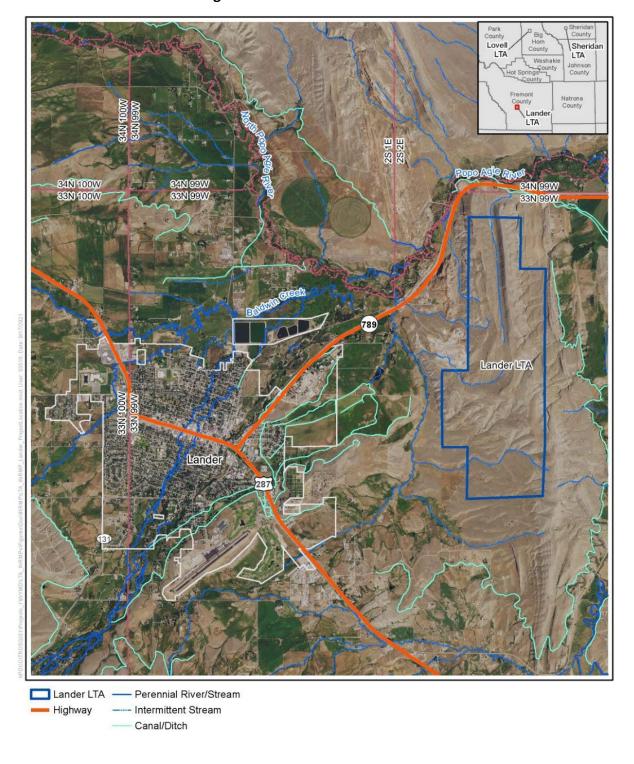
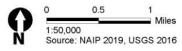


Figure A-1. Lander LTA Location



**Lander LTA Location** 

## A.1.2 Facilities and Developed Areas

Multiple roads, including two-track roads, are present in the Lander LTA. Many of these roads enter the Lander LTA from adjacent properties, including a service road that enters from the nearby landfill and leads to a communications tower in the LTA. The north entrance to the LTA is the access road for the Lander Valley Sportsmen's Association shooting range. Buildings and infrastructure associated with the shooting range include the pistol and rifle shooting pavilions, conference room building, outhouse, parking lot, and mounded dirt back stops and two tracks at various intervals. The length of the shooting range from the locked gate at the LTA boundary to the farthest backstop is approximately 0.4 miles. Some trash (mainly plastics) was documented to have blown in from the Fremont County Solid Waste Landfill, adjacent to the LTA. H-frame transmission lines cross the LTA in the northern and southern portions of the site.

#### A.1.3 Installation History

President Herbert Hoover established the Lander LTA on July 6, 1931(Executive Order [EO] 5668). The original training area, 160 acres, was designated for use as a target range by the WYARNG. President Roosevelt added 1,240 acres to the training area in 1939, through EO 8101. In 1984, 40 acres of the training area were removed from the lease and transferred to the City of Lander for use as a landfill, leaving the Lander LTA at 1,360 acres. On July 1, 1966, the USACE granted the state of Wyoming a 5-year lease to use Lander LTA for year-round WYARNG training. The lease was extended six times, and, in 1991, the lease was extended indefinitely.

#### A.1.4 Surrounding Communities

The Lander LTA is in Fremont County, and the closest community is the City of Lander, founded in 1869 along the Popo Agie River as an Army post established to assist pioneers headed west across the South Pass (City of Lander 2012). The 2020 census estimated the total population of Fremont County at 39,261, a 2.1 percent decrease from the 2010 census (USCB 2019a). Approximately 74 percent of the county's population are white, and 22 percent are American Indian. The median household income (in 2019 dollars) is \$55,896; 12.9 percent of the population is in poverty (USCB 2019). Agriculture, mining and mineral production, outdoor recreation and tourism, and the significant number of government employees are tied directly to federally managed lands. Indirectly, these sectors provide guidance and economic stimulus for the rest of the county. Fremont County's economy benefits from multiple use policies that allow grazing, mining, timber harvest, oil and gas development, water storage and recreation on federally or state-managed lands (Y2 Consultants, LLC & Budd-Falen Law Offices 2021).

# A.1.5 Regional Land Use

The majority of land in Fremont County (approximately 54 percent) is federally managed; less than 14 percent of the land is privately owned. Tribal lands represent approximately 26 percent of the county's land area. The predominant uses of land in Freemont County consist of outdoor recreation and tourism, agriculture, mining, and mineral production (Y2 Consultants, LLC & Budd-Falen Law Offices 2021).

#### A.1.6 Local and Regional Natural Areas

There are several natural attractions in Fremont County, including Sinks Canyon State Park, Shoshone National Forest, Wind River Indian Reservation, and Boysen State Park. Fremont County is a main throughway for tourists traveling to Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks.

#### A.1.7 Military Mission

The military mission of the Lander LTA is to provide an area for local National Guard units to train and maintain readiness. Currently, little to no military training occurs at the Lander LTA. In the past, the WYARNG has used the Lander LTA for military activities. The WYARNG does not use the shooting range for military activities.

#### A.2 PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENTS

The physical environment of the Lander LTA includes land, air, water, and other nonliving natural resources that provide basic needs for plants, animals, and humans, as well as opportunities for social and economic development.

#### A.2.1 Climate

The closest climate station with consistent data to the Lander LTA is the Lander Hunt Field AP weather station (Station Number 485390). The general climate in the region is semiarid, resulting from the proximity to the Wind River Range of the Rocky Mountains, west of Lander, which blocks moisture from the Pacific Ocean. Table A-1 provides an average of temperature, precipitation, and snow-depth data recorded at the Lander Hunt Field AP weather station from 1946 to 2016.

Table A-1. Average Monthly Climate Summaries (1946 to 2016) for Temperature, Precipitation, Snowfall, and Snow Depth for Lander

Month	Average Maximum Temperature (°F)	Average Minimum Temperature (°F)	Average Total Precipitation (in)	Average Total Snowfall (in)	Average Snow Depth (in)
January	32	9.0	0.5	8.6	5
February	37.2	13.8	0.6	11.4	4
March	46.5	22.1	1.1	17.2	2
April	56.0	30.8	2.0	19.4	1
May	66.0	40.0	2.5	6.6	0
June	77.2	48.4	1.4	0.6	0
July	86.6	55.8	0.7	0.0	0
August	84.7	54.1	0.5	0.0	0
September	73.4	44.4	0.9	2.3	0
October	59.6	33.2	1.3	9.7	0
November	43.1	19.7	0.8	12.8	2
December	33.2	10.7	0. 6	10.3	3
Annual Average	57.9	31.8	12.9	99.0	1

Source: WRCC 2016a.

Wyoming and the western United States are experiencing above-normal drought conditions. Data released as of September 7, 2021, show the Lander LTA is in moderate drought (D1) conditions. Moderate drought conditions may reduce the number of wildflower blooms, increase potential for large wildland fires, and reduce levels of surface water in creeks and rivers (Simeral 2021). See Figure A-2 for an illustration of the drought conditions across the state of Wyoming.

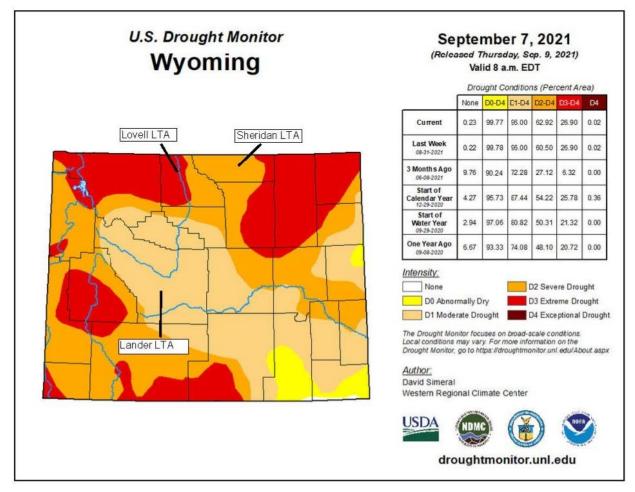


Figure A-2. U.S. Drought Monitor Wyoming – Lander, Lovell, and Sheridan LTAs

Source: Simeral 2021.

#### A.2.2 Landforms

Elevations within the training site range from approximately 5,300 feet at the western edge to approximately 5,764 feet in the southeastern portion. The Lander LTA is on a large hill that rises above a valley to the south; State Highway 789 and the Popo Agie River fix the northern boundary of the LTA. The site consists of rolling terrain with ephemeral drainages and steep hillsides. A steeply sloped canyon runs south—north through the northern portion of the LTA.

## A.2.3 Geology

The surficial geology consists of surface bedrock with intermixed colluvium and slopewash and, at the southwestern portion of the installation, stream alluvial fan deposits intermixed with slopewash (USDA - SCS 1975). The bedrock geology of the Lander LTA primarily consists of Cody Shale, which is recognizable when exposed by dull, gray to brown shale and siltstone, and/or fine-grained sandstone (Green and Drouillard 1994). The northwestern boundary of the Lander LTA is underlain by the Cloverly, Morrison, and Sundance formations. The Cloverly Formation is described as rusty sandstones underlain by brightly variegated bentonitic claystone with chert-pebble conglomerate locally at the base of the formation (Green and Drouillard 1994). The Morrison Formation is composed of dully variegated claystone,

nodular limestone, and gray silty sandstone, and the Sundance Formation is described as greenish-gray sandstone and shale underlain by red and gray sandstone and shale (Green and Drouillard 1994).

#### A.2.4 Soils

The Lander LTA is generally dominated by areas of shallow, moderately deep, and very deep soil on ridges, alluvial fans, uplands, and hills (Young 1981). The predominant soil types are the Diamondville—Highpoint and Patent—Forelle associations (85 percent), which have soil textures of sandy clay loam, channery silty clay loam, and clay loam (Young 1981; NRCS 2020). The remaining soil types (15 percent) have soil textures of sandy loam and rock outcrop (Young 1981; NRCS 2020). Table A-2 shows soil map units and acreages found in the Lander LTA. Figure A-3 illustrates the soil units in the LTA.

Table A-2. Soil Map Units and Associated Acres and Percent in the Lander LTA

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in LTA	Percent of LTA
4	Blazon–Rock outcrop association	12.7	0.9
5	Cotha–Blazon–Rock outcrop association	90.0	6.7
6	Crownest–Cotha association	12.8	0.9
11	Diamondville–Highpoint association	579.8	43.3
39	Patent–Forelle association	558.0	41.7
42	Rock outcrop–Highpoint association	85.8	6.4
Total		1,339.0	100.0

Source: NRCS 2020.

A portion of the soil unit descriptions included below are taken directly from the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) soil survey (Young 1981).

- **5 Cotha–Rock Outcrop–Blazon Association.** This association of moderately steep and steep soils and rock outcrop is on sandstone ridges in areas of steeply tilted interbedded sandstone and shale bedrock in the uplands. This association is about 30 percent Cotha sandy loam, 15 to 30 percent slopes; 30 percent rock outcrop; 20 percent Blazon clay loam, 15 to 30 percent slopes; and 20 percent included soils.
- 11 Diamondville—Highpoint Association. The soils in this association are moderately steep to steep, on back slopes of ridges of hard shale in the uplands. This association is about 70 percent Diamondville sandy clay loam, 10 to 25 percent slopes; 15 percent Highpoint channery silty clay loam, 10 to 40 percent slopes; and about 15 percent included soils and rock outcrop.
- **39 Patent–Forelle Association.** This association of rolling to hilly soils is on uplands and alluvial fans. This association is about 40 percent Patent clay loam, 6 to 30 percent slopes; 35 percent Forelle sandy clay loam, 6 to 10 percent slopes; and 25 percent included soils and Rock outcrop.
- **42 Rock Outcrop—Highpoint Association.** This association of exposed hard shale bedrock and steep and very steep soils is on escarpments that are associated with ridges. The soils are on foothills and uplands. This association is about 60 percent Rock outcrop; 25 percent Highpoint channery silty clay loam, 20 to 50 percent slopes; and 15 percent included soils.

Sherid Map Unit Name Blazon-Rock outcrop association Cotha-Blazon-Rock outcrop association Crownest-Cotha association Diamondville-Highpoint association Patent-Forelle association Rock outcrop-Highpoint association

Figure A-3. Soil Units as Mapped by the Natural Resource Conservation Service in 2020 – Lander LTA

1:30,000 Source: NAIP 2019, NRCS 2020 Lander LTA

Soil Map Units

Soil erosion potential can be evaluated by categorizing soil into K factor groups, where K is a measure of the susceptibility of the soil to erosion by water. Soil K values can range from 0.01 to 0.69 with the most erodible soils having high K values. Approximately 23.1 percent of soils in the LTA have a low soil erosion potential ( $K \le 0.20$ ), 51.7 percent have a moderate erosion potential ( $K \le 0.20$ ), and 0.0 percent have a high erosion potential ( $K \ge 0.40$ ) (Figure A-4). These percentages are based on NRCS soil mapping within 74.8 percent of the LTA area.

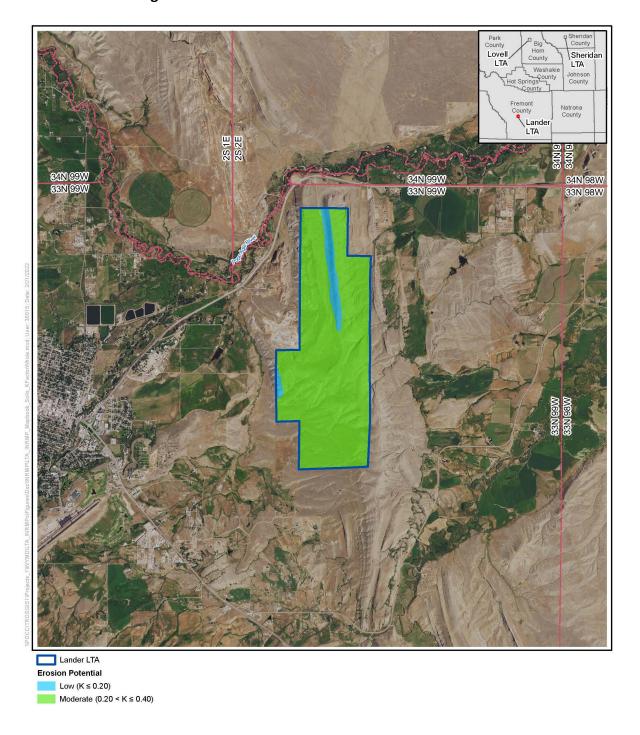
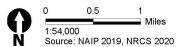


Figure A-4. Soil Erosion Potential on the Lander LTA



Lander LTA Soil Erodibilty

In addition, the soils on the LTA have been analyzed for their vehicle trafficability for type 3 vehicles during the dry and wet season (Table A-3, Figure A-5, and Figure A-6). This can be used to identify which soils are most resistant to maneuver training during various times of the year.

Table A-3. Trafficability for Type 3 Vehicles on the Lander LTA during the Dry and Wet Seasons Based on Soils

	Dry Season		Wet Season		
Rating <sup>1</sup>	Acres	Acres Percent of Area		Percent of Area	
Excellent	601.2	44.9	0.0	0.0	
Good	369.9	27.6	971.1	72.5	
Fair	30.9	2.3	30.9	2.3	
Poor	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Not rated or missing	337.0	25.2	337.0	25.2	
Totals	1,339.0	100.0	1,339.0	100.0	

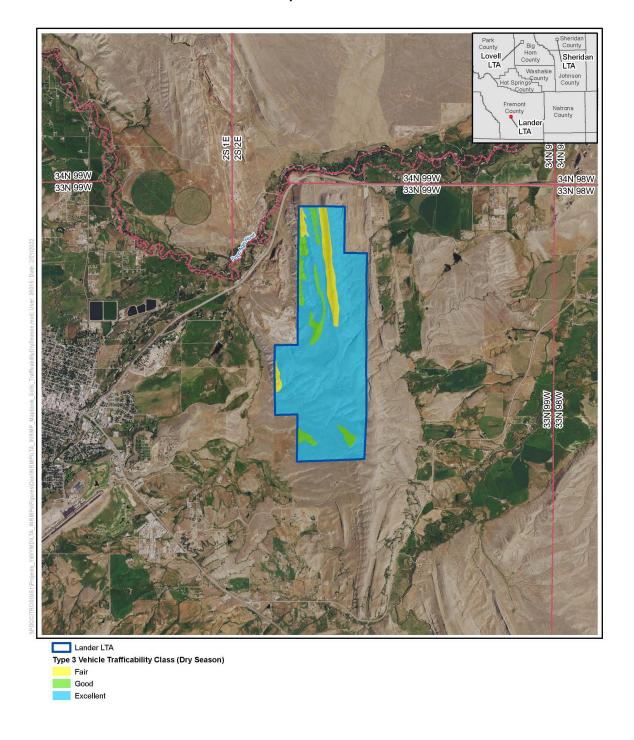
Source: NRCS 2020.

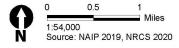
Fair: maneuver not recommended, trafficability limited, special design features needed Poor: maneuver not recommended, trafficability severely limited, soil damage severe

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\tiny 1}}\mbox{Excellent:}$  best for maneuver, trafficability not limited, low maintenance

Good: good for maneuver, trafficability may be limited, low maintenance

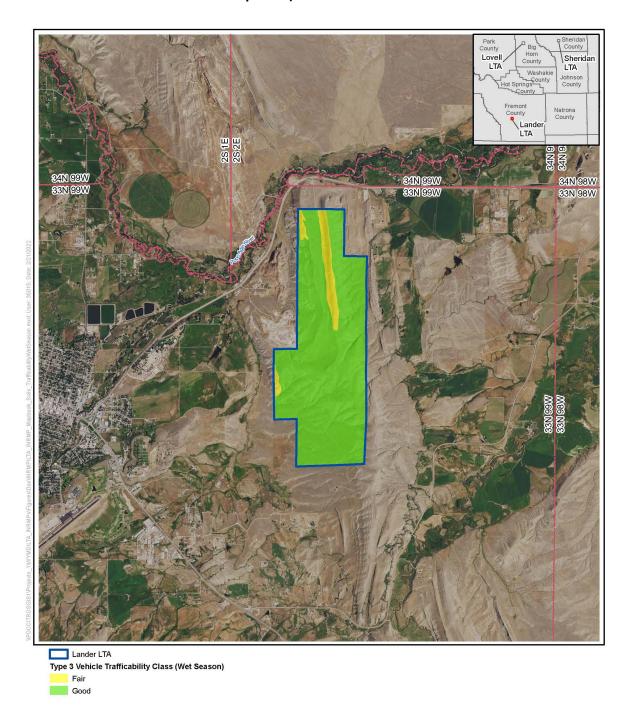
Figure A-5. Trafficability for Type 3 Vehicles on the Lander LTA during the Dry Season (250 Passes) Based on Soils

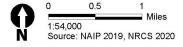




Lander LTA Type 3 Vehicle Trafficability in the Dry Season

Figure A-6. Trafficability for Type 3 Vehicles on the Lander LTA during the Wet Season (50 passes) Based on Soils





#### A.2.5 Surface Water Resources

No perennial streams or water bodies occur in the Lander LTA. Approximately 3.2 miles of intermittent channels occur in the area and connect to the Popo Agie River, approximately 1 mile outside of the Lander LTA boundary (USGS 2018). Surface water likely occurs in the spring as a result of snowmelt or during heavy precipitation events.

#### A.2.6 Groundwater Resources

The Lander LTA is situated in the southern portion of the Wind/Bighorn River Basin and underlain by three aquifer systems—the Frontier, Mowry and Thermopolis—and Quaternary terrace-deposit aquifers (WSGS 2021). The Frontier formation constitutes a minor aquifer consisting of 700 to 1,200 feet of alternating sequences of very fine- to medium-grained sandstone and shale in three stratigraphic members: upper Wall Creek Sandstone and middle Emigrant Gap (aquifer part of formation) and lower Belle Fourche (confining unit) (WSGS 2012). The Frontier aquifer is described as having good recharge potential with highly variable and generally poor water quality, which precludes many uses without treatment (WSGS 2012). Stock and domestic uses of the Frontier aguifer occur mostly where exposed along the Wind River Range. The Mowry and Thermopolis formations constitute a major aquifer confining unit composed of siliceous shale and bentonite ranging from 395 to 650 feet thick (Mowry Shale) and shale and siltstone ranging from 100 to 175 feet thick (Thermopolis Shale). Water quality within the Mowry and Thermopolis confining unit is described as variable and generally poor with uses limited to very few water wells mostly used for oil and gas development (WSGS 2012). The Quaternary terrace deposits represent the youngest geologic units in the Wind/Bighorn River Basin and are composed of conglomerate, gravel, sand, and finer-grained clastic material up to several hundred feet thick (WSGS 2012). Quaternary aquifers in the Wind/Bighorn River Basin are considered to have excellent potential for installation of moderate- to high-capacity water wells suitable for various uses, although surface water treatment requirements generally apply (WWDO 2003).

## A.3 ECOSYSTEMS AND THE BIOTIC ENVIRONMENT

Ecosystems and the biotic environment are living systems that coexist together where all organisms live together in a community and are interconnected to one another in their physical environments. The sections below describe the ecosystems and biotic environment of the Lander LTA.

## A.3.1 Ecosystem Classification

The dominant ecological system at the Lander LTA is shrubland with LANDFIRE (USGS 2020) data delineating 94.9 percent of the vegetative cover as such.

Shrub species noted in the LTA during the August 2021 site visit included Wyoming big sagebrush (*Artemisia tridentata*), greasewood, rubber rabbitbrush (*Ericameria nauseosa*), and mountain mahogany (*Cercocarpus ledifolius*). Additional shrub species that can occur in the vegetation cover types found in the LTA include shadescale (*Atriplex confertifolia*) and yellow rabbitbrush (*Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus*). Scattered juniper (*Juniperus* spp.) may be present. Grasses noted in the LTA during the site visit included cheatgrass (*Bromus tectorum*), bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*), needle and thread grass (*Hesperostipa comata*), and Indian ricegrass (*Achnatherum hymenoides*). Additional grass species that can occur in the vegetation cover types found in the LTA include prairie Junegrass (*Koeleria macranntha*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), western wheatgrass (*Pascopyrum smithii*), thickspike wheatgrass (*Elymus lanceolatus*), and blue grama (*Bouteloua gracilis*).

## A.3.2 Vegetation

Juniper/rock outcrop habitat is along the western ridgeline, rising above the steep-slope canyon in the northern portion of the LTA. Rocky Mountain juniper trees (*Juniperus scopulorum*), ranging from 4 to 8 feet tall, are sparsely distributed along the rocky outcrops and typically are branched down to ground level. The granite outcrops are sparsely distributed and lie low to ground level. The surrounding habitat is sagebrush—bunchgrass dominated by big sagebrush and native grasses. Sagebrush cover is approximately 50 percent and sagebrush height ranges from 6 to 24 inches. Prairie Junegrass, Sandberg bluegrass, bluebunch wheatgrass, Indian ricegrass, cheatgrass, needle and thread grass, sixweeks fescue (*Vulpia octoflora*), skunkbush sumac (*Rhus trilobata*), and currant (*Ribes* sp.) are common associates and account for approximately 15 percent of the cover in the area.

The steep-slope canyon lacks exposed rocks or eroded banks. Vegetation is sparse (50 percent cover) along the hills that form the eastern side of the canyon and composed primarily of short (<10 inches) grasses and forbs. Isolated groups or individual Rocky Mountain juniper trees occur along the bottom of the canyon.

Sagebrush steppe and shrubland habitat occurs in the central and southern portions of the LTA and is characterized by big sagebrush and a variety of herbaceous species within the shrub interspaces. Sagebrush covers approximately 80 percent of the ground and ranges from 6 to 30 inches in height. Common associates include pricklypear cactus (*Opuntia polyacantha*), broom snakeweed (*Gutierrezia sarothrae*), prairie Junegrass, Sandberg's bluegrass, cheatgrass, needle and thread grass, and western wheatgrass.

The Lander LTA is in the Wyoming Basin Level III Ecoregion, nested in the Cold Deserts Level II Ecoregion and the North American Deserts Level I Ecoregion (Omernik 1987; Chapman et al. 2004). Chapman et al. (2004) describe the Wyoming Basin (18) Level III Ecoregion as "a broad intermontane basin interrupted by hills and low mountains and dominated by arid grasslands and shrublands." The region has a continental climate, with cold winters and mild summers. Potential natural vegetation is mostly sagebrush steppe, with the eastern edge of the region having more mixed-grass prairie. Wyoming big sagebrush is the most common shrub, with silver and black sagebrush (*Artemisia cana* and *A. nova*) occurring in the lowlands and mountain big sagebrush (*Artemisia tridentata* sp. *vaseyana*) in the higher elevations (CEMML 2020a). Table A-4 provides the ecological systems and associated vegetation cover types found in the Lander LTA, and Figure A-7 illustrates the vegetation cover types.

Table A-4. Ecological Systems and Associated Vegetation Cover Types in the Lander LTA

Vegetation Cover Type	Area (Acres)	Percent of LTA
Conifer		
Rocky Mountain Foothill Limber Pine-Juniper Woodland	11.5	0.9%
Conifer Total	11.5	0.9%
Exotic Herbaceous		
Great Basin and Intermountain Introduced Annual and Biennial Forbland	0.3	0.0%
Great Basin and Intermountain Introduced Annual Grassland	0.2	0.0%
Great Basin and Intermountain Introduced Perennial Grassland and Forbland	0.3	0.0%
Exotic Herbaceous Total	0.8	0.1%
Exotic Tree-Shrub		
Great Basin and Intermountain Ruderal Shrubland	4.2	0.3%
Interior Western North American Temperate Ruderal Shrubland	32.3	2.4%
Exotic Tree-Shrub Total	36.6	2.7%

Vegetation Cover Type	Area (Acres)	Percent of LTA
Grassland		
Inter-Mountain Basins Semi-Desert Grassland	17.8	1.3%
Northern Rocky Mountain Lower Montane–Foothill–Valley Grassland	0.2	0.0%
Grassland Total	18.0	1.3%
Riparian		
Interior West Ruderal Riparian Scrub	0.4	0.0%
Rocky Mountain Lower Montane-Foothill Riparian Shrubland	0.1	0.0%
Riparian Total	0.6	0.0%
Shrubland		
Inter-Mountain Basins Big Sagebrush Shrubland	329.3	24.6%
Inter-Mountain Basins Big Sagebrush Steppe	849.5	63.4%
Inter-Mountain Basins Greasewood Flat	0.9	0.1%
Inter-Mountain Basins Mat Saltbush Shrubland	1.0	0.1%
Inter-Mountain Basins Mixed Salt Desert Scrub	32.2	2.4%
Inter-Mountain Basins Montane Sagebrush Steppe	36.8	2.7%
Inter-Mountain Basins Semi-Desert Shrub-Steppe	15.9	1.2%
Rocky Mountain Lower Montane-Foothill Shrubland	0.4	0.0%
Wyoming Basins Dwarf Sagebrush Shrubland and Steppe	4.2	0.3%
Shrubland Total	1,270.3	94.9%
Sparsely Vegetated		
Inter-Mountain Basins Cliff and Canyon	0.7	0.0%
Inter-Mountain Basins Shale Badland	0.6	0.0%
Sparsely Vegetated Total	1.3	0.1%
Total	1,339.0	100.0%

Source: USGS 2020.

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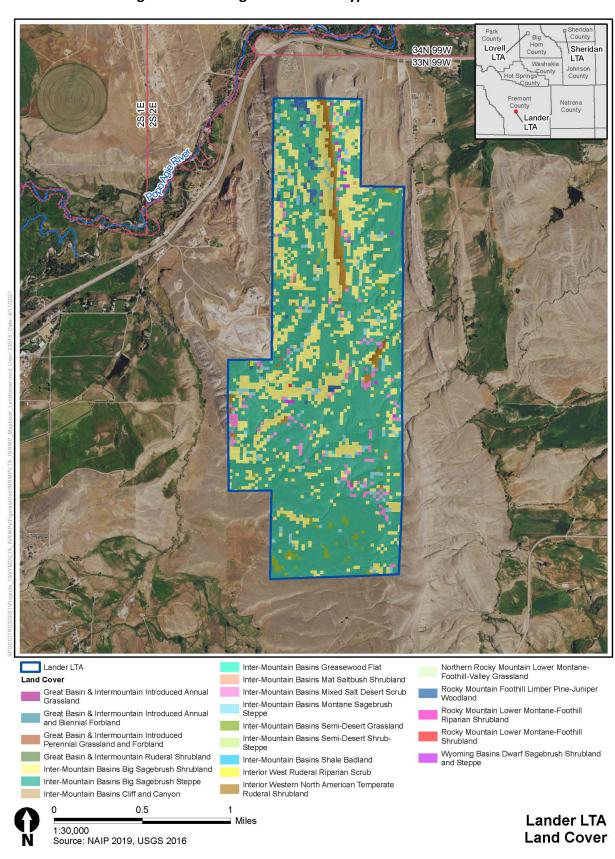


Figure A-7. Vegetation Cover Types in the Lander LTA

## A.3.3 Fish and Wildlife

#### A.3.3.1 General Wildlife

#### **Mammals**

Habitats in the Lander LTA are suitable for small or medium mammal species. Generalist species, such as coyote (*Canis latrans*), striped skunk (*Mephitis mephitis*), jackrabbit (*Lepus* sp.), and red fox (*Vulpes vulpes*), could be found in all habitats within the LTA. Trees, shrubs, and rock outcrops provide denning and foraging habitats. Other species that could potentially use the area year-round include least chipmunk (*Tamias minimus*), American badger (*Taxidea taxus*), bobcat (*Lynx rufus*), ground squirrel, pocket gopher, and other small rodents. Sagebrush–shrubland habitats throughout the LTA provide suitable bedding and foraging habitats for large game mammals, specifically mule deer (*Odocoileus hemionus*) and pronghorn (*Antilocapra americana*). Elk (*Cervus canadensis*) may also use habitats in the LTA.

• **Big Game**. Three species of big game have been observed at the LTA: pronghorn, mule deer, and elk. Pronghorn and mule deer were seen throughout the area, with most recorded in the central and southern regions of the LTA in sagebrush—shrubland habitats. Mule deer can be expected to occur in the LTA year-round (WGFD 2012). The grass and forb understory in the sagebrush—shrubland provide forage, whereas juniper trees, rock outcrops, and shrubs provide cover. The WGFD (2012) has also designated habitats in the southern part of the LTA as crucial winter range for mule deer. The dense sagebrush and underlying grasses and forbs provide forage in the winter months in these areas. Snow depths are also likely to be lower at the slightly higher elevations in the southern portions of the LTA because wind blows the snow into the surrounding low-lying areas.

Yearlong range for pronghorn occurs in all but the northern quadrant of the Lander LTA (WGFD 2012). The sagebrush-shrubland habitats throughout the LTA provide year-round forage and cover. There is no crucial range for this pronghorn in the LTA (WGFD 2012). During mild winters, as many as 300 pronghorn have been observed wintering in this area (WGFD 2005).

Elk scat was documented in the southern portion of the LTA in sagebrush—grassland habitat. Although habitats in the LTA are suitable to host elk throughout the year, no seasonal or crucial ranges for this species are designated by the WGFD (2012) within the LTA. The absence of dense forest cover may deter regular elk use.

- **Small Game.** Only one species of small game has been recorded in the LTA, the desert cottontail. Small game would utilize habitats throughout the LTA year-round. In September 2010 and May 2011, small mammal trapping was conducted on the LTA. The survey results documented the deer mouse (*Peromyscus maniculatus*) and the least chipmunk (HDR 2011a).
- **Furbearers.** Sagebrush—shrubland habitats are suitable to host a variety of furbearing species year-round, including weasels, badgers, and skunks. No furbearing species have been recorded.
- Predatory Mammals. The presence of one predatory mammal, coyote, was recorded during the 2021 site visit. Coyote scat was found in the southern portion of the LTA in sagebrush—grassland habitat. No other predatory mammals have been recorded. Sagebrush—shrubland habitats could provide a source of prey for medium-sized predators. Coyotes and bobcats could also den under or in larger rock outcrops. Habitat in the area for larger predators is limited due to scarcity of cover and prey species.
- **Nongame Mammals.** Small mammal surveys in 1997 and 2010 captured a house mouse (*Mus musculus*), deer mouse, and least chipmunk on the Lander LTA (HDR 2011a). Sagebrush—

shrubland habitats are suitable to host a variety of nongame mammals, including ground squirrels, mice, and chipmunks. Bat species are not likely to be found on the LTA with any regularity, due to the lack of roosting and foraging habitat (e.g., caves, large rock outcrops with crevices, large coniferous trees, open bodies of water). Individual bats could use the juniper trees, provided that the trees have loose bark or cavities for roosting.

#### Fish

Habitat for fish does not occur within the Lander LTA. The drainages and ponds in the LTA did not contain water during the site visit, and no sign of recent flow was observed.

#### **Migratory Birds**

Thirty-two avian species have been recorded on the LTA (see Section A.15, *Species List*). No avian species considered to be Species of Concern by the USFWS or Species of Greatest Conservation Need by the State of Wyoming have been recorded. All the observed species are protected by the MBTA (16 U.S.C. 703). Mourning dove (*Zenaida macroura*) is also an upland game bird species regulated by the WGFD.

Although no nests were found, suitable nesting habitat for smaller bird species occurs throughout the LTA. The denser stands of sagebrush in the central and southern portions of the LTA could attract short-eared owl (*Asio flammeus*). Suitable nesting habitat for raptors species that do not nest on the ground is limited to juniper trees and H-frame power poles. Hawks, kestrels, and owls could nest in trees, and hawks and eagles could use the power poles.

#### **Reptiles and Amphibians**

A greater short-horned lizard (*Phrynosoma hernandesi*) was observed during the 2021 site visit in sagebrush–grassland habitat in the southern portion of the LTA. Northern sage-brush lizards are the only other reptile to be observed in the LTA. The sagebrush-dominated habitat and rocky outcrops of the site could provide habitat for other reptiles, such as bullsnake (*Pituophis catenifer sayi*), and prairie rattlesnake (*Crotalus viridis*). Habitat for amphibians is limited due to the absence of year-round water sources, but tiger salamanders have been recorded on site (WYARNG 2014).

#### Insects

All habitats in the area are suitable to support terrestrial arthropods such as arachnids and insects. Baseline insect surveys for Lander LTA occurred in 2000–2001 and 2004–2005 and included both insects and arachnid species (excluding soil fauna). With both surveys combined, a total of 369 species from 12 orders have been collected and identified at the Lander LTA. No insect species collected during these surveys should be considered for conservation efforts. The orders represented are: Coleoptera (beetles), Diptera (flies), Ephemeroptera (mayflies), Hemiptera and Homoptera (bugs and burrowing bugs), Hymenoptera (ants), Lepidoptera (butterflies and moths), Neuroptera (lacewings, antlions, owlflies), Odonata (dragonflies and damselflies), Orthoptera (grasshoppers, katydids, crickets), Raphidioptera (snakeflies), and Trichoptera (caddis flies) (CEMML 2005).

## A.3.3.2 Wildlife Resources of Special Interest

### Threatened, Endangered, and Candidate Species

No species listed under the 1973 ESA as threatened or endangered have the potential to occur on the LTA (USFWS 2021a). However, the monarch butterfly (*Denaus plexippus*), a candidate species, may occur (Table A-5). Additionally, proposed critical habitat for grizzly bear (*Ursus arctos horribilis*) occurs within a mile of the LTA perimeter (USFWS 2021b).

Table A-5. Threatened, Endangered, and Candidate Species and Critical Habitat in the Lander LTA

Species	Status	Habitat Association	Potential to occur in LTA and Rationale
Monarch butterfly (Denaus plexippus)	Candidate	Requires milkweed for breeding; milkweed and flower nectar provide food. Large trees, typically conifers, are chosen for roost sites and often used annually.	Limited roosting habitat is present in the LTA. Forage could be limited. No monarch butterflies have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is also outside of known monarch butterfly migration routes. Therefore, there is limited potential for this species to occur in the LTA.
Grizzly Bear (Ursus arctos horribilis) proposed critical habitat	Threatened	Proposed critical habitat for this species includes areas with limited human development and the approximate distribution of grizzly bears	The LTA does not contain large areas with limited human development and undisturbed lands; therefore, it is unlikely that the proposed critical habitat within the 1-mile buffer meets the biological, physical, and behavioral requirements of this species.

Sources: USFWS 2021b; MonarchWatch 1998; USFS n.d.

No monarch butterflies have been recorded in the LTA. Roosting habitat in the LTA is limited to juniper trees. Breeding and foraging habitat could occur in the area during flowering season for milkweed or other flowering species. However, the lack of recorded monarch butterflies in the general area and the exclusion of central Wyoming from known migration corridors for this species suggests it is unlikely for the species to occur in the area (MonarchWatch 1998; USFS n.d.).

No grizzly bear or sign have been recorded. The proposed critical habitat for grizzly bear is outside of the LTA, but within the 1-mile buffer used to generate the Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) list of federally protected species. The LTA and surrounding areas do not contain large swaths of land that would meet the biological, physical, and behavioral requirements of this species. The USFWS did not list this species as potentially occurring within or around the LTA (USFWS 2021b).

#### **Migratory Birds**

Native nongame birds, including eagles and other raptors, are protected under the MBTA. To further promote the conservation of migratory bird populations and their habitats, Federal agencies would implement strategies directed by EO 13186, Responsibilities of Federal Agencies to Protect Migratory Birds (66 *Federal Register* 3853). The 2014 Memorandum of Understanding between the U.S. Department of Defense and the USFWS further commits military installations to implement measures to avoid or minimize impacts on migratory birds (DoD and USFWS 2014).

To aid with migratory bird conservation prioritization, the USFWS uses the *Birds of Conservation Concern* (BCC) report, which list species of conservation concern by region. The Lander LTA occurs in Bird

Conservation Region (BCR) 10: Northern Rockies (USFWS 2021c). A list of BCC species potentially occurring in the Lander LTA was generated with the IPaC trust resources tool (USFWS 2021a).

Of the 24 USFWS BCC BCR 10 species found in Wyoming, nine have the potential to occur at the Lander LTA (USFWS 2021a, 2021c). None of the nine species have been recorded in the LTA. Nesting and foraging habitats (i.e., forests or wetlands) for these species do not occur on the LTA. Table A-6 summarizes preferred habitats for each of the nine species and provides the rationale for potential of species occurrence on the LTA.

Table A-6. USFWS Birds of Conservation Concern – Bird Conservation Region 10 Species with Potential to Occur on the Lander LTA

Common Name (Scientific Name)	Habitat	Potential to Occur within the LTA and Rationale
Black rosy-finch (Leucosticte atrata)	Alpine grasslands, alpine moss-lichen- forb, barren ground	No habitat is present in the LTA. No black-rosy finches have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species non-breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur during migration.
Cassin's finch (Haemorhous cassinii)	Coniferous forests up to timberline	No habitat is present in the LTA. No Cassin's finches have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species year-round range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur during migration.
Evening grosbeak (Coccothraustes vespertinus)	Coniferous and deciduous forests	No habitat is present in the LTA. No evening grosbeaks have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species non-breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur during migration.
Franklin's gull (Leucophaeus pipixcan)	Marshes, lakes	No habitat is present in the LTA. No Franklin's gulls have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species migratory range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur.
Lesser yellowlegs (Tringa flavipes)	Shorelines and aquatic areas	No habitat is present in the LTA. No lesser yellowlegs have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species migratory range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur.
Lewis' woodpecker (Melanerpes lewis)	Low elevation conifer, plains/basin riparian	No habitat is present in the LTA. No Lewis' woodpeckers have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur during migration.
Olive-sided flycatcher (Contopus cooperi)	Coniferous forests, aspen-riparian	No habitat is present in the LTA. No olive-sided flycatchers have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur during migration.
Rufous hummingbird (Selasphorus rufus)	Riparian shrub, mountain-foothills grasslands	Limited habitat is present in the LTA. No rufous hummingbirds have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species migratory range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur.

Common Name (Scientific Name)	Habitat	Potential to Occur within the LTA and Rationale
Willet (Tringa semipalmata)	Wet-moist meadow grasslands, marshes	No habitat is present in the LTA. No willets have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur during migration.

Sources: Orabona et al. 2016; USFWS 2021a; USFWS 2021c.

### **Bald and Golden Eagles**

Bald and golden eagles are protected under the both the BGEPA (16 U.S.C. 668) and the MBTA. Both eagle species are listed as potentially occurring in the site-specific IPaC for the Lander LTA (USFWS 2021a). The golden eagle is the only eagle species recorded on the LTA. The Lander LTA has no tall trees, cliffs, or large rock outcrops that would provide eagle nesting habitat. However, H-frame power poles that pass through the LTA could provide nesting habitat for golden eagles. However, no eagle nests have been observed on the LTA to-date. Eagles may use the area for foraging or during migration.

### A.3.3.3 Wyoming Game and Fish Department Species of Greatest Conservation Need

In additional to federally maintained lists, the Wyoming State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP) identifies priority animal species and habitats for conservation in Wyoming and establishes population and habitat objectives (WGFD 2017). This plan also recommends conservation actions to accomplish the population and habitat objectives. The SWAP utilizes a tiered system to aid in species prioritization. The WGFD Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN) designation identifies species whose conservation status warrants increased management attention and consideration in conservation, land use, and land-use planning in Wyoming. SGCN designation is determined by habitat and population threats, lack of funding, or lack of information about a certain species (WGFD 2017). The WGFD lists three tiers of conservation need, from one to three, with Tier I species designated as the highest priority.

Table A-7 lists the WGFD SGCN Tier I vertebrate species whose geographic range includes the Lander LTA. Table A-7 further describes habitat and potential for the species to occur on the Lander LTA. Of those species listed, two (burrowing owl [Athene cunicularia] and mountain plover [Charadrius montanus]) have some potential to occur on the Lander LTA based on habitat availability. Animals burrowing in the sagebrush–grassland habitats could provide nesting habitat for burrowing owls. Potential mountain plover habitat occurs in the sparsely covered grasslands in the northern portion of the LTA. No WGFD SGCN Tier I species have been recorded.

Table A-7. Wyoming Game and Fish Department Tier I Species of Greatest Conservation

Need with Potential to Occur in the Lander LTA

Common Name (Scientific Name)	Habitat	Potential to Occur within the LTA and Rationale
Birds		
Burrowing owl (Athene cunicularia)	Grasslands, shrub-steppe, prairie dog colonies	Limited habitat is available at LTA. No burrowing owls have been recorded onsite. The LTA is within this species breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur
Common loon (Gavia immer)	Lakes and ponds	No habitat is present in the LTA. No common loons have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species migratory range; therefore, there is limited potential for vagrant individuals to occur.

Common Name (Scientific Name)	Habitat	Potential to Occur within the LTA and Rationale
Mountain plover (Charadrius montanus)	Short-grass prairie, prairie dog colonies	Limited habitat is available at LTA. No mountain plovers have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur.
Northern goshawk (Accipiter gentilis)	Coniferous forests	No habitat is present in the LTA. No northern goshawks have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species year-round range; therefore, there is limited potential for vagrant individuals to occur n.
Yellow rail (Coturnicops noveboracensis)	Marshes	No habitat is present in the LTA. No yellow rails have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is not within this species breeding or migratory range; therefore, there is no potential for the species to occur.
Mammals		
Black-footed ferret (Mustela nigripes)	Prairie dog colonies	No prairie dog colonies occur within the LTA. Black-footed ferret have not been observed historically on the LTA. There is no habitat for this species on the LTA; therefore, there is no potential for this species to occur in the LTA.
Canada lynx (Lynx canadensis)	Prefers subalpine/coniferous forests of mixed age and structural classes with downed logs/windfalls that provide denning habitat. Primary prey is snowshoe hare, which prefers early- to mid-successional conifer forests	No subalpine or coniferous forests occur within the LTA. Canada lynx have not been observed historically in the LTA. There is no habitat for this species in the LTA; therefore, there is no potential for this species to occur in the LTA.

Sources: Orabona et al. 2016; WGFD 2017; WYNDD 2021a.

#### **Greater Sage Grouse**

The greater sage-grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*) is a Tier II SGCN and managed by the State of Wyoming under EO 2019-3, which establishes core areas of greater sage-grouse habitat and lek- and habitat-management objectives for the state. The Lander LTA is not in Core Area as defined by the EO. There are no known leks within the LTA; however, there is a lek (WyPo [#16], undetermined lek status) within 2 miles of the LTA (WGFD 2020). This species was not observed during the 2021 site visit, but has been recorded previously. Habitat for this species is in the southern portion of the LTA, where sagebrush cover is densest.

#### A.3.3.4 Priority Habitats

In 2020, WGFD updated its Statewide Habitat Plan and associated Habitat Priority Areas. The Statewide Habitat Plan identifies wildlife priority areas and guides the WGFD in managing those habitats that are most crucial to wildlife. Priority habitats include both aquatic and terrestrial areas and are further classified as *crucial*, *connectivity*, and *restoration* areas. The Lander LTA includes one terrestrial crucial priority area, Statewide Mule Deer Crucial Range (WGFD 2012). No other wildlife crucial habitats, including those for greater sage-grouse, occur within the Lander LTA.

The Lander LTA occurs within two aquatic and one terrestrial restoration priority areas. The LTA is entirely within both the Popo Agie River Watersheds and Wind River Basin Wetlands aquatic restoration priority areas (WGFD 2021). The LTA also occurs entirely within the Mule Deer Initiative terrestrial restoration area (WGFD 2021).

# A.3.4 USFWS-Listed and Rare Plants and Plants with Traditional Cultural Uses

Targeted surveys for listed and rare plant species were not conducted, and no incidental sightings of rare plants as defined by the Wyoming Natural Diversity Database (WYNDD) (2021) were documented during the 2021 site visit. There is one USFWS-listed threatened species with the potential to occur in the Lander LTA: Ute ladies'-tresses (*Spiranthes diluvialis*; Table A-8). Table A-9 lists rare plants whose geographic range includes the Lander LTA.

Table A-8. USFWS-Listed Plants that Potentially Occur on the Lander LTA

Species	Status	Habitat Association	Potential to occur in LTA and Rationale
Ute ladies'-tresses (Spiranthes diluvialis)	Threatened	Occurs in moist meadows on perennial stream terraces, floodplains, and oxbows between 4,300 and 6,850 feet.	There is no perennial water on the LTA; therefore, there is limited potential for this species to occur in the LTA.

Source: USFWS 2021b.

Table A-9. Rare Plants that Potentially Occur on the Lander LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Type	Present in LTA
Porter's wormwood	Artemisia porteri	Upland	Possible
Nelson's milkvetch	Astragalus nelsonianus	Upland	Possible
Cedar Rim thistle	Cirsium pulcherrimum var aridum	Upland	Unlikely
Payson's beardtongue	Penstemon paysoniorum	Upland	Unlikely
Prickly phlox	Phlox pungens	Upland	Possible
Barneby's clover	Trifolium barnebyi	Upland	Unlikely
Desert yellowhead	Yermo xanthocephalus	Upland	Unlikely

Source: WYNDD 2021a.

Plants with traditional cultural uses range from ferns and flowering plants, to grasses and grass-likes, to trees and shrubs (Humphrey 2021). Although targeted surveys for plants with traditional cultural uses were not conducted, incidental sightings of plants with these values were observed at the Lander LTA during the 2021 site visit and include juniper, mountain mahogany, big sagebrush, yellow rabbitbrush, bluebunch wheatgrass, prairie Junegrass, western wheatgrass, and blue grama.

#### A.3.5 Wetlands

USACE and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) define *wetlands* as "areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted to life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas" (33 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] 328).

Wetlands are an important natural system because of the diverse biological and hydrologic functions they perform. These functions include water quality improvement, groundwater recharge, pollution treatment, nutrient cycling, provision of wildlife habitat and niches for unique flora and fauna, storm water storage, and erosion protection. As a result, wetlands are protected as a subset of the waters of the United States under Section 404 of the CWA. In addition, wetlands are protected under EO 11990,

Protection of Wetlands (43 *Federal Register* 6030), the purpose of which is to reduce adverse impacts associated with the destruction or modification of wetlands.

Review of National Wetland Inventory (NWI) mapping indicates the presence of a freshwater pond and riverine wetland features. Table A-10 provides a summary of wetland features in the Lander LTA.

Table A-10. NWI Mapping and Cowardin Classifications in the Lander LTA

Wetland Feature Cowardin Classification		Acres
Freshwater Pond	PABFh (palustrine aquatic bed, semipermanently flooded, diked/impounded)	0.2
Riverine	R4SBC (riverine, intermittent, streambed, seasonally flooded)	7.7
Total		7.9

Sources: USFWS 2020; Cowardin et al. 1979.

Although the desktop analysis indicated 0.2 acre of freshwater pond and 7.7 acres of riverine wetlands, no flowing or standing water was observed during the site visit. One dry stock pond and numerous dry drainages were noted at the site. No hydrophytic vegetation or prominent wetland hydrology were observed in the LTA.

### A.4 MISSION IMPACTS ON NATURAL RESOURCES

The Lander LTA provides a variety of ecosystem and environmental conditions in which to train and prepare combat-ready troops for expeditionary deployment. By their nature, training activities have the potential to affect ecosystems and the biotic environment and the natural resources that make up these systems. The WYARNG recognizes air, land, and water resources as environmental assets for military training and is committed to responsible stewardship of these natural assets. It is in the best interest of the WYARNG to ensure protection and management of natural resources, which will maintain healthy ecosystems that will, in turn support, their military missions.

#### A.4.1 Land Use

Land use within the Lander LTA includes military training, recreational shooting, and maintenance associated with an existing communications tower. Hunting may occur with permission from the Armory, but requests are rare due to limited habitat for big game on the LTA. In addition, at the time this INRMP is being developed there is no established hunting program at the LTA.

# A.4.2 Current Potential Impacts

Current military activities have limited impact on the resources at Lander LTA because little to no military training occurs on the LTA. In the past, most vehicular military use was limited to roads and trails, causing minimal ground disturbance. Historically, the primary off-road activity has been dismounted navigation, which creates little disturbance; bivouacking and vehicular navigation have also occurred and have the potential to disturb vegetation and soils.

# A.4.3 Potential Future Impacts

Future land uses include military training activities such as vehicle navigation, hiking, and bivouacking. Potential future impacts include ground disturbance to the soil and vegetation, which could reduce habitat for local wildlife and plant communities. Ground disturbance could increase the risk for the establishment of noxious weed or invasive plant species or spread of currently present species.

Degradation of these natural resources would have a negative impact on training by reducing the realistic training landscape.

# A.4.4 Natural Resources Needed to Support the Military Mission

Natural resource management at the Lander LTA will be aimed at maintaining the ecosystems necessary to support the military mission and encouraging natural resource conservation.

# A.4.5 Natural Resource Constraints to Missions and Mission Planning

Natural resources at the Lander LTA that have the potential to limit military activities include special habitats, special status species that occur, but have not been identified as occurring on the LTA, highly erodible soils, and invasive species.

## A.5 NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

The WYARNG recognizes that it has a responsibility to manage natural resources in a way that complies with legal and regulatory requirements, promotes ecological sustainability, and facilitates mission accomplishment. However, WYARNG acknowledges that training activities can be detrimental to ecosystems. The WYARNG is committed to rehabilitating all damage that occurs through training. With proper natural resource management, the WYARNG strives to maintain its ability to train and complete its mission, while supporting a legacy of natural resources for current and future generations. Natural resource management at the Lander LTA will be aimed at maintaining the ecosystems necessary to support the military mission, while encouraging natural resource conservation. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects for each of the programs in this section.

# A.5.1 Ecosystem Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity

It is the goal of ecosystem management at the Lander LTA to conserve biodiversity by managing the ecosystem, rather than focusing on a single biotic or abiotic component of the ecosystem. Ecosystem-focused management at the Lander LTA encompasses both the function and the structure of the ecosystem and the processes that link them. The WYMD will coordinate with the WGFD to assess whether current and future projects address or affect big game crucial habitats in the Lander LTA.

## A.5.1.1 Best Management Practices

The following best management practices (BMPs) may be implemented to ensure ecosystem management and maintenance of biodiversity and compliance with applicable laws:

- Manage for vegetation composition consistent with ecological site potential.
- Only allow treatments that enhance wildlife habitat.
- Stay on designated routes when training.
- Report all potentially significant natural resource damage to the WYMD Natural Resource Manager and/or ITAM manager.
- Ensure sustained use of lands for military training, and align land management priorities with training and readiness priorities.
- Maintain or improve the sustainability and native biological diversity of ecosystems.
- Rely on best science and data and develop adaptive management tools.

The following BMPs pertain to reclamation and revegetation:

- Training constraints for native species and seed mixes include avoiding training operations on newly seeded areas until vegetation is adequately established and coordinating with the EMD staff and the natural resource manager to determine when the area is available for training maneuvers.
- Native seed mixes will be used to revegetate disturbed areas as required by WYMD reclamation procedures. If seeding an all-native seed mix is not practicable, ecological bridge species may be used as described in Palazzo et al. (2009). However, native seed must be an important component in all seed mixes.
- Nonnative annual species (typically grains) may be used as a cover crop or nurse crop to provide immediate cover and aid in the establishment of permanent native vegetation.
- Use locally adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
- Do not use plant species that are invasive.
- When possible, plant species that have been identified as having traditional cultural uses may be included in the native seed mix.
- Seed must be certified weed-free.
- Seeding is recommended to occur between March 15–May 15 or September 1–October 15.
- All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.

## A.5.1.2 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Ensure that military lands support present and future training and testing requirements, while preserving, improving, and enhancing ecosystem integrity. Over the long-term, that approach will maintain and improve the sustainability and biological diversity of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, while supporting sustainable economies, human use, and the environment required for realistic military training (DoD 2011, 2013).
  - Objective: Ecosystems within the LTA will be managed to maintain ecosystem resistance and resiliency. This will maintain a quality training environment for troop training.

# A.5.2 Fish and Wildlife Management

For the purposes of this INRMP, wildlife management is defined as manipulation of the environment and wildlife populations to produce desired objectives. The primary goal of wildlife management at the Lander LTA is to maintain wildlife populations at levels compatible with land use objectives while promoting the existence, importance, and benefits of nongame species. The WYMD management activities include minimal direct wildlife management. The primary focus of management involves habitat management.

#### A.5.2.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure maintenance of wildlife populations and compliance with applicable laws:

• If projects are within big sagebrush communities, project planning measures should retain large tracts of the habitat and corridors to aid in the conservation of the greater sage-grouse.

- Management of game species on the LTA will be coordinated with the WGFD.
- Evaluate proposed projects or new training missions on mule deer winter range, and coordinate with WGFD to develop any necessary mitigation measures.
- Any new fences will be built to wildlife friendly specifications: 4-strand wire fence no more than 42 inches high. The distance between the top two wires will be no less than 12 inches apart with a smooth top wire. Middle wires may be barbed and the bottom wire will be smooth and at least 16 inches off the ground. Wood or steel posts spaced at 16.5 foot intervals (Paige 2012).
- Prohibit use of sticky traps or glue boards in areas where herpetofauna species, and other non-target species, could be impacted.

### A.5.2.2 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Support healthy and diverse wildlife populations that would be expected to be found in the habitats on the LTA.
  - Objective: Use the most up to date methods and information to maintain/improve wildlife habitats on the LTA.

# A.5.3 Migratory Birds

The Lander LTA supports several migratory bird habitats, including rocky juniper and sagebrush habitats. Surveys conducted at the LTA indicate that, of the 24 USFWS BCC BCR 10 species found in Wyoming (Table A-6), nine have the potential to occur at the Lander LTA (USFWS 2021a, 2021c). None of the nine species have been recorded on the LTA. Table A-6 summarizes preferred habitats for each of the nine species and provides the rational for potential of species occurrence on the LTA.

The MBTA prohibits the take of migratory birds, either intentionally or incidentally, to implement an action. Readiness activities are exempt from incidental take under the MBTA through the DoD/MBTA Rule 72FR8931 (2006). When the WYARNG proposes a non-readiness activity that has the potential to affect migratory birds, measures will be taken to reduce the potential for take of migratory birds.

## A.5.3.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure the management of migratory bird species and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Any readiness or non-readiness activity that has the potential to have significant adverse impacts on migratory bird populations will be addressed in a NEPA analysis and coordinated with the USFWS.
- When feasible, non-readiness activities (i.e., construction and other land disturbing maintenance activities) will take place outside of the migratory bird nesting season (February 1– August 31) to avoid the incidental take of nesting birds. If this is not possible, then, when feasible, the vegetation over the construction site will be mowed outside of the nesting season to reduce nesting habitat. When practicable, migratory bird surveys will be conducted during the nesting season in the project area, immediately before and during construction, so that nests can be identified and avoided.
- If an active raptor or eagle nest is located on the LTA, the WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS to apply an appropriate spatial buffer around the nest for protection from noise or disturbance.

- All new or reconstructed power lines will be constructed with raptor-safe construction (APLIC 2006, 2012).
- Work projects that could lead to the take of a migratory bird, their young, eggs, or nests should be coordinated with the USFWS before any actions are taken. Removal or destruction of such nests or causing abandonment of a nest could constitute violation of the MBTA or BGEPA. If nest manipulation is proposed for any project, the USFWS Migratory Bird Office in Denver should be contacted at 1-303-236-8171 to see if a permit can be issued. No nest manipulation is allowed without a permit. If a permit cannot be issued, the project may need to be modified to ensure take of a migratory bird or eagle, their young, eggs, or nest will not occur.

## A.5.3.2 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Comply with the MBTA and the Memorandum of Understanding between the DoD and the USFWS to promote the conservation of migratory birds (16 U.S.C. 703).
  - Objective: Identify potential threats to migratory bird populations on the installation occurring within the next 5 years to minimize future potential impacts on training.
  - Objective: Inventory and monitor migratory birds on the LTA.

# A.5.4 Hunting and Fishing Program

Hunting can occur on the Lander LTA with permission from the Armory in Lander. Hunting permits are administered by the WGFD. Hunting seasons include greater sage-grouse, desert cottontail rabbits (*Sylvilagus audubonii*), Hungarian partridge (*Perdix perdix*), chukar partridge (*Alectoris partridge*), pronghorn, mule deer, and white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) for the LTA. WGFD administers hunting season dates for the LTA, and hunt dates may vary from year to year; the current WGFD hunting regulations contain valid hunting season dates for specific areas.

### A.5.4.1 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Develop a WYARNG administered hunting program for Lander LTA.
  - **Objective:** Increase hunter opportunities and access in the next 5 years.

#### A.5.5 Water Resources Protection

No perennial streams or water bodies occur in the Lander LTA. Intermittent channels occur in the area and connect to the Popo Agie River outside of the Lander LTA boundary (USGS 2018). Water is present only during rain events, and flooding is uncommon (WES 2000).

#### A.5.5.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of water resources and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for water resources include:
  - Digging is not allowed within drainages or naturally occurring ponded areas.
  - Light maneuver in detailed coordination with the EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
  - Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.

 Placement of silt fencing in ephemeral and intermittent channels is required to prevent sedimentation downstream from any upstream ground-disturbance activities when imminent precipitation is anticipated.

#### A.5.5.2 Goals

Goal: Conserve water resource conditions to provide realistic training, and support native
vegetation communities and wildlife species, as well as prevent excessive erosion of stream
banks and channelization.

### A.5.6 Wetland Protection

Review of NWI mapping indicates the presence of a freshwater pond and riverine wetland features in the Lander LTA (USFWS 2020). No perennial waters or flowing channels occur in the LTA.

### A.5.6.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of wetland resources and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for wetlands include:
  - Bivouacking is not allowed.
  - Digging is not allowed.
  - Foot traffic in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
  - Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
  - Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
- All desktop mapped NWI wetland areas have a 200-foot buffer within which no training may occur. Buffer areas may change based on field surveys to identify aquatic resources.

## A.5.6.2 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Conserve wetland features to provide realistic training, support native vegetation communities and wildlife habitat, and prevent erosion of intermittent channels.
  - o **Objective:** Within the next 5 years, inventory all mapped NWI sites and determine areas of overland water flow.

# A.5.7 Soil Erosion Control Management

Healthy, stable soils are foundational to a healthy ecosystem; however, erosion is a naturally occurring process that continually shapes the landscape. Certain practices and conditions may cause accelerated erosion that may have negative impacts on the natural resources.

#### A.5.7.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of soil erosion control and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for soil erosion control include:
  - Bivouacking is not allowed in high to severe soil erosion areas.
  - Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
  - Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
- Reseed disturbance areas as soon as practicable. Avoid military missions in reseeded areas until vegetation is established.
- Install erosion and sediment control features or products to reduce or eliminate soil loss during construction or military maneuvers, where needed.

## A.5.7.2 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Conserve the soil and prevent excessive soil erosion in the Lander LTA.
  - Objective: Minimize wind and water erosion of soil due to man-made activities.

#### A.5.8 Outdoor Recreation

The Sikes Act Improvement Act (SAIA) and DoD Instruction 4715.03 encourage public access to DoD lands for the enjoyment and use of natural resources if such activity is compatible with the military mission and the ecosystem can support such use. Access to the LTA is controlled through gates on roads into the training area. Public access is allowed with permission from the Armory in Lander. Use of the firing range is for those with affiliation with the local sportsman's club or with permission from the local trainers. Uncontrolled access to the northern part of the LTA is dangerous due to the almost constant use of the firing range. Unauthorized public access has not been a major concern due to locked gates at the LTA and neighboring private land.

#### A.5.8.1 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: To continue to grow recreational activities including biking, hiking, and horse riding.
  - o **Objective:** Maintain the area for wildlife and provide access to trails on the LTA.

#### A.5.9 Enforcement

Enforcement of environmental laws and regulations falls to state or Federal natural resource and environmental agencies. These include:

- **WGFD**. Responsible for enforcement of wildlife and hunting regulations. Permits for hunting on the LTAs are issued by the WGFD. Violations of state wildlife laws can be reported to WGFD Game wardens or called to the WGFD hotline (1-877-943-3847 or 1-307-777-4330). Tips can also be texted (847-411) or submitted online.
- **USFWS**. Responsible for enforcement of Federal wildlife laws and regulations, including the MBTA, BGEPA, and ESA. The USFWS issues permits for activities such nest relocation and

- incidental take of an avian species. Regulations may be enforced by regional game wardens, or the USFWS may designate a WGFD representative to help with local issues.
- WDEQ. Responsible for statewide environmental quality regulations and policies. The agency
  enforces both state and Federal laws, including the CWA. WDEQ also administers the WYPDES.
- **USACE**. Authorized under Section 404 of CWA to regulate alteration, degradation, or removal of wetlands or other waters of the United States.

## A.6 MANAGEMENT OF THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

The ESA sets forth requirements for consultation to determine if a proposed action could potentially affect a federally endangered or threatened species. If an action in the Lander LTA may affect a federally threatened or endangered species, Section 7(a)(2) of the ESA requires consultation with the USFWS to ensure that any action the agency authorizes, funds, or carries out is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any federally listed endangered or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of Critical Habitat. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects threatened and endangered species.

# A.6.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of threatened and endangered species and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- In the event that a threatened or endangered species or species of concern is identified, the WYMD will initiate consultation with the USFWS.
- For areas of suitable habitat for Ute ladies'-tresses (*Spiranthes diluvialis*), and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted during the appropriate time of year by a qualified botanist.
- For areas with suitable monarch butterfly habitat and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted for caterpillars and adults during the appropriate time of year.
- Should a species that occurs at the Lander LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify the
  USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the newly
  listed species as well as all listed species potentially occurring there. Management actions to
  minimize effects should be developed for candidate species in the event they become listed so
  as not to delay proposed actions.
- WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS on an annual basis to review petitioned, candidates, or listed threatened, endangered, or sensitive species (TES) in or near the Lander LTA and determine if current projects address or affect management of these species.

# A.6.2 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Comply with the ESA in the Lander LTA.
  - Objective: Routinely survey the Lander LTA for the presence of listed species. If any listed species are identified, then management of these species will be integrated into the INRMP within one year.
  - Objective: Conduct Section 7 consultation with the USFWS for all Federal actions that the WYMD determines "may effect" a listed species.

### A.7 FOREST AND FIRE MANAGEMENT

No forest resources occur on the Lander LTA. An integrated wildland fire management plan is being prepared and will be incorporated by reference into this INRMP.

## A.8 CULTURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION

Cultural resources are past and present expressions of human culture and history in the physical environment. They represent physical locations of human activity, occupation, or use and can refer to historical or architectural objects, sites, structures, or places with potential public and scientific value, including locations of traditional cultural, ethnic, or religious significance to a specific social or cultural group. Fragile and irreplaceable, cultural resources represent an integral part of American heritage that is identified through field inventories, historical documentation, or oral evidence.

Historic properties are a set of cultural resources that meet specific eligibility criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), as defined by the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and published in 36 CFR 60.4. Historic properties are managed as directed by 36 CFR 800, Protection of Historic and Cultural Properties.

AR 200-1, Chapter 6, provides guidelines for integrating cultural resource issues into an INRMP. Guidelines focus on cultural resource compliance requirements that are generated as a result of ecosystem management activities, contributions that cultural resource studies can make to ecosystem management decisions, and human activities (ranging from those of the earliest Native Americans to current military training) that should be supported and sustained in development and implementation of an ecosystem management plan.

Additionally, a statewide Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan was developed in 2020 for the WYARNG (2020). The statewide plan addresses cultural resources management in detail, including historic structures, historic landscapes, traditional cultural properties, and Native American considerations. It also provides goals, objectives, and planned projects for WYARNG's cultural resources program from 2020 through 2025 on a statewide and LTA level.

The Lander LTA underwent a cultural resources inventory in 1992 by the Office of the Wyoming State Archaeologist (Class III Cultural Resources Inventory of the WYARNG Lander Training Area Fremont County, Wyoming, Project Number WY-41-91, June 1992). The 1,360 acre inventory identified and evaluated 11 archaeological sites, two of which are eligible for the NRHP (WYARNG 2020): 1) Site 48FR3114 is a prehistoric processing area or campsite that is eligible for the NRHP; and 2) Site 48FR2673 is a prehistoric and historic rock art site that is eligible for the NRHP. Site 48FR3113 is a historic possibly post-World War One homestead dwelling, although no standing structures or foundations were present. Although the report indicates that the site contains little potential for archaeological information, historic research on the site is needed to evaluate the significance of the site and determine eligibility for the NRHP.

A historic armory (48FR6077) in the Lander LTA was determined eligible for the NRHP, but building security updates removed the elements critical for a determination for inclusion in the NRHP. The adverse effect from the updates were resolved with the SHPO in the Memorandum of Agreement (2020) between the WYARNG, NGB, and State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to resolve adverse effects to military training in 2018 (WYARNG 2020).

The Wyoming SHPO reviewed the survey report in 1993 and recommended avoidance of the eligible and unevaluated sites at the Lander LTA. They also recommended historic research be conducted for the

historic period features. Tribal consultation is ongoing (WYARNG 2014). The WYMD will follow the 2020 Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan for cultural resources management.

# A.8.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of cultural resources and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Avoid impacts on known NRHP-eligible cultural resources.
- Exclude areas containing known NRHP-eligible cultural resources from prescribed burn and other vegetation treatment areas that involve vegetation clearing, revegetation, and erosion control.
- Ensure compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA.
- Consult with 18 federally-recognized Native American Tribes to determine if any locations of traditional cultural, ethnic, or religious significance are present within the LTA.

### A.9 INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

The state of Wyoming defines a *designated pest* as any animal or insect species that is determined to be detrimental to the health or general welfare of the state, based on the following:

- Has demonstrated the ability to aggressively invade native plant communities and agricultural crops
- Is injurious or poisonous to livestock
- Is a carrier of disease or parasites
- Can, by virtue of either its direct or indirect effect, negatively affect management of agricultural or natural ecosystems

An Integrated Pest Management Plan for all WYMD facilities and lands was signed in 2019. Additional information on management of invasive plants and invasive species is detailed in Section A.10, *Invasive Species Program*.

# A.9.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs will be implemented in the pest management program:

- Training constraints for pest management: none
- Anticoagulant rodenticides will not be used outside of buildings to control rodents because of the risk to raptors and other wildlife.

# A.9.2 Goals and Objectives

No goals, objectives, or projects are identified for the LTA. The WYMD would update pest management records annually in compliance with the 2019 Integrated Pest Management Plan.

### A.10 INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAM

An *invasive species* is an alien species whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health (EO 13112). Invasive species may cause direct environmental harm, which can lead to decreases in native species populations (Invasive Species Advisory Committee 2006). Proper landscape management is the best option for reducing the density of invasive plant species. Although invasive plant species can be detrimental to ecosystems and wildlife, they can also provide quality habitat to some wildlife species. The timing of treatment may become important in these instances. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects for the invasive species program.

# A.10.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure the management of invasive species and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for invasive species include large noxious weed or invasive plant species infestations as identified by the EMD staff and natural resource manager.
- EMD staff will record any invasive weed infestations that they encounter when in the field.
   Locations will be provided to the natural resource manager who will update the appropriate geodatabase.
- Each installation will, to the extent practicable, use locally-adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
- Integrated invasive species management that uses two or more of the following control
  methods are preferred: biological, cultural, chemical, and mechanical.
- The timing of chemical or mechanical treatment of invasive weeds must correspond to times
  that will have the lowest impact on natural resources and still maintain effectiveness. For
  example, the treatment of invasive thistle should occur outside of the nesting season because
  finches nest within thistle stands.
- Treatment of invasive species must comply with the Integrated Pest Management Plan (WYARNG 2019).
- All training activity is restricted in areas with large noxious weed or invasive plant species
  infestations to prevent the spread to other areas of the LTA. Once areas are treated and EMD
  staff determine that the risk of spreading noxious weeds or invasive plant species from the site
  has been lowered to an acceptable level, then the area will be re-opened to training.
- The location of training activities will be rotated to allow maneuver and bivouac areas to recover.
- Ground disturbance due to training activities will be immediately repaired to discourage noxious weeds or invasive plant species from establishing.
- Prescribed fire will be used in a manner that does not encourage cheatgrass invasion.
- All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.
- Any equipment or vehicles used for training purposes will be cleaned and inspected prior to entering the LTA.
- Vehicles and equipment used for training will be cleaned following training.

- Equipment that was in contact with a water positive for zebra/quagga mussels (currently none
  in Wyoming) within the last 30 days, is required to undergo inspection by an authorized
  inspector prior to contacting a Wyoming water.
- From March through November, all water hauling equipment and watercraft entering the state by land must be inspected before contacting a water of the state.
- Equipment used in any Wyoming water that contains aquatic invasive species, must be cleaned, drained and dried before use in another water. Wyoming waters with aquatic invasive species can be found at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-and-Boating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Boating-Information.
- When equipment that has been in contact with any Wyoming water is moved from one 4th level watershed (8-digit Hydrological Unit Code) to another within Wyoming, it must be cleaned, drained and dried. Specific guidance is available at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-and-Boating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Construction-and-Fire.

# A.10.2 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Manage noxious weeds and invasive plant species so they do not affect military training or the integrity of the native plant and wildlife communities in the Lander LTA.
  - Objective: Inventory and map noxious weed infestations in the LTA.

# A.11 CLIMATE CHANGE

The WYARNG understands that there exists potential for climate change to affect the ability of the military to sustain mission readiness. To address the potential impacts on installations as a result of climate change, the DoD has developed a decision support tool to assist installation Natural Resource Managers in assessing climate change vulnerabilities, implications, and adaptations. At the time of development of the INRMP, the Lander LTA was not included in the Army Climate Assessment Tool to create climate risk models for the LTA. The WYMD will check the Army Climate Assessment Tool annually and will incorporate results for Lander LTA when it becomes available.

The Lander LTA is in the Northern Great Plains region, as categorized in *Impacts Risks, and Adaptation in the United States: Fourth Annual Climate Assessment, Volume II* (Conant et al. 2018). This report includes a regional overview of the current climate projections for large geographic areas of the United States. The following summarizes the anticipated climate change impacts on Lander LTA and the region:

- Increases in temperature. Climate model projections indicate a trend in warming in the Northern Great Plains, rising steadily until 2050.
- Changes to precipitation patterns. Climate projections indicate that this region will see a
  greater variability in precipitation patterns, especially in relation to the frequency of heavy
  precipitation events (i.e., annual number of days with greater than 2 inches of rainfall).
  Relatively small changes to annual precipitation can result in large changes to runoff, available
  soil moisture, and streamflow because this region is already very arid.
- Water availability. Anticipated impacts on water availability indicate a mix of increasing and
  decreasing average annual water availability, depending on precipitation patterns and
  snowpack. In general, snowpack in this region is expected to decrease. Year-to-year variability of
  water availability, which is already subject to unpredictability, is expected to increase. Changes
  to precipitation patterns are also expected to result in low probability, but high-severity and

- high-impact events, such as extreme floods. On the other hand, extreme drought events are expected to increase.
- Increase in wildfire severity and frequency. Higher temperatures, drought, and alterations to water availability (e.g., soil moisture or streamflow) are likely to increase the severity, frequency, and extent of wildfires in the region, resulting in damage to property and wildlife habitat, increase in smoke and a corresponding decreasing in air quality, and a stress on agency resources to respond to catastrophic events.
- Alteration of Wildlife Habitat. The above-referenced climate projections will have impacts on aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems, resulting in the loss of habitat availability and function for wildlife. Reduction in streamflows and increase in water temperatures would affect aquatic biodiversity negatively. Conversely, increases in extreme flood events may destroy important aquatic habitat or terrestrial habitat in the immediate vicinity. Wetland habitat is also expected to decrease, resulting in the loss or alteration of habitat for a myriad of species that depend on it. Warmer temperatures and increases in resulting physiological stress in individual wildlife may make populations of species more susceptible to diseases, such as proliferative kidney disease in whitefish or outbreaks of big game diseases. Warmer temperatures and drought are expected to result in the reduction of available forage for wildlife. The proliferation of extreme wildfire events may also further exacerbate the loss of habitat and forage. In general, species with narrow life histories that depend on a specific suite of environmental conditions could be more affected from anticipated climate change scenarios than species more generalist in their lifehistory preferences.

The WYARNG recognizes that regional climate change may result in the inability of the military to train. Soldier safety is of the utmost concern for the WYARNG. Increases in temperature, severe wildfires, and resulting reduction in air quality may threaten soldier safety during training events. The WYARNG is committed to assessments of local conditions during training events to ensure that soldiers are kept safe. Large, unpredictable weather events, such as extreme rainfall or flooding, may restrict training on LTAs when those events occur. Following large flood events, sections of the LTA may be unusable due to unstable soil conditions or erosions. As such, the WYMD will track such events and facilitate timely inspection of LTAs to ensure that these areas are marked as unsafe and develop a restoration plan in accordance with BMPs listed in this INRMP and Army environmental standards. Restoring areas affected by climate-fueled events will ensure that the LTA still is able to support military training and readiness. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects climate change.

# A.11.1 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Manage LTAs for resiliency to climate change and to sustain military training and readiness.
  - Objective: Review the INRMP annually for any changes that may be required as a response to climate-related events.
  - Objective: Maintain responsiveness to climate-related weather, flooding, and wildfire events.

Management goals, objectives, and projects identified in other sections pertaining to specific natural resources are designed to track and respond to changes to the landscape, wildlife habitat, and water resources. For example, the invasive species program includes objectives to map invasive species on a timescale that is appropriate for detecting changes to infestations and would allow the WYMD to eradicate or control weed species such that the LTA maintains ecological integrity and military training is not diminished. This INRMP also includes objectives to track wildlife species of interest, for example,

instituting a monitoring plan for migratory birds and raptors. Monitoring wildlife species will allow the WYMD to detect changes to wildlife use of the LTA.

## A.12 PROPOSED PROJECTS AND IMPLEMENTATION

Appendix E lists the proposed projects for the Lander LTA.

## A.13 RESOURCE PROTECTION GUIDELINES

Appendix F summarizes the BMPs detailed in the previous sections.

## A.14 NATIVE SEED MIX

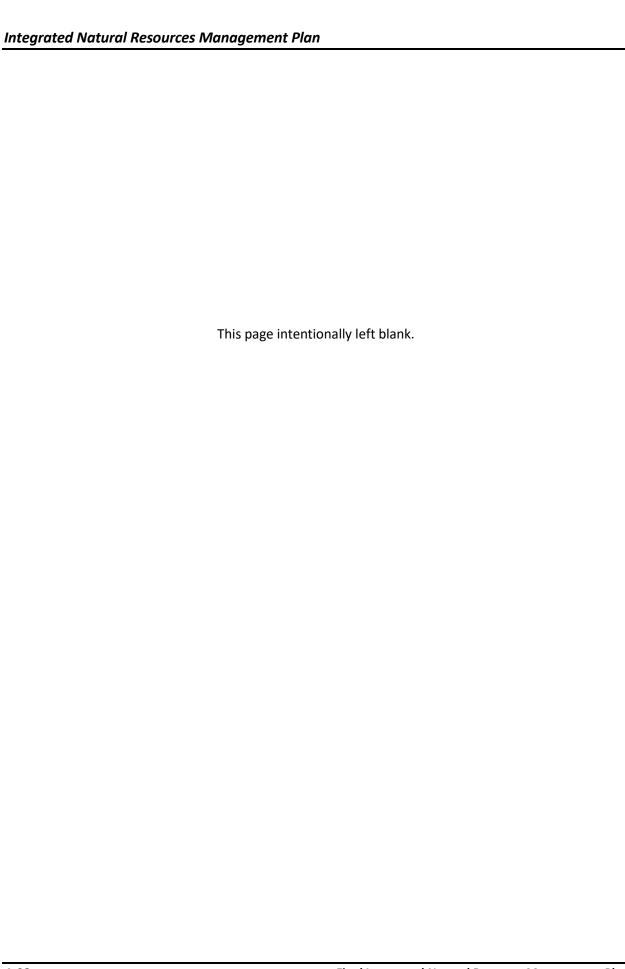
Appendix G provides an example native seed list for use at the Lander LTA.

## A.15 SPECIES LIST

Appendix H identifies the animal, invertebrate, and plant species known to occur at the Lander LTA.

# A.16 NEPA DOCUMENTATION

In 2001, a NEPA analysis was conducted for the Lander LTA INRMP (WYARNG 2001a). A Record of Consideration will be completed for this update of the INRMP that tiers off the 2001 environmental assessment. If any projects in this INRMP are beyond the scope of the 2001 environmental assessment, project-specific NEPA analyses will be completed.



# APPENDIX B: LOVELL LOCAL TRAINING AREA

# **B.1** INSTALLATION OVERVIEW

This section provides an overview of the Lovell LTA, including a description of its location, history, purpose, and regional geographic setting.

# **B.1.1** Location and Area

The Lovell LTA is 2 miles southeast of Lovell, Wyoming, on State Highway 310. The town of Lovell is in northern Big Horn Basin, 45 miles east of Cody, Wyoming, at the intersection of U.S. Highways 310 and 14A. Lovell is 22 miles south of the Montana border (Figure B-1). The LTA encompasses approximately 5.54 square miles (3,544 acres) and is leased by the WYMD from USACE.

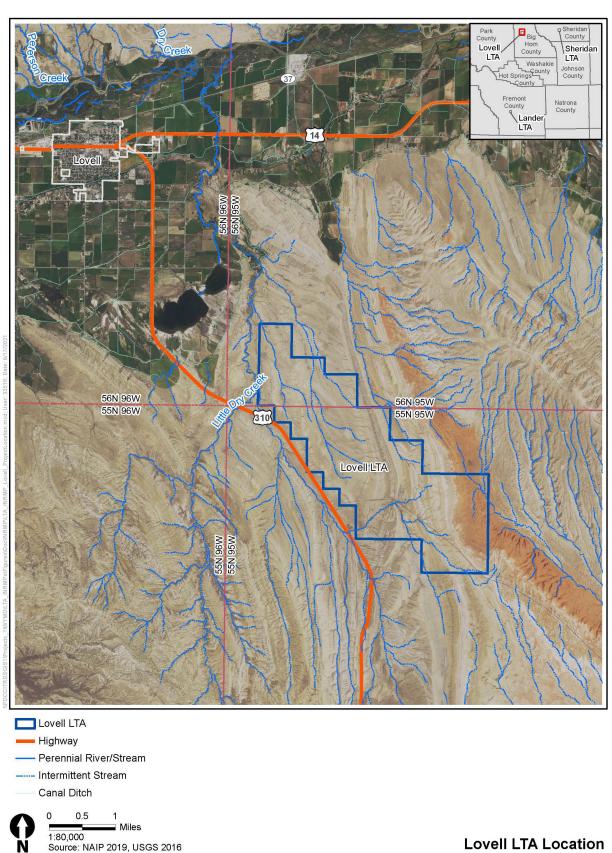


Figure B-1. **Lovell LTA Location** 

# **B.1.2** Facilities and Developed Areas

There are no developed or landscaped lands at the Lovell LTA, and there are no facilities.

# **B.1.3** Installation History

The Lovell LTA was established by EO 6910 on November 26, 1934. A revocable permit, dated February 8, 1945, was granted to the U.S. Grazing Service (now the Bureau of Land Management [BLM]) to lease the land under the Taylor Grazing Act (43 U.S.C. 315) when the area was not in use by the WYARNG. On July 1, 1966, the USACE granted the state of Wyoming a 5-year lease for the Lovell LTA to support year-round training of the Wyoming National Guard. The lease was extended six times and extended indefinitely in 1991.

# **B.1.4** Surrounding Communities

The Lovell LTA is in Big Horn County, and the closest community to the Lovell LTA is the town of Lovell. The town of Lovell was founded by a cattle rancher, Henry Clay Lovell, in the 1870s and incorporated in 1906 (Hein 2014; WSHS 2021). The 2020 census estimated the total population of Big Horn County at 11,790, a 1 percent increase from the 2010 census (USCB 2019). Approximately 96 percent of the county's populations is white. The median household income (in 2019 dollars) is \$52,804, and 12.1 percent of the population is in poverty (USCB 2019). Agriculture is a key contributor to Big Horn County's economy. Natural gas, oil, bentonite and gypsum mining, and the railroad also contribute to the county's economy. Big Horn County relies heavily on federally owned lands for tourism, recreation, mining, oil and gas, hunting, and grazing (Y2 Consultants, LLC & Budd-Falen Law Offices 2020).

# **B.1.5** Regional Land Use

The majority of land in Big Horn County (approximately 77 percent) is federally managed, and about 23 percent of the land is privately owned. The predominant use of land in Big Horn County consists of outdoor recreation, farming, livestock grazing, oil and gas development, and bentonite and gypsum mining (Y2 Consultants, LLC & Budd-Falen Law Offices 2020).

# **B.1.6** Local and Regional Natural Areas

The Lovell LTA is in the Big Horn Basin between the Bighorn National Forest to the east, Yellowstone National Park to the west, and Shoshone National Forest to the southwest. The Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area is northeast of the Lovell LTA.

# **B.1.7** Military Mission

Little to no military training occurs at the Lovell LTA. In the past, WYARNG military training activities included standard operating procedures wherein units convoy in and set up camp with tents and camouflage. Land navigation courses have been established, and both mounted and dismounted training have occurred throughout the training area. No live ammunition is used at the Lovell LTA.

## **B.2** PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENTS

The physical environment includes land, air, water, and other natural resources that provide basic needs for plants, animals, and humans as well as opportunities for social and economic development.

#### **B.2.1** Climate

Information in this section is based on data from the Lovell weather station (Station Number 485770). Lovell is east of the Rocky Mountains and west of the Bighorn Mountains, which block moisture and create a semi-arid climate. Table B-1 provides an average of temperature and precipitation data recorded at the Lovell weather station from 1897 to 2016.

Table B-1. Monthly Climate Summaries (1897 to 2016) for Temperature, Precipitation, and Snowfall for Lovell, Wyoming

Month	Average Maximum Temperature (°F)	Average Minimum Temperature (°F)	Average Total Precipitation (in)	Average Total Snowfall (in)	Average Snow Depth (in)
January	29.6	4.6	0.3	4.1	2.0
February	36.7	10.9	0.2	2.4	1.0
March	47.6	20.7	0.3	2.5	0.0
April	59.2	30.8	0.6	1.2	0.0
May	69.1	41.0	1.2	0.2	0.0
June	78.9	49.0	1.1	0.0	0.0
July	88.3	54.3	0.6	0.0	0.0
August	85.9	51.1	0.5	0.0	0.0
September	74.0	40.8	0.7	0.4	0.0
October	61.1	30.6	0.6	0.7	0.0
November	44.8	18.9	0.3	1.7	0.0
December	33.0	8.4	0.2	3.8	1.0
Annual Average	59.0	30.1	6.6	17.1	0.0

Source: WRCC 2016b.

Wyoming and the western United States are experiencing above-normal drought conditions. Data released as of September 7, 2021, show that the Lovell LTA is in extreme drought (D3) conditions. Extreme drought conditions may reduce the number of wildflower blooms, increase potential for large wildland fires, and reduce levels of snowpack and surface water in creeks and rivers (Simeral 2021). See Figure A-2 in Appendix A for an illustration of the drought conditions across the state of Wyoming.

#### **B.2.2** Landforms

The northwestern corner of the Lovell LTA is a large, flat, open plain with few rolling changes in topography, whereas the southeastern portion has more rugged terrain with predominant rock and talus outcroppings. The rough and hilly eastern border rises approximately 680 feet above the open plain. The East Fork of Sand Draw runs along the southern border of the training area. Elevation ranges from 3,080 feet at the northwestern end of the Lovell LTA to 4,540 feet at the southeastern end.

# **B.2.3** Geology

The bedrock geology of the Lovell LTA consists of seven different formations or groups: Cody Formation, Frontier Formation, Cloverly and Morrison Formation, Mowry and Thermopolis Formation, Sundance and Gypsum group, Chugwater Formation, and the Goose Egg Formation. The Cody Formation, or Cody Shale, is the most prevalent, especially in the northwestern part of the training area, and recognizable when exposed by dull, gray to brown shale and siltstone, and or fine-grained sandstone (USGS 2011a).

Surface geology at the Lovell LTA is mainly slopewash and alluvium deposits, which consist of soils and rock material that has been moved down from higher elevations by running water and gravity. Other deposits that can be found on Lovell are derived from colluvium, terrace deposits, residuum, and scattered bedrock (WYARNG 2013b).

# B.2.4 Soils

Typic Haplargids and Typic Natrargids cover about 35 percent of the Lovell LTA and consist of fine-loamy or coarse-loamy mesic soils (Munn and Arneson 1998). Approximately 24 percent of Lovell LTA has Typic Torriothents, which are loamy, mesic soils, and rock outcrops. Soils are shallow or moderately deep to soft bedrock (Munn and Arneson 1998). Another 22 percent of the soils on the Lovell LTA are considered to be Typic Torrifluvents and Typic Haplocambids, which are sandy-skeletal, fine loamy over sandy or sandy-skeletal, mesic soils. The third general soil type found on Lovell LTA is Typic Torriorthents-fine, which are fine mesic soils intermixed with rock outcrops (Munn and Arneson 1998).

The BLM conducted a soil survey through the NRCS for the BLM grazing allotment, which included the Lovell LTA. This survey identified 16 different soil units on the Lovell LTA (WYARNG 2001). Soil texture is predominately loam, with either clay or sand, and an occasional alkali-based soil. Table B-2 shows soil map units and acreages found in the Lovell LTA. Figure B-2 illustrates the NRCS identified soil map units, and Figure B-3 illustrates the BLM identified soil units in the LTA.

Table B-2. Soil Map Units and Associated Acres and Percent in the Lovell LTA

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in LTA	Percent of LTA
41AC	Stutzman silty clay loam, 0 to 10 percent slopes	423.3	11.7%
363AC	Binton–Youngston loams, 0 to 10 percent slopes	0.2	0.0%
371AD	Greybull–Persayo association, 0 to 30 percent slopes	28.1	0.8%
372CD	Worland–Persayo complex, 6 to 30 percent slopes	42.4	1.2%
374CE	Chipete—Persayo—Rock outcrop complex, 6 to 45 percent slopes	275.6	7.6%
572CE	Oceanet–Rock outcrop complex, 10 to 40 percent slopes	1.5	0.0%
705	Mudray variant very channery–Larim variant complex, 6 to 60 percent slopes	0.1	0.0%
NOTCOM <sup>1</sup>	No digital data available	2,834.3	78.6%
Total		3,605.4	100.0%

Source: NRCS 2013.

A description of soil units, to include descriptions where digital data (NOTCOM area) is not available, but was mapped during the BLM soil survey, found at the Lovell LTA is as follows (WYARNG 2013b):

- 102 Badland. Little to no soil development, made up of exposed and broken bedrock.
- 103 Rock Outcrop. Exposed bedrock.
- 477 Travessilla—Midway complex, 3 to 60 percent slopes. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 4 to 20 inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately rapid to slow. The available water capacity is very low or low. This unit is considered highly erodible.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Soil map units listed and described below include the NOTCOM area. See Figure B-3 for mapped NOTCOM area by the BLM in 2001.

- 489 Spearfish–Rock Outcrop complex, 5 to 40 percent slopes. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 0 to 20 inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately rapid to slow. The available water capacity is very low to low. This unit is considered highly erodible.
- **705 Mudray Variant–Larim variant complex, 6 to 60 percent slopes**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 8 to 40 inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderate to slow. The available water capacity is very low to low. This unit is not considered highly erodible.
- **351AC Lostwells clay loam, Alkali, 0 to 10 percent slope**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 60 or more inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately slow to moderate. The available water capacity is moderate to high. This unit is not considered highly erodible.
- **363AC Binton–Youngston clay loams, 0 to 10 percent slope**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 60 or more inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately slow to moderate. The available water capacity is moderate to high. This unit is not considered highly erodible.
- **367AC Rairdent–Uffens loams, 0 to 10 percent slopes**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 60 or more inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is slow to moderate. The available water capacity is moderate to high. This unit is not considered highly erodible.
- **371AD Greybull–Persayo association, rolling**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 4 to 40 inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately slow to moderately rapid. The available water capacity is very low to high. This unit is considered highly erodible.
- **372CD Worland–Persayo complex, 2 to 45 percent slope**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 4 to 40 inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately slow to moderately rapid. The available water capacity is very low to high. This unit is considered highly erodible.
- 374CE Chipeta-Persayo-Rock Outcrop complex, 6 to 45 percent slopes. The depth to bedrock
  in this unit is 0 to 20 inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately
  rapid to slow. The available water capacity is very low to low. This unit is considered highly
  erodible.
- **389CE Neville—Spearfish association, hilly**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 4 or more inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderate to slow. The available water capacity is very low to high. This unit is not considered highly erodible.
- **390CD Sayles—Persayo—Youngston complex, 0 to 45 percent slopes**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 4 or more inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderate to slow. The available water capacity is very low to high. This unit is not considered highly erodible.
- 41AC Stutzman silty clay loam, 0 to 10 percent slopes. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 60 or
  more inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is slow to moderate. The
  available water capacity is moderate to high. This unit is not considered highly erodible.
- 442BC Apron–Worland sandy loams, 0 to 10 percent slopes. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 20 or more inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately rapid to rapid. The available water capacity is low to moderate. This unit is not considered highly erodible.
- **445DE Rekop–Gystrum complex, 10 to 60 percent slopes**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 5 to 40 inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately rapid to slow. The available water capacity is very low to moderate. This unit is considered highly erodible.

- 47AB Torchlight silty clay loam, 0 to 10 percent slope. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 60 or more inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is slow. The available water capacity is high. This unit is not considered highly erodible. This unit contains one or more soils that meet hydric criteria. Hydric soils are soils that are saturated, flooded, or ponded for long enough during the growing season to develop anaerobic (i.e., oxygen-deficient) conditions in their upper part. Anaerobic soil conditions are conducive to the establishment of vegetation adapted for growth under oxygen-deficient conditions and typically found in wetlands (i.e., hydrophytic vegetation).
- 471CE Bributte—Persayo—Pavillion complex, 3 to 10 percent slopes. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 4 to 40 inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately slow to moderately rapid. The available water capacity is very low to high. This unit is considered highly erodible.
- **572CE Oceanet–Rock Outcrop complex, 10 to 40 percent slope**. The depth to bedrock in this unit is 4 to 20 inches. The soils in this unit are well-drained. Permeability is moderately rapid to slow. The available water capacity is very low or low. This unit is considered highly erodible.

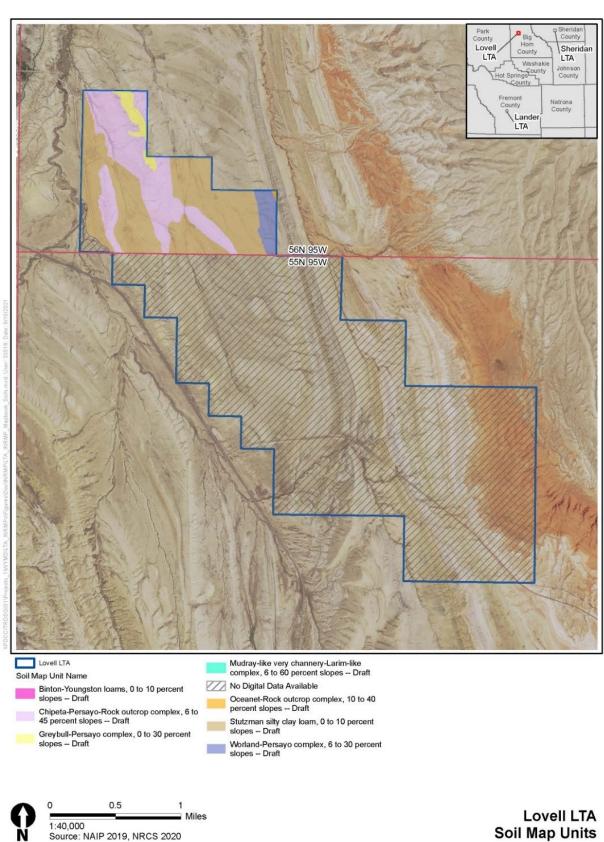


Figure B-2. Soil Units as Mapped by the NRCS in 2020 – Lovell LTA

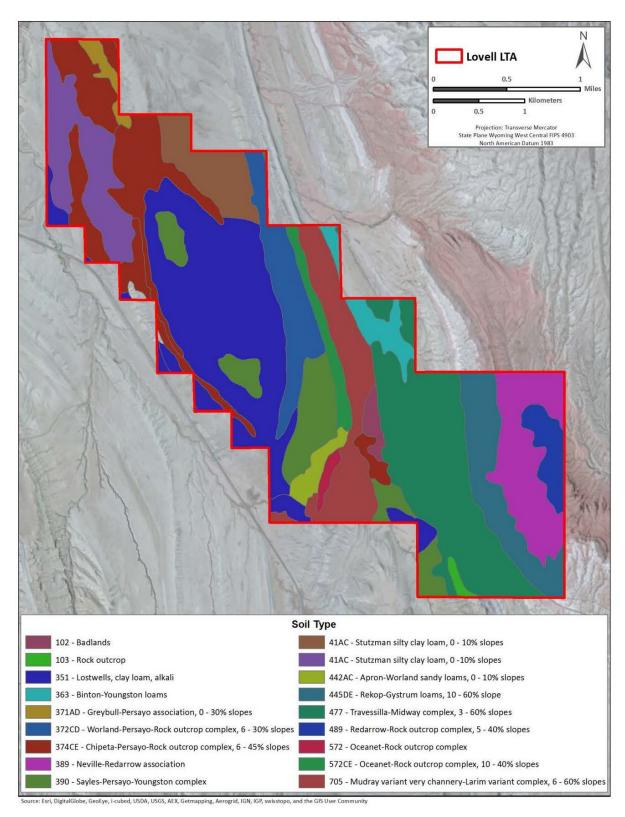


Figure B-3. Soil Units as Mapped by the BLM in 2001 – Lovell LTA

Soil erosion potential can be evaluated by categorizing soil into K factor groups, where K is a measure of the susceptibility of the soil to erosion by water. Soil K values can range from 0.01 to 0.69 with the most erodible soils having high K values. Approximately 0.1 percent of soils in the LTA have a low soil erosion potential ( $K \le 0.20$ ), 4.9 percent have a moderate erosion potential ( $K \le 0.40$ ), and 12.2 percent have a high erosion potential ( $K \ge 0.40$ ) (Figure B-4). These percentages are based on NRCS soil mapping within 17.1 percent of the LTA area.

A 2005 study on the erodibility of soils in the Lovell LTA concluded the majority of the LTA had a moderate erodibility index (86.9 percent) with isolated areas of high erodibility (13.1 percent) (CEMML 2005).

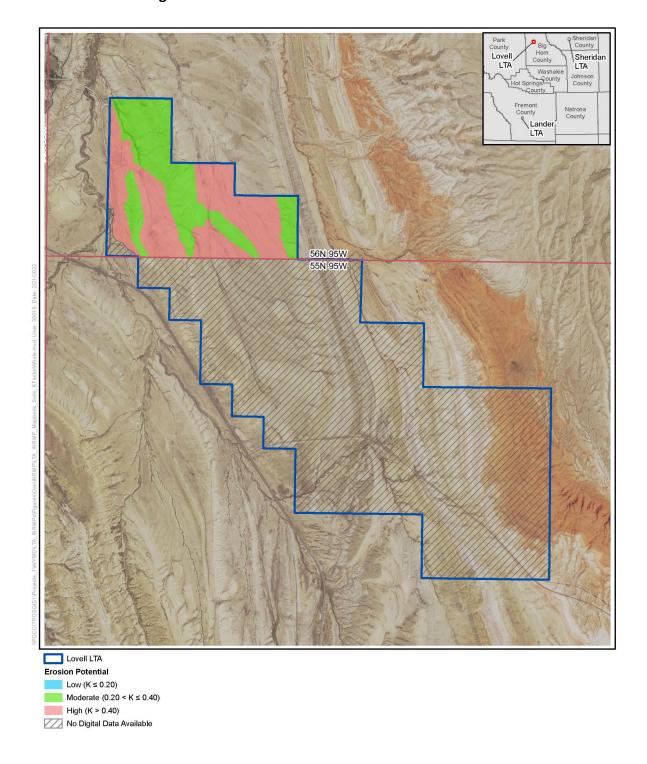
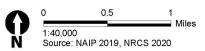


Figure B-4. Soil Erosion Potential on the Lovell LTA



Lovell LTA Soil Erodibilty

In addition, the soils on the LTA have been analyzed for their vehicle trafficability for type 3 vehicles during the dry and wet season (Table B-3, Figure B-5 and Figure B-6). This can be used to identify which soils are most resistant to maneuver training during different times of the year.

Table B-3. Trafficability for Type 3 Vehicles on the Lovell LTA during the Dry and Wet Seasons Based on Soils

Rating <sup>1</sup>	Dry Season		Wet Season	
	Acres	Percent of Area	Acres	Percent of Area
Excellent	566.4	15.8	0.0	0.0
Good	46.4	1.3	612.9	17.1
Fair	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.0
Poor	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Not rated or missing	2,969.1	82.9	2,969.1	82.9
Totals	3,582.5	100.0	3,582.5	100.0

Source: NRCS 2020.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\tiny 1}}\mbox{Excellent:}$  best for maneuver, trafficability not limited, low maintenance

Good: good for maneuver, trafficability may be limited, low maintenance

Fair: maneuver not recommended, trafficability limited, special design features needed Poor: maneuver not recommended, trafficability severely limited, soil damage severe

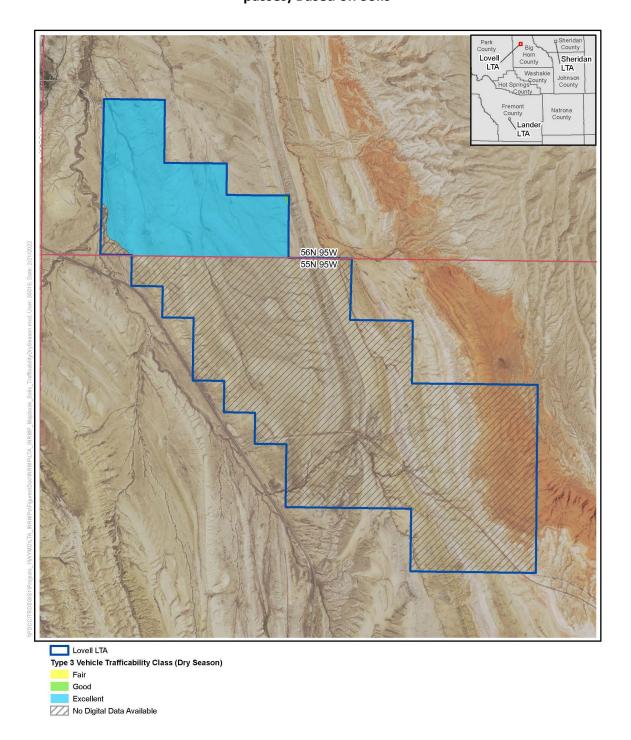
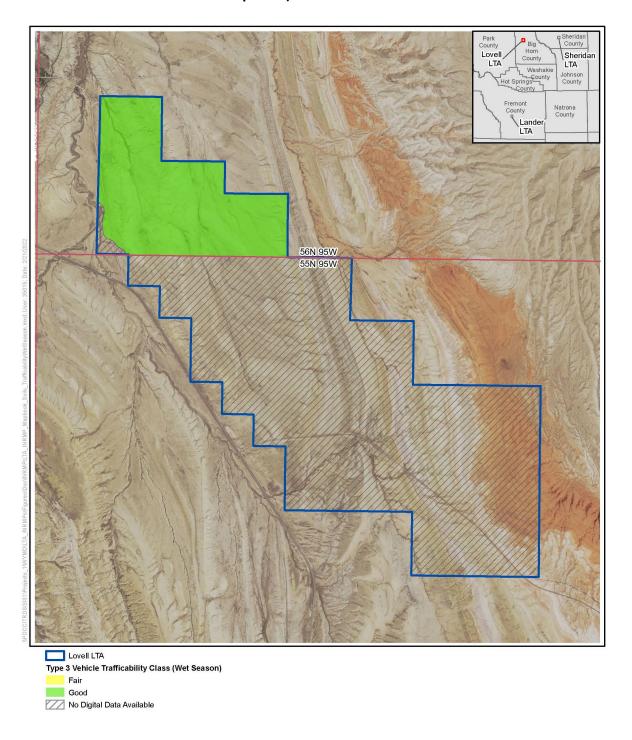


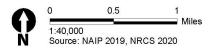
Figure B-5. Trafficability for Type 3 Vehicles on the Lovell LTA during the Dry Season (250 passes) Based on Soils



Lovell LTA
Type 3 Vehicle Trafficability in the Dry Season

Figure B-6. Trafficability for Type 3 Vehicles on the Lovell LTA during the Wet Season (50 passes) Based on Soils





Lovell LTA Type 3 Vehicle Trafficability in the Wet Season

#### **B.2.5** Surface Water Resources

No perennial streams or water bodies occur in the Lovell LTA. Intermittent channels occur in the area and connect to Little Dry Creek and Sand Draw outside of the Lovell LTA boundary (USGS 2018). Sand Draw, which runs along the western boundary of the Lovell LTA and along Lane 16 1/2 within the Lovell LTA, may have standing water during wet periods (WYARNG 2000a). Surface water likely occurs during the spring as a result of snowmelt or during heavy precipitation events.

#### **B.2.6** Groundwater Resources

The Lovell LTA is situated on the eastern edge of the Bighorn Basin section of the Upper Cretaceous aquifers. These aquifers are widespread in the subsurface, but contain freshwater only where they crop out and for a short distance where they are covered by younger rocks. The Upper Cretaceous aquifers are mostly exposed around the edges of the Williston and the Powder River Basins, but are exposed in smaller areas along the margins of the Green River, the Great Divide, the Hanna, the Wind River, and the Bighorn Basins (USGS 2011c). Although no groundwater information has been collected specifically for the Lovell LTA, and the depth of groundwater is unknown, it is unlikely that these aquifers are exposed within the facility.

# **B.3** ECOSYSTEMS AND THE BIOTIC ENVIRONMENT

Ecosystems and the biotic environment are living systems that coexist together where all organisms live together in a community and are interconnected to one another in their physical environments.

# **B.3.1** Ecosystem Classification

The dominant ecological system at the Lovell LTA is shrubland. A desktop analysis using LANDFIRE (USGS 2020) data shows 89.9 percent of the vegetative cover in the LTA is categorized as such.

Shrub species noted in the LTA during the 2021 site visit include big sagebrush and greasewood. Additional shrub species that can occur in the vegetation cover types found in the LTA include silver sagebrush, saltbushes, and winterfat (*Krascheninnikovia lanata*). Grasses were sparse in the LTA, but the following species were noted during the site visit: bluebunch wheatgrass, needle and thread grass, and cheatgrass. Additional grass species that can occur in the vegetation cover types found in the LTA include Indian rice grass, thickspike wheatgrass, western wheatgrass, Sandberg bluegrass, and bottlebrush squirreltail (*Elymus elymoides*). Cushion plants (*Silene acaulis*) may also be prevalent in these vegetation types.

# **B.3.2** Vegetation

Rock outcrop habitat is found on the central and eastern portion of the LTA. A ridgeline rising above the basin floor results in an abrupt transition from the vegetation communities in the lower elevations to the west to those associated with the higher elevations in the east and south. A southern—southeastern trending section of rocky outcrop complex runs through the central portion of the LTA. The rocky outcrop habitat is at the toe slope of the western side of the ridgeline and has a generally west-facing slope. This outcrop ranges from low to ground level to approximately 10 feet in height in some portions. Sections of this outcrop contain multiple crevices and ledges. The LTA is structurally diverse, with shrubs, drainage channels, and rock outcrop interspaces providing numerous areas for cover. The habitat has moderate shrub cover (50 to 70 percent), with relatively high shrub diversity and sparse

grass and forb cover. Common shrubs include big sagebrush, skunkbush sumac, spiny hopsage (*Grayia spinosa*), greasewood, birdfoot sagebrush (*Artemisia pedatifida*), fringed sagebrush (*Artemisia frigida*), bud sagebrush (*Picrothamnus desertorum*), yellow rabbitbrush, pricklypear cactus, lemon scurfpea (*Psoralidium lanceolatum*), and broom snakeweed. The substrate is sandy clay to silty clay, with pebbles, cobble, and rock outcrops.

The sagebrush shrubland community is in the southeastern portion of the LTA on a relatively flat, uplifted, gentle east-facing slope. Big sagebrush and silver sagebrush are codominant. Sagebrush covers approximately 50 to 70 percent of the ground and ranges from 6 to 30 inches. Other common species include saltbush, black sagebrush, winterfat, needle and thread grass, and wildrye (*Elymus* spp.). The substrate is a reddish silty sandy clay loam with pebbles.

Saltbush shrubland habitat occurs within the basin in the northwest portion of the LTA and is characterized by silty alkaline soils, dominant halophytic (i.e., salt-adapted) plant species, and low topographic relief. The saltbush flat has sparse vegetation cover (25 to 50 percent) and is dominated by Gardner's saltbush (*Atriplex gairdneri*), shadscale saltbush (*Atriplex confertifolia*), bud sagebrush, pricklypear cactus, and Indian ricegrass. Drainage channels dispersed throughout the basin are dominated by big sagebrush.

Juniper and pine woodlands can be found in small groups within upland sites in the southern extent of the Lovell LTA. Small populations of Utah juniper (*Juniperus osteosperma*) are scattered in the area, and a population of limber pine (*Pinus flexilis*) is restricted to an escarpment (WYARNG 2004).

The Lovell LTA is in the Wyoming Basin Level III Ecoregion, which is nested in the Cold Deserts Level II Ecoregion and the North American Deserts Level I Ecoregion (Omernik 1987; Chapman et al. 2004). Chapman et al. (2004) describe the Wyoming Basin (18) Level III Ecoregion as "a broad arid intermontane basin interrupted by hills and low mountains and dominated by grasslands and shrublands." The LTA is in the Bighorn Salt Desert Shrub Basin, 18g Level III Ecoregion. This arid climate ecoregion supports desert shrubs and grasses such as greasewood (*Sarcobatus vermiculatus*), Gardner saltbush, shadscale saltbush, alkali sacton (*Sporobolus airoides*), and saltgrass (*Distichlis spicata*) (Chapman et al. 2004). Table B-4 provides the ecological systems and associated vegetation cover types found in the Lovell LTA. Figure B-7 illustrates the vegetation cover types.

Table B-4. Ecological Systems and Associated Vegetation Cover Types in the Lovell LTA

Vegetation Cover Type	Area (Acres)	Percent of LTA
Developed		
Western Cool Temperate Urban Herbaceous	1.0	0.0%
Western Cool Temperate Urban Shrubland	0.2	0.0%
Developed Total	1.2	0.0%
Developed-Low Intensity		
Developed-Low Intensity	0.3	0.0%
Developed-Low Intensity Total	0.3	0.0%
Developed-Roads		
Developed-Roads	0.8	0.0%
Developed-Roads Total	0.8	0.0%
Exotic Herbaceous		
Great Basin and Intermountain Introduced Annual and Biennial Forbland	0.7	0.0%
Great Basin and Intermountain Introduced Annual Grassland	75.5	2.1%
Exotic Herbaceous Total	76.2	2.1%

Vegetation Cover Type	Area (Acres)	Percent of LTA
Exotic Tree-Shrub		
Great Basin and Intermountain Ruderal Shrubland	74.7	2.1%
Interior Western North American Temperate Ruderal Shrubland	0.2	0.0%
Exotic Tree-Shrub Total	74.9	2.1%
Grassland		
Inter-Mountain Basins Semi-Desert Grassland	25.9	0.7%
Grassland Total	25.9	0.7%
Shrubland		
Inter-Mountain Basins Big Sagebrush Shrubland	699.7	19.5%
Inter-Mountain Basins Big Sagebrush Steppe	105.4	2.9%
Inter-Mountain Basins Greasewood Flat	20.1	0.6%
Inter-Mountain Basins Mat Saltbush Shrubland	2,181.7	60.9%
Inter-Mountain Basins Mixed Salt Desert Scrub	179.7	5.0%
Inter-Mountain Basins Montane Sagebrush Steppe	14.0	0.4%
Inter-Mountain Basins Semi-Desert Shrub-Steppe	15.8	0.4%
Shrubland Total	3,216.5	89.8%
Sparsely Vegetated		
Inter-Mountain Basins Cliff and Canyon	27.6	0.8%
Inter-Mountain Basins Shale Badland	159.2	4.4%
Sparsely Vegetated Total	186.7	5.2%
Total	3,582.5	100.0%

Source: USGS 2020.

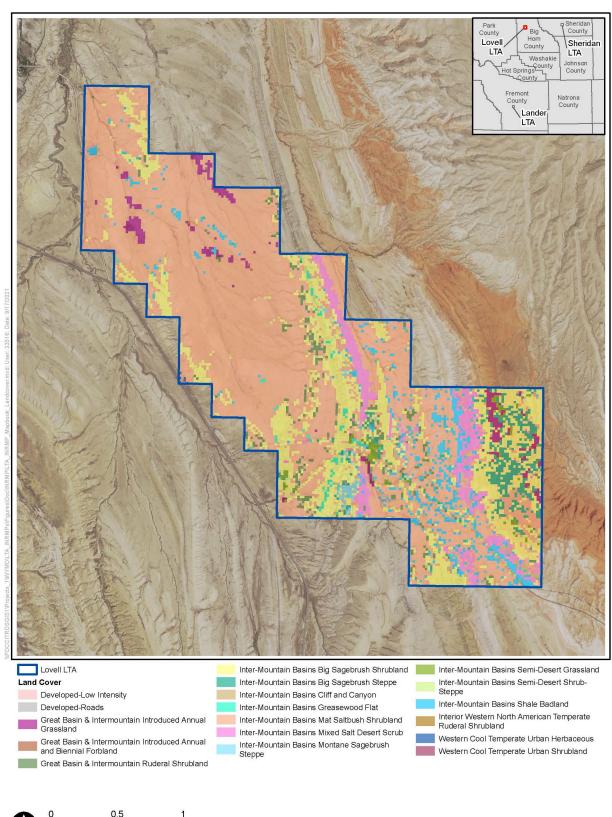


Figure B-7. Vegetation Cover Types in the Lovell LTA

Lovell LTA Land Cover

### **B.3.3** Fish and Wildlife

#### **B.3.3.1** General Wildlife

#### **Mammals**

Habitats in the Lovell LTA are suitable for a wide range of mammalian species. Prairie dog colonies, found throughout the LTA, provide a prey base for carnivores, including bobcats, coyotes, and badgers. Smaller mammals, such as mice, voles, rabbits, and ground squirrels, can be found in each of the habitats within the Lovell LTA. Trees, shrubs, and rock outcrops provide denning sites. Sagebrush—shrubland habitats throughout the LTA provide suitable bedding and foraging habitats for large game.

- Big Game. Mule deer and pronghorn were recorded throughout the LTA, with-a majority
  observed in the basin of the central region of the LTA in sagebrush—grassland habitat. Grassland
  and shrublands within the LTA provide bedding and foraging habitat for both pronghorn and
  mule deer.
  - Although yearlong range for both mule deer and pronghorn occurs in the LTA, neither is designated by the WGFD as crucial habitat (WGFD 2012) (Figure B-8). Mule deer can be expected to occur in the northern half of the LTA year-round; the southern half is considered not within the range mule deer (WGFD 2012). The entire LTA is within yearlong range for pronghorn (WGFD 2012). Elk have been observed during winter on some occasions, but the LTA is not designated as elk crucial habitat (WGFD 2005).
- **Small Game**. Two species of small game have been recorded in the LTA: desert cottontail and a jackrabbit species. They are found in sagebrush habitat where it occurs in the LTA.
- Furbearers. The American badger is the only furbearer that has been recorded in the LTA. The
  sagebrush—shrubland habitats are suitable to host a variety of furbearing species year-round,
  including weasels, badgers, and skunks.
- Predatory Mammals. One predatory mammal, the coyote, was recorded during the 2021 site
  visit. It was observed running in sagebrush in the central portion of the LTA. The sagebrush—
  shrubland habitats could provide a source of prey for medium-sized predators. Coyotes and
  bobcats could also den under or in larger rock outcrops. Habitat in the area for larger predators
  is limited due to a scarcity of cover and large herds of big game.
- Nongame Mammals. Three nongame mammals were recorded during the site visit: least chipmunk, bushy-tailed woodrat (*Neotoma cinerae*), and white-tailed prairie dog. Least chipmunks were recorded in sagebrush–grassland in the central portion of the LTA. Bushy-tailed woodrat observations were limited to both recent and old middens discovered in the crevices and ledges of rocky outcrops that run north through the central region of the LTA. White-tailed prairie dog colonies were delineated throughout the LTA in 2021 (ICF 2021). ICF biologists mapped 13 colonies totaling 88 acres. The largest colony was 8 acres, and several colonies were under 1 acre. Only two colonies had signs of activity (i.e., prairie dogs present, open burrows, or recent scat) (Figure B-9). In September 2010 and May 2011, small mammal trapping was conducted on the LTA. The survey results documented the deer mouse and the least chipmunk (HDR 2011b). Small mammal surveys conducted in 1997 captured a house mouse on the Lovell LTA during a small mammal survey (Travsky 1997).

Sagebrush—shrubland habitats are suitable for hosting a variety of nongame mammals, including ground squirrels, mice, and chipmunks. Bat species are not likely to be found in the LTA with any regularity, due to the lack of roosting and foraging habitat (e.g., caves, large rock outcrops with crevices, open bodies of

water). Individual bats could utilize the juniper and limber pine trees, provided that the trees have loose bark or cavities for roosting.

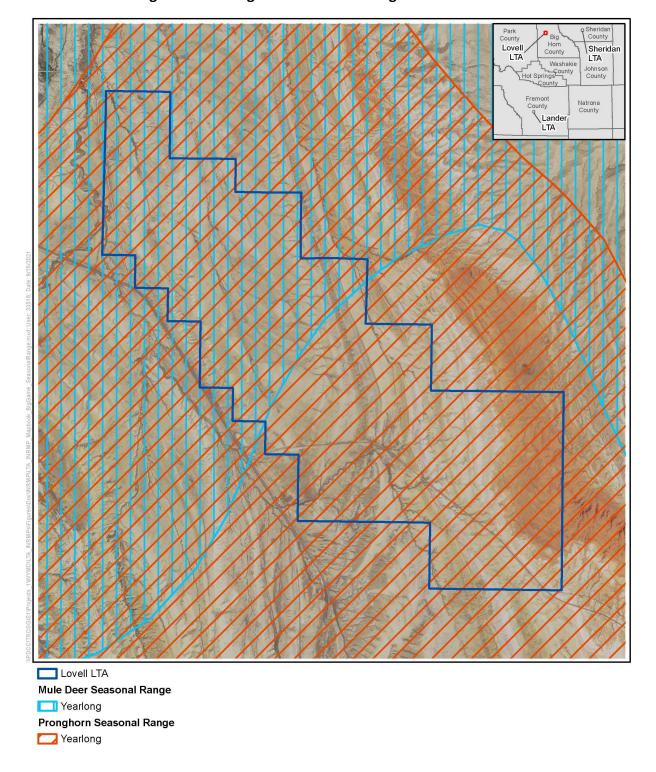
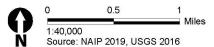


Figure B-8. Big Game Seasonal Ranges in the Lovell LTA



Lovell LTA Big Game Seasonal Range

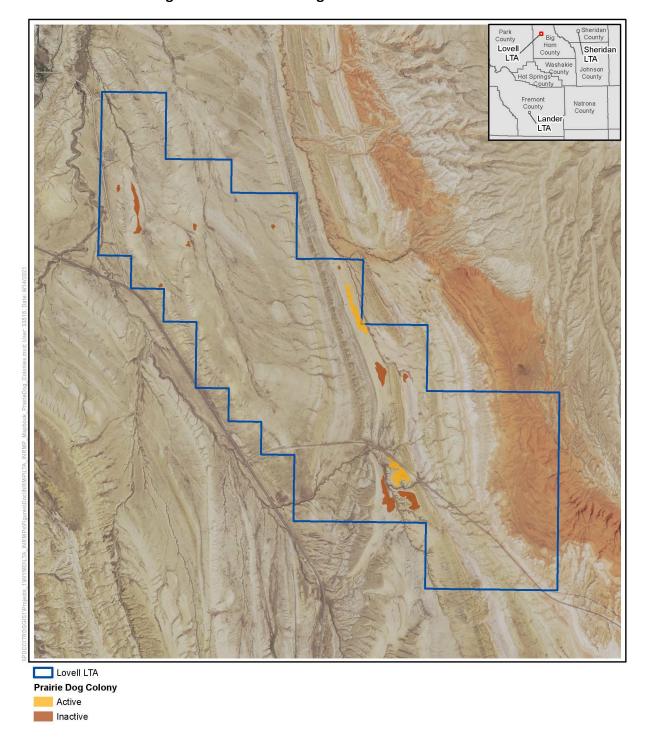
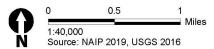


Figure B-9. Prairie Dog Colonies at the Lovell LTA



Lovell LTA Prairie Dog Colonies

#### Fish

No fish were observed during the 2021 site visit. Aquatic habitat is limited in the area; no flowing or standing water was recorded during the site visit.

## **Migratory Birds**

Forty-nine bird species have been observed (Appendix H) at the Lovell LTA. Burrowing owls are the only listed Species of Concern by the USFWS or WGFD as a species of high conservation concern found on the LTA (USFWS 2021d; WGFD 2017).

Locations of raptor nests or other large stick nests were recorded during the 2021 site visits; two new, large stick nests were found (Table B-5 and Figure B-10). Both nests were in good condition, but unoccupied at the time the field visits occurred. One of the nests, found on a power pole (NEW1), had owl pellets below, indicating it may have been used earlier in the year (Figure B-11). The other nest (NEW2) was on a cliff with whitewash, indicating it also may have been used during breeding season (Figure B-12).

The abundance of rocky outcrops, cliffs, hill tops, and power poles, as well as a limited number of junipers and limber pines, may provide nesting and foraging habitat for raptors. Although no nests for smaller bird species were recorded, the trees, shrubs, rocky outcrops, and cliffs of the LTA provide potential nesting habitat for most species.

Table B-5. Raptor Nests Recorded at the Lovell LTA

Species	Date	Substrate	Location (UTM NAD83, Zone 13N)	
			UTM X	UTM Y
Unknown raptor	8/18/2021	Cliff	713770	4959591
Unknown raptor	8/19/2021	Power pole	710698	4961870

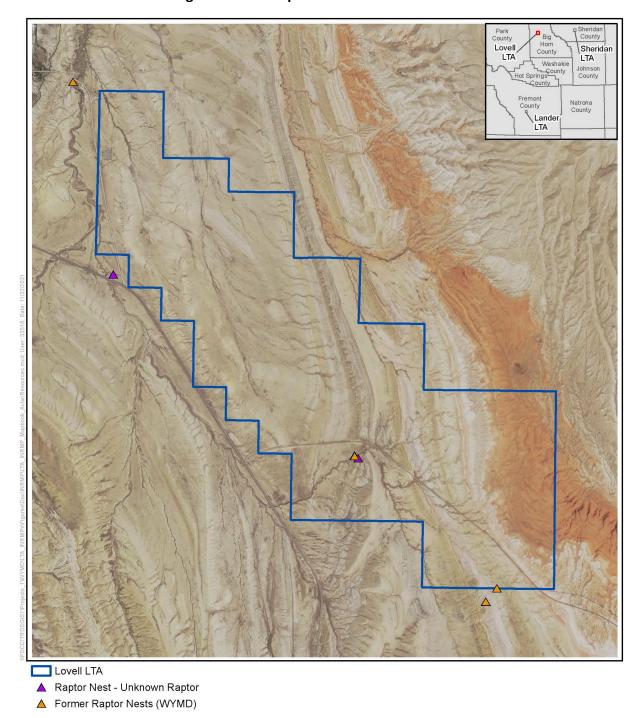


Figure B-10. Raptor Nests on the Lovell LTA



Lovell LTA Avian Resources



Figure B-11. Power Pole Nest at the Lovell LTA



Figure B-12. Cliff Nest at the Lovell LTA

#### Reptiles and Amphibians

No reptiles or amphibians were observed incidentally during the 2021 site visit. The sagebrush-dominated habitat and rocky outcrops of the site could provide preferable habitat for reptiles, such as greater short-horned lizard, northern sagebrush lizard, bullsnake, and prairie rattlesnake. Habitat for amphibians is limited due to the absence of year-round water sources.

#### Insects

No insects were recorded during the 2021 site visit and specific surveys for invertebrates were not conducted. All habitats in the area are suitable to support terrestrial arthropods.

#### **B.3.3.2** Wildlife Resources of Special Interest

#### Threatened, Endangered, and Candidate Species

There are no federally listed species as threatened or endangered whose range include the Lovell LTA. There is a candidate species for listing, the monarch butterfly, whose range includes the LTA (USFWS 2021d; Table B-6).

Table B-6. Threatened, Endangered, and Candidate Species and Critical Habitat in the Lovell LTA

Species	Status	Habitat Association	Potential to occur in LTA and Rationale
Monarch butterfly (Denaus plexippus)	Candidate	Requires milkweed breeding; milkweed and flower nectar provide food. Large trees, typically conifers, are chosen for roost sites and are often used annually.	Limited roosting habitat is present in the LTA. Forage could be limited. No monarch butterflies have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is also outside of known monarch butterfly migration routes. Therefore, there is limited potential for this species to occur in the LTA.

Sources: USFWS 2021d; MonarchWatch 1998; USFS n.d.

No monarch butterflies were recorded during the 2021 site visit. Roosting habitat in the LTA is limited to juniper and limber pine trees. Breeding and foraging habitat could occur in the area during flowering season for milkweed or other flowering species. However, the lack of recorded monarch butterflies in the general area and the exclusion of central Wyoming from known migration corridors for this species indicate it is unlikely for the species to occur in the area (MonarchWatch 1998; USFS n.d.).

#### **Migratory Birds**

Native nongame birds, including eagles and other raptors, are protected under the MBTA. To further promote the conservation of migratory bird populations and their habitats, Federal agencies would implement strategies directed by EO 13186, Responsibilities of Federal Agencies to Protect Migratory Birds (66 *Federal Register* 3853). The 2014 Memorandum of Understanding between the U.S. Department of Defense and the USFWS further commits military installations to implement measures to avoid or minimize impacts on migratory birds (DoD and USFWS 2014).

To aid with migratory bird conservation prioritization, the USFWS uses the *Birds of Conservation Concern* (BCC) report, which list species of conservation concern by region. According to the USFWS IPaC Report for the Lovell LTA (USFWS 2021d), no migratory birds of conservation concern are expected to occur at this site. The Lovell LTA occurs in BCR 10 Northern Rockies (USFWS 2021c). No BCC BCR 10 species have

been recorded. Many BCC species that occur in BCR 10 are found in habitats containing wetlands, ponds with fish, and large contiguous forests, none of which are found on the LTA. Suitable habitats for three BCC species do occur on the LTA. Habitats preferred by mountain plover, such as flat, bare ground and prairie dog colonies, were documented onsite. Thick-billed longspur (*Rhynchophanes mccownii*) may also utilize prairie dog colonies and other areas with shorter vegetation. Long-eared owls can use junipers for nesting sites.

#### **Bald and Golden Eagles**

One golden eagle was recorded perched on a rock outcrop during the 2021 site visit. Nesting habitat in the LTA is limited to rock outcrops because no large trees occur in the area. Prey for bald and golden eagles is present on the LTA and includes prairie dogs and pronghorn.

### Wyoming Game and Fish Department Species of Greatest Conservation Need

No WGFD SGCN Tier I species have been observed in the LTA. Table B-7 lists the WGFD SGCN Tier I vertebrate species that could potentially occur on the LTA based on species occurrence range. The table further describes habitat and potential for the species to occur on the Lovell LTA. Of those species listed, two have some potential to occur on the Lovell LTA based on habitat availability.

Table B-7. Wyoming Game and Fish Department Tier I Species of Greatest Conservation

Need with Potential to Occur in the Lovell LTA

Common Name (Scientific Name)	Habitat	Potential to Occur within the LTA and Rationale
Burrowing owl (Athene cunicularia)	Grasslands, shrub-steppe	Habitat present at LTA at prairie dog colonies. Burrowing owls have been recorded at LTA.
Common loon (Gavia immer)	Lakes and ponds	No habitat is present in the LTA. No common loons have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species migratory range; therefore, there is limited potential for vagrant individuals to occur.
Mountain plover (Charadrius montanus)	Short-grass prairie, prairie dog colonies	Habitat is present at LTA. No mountain plovers have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur.
Northern goshawk (Accipiter gentilis)	Coniferous forests	No habitat is present in the LTA. No northern goshawks have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species' year-round range; therefore, there is limited potential for vagrant individuals to occur.
Yellow rail (Coturnicops noveboracensis)	Marshes	No habitat is present in the LTA. No yellow rails have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is not within this species breeding or migratory range; therefore, there is no potential for the species to occur.
Mammals		
Black-footed ferret (Mustela nigripes)	Prairie dog colonies	Habitat present at LTA. Black-footed ferrets have not been observed historically on the LTA. This species has been extirpated from this area of its native range, and the LTA is outside of reintroduction areas. Therefore, there is no potential for the species to occur.

Common Name (Scientific Name)	Habitat	Potential to Occur within the LTA and Rationale
Canada lynx (Lynx canadensis)	Prefers subalpine/coniferous forests of mixed age and structural classes with downed logs/windfalls that provide denning habitat. Primary prey is snowshoe hare, which prefers early-to mid-successional conifer forests	No subalpine or coniferous forests occur within the LTA. Canada lynx have not been observed historically in the LTA. There is no habitat for this species in the LTA; therefore, there is no potential for this species to occur in the LTA.

Sources: Orabona et al. 2016; WGFD 2017.

### **Greater Sage-grouse**

The greater sage-grouse is a Tier II SGCN and managed by the State of Wyoming under EO 2019-3, which establishes core areas of greater sage-grouse habitat and management objectives for the state. The Lovell LTA is not in Core Area as defined by the EO. There are no greater sage-grouse leks within the LTA boundary or within 2 miles of it (WGFD 2020). This species was not observed during the 2021 site visit. Habitat for this species occurs throughout the LTA, particularly in areas with sagebrush cover.

### **B.3.3.3** Priority Habitats

One priority habitat from the 2020 Statewide Habitat Plan intersects with the Lovell LTA (WGFD 2021). The Lower Bighorn River Complex, designed as aquatic crucial habitat, overlaps the eastern and southeastern portion of the LTA. This area corresponds with a dry drainage that feeds into the Shoshone River, north and beyond the boundary of the LTA. No Statewide Habitat Plan terrestrial priority habitats occur in the LTA.

### B.3.4 USFWS-listed and Rare Plants and Plants with Traditional Cultural Uses

Targeted surveys for listed and rare plant species were not conducted, and no incidental sightings of rare plants, as defined by WYNDD (2021), were documented during the 2021 site visit. There is one USFWS-listed threatened species with the potential to occur in the Lovell LTA: Ute ladies'-tresses (*Spiranthes diluvialis*; Table B-8). Table B-9 lists rare plants whose geographic range includes the Lovell LTA.

Table B-8. USFWS-Listed Plants that Potentially Occur on the Lovell LTA

Species	Status	Habitat Association	Potential to occur in LTA and Rationale
Ute ladies'-tresses (Spiranthes diluvialis)	Threatened	Occurs in moist meadows on perennial stream terraces, floodplains, and oxbows between 4,300 and 6,850 feet.	There is no perennial water on the LTA; Therefore, there is limited potential for this species to occur in the LTA.

Source: USFWS 2021c.

Table B-9. Rare Plants Whose Geographic Range Include the Lovell LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat Type	Present in LTA
Cary's beardtongue	Penstemon caryi	Upland	Unlikely
Woolly twinpod	Physaria didymocarpa var lanata	Upland	Unlikely
Persistent sepal yellowcress	Rorippa calycina	Upland	Possible

Source: WYNDD 2021a.

Plants with traditional cultural uses range from ferns and flowering plants, to grasses and grass-likes, to trees and shrubs (Humphrey 2021). Although targeted surveys for plants with traditional cultural uses were not conducted, incidental sightings of plants with these values were observed at the Lovell LTA during the 2021 site visit and include juniper, skunkbush sumac, big sagebrush, fringed sagebrush, yellow rabbitbrush, broom snakeweed, pricklypear cactus, and scurfpea.

#### **B.3.5** Wetlands

Review of NWI mapping indicates the presence of a freshwater forested/shrub and riverine wetland features. Additionally, 15.4 miles of intermittent stream channels occur in the LTA (USGS 2018). Table B-10 provides a summary of wetland features in the Lovell LTA.

Table B-10. NWI Mapping and Cowardin Classifications in the Lovell LTA

Wetland Feature	Cowardin Classification	Acres
Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland	PSSAh (palustrine scrub-shrub, temporarily flooded, diked/impounded)	1.2
	R4SBA (riverine, intermittent, streambed, temporarily flooded)	7.7
Riverine	R4SBC (riverine, intermittent, streambed, seasonally flooded)	29.5
	R5UBH (riverine, unknown perennial, unconsolidated bottom, permanently flooded)	0.4
Total		38.8

Sources: USFWS 2020; Cowardin et al. 1979.

Although the desktop analysis indicated 1.2 acres of freshwater forested/shrub wetlands and 37.6 acres of riverine, no flowing or standing water was observed during the site visit. Dry washes and drainages were noted at the site. No hydrophytic vegetation or prominent wetland hydrology were observed.

## **B.4** MISSION IMPACTS ON NATURAL RESOURCES

The Lovell LTA provides a variety of ecosystem and environmental conditions in which to train and prepare combat-ready troops for expeditionary deployment. By their nature, training activities have the potential to affect ecosystems and the biotic environment and the natural resources that make up these systems. The WYARNG recognizes air, land, and water resources as environmental assets for military training and is committed to responsible stewardship of these natural assets. It is in the best interest of the WYARNG to ensure protection and management of natural resources, which will maintain healthy ecosystems that will, in turn, support their military missions.

#### B.4.1 Land Use

Multiple two-track roads are in the Lovell LTA. These two-track roads are service roads to transmission lines that run north through the LTA to a substation just north of the site. Multiple old illegal dump sites were discovered in the northern and southern portions of the LTA.

# **B.4.2** Current Potential Impacts

Current military activities have limited impacts on the resources at the Lovell LTA. Little to no military training occurs in the Lovell LTA. In the past, WYARNG military training activities included standard

operating procedures wherein units convoy in and set up camp with tents and camouflage. Land navigation courses were established and both mounted and dismounted training occurred throughout the training area, which creates little disturbance. Bivouacking and vehicular navigation has the potential to disturb vegetation and soils.

# **B.4.3** Potential Future Impacts

The WYARNG proposes allowing wheeled vehicles to train at the LTA, which would result in the development of an additional light-maneuver area for soldiers to train. However, tracked vehicles would still be excluded from using the LTA. Potential future impacts include ground disturbance to the soil and vegetation, which could reduce habitat for local wildlife and plant communities. Ground disturbance could increase the risk for noxious weed or invasive plant species establishment or spread of currently present species. Degradation of these natural resources would have a negative impact on training by reducing the realistic training landscape.

# **B.4.4** Natural Resources Needed to Support the Military Mission

Natural resource management at the Lovell LTA will be aimed at maintaining the ecosystems necessary to support the military mission and encouraging natural resource conservation.

# **B.4.5** Natural Resource Constraints to Missions and Mission Planning

Natural resources at the Lovell LTA that have the potential to limit activity include special habitats, highly erodible soils, and invasive species.

# **B.5** NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

The WYARNG recognizes that it has a responsibility to manage natural resources in a way that complies with legal and regulatory requirements, promotes ecological sustainability, and facilitates mission accomplishment. However, the WYARNG acknowledges that training activities can be detrimental to ecosystems. The WYARNG is committed to rehabilitating all damage that occurs through training. With proper natural resource management, the WYARNG strives to maintain its ability to train and complete its mission, while supporting a legacy of natural resources for current and future generations. Natural resource management at the Lovell LTA will be aimed at maintaining the ecosystems necessary to support the military mission, while encouraging natural resource conservation. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects for each of the programs in this section.

# **B.5.1** Ecosystem Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity

It is the goal of ecosystem management at the Lovell LTA to conserve biodiversity by managing the ecosystem, rather than focusing on a single biotic or abiotic component of the ecosystem. Ecosystem-focused management at the Lovell LTA encompasses both the function and the structure of the ecosystem and the processes that link them. The WYMD will coordinate with the WGFD to assess whether current and future projects address or affect big game crucial habitats in the Lovell LTA.

#### **B.5.1.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure ecosystem management and maintenance of biodiversity and compliance with applicable laws:

- Manage for vegetation composition consistent with ecological site potential.
- Only allow treatments that enhance wildlife habitat.
- Stay on designated routes when training.
- Report all potentially significant natural resource damage to the WYMD Natural Resource Manager and/or ITAM manager.
- Ensure sustained use of lands for military training and align land management priorities with training and readiness priorities.
- Maintain and/or improve the sustainability and native biological diversity of ecosystems.
- Rely on best science and data and develop adaptive management tools.

The following BMPs pertain to reclamation and revegetation:

- Training constraints for native species and seed mixes include avoiding training operations on newly seeded areas until vegetation is adequately established and coordinating with the EMD staff and the natural resource manager to determine when the area is available for training maneuvers.
- Native seed mixes will be used to revegetate disturbed areas as required by WYMD reclamation procedures. If seeding an all-native seed mix is not practicable, ecological bridge species may be used as described in Palazzo et al. (2009). However, native seed must be an important component in all seed mixes.
- Nonnative annual species (typically grains) may be used as a cover crop or nurse crop to provide immediate cover and aid in the establishment of permanent native vegetation.
- Use locally adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
- Do not use plant species that are invasive.
- When possible, plant species that have been identified as having traditional cultural uses may be included in the native seed mix.
- Seed must be certified weed-free.
- Seeding is recommended to occur between March 15–May 15 or September 1–October 15.
- All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101-125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.

#### **B.5.1.2** Goals and Objectives

- Goal: To ensure that military lands support present and future training and testing
  requirements, while preserving, improving, and enhancing ecosystem integrity. Over the longterm, that approach will maintain and improve the sustainability and biological diversity of
  terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, while supporting sustainable economies, human use, and
  the environment required for realistic military training (DoD 2011, 2013).
  - Objective: Ecosystems within the LTA will be managed to maintain ecosystem resistance and resiliency. This will maintain a quality training environment for troop training.

# **B.5.2** Fish and Wildlife Management

For the purposes of this INRMP, wildlife management is defined as manipulation of the environment and wildlife populations to produce desired objectives. The primary goal of wildlife management at the Lovell LTA is to maintain wildlife populations at levels compatible with land use objectives, while promoting the existence, importance, and benefits of nongame species. WYMD management activities include minimal direct wildlife management. The primary focus of management involves habitat management.

#### **B.5.2.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure the management of fish and wildlife and maintain compliance with applicable laws

- If projects are within big sagebrush communities, project planning measures should retain large tracts of the habitat and corridors to aid in the conservation of the greater sage-grouse.
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- Management of game species on the LTA will be coordinated with the WGFD.
- Evaluate proposed projects or new training missions on mule deer winter range, and coordinate with WGFD to develop any necessary mitigation measures.
- Any new fences will be built to wildlife friendly specifications: 4-strand wire fence no more than 42 inches high. The distance between the top two wires will be no less than 12 inches apart with a smooth top wire. Middle wires may be barbed and the bottom wire will be smooth and at least 16 inches off the ground. Wood or steel posts spaced at 16.5 foot intervals (Paige 2012).
- Prohibit use of sticky traps or glue boards in areas where herpetofauna species, and other nontarget species, could be impacted.

#### **B.5.2.2** Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Support healthy and diverse wildlife populations that would be expected to be found in the habitats on the LTA.
  - Objective: Wildlife management will maintain biodiversity and native species populations, as well as comply with the MBTA.

### **B.5.3** Migratory Birds

According to the USFWS IPaC Report for the Lovell LTA (USFWS 2021d), no migratory birds of conservation concern are expected to occur at this site. The Lovell LTA occurs in BCR 10: Northern Rockies (USFWS 2021c). No BCC BCR 10 species have been recorded in the LTA. The MBTA prohibits the take of migratory birds, either intentionally or incidentally to implementation of an action. Readiness activities are exempt from incidental take under the MBTA through the DoD/MBTA Rule 72FR8931 (2006). When WYARNG proposes a non-readiness activity that has the potential to affect migratory birds, measures will be taken to reduce the potential for take of migratory birds.

### **B.5.3.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure the management of migratory bird species and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Any readiness or non-readiness activity that has the potential to have significant adverse impacts on migratory bird populations will be addressed in a NEPA analysis and coordinated with the USFWS.
- When feasible, non-readiness activities (i.e., construction and other land-disturbing maintenance activities) will take place outside of the migratory bird nesting season (February 1– August 31) to avoid the incidental take of nesting birds. If this is not possible, then, when feasible, the vegetation over the construction site will be mowed outside the nesting season to reduce nesting habitat. When practicable, migratory bird surveys will be conducted during the nesting season in the project area, immediately before and during construction, so that nests can be identified and avoided.
- Should a species that occurs at Lovell LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify the
  USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the newly
  listed species, as well as all listed species potentially occurring. Management actions to minimize
  effects should be developed for candidate species in the event that they become listed, so as
  not to delay proposed actions.
- If an active raptor or eagle nest is located on the LTA, the WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS to apply an appropriate spatial buffer around the nest for protection from noise or disturbance.
- All new or reconstructed power lines will be constructed with raptor-safe construction (APLIC 2006, 2012).
- Projects that could lead to the take of a migratory bird, their young, eggs, or nests should be coordinated with the USFWS before any actions are taken. Removal or destruction of such nests or causing abandonment of a nest could constitute violation of the MBTA or BGEPA. If manipulation of an active nest (i.e., with eggs or young) is proposed for any project, the USFWS Migratory Bird Office in Denver should be contacted at 1-303-236-8171 to see if a permit can be issued. No manipulation of an active nest is allowed without a permit. If a permit cannot be issued, the project may need to be modified to ensure take of a migratory bird or eagle, their young, eggs, or active nest will not occur.

#### **B.5.3.2** Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Comply with the MBTA and the Memorandum of Understanding between the DoD and the USFWS to promote the conservation of migratory birds (16 U.S.C. 703).
  - Objective: Identify potential threats to migratory bird populations on the installation occurring within the next 5 years in order to minimize future potential impacts on training.
  - Objective: Inventory and monitor migratory birds on the LTA.

# **B.5.4** Hunting and Fishing Program

Hunting can occur on the Lovell LTA with open access from BLM land. Hunting permits are administered by the WGFD. Species that occur on the LTA with hunting seasons include desert cottontail rabbit, pronghorn, and mule deer. WGFD administers hunting season dates for the LTA, and hunt dates may

vary from year to year; the current WGFD hunting regulations contain valid hunting season dates for specific areas.

### **B.5.4.1** Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Develop a WYARNG-administered hunting program for Lovell LTA.
  - Objective: Increase hunter opportunities and access in the next 5 years, working with WGFD.
  - Objective: Improve hunting opportunities and outdoor experiences on the LTA.

#### **B.5.5** Water Resources Protection

No perennial streams or water bodies occur on the Lovell LTA. Intermittent channels occur in the area and connect to Little Dry Creek and Sand Draw outside of the Lovell LTA boundary (USGS 2018).

### **B.5.5.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of water resources and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for water resources include:
  - Digging is not allowed within drainages or naturally occurring ponded areas.
  - Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
- Place silt fencing in ephemeral and intermittent channels to prevent sedimentation downstream from any upstream ground disturbance activities when imminent precipitation is anticipated.

#### **B.5.5.2** Goals

• **Goal**: Conserve water resource conditions to provide realistic training, support native vegetation communities and wildlife species, and prevent excessive erosion of stream banks and channelization.

#### **B.5.6** Wetland Protection

Review of NWI mapping indicates the presence of freshwater forested/shrub and riverine wetland features in the Lovell LTA (USFWS 2020). No perennial waters or flowing channels occur in the LTA.

#### **B.5.6.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of wetland resources and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for wetlands include:
  - Bivouacking is not allowed.
  - Digging is not allowed.
  - Foot traffic in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
  - Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.

• All desktop-mapped NWI wetland areas have a 200-foot buffer, within which no training may occur. Buffer areas may change based on field surveys to identify aquatic resources.

### **B.5.6.2** Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Conserve wetland features to provide realistic training, support native vegetation communities and wildlife habitat, and prevent erosion of intermittent channels.
  - Objective: Within the next 5 years, inventory all mapped NWI sites and determine areas
    of overland water flow.

## **B.5.7** Soil Erosion Control Management

Healthy, stable soils are foundational to a healthy ecosystem; however, erosion is a naturally occurring process that continually shapes the landscape. Within the Lovell LTA, 15.8 percent of the installation area is eroding at an unsustainable rate (Warren and Ruzycki 2005). Certain military activities in these locations (see Figure B-4) could cause accelerated erosion that would have negative impacts on the natural resources.

# **B.5.7.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of soil erosion control and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for soil erosion include:
  - Bivouacking is not allowed in high to severe soil erosion areas.
  - Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
  - Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
- Reseed disturbance areas as soon as practicable. Avoid military missions in reseeded areas until vegetation is established.
- Install erosion and sediment control features or products to reduce or eliminate soil loss during construction or military maneuvers, where needed.

#### **B.5.7.2** Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Conserve the soil and prevent excessive soil erosion in the Lovell LTA.
  - Objective: Minimize wind and water erosion of soil due to man-made activities.

### **B.5.8** Outdoor Recreation

No outdoor recreation activities are currently in place on the Lovell LTA. Potential for hiking, biking, and horseback riding occurs within the LTA and has the potential to expand into the BLM land that surrounds the LTA.

### **B.5.8.1** Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Increase recreational activities, including hiking, biking, and horse riding.
  - o **Objective**: Maintain the area for wildlife and provide access to the LTA.

#### **B.5.9** Enforcement

Enforcement of environmental laws and regulations falls to state or Federal natural resource and environmental agencies. These include:

- WGFD. Responsible for enforcement of wildlife and hunting regulations. Permits for hunting on the LTAs are issued by the WGFD. Violations of state wildlife laws can be reported to WGFD Game wardens or called to the WGFD hotline (1-877-943-3847 or 1-307-777-4330). Tips can also be texted (847-411) or submitted online.
- **USFWS**. Responsible for enforcement of Federal wildlife laws and regulations, including the MBTA, BGEPA, and ESA. The USFWS also issues permits for activities such as nest relocation and incidental take of an avian species. Regulations may be enforced by regional game wardens, or the USFWS may designate a WGFD representative to help with local issues.
- WDEQ. Responsible for statewide environmental quality regulations and policies. The agency enforces both state and Federal laws, including the CWA. WDEQ also administers the WYPDES.
- **USACE**. Authorized under Section 404 of CWA to regulate alteration, degradation, or removal of wetlands or other waters of the United States.

#### **B.6** MANAGEMENT OF THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

The ESA sets forth requirements for consultation to determine whether a proposed action could potentially affect a federally endangered or threatened species. If an action in the Lovell LTA may affect a federally threatened or endangered species, Section 7(a)(2) of the ESA requires consultation with the USFWS to ensure that any action the agency authorizes, funds, or carries out is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any federally listed endangered or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of critical habitat. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects for threatened and endangered species.

# **B.6.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of threatened and endangered species and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- In the event a threatened or endangered species or species of concern is identified, the WYMD will initiate consultation with the USFWS and incorporate consultation into the INRMP.
- For areas with suitable monarch butterfly habitat, and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted for caterpillars and adults during the appropriate time of year.
- Should a species that occurs at the Lovell LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify the
  USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the newly
  listed species, as well as all listed species potentially occurring there. Management actions to
  minimize effects should be developed for candidate species in the event that they become
  listed, so as not to delay proposed actions.
- The WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS on an annual basis to review petitioned, candidates, or listed TES in or near the LTA and determine if current projects address or affect management of these species.

# **B.6.2** Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Comply with the ESA in the Lovell LTA.
  - Objective: Routinely survey the Lovell LTA for the presence of listed species if suitable habitat is present. If any listed species are identified, then management of these species will be integrated into the INRMP within 1 year.
  - Objective: Conduct Section 7 consultation with the USFWS for all Federal actions that the WYMD determines "may effect" a listed species.

#### B.7 FOREST AND FIRE MANAGEMENT

No forest resources occur on the Lovell LTA. An integrated wildland fire management plan is being prepared and will be incorporated by reference into this INRMP.

### **B.8** CULTURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION

Cultural resources are past and present expressions of human culture and history in the physical environment. They represent physical locations of human activity, occupation, or use and can refer to historical or architectural objects, sites, structures, or places with potential public and scientific value, including locations of traditional cultural, ethnic, or religious significance to a specific social or cultural group. Fragile and irreplaceable, cultural resources represent an integral part of American heritage that is identified through field inventories, historical documentation, or oral evidence.

Historic properties are a set of cultural resources that meet specific eligibility criteria for listing in the NRHP, as defined by the NHPA and published in 36 CFR 60.4. Historic properties are managed as directed by 36 CFR 800, Protection of Historic and Cultural Properties.

AR 200-1, Chapter 6, provides guidelines for integrating cultural resource issues into an INRMP. Guidelines focus on cultural resource compliance requirements that are generated as a result of ecosystem management activities, contributions that cultural resource studies can make to ecosystem management decisions, and human activities (ranging from those of the earliest Native Americans to current military training) that should be supported and sustained in development and implementation of an ecosystem management plan.

Additionally, a statewide Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan was developed in 2020 for the WYARNG (WYARNG 2020). The statewide plan addresses cultural resources management in detail, including historic structures, historic landscapes, traditional cultural properties, and Native American considerations. It also provides goals, objectives, and planned projects for WYARNG's cultural resources program from 2020 through 2025 on a statewide and LTA level.

The 2001 INRMP and Environmental Assessment for the Lovell LTA describes the Lovell LTA (WYARNG 2001) as having undergone a Class I and Class III cultural resources inventory. The 3,960-acre inventory identified 93 archaeological sites and evaluated 92 of these, of which two are eligible for listing on the NRHP. Additionally, one armory (48BH3787) on the Lovell LTA has been determined eligible for the NRHP with SHPO concurrence (WYARNG 2020). The WYMD will follow the 2020 Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan for cultural resources management.

# **B.8.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of cultural resources and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Avoid impacts on known NRHP-eligible cultural resources.
- Exclude areas containing known NRHP-eligible cultural resources from prescribed burn and other vegetation treatment areas that involve vegetation clearing, revegetation, and erosion control.
- Ensure compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA.
- Consult with 18 federally-recognized Native American Tribes to determine if any locations of traditional cultural, ethnic, or religious significance are present within the LTA.

#### B.9 INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

The state of Wyoming defines a *designated pest* as any animal or insect species that is determined to be detrimental to the health or general welfare of the state, based on the following:

- Has demonstrated the ability to aggressively invade native plant communities and agricultural crops
- Is injurious or poisonous to livestock
- Is a carrier of disease or parasites
- Can, by virtue of either its direct or indirect effect, negatively affect management of agricultural or natural ecosystems

An Integrated Pest Management Plan for all WYMD facilities and lands was approved in 2019. Additional information on management of invasive plants and invasive species is detailed in Section B.10, *Invasive Species Program*.

# **B.9.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs will be implemented in the pest management program:

- Anticoagulant rodenticides will not be used outside of buildings to control rodents because of the risk to raptors and other wildlife.
- All pesticides used must be on the WYMD approved pesticide list.
- All pesticide usage must be reported to the Integrated Pest Manager quarterly.
   Cultural, chemical, mechanical, and biological control methods should all be evaluated for treating pests. When available, an integrated approach to control pests shall be used.

# **B.9.2** Goals and Objectives

No goals, objectives, or projects are identified for the LTA. The WYMD would update pest management records annually in compliance with the 2019 Integrated Pest Management Plan.

### **B.10** INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAM

An *invasive species* is an alien species whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health (EO 13112). Invasive species may cause direct environmental harm, which can lead to decreases in native species populations (Invasive Species Advisory Committee 2006). Proper landscape management is the best option for reducing the density of invasive plant species. Although invasive plant species can be detrimental to ecosystems and wildlife, they can also provide quality habitat to some wildlife species. The timing of treatment may become important in these instances. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects the invasive species program.

# **B.10.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure the management of invasive species and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for invasive species include large noxious weed or invasive plant species infestations as identified by the EMD staff and natural resource manager.
- EMD staff will record any invasive weed infestations that they encounter when in the field.
   Locations will be provided to the natural resource manager, who will update the appropriate geodatabase.
- Each installation will, to the extent practicable, use locally adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
- Integrated invasive species management that uses two or more of the following control methods are preferred: biological, cultural, chemical, and mechanical.
- The timing of chemical or mechanical treatment of invasive weeds must correspond to times
  that will have the lowest impact on natural resources and still maintain effectiveness. For
  example, the treatment of invasive thistle should occur outside of the nesting season because
  finches nest within thistle stands.
- Treatment of invasive species must comply with the Integrated Pest Management Plan (WYARNG 2019).
- All training activity is restricted in areas with large noxious weed or invasive plant species
  infestations to prevent the spread to other areas of the LTA. Once areas are treated, and EMD
  Staff determine that the risk of spreading noxious weeds or invasive plant species from the site
  has been lowered to an acceptable level, the area will be re-opened to training.
- The location of training activities will be rotated to allow maneuver and bivouac areas to recover.
- Ground disturbance due to training activities will be immediately repaired to discourage noxious weeds or invasive plant species from establishing.
- Prescribed fire will be used in a manner that does not encourage cheatgrass invasion.
- All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.

- Any equipment or vehicles used for training purposes will be cleaned and inspected prior to entering the LTA.
- Vehicles and equipment used for training will be cleaned following training.
- Equipment that was in contact with a water positive for zebra/quagga mussels (currently none in Wyoming) within the last 30 days, is required to undergo inspection by an authorized inspector prior to contacting a Wyoming water.
- From March through November, all water hauling equipment and watercraft entering the state by land must be inspected before contacting a water of the state.
- Equipment used in any Wyoming water that contains aquatic invasive species, must be cleaned, drained and dried before use in another water. Wyoming waters with aquatic invasive species can be found at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-and-Boating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Boating-Information.
- When equipment that has been in contact with any Wyoming water is moved from one 4th level
  watershed (8-digit Hydrological Unit Code) to another within Wyoming, it must be cleaned,
  drained and dried. Specific guidance is available at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-andBoating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Construction-and-Fire.

# **B.10.2** Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Manage noxious weeds and invasive plant species so they do not affect military training or the integrity of the native plant and wildlife communities in the Lovell LTA.
  - Objective: Inventory and map noxious weed infestations in the LTA.

### **B.11 CLIMATE CHANGE**

The WYARNG understands that there exists potential for climate change to affect the ability of the military to sustain mission readiness. To address the potential impacts on installations as a result of climate change, the DoD has developed a decision support tool to assist installation Natural Resource Managers in assessing climate change vulnerabilities, implications, and adaptations. At the time of development of the INRMP, the Lovell LTA was not included in the Army Climate Assessment Tool to create climate risk models for the LTA. The WYMD will check the Army Climate Assessment Tool annually and incorporate results for Lovell LTA when it becomes available.

The Lovell LTA is in the Northern Great Plains region as categorized in the *Impacts Risks, and Adaptation* in the United States: Fourth Annual Climate Assessment, Volume II (Conant et al. 2018). This report includes a regional overview of the current climate projections for large geographic areas of the United States. The following summarizes the anticipated climate change impacts on Lovell LTA and the region:

- Increases in temperature. Climate model projections indicate a trend in warming in the Northern Great Plains, rising steadily until 2050.
- Changes to precipitation patterns. Climate projections indicate that this region will see a greater variability in precipitation patterns, especially in relation to the frequency of heavy precipitation events (i.e., annual number of days with greater than 2 inches of rainfall). Relatively small changes to annual precipitation can result in large changes to runoff, available soil moisture, and streamflow, due to the fact that this region is already very arid.
- Water availability. Anticipated impacts on water availability indicate a mix of increasing and decreasing average annual water availability, depending on precipitation patterns and

snowpack. In general, snowpack in this region is expected to decrease. Year-to-year variability of water availability, which is already subject to unpredictability, is expected to increase. Changes to precipitation patterns are also expected to result in low-probability, but high-severity and high-impact events, such as extreme floods. On the other hand, extreme drought events are expected to increase.

- Increase in wildfire severity and frequency. Higher temperatures, drought, and alterations to water availability (e.g., soil moisture, streamflow) are likely to increase the severity, frequency, and extent of wildfires in the region, resulting in damage to property and wildlife habitat, increase in smoke and a corresponding decrease in air quality, and a stress on agency resources to respond to catastrophic events.
- Alteration of wildlife habitat. The above-referenced climate projections will have impacts on aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems, resulting in the loss of habitat availability and function for wildlife. Reduction in streamflows and increase in water temperatures would affect aquatic biodiversity negatively. Conversely, increases in extreme flood events may destroy important aquatic habitat or terrestrial habitat in the immediate vicinity. Wetland habitat is also expected to decrease, resulting in the loss or alteration of habitat for a myriad of species that depend on it. Warmer temperatures and increases in resulting physiological stress in individual wildlife may make populations of species more susceptible to diseases, such as proliferative kidney disease in whitefish or outbreaks of big-game diseases. Warmer temperatures and drought is expected to result in the reduction of available forage for wildlife. The proliferation of extreme wildfire events may also further exacerbate the loss of habitat and forage. In general, species with narrow life histories that depend on a specific suite of environmental conditions could be more affected from anticipated climate change scenarios than species that are more generalist in their life-history preferences.

The WYARNG recognizes that regional climate change may result in the inability of the military to train. Soldier safety is of the utmost concern for WYARNG. Increases in temperature, severe wildfires, and the resulting reduction in air quality may threaten soldier safety during training events. The WYARNG is committed to assessments of local conditions during training events to ensure that soldiers are kept safe. Large, unpredictable weather events, such as extreme rainfall or flooding, may restrict training on LTAs when those events occur. Following large flood events, sections of the LTA may be unusable due to unstable soil conditions or erosion. As such, the WYMD will track such events and facilitate timely inspection of LTAs to ensure that these areas are marked as unsafe and develop a restoration plan in accordance with BMPs listed in this INRMP and Army environmental standards. Restoring areas affected by climate-fueled events will ensure that the LTA still is able to support military training and readiness. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects for climate change.

# **B.11.1** Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Manage LTAs for resiliency to climate change and to sustain military training and readiness.
  - Objective: Review the INRMP annually for any changes that may be required as a response to climate-related events.
  - Objective: Maintain responsiveness to climate-related weather, flooding, and wildfire events.

Management goals, objectives, and projects identified in other sections pertaining to specific natural resources are designed to track and respond to changes to the landscape, wildlife habitat, and water resources. For example, the invasive species program includes objectives to map invasive species on a

timescale appropriate to be able to detect changes to infestations and allow the WYMD to eradicate or control weed species such that the LTA maintains ecological integrity, and military training is not diminished.

## **B.12 PROPOSED PROJECTS AND IMPLEMENTATION**

Appendix E lists the proposed projects for the Lovell LTA.

## **B.13** RESOURCE PROTECTION GUIDELINES

Appendix F summarizes the BMPs detailed in the previous sections.

## **B.14** NATIVE SEED MIX

Appendix G provides an example native seed list for use at the Lovell LTA.

### **B.15** SPECIES LIST

Appendix H identifies the animal, invertebrate, and plant species known to occur at the Lovell LTA.

### **B.16** NEPA DOCUMENTATION

In 2001, a NEPA analysis was completed for the Lovell LTA INRMP (WARNG 2001b). A Record of Consideration will be completed for this update of the INRMP that tiers off the 2001 environmental assessment. If any projects in this INRMP are beyond the scope of the 2001 environmental assessment, project-specific NEPA analyses will be completed.



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## APPENDIX C: SHERIDAN LOCAL TRAINING AREA

## C.1 INSTALLATION OVERVIEW

This section provides an overview of the Sheridan LTA, including a description of its location, history, purpose, and regional geographic setting.

## C.1.1 Location and Area

The Sheridan LTA is in northern-central Wyoming, in Sheridan County (Figure C-1). It is situated in the Powder River Basin, east of the Bighorn Mountains and west of I-90. The training area is approximately 40 miles south of the Montana border. The Sheridan LTA is 2 miles northwest of Sheridan, Wyoming, on State Highway 337 (Fort Road). The overall LTA encompasses approximately 6.19 square miles (3,960 acres) and is owned by the Army.

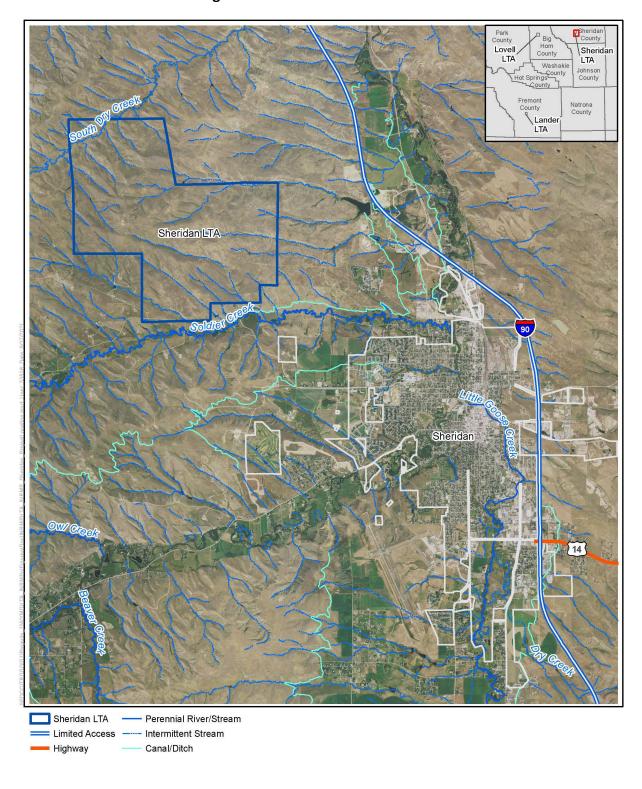
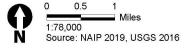


Figure C-1. Sheridan LTA Location



**Sheridan LTA Location** 

# **C.1.2** Facilities and Developed Areas

The majority of lands at the Sheridan LTA are undeveloped except for those associated with roadways and a Federal Aviation Administration "VORTAC" facility. However, construction of a Vehicle Maintenance Shop (VMS) is planned to start in 2022. This will result in 50 to 100 acres being removed from the LTA.

# **C.1.3** Installation History

Fort Mackenzie was established near Sheridan in 1897. In January 1898, Tract No. 2 (including Fort Mackenzie and the immediate vicinity) was reserved for the U.S. Military by Executive Proclamation. Fort Mackenzie was closed in 1914 and designated as a U.S. Health Service Hospital in 1920. On May 17, 1921, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved on March 4, 1921 (41 Stat. 1364), the Fort Mackenzie Military Reservation was transferred to the Public Health Service (Treasury Department). By EO 3669, dated April 29, 1922, this land was transferred from the Public Health Service to the U.S. Veterans Bureau. Of this area, 560 acres were assigned to the Army for military purposes in 1937 and 3,960 acres in 1939. These areas were transferred to the Army on February 5, 1954. In April 1983, the 560 acres were withdrawn as Public Land Order 6366 and returned to the BLM. This lease amendment left the Sheridan LTA at its current area of 3,960 acres.

# **C.1.4** Surrounding Communities

The Sheridan LTA is in Sheridan County, and the closest community to the Sheridan LTA is the city of Sheridan. The city of Sheridan was founded in 1884 by John Loucks within the Tongue River watershed along Goose Creek (Nickerson 2014). The 2020 census estimated the total population of Sheridan County at 30,485, a 4.7-percent increase from the 2010 census (USCB 2019c). Ninety-five percent of the county's populations is white. The median household income (in 2019 dollars) is \$60,807, and 8.5 percent of the population is in poverty (USCB 2019). Educational services, health care, and social assistance are the highest employers to Sheridan County residents (26.6 percent), followed by construction (10.4 percent) (Sheridan County 2017). Agriculture, mining and mineral production, outdoor recreation, and tourism also contribute to Sheridan County's economy.

# C.1.5 Regional Land Use

The majority of land in Sheridan County (approximately 64 percent) is privately owned, with the remaining 36 percent of the land managed by Federal, state, or local entities. The predominant land use in Sheridan County consists of agriculture to include livestock grazing (Sheridan County 2020).

## C.1.6 Local and Regional Natural Areas

Private land borders the Sheridan LTA on three sides (i.e., west, south, and east) with Office of State Lands and Investments (State) property to the north. The Sheridan LTA has a controlled access area to manage access to the Soldier Creek HMA. The Bighorn National Forest, which includes the Cloud Peak Wilderness, is east of the Sheridan LTA.

## C.1.7 Military Mission

Military training activities at the Sheridan LTA are focused on maintaining and acquiring skills needed for effective local WYARNG units. The WYARNG and the Army Reserve use the Sheridan LTA six to 14 times

a year for military training. The usual length of training extends from a few hours to up to a week. Training includes practicing standard operating procedures and navigation skills. Standard operating procedures include convoy movement and set-up and takedown of camps with tents and camouflage. Navigation activities include mounted and dismounted maneuvering across the landscape (i.e., vehicle and foot traffic). The Army Reserve Sheridan unit, also housed in the Sheridan Armory, uses the LTA.

## C.2 PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENTS

The physical environment includes land, air, water, and other natural resources that provide basic needs for plants, animals, and humans, as well as opportunities for social and economic development.

#### C.2.1 Climate

Information in this section is based on data from the Sheridan weather station (Station Number 488160). The climate in Sheridan is continental and influenced by the Bighorn Mountains to the west. Areas within the Powder River Basin receive about 12 inches of rain annually, classifying it as semi-arid (Lupcho 1998). The Sheridan LTA, due to its close proximity to the Bighorn Mountains, generally receives more precipitation than other areas in the Powder River Basin. Table C-1 provides an average of temperature and precipitation data recorded at the Sheridan weather station from 1920 to 2016.

Table C-1. Monthly Climate Summaries (1920 to 2016) for Temperature, Precipitation, and Snowfall for Sheridan, Wyoming

	Average Maximum Temperature (°F)	Average Minimum Temperature (°F)	Average Total Precipitation (in)	Average Total Snowfall (in)	Average Snow Depth (in)
January	32.5	6.3	0.5	7.3	4.0
February	36.7	10.7	0.5	6.6	3.0
March	45.1	19.6	0.9	9.0	1.0
April	57.2	29.7	1.8	5.0	0.0
May	67.3	39.3	2.6	0.8	0.0
June	76.7	47.6	2.7	0.1	0.0
July	87.8	53.5	1.2	0.0	0.0
August	86.8	50.9	0.9	0.0	0.0
September	74.9	40.6	1.4	0.3	0.0
October	61.8	30.4	1.3	2.1	0.0
November	45.3	18.6	0.7	5.3	1.0
December	35.5	9.6	0.5	6.4	2.0
Annual Average	59.0	29.7	14.9	43.0	1.0

Source: WRCC 2016c.

Wyoming and the western United States are experiencing above-normal drought conditions. Data released as of September 7, 2021, show the Sheridan LTA in severe drought (D2) conditions. Severe drought conditions may reduce the number of wildflower blooms, increase the potential for large wildland fires, and reduce levels of surface water in creeks and rivers. Also, pasture conditions are poor,

trees and vegetation are stressed, and well water levels decline (Simeral 2021). Figure A-2 illustrates the drought conditions across the state of Wyoming.

#### C.2.2 Landforms

The Sheridan LTA is in Sheridan County, Wyoming, in the northern-central portion of the state. The LTA is on the eastern slope of the Bighorn Mountains, within the Powder River Basin. The Sheridan LTA is moderately flat, with rolling hills to the south and east, becoming more broken with three steep ravines and tall ridges to the north and west. Elevation ranges from 3,920 feet at the southeastern corner of the LTA to 4,380 feet near the center of the LTA.

# C.2.3 Geology

The Sheridan LTA lies in the foothills of the Bighorn Mountains and is on shales, siltstones, mudstones, and sandstones of the Tertiary-aged Fort Union Formation. The topography is moderately dissected, with relatively steep to moderate valley walls and rolling topography. Ridges and terrace remnants rise approximately 100 to 300 feet above valley floors. In addition, some localized coal deposits may be present. Alluvial channels containing either permanent or ephemeral streams often gently dissect grassland areas (WYARNG 2013d).

#### C.2.4 Soils

The Sheridan LTA is generally dominated by areas of shallow, moderately deep, and very deep soil on terraces, alluvial fans, and hills (Lupcho 1998). The predominant soil types, Nuncho–Platsher–Samday complex and Bidman–Parmleed–Shingle complex (70 percent), have soil textures of clay loam, loamy, and soft shale bedrock (Lupcho 1998; NRCS 2020). The combination of soils into complexes is the result of two or more soils being such that they are similar in nature or cannot be shown separately on maps (NRCS 2019). These soil types are described as follows (WYARNG 2013e; Lupcho 1998):

- Nuncho-Platsher-Samday Complex. The topography for this complex is characterized by nearly level to very steep, shallow, and very deep, clayey soils on terraces, hills, and alluvial fans, with slopes ranging from 0 to 60 percent (Lupcho 1998).
  - Nuncho soils are on alluvial fans, toe slopes, and terraces and generally are described as very deep, with a loamy surface layer. The subsoils are clayey in the upper horizon and clay-loam in the lower horizon.
  - Platsher soils are found on nearly level to moderately sloped terraces and are described as very deep. They are depicted as having a loamy surface, with subsoils of clay in the upper part and gravelly clay loam in the lower part.
  - Samday soils occur on hills and ridges and generally are very shallow soils found on gentle to steep slopes. The underlying soft shale bedrock is overlaid with a surface layer of clayey loam and an underlying layer of clay (Lupcho 1998).
- **Bidman–Parmleed–Shingle Complex**. The topography for this complex is depicted as nearly level to very steep, shallow, moderately deep, and very deep clayey or loamy soils in a landscape of terraces, tablelands, ridges, hills, and alluvial fans (Lupcho 1998). Slopes range from 0 to 65 percent.
  - Bidman soils are found on terraces, lower hill slopes, and alluvial fans and are described as very deep. The surface layer is loamy, with subsoils of clayey loam or clay in the upper portion and clayey loam in the lower portion.

- Parmleed soils occur on tablelands and hills and are described as moderately deep. A surface layer of loam with subsoils of clay (upper layer) and clayey loam (lower layer) overlay bedrock shale.
- Shingle soils are generally on hills and ridges and are described as shallow. These soils overlay soft shale bedrock, with a surface and underlying layer of clayey loam (Lupcho 1998).

Table C-2 identifies the soil map units and acreages found in the Sheridan LTA. Figure C-2 illustrates the soil units in the LTA.

Table C-2. Soil Map Units and Associated Acres and Percent in the Sheridan LTA

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in LTA	Percent of LTA
115	Bidman, moist–Ulm loams, 0 to 6 percent slopes	100.2	2.5
161	Haverdad, moist–Worthenton complex, 0 to 3 percent slopes	25.8	0.7
169	Jonpol–Platmak association, 0 to 9 percent slopes	5.0	0.1
170	Jonpol–Platmak association, 9 to 25 percent slopes	28.5	0.7
194	Nuncho loam, 6 to 9 percent slopes	10.6	0.3
202	Parmleed–Bidman association, moist, 3 to 9 percent slopes	532.2	13.5
203	Parmleed–Bidman association, moist, 9 to 25 percent slopes	18.1	0.5
205	Parmleed–Renohill complex, moist, 3 to 9 percent slopes	18.1	0.5
206	Parmleed–Renohill complex, moist, 9 to 25 percent slopes	86.4	2.2
208	Parmleed–Worfka association, moist, 0 to 9 percent slopes	290.2	7.4
209	Parmleed–Worfka association, moist, 9 to 25 percent slopes	161.0	4.1
213	Platmak loam, 3 to 6 percent slopes	13.3	0.3
220	Platsher–Wolfvar loams, 3 to 6 percent slopes	418.7	10.6
234	Renohill–Savageton complex, 3 to 10 percent slopes, moist	48.5	1.2
235	Renohill–Savageton clay loams, moist, 10 to 15 percent slopes	26.6	0.7
239	Renohill–Worfka association, moist, 3 to 20 percent slopes	221.2	5.6
244	Samday–Gayhart–Hilight clay loams, moist, 2 to 60 percent slopes	386.3	9.8
256	Shingle–Haverdad association, moist, 0 to 80 percent slopes	259.5	6.6
258	Shingle–Nihill complex, moist, 3 to 80 percent slopes	118.3	3.0
263	Shingle–Samday clay loams, 3 to 55 percent slopes, moist	211.3	5.4
303	Wolf loam, 3 to 6 percent slopes	59.7	1.5
305	Worfka–Shingle–Samday complex, moist, 6 to 30 percent slopes	894.0	22.7
307	Worthenton–Recluse complex, 0 to 3 percent slopes	2.8	0.1
Total		3,936.4	100.0

Source: NRCS 2020.

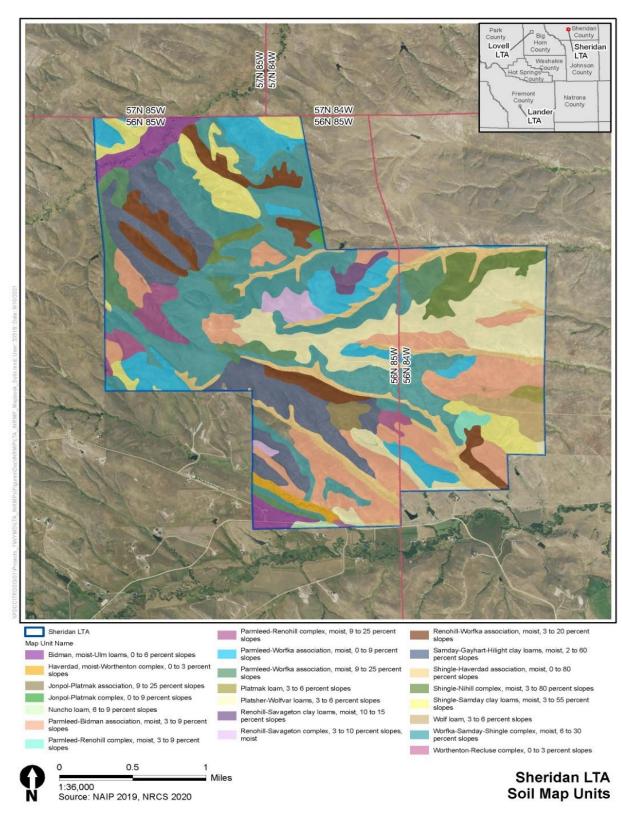


Figure C-2. Soil Units as Mapped by the NRCS in 2020 – Sheridan LTA

Soil erosion potential can be evaluated by categorizing soil into K factor groups, where K is a measure of the susceptibility of the soil to erosion by water. Soil K values can range from 0.01 to 0.69 with the most erodible soils having high K values. Approximately 9.1 percent of soils in the LTA have a low soil erosion potential ( $K \le 0.20$ ), 78.9 percent have a moderate erosion potential ( $0.20 < K \ge 0.40$ ), and 3.5 percent have a high erosion potential (K > 0.40) (Figure C-3). These percentages are based on NRCS soil mapping within 91.5 percent of the LTA area.

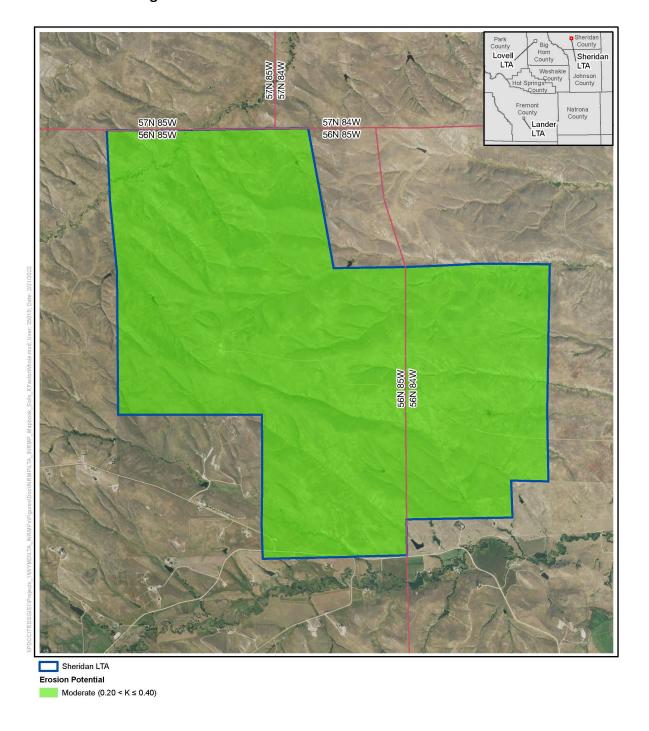
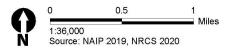


Figure C-3. Soil Erosion Potential on the Sheridan LTA



Sheridan LTA Soil Erodibilty

In addition, the soils on the LTA have been analyzed for their vehicle trafficability for type 3 vehicles during the dry and wet season (Table C-3, Figure C-4 and Figure C-5). This can be used to identify which soils are most resistant to maneuver training during different times of the year.

Table C-3. Trafficability for Type 3 Vehicles on the Sheridan LTA during the Dry and Wet Seasons Based on Soils

Rating <sup>1</sup>	Dry Season		Wet Season	
	Acres	Percent of Area	Acres	Percent of Area
Excellent	1,742.4	44.3	0.0	0.0
Good	849.3	21.6	810.9	20.6
Fair	505.6	12.8	1,963.4	49.9
Poor	205.5	5.2	528.5	13.4
Not rated or missing	633.3	16.1	633.3	16.1
Totals	3,936.4	100.0	3,936.4	100.0

Source: NRCS 2020.

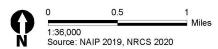
Good: good for maneuver, trafficability may be limited, low maintenance

Fair: maneuver not recommended, trafficability limited, special design features needed Poor: maneuver not recommended, trafficability severely limited, soil damage severe

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\tiny 1}}\mbox{Excellent:}$  best for maneuver, trafficability not limited, low maintenance

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Figure C-4. Trafficability for Type 3 Vehicles on the Sheridan LTA during the Dry Season (250 passes) Based on Soils



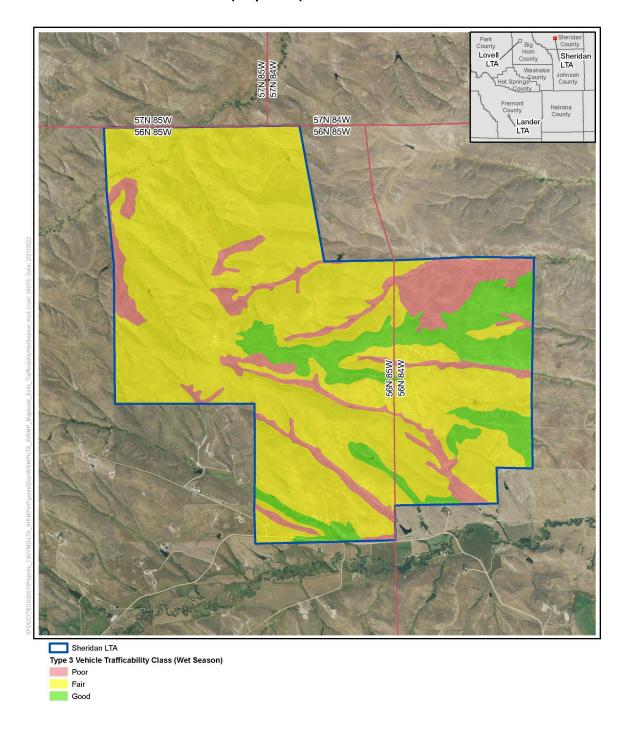
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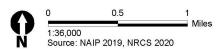
Sheridan LTA

Poor
Fair
Good
Excellent

Sheridan LTA Type 3 Vehicle Trafficability in the Dry Season

Figure C-5. Trafficability for Type 3 Vehicles on the Sheridan LTA during the Wet Season (50 passes) Based on Soils





Sheridan LTA Type 3 Vehicle Trafficability in the Wet Season

### C.2.5 Surface Water Resources

No perennial streams occur in the Sheridan LTA. Perennial water bodies in the form of stock ponds were noted in the Sheridan LTA. Intermittent channels occur in the area and connect to South Dry Creek, Soldier Creek, and Soldier Creek Ditch, outside of the Sheridan LTA boundary. Historically, eight small, human-made ponds were noted onsite; however, the dams associated with these ponds were noted to be breached, and the ponds had dried out (WYARNG 2000). These ponds were used primarily for livestock watering and often became dry from intense use by livestock, resulting in limited use by waterfowl. The majority of the area is drained by ephemeral streams during heavy precipitation events.

#### **C.2.6** Groundwater Resources

The Sheridan LTA is on the western edge of the Powder River Basin and underlain by the Upper Cretaceous aquifer system. This aquifer system is widespread in the subsurface, but contains freshwater only where it crops out and for a short distance where it is covered by younger rocks. The Upper Cretaceous aquifer is mostly exposed around the edges of the Powder River Basins, but also is exposed in smaller areas along the margins of the Green River, the Great Divide, the Hanna, the Wind River, and the Bighorn Basins (USGS 2011b). Although no groundwater information has been collected specifically for the Sheridan LTA, and the depth of groundwater is unknown, it is unlikely that these aquifers are exposed within the facility.

#### C.3 ECOSYSTEMS AND THE BIOTIC ENVIRONMENT

Ecosystems and the biotic environment are living systems that coexist together where all organisms live together in a community and are interconnected to one another in their physical environments.

# C.3.1 Ecosystem Classification

The dominant ecological system at the Sheridan LTA is grassland with a desktop analysis using LANDFIRE (USGS 2020) data showing 74 percent of the vegetative cover categorized as such.

Grassland species noted in the LTA during the 2021 site visit included bluebunch wheatgrass, needle and thread grass, and western wheatgrass. Invasive grass species were also observed, including ventenata (*Ventenata dubia*) and cheatgrass, which were extensive throughout the LTA. Additional grass species that can occur in the vegetation cover types found in the LTA include green needlegrass (*Nassella viridula*), thickspike wheatgrass, and Festuca species. Big sagebrush, rubber rabbitbrush, and mountain mahogany were also observed in the LTA.

## C.3.2 Vegetation

Riparian habitat is present within a portion of the ephemeral South Dry Creek, traversing the northwest corner of the LTA. The entire length of the creek bed was dry during the 2021 site visit. Mature cottonwood (*Populus* spp.) and boxelder trees (*Acer negundo*), 20–30 feet in height, border the creek, and ground cover is dominated by native wheat grasses (*Agropyron* and *Elymus* spp.), needle and thread grass, and cheatgrass. The drainage appears to have been utilized heavily by livestock. An active blacktailed prairie dog (*Cynomys ludovicianus*) colony flanks the riparian habitat.

Grassland habitat is most prevalent in the relatively level eastern and southern portions of the LTA and along ridgelines in the western half of the area. Common grasses included wheatgrasses, needle and thread grass, prairie Junegrass, cheatgrass, and foxtail barley (*Hordeum jubatum*). Common forbs

include western yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*) and pussytoes (*Antennaria* spp.). Prairie dog colonies dominate most of the grassland habitats within the area. Ground cover is typically sparse within this habitat, presumably due to the high level of prairie dog activity in combination with historical and/or trespass livestock grazing.

Sagebrush–grassland is the most common habitat in the western portion of the LTA. The predominant shrub, Wyoming big sagebrush, occurred in sparse to moderately dense stands, with individuals typically reaching approximately 30 inches in height. Within these stands, ground cover is relatively high (80 percent), with similar grass and forb species as in the grassland habitat.

Many small stock ponds are present along drainages throughout the LTA. No water was observed flowing into the stock ponds. Springs or wells may provide the water source for the ponds.

Although not a major habitat type, small stands of mountain mahogany are on the upper slopes of a few drainages throughout the LTA. Small amounts of sagebrush are also present, and shrub height ranges from approximately 18 to 30 inches. Ground cover is relatively high, with similar grass and forb species as those found in the grassland habitat. Although not a major habitat type, small stands of juniper were present along drainage slopes in the central and western portions of the LTA.

The Sheridan LTA is in the Northwestern Great Plains Level III Ecoregion, which is nested in the Cold Deserts Level II Ecoregion and the North American Deserts Level I Ecoregion (Omernik 1987; Chapman et al. 2004). Chapman et al. (2004) describe the Northwestern Great Plains (43) Level III Ecoregion as "semiarid rolling plains of shale and sandstone derived soil punctuated by occasional buttes and badlands...Native grasslands and some woodlands persist, especially in areas of steep or broken topography." The LTA is in the Mesic Dissected Plains, 43q Level III Ecoregion. This ecoregion has steep, grassy hills and verdant alluvial valleys and supports riparian tree and shrub growth (Chapman et al. 2004). Table C-4 provides the ecological systems and associated vegetation cover types found in the Sheridan LTA. Figure C-6 illustrates the vegetation cover types.

Table C-4. Ecological Systems and Associated Vegetation Cover Types in the Sheridan LTA

Vegetation Cover Type	Area (Acres)	Percent of LTA			
Agricultural					
Western Cool Temperate Close Grown Crop	0.9	0.0%			
Western Cool Temperate Pasture and Hayland	7.7	0.2%			
Agricultural Total	8.6	0.2%			
Conifer	·				
Northwestern Great Plains–Black Hills Ponderosa Pine Woodland and Savanna	2.6	0.1%			
Conifer Total	2.6	0.1%			
Exotic Herbaceous					
Northern and Central Plains Ruderal and Planted Grassland	14.6	0.4%			
Exotic Herbaceous Total	14.6	0.4%			
Grassland	·				
Northern Rocky Mountain Lower Montane–Foothill–Valley Grassland	9.3	0.2%			
Northwestern Great Plains Mixed-grass Prairie	2,700.5	68.6%			
Recently Burned–Herb and Grass Cover	15.4	0.4%			
Western Great Plains Sand Prairie	189.3	4.8%			
Grassland Total	2,914.5	74.0%			
Open Water					
Open Water	0.4	0.0%			
Open Water Total	0.4	0.0%			

Vegetation Cover Type	Area (Acres)	Percent of LTA		
Riparian				
Northwestern Great Plains Riparian Herbaceous	11.5	0.3%		
Riparian Total	11.5	0.3%		
Shrubland				
Inter-Mountain Basins Big Sagebrush Steppe	977.6	24.8%		
Northwestern Great Plains Shrubland	0.4	0.0%		
Shrubland Total	978.0	24.8%		
Sparsely Vegetated				
Western Great Plains Badlands	4.9	0.1%		
Western Great Plains Cliff and Outcrop	1.3	0.0%		
Sparsely Vegetated Total	6.2	0.2%		
Total	3,936.4	100.0%		

Source: USGS 2020.

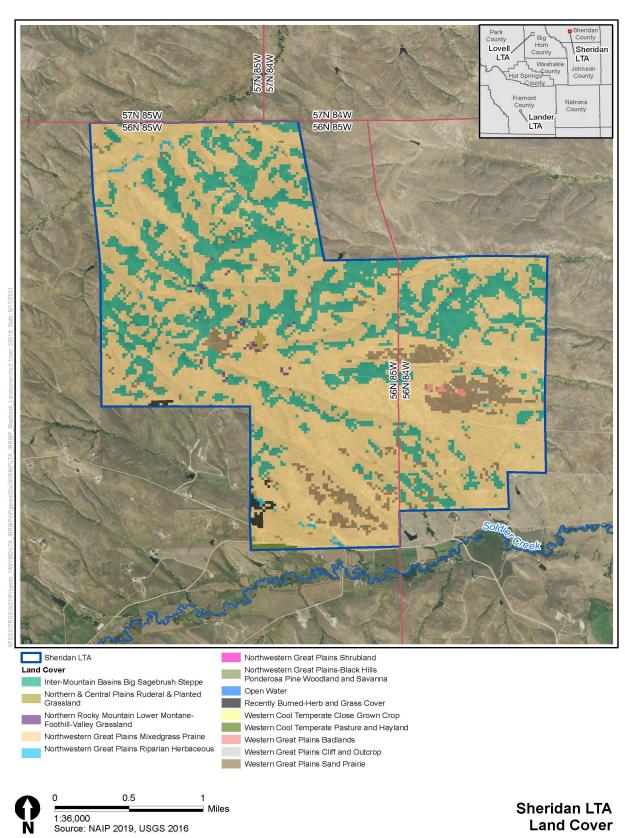


Figure C-6. Vegetation Cover Types in the Sheridan LTA

### C.3.3 Fish and Wildlife

#### C.3.3.1 General Wildlife

#### **Mammals**

During the 2021 site visit, black-tailed prairie dogs, cottontail, mule deer, porcupine, and pronghorn were observed. Signs of northern pocket gopher also were documented. Black-tailed prairie dog, a Tier II WGFD SGCN, was the only special-status species recorded during the site visit.

During surveys conducted in 2012, a total of 14 mammal species were documented at the Sheridan LTA, not including bat species. Sherman small-mammal live traps captured 115 individuals of three species during 400 trap nights within the LTA. No new small mammal species were detected on the Sheridan LTA through live trapping. Deer mice were the most commonly captured and widespread species on the LTA. The western harvest mouse (*Reithrodontomys megalotis*) was the second most-common species during this study, followed by prairie voles (*Microtus ochrogaster*). All three species were documented in more than one habitat type and at more than one survey station.

Of the 18 species of bat that have been recorded in the state of Wyoming (Hester and Grenier 2005), at least 10 have the potential to regularly occur in the area around the Sheridan LTA. During the 2012 bat acoustic surveys, the presence of bats was recorded, but specific species were not identified.

In addition to the mammals documented during trapping and acoustic surveys, nine additional intermediate and large mammal species were recorded during driving surveys or by trail cameras, including American badger, northern raccoon (*Procyon lotor hirtus*), desert cottontail, coyote, and black bear (*Ursus americanus*). A feral dog (*Canis familiaris*) was also observed during surveys and is a new species identified at the LTA. Black-tailed prairie dogs and desert cottontail were the most-common medium-size mammal species observed on the LTA, whereas mule deer and pronghorn were the most-common large mammal species encountered.

#### Fish

No fish have been observed on the LTA. Aquatic habitat is limited in the area, and no flowing water was observed during the 2021 site visit. The stock ponds on the LTA dry up intermittently, providing little opportunity for fish to survive.

#### **Migratory Birds**

One new raptor nest was recorded during the 2021 site visit. The nest was a small stick nest in a cottonwood in the southwestern corner of the LTA (Figure C-7). The nest was in poor condition, with no sign of being occupied during the 2021 breeding season. Suitable nesting habitat for multiple raptor species is available in the cottonwoods, primarily in the drainages of the northern and southern regions of the LTA. Hills and knobs in the LTA provide nesting habitat for ferruginous hawks (*Buteo regalis*), and junipers could provide additional nesting habitat for great horned owls, long-eared owls, and merlin (*Falco columbarius*). The denser stands of sagebrush throughout the LTA may provide nesting habitat for short-eared owls, a ground-nesting species. Hill tops, trees, and artificial perch poles onsite provide ample perch sites. Black-tailed prairie dog colonies provide potential burrowing owl habitat in the LTA. The LTA has an abundance of prey sources for raptors, including prairie dogs, big game, and small mammals that use or occupy the sagebrush and grassland habitats.

A raptor study conducted in 2012 and 2013 recorded nine species of raptors on the LTA. American kestrel, golden eagle, and great horned owl were observed throughout the year. Burrowing owl, ferruginous hawk, northern harrier, and red-tailed hawk were observed only during the breeding season. Bald eagle and rough-legged hawk were observed only in the winter. Turkey vultures were also recorded during breeding season surveys. Section C.15, *Species List*, contains a complete list of species recorded at the Sheridan LTA.

Twenty-four non-raptor bird species were documented during transect surveys at the LTA during April, June, and August 2003, and another 16 species were noted during incidental observations (Appendix H). The most-common bird species was the western meadowlark (Sturnella neglecta) (26 percent of the total birds observed). The European starling (Sturnus vulgarus), Brewer's blackbird (Euphagus cyanocephalus), and horned lark were the next most-abundant species. The relative abundance for all other species was 5 percent or less. Bird abundance and species richness varied considerably among the three sampling periods. Abundance was highest at riparian habitat transects in June and pond habitat transects in April. Species richness was highest at riparian and pond habitat transects in April and at riparian transects in June. Grassland habitat transects were consistently lowest for species richness. Habitat conditions that contributed to higher species richness and abundance include the presence of water, increased vegetative diversity, and habitat edges (WYARNG and Thunderbird Wildlife Consulting, Inc. 2003). None of these species are a USFWS Species of Concern, a BCC, or WGFD SGCN. Habitats in the area could support a large variety of avian species in the LTA. The abundance of sagebrush, shrubs, and grasslands would attract sparrows, shrikes, and other ground-nesting species, and the large cottonwood trees would attract woodpeckers, orioles, thrushes, and other tree-nesting species. The presence of trees near prairie dog colonies also increases the suitability of the area for nesting raptors.

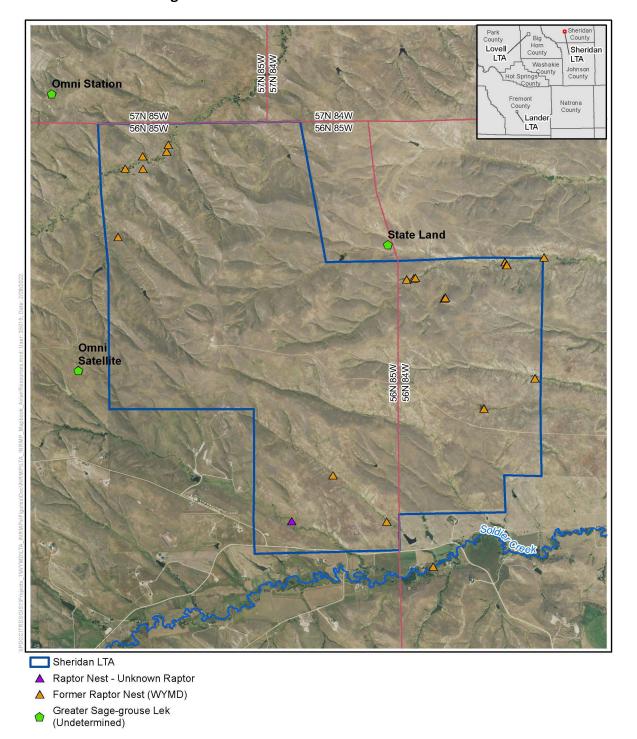


Figure C-7. Avian Resources in the Sheridan LTA



Sheridan LTA Avian Resources

### **Reptiles and Amphibians**

No amphibians or reptiles were observed during the 2021 site visit. During spring and summer of 2012, amphibians and reptiles were surveyed in the LTA. Amphibians recorded on the LTA included one species of salamander, the barred tiger salamander (*Ambystoma mavortium*), and two species of anurans, the northern leopard frog (*Lithobates pipiens*) and boreal chorus frog (*Pseudacris maculata*). Reptile species included one turtle, the western painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta bellii*), and five species of snakes, the eastern yellow-bellied racer (*Coluber constrictor flaviventris*), bullsnake, wandering gartersnake (*Thamnophis elegans vagrans*), red-sided gartersnake (*T. sirtalis parietalis*), and prairie rattlesnake. None of the amphibian and reptile species found on the Sheridan LTA during the 2012 surveys are listed by the USFWS as threatened, endangered, proposed, or candidate species (USFWS 2013), but three are considered WGFD SGCN, including the northern leopard frog, western painted turtle, and red-sided gartersnake.

#### Insects

No insects were recorded during the 2021 site visit. An insect and arachnid survey for the Sheridan LTA was conducted in 2010 (WYARNG 2011). During this survey, 19 species from nine different families of spiders were collected. Of these, none are listed as vulnerable, threatened, or endangered on any Federal or state list. In addition, 4,744 species of insects were collected, representing 13 orders and 152 families. None of the insect species observed are listed as vulnerable, threatened, or endangered on any Federal list. For a complete list of arachnid and insect species observed during the 2010 survey, see Section C.15, *Species List*.

### C.3.3.2 Wildlife Resources of Special Interest

#### Threatened, Endangered, and Candidate Species and Critical Habitat

No wildlife species listed under the ESA as threatened or endangered have the potential to occur on the LTA (USFWS 2021e). The monarch butterfly, a candidate species, has limited potential to occur (Table C-5). Additionally, proposed critical habitat for the grizzly bear occurs within 1 mile of the LTA perimeter (USFWS 2021b).

Table C-5. Threatened, Endangered, and Candidate Species and Critical Habitat in the Sheridan LTA

Species	Status	Habitat Association	Potential to occur in LTA and Rationale
Monarch butterfly	Candidate	Requires milkweed breeding; milkweed and flower nectar	Limited roosting habitat is present in the LTA. Foraging habitat is prevalent in the LTA due to the presence of
(Denaus plexippus)		provide food. Large trees, typically conifers, are chosen for roost sites and are often used annually.	milkweed. No monarch butterflies have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is also outside of known monarch butterfly migration routes. Therefore, there is potential for
			this species to occur in the LTA.

Sources: USFWS 2021e; MonarchWatch 1998; USFS n.d.

No monarch butterflies were recorded during the 2021 site visit. Roosting habitat in the LTA is limited to cottonwood trees, which are not a preferred roosting substrate (USFS n.d.). Breeding and foraging habitat could occur in the LTA during flowering season for milkweed or other flowering species. In 2010, an insect survey was conducted on the Sheridan LTA and one monarch butterfly was identified on the LTA (CEMML 2011).

#### **Migratory Birds**

Native nongame birds, including eagles and other raptors, are protected under the MBTA. To further promote the conservation of migratory bird populations and their habitats, Federal agencies would implement strategies directed by EO 13186, Responsibilities of Federal Agencies to Protect Migratory Birds (66 *Federal Register* 3853). The 2014 Memorandum of Understanding between the U.S. Department of Defense and the USFWS further commits military installations to implement measures to avoid or minimize impacts on migratory birds (DoD and USFWS 2014).

To aid with migratory bird conservation prioritization, the USFWS uses the *Birds of Conservation Concern* (BCC) report, which list species of conservation concern by region. The Sheridan LTA is in BCR 17 Badlands and Prairies. According to the Sheridan LTA IPaC report (USFWS 2021e), six of the 26 BCC for BCR 17 have the potential to occur at the LTA (Table C-6). Ample nesting and foraging habitat for ferruginous hawk, chestnut-collared longspur (*Calcarius ornatus*), and lark bunting (*Calamospiza melanocorys*) occur throughout the LTA. The red-headed woodpecker (*Melanerpes erythrocephalus*) has the potential to occur during breeding season, although nesting habitat (i.e., open deciduous forest) for this species is marginal. The pinyon jay (*Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus*) is unlikely to occur in the area in most years, due to a lack of pinyon trees (*Pinus* sp.) on the LTA. There is no habitat on the LTA for the remaining BCR species (i.e., bobolink [*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*]) listed in the IPaC report.

Table C-6. USFWS Birds of Conservation Concern – Bird Conservation Region 17 Species with Potential to Occur on the Sheridan LTA

Common Name (Scientific Name)	Habitat	Potential to Occur within the LTA and Rationale
Bobolink (Dolichonyx oryzivorus)	Basin-prairie shrublands, tall grasslands, uncut or overgrown fields and pastures	No habitat is present on the LTA. No bobolinks have been recorded on the LTA. The LTA is at southern edge of species range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur during migration.
Chestnut-collared longspur (Calcarius ornatus)	Grasslands, basin-prairie shrublands	Habitat is present at the LTA. No chestnut-collared longspurs have been recorded on the LTA. The LTA is within this species migratory range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur in the LTA.
Ferruginous hawk (Buteo regalis)	Shrub-steppe, grasslands	Habitat is present on the LTA. Ferruginous hawks have been recorded on the LTA. The LTA is within this species breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur.
Lark bunting (Calamospiza melanocorys)	Grasslands, shrub-steppe	Habitat is present on the LTA. Lark buntings have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur.
Pinyon jay (Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus)	Ponderosa pine savannah, pine– juniper, shrublands	No habitat (i.e., pinyon trees) is found on the LTA; individuals may use juniper or other berries, if food sources are scarce. The LTA is within this species all seasons range; therefore, there is limited potential for the species to occur.
Red-headed woodpecker (Melanerpes erythrocephalus)	Riparian, low elevation conifer	Limited habitat is present on the LTA. Redheaded woodpeckers have not been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within this species breeding range; therefore, there is potential for this species to occur.

Sources: Cornell University 2019; Orabona et al. 2016; USFWS 2021c; USFWS 2021e.

### **Bald and Golden Eagles**

Nesting habitat for golden eagles and winter roost habitat for bald eagles is limited to mature cottonwoods along drainages in the far-northern and far-southern edges of the LTA. Foraging habitat for both species is present and includes prairie dog colonies and big game that occur in the area. Multiple raptor perch poles have been erected throughout the LTA. One juvenile golden eagle was observed in in the LTA in 2021. A golden eagle nest has been documented within 0.25 miles of the LTA.

#### Wyoming Game and Fish Department Species of Greatest Conservation Need

No WGFD SGCN Tier I species were observed in the LTA during the 2021 site visit. Table C-7 lists the WGFD SGCN Tier I vertebrate species that could potentially occur on the LTA, based on species occurrence range. The table further describes habitat and potential for the species to occur on the Sheridan LTA. Of those species listed, two have some potential to occur on the Sheridan LTA, based on habitat availability. None of the WGFD SGCN Tier I species were recorded during the 2021 site visit.

Table C-7. Wyoming Game and Fish Department Tier I Species of Greatest Conservation Need with Potential to Occur in the Sheridan LTA

Common Name (Scientific Name)	Habitat	Potential to Occur within the LTA and Rational				
Birds	Birds					
Burrowing owl (Athene cunicularia)	Grasslands, shrub–steppe, prairie dog colonies	Habitat is available at LTA. Burrowing owls have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within the species' breeding range; therefore, the species is likely to occur during breeding season.				
Common loon (Gavia immer)	Lakes and ponds	Limited habitat is present on the LTA. No common loons have been recorded on the LTA. The LTA is within the species' migratory range; therefore, there is limited potential for vagrant individuals to occur.				
Mountain plover (Charadrius montanus)	Short-grass prairie, prairie dog colonies	Habitat is available at LTA. No mountain plovers have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within the species' breeding range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur.				
Northern goshawk (Accipiter gentilis)	Coniferous forests	No habitat is present in the LTA. No northern goshawks have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is within the species' year-round range; therefore, there is potential for the species to occur.				
Yellow rail (Coturnicops noveboracensis)	Marshes	No habitat is present in the LTA. No yellow rails have been recorded in the LTA. The LTA is not within this species' breeding or migratory range; therefore, there is no potential for the species to occur.				
Mammals	Mammals					
Black-footed ferret (Mustela nigripes)	Prairie dog colonies	Habitat is present at the LTA. Black-footed ferrets have not been observed historically in the LTA. This species has been extirpated from this area of its native range, and the LTA is outside of reintroduction areas. Therefore, there is no potential for the species to occur.				

Common Name (Scientific Name)	Habitat	Potential to Occur within the LTA and Rational
Canada lynx (Lynx canadensis)	Prefers subalpine/coniferous forests of mixed age and structural classes with downed logs/windfalls that provide denning habitat. Primary prey is snowshoe hare, which prefers early- to mid-successional conifer forests	No subalpine or coniferous forests occur within the LTA. Canada lynx have not been observed historically in the LTA. There is no habitat or critical habitat for this species in the LTA; therefore, there is no potential for this species to occur in the LTA.

Sources: Orabona et al. 2016; WGFD 2017.

#### **Greater Sage-grouse**

The greater sage-grouse is a Tier II SGCN and managed by the State of Wyoming under EO 2019-3, which establishes core areas of greater sage-grouse habitat and management objectives for the state. The Sheridan LTA is not in a Core Area, as defined by the EO. There are no leks within the LTA; however, there are three leks (i.e., Omni Station, Omni Station Satellite, and State Land, status of all is undetermined) within 2 miles of the LTA. This species was not observed during the 2021 site visit. Habitat for this species is throughout the LTA, particularly in areas with sagebrush cover.

#### C.3.3.3 Priority Habitats

The Sheridan LTA is within or overlaps two crucial habitat priority areas (WGFD 2021). The very southern edge of the LTA intersects the Deciduous Woodlands in the Sheridan Area and the Little Missouri River terrestrial crucial habitat region. This portion of the crucial habitat follows Soldier Creek, which is just south of the LTA boundary. The LTA is within the Sheridan Aquatic Conservation Watersheds aquatic crucial habitat priority area.

The Sheridan LTA also is within or overlaps three terrestrial and aquatic restoration areas. It is within the Medusahead Containment Zone 1 and Ventenata Containment Zone (WGFD 2021). The southern two-thirds of the area overlaps the Bighorn National Forest Focal Watersheds priority area (WGFD 2021). Portions of the southern edge to two-thirds of the LTA overlap the Sheridan Riparian and Sheridan Stream restorations areas, respectively.

#### C.3.4 USFWS-Listed and Rare Plants and Plants with Traditional Cultural Uses

Targeted surveys for listed and rare plant species were not conducted, and no incidental sightings of rare plants, as defined by WYNDD (2021), were documented during the 2021 site visit. There is one USFWS-listed threatened species with the potential to occur in the Sheridan LTA: Ute ladies'-tresses (*Spiranthes diluvialis*; Table C-8).

Table C-8. USFWS-Listed Plants that Potentially Occur on the Sheridan LTA

Species	Status	Habitat Association	Potential to occur in LTA and Rationale
Ute ladies'-tresses (Spiranthes diluvialis)	Threatened	Occurs in moist meadows on perennial stream terraces, floodplains, and oxbows between 4,300 and 6,850 feet.	There is no perennial water on the LTA; Therefore, there is limited potential for this species to occur in the LTA.

Source: USFWS 2021d.

Plants with traditional cultural uses range from ferns and flowering plants, to grasses and grass-likes, to trees and shrubs (Humphrey 2021). Although targeted surveys for plants with traditional cultural uses were not conducted, incidental sightings of plants with these values were observed at the Sheridan LTA

during the 2021 site visit, including juniper, cottonwood, and boxelder trees, big sagebrush, fringed sagebrush, western yarrow, pussytoes, wheatgrasses, prairie Junegrass, and foxtail barley.

### C.3.5 Wetlands

A review of NWI mapping indicates the presence of a freshwater emergent, freshwater forested/shrub, freshwater pond, and riverine wetland features. Additionally, 19.1 miles of intermittent stream channels occur in the LTA (USGS 2018). Table C-9 provides a summary of wetland features in the Sheridan LTA, and Figure C-8 illustrates the mapped NWI features.

Table C-9. NWI Mapping and Cowardin Classifications in the Sheridan LTA

Wetland Feature	Cowardin Classification	Acres
Freshwater Emergent Wetland	PEM1A (palustrine emergent persistent, temporarily flooded)	2.4
Freshwater Emergent Wetland	PEM1C (palustrine emergent persistent, seasonally flooded)	4.1
Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland	PSSA (palustrine scrub–shrub, temporarily flooded)	0.3
	PABFh (palustrine aquatic bed, semipermanently flooded, diked/impounded)	7.1
Freshwater Pond	PUSAh (palustrine unconsolidated shore, temporarily flooded, diked/impounded	0.2
	PUSCh (palustrine unconsolidated shore, seasonally flooded, diked/impounded)	0.3
	R4SBA (riverine, intermittent, streambed, temporarily flooded)	1.3
Riverine	R4SBC (riverine, intermittent, streambed, seasonally flooded)	36.6
	R5UBH (riverine, unknown perennial, unconsolidated bottom, permanently flooded)	1.1
Total		53.3

Sources: USFWS 2020; Cowardin et al. 1979.

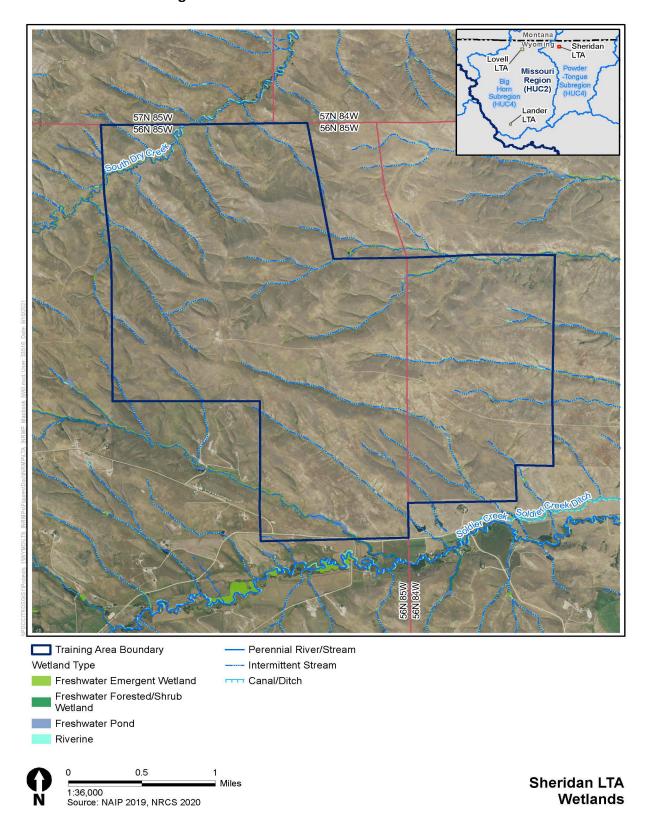


Figure C-8. NWI Features at the Sheridan LTA

Although the desktop analysis indicated 39 acres of riverine wetlands, no flowing water was observed during the site visit. The desktop analysis indicated 14.3 acres of freshwater wetlands, ponds, and forested/shrub wetlands. Multiple stock ponds with surface water present were observed. Hydrophytic vegetation species and wetland hydrology, in the form of standing water, was observed on the LTA.

### C.4 MISSION IMPACTS ON NATURAL RESOURCES

The Sheridan LTA provides a variety of ecosystem and environmental conditions in which to train and prepare combat-ready troops for expeditionary deployment. By their nature, training activities have the potential to affect ecosystems and the biotic environment and the natural resources that make up these systems. The WYARNG recognizes air, land, and water resources as environmental assets for military training and is committed to responsible stewardship of these natural assets. It is in the best interest of the WYARNG to ensure protection and management of natural resources, which will maintain healthy ecosystems that will, in turn, support their military missions.

#### C.4.1 Land Use

The Sheridan LTA is generally a large, open, undeveloped area. A single unimproved gravel road leads to a Federal Aviation Administration radio facility near the center of the LTA. A limited number of two-track roads and fence lines cross the LTA.

# **C.4.2** Current Potential Impacts

Current military activities have a moderate impact on the natural resources at the Sheridan LTA. Military training occurs in the Sheridan LTA six to 14 times a year. The usual length of training extends from a few hours to up to a week. Military training activities include standard operating procedures, wherein units convoy in and set up camp with tents and camouflage. Land navigation activities include mounted and dismounted maneuvering across the landscape (i.e., vehicle and foot traffic). Foot traffic has little disturbance on the landscape. Bivouacking and vehicular navigation has the potential to disturb vegetation and soils.

# **C.4.3** Potential Future Impacts

Construction of a vehicle maintenance shop is anticipated to start in 2022 on the LTA. This building construction, along with current military training activities, has the potential to cause future impacts of ground disturbance to the soil and vegetation, which could reduce habitat for local wildlife and plant communities. Ground disturbance could increase the risk for noxious weed or invasive plant species establishment or the spread of currently present species. Degradation of these natural resources would have a negative impact on training by reducing the realistic training landscape.

# C.4.4 Natural Resources Needed to Support the Military Mission

Natural resource management at the Sheridan LTA will be aimed at maintaining the ecosystems necessary to support the military mission and encouraging natural resource conservation.

# C.4.5 Natural Resource Constraints to Missions and Mission Planning

Natural resources at the Sheridan LTA that have the potential to limit activity include special habitats, highly erodible soils, and invasive species.

## C.5 NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

The WYARNG recognizes that it has a responsibility to manage natural resources in a way that complies with legal and regulatory requirements, promotes ecological sustainability, and facilitates mission accomplishment. However, WYARNG acknowledges that training activities can be detrimental to ecosystems. The WYARNG is committed to rehabilitating all damage that occurs through training. With proper natural resource management, the WYARNG strives to maintain its ability to train and complete its mission, while supporting a legacy of natural resources for current and future generations. Natural resource management at the Sheridan LTA will be aimed at maintaining the ecosystems necessary to support the military mission, while encouraging natural resource conservation. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects for each of the programs in this section.

# C.5.1 Ecosystem Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity

It is the goal of ecosystem management at the Sheridan LTA to conserve biodiversity by managing the ecosystem, rather than focusing on a single biotic or abiotic component of the ecosystem. Ecosystem-focused management at the Sheridan LTA encompasses both the function and the structure of the ecosystem and the processes that link them. WYMD will coordinate with the WGFD to assess if current and future projects address or affect big-game crucial habitats in the Sheridan LTA.

## **C.5.1.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure ecosystem management and maintenance of biodiversity and compliance with applicable laws:

- Manage for vegetation composition consistent with ecological site potential.
- Only allow treatments that enhance wildlife habitat.
- Stay on designated routes when training.
- Report all potentially significant natural resource damage to the WYMD Natural Resource Manager and/or ITAM manager.
- Ensure sustained use of lands for military training and align land management priorities with training and readiness priorities.
- Maintain and/or improve the sustainability and native biological diversity of ecosystems.
- Rely on best science and data and develop adaptive management tools.

The following BMPs pertain to reclamation and revegetation:

- Training constraints for native species and seed mixes include avoiding training operations on newly seeded areas until vegetation is adequately established and coordinating with the EMD staff and the natural resource manager to determine when the area is available for training maneuvers.
- Native seed mixes will be used to revegetate disturbed areas as required by WYMD reclamation procedures. If seeding an all-native seed mix is not practicable, ecological bridge species may be

used as described in Palazzo et al. (2009). However, native seed must be an important component in all seed mixes.

- Nonnative annual species (typically grains) may be used as a cover crop or nurse crop to provide immediate cover and aid in the establishment of permanent native vegetation.
- Use locally adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
- Do not use plant species that are invasive.
- When possible, plant species that have been identified as having traditional cultural uses may be included in the native seed mix.
- Seed must be certified weed-free.
- Seeding is recommended to occur between March 15–May 15 or September 1–October 15.
- All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.

#### C.5.1.2 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: To ensure that military lands support present and future training and testing requirements
  while preserving, improving, and enhancing ecosystem integrity. Over the long-term, that
  approach will maintain and improve the sustainability and biological diversity of terrestrial and
  aquatic ecosystems, while supporting sustainable economies, human use, and the environment
  required for realistic military training (DoD 2011, 2013).
  - Objective: Ecosystems within the LTA will be managed to maintain ecosystem resistance and resiliency. This will maintain a quality training environment for troop training.

# C.5.2 Fish and Wildlife Management

For the purposes of this INRMP, wildlife management is defined as manipulation of the environment and wildlife populations to produce desired objectives. The primary goal of wildlife management at the Sheridan LTA is to maintain wildlife populations at levels compatible with land use objectives, while promoting the existence, importance, and benefits of nongame species. The WYMD management activities include minimal direct wildlife management. The primary focus of management involves habitat management.

Biotic surveys are conducted every 5 to 10 years, as needed. This allows for a current species list to be maintained. This list is referenced with current threatened and endangered species and noxious weed lists to ensure that quick development of appropriate management actions as new species are listed.

### C.5.2.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure the management of fish and wildlife and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- If projects are within big sagebrush communities, project planning measures should retain large tracts of the habitat and corridors to aid in the conservation of the greater sage-grouse.
- Management of game species on the LTA will be coordinated with the WGFD.
- Evaluate proposed projects or new training missions on mule deer winter range, and coordinate with WGFD to develop any necessary mitigation measures.

- Any new fences will be built to wildlife friendly specifications: 4-strand wire fence no more than 42 inches high. The distance between the top two wires will be no less than 12 inches apart with a smooth top wire. Middle wires may be barbed and the bottom wire will be smooth and at least 16 inches off the ground. Wood or steel posts spaced at 16.5 foot intervals (Paige 2012).
- Prohibit use of sticky traps or glue boards in areas where herpetofauna species, and other non-target species, could be impacted.

## C.5.2.2 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Support healthy and diverse wildlife populations that would be expected to be found in the habitats on the LTA.
  - Objective: Wildlife management will maintain biodiversity and native species populations and comply with the MBTA. This will ensure that the LTA retains its capacity to train troops.

## **C.5.3** Migratory Birds

The Sheridan LTA is in BCR 17: Badlands and Prairies. According to the Sheridan LTA IPaC report (USFWS 2021e), six of the 26 BCC for BCR 17 have the potential to occur at the LTA (Table C-6). Burrowing owls are the only species to have been recorded. The MBTA prohibits the take of migratory birds, either intentionally or incidentally to implementation of an action. Readiness activities are exempt from incidental take under the MBTA through the DoD/MBTA Rule 72FR8931 (2006). When the WYARNG proposes a non-readiness activity that has the potential to affect migratory birds, measures will be taken to reduce the potential for take of migratory birds.

### C.5.3.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure the management of migratory bird species and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Any readiness or non-readiness activity that has the potential to have significant adverse impacts on migratory bird populations will be addressed in a NEPA analysis and coordinated with the USFWS.
- When feasible, non-readiness activities (i.e., construction and other land-disturbing maintenance activities) will take place outside of the migratory bird nesting season (February 1– August 31) to avoid the incidental take of nesting birds. If this is not possible, then, when feasible, the vegetation over the construction site will be mowed outside the nesting season to reduce nesting habitat. When practicable, migratory bird surveys will be conducted during the nesting season in the project area, immediately before and during construction, so that nests can be identified and avoided.
- Should a species that occurs at Sheridan LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify the
  USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the newly
  listed species, as well as all listed species potentially occurring there. Management actions to
  minimize effects should be developed for candidate species in the event that they become
  listed, so as not to delay proposed actions.
- If an active raptor or eagle nest is located on the LTA, the WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS to apply an appropriate spatial buffer around the nest for protection from noise or disturbance.
- All new or reconstructed power lines will be constructed with raptor-safe construction (APLIC 2006, 2012).

• Work projects that could lead to the take of a migratory bird, their young, eggs, or active nests should be coordinated with the USFWS before any actions are taken. Removal or destruction of active nests or causing abandonment of a nest could constitute violation of the MBTA or BGEPA. If active nest manipulation is proposed for any project, the USFWS Migratory Bird Office in Denver should be contacted at 1-303-236-8171 to see if a permit can be issued. No manipulation of an active nest manipulation is allowed without a permit. If a permit cannot be issued, the project may need to be modified to ensure take of a migratory bird or eagle, their young, eggs, or active nest will not occur.

#### C.5.3.2 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Comply with the MBTA and the Memorandum of Understanding between the DoD and the USFWS to Promote the Conservation of Migratory Birds (16 U.S.C. 703).
  - Objective: Identify potential threats to migratory bird populations on the installation occurring within the next 5 years, in order to minimize future potential impacts on training.
  - o **Objective**: Inventory and monitor migratory birds on the LTA.

# C.5.4 Hunting and Fishing Program

The Sheridan LTA is open to hunting through the Soldier Creek HMA. Species found on the LTA that can be harvested include black-tailed prairie dog, sharp-tailed grouse, Hungarian partridge, dove, wild turkey, ring-necked pheasant, waterfowl, rabbit, hare, elk, pronghorn, white-tailed deer, mule deer, and mountain lion.

## C.5.4.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Specific seasons are published under the yearly Game and Fish Commission Regulations.
   Permission slips are unlimited in number and will be issued starting the second Monday in July of each year.
- If a hunter holds a valid permission slip, they can hunt any species that the Soldier Creek HMA allows to be hunted on that permission slip. For example, if a hunter holds a deer permission slip they can also hunt elk, rabbit, and pronghorn on that permission slip.
- Each hunter must possess a permission slip while in the field.
- This area may be temporarily closed due to military training exercises. Signs will be posted, if possible, prior to the closure.
- Do not shoot in the direction of, or within 100 yards of, livestock or buildings.
- Foot and/or horseback access is allowed.
- Leave gates as you find them.
- Abide by all signs and posted areas.
- Non-hunting, non-permitted persons may assist in hunting/game retrieval, as long as they accompany a permitted hunter and do not possess firearms or archery equipment.
- No littering—carry out everything you bring in.
- Hunters must obey all WGFD laws and regulations.
- Report any wildlife violations by calling 1-877-WGFD-TIP (1-877-943-3847).

#### C.5.4.2 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Increase hunter ease of access and improve hunting on the Soldier Creek HMA.
  - Objective: Increase hunter opportunities and access in the next 5 years.

#### C.5.5 Water Resources Protection

No perennial streams occur in the Sheridan LTA. Perennial water bodies in the form of stock ponds were noted in the Sheridan LTA. Intermittent channels occur in the area and connect to either South Dry Creek, inside the Sheridan LTA boundary, or to Soldier Creek, outside the LTA boundary (USGS 2018).

#### C.5.5.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of water resources and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for water resources include:
  - O Digging is not allowed within drainages or naturally occurring ponded areas.
  - Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
- Placement of silt fencing in ephemeral and intermittent channels is required to prevent sedimentation downstream from any upstream ground-disturbance activities when imminent precipitation is anticipated.

#### C.5.5.2 Goals

 Goal: Conserve water resource conditions to provide realistic training, support native vegetation communities and wildlife species, and prevent excessive erosion of stream banks and channelization.

#### C.5.6 Wetland Protection

A review of NWI mapping indicates the presence of a freshwater ponds, forested/shrub, and riverine wetland features in the Sheridan LTA (USFWS 2020). No perennial streams or flowing channels occur in the LTA.

#### C.5.6.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of wetland resources and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for wetlands include:
  - Bivouacking is not allowed.
  - Digging is not allowed.
  - Foot traffic in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
  - Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
  - Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.

• All desktop-mapped NWI wetland areas have a 200-foot buffer, within which no training may occur. Buffer areas may change based on field surveys to identify aquatic resources.

### C.5.6.2 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Conserve and protect wetland features to provide realistic training and support native vegetation communities and wildlife habitat in the Sheridan LTA.
  - Objective: Within the next 5 years, inventory all mapped NWI sites and determine areas
    of overland water flow.
  - Objective: Prevent degradation and erosion of wetland features and intermittent channels in the Sheridan LTA.

## **C.5.7** Soil Erosion Control Management

Healthy, stable soils are foundational to a healthy ecosystem; however, erosion is a naturally occurring process that continually shapes the landscape. Certain military activities in these locations could cause accelerated erosion that would have negative impacts on the natural resources.

### C.5.7.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of soil erosion control and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for soil erosion include:
  - Bivouacking is not allowed in high to severe soil erosion areas.
  - Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
  - Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
- Reseed disturbance areas as soon as practicable. Avoid military missions in reseeded areas until vegetation is established.
- Install erosion and sediment control features or products to reduce or eliminate soil loss during construction or military maneuvers, where needed.

#### C.5.7.2 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Conserve the soil and prevent excessive soil erosion in the Sheridan LTA.
  - Objective: Minimize wind and water erosion of soil due to human-made activities.

### C.5.8 Outdoor Recreation

The Sheridan LTA is bordered by private land on three sides (i.e., western, southern, and eastern), with Office of State Lands and Investments (State) property to the north, and has a controlled access area to manage access to the Soldier Creek HMA. The Soldier Creek HMA is 4 miles west of Sheridan, on Soldier Creek Road, and comprises lands owned by the WYMD and the WYARNG.

## C.5.8.1 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: To allow recreational activities, biking, hiking, and horse riding.
  - Objective: Maintain the area for wildlife, and provide valuable habitat for mule deer and pronghorn, as well as game birds and small mammals.

### C.5.9 Enforcement

Enforcement of environmental laws and regulations falls to state or Federal natural resource and environmental agencies. These include:

- WGFD. Responsible for enforcement of wildlife and hunting regulations. Permits for hunting on the LTAs are issued by the WGFD. Violations of state wildlife laws can be reported to WGFD Game wardens or called to the WGFD hotline (1-877-943-3847 or 1-307-777-4330). Tips can also be texted (847-411) or submitted online.
- USFWS. Responsible for enforcement of Federal wildlife laws and regulations, including the MBTA, BGEPA, and ESA. The USFWS also issues permits for activities such as nest relocation and incidental take of an avian species. Regulations may be enforced by regional game wardens, or the USFWS may designate a WGFD representative to help with local issues.
- **WDEQ**. Responsible for statewide environmental quality regulations and policies. The agency enforces both state and Federal laws, including the CWA. WDEQ also administers the WYPDES.
- **USACE**. Authorized under Section 404 of CWA to regulate alteration, degradation, or removal of wetlands or other waters of the United States.

# C.6 MANAGEMENT OF THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

The ESA sets forth requirements for consultation to determine if a proposed action could potentially affect a federally endangered or threatened species. If an action in the Sheridan LTA may affect a federally threatened or endangered species, Section 7(a)(2) of the ESA requires consultation with the USFWS to ensure that any action the agency authorizes, funds, or carries out is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any federally listed endangered or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of critical habitat. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects for threatened and endangered species.

# **C.6.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of threatened and endangered species and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- In the event a threatened or endangered species or species of concern is identified, the WYMD will initiate consultation with the USFWS and incorporate consultation into the INRMP.
- For areas of suitable habitat for Ute ladies'-tresses, and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted during the appropriate time of year by a qualified botanist.
- For areas with suitable monarch butterfly habitat, and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted for caterpillars and adults during the appropriate time of year.
- Should a species that occurs at the Sheridan LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify
  the USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the
  newly listed species, as well as all listed species potentially occurring there. Management

- actions to minimize effects should be developed for candidate species in the event that they become listed, so as not to delay proposed actions.
- The WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS on an annual basis to review petitioned, candidates, or listed TES in or near the LTA and determine if current projects address or affect management of these species.

# C.6.2 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Comply with the ESA in the Sheridan LTA.
  - Objective: Routinely survey the Sheridan LTA for the presence of listed species. If any listed species are identified, then management of these species will be integrated into the INRMP within 1 year.
  - Objective: Conduct Section 7 consultation with the USFWS for all Federal actions that the WYMD determines "may effect" a listed species.

## C.7 FOREST AND FIRE MANAGEMENT

No forest resources occur on the Sheridan LTA. An integrated wildland fire management plan is being prepared and will be incorporated by reference into this INRMP.

### C.8 CULTURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION

Cultural resources are past and present expressions of human culture and history in the physical environment. They represent physical locations of human activity, occupation, or use and can refer to historical or architectural objects, sites, structures, or places with potential public and scientific value, including locations of traditional cultural, ethnic, or religious significance to a specific social or cultural group. Fragile and irreplaceable, cultural resources represent an integral part of American heritage that is identified through field inventories, historical documentation, or oral evidence.

Historic properties are a set of cultural resources that meet specific eligibility criteria for listing in the NRHP, as defined by the NHPA and published in 36 CFR 60.4. Historic properties are managed as directed by 36 CFR 800, Protection of Historic and Cultural Properties.

AR 200-1, Chapter 6, provides guidelines for integrating cultural resource issues into an INRMP. Guidelines focus on cultural resource compliance requirements generated as a result of ecosystem management activities, contributions that cultural resource studies can make to ecosystem management decisions, and human activities (ranging from those of the earliest Native Americans to current military training) that should be supported and sustained in development and implementation of an ecosystem management plan.

Additionally, a statewide Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan was developed in 2020 for the WYARNG (WYARNG 2020). The statewide plan addresses cultural resources management in detail, including historic structures, historic landscapes, traditional cultural properties, and Native American considerations. It also provides goals, objectives, and planned projects for WYARNG's cultural resources program from 2020 through 2025 on a statewide and LTA level.

A Class III 3,960-acre inventory identified 23 archaeological sites and evaluated 20 of these, of which one is eligible for listing on the NRHP. There are no NRHP-eligible historic buildings or structures in the training area (WYARNG 2020). The WYMD will follow the 2020 Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan for cultural resources management.

# C.8.1 Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure conservation of cultural resources and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Avoid impacts on known NRHP-eligible cultural resources.
- Exclude areas containing known NRHP-eligible cultural resources from prescribed burn and other vegetation treatment areas that involve vegetation clearing, revegetation, and erosion control.
- Ensure compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA.
- Consult with 18 federally-recognized Native American Tribes to determine if any locations of traditional cultural, ethnic, or religious significance are present within the LTA.

## C.9 INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

The state of Wyoming defines a designated pest as any animal or insect species that is determined to be detrimental to the health or general welfare of the state, based on the following:

- Has demonstrated the ability to aggressively invade native plant communities and agricultural crops
- Is injurious or poisonous to livestock
- Is a carrier of disease or parasites
- Can, by virtue of either its direct or indirect effect, negatively affect management of agricultural or natural ecosystems

An Integrated Pest Management Plan for all WYMD facilities and lands was approved in 2019. Additional information on management of invasive plants and invasive species is detailed in Section C.10, *Invasive Species Program*. Information related to the management of prairie dogs at the Sheridan LTA is detailed in Section C.17, *Prairie Dog Management*.

# **C.9.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs will be implemented in the pest management program:

 Anticoagulant rodenticides will not be used outside of buildings to control rodents because of the risk to raptors and other wildlife.

# C.9.2 Goals and Objectives

No goals or objectives are identified for the LTA. The WYMD would update pest management records annually in compliance with the 2019 Integrated Pest Management Plan.

## C.10 INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAM

An *invasive species* is an alien species whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health (EO13112). Invasive species may cause direct environmental harm, which can lead to decreases in native species populations (Invasive Species Advisory Committee 2006). Proper landscape management is the best option to reduce the density of invasive plant species. Although invasive plant species can be detrimental to ecosystems and wildlife,

they can also provide quality habitat to some wildlife species. The timing of treatment may become important in these instances. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects for each of the programs in this section.

# **C.10.1** Best Management Practices

The following BMPs may be implemented to ensure the management of invasive species and maintain compliance with applicable laws:

- Training constraints for invasive species include large noxious weed or invasive plant species infestations, as identified by the EMD staff and the natural resource manager.
- EMD staff will record any invasive weed infestations they encounter when in the field. Locations will be provided to the natural resource manager, who will update the appropriate geodatabase.
- To the extent practicable, use locally adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides. (DoDI 4715.03)
- Integrated invasive species management that uses two or more of the following control methods are preferred: biological, cultural, chemical, and mechanical.
- The timing of chemical or mechanical treatment of invasive weeds must correspond to times that will have the lowest impact on natural resources and still maintain effectiveness. For example, the treatment of invasive thistle should occur outside of the nesting season because finches nest within thistle stands.
- Treatment of invasive species must comply with the Integrated Pest Management Plan (WYARNG 2019).
- All training activity is restricted in areas with large noxious weed or invasive plant species
  infestations to prevent the spread to other areas of the LTA. Once areas are treated and EMD
  Staff determine that the risk of spreading noxious weeds or invasive plant species from the site
  has been lowered to an acceptable level, the area will be re-opened to training.
- The location of training activities will be rotated to allow maneuver and bivouac areas to recover.
- Ground disturbance due to training activities will be repaired immediately to discourage noxious weeds or invasive plant species from establishing.
- Prescribed fire will be used in a manner that does not encourage cheatgrass invasion.
- All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.
- Any equipment or vehicles used for training purposes will be cleaned and inspected prior to entering the LTA.
- Vehicles and equipment used for training will be cleaned following training.
- Equipment that was in contact with a water positive for zebra/quagga mussels (currently none in Wyoming) within the last 30 days, is required to undergo inspection by an authorized inspector prior to contacting a Wyoming water.
- From March through November, all water hauling equipment and watercraft entering the state by land must be inspected before contacting a water of the state.
- Equipment used in any Wyoming water that contains aquatic invasive species, must be cleaned, drained and dried before use in another water. Wyoming waters with aquatic invasive species

- can be found at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-and-Boating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Boating-Information.
- When equipment that has been in contact with any Wyoming water is moved from one 4th level watershed (8-digit Hydrological Unit Code) to another within Wyoming, it must be cleaned, drained and dried. Specific guidance is available at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-and-Boating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Construction-and-Fire.

# C.10.2 Goals and Objectives

- **Goal**: Manage noxious weeds and invasive plant species so that they do not affect military training or the integrity of the native plant and wildlife communities in the Sheridan LTA.
  - o **Objective**: Inventory and map noxious weed infestations in the LTA.

## C.11 CLIMATE CHANGE

The WYARNG understands that there exists potential for climate change to affect the ability of the military to sustain mission readiness. To address the potential impacts on installations as a result of climate change, the DoD has developed a decision support tool to assist installation Natural Resource Managers in assessing climate change vulnerabilities, implications, and adaptations. At the time of development of the INRMP, the Sheridan LTA was not included in the Army Climate Assessment Tool to create climate risk models for the LTA. The WYMD will check the Army Climate Assessment Tool annually and incorporate results for Sheridan LTA when it becomes available.

The Sheridan LTA is in the Northern Great Plains region as categorized in the *Impacts Risks, and Adaptation in the United States: Fourth Annual Climate Assessment, Volume II* (Conant et al. 2018). This report includes a regional overview of the current climate projections for large geographic areas of the United States. The following summarizes the anticipated climate change impacts on Sheridan LTA and the region:

- Increases in temperature. Climate model projections indicate a trend in warming in the Northern Great Plains, rising steadily until 2050.
- Changes to precipitation patterns. Climate projections indicate that this region will see a greater variability in precipitation patterns, especially in relation to the frequency of heavy precipitation events (i.e., annual number of days with greater than 2 inches of rainfall). Relatively small changes to annual precipitation can result in large changes to runoff, available soil moisture, and streamflow, due to the fact that this region is already very arid.
- Water availability. Anticipated impacts on water availability indicate a mix of increasing and
  decreasing average annual water availability, depending on precipitation patterns and
  snowpack. In general, snowpack in this region is expected to decrease. Year-to-year variability of
  water availability, which is already subject to unpredictability, is expected to increase. Changes
  to precipitation patterns are also expected to result in low-probability, but high-severity and
  high-impact events, such as extreme floods. On the other hand, extreme drought events are
  expected to increase.
- Increase in wildfire severity and frequency. Higher temperatures, drought, and alterations to water availability (e.g., soil moisture, streamflow) are likely to increase the severity, frequency, and extent of wildfires in the region, resulting in damage to property and wildlife habitat, increase in smoke and a corresponding decreasing in air quality, and a stress on agency resources to respond to catastrophic events.

• Alteration of wildlife habitat. The above-referenced climate projections will have impacts on aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems, resulting in the loss of habitat availability and function for wildlife. Reduction in streamflows and increases in water temperatures would affect aquatic biodiversity negatively. Conversely, increases in extreme flood events may destroy important aquatic habitat or terrestrial habitat in the immediate vicinity. Wetland habitat is also expected to decrease, resulting in the loss or alteration of habitat for a myriad of species that depend on it. Warmer temperatures and increases in resulting physiological stress in individual wildlife may make populations of species more susceptible to diseases, such as proliferative kidney disease in whitefish or outbreaks of big game diseases. Warmer temperatures and drought are expected to result in the reduction of available forage for wildlife. The proliferation of extreme wildfire events may also further exacerbate the loss of habitat and forage. In general, species with narrow life histories that depend on a specific suite of environmental conditions could be more affected from anticipated climate change scenarios than species that are more generalist in their life-history preferences.

The WYARNG recognizes that regional climate change may result in the inability of the military to train. Soldier safety is of the utmost concern for WYARNG. Increases in temperature, severe wildfires, and the resulting reduction in air quality may threaten soldier safety during training events. The WYARNG is committed to assessments of local conditions during training events to ensure that soldiers are kept safe. Large, unpredictable weather events, such as extreme rainfall or flooding, may restrict training on LTAs when those events occur. Following large flood events, sections of the LTA may be unusable due to unstable soil conditions or erosions. As such, the WYMD will track such events and facilitate timely inspection of LTAs to ensure that these areas are marked as unsafe and develop a restoration plan in accordance with BMPs listed in this INRMP and Army environmental standards. Restoring areas affected by climate-fueled events will ensure that the LTA still is able to support military training and readiness. Appendix E identifies the proposed projects for climate change.

# C.11.1 Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Manage LTAs for resiliency to climate change and to sustain military training and readiness.
  - Objective: Review the INRMP annually for any changes that may be required as a response to climate-related events.
  - Objective: Maintain responsiveness to climate-related weather, flooding, and wildfire events.

Management goals, objectives, and projects identified in other sections of this INRMP pertaining to specific natural resources are designed to track and respond to changes to the landscape, wildlife habitat, and water resources. For example, the invasive species program includes objectives to map invasive species on a timescale that is appropriate for detecting changes to infestations and allow the WYMD to eradicate or control weed species such that the LTA maintains ecological integrity, and military training is not diminished. This INRMP also includes objectives to track wildlife species of interest, for example, instituting a monitoring plan for migratory birds and raptors. Monitoring wildlife species will allow the WYMD to detect changes to wildlife use of the LTA. The WYMD has also proposed habitat restoration and enhancement for the USFWS candidate species monarch butterfly at the Sheridan LTA, which will create habitat for not only the monarch, but also pollinator species in general.

## C.12 PROPOSED PROJECTS AND IMPLEMENTATION

Appendix E lists the proposed projects for the Sheridan LTA.

## C.13 RESOURCE PROTECTION GUIDELINES

Appendix F summarizes the BMPs detailed in the previous sections.

## C.14 NATIVE SEED MIX

Appendix G provides an example native seed list for use at the Sheridan LTA.

## C.15 SPECIES LIST

Appendix H identifies the animal, invertebrate, and plant species known to occur at the Sheridan LTA.

## C.16 NEPA DOCUMENTATION

In 2001, a NEPA analysis was conducted for the Sheridan LTA INRMP (WYARNG 2001c). A Record of Consideration will be completed for this update of the INRMP that tiers off the 2001 environmental assessment. If any projects in this INRMP are beyond the scope of the 2001 environmental assessment, project specific NEPA analyses will be completed. The aerial spraying of ventenata, which is a project under Section C.10.2, was analyzed in the Aerial Application of Herbicides at the Sheridan Local Training Area Environmental Assessment (WYARNG 2021).

## C.17 PRAIRIE DOG MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

### C.17.1 Introduction

The Sheridan LTA is in northern-central Wyoming, in Sheridan County. The training area is approximately 40 miles south of the Montana border and 2 miles northwest of Sheridan, Wyoming, on State Highway 337. The LTA comprises approximately 6.2 square miles (3,960 acres). The Sheridan LTA has been used by the United States since the establishment of Fort Mackenzie in 1897. The LTA is currently used as a training facility for the WYARNG. The WYARNG uses the LTA approximately 6 to 14 times per year for training purposes, which may include convoy movement, navigation, mounted and unmounted maneuvering, and set-up and take-down of camps and camouflage. The Sheridan LTA is leased indefinitely from the USACE and is managed by the WYMD.

## C.17.2 Purpose and Need

The Sheridan LTA Prairie Dog Management Strategy (Strategy) addresses prairie dog management considerations on the LTA as they relate to conservation, military training, and private lands. The purpose of the Strategy is to establish procedures for managing prairie dogs on the Sheridan LTA and provide the WYMD a framework for balancing conservation of black-tailed prairie dog, a WGFD SGCN, and the need to prevent damage to military training facilities and areas and private land holdings surrounding the LTA.

This Strategy is consistent with requirements established under the Sikes Act for military installations to develop INRMPs to manage natural resources while sustaining military readiness and training conditions and comply with all applicable laws and regulations pertaining to natural resources.

The Sheridan LTA contains habitat for black-tailed prairie dogs. Prairie dog colonies are present on the LTA and were mapped during a 2021 site visit. Neighboring landowners have expressed concern over the extent of the prairie dog colonies on the LTA and expansion onto nearby properties. Military training and access to training areas in the LTA may also be limited by these prairie dog colonies. There are additional human health and safety concerns regarding contact with prairie dogs, because the species is known to harbor infectious diseases, such as plague, which was confirmed to occur in prairie dogs in northeastern Wyoming in 2017 (Wyoming Department of Health 2021).

The following objectives are part of the Strategy:

- Maintain prairie dog populations to the extent that achieves conservation objectives and is sufficient to fulfill the ecological role of the species on the landscape.
- Establish desired future conditions for the species.
- Conserve biological diversity on the LTA and region, especially USFWS-listed species, migratory bird species of concern, and WGFD Species of Greatest Conservation Need.
- Establish a monitoring strategy for prairie dogs on the LTA to include population estimates, prairie dog colony extent mapping, and monitoring for infectious diseases in colonies.
- Identify methods to control prairie dog populations, should it become necessary.
- Develop an outreach program and associated materials to provide information on the Strategy to landowners and the public.

# C.17.3 Prairie Dog Overview

This section provides an overview of prairie dog biology and ecology and a summary of the status of the species on the Sheridan LTA. Applicable policies pertaining to the management and conservation of the species are included.

### C.17.3.1 Biology and Ecology

The black-tailed prairie dog is one of five species of prairie dog occurring in North America and is considered the most widespread of these species. Generally, the range of the black-tailed prairie dog includes the Great Plains region. Historically, the species occupied short- and mixed-grass prairies from Canada to Mexico, and from the Rocky Mountains to Iowa. Occupied range for the species has declined significantly from historical levels (WYNDD 2021b). The species still occurs throughout most of its range, although in discrete isolated colonies. In Wyoming, the species occurs in the eastern part of the state and overlaps with the range of the white-tailed prairie dog.

Preferred habitat for the black-tailed prairie dog in Wyoming includes short to mixed-grass prairies on flat to gently rolling slopes (WYNDD 2021b). Areas with shrublands and tall grasses, which do not provide the preferred long sight distances for protection from predators, are generally avoided. The species occurs in areas where soil structure can support the formation of burrows, typically non-sandy areas (WYNDD 2021b).

The black-tailed prairie dog is considered a keystone species because of the impacts colonies have on occupied grasslands and the creation of habitat for other wildlife species. Occupied colonies provide a reliable prey source for raptors. Burrows created by black-tailed prairie dogs can provide nesting substrate for burrowing owls and provide cover for other wildlife species. Burrows created by prairie

dogs also allow for infiltration of air, water, and biomass into the soil profile which may increase nutrient availability for vegetation (WYNDD 2021b).

#### C.17.3.2 Applicable Policies

Applicable wildlife and natural resources policies pertaining to the management of black-tailed prairie dogs are discussed below.

#### **Endangered Species Act**

Since 1994, the black-tailed prairie dog has been petitioned for listing under the Endangered Species Act several times. The species was petitioned for listing based on declines in populations, habitat conversion and loss, and deliberate eradication. The most recent decision from the USFWS that listing was not warranted under the Endangered Species Act came in 2009 (USFWS 2009).

### State of Wyoming

In Wyoming, the black-tailed prairie dog is classified as both a pest and nongame SGCN. The WGFD and the Wyoming Department of Agriculture share management authority for this species, which can lead to challenges in management based on the species' status. Priorities for the species include continuing statewide monitoring efforts to evaluate population trends and potential threats to the species; sylvatic plague control efforts (e.g., insecticide dusting, vaccine baits), where necessary, and outreach/collaboration with private landowners in the state to ensure conservation of the species while protecting private land from damage (WYNDD 2021b).

#### Sikes Act

The Sikes Act of 1960 was enacted by Congress to address natural resources conservation and public access on military installations. The Sikes Act reflects the recognition that military lands have significant natural resources. Subsequent amendments to the Sikes Act in 1997 established the requirement for the DoD to develop and implement INRMPs for military installations with significant natural resources. In 2012, an amendment to the Sikes Act authorized the preparation and implementation of INRMPs for state-owned National Guard installations used for training purposes. This Prairie Dog Management Strategy is included as part of the amended INRMP for the Sheridan LTA.

#### WYMD Integrated Pest Management

The State of Wyoming classifies a *designated pest* as any animal or insect species found to be detrimental to the health or general welfare of the state based on impacts on native plant communities, agricultural areas, and livestock. An Integrated Pest Management Plan was approved for all WYMD facilities in 2019, which establishes the framework for managing designated pests on LTAs. As part of the pest management program, the WYMD determined BMPs to effectively manage pests:

 Anticoagulant rodenticides will not be used outside of buildings to control small mammals because of the risk to raptors and other wildlife.

The integrated pest management program requires updating pest management records each year to track activities associated with control of designated pests on LTAs.

# C.17.4 Status of Prairie Dogs at the Sheridan LTA

The Sheridan LTA is located on the eastern slope of the Bighorn Mountains in the Powder River Basin. The LTA is moderately flat with rolling hills to the south and east. Land cover in the LTA is dominated by grasslands and shrublands. The dominant ecological vegetation cover types in the Sheridan LTA are inter-mountain basins big sagebrush steppe and northwestern great plains mixed-grass prairie, which collectively comprise approximately 93 percent of the LTA.

Prairie dog habitat is present throughout much of the LTA, particularly in the areas in the northwestern great plains mixed-grass prairie cover type and in sagebrush—steppe areas with lower shrub cover. In 2021, ICF biologists completed reconnaissance surveys to determine the general extent and activity levels of black-tailed prairie dogs on the LTA (Figure C-9). Five active prairie dog colonies were mapped in the southern and central portions of the LTA, comprising approximately 539 acres. Eleven inactive prairie dog colonies were delineated, comprising approximately 853 acres. In all, prairie dog colonies comprise approximately 1,390 acres, or 35 percent, of the LTA. Two active colonies may extend beyond the LTA boundary on the southeastern and southern fence line and onto private lands adjacent to the LTA.

Colonies were determined to be active if prairie dogs were present or if recent sign (e.g., fresh digging marks, scat, or open burrows) were observed. Inactive colonies were delineated to provide a complete baseline for the species on the LTA. In some cases, colonies may experience die-offs due to disease, and appear inactive in one year, but may be re-colonized in subsequent years. Including all colonies presents a complete picture of the status of the species on the LTA for future management actions.

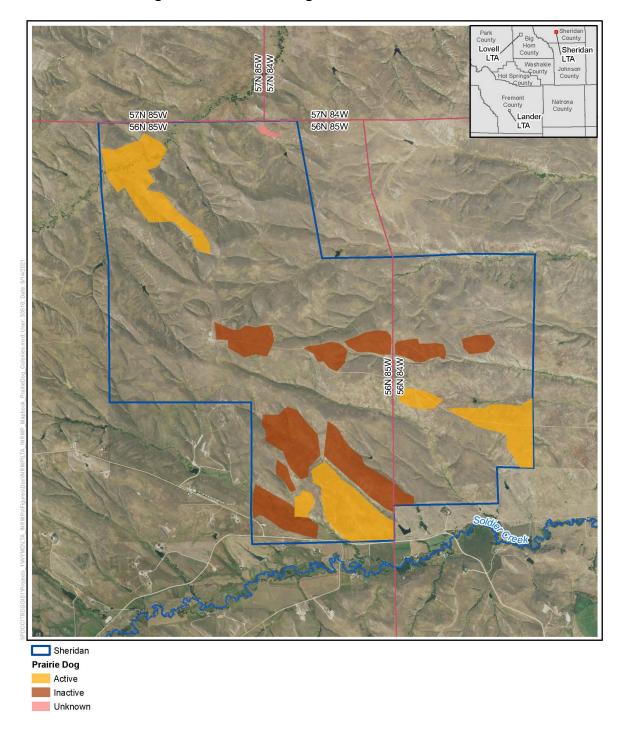


Figure C-9. Prairie Dog Colonies at the Sheridan LTA



Sheridan LTA Prairie Dog Colonies

# C.17.5 Prairie Dog Strategy at the Sheridan LTA

This section presents the basis for the management strategy of prairie dogs at the Sheridan LTA. First, the WYMD presents the desired future condition of black-tailed prairie dogs at the LTA. Next, management strategies to control prairie dogs for mitigating risk to human health and safety and property protection and to sustain military training capabilities are discussed.

#### C.17.5.1 Desired Future Condition

The WYMD recognizes the status of the black-tailed prairie dog as both a WGFD SGCN and keystone ecological species and a species that can present economic damage and risks to human health, safety, and property. This prairie dog management strategy intends to maintain populations and habitat for prairie dogs to allow for the species to persist at the LTA, while ensuring that the prairie dog does not negatively affect military training capabilities, damage private property, or present a human health risk. The strategy will comply with all applicable laws and policies pertaining to the prairie dog and be in accordance with natural resource management goals and objectives presented in the WYMD INRMP. As such, the WYMD has established the following benchmarks for desired future conditions related to black-tailed prairie dogs at the LTA:

- Maintain prairie dog colonies such that populations do not crash within the LTA and colonies continue filling ecological roles (e.g., raptor prey base, habitat for other wildlife).
- Allow prairie dog colonies to expand and contract and follow natural processes. This would require identification of areas in the LTA that are appropriate for management for continual occupation by prairie dogs.
- Maintain LTA facilities such that prairie dog activity does not destroy, damage, or otherwise render them unusable for military training purposes.
- Manage prairie dog colonies that may extend past installation boundaries to prevent damage to private property.
- Monitor colonies for potential human health or safety issues.

#### C.17.5.2 Prairie Dog Management for Human Health and Safety and Protection of Property

The management strategy for prairie dogs includes elements to prevent incursion of prairie dog colonies into undesired areas and provide options for removing prairie dogs from undesired areas in which they have become established.

For prairie dog management solutions, the WYMD will carefully consider which will be safest to military personnel and provide the most effective solution for the long-term. Prevention strategies may require additional management, such as live trapping/relocation and eradication, to be most effective. Establishing a program that monitors the presence/extent of prairie dog colonies will provide an important baseline for determining strategies that will be most effective. The WYMD will coordinate with WGFD, as necessary, to determine any necessary permits or approvals needed for any management strategy employed on the LTA.

#### Prevention

To prevent incursion of prairie dog colonies on private lands and private property, near military training facilities, and into military training areas, preventative measures may be used to create a physical barrier for colonies to prevent expansion into areas where they are not wanted. Barriers can be natural or human-made. Natural barriers may consist of creating areas of habitat that are not suitable for prairie

dog colonies, such as planting dense shrubs. Because natural barriers would take time to establish, for areas where immediate control/prevention measures are necessary, the WYMD would construct permanent or temporary human-made barriers to achieve management objectives in the desired timeline. Human-made barriers may consist of fencing, rock walls, or materials such as erosion control mats placed on the ground. Human-made barriers may be breached by prairie dogs if not managed properly. Effective human-made barriers should be monitored several times a year to ensure they are intact. It is likely that some removal of prairie dogs that breach barriers may be necessary in addition to preventing reuse of new burrows. Witmer et al. (2008) suggest using pea gravel to fill burrows or covering openings with chicken wire to prevent reestablishment. To ensure that barriers are successful, the WYMD would implement the following best management practices:

- Determine the appropriate barrier material for the area.
- Erect barriers before emergence of juvenile prairie dogs to prevent movement into undesired areas.
- Install interpretive signs on the barrier to inform the public of the purpose of the barrier and any human health concerns associated with prairie dog colonies.
- For natural barriers, the WYMD would use native species such as sagebrush and tall grasses such
  as Indian ricegrass and big bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii*) in areas between the current colony
  and where the WYMD would like to prevent expansion. WYMD would follow the Invasive
  Species Management objectives listed in the WYMD INRMP to prevent establishment of invasive
  species.
- Vegetation barriers should be constructed in the maximum space allowable to prevent incursion into undesired areas.
- Live-trap and relocate any prairie dogs on the undesired side of the barrier within the LTA.

To prevent incursion of prairie dog colonies on private lands and property, the following goal and projects would be implemented:

Goal: Establish physical barriers to control prairie dog colonies at the Sheridan LTA.

**Project**: Construct human-made barriers in areas that need immediate management of prairie dogs.

**Project**: Determine areas where long-term natural vegetation barriers can be constructed to prevent spread of prairie dog colonies.

**Project**: Construct natural vegetation barriers where identified and monitor results.

#### **Live Trapping and Relocation**

For areas where prairie dogs are encroaching on LTA facilities or near private property, live trapping and relocation to areas where colonies are established and are not a threat to facilities or property may be used as an effective management strategy. The following best management practices will be followed if live trapping and relocation is determined to be an effective management strategy for the LTA:

- To ensure success of relocation, the WYMD will consider where prairie dogs will be relocated to.
- The WYMD will ensure that prairie dogs to be relocated do not carry infectious diseases to another colony. Prairie dogs trapped may require a dusting of insecticide.

- Prairie dogs will be captured between late June and September. Traps used will be humane traps and checked several times.
- Persons conducting live trapping and relocation will be trained on safe prairie dog handling and follow any necessary health precautions.

The following goal and projects would be implemented regarding trapping and relocation:

• **Goal**: Live trap and relocate prairie dogs in areas where they are encroaching on property or facilities, where feasible.

**Project**: Identify criteria for application of live trapping and relocation of prairie dogs. For example, consider the potential for success, the number of prairie dogs, the timeframe under which management of prairie dogs is necessary, and the availability of colonies to move prairie dogs to.

**Project**: Coordinate with the WGFD to determine best protocols for trapping and relocation, any necessary permits that may be required, and approvals for relocation projects.

**Project**: Restore/rehabilitate uninhabited prairie dog colonies to prevent reestablishment where animals have been relocated. This may involve filling in burrows or planting vegetation that is undesirable to the species.

#### **Eradication**

Eradication of prairie dog colonies will be used in areas in which they have become a nuisance, and no other management strategies will be effective for their control. Lethal control can be used in areas where immediate removal is needed or in areas where other management strategies have been implemented (e.g., physical barriers, relocation). The WYMD will focus eradication control on the LTA, but can provide information and support to landowners to assist in determining safe eradication procedures for areas off the installation that are affected by prairie dog colonies extending off the LTA. The following goals and projects regarding eradication would be implemented:

 Goal: Use safe eradication methods to control prairie dog colonies on the Sheridan LTA if other management strategies are not effective or do not provide immediate results.

**Project**: In accordance with Integrated Pest Management Plan and in coordination with USDA APHIS, Wildlife Services, and WGFD, identify ecologically safe chemical or gas eradication methods.

Project: Monitor any eradication activities and safely dispose of deceased prairie dogs.

**Project**: Restore/rehabilitate uninhabited prairie dog colonies to prevent reestablishment where animals have been eradicated. This may involve filling in burrows or planting vegetation that is undesirable to the species.

• **Goal**: Provide information to local landowners adjacent to the LTA on safe eradication procedures.

**Project**: As part of the outreach program, develop materials on how to contact USDA APHIS or Wildlife Services.

**Project**: If possible, provide resources support for safe eradication programs for private landowners with immediately adjacent property.

## Monitoring

The WYMD will establish a monitoring program to track prairie dog colonies, effects of management strategies, and disease outbreaks within prairie dog colonies on the LTA. The results of the monitoring program will provide a continuing baseline assessment of the species and their ecological function at the LTA, monitor effectiveness of management strategies, and inform future management strategies for prairie dogs. As part of the monitoring program, the WYMD will establish management triggers that will identify when a change in management strategy may be necessary to provide more effective prairie dog control on the LTA. The following goal and projects would be implemented regarding monitoring prairie dog colonies:

Goal: Monitor prairie dog populations on the Sheridan LTA.

**Project:** Delineate prairie dog colonies on Sheridan LTA annually.

**Project:** Visit any physical barriers (natural or human-made) to ensure that they are intact and effective. Repair as needed.

**Project:** Monitor natural barriers created to track their establishment (e.g., determine plant density and height).

**Project:** Establish a plague monitoring program for prairie dogs at the Sheridan LTA, to include flea sampling and tracking colony die-offs.

**Project:** Publish results of monitoring for the public.

#### **Public Outreach**

The WYMD will establish a public outreach program for prairie dog management. Public outreach will include informational materials to inform the public on the ecological significance of the prairie dog, the military's responsibility for managing natural resources on installations, the management options that the WYMD will consider for prairie dog colony control, and an opportunity for the public to provide comments and contact the WYMD regarding prairie dog issues along the LTA fenceline. The following goal and projects would be implemented for public outreach:

• **Goal:** Create outreach materials to inform the public on prairie dog management for the Sheridan LTA.

**Project:** Develop hard-copy materials and signage for areas on the LTA where the public may encounter prairie dogs. Information may include prairie dog ecology/biology, potential

human health concerns related to prairie dog colonies, and identification of any management strategies employed in the immediate vicinity to control prairie dogs.

**Project:** Consider a mailer to nearby residents explaining any proposed prairie dog management strategies or project implementation opportunities.

**Project:** Establish a website with information on prairie dog ecology/biology, human health concerns, and the management plan for prairie dogs at the Sheridan LTA. Include an opportunity for the public to contact WYMD personnel to provide information on prairie dog issues related to the LTA.

#### C.17.5.3 Prairie Dog Control for Sustaining Military Training and Readiness

The WYARNG recognizes that healthy ecosystems and a viable natural resources base is required to support the military mission. Conditions at the LTA must be maintained to provide a stable area for training activities for the WYARNG. The WYMD has identified overarching goals in the WYMD INRMP that allow the WYARNG to sustain the military mission, while complying with all federal laws and policies pertaining to natural resources.

Prairie dog colonies may affect military training by degrading areas needed for training purposes. Prairie dog burrows may present the potential for injuries to guard units during unmounted exercises in training areas. Active prairie dog colonies may harbor infectious disease, such as sylvatic plague, which may present a human health hazard to soldiers training in the LTA. As such, active prairie dog colonies may be areas that would be closed to training opportunities for guard units, potentially reducing the ability of the LTA to sustain military training and readiness.

In addition, prairie dog colonies may threaten facilities on the Sheridan LTA, causing soil instability on roadways and encroaching on buildings or parking areas.

Best management practices and management goals and projects presented in the proceeding section will also apply to sustaining the military mission on the Sheridan LTA.

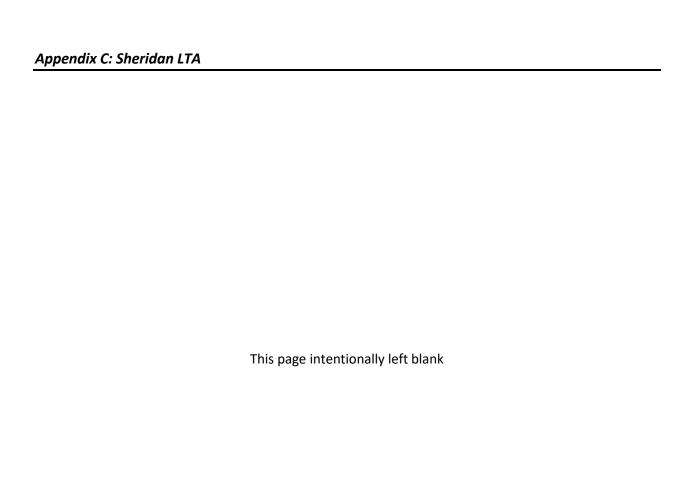
# C.17.6 Adaptive Management Strategy

An adaptive management strategy will be used as part of the prairie dog management strategy. Adaptive management is an iterative framework for natural resource management that allows for using monitoring of managed resources and the effectiveness of implemented management activities to inform any changes to a management strategy to produce improved long-term management outcomes. This Strategy lends itself well to an adaptive management strategy for the following reasons:

- Prairie dog colonies and populations are not static across the landscape and change year to
  year. Allowing for monitoring results to inform future management actions for the species will
  allow for effective management in the long-term.
- Not all management strategies are guaranteed to be effective over the short- or long-term.
   Adaptive management will allow for monitoring of management strategies and development of more effective techniques for specific circumstances.
- Shifting priorities for the WYMD may require changes to the prairie dog management strategy.
- Climate change and regulatory status of the species may result in the need to alter management actions for this species.

The WYMD will employ the following steps as part of the adaptive management strategy annually:

- Step 1. Identify the critical prairie dog issues on the LTA and prioritize areas for immediate
  management action. Hold a meeting with LTA personnel, WGFD, and private landowners to
  identify the problem areas.
- Step 2. From the available management options, identify the options that have the highest potential for success for priority prairie dog issues. Develop a detailed plan for implementation of management actions for the identified issues, including a monitoring plan that identifies the resources that will be monitored (e.g., extent/presence of prairie dogs), how it will be monitored (i.e., protocol and time frame), and how the results will be interpreted and presented.
- **Step 3**. Implement the management actions for priority prairie dog issues.
- **Step 4**. Implement the monitoring plan to gather information on the effectiveness of the management action and determine the updated prairie dog baseline.
- **Step 5**. Determine how effective the management actions were and determine if additional action is warranted. Establish an updated baseline of prairie dog colony extent. Develop and update outreach materials to inform the public and WYMD personnel on management actions.



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# APPENDIX E: PROPOSED PROJECTS AND IMPLEMENTATION

The three tables below summarize the proposed projects for the Lander, Lovell, and Sheridan LTAs, respectively.

Table E-11. Summary of Proposed Projects for the Lander LTA

Program	Project	Funding Requested	Funding Received	Project Complete
	Manage garbage entering from the landfill.			
Ecosystem  Management and	Revegetate and reclaim areas of surface disturbance or degraded areas following best management practices.			
Maintenance of	Monitor reclaimed areas to determine the success of native seedings.			
Biodiversity	Review INRMP annually and update/revise if there is a significant change in environmental conditions or training activities. Annual reviews will include coordination with USFWS and WGFD.			
	Remove all internal fencing.			
Fish and Wildlife	Repair boundary fencing as needed to prevent trespass livestock from entering the LTA; all repairs shall be done using wildlife friendly specifications.			
Management	Establish a nest platform for raptors in Section 15 (T33N R99W).			
	Natural Resource Staff shall attend professional meetings and engage with the local WGFD biologists.			
	Continue to work with the WGFD to create habitat improvement projects as needed.			
	Develop and implement an avian inventory and monitoring plan, including maps to illustrate habitats for birds of conservation concern of WGFD species of greatest conservation need.			
Migratory Birds	Conduct annual raptor nest surveys with priority given to areas to be used for future military training and construction projects.			
	Conduct migratory bird surveys.			
	Conduct species specific surveys for burrowing owl and mountain plover.			
Hunting and Fishing Program	Develop an online sign-in and harvesting report that allows WYARNG to track hunter use and harvest.			
Water Resources Protection	Not applicable			
	Perform an aquatic resources inventory field survey based on the USACE manual and supplement.			
Wetland Protection	In conjunction with the aquatic resources inventory, complete a field survey delineation to determine ordinary high water marks for intermittent channels.			
Call Faraian Canta I	Create a constraint map that illustrates soil map units as having high to severe soil erosion characteristics.			
Soil Erosion Control  Management	Comply with WDEQ requirements for WYPDES permits for construction of any future sites.			
wianagement	Seed disturbed sites in accordance with WYMD reclamation procedures.			

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Program	Project	Funding Requested	Funding Received	Project Complete
Outdoor Recreation	Identify areas of valuable habitat to preserve while increasing access and trail system.			
	In 2017, potential habitat for listed threatened or endangered species was identified. If any new species are listed or if there is a change in environmental conditions, identify potential habitat for these species.  Annually update/confirm the list of threatened and endangered species that may occur in the LTA.			
Threatened and	Survey the LTA for monarch butterflies and their habitat.			
Endangered Species	Map areas on the LTA that have milkweed.			
	Establish more flowering plants on the LTA, including milkweed.			
	If warranted for Federal actions that may affect listed species, then conduct Section 7 consultation with the USFWS.			
Forest and Fire Management	Not applicable			
Integrated Pest Management	Update all pest management records annually.			
Invasive Species Program	Conduct noxious weed mapping every 5 years in the LTA using geographic information systems (GIS). Refer to current state and county lists prior to conducting inventories. Develop a GIS database to track noxious weed infestations.			
	Coordinate annually with County Weed and Pest Districts on state-designated and county-declared noxious weed control or eradication.			
	Coordinate with agencies to review the INRMP and identify specific projects that can be implemented to ameliorate impacts from flooding, wildfire, or intense weather events.			
Climate Change	Review specific projects in other sections that may need to be altered in changed circumstances under climate change scenarios in order to meet INRMP objectives.			
	Review DoD Climate Assessment Tool yearly to determine if the LTAs are included in any updates.			
	Develop incident-response management plans to ensure timely reconnaissance of property damage.			
	Maintain funding for any required restoration or rehabilitation of LTA property following extreme weather events.			

Table E-2. Summary of Proposed Projects for the Lovell LTA

Program	Project	Funding Requested	Funding Received	Project Complete
Ecosystem	Review the INRMP annually and update/revise if there is a significant change in environmental conditions or training activities. Annual reviews will include coordination with USFWS and WGFD.			
Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity	Revegetate and reclaim areas of surface disturbance or degraded areas following best management practices.			
ыошчегыц	Monitor reclaimed areas to determine the success of native seedings.			
	Establish a raptor nest platform in Section 5 T55N R 95W and/or Section 4 near the prairie dog colony.			
Fish and Wildlife	Remove all internal fencing.			
Management	Repair boundary fencing as needed. All repairs will be done to wildlife friendly specifications.			
	Continue to work with the WGFD to create habitat improvement projects as needed.			
	Develop and implement an avian inventory and monitoring plan, including maps to illustrate habitats for birds of conservation concern of WGFD Species of Greatest Conservation Need.			
Migratory Birds	Conduct annual raptor nest surveys with priority given to areas to be used for future military training and construction projects.			
	Conduct migratory bird surveys on the LTA.			
	Enroll the Lovell LTA in the WGFD Hunter Management Area (HMA) program.			
Hunting and Fishing	Develop an online sign-in program for hunters accessing the LTA.			
Program	Conduct a hunter experience survey for the LTA, and use the results to identify ways to improve hunter experience and access.			
Water Resources Protection	Not applicable			
	Perform an aquatic resources inventory field survey based on the USACE manual and supplement.			
Wetland Protection	In conjunction with the aquatic resources inventory, complete a field survey delineation to determine the ordinary highwater marks for intermittent channels.			
	Create a constraint map that illustrates soil map units as having high to severe soil erosion characteristics.			
Soil Erosion Control	Comply with WDEQ requirements for WYPDES permits for construction of any future sites.			
Management	Seed disturbed sites in accordance with WYMD reclamation procedures.			
Outdoor Recreation	Develop a program to allow for greater access to the public for recreational activities.			
Threatened and Endangered Species	In 2017, potential habitat for listed threatened or endangered species was identified. If any new species are listed or if there is a change in environmental conditions, identify potential habitat for these species.  Annually update/confirm the list of threatened and endangered species that may occur in the LTA.			
Lindangered Species	If warranted for Federal actions that may affect listed species, then conduct Section 7 consultation with the USFWS.			

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Program	Project	Funding Requested	Funding Received	Project Complete
Forest and Fire Management	Not applicable			
Integrated Pest Management	Update all pest management records annually.			
Invasive Species	Conduct periodic noxious weed mapping in the LTA using GIS. Refer to current state and county lists prior to conducting inventories. Use a GIS database to track noxious weed infestations.			
Program	Coordinate annually with County Weed and Pest Districts on state-designated and county-declared noxious weed control or eradication.			
Climate Change	Coordinate with agencies to review the INRMP and identify specific projects that can be implemented to ameliorate impacts from flooding, wildfire, or intense weather events.			
	Review specific projects in other sections that may need to be altered in changed circumstances under climate change scenarios in order to meet INRMP objectives.			
	Review DoD Climate Assessment Tool yearly to determine if the LTAs are included in any updates.			
	Develop incident-response management plans to ensure timely reconnaissance of property damage.			
	Maintain funding for any required restoration or rehabilitation of LTA property following extreme weather events.			

Table E-3. Summary of Proposed Projects for the Sheridan LTA

Program	Project	Funding Requested	Funding Received	Project Complete
Ecosystem	Review INRMP annually and update/revise if there is a significant change in environmental conditions or training activities. Annual reviews will include coordination with USFWS and WGFD.			
Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity	Revegetate and reclaim areas of surface disturbance or degraded areas following best management practices described above.			
blodiversity	Monitor reclaimed areas to determine the success of native seedings.			
	Develop a pollinator inventory.			
Fish and Wildlife	Identify areas for pollinator habitat improvements, with a focus on planting milkweed for monarch butterflies.			
Management	Repair boundary fencing as needed. All repairs will be done to wildlife friendly specifications.			
	Develop a habitat management plan in coordination with the WGFD.			
	Develop and implement an avian inventory, including maps to illustrate habitats for birds of conservation concern and WGFD species of greatest conservation need.			
Migratory Birds	Conduct annual raptor nest surveys with priority given to areas to be used for future military training and construction projects.			
	Conduct migratory bird surveys on the LTA.			
	Create online sign-in for the Soldier Creek HMA.			
Hunting and Fishing Program	Conduct a hunter experience survey for the LTA. Use the results to identify ways to improve hunter experience and access.			
	Create an online harvest survey.			
Water Resources Protection	Not applicable			
	Perform an aquatic resources inventory field survey based on the USACE manual and supplement.			
Wetland Protection	In conjunction with the aquatic resources inventory, complete a field survey delineation to determine the ordinary high water marks for intermittent channels.			
	Repair the exterior fence to limit trespass by neighboring livestock that concentrate around wetland areas, which can lead to erosion, water quality degradation, vegetation removal, and the spread of noxious weeds in wetland and ephemeral and intermittent channels.			
6 11 5 1 6 1 1	Create a constraint map that illustrates soil map units as having high to severe soil erosion characteristics.			
Soil Erosion Control  Management	Comply with WDEQ requirements for WYPDES permits for construction of any future sites.			
ivianagement	Seed disturbed sites in accordance with WYMD reclamation procedures.			
Outdoor Recreation	Identify areas of valuable habitat to preserve while increasing access and the trail system.			

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Program	Project	Funding Requested	Funding Received	Project Complete
Threatened and	In 2017, potential habitat for listed threatened or endangered species was identified. If any new species are listed or if there is a change in environmental conditions, identify potential habitat for these species. Annually update/confirm the list of threatened and endangered species that may occur in the LTA.			
Endangered Species	If warranted for Federal actions that may affect listed species, then conduct Section 7 consultation with the USFWS.			
Forest and Fire Management	Not applicable			
Integrated Pest Management	Update all pest management records annually.			
	Conduct noxious weed mapping in the LTA using geographic information systems (GIS). Refer to current state and county lists prior to conducting inventories. Develop a GIS database to track noxious weed infestations.			
Invasive Species Program	Coordinate annually with County Weed and Pest Districts on state-designated and county-declared noxious weed control or eradication.			
	Control ventenata on the LTA. Establish monitoring plots/transects for monitoring treatment success and determining when re-treatment should occur.			
	Coordinate with agencies to review the INRMP and identify specific projects that can be implemented to ameliorate impacts from flooding, wildfire, or intense weather events.			
Climate Change	Review specific projects in other programs that may need to be altered in changed circumstances under climate change scenarios in order to meet INRMP objectives.			
	Review DoD Climate Assessment Tool yearly to determine if the LTAs are included in any updates.			
	Develop incident-response management plans to ensure timely reconnaissance of property damage.			
	Maintain funding for any required restoration or rehabilitation of LTA property following extreme weather events.			

# **APPENDIX F: RESOURCE PROTECTION GUIDELINES**

The three tables below summarize the BMPs for the Lander, Lovell, and Sheridan LTAs, respectively.

Table F-1. Summary of Best Management Practices for the Lander LTA

Program	Best Management Practice
	Manage for vegetation composition consistent with ecological site potential.
	Only allow treatments that enhance wildlife habitat.
	Stay on designated routes when training.
Ecosystem Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity	Report all potentially significant natural resource damage to the WYMD Natural Resource Manager and/or ITAM manager.
Walitelance of blodiversity	Ensure sustained use of lands for military training and align land management priorities with training and readiness priorities.
	Maintain or improve the sustainability and native biological diversity of ecosystems.
	Rely on best science and data and develop adaptive management tools.
	Training constraints for native species and seed mixes include avoiding training operations on newly seeded areas until vegetation is adequately established and coordinating with the EMD staff and the natural resource manager to determine when the area is available for training maneuvers.
	Native seed mixes will be used to revegetate disturbed areas as required by WYMD reclamation procedures. If seeding an all-native seed mix is not practicable, ecological bridge species may be used as described in Palazzo et al. (2009). However, native seed must be an important component in all seed mixes.
Ecosystem Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity	Nonnative annual species (typically grains) may be used as a cover crop or nurse crop to provide immediate cover and aid in the establishment of permanent native vegetation.
(Reclamation and Reseeding BMPs)	Use locally adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
	Do not use plant species that are invasive.
	When possible, plant species that have been identified as having traditional cultural uses may be included in the native seed mix.
	Seed must be certified weed-free.
	Seeding is recommended to occur between March 15–May 15 or September 1–October 15.
	All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.
	If projects are within big sagebrush communities, project planning measures should retain large tracts of the habitat and corridors to aid in the conservation of the greater sagegrouse.
	Management of game species on the LTA will be coordinated with the WGFD.
Fish and Wildlife Management	Evaluate proposed projects or new training missions on mule deer winter range and coordinate with WGFD to develop any necessary mitigation measures.
	Any new fences will be built to wildlife friendly specifications: 4-strand wire fence no more than 42 inches high. The distance between the top two wires will be no less than 12 inches apart with a smooth top wire. Middle wires may be barbed and the bottom wire will be smooth and at least 16 inches off the ground. Wood or steel posts spaced at 16.5 foot intervals.

Program	Best Management Practice
	Any readiness or non-readiness activity that has the potential to have significant adverse impacts on migratory bird populations will be addressed in a NEPA analysis and coordinated with the USFWS.
	When feasible, non-readiness activities (i.e., construction and other land disturbing maintenance activities) will take place outside of the migratory bird nesting season (February 1–August 31) to avoid the incidental take of nesting birds. If this is not possible, then, when feasible, the vegetation over the construction site will be mowed outside of the nesting season to reduce nesting habitat. When practicable, migratory bird surveys will be conducted during the nesting season in the project area, immediately before and during construction, so that nests can be identified and avoided.
Migratory Birds	If an active raptor or eagle nest is located on the LTA, the WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS to apply an appropriate spatial buffer around the nest for protection from noise or disturbance.
	All new or reconstructed power lines will be constructed with raptor-safe construction (APLIC 2006, 2012).
	Work projects that could lead to the take of a migratory bird, their young, eggs, or nests should be coordinated with the USFWS before any actions are taken. Removal or destruction of such nests or causing abandonment of a nest could constitute violation of the MBTA or BGEPA. If nest manipulation is proposed for any project, the USFWS Migratory Bird Office in Denver should be contacted at 1-303-236-8171 to see if a permit can be issued. No nest manipulation is allowed without a permit. If a permit cannot be issued, the project may need to be modified to ensure take of a migratory bird or eagle, their young, eggs, or nest will not occur.
Hunting and Fishing	Not applicable
	Digging is not allowed within drainages or naturally occurring ponded areas.
	Light maneuver in detailed coordination with the EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
Water Resources Protection	Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
	Placement of silt fencing in ephemeral and intermittent channels is required to prevent sedimentation downstream from any upstream ground-disturbance activities when imminent precipitation is anticipated.
	Bivouacking is not allowed in wetland areas.
	Digging is not allowed in wetland areas.
	Foot traffic in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
Wetland Protection	Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
	Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
	All desktop mapped NWI wetland areas have a 200-foot buffer within which no training may occur. Buffer areas may change based on field surveys to identify aquatic resources.
	Bivouacking is not allowed in high to severe soil erosion areas.
	Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
Soil Erosion Control Management	Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
	Reseed disturbance areas as soon as practicable. Avoid military missions in reseeded areas until vegetation is established.
	Install erosion and sediment control features or products to reduce or eliminate soil loss during construction or military maneuvers, where needed.

Program	Best Management Practice
Outdoor Recreation	Not applicable
	In the event that a threatened or endangered species or species of concern is identified, the WYMD will initiate consultation with the USFWS.
	For areas of suitable habitat for Ute ladies'-tresses ( <i>Spiranthes diluvialis</i> ), and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted during the appropriate time of year by a qualified botanist.
	For areas with suitable monarch butterfly habitat and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted for caterpillars and adults during the appropriate time of year.
Threatened and Endangered Species	Should a species that occurs at the Lander LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify the USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the newly listed species as well as all listed species potentially occurring there. Management actions to minimize effects should be developed for candidate species in the event they become listed so as not to delay proposed actions.
	WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS on an annual basis to review petitioned, candidates, or listed threatened, endangered, or sensitive species (TES) in or near the Lander LTA and determine if current projects address or affect management of these species.
Forest and Fire Management	Not applicable
Cultural Resources Protection	Avoid impacts on known NRHP-eligible cultural resources.  Exclude areas containing known NRHP-eligible cultural resources from prescribed burn and other vegetation treatment areas that involve vegetation clearing, revegetation, and erosion control.
	Ensure compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA.
	Consult with 18 federally recognized Native American Tribes to determine if any locations of traditional cultural, ethnic, or religious significance are present within the LTA.
Integrated Pest Management	Anticoagulant rodenticides will not be used outside of buildings to control rodents because of the risk to raptors and other wildlife.
	Training constraints for invasive species include large noxious weed or invasive plant species infestations as identified by the EMD staff and natural resource manager.
	EMD staff will record any invasive weed infestations that they encounter when in the field. Locations will be provided to the natural resource manager who will update the appropriate geodatabase.
	Each installation will, to the extent practicable, use locally-adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
	Integrated invasive species management that uses two or more of the following control methods are preferred: biological, cultural, chemical, and mechanical.
Invasive Species Program	The timing of chemical or mechanical treatment of invasive weeds must correspond to times that will have the lowest impact on natural resources and still maintain effectiveness. For example, the treatment of invasive thistle should occur outside of the nesting season because finches nest within thistle stands.
	Treatment of invasive species must comply with the Integrated Pest Management Plan.
	All training activity is restricted in areas with large noxious weed or invasive plant species infestations to prevent the spread to other areas of the LTA. Once areas are treated and EMD staff determine that the risk of spreading noxious weeds or invasive plant species from the site has been lowered to an acceptable level, then the area will be re-opened to training.
	The location of training activities will be rotated to allow maneuver and bivouac areas to recover.
	Ground disturbance due to training activities will be immediately repaired to discourage noxious weeds or invasive plant species from establishing.
	Prescribed fire will be used in a manner that does not encourage cheatgrass invasion.

# Appendix F: Resource Protection Guidelines

Program	Best Management Practice
	All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.
	Any equipment or vehicles used for training purposes will be cleaned and inspected prior to entering the LTA.
	Vehicles and equipment used for training will be cleaned following training.
	Equipment that was in contact with a water positive for zebra/quagga mussels (currently none in Wyoming) within the last 30 days, is required to undergo inspection by an authorized inspector prior to contacting a Wyoming water.
	From March through November, all water hauling equipment and watercraft entering the state by land must be inspected before contacting a water of the state.
	Equipment used in any Wyoming water that contains aquatic invasive species, must be cleaned, drained and dried before use in another water. Wyoming waters with aquatic invasive species can be found at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-and-Boating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Boating-Information.
	When equipment that has been in contact with any Wyoming water is moved from one 4th level watershed (8-digit Hydrological Unit Code) to another within Wyoming, it must be cleaned, drained and dried. Specific guidance is available at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-and-Boating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Construction-and-Fire.
Climate Change	Not applicable

Table F-2. Summary of Best Management Practices for the Lovell LTA

Program	Best Management Practice
	Manage for vegetation composition consistent with ecological site potential.
	Only allow treatments that enhance wildlife habitat.
	Stay on designated routes when training.
Ecosystem Management and	Report all potentially significant natural resource damage to the WYMD Natural Resource Manager and/or ITAM manager.
Maintenance of Biodiversity	Ensure sustained use of lands for military training, and align land management
	priorities with training and readiness priorities.
	Maintain or improve the sustainability and native biological diversity of ecosystems.
	Rely on best science and data and develop adaptive management tools.
	Training constraints for native species and seed mixes include avoiding training operations on newly seeded areas until vegetation is adequately established and coordinating with the EMD staff and the natural resource manager to determine when the area is available for training maneuvers.
	Native seed mixes will be used to revegetate disturbed areas as required by WYMD reclamation procedures. If seeding an all-native seed mix is not practicable, ecological bridge species may be used as described in Palazzo et al. (2009). However, native seed must be an important component in all seed mixes.
Ecosystem Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity	Nonnative annual species (typically grains) may be used as a cover crop or nurse crop to provide immediate cover and aid in the establishment of permanent native vegetation.
(Reclamation and Reseeding BMPs)	Use locally adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
	Do not use plant species that are invasive.
	When possible, plant species that have been identified as having traditional cultural uses may be included in the native seed mix.
	Seed must be certified weed-free.
	Seeding is recommended to occur between March 15–May 15 or September 1–October 15.
	All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.
	If projects are within big sagebrush communities, project planning measures should retain large tracts of the habitat and corridors to aid in the conservation of the greater sage-grouse.
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Fish and Wildlife Management	Management of game species on the LTA will be coordinated with the WGFD.
Fish and Wildlife Management	Evaluate proposed projects or new training missions on mule deer winter range and coordinate with WGFD to develop any necessary mitigation measures.
	Any new fences will be built to wildlife friendly specifications: 4-strand wire fence no more than 42 inches high. The distance between the top two wires will be no less than 12 inches apart with a smooth top wire. Middle wires may be barbed and the bottom wire will be smooth and at least 16 inches off the ground. Wood or steel posts spaced at 16.5 foot intervals.
Migratory Birds	Any readiness or non-readiness activity that has the potential to have significant adverse impacts on migratory bird populations will be addressed in a NEPA analysis and coordinated with the USFWS.

Program	Best Management Practice
	When feasible, non-readiness activities (i.e., construction and other land disturbing maintenance activities) will take place outside of the migratory bird nesting season (February 1–August 31) to avoid the incidental take of nesting birds. If this is not possible, then, when feasible, the vegetation over the construction site will be mowed outside of the nesting season to reduce nesting habitat. When practicable, migratory bird surveys will be conducted during the nesting season in the project area, immediately before and during construction, so that nests can be identified and avoided.
	Should a species that occurs at Lovell LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify the USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the newly listed species, as well as all listed species potentially occurring. Management actions to minimize effects should be developed for candidate species in the event that they become listed, so as not to delay proposed actions.
	If an active raptor or eagle nest is located on the LTA, the WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS to apply an appropriate spatial buffer around the nest for protection from noise or disturbance.
	All new or reconstructed power lines will be constructed with raptor-safe construction (APLIC 2006, 2012).
	Projects that could lead to the take of a migratory bird, their young, eggs, or nests should be coordinated with the USFWS before any actions are taken. Removal or destruction of such nests or causing abandonment of a nest could constitute violation of the MBTA or BGEPA. If manipulation of an active nest (i.e., with eggs or young) is proposed for any project, the USFWS Migratory Bird Office in Denver should be contacted at 1-303-236-8171 to see if a permit can be issued. No manipulation of an active nest is allowed without a permit. If a permit cannot be
	issued, the project may need to be modified to ensure take of a migratory bird or
Hunting and Fishing Program	eagle, their young, eggs, or active nest will not occur.  Not applicable
	Digging is not allowed within drainages or naturally occurring ponded areas.
Water Resources Protection	Light maneuver in detailed coordination with the EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
water resources Frotection	Placement of silt fencing in ephemeral and intermittent channels is required to prevent sedimentation downstream from any upstream ground-disturbance activities when imminent precipitation is anticipated.
	Bivouacking is not allowed in wetland areas.
	Digging is not allowed in wetland areas.
	Foot traffic in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
Wetland Protection	Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
	All desktop mapped NWI wetland areas have a 200-foot buffer within which no training may occur. Buffer areas may change based on field surveys to identify aquatic resources.
	Bivouacking is not allowed in high to severe soil erosion areas.
	Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
Soil Erosion Control Management	Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.
	Reseed disturbance areas as soon as practicable. Avoid military missions in reseeded areas until vegetation is established.
	Install erosion and sediment control features or products to reduce or eliminate soil loss during construction or military maneuvers, where needed.
Outdoor Recreation	Not applicable

Program	Best Management Practice
Threatened and Endangered Species	In the event that a threatened or endangered species or species of concern is identified, the WYMD will initiate consultation with the USFWS.
	For areas with suitable monarch butterfly habitat and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted for caterpillars and adults during the appropriate time of year.
	Should a species that occurs at the Lander LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify the USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the newly listed species as well as all listed species potentially occurring there. Management actions to minimize effects should be developed for candidate species in the event they become listed so as not to delay proposed actions.
	The WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS on an annual basis to review petitioned, candidates, or listed threatened, endangered, or sensitive species (TES) in or near the Lander LTA and determine if current projects address or affect management of these species.
Forest and Fire Management	Not applicable
Cultural Resources Protection	Avoid impacts on known NRHP-eligible cultural resources.
	Exclude areas containing known NRHP-eligible cultural resources from prescribed burn and other vegetation treatment areas that involve vegetation clearing, revegetation, and erosion control.
	Ensure compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA.
	Consult with 18 federally recognized Native American Tribes to determine if any locations of traditional cultural, ethnic, or religious significance are present within the LTA.
Integrated Pest Management	Anticoagulant rodenticides will not be used outside of buildings to control rodents because of the risk to raptors and other wildlife.
	All pesticides used must be on the WYMD approved pesticide list.
	All pesticide usage must be reported to the Integrated Pest Manager quarterly.
	Cultural, chemical, mechanical, and biological control methods should all be evaluated for treating pests. When available, an integrated approach to control pests shall be used.
Invasive Species Program	Training constraints for invasive species include large noxious weed or invasive plant species infestations as identified by the EMD staff and natural resource manager.
	EMD staff will record any invasive weed infestations that they encounter when in the field. Locations will be provided to the natural resource manager who will update the appropriate geodatabase.
	Each installation will, to the extent practicable, use locally-adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
	Integrated invasive species management that uses two or more of the following control methods are preferred: biological, cultural, chemical, and mechanical.
	The timing of chemical or mechanical treatment of invasive weeds must correspond to times that will have the lowest impact on natural resources and still maintain effectiveness. For example, the treatment of invasive thistle should occur outside of the nesting season because finches nest within thistle stands.
	Treatment of invasive species must comply with the Integrated Pest Management Plan.

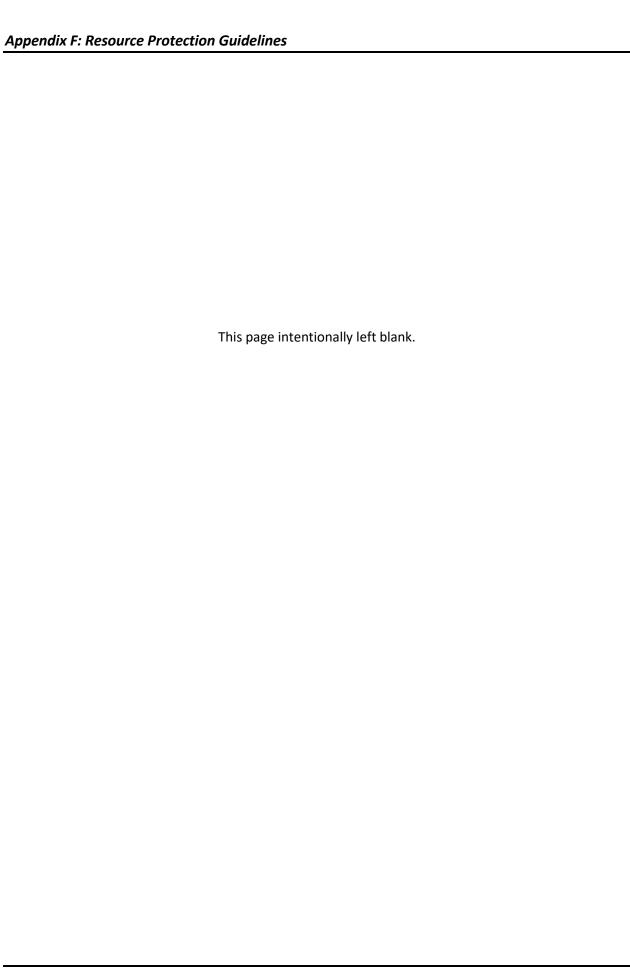
Table F-3. Summary of Best Management Practices for the Sheridan LTA

Program	Best Management Practice
Ecosystem Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity	Manage for vegetation composition consistent with ecological site potential.
	Only allow treatments that enhance wildlife habitat.
	Stay on designated routes when training.
	Report all potentially significant natural resource damage to the WYMD Natural
	Resource Manager and/or ITAM manager.
	Ensure sustained use of lands for military training, and align land management
	priorities with training and readiness priorities.
	Maintain and/or improve the sustainability and native biological diversity of ecosystems.
	Rely on best science and data and develop adaptive management tools.
	Training constraints for native species and seed mixes include avoiding training
	operations on newly seeded areas until vegetation is adequately established and
	coordinating with the EMD staff and the natural resource manager to determine
	when the area is available for training maneuvers.
	Native seed mixes will be used to revegetate disturbed areas as required by WYMD
	reclamation procedures. If seeding an all-native seed mix is not practicable, ecological bridge species may be used as described in Palazzo et al. (2009). However, native seed
Ecosystem Management and Maintenance of Biodiversity (Reclamation and Reseeding BMPs)	must be an important component in all seed mixes.
	Nonnative annual species (typically grains) may be used as a cover crop or nurse crop
	to provide immediate cover and aid in the establishment of permanent native
	vegetation.
	Use locally adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).
	Do not use plant species that are invasive.
	When possible, plant species that have been identified as having traditional cultural
	uses may be included in the native seed mix.
	Seed must be certified weed-free.
	Seeding is recommended to occur between March 15–May 15 or September 1–October 15.
	All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51,
	Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.
Fish and Wildlife Management	If projects are within big sagebrush communities, project planning measures should
	retain large tracts of the habitat and corridors to aid in the conservation of the greater sage-grouse.
	Management of game species on the LTA will be coordinated with the WGFD.
	Evaluate proposed projects or new training missions on mule deer winter range and
	coordinate with WGFD to develop any necessary mitigation measures.
	Any new fences will be built to wildlife friendly specifications: 4-strand wire fence no
	more than 42 inches high. The distance between the top two wires will be no less
	than 12 inches apart with a smooth top wire. Middle wires may be barbed and the bottom wire will be smooth and at least 16 inches off the ground. Wood or steel posts
	spaced at 16.5 foot intervals.
Migratory Birds	Any readiness or non-readiness activity that has the potential to have significant
	adverse impacts on migratory bird populations will be addressed in a NEPA analysis
	and coordinated with the USFWS.

Program	Best Management Practice		
	When feasible, non-readiness activities (i.e., construction and other land disturbing maintenance activities) will take place outside of the migratory bird nesting season (February 1–August 31) to avoid the incidental take of nesting birds. If this is not possible, then, when feasible, the vegetation over the construction site will be mowed outside of the nesting season to reduce nesting habitat. When practicable, migratory bird surveys will be conducted during the nesting season in the project area, immediately before and during construction, so that nests can be identified and avoided.		
	Should a species that occurs at Sheridan LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify the USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the newly listed species, as well as all listed species potentially occurring there. Management actions to minimize effects should be developed for candidate species in the event that they become listed, so as not to delay proposed actions.  If an active raptor or eagle nest is located on the LTA, the WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS to apply an appropriate spatial buffer around the nest for protection from noise or disturbance.		
	All new or reconstructed power lines will be constructed with raptor-safe construction (APLIC 2006, 2012).		
	Work projects that could lead to the take of a migratory bird, their young, eggs, or active nests should be coordinated with the USFWS before any actions are taken. Removal or destruction of active nests or causing abandonment of a nest could constitute violation of the MBTA or BGEPA. If active nest manipulation is proposed for any project, the USFWS Migratory Bird Office in Denver should be contacted at 1-303-236-8171 to see if a permit can be issued. No manipulation of an active nest is allowed without a permit. If a permit cannot be issued, the project may need to be modified to ensure take of a migratory bird or eagle, their young, eggs, or active nest will not occur.		
	Specific seasons are published under the yearly Game and Fish Commission Regulations. Permission slips are unlimited in number and will be issued starting the second Monday in July of each year.		
	If a hunter holds a valid permission slip, they can hunt any species that the Soldier Creek HMA allows to be hunted on that permission slip. For example, if a hunter holds a deer permission slip they can also hunt elk, rabbit, and pronghorn on that permission slip.		
	Each hunter must possess a permission slip while in the field.		
Livetice and Fishing Program	This area may be temporarily closed due to military training exercises. Signs will be posted, if possible, prior to the closure.		
Hunting and Fishing Program	Do not shoot in the direction of, or within 100 yards of, livestock or buildings.		
	Foot and/or horseback access is allowed.		
	Leave gates as you find them.		
	Abide by all signs and posted areas.		
	Non-hunting, non-permitted persons may assist in hunting/game retrieval, as long as they accompany a permitted hunter and do not possess firearms or archery equipment.		
	No littering—carry out everything you bring in.		
	Hunters must obey all WGFD laws and regulations.		
	Report any wildlife violations by calling 1-877-WGFD-TIP (1-877-943-3847).		
	Digging is not allowed within drainages or naturally occurring ponded areas.		
Water Pecourees Protection	Light maneuver in detailed coordination with the EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.		
Water Resources Protection	Placement of silt fencing in ephemeral and intermittent channels is required to prevent sedimentation downstream from any upstream ground-disturbance activities when imminent precipitation is anticipated.		

Program	Best Management Practice		
	Bivouacking is not allowed in wetland areas.		
	Digging is not allowed in wetland areas.		
	Foot traffic in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.		
Wetland Protection	Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.		
	Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.		
	All desktop mapped NWI wetland areas have a 200-foot buffer within which no training may occur. Buffer areas may change based on field surveys to identify aquatic resources.		
	Bivouacking is not allowed in high to severe soil erosion areas.		
	Light maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.		
Soil Erosion Control Management	Heavy maneuver in detailed coordination with EMD may be allowed if training quality would be reduced if relocated.		
	Reseed disturbance areas as soon as practicable. Avoid military missions in reseeded areas until vegetation is established.		
	Install erosion and sediment control features or products to reduce or eliminate soil loss during construction or military maneuvers, where needed.		
Outdoor Recreation	Not applicable		
	In the event that a threatened or endangered species or species of concern is identified, the WYMD will initiate consultation with the USFWS.		
	For areas of suitable habitat for Ute ladies'-tresses ( <i>Spiranthes diluvialis</i> ), and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted during the appropriate time of year by a qualified botanist.		
	For areas with suitable monarch butterfly habitat and where disturbance is proposed, surveys should be conducted for caterpillars and adults during the appropriate time of year.		
Threatened and Endangered Species	Should a species that occurs at the Sheridan LTA become federally listed, the WYMD will notify the USFWS and be responsible for analyzing all proposed actions for potential effects to the newly listed species as well as all listed species potentially occurring there. Management actions to minimize effects should be developed for candidate species in the event they become listed so as not to delay proposed actions.		
	The WYMD will coordinate with the USFWS on an annual basis to review petitioned, candidates, or listed threatened, endangered, or sensitive species (TES) in or near the Sheridan LTA and determine if current projects address or affect management of these species.		
Forest and Fire Management	Not applicable		
	Avoid impacts on known NRHP-eligible cultural resources.		
Cultural Resources Protection	Exclude areas containing known NRHP-eligible cultural resources from prescribed burn and other vegetation treatment areas that involve vegetation clearing, revegetation, and erosion control.		
	Ensure compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA.		
	Consult with 18 federally recognized Native American Tribes to determine if any locations of traditional cultural, ethnic, or religious significance are present within the LTA.		
Integrated Pest Management	Anticoagulant rodenticides will not be used outside of buildings to control rodents because of the risk to raptors and other wildlife.		
Invasive Species Program	Training constraints for invasive species include large noxious weed or invasive plant species infestations as identified by the EMD staff and natural resource manager.		

Program	Best Management Practice	
	EMD staff will record any invasive weed infestations that they encounter when in the field. Locations will be provided to the natural resource manager who will update the appropriate geodatabase.	
	To the extent practicable, use locally-adapted native plants and minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides (DoDI 4715.03).	
	Integrated invasive species management that uses two or more of the following control methods are preferred: biological, cultural, chemical, and mechanical.	
	The timing of chemical or mechanical treatment of invasive weeds must correspond to times that will have the lowest impact on natural resources and still maintain effectiveness. For example, the treatment of invasive thistle should occur outside of the nesting season because finches nest within thistle stands.	
	Treatment of invasive species must comply with the Integrated Pest Management Plan.	
	All training activity is restricted in areas with large noxious weed or invasive plant species infestations to prevent the spread to other areas of the LTA. Once areas are treated and EMD staff determine that the risk of spreading noxious weeds or invasive plant species from the site has been lowered to an acceptable level, then the area will be re-opened to training.	
	The location of training activities will be rotated to allow maneuver and bivouac areas to recover.	
	Ground disturbance due to training activities will be immediately repaired to discourage noxious weeds or invasive plant species from establishing.	
	Prescribed fire will be used in a manner that does not encourage cheatgrass invasion.	
	All seeding will be conducted in compliance with W.S. 11-12-101–125, Chapter 51, Regulations Pertaining to Seed Law.	
	Any equipment or vehicles used for training purposes will be cleaned and inspected prior to entering the LTA.	
	Vehicles and equipment used for training will be cleaned following training.	
	Equipment that was in contact with a water positive for zebra/quagga mussels (currently none in Wyoming) within the last 30 days, is required to undergo inspection by an authorized inspector prior to contacting a Wyoming water.	
	From March through November, all water hauling equipment and watercraft entering the state by land must be inspected before contacting a water of the state.	
	Equipment used in any Wyoming water that contains aquatic invasive species, must be cleaned, drained and dried before use in another water. Wyoming waters with aquatic invasive species can be found at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-and-Boating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Boating-Information.	
	When equipment that has been in contact with any Wyoming water is moved from one 4th level watershed (8-digit Hydrological Unit Code) to another within Wyoming, it must be cleaned, drained and dried. Specific guidance is available at: https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Fishing-and-Boating/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Prevention/AIS-Construction-and-Fire.	
Climate Change	Not applicable	



## **APPENDIX G: NATIVE SEED MIX**

The three tables below provide example native seed lists for use at the Lander, Lovell, and Sheridan LTAs, respectively. Pure live seed (PLS) pounds-per-acre drilled or broadcast, as well as use of varieties or cultivars, will be planned for prior to seeding. Seed mixtures may be subject to change based on seed availability and economic factors.

Table G-1. Example Native Seed List for the Lander LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name	Suggested PLS Pounds/Acre <sup>2</sup>			
Perennial Grasses	Perennial Grasses				
Blue grama <sup>1</sup>	Bouteloua gracilis	2.0			
Needle and thread	Hesperostipa comata	1.0			
Prairie junegrass <sup>1</sup>	Koeleria macrantha	1.0			
Western wheatgrass <sup>1</sup>	Pascopyrum smithii	3.0			
Little bluestem <sup>1</sup>	Schizachyrium scoparium	1.0			
Perennial Forbs					
Western yarrow <sup>1</sup>	Achillea millefolium 0.2				
Prairie coneflower <sup>1</sup>	Ratibida columnifera	0.5			
Scarlet globemallow <sup>1</sup>	Sphaeralcea coccinea	0.2			
Shrubs					
Big sagebrush <sup>1</sup>	Artemisia tridentata	0.1			
Black sagebrush <sup>1</sup>	Artemisia nova	0.1			
Yellow rabbitbrush <sup>1</sup>	Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus 0.2				

Source: WYARNG 2008, USDA - NRCS 2010, McCutchen 2022.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}\,{\rm Species}$  with traditional cultural use.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Drill seeding rates show for 12-inch spacing.

Table G-2. Example Native Seed List for the Lovell LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name	Suggested PLS Pounds/Acre <sup>2</sup>			
Perennial Grasses	Perennial Grasses				
Alkali sacton	Sporobolus airoides	1.0			
Blue grama <sup>1</sup>	Bouteloua gracilis	2.0			
Needle and thread	Hesperostipa comata	2.0			
Prairie junegrass <sup>1</sup>	Koeleria macrantha	1.0			
Western wheatgrass <sup>1</sup>	Pascopyrum smithii	3.0			
Sandberg bluegrass	Poa secunda	2.0			
Perennial Forbs					
Western yarrow <sup>1</sup>	Achillea millefolium 0.2				
Prairie coneflower <sup>1</sup>	Ratibida columnifera 0.5				
Sulfur flower	Eriogonum umbellatum 0.7				
Shrubs					
Shadscale saltbush	Atriplex confertifolia	0.5			
Fringed sagebrush <sup>1</sup>	Artemisia frigida 0.2				
Yellow rabbitbrush <sup>1</sup>	Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus 0.2				

Source: WYARNG 2008, USDA - NRCS 2010, McCutchen 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Species with traditional cultural use.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Drill seeding rates show for 12-inch spacing.

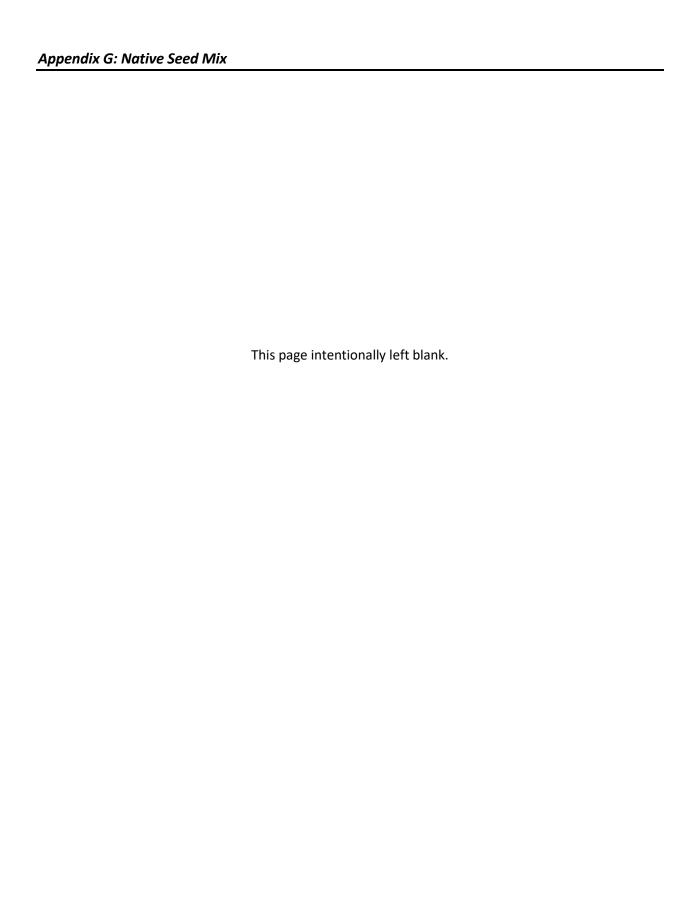
Table G-3. Example Native Seed List for the Sheridan LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name	Suggested PLS Pounds/Acre <sup>2</sup>			
Perennial Grasses	Perennial Grasses				
Blue grama¹	Bouteloua gracilis	2.0			
Prairie junegrass <sup>1</sup>	Koeleria macrantha	1.0			
Western wheatgrass <sup>1</sup>	Pascopyrum smithii	3.0			
Bluebunch wheatgrass <sup>1</sup>	Pseudoroegneria spicata	3.0			
Little bluestem <sup>1</sup>	Schizachyrium scoparium 1.0				
Perennial Forbs					
Western yarrow <sup>1</sup>	Achillea millefolium	0.2			
Showy milkweed <sup>1</sup>	Asclepias speciosa 0.5				
Prairie coneflower <sup>1</sup>	Ratibida columnifera	0.5			
Scarlet globemallow <sup>1</sup>	Sphaeralcea coccinea 0.5				
Shrubs					
Silver sagebrush <sup>1</sup>	Artemisia cana	0.1			
Big sagebrush <sup>1</sup>	Artemisia tridentata 0.1				

Source: WYARNG 2008, USDA - NRCS 2010, McCutchen 2022.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>scriptsize 1}$  Species with traditional cultural use.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Drill seeding rates show for 12-inch spacing.



## **APPENDIX H: SPECIES LISTS**

Appendix H contains the animal, invertebrate, and plan species lists for the Lander, Lovell, and Sheridan LTAs, respectively.

## H.1 LANDER LTA SPECIES LISTS

The three tables below list the animal, invertebrate, and plant species known to occur at the Lander LTA, respectively.

Table H-1. Animal Species Known to Occur on the Lander LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name
Amphibians and Reptiles	
Tiger salamander	Ambystoma tigrinum
Greater short-horned lizard	Phrynosoma hernandesi
Northern sagebrush lizard	Sceloporus graciosus
Birds	
American crow	Corvus brachyrhynchos
American kestrel	Falco sparverius
American robin	Turdus migratorius
Black-billed magpie	Pica hudsonia
Black-capped chickadee	Parus atricapillus
Brewer's blackbird	Euphagus cyanocephalus
Brewer's sparrow	Spizella breweri
California gull	Larus californicus
Cliff swallow	Petrochelidon pyrrhonota
Common nighthawk	Chordeiles minor
Common raven	Corvus corax
European starling	Sturnus vulgaris
Golden eagle	Aquila chrysaetos
Greater sage-grouse	Centrocercus urophasianus
Horned lark	Eremophila alpestris
House sparrow	Passer domesticus
Lark bunting	Calamospiza melanocorys
Lark sparrow	Chondestes grammacus
Mountain bluebird	Sialia currucoides
Mourning dove	Zenaida macroura
Northern harrier	Circus cyaneus
Red-tailed hawk	Buteo jamaicensis
Rock wren	Salpinctes obsoletus
Rough-winged swallow	Stelgidopteryx ruficollis
Sage thrasher	Oreoscoptes montanus
Song Sparrow	Melospiza melodia
Swainson's thrush	Hylocichla ustulata
Tree swallow	Tachycineta bicolor
Turkey vulture	Cathartes aura
Vesper sparrow	Pooecetes gramineus
Western meadowlark	Sturnella magna

Common Name	Scientific Name
Yellow-rumped warbler	Dendroica coronata
Mammals	
Cottontail	Sylviligus spp.
Coyote	Canis latrans
Deer mouse	Peromyscus manicalutus
House mouse	Mus musculus
Elk	Cervus canadensis
Least chipmunk	Tamias minimus
Mule deer	Odocoileus hemio
Pronghorn	Antilocapra americ
White-tailed prairie dog	Cynomys leucurus

Table H-2. Invertebrate Species Known to Occur on the Lander LTA

Order	Family	Species
Acari		·
Acari	Ixodidae	
Acari	Ixodidae	Dermacentor andersoni
Coleoptera	<u> </u>	·
Coleoptera	Berentidae	
Coleoptera	Berentidae	Apion sp.
Coleoptera	Bruchidae	·
Coleoptera	Bruchidae	Acanthoscelides sp.
Coleoptera	Buprestidae	
Coleoptera	Buprestidae	Anthaxia prasina
Coleoptera	Buprestidae	Brachys aerosus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	·
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion obscurellum
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Calleida viridus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Calosoma luxata
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Cicindela purpurea audubonii
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Batyle ignicolle
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Batyle ignicolle
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Judolia instabilis
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Oberea erythrocephala
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Apthona nigriscutis
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cryptocephalus spurcus
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Monoxia sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Pachybrachis sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Saxinus amogera
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Systena blanda
Coleoptera	Cicindelidae	
Coleoptera	Cicindelidae	Cicindela purpurea
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella monticola

Order	Family	Species
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella transversoguttata richardsoni
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ophryastes sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sitona sp.
Coleoptera	Dermestidae	
Coleoptera	Dermestidae	Anthrenus lepidus
Coleoptera	Dermestidae	Anthrenus sophonisba
Coleoptera	Dermestidae	Attagenus megatoma
Coleoptera	Dermestidae	Cryptorhopalum uteanum
Coleoptera	Elateridae	
Coleoptera	Elateridae	Ctenicera sp.
Coleoptera	Gyrinidae	
Coleoptera	Gyrinidae	Gyrinus sp.
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Berosus stylifer
Coleoptera	Meloidae	
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta ferruginea
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Pyrota insulata
Coleoptera	Melyridae	
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Amecocerus interruptus
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Collops bipunctatus
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Malachius horni
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	Mordellina pustulata
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	Mordellistena nigricans
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	Mordellistena nunenmacheri
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	Mordellistena sp.
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	Mordellistena unicolor
Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	
Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Carpophilus pallipennis
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius coloradensis
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius dentigerulus
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius erraticus
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Boreocanthon simplex
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Cremastocheilus knochi
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Blapstinus fortis
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes extricata
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes hispilabris sculptilis
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Melanstus sp.
Diptera	_	
Diptera	Acroceridae	
Diptera	Acroceridae	Ogcodes albiventris
Diptera	Anthomyiidae	
Diptera	Anthomyiidae	Unidentified sp.
Diptera	Asilidae	

Order	Family	Species
Diptera	Asilidae	Efferia benedicti
Diptera	Asilidae	Efferia kellogi
Diptera	Asilidae	Efferia sp. 1
Diptera	Asilidae	Efferia staminea
Diptera	Asilidae	Heteropogon maculinervis
Diptera	Asilidae	Lestomyia sabulona
Diptera	Asilidae	Machimus callidus
Diptera	Asilidae	Mallophorina guildiana
Diptera	Asilidae	New Species nr. Efferia monki
Diptera	Asilidae	Proctacanthella exquisita
Diptera	Asilidae	Proctacanthella leucopogon
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon coyote
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon inquinatus
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon martini
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon neglectus
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon picticornis
Diptera	Bombyliidae	
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Anastoechus barbatus
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Aphoebantus mus
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Geron argutus
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Lordotus gibbus
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Geron sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Poecilanthrax fuliginosus
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Poecilanthrax sackenii
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Systoechus oreas
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Systoechus oreas
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Thyridanthrax fenestratoides
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Villa sp.
Diptera	Calliphoridae	
Diptera	Calliphoridae	Protophormia terraenovae
Diptera	Chloropidae	
Diptera	Chloropidae	Unidentified sp.
Diptera	Conopidae	
Diptera	Conopidae	Thecophora propinqua
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Dolichopus sp.
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Unidentified sp.
Diptera	Micropezidae	
Diptera	Micropezidae	Compsobata univitta
Diptera	Micropezidae	Micropeza lineata
Diptera	Pipunculidae	
Diptera	Pipunculidae	Tomosvaryella sp.
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Blaesoxipha kellyi
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Sarcophaga sp.
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Unidentified sp.
Diptera	Scathophagidae	

Order	Family	Species
Diptera	Scathophagidae	Unidentified sp.
Diptera	Sepsidae	
Diptera	Sepsidae	Sepsis neocynipsea
Diptera	Sepsidae	Sepsis sp.
Diptera	Stratiomyidae	
Diptera	Stratiomyidae	Gowdeyana punctifer
Diptera	Stratiomyidae	Stratiomys barbata
Diptera	Syrphidae	
Diptera	Syrphidae	Chrysotoxum derivatum
Diptera	Syrphidae	Copestylum satur
Diptera	Syrphidae	Eristalis latifrons
Diptera	Syrphidae	Helophilus latifrons
Diptera	Syrphidae	Microdon coarctus
Diptera	Syrphidae	Paragus haemorrhous
Diptera	Syrphidae	Paragus variabilis
Diptera	Syrphidae	Syritta pipiens
Diptera	Tabanidae	
Diptera	Tabanidae	Hybomitra frontalis
Diptera	Tabanidae	Tabanus punctifer
Diptera	Tachinidae	
Diptera	Tachinidae	Gonia frontosa
Diptera	Tachinidae	Gymnosoma fuliginosum
Diptera	Tachinidae	Tachina rostrata
Diptera	Tephritidae	
Diptera	Tephritidae	Eutreta diana
Diptera	Tephritidae	Procecidochares minuta
Diptera	Therevidae	
Diptera	Therevidae	Ozodiceromyia sp.
Diptera	Tipulidae	
Diptera	Tipulidae	Tipula sp.
Ephemeroptera		
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Baetis tricaudatus
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Callibaetis ferruginea hageni
Ephemeroptera	Polymitarcyidae	
	Polymitarcyidae	Ephoron album
Hemiptera		
Hemiptera	Berytidae	
Hemiptera	Berytidae	Jalysus spinosus
Hemiptera	Miridae	
Hemiptera	Miridae	Adelphocoris rapidus
Hemiptera	Miridae	Lopidea teton
Hemiptera	Miridae	Stenodema pilosipes
Hemiptera	Phymatidae	
Hemiptera	Phymatidae	Phymata americana coloradensis
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	Apiomeris spissipes

Order	Family	Species
Hemiptera	Saldidae	•
Hemiptera	Saldidae	Micranthia sp.
Heteroptera		,
Heteroptera	Coreidae	
Heteroptera	Coreidae	Chelinidea
Heteroptera	Corixidae	
Heteroptera	Corixidae	Cenocorixa utahensis
Heteroptera	Corixidae	Corisella tarsalis
Heteroptera	Corixidae	Sigara alternata
Heteroptera	Lygaeidae	
Heteroptera	Lygaeidae	Melacoryphus sp.
Heteroptera	Miridae	
Heteroptera	Miridae	Adelphocoris lineolatus
Heteroptera	Miridae	Adelphocoris rapidus
Heteroptera	Miridae	Conostethus americanus
Heteroptera	Miridae	Hadronema sp.
Heteroptera	Miridae	Lygus elisius
Heteroptera	Miridae	Megaloceroea recticornis
Heteroptera	Miridae	Orectoderus
Heteroptera	Miridae	Stenodema sp.
Heteroptera	Pentatomidae	<u> </u>
Heteroptera	Pentatomidae	Antheminia remota
Heteroptera	Phymatidae	
Heteroptera	Phymatidae	Phymata sp.
Heteroptera	Reduviidae	
Heteroptera	Reduviidae	Apiomerus spissipes
Heteroptera	Reduviidae	Rhynocoris ventralis
Heteroptera	Rhopalidae	
Heteroptera	Rhopalidae	Harmostes reflexulus
Heteroptera	Rhopalidae	Liorhysuss hyalinus
Heteroptera	Rhopalidae	Stictopleurus viridicatus
Heteroptera	Scutelleridae	
Heteroptera	Scutelleridae	Homaemus aeneifrons
Heteroptera	Scutelleridae	Homaemus bijugis
Homoptera		
Homoptera	Cercopidae	
Homoptera	Cercopidae	Philaenarcys bilineata
Homoptera	Cicadellidae	
Homoptera	Cicadellidae	Cicadellidae
Homoptera	Cixiidae	
Homoptera	Cixiidae	Oliarus humilus
Homoptera	Dictyopharidae	
Homoptera	Dictyopharidae	Scolops angustatus
Homoptera	Issidae	
Homoptera	Issidae	Aphelonema sp.
Homoptera	Membracidae	
Homoptera	Membracidae	Campylenchia latipes

Order	Family	Species	
Homoptera	Membracidae	Ceresa bubalus	
Homoptera	Membracidae	Tortistilus inermis	
Hymenoptera	menoptera		
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae		
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena sp. 1	
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena sp. 2	
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena sp. 3	
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Calliopsis andreniformis	
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Perdita sp.	
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae		
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Anthophora occidentalis	
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Anthophora sp.	
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Diadasia sp.	
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Doeringiella sp.	
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Melissodes sp.	
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Nomada sp.	
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Synhalonia sp.	
Hymenoptera	Apidae		
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Apis mellifera	
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus centralis	
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus fervida	
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus griseocollis	
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus huntii	
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus rufocinctus	
Hymenoptera	Braconidae		
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Apanteles sp.	
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Bracon sp.	
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Bracon sp. 3	
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Vipio sp.	
Hymenoptera	Bradynobaenidae		
Hymenoptera	Bradynobaenidae	Chyphotes belfragei	
Hymenoptera	Cephidae		
Hymenoptera	Cephidae	Cephus cinctus	
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae		
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	Brachymeria parvula coloradensis	
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	Brachymeria tegularis	
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	Haltichella sp.	
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae		
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Ceratochrysis sp.	
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Chrysis provancheri	
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Chrysis sp.	
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Chrysura sp.	
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Cleptes purpurata	
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Hedychridium mirabile	
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Holopyga ventralis	
Hymenoptera	Colletidae		
Hymenoptera	Colletidae	Colletes sp.	

Order	Family	Species
Hymenoptera	Eurytomidae	-
Hymenoptera	Eurytomidae	Unidentified sp.
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Brachymyrmex depilis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Camponotus novaeboracensis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Camponotus vicinus
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica coloradensis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica comata
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica fusca
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica limata
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica montana
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica obscuripes
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica obscuripes
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica sp.
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Lasius aliena
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Lasius sp.
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Pogonomyrmex occidentalis
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	. egenemy.men economic
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon texanus
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon virescens
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Dufourea sp.
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Halictus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Halictus sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Lasioglossum sp.
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Sphecodes sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	op.necedes op.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Barylypa fulvescens
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Compsocryptus resolutus
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Gelis sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Meringopus relativus
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Meringopus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Netelia sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Ophion bilineatus
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Ophion sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Pterocormus sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Therion longipes
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	The non-tongipes
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Anthidiellum sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Anthidium sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Dioxys sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Hoplitis sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Lithurgus sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Megachile sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Megachile sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Osmia sp.
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Comma opi
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Order	Family	Species
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Dasymutilla bioculata
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Dasymutilla creusa
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Dasymutilla vestita
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Odontophotopsis sp
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Sphaeropthalma sp.
Hymenoptera	Perilampidae	oprider optimization.
Hymenoptera	Perilampidae	Perilampus sp.
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	T C
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Anoplius insolens
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Cryptocheilus hesperus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Cryptocheilus terminatus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Evagetes hyacinthinus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Podalonia mexicana
Hymenoptera	Sapygidae	
Hymenoptera	Sapygidae	Sapyga sp.
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila azteca
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila breviceps
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila procera
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila stangei
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila strenua
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Aphilanthops subfrigidus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Bembix amoena
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris calochorti
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris cockerelli
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris convergens
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Chalybion californicus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Dryudella caerulea
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Glenostictia megacera
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Gorytes simillimus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Isodontia elegans
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Isodontia mexicana
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Larropsis conferta
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Philanthus crabroniformis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Philanthus multimaculatus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Podalonia argentifrons
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Podalonia luctousa
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Podalonia robusta
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Prionyx canadensis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Prionyx thomae
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Sceliphron caementaria
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Sphex ichneumoneus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Steniolia elegans
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex aequalis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex ashmeadii
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex crassiforms
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex linsleyi

Order	Family	Species
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex pompiliformis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex psammobius
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex sp.
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex tarsata
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex texnus
Hymenoptera	Tiphiidae	
Hymenoptera	Tiphiidae	Brachycistis alcanor
Hymenoptera	Tiphiidae	Brachycistis sp.
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	, ,
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Ancistrocerus catskill
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus annulatus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus exoglyphus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus foraminatus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Leucodynerus n. sp.
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Odynerus cinnabarinus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Odynerus margarellus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Polistes dominulus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Polistes fuscata
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Polistes fuscata aurifer
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Pterocheilus quinquefasciatus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Stenodynerus sp.
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Vespula pensylvanica
Lepidoptera		
Lepidoptera	Arctiidae	
Lepidoptera	Arctiidae	Grammia nevadensis
Lepidoptera	Arctiidae	Holomelina fragilis
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Cheteoscelis bistriania
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Epiplatymetra lentifluata
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Hulstina aridata
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Synaxis sp.
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	Erynnis sp.
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	Hesperia colorado
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	Hesperia uncas
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	Pyrgus communis
Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	
Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Apodemia mormo
Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Lycaeides melissa
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea occidens
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Drasteria pallescens
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Еихоа ѕр.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Polia nugatis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Protogygia lagena
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Schinia acutilinea

Order	Family	Species
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Tarachidi sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Therasea augustipennis
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Coenonympha tullia
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Euphydryas anicia
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Phyciodes pulchella
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Speyeria callippe
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Speyeria sp.
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Speyeria zerene
Lepidoptera	Papilionidae	
Lepidoptera	Papilionidae	Papilio zelicaon
Lepidoptera	Pterophoridae	
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Herculia sp.
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Melitara dentata
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Eucosma ridingsana
Neuroptera		
Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	
Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	Chrysopa nigricornis
Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	Eremochrysa fraterna
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Brachynemurus abdominalis
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Brachynemurus carrizonus
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Brachynemurus sp.
Odonata		
Odonata	Aeshnidae	
Odonata	Aeshnidae	Aeshna interrupta interna
Odonata	Aeshnidae	Aeshna palmata
Odonata	Aeshnidae	Rhionaeshna multicolor
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	Enallagma civile
Odonata	Gomphidae	
Odonata	Gomphidae	Ophiogomphus severus
Odonata	Lestidae	
Odonata	Lestidae	Lestes congener
Odonata	Lestidae	Lestes disjunctus
Odonata	Libellulidae	
Odonata	Libellulidae	Libellula quadrimaculata
Odonata	Libellulidae	Sympetrum occidentale
Orthoptera		
Orthoptera	Acrididae	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Ageneotettix deorum
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Amphitornus coloradus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Arphia conspersa
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Circotettix carliniana
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Circotettix rabula

Order	Family	Species	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Cratypedes neglecta	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Derotmema haydenii	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Dissosteira carolina	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Hadrotettix trifasciatus	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Hesperotettix viridis	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus cinereus	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus occidentalis	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus packardii	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Metator pardalinus	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Phlibostroma quadrimaculatus	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Psoloessa delicatula	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Trimerotropis gracilis	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Trimerotropis pallidipennis	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Trimerotropis sparsa	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Xanthippus corallipes	
Raphidioptera			
Raphidioptera	Raphidiidae		
Raphidioptera	Raphidiidae	Agulla sp.	
Trichoptera			
Trichoptera	Limnephilidae		
Trichoptera	Limnephilidae	Limnephilus litha	
Trichoptera	Limnephilidae	Limnephilus taloga	

Table H-3. Plant Species Known to Occur on the Lander LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name
Absinth wormwood	Artemisia absinthium
African rue	Peganum harmala
Alfalfa	Medicago sativa
Alkali buttercup	Ranunculus cymbalaria
Alkali muhly	Muhlenbergia asperifolia
Alkali rayless aster	Aster brachyactis
Alkali sacaton	Sporobolus airoides
Alpine bladderpod	Lesquerella alpina
Alpine golden buckwheat	Eriogonum flavum
American licorice	Glycyrrhiza lepidota
Annual rabbitsfoot grass	Polypogon monspeliensis
Annual wheatgrass	Agropyron triticeum
Aridland goosefoot	Chenopodium desiccatum
Asian mustard	Brassica tournefortii
Aunt Lucy	Ellisia nyctelea
Austrian fieldcress	Rorippa austriaca
Autumn willowweed	Epilobium brachycarpum
Baby's breath	Gypsophila paniculata
Ballhead ipomopsis	Ipomopsis congesta
Basin big sagebrush	Artemisia tridentata var tridentata
Basin saltbush	Atriplex tridentata

Common Name	Scientific Name
Basin wildrye	Elymus cinereus
Beautiful fleabane	Erigeron formosissimus
Bermudagrass	Cynodon dactylon
Bessey's locoweed	Oxytropis besseyi
Biennial cinquefoil	Potentilla biennis
Biennial wormwood	Artemisia biennis
Black chokecherry	Prunus virginiana
Black henbane	Hyoscyamus niger
Black sagebrush	Artemisia nova
Blister buttercup	Ranunculus sceleratus
Blue grama	Bouteloua gracilis
Blue penstemon	Penstemon cyaneus
Bluebunch wheatgrass	Elymus spicatus
Bohemian knotweed	Polygonum x bohemicum
Bouncingbet	Saponaria officinalis
Bract aster	Aster bracteolatus
Brazilian egeria	Egeria densa
Bristly hairy goldaster	Heterotheca villosa
Brittle bladderfern	Cystopteris fragilis
Broadleaf cattail	Typha latifolia
Broom snakeweed	Gutierrezia sarothrae
Buffalobur	Solanum rostratum
Bull thistle	Cirsium vulgare
Burningbush	Bassia scoparia (Kochia scoparia)
Bushy blazingstar	Mentzelia dispersa
Bushy knotweed	Polygonum ramosissimum
Buttecandle	Cryptantha celosiodes
Caespitose four-nerve daisy	Hymenoxys acaulis
Camelthorn	Alhagi maurorum
Canada thistle	Cirsium arvense
Canadian horseweed	Conyza canadensis
Cardaria	Cardaria chalapensis
Catleaf daisy	Erigeron compositus
Cheatgrass	Bromus tectorum
Chicory	Cichorium intybus
Chile aster	Aster ascendens
Chinese clematis	Clematis orientalis
Clasping pepperweed	Lepidium perfoliatum
Cleburn's penstemon	Penstemon enriantherus
Cluster aster	Aster falcatus
Clustered broomrape	Orobanche fasciculata
Clustered field sedge	Carex praegracilis
Coast willowweed	Epilobium ciliatum
Cogongrass	Imperata cylindrica
Collin's rockcress	Arabis holboellii
Common Buckthorn	Rhamnus cathartica
Common bugloss	Anchusa officinalis

Common Name	Scientific Name
Common burdock	Arctium minus
Common cocklebur	Xanthium strumarium
Common crupina	Crupina vulgaris
Common dandelion	Taraxacum officinale
Common lambsquarter	Chenopodium album
Common mullein	Verbascum thapsus
Common reed	Phragmites australis
Common spikerush	Eleocharis palustris
Common St. Johnswort	Hypericum perforatum
Common sunflower	Helianthus annuus
Common tansy	Tanacetum vulgare
Common three-square	Schoenoplectus pungens (Scirpus pungens)
Common twinpod	Physaria didymocarpa
Corn chamomile	Anthemis arvensis
Creeping bentgrass	Agrostis stolonifera
Creeping meadow foxtail	Alopecurus arundinaceus
Creeping nailwort	Paronychia sessiliflora
Crossflower	Chorispora tenella
Curly dock	Rumex crispus
Curlycup gumweed	Grindelia squarrosa
Curlyleaf pondweed	Potamogeton crispus
Curveseed butterwort	Ranunculus testiculatus
Cushion buckwheat	Eriogonum ovalifolium
Cushion milkvetch	Astragalus aretioides
Cutleaf goldenweed	Machaeranthera canescens
Cutleaf nightshade	Solanum triflorum
Cutleaf teasel	Dipsacus laciniatus
Cutleaf vipergrass	Scorzonera laciniata
Cypress spurge	Euphorbia cyparissias
Dalmatian toadflax	Linaria dalmatica
Dames rocket	Hesperis matronalis
Desert biscuitroot	Lomatium foeniculaceum
Desert goosefoot	Chenopodium pratericola
Desert madwort	Alyssum desertorum
Desert rockcress	Arabis lignifera
Desert stickweed	Lappula redowskii
Desert wheatgrass	Agropyron cristatum
Desert wirelettuce	Stephanomeria runcinata
Diffuse knapweed	Centaurea diffusa
Douglas' dustymaiden	Chaenactis douglasii
Douglas' sedge	Carex douglasii
Dropseed rockcress	Arabis pendulocarpa
Dyer's woad	Isatis tinctoria
Elongated mustard	Brassica elongata
Engelmann's fleabane	Erigeron engelmanii
Eurasian watermilfoil	Myriophyllum spicatum
European wand loosestrife	Lythrum virgatum

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False agoseris	Agoseris glauca
False buffalograss	Monroa squarrosa
Fendler's threeawn	Aristida purpurea
Fernald's false mannagrass	Torreyochloa pallida
Field bindweed	Convolvulus arvensis
Field brome	Bromus arvensis
Field dodder	Cuscuta pentagona
Field pennycress	Thlaspi arvense
Field sagewort	Artemisia campestris
Fivehorn smotherweed	Bassia hyssopifolia
Fleabane	Erigeron lonchophyllus
Flowering rush	Butomus umbellatus
Foxtail barley	Hordeum jubatum
Fremont's goosefoot	Chenopodium fremontii
Fringed sagewort	Artemisia frigida
Fuller's teasel	Dipsacus fullonum
Garden loosestrife	Lysimachia vulgaris
Garlic mustard	Alliaria petiolata
Geyer's larkspur	Delphinium geyeri
Giant hogweed	Heracleum mantegazzianum
Giant Knotweed	Polygonum sachalinense
Giant Reed	Arundo donax
Giant salvinia	Salvinia molesta
Giant sumpweed	Iva xanthifolia
Goatsrue	Galega officinalis
Golden currant	Ribes aureum
Gorse	Ulex europaeus
Granite pricklygilia	Leptodactylon pungens
Grassy deathcamas	Zigadenus venenosus
Greasewood	Sarcobatus vermiculatus
Great Plains bladderpod	Lesquerella arenosa
Green needlegrass	Nassella viridula (Stipa viridula)
Green rabbitbrush	Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus
Hairy whitetop	Cardaria pubescens
Hairy willow-herb	Epilobium hirsutum
Halogeton	Halogeton glomeratus
Hardheads	Centaurea repens
Hawkweed	Hieracium ×floribundum
Himalayan blackberry	Rubus armeniacus
Hoary alyssum	Berteroa incana
Hoary balsamroot	Balsamorhiza incana
Hooker's sandwort	Arenaria hookeri
Hooker's townsendia	Townsendia hookeri
Houndstongue	Cynoglossum officinale
Hydrilla	Hydrilla verticillata
Iberian starthistle	Centaurea iberica
Indian paintbrush	Castilleja angustifolia

Common Name	Scientific Name
Indian ricegrass	Achnatherium hymenoides
Inland saltgrass	Distichlis spicata
Intermediate barley	Hordeum jubatum var intermedium
Intermediate wheatgrass	Elymus hispidus
Intermountain clover	Trifolium andinum
Italian thistle	Carduus pycnocephalus
Japanese knotweed	Polygonum cuspidatum (Fallopia japonica)
Johnsongrass	Sorghum halepense
Jointed goatgrass	Aegilops cylindrica
Larchleaf beardtongue	Penstemon laricifolius
Largeflower hawksbeard	Crepis occidentalis
Leafy spurge	Euphorbia esula
Lemon scurfpea	Psoralidium lanceolatum
Lewis' flax	Linum lewisii
Little barley	Hordeum pusillum
Little bluestem	Schizachyrium scoparium
Littleleaf pussytoes	Antennaria microphylla
Littlepod falseflax	Camelina microcarpa
Longleaf hawksbeard	Crepis acuminata
Longleaf plantain	Plantago elongata
Longstyle rush	Juncus longistylis
Louisiana broomrape	Orobanche ludoviciana
Low beardtongue	Penstemon humilis
Low pussytoes	Antennaria dimorpha
Malta starthisle	Centaurea melitensis
Manyhead hymenopappus	Hymenopappus polycephalus
Mat amaranth	Amaranthus blitoides
Mat muhly	Muhlenbergia richardsonis
Mat vetch	Vicia americana
Matgrass	Nardus stricta
Mayweed chamomile	Anthemis cotula
Meadow barley	Hordeum brachyantherum
Meadow hawkweed	Hieracium caespitosum
Meadow knapweed	Centaurea nigrescens (Centaurea pratensis)
Mediterranean sage	Salvia aethiopis
Medusahead rye	Taeniatherum caput-medusae
Mexican dock	Rumex salicifolius
Milium	Milium vernale
Missouri milkvetch	Astragalus missouriensis
Modoc hawksbeard	Crepis modocensis
Moth mullein	Verbascum blattaria
Mountain big sagebrush	Artemisia tridentata var vaseyana
Mountain blueeyed grass	Sisyrinchium montanum
Mountain rush	Juncus balticus
Mountain sagewort	Artemisia ludoviciana var incompta
Mountain tansymustard	Descurainia incana
Multiflora rose	Rosa multiflora

Common Name	Scientific Name
Musk thistle	Carduus nutans
Muttongrass	Poa cusickii
Myrtle spurge	Euphorbia myrsinites
Narrowleaf cottonwood	Populus angustifolia
Narrowleaf four o'clock	Mirabilis linearis
Narrowleaf gromwell	Lithospermum incisum
Narrowleaf willow	Salix exigua
Narrowleaf wirelettuce	Stephanomeria tenuifolia
Narrow-leaved dalmatian toadflax	Linaria genistifolia
Nebraska sedge	Carex nebrascensis
Needle and thread	Hesperostipa comata (Stipa comata)
Nodding microceris	Microseris nutans
Northern Idaho biscuitroot	Lomatium orientale
Nuttall's alkaligrass	Puccinellia cusickii
Nuttall's povertyweed	Monolepis nuttalliana
Nuttall's violet	Viola nuttallii
Oblongleaf bluebells	Mertensia oblongifolia
Onionweed	Asphodelus fistulosus
Oppositeleaf bahia	Picradeniopsis oppositifolia
Orange hawkweed	Hieracium aurantiacum
Orchardgrass	Dactylis glomerata
Oregon bitterroot	Lewisia rediviva
Ox-eye daisy	Leucanthemum vulgare (Chrysanthemum leucanthemum)
Pale bastard toadflax	Comandra umbellata
Pale madwort	Alyssum alyssoides
Palmer amanranth	Amaranthus palmeri
Parrotfeather	Myriophyllum aquaticum
Peachleaf willow	Salix amygdaloides
Pennsylvania pellitory	Parietaria pensylvanica
Perennial pepperweed (giant whitetop)	Lepidium latifolium
Perennial sorghum	Sorghum almum
Perennial sowthistle	Sonchus arvensis
Plains pricklypear	Opuntia polyacantha
Plains spring parsley	Cymopterus acaulis
Plumeless thistle	Carduus acanthoides
Poison hemlock	Conium maculatum
Policemen's Helmet	Impatiens glandulifera
Povertyweed	Iva axillaris
Prairie Junegrass	Koeleria macrantha
Prairie sunflower	Helianthus petiolaris
Prairie thermopsis	Thermopsis rhombifolia
Prairie threeawn	Aristida oligantha
Prickly lettuce	Lactuca serriola
Prostrate knotweed	Polygonum aviculare
Prostrate pigweed	Amaranthus albus
Puncturevine	Tribulus terrestris
Purple loosestrife	Lythrum salicaria

Common Name	Scientific Name
Purple pampas grass	Cortaderia jubata
Purple starthistle	Centaurea calcitrapa
Pursh seepweed	Suaeda calceoliformis
Pursh's milkvetch	Astragalus purshii
Pygmy pricklypear	Opuntia fragilis
Quackgrass	Agropyron repens (Elymus repens)
Quackgrass	Elymus repens
Redroot amaranth	Amaranthus retroflexus
Redstem filaree	Erodium cicutarium
Ribseed sandmat	Euphorbia glyptosperma
River hawthorn	Crataegus douglasii
Rock dandelion	Taraxacum laevigatum
Rocky Mountain goosefoot	Chenopodium glaucum
Rocky Mountain juniper	Juniperus scopulorum
Rocky Mountain spurge	Euphorbia brachycera
Rocky Mountain woodsia	Woodsia scopulina
Rosy pussytoes	Antennaria rosea
Rough cockleburr	Xanthium strumarium
Rubber rabbitbrush	Chrysothamnus nauseosus
Rush skeletonweed	Chondrilla juncea
Russian knapweed	Acroptilon repens (Centaurea repens)
Russian olive	Elaeagnus angustifolia
Russian thistle	Salsola australis
Sack saltbush	Atriplex saccaria
Saline saltbush	Atriplex subspicata
Salt sandspurry	Spergularia marina
Saltcedar	Tamarix chinensis
Saltcedar	Tamarix parviflora
Saltcedar	Tamarix ramosissima
Sand gilia	Gilia leptomeria
Sandberg bluegrass	Poa secunda (Poa juncifolia)
Sanddune wallflower	Erysimum asperum
Sandyseed clammyweed	Polanisia dodecandra
Scarlet beeblossom	Gaura coccinea
Scarlet globemallow	Sphaeralcea coccinea
Scentless false mayweed	Tripleurospermum perforatum
Scotch broom	Cytisus scoparius
Scotch thistle	Onopordum acanthium
Sego lily	Calochortus nuttallii
Sericea lespedeza	Lespedeza cuneata
Shadscale saltbush	Atriplex confertifolia
Shortspine horsebrush	Tetradymia spinosa
Shortstem buckwheat	Eriogonum brevicaule
Showy milkweed	Asclepias speciosa
Silver buffaloberry	Shepherdia argentea
Silverleaf nightshade	Solanum elaeagnifolium
Silverscale saltbush	Atriplex argentea

Common Name	Scientific Name
Silvery lupine	Lupinus argenteus
Sixweeks fescue	Vulpia octoflora
Skeletonleaf bursage	Ambrosia tomentosa (Franseria discolor)
Skunkbush sumac	Rhus trilobata
Slender phlox	Microsteris gracilis
Small bugloss	Anchusa arvensis
Smallflower blue eyed	Collinsia parviflora
Smooth brome	Bromus inermis
Smooth woodyaster	Xylorhiza glabriuscula
Smoothstem blazingstar	Mentzelia laevicaulis
Spineless horsebrush	Tetradymia canescens
Spiny cocklebur	Xanthium spinosum
Spiny phlox	Phlox hoodii
Spotted knapweed	Centaurea stoebe
Spotted missionbells	Fritillaria atropurpurea
Spurred anoda	Anoda cristata
Squarrose knapweed	Centaurea virgata
Squirreltail	Elymus elymoides
Stemless goldenweed	Haplopappus acaulis
Stemless hymenoxys	Hymenoxys acaulis
Strawberry clover	Trifolium fragiferum
Sulfur cinquefoil	Potentilla recta
Summer milkvetch	Astragalus hyalinus
Swainsonpea	Sphaerophysa salsula
Sword townsendia	Townsendia spathulata
Syrian beancaper	Zygophyllum fabago
Tall buttercup	Ranunculus acris
Tall hawkweed	Hieracium piloselloides
Tall tumblemustard	Sisymbrium altissimum
Tansy ragwort	Senecio jacobaea
Tenpetal blazingstar	Mentzelia decapetala
Textile onion	Allium textile
Threadleaf sedge	Carex filifolia
Threenerve goldenrod	Solidago sparsiflora
Thymeleaf sandmat	Euphorbia serpylifolia
Timber milkvetch	Astragalus convallarius
Tiny trumpet	Collomia linearis
Toad rush	Juncus bufonius
Toothed spurge	Euphorbia dentata
Torrey's rush	Juncus torreyi
Tufted evening-primrose	Oenothera cespitosa
Tweedy's gilia	Gilia tweedyi
Twogrooved milkvetch	Astragalus bisulcatus
Utah serviceberry	Amelanchier utahensis
Velvetleaf	Abutilon theophrasti
Venice mallow	Hibiscus trionum
Ventenata (North Africa grass)	Ventenata dubia

Common Name	Scientific Name
Viper's bugloss	Echium vulgare
Water hyacinth	Eichhornia crassipes
Water lettuce	Pistia stratiotes
Wavyleaf thistle	Cirsium undulatum
Western marsh cudweed	Gnaphalium palustre
Western smooth beardtongue	Penstemon glaber
Western snowberry	Symphoricarpos occidentalis
Western waterhemlock	Cicuta douglasii
Western white clematis	Clematis ligusticifolia
Western yarrow	Achillea millefolium
Whisky currant	Ribes cereum
White bryony	Bryonia alba
White sagebrush	Artemisia ludoviciana var ludoviciana
Whitestem blazingstar	Mentzelia albicaulis
Whitetop	Cardaria draba
Wild caraway	Carum carvi
Wild proso millet	Panicum miliaceum
Witchgrass	Panicum capillare
Woodland whitlowgrass	Draba nemorosa
Woods' rose	Rosa woodsii
Woolly distaff thistle	Carthamus Ianatus
Woolly groundsel	Senecio canus
Woolly plantain	Plantago patagonica
Wyoming big sagebrush	Artemisia tridentata var wyomingensis
Wyoming thistle	Cirsium pulcherrimum
Yellow devil hawkweed	Hieracium glomeratum
Yellow flag iris	Iris pseudacorus
Yellow floatingheart	Nymphoides peltata
Yellow hawkweed	Hieracium fendleri
Yellow nutsedge	Cyperus esculentus
Yellow owlclover	Orthocarpus luteus
Yellow salsify	Tragopogon dubius
Yellow starthistle	Centaurea solstitialis
Yellow sweetclover	Melilotus officinalis
Yellow toadflax	Linaria vulgaris
Yellowstone loco milkvetch	Astragalus miser
Zschack's goosefoot	Chenopodium berlandieri

Sources: WYARNG 2013a; CEMML 2020a; USDA - NRCS 2021.

## H.2 LOVELL LTA SPECIES LISTS

The three tables below list the animal, invertebrate, and plant species known to occur at the Lovell LTA, respectively.

Table H-4. Animal Species Known to Occur at the Lovell LTA

Amphibians and Reptiles		
rattlesnake	Crotalus viridis	
ern sagebrush lizard	Sceloporus undulatus	
can crow	Corvus brachyrhynchos	
can kestrel	Falco sparverius	
can pelican	Pelecanus erythrorhynchos	
can robin	Turdus migratorius	
ngle I	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	
pilled magpie	Pica hudsonia	
capped chickadee	Parus atricapillus	
r's blackbird	Euphagus cyanocephalus	
r's sparrow S	Spizella breweri	
ving owl	Athene cunicularia	
nia gull	Larus californicus	
partridge	Alectoris chukar	
on nighthawk (	Chordeiles minor	
on raven (	Corvis corax	
n kingbird	Tyrannus tyrannus	
norned owl	Bubo virginianus	
n eagle	Aquila chrysaetos	
d lark	Eremophila alpestris	
r	Charadrius vociferous	
unting	Calamospiza melanocorys	
arrow	Chondestes grammacus	
head shrike	Lanius Iudovicianus	
d ,	Anas platyrhynchos	
	Falco columbarius	
ain bluebird	Sialia currocoides	
ing dove	Zenaida macroura	
ern harrier (	Circus cyaneus	
1	Pandion haUatus	
falcon	Falco mexicanus	
iled hawk	Buteo jamaicensis	
nged blackbird	Agelaius phoeniceus	
ove	Columba livia	
ren 2	Salpinctes obsoletus	

Common Name	Scientific Name
Rough-legged hawk	Buteo lagopus
Rough-winged swallow	Stelgidopteryx ruficollis
Rufous-sided towhee	Pipilo erythrophthalmus
Sage sparrow	Amphispiza belli
Sage thrasher	Oreoscoptes montanus
Say's phoebe	Sayornis saya
Song sparrow	Melospiza melodia
Swainson's hawk	Buteo swainsoni
Swainson's thrush	Hylocichla ustulata
Turkey vulture	Cathartes aura
Vesper sparrow	Pooecetes gramineus
Western kingbird	Tyrannus verticalis
Western meadowlark	Sturnella magna
Western scrub jay	Aphelocoma californica
Western wood pewee	Contopus sordidulus
White-crowned sparrow	Zonotrichia leucophrys
Mammals	
American badger	Taxidea taxus
Bushy-tailed woodrat	Neotoma cinerea
Cottontail	Sylviligus spp.
Coyote	Canis latrans
Deer mouse	Peromyscus maniculatus
House mouse	Mus musculus
Jackrabbits	Lepus spp.
Least chipmunk	Tamias minimus
Mule deer	Odocoileus hemionus
Olive-backed pocket mouse	Perognathus fasciatus
Ord's kangaroo rat	Dipodomys ordii
Pronghorn	Antilocapra americana
White-tailed prairie dog	Cynomys leucurus

Table H-5. Invertebrate Species Known to Occur at the Lovell LTA

Order	Family	Species
Coleoptera		
Coleoptera	Anobiidae	
Coleoptera	Anobiidae	Ptinus sp.
Coleoptera	Bruchidae	
Coleoptera	Bruchidae	Acanthoscelides sp.
Coleoptera	Buprestidae	
Coleoptera	Buprestidae	Acmaeodera variegata
Coleoptera	Carabidae	
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Agonum decora
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Agonum placida

Order	Family	Species
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion bifossulatus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion obscurellum
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion patruele
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion timidus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bradycellus congener
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Calleida viridis amoena
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Callisthenes luxatus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Calosoma luxata
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Calosoma obsoleta
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Cicindela decemnotata
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus amputatus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus desertus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Lebia atriceps
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Poecilus scitulus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Stenolophus comma
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Technophilus croceicollis
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Crossidius coralinus, nr. fulgidus
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Judolia instabilis
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Tetraopes femoratus
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Typocerus serraticornis
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Apthona nigriscutis
Calaantana	Character all de a	Disonycha latifrons Disonycha triangularis
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Monoxia sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Trirhabda canadensis
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Trirhabda lewisii
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Trirhabda sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Zygogramma conjuncta pallida
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae Cicindelidae	Zygramma conjuncta
Coleoptera		Cicindola documentata
Coleoptera	Cicindelidae	Cicindela formaca
Coleoptera	Cicindelidae  Cicindelidae	Cicindela formosa Cicindela repanda
Coleoptera Coleoptera	Cicindelidae	Cicindela scutellaris
Coleoptera	Cleridae	Cicinaeia scateilaris
Coleoptera	Cleridae	Phyllobaenus sp.
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	r nynobuenus sp.
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella septempunctata
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella transversoguttata
-	Coccinellidae	Coccinella transversoguttata  Coccinella transversoguttata
Coleoptera Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Exochomus aethiops
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hippodamia convergens
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hippodamia quinquesignata
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Scymnus luctuosus
•	Curculionidae	Seymmus nuctuosus
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Listronotus vitticollis
Coleoptera		
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Lixus concavus

Order	Family	Species
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	·
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Agabus seriatus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Coptotomus longulus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Hygrotus partuelis
Coleoptera	Gyrinidae	, , ,
Coleoptera	Gyrinidae	Gyrinus sp.
Coleoptera	Heteroceridae	
Coleoptera	Heteroceridae	Neoheterocerus gnatho
Coleoptera	Heteroceridae	Neoheterocerus sp.
Coleoptera	Histeridae	· '
Coleoptera	Histeridae	Saprinus sp.
Coleoptera	Histeridae	Xerosaprinus sp.
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Berosus fraternus
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Berosus stylifer
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Enochrus horni
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Helophorus linearis
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Helophorus orientalis
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Helophorus sp.
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Tropisternus sublaevis
Coleoptera	Meloidae	
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Meloe sp.
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Nemognatha lurida
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Zonitis vermiculata
Coleoptera	Melyridae	
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Collops bipunctatus
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Malachius horni
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Trichochrous funebris
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	Mordellistena caliginosa
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	Mordellistena sp.
Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	
Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Carpophilus pallipennis
Coleoptera	Rhipiphoridae	
Coleoptera	Rhipiphoridae	Macrosiagon pectinatum
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius concavus
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius distinctus
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius erraticus
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Cremastocheilus knochi
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Glaresis sp.
Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	
Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Bledius sp.
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Araeoschizus sp.
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Asidopsis opaca
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes extricata

Order	Family	Species
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes hispilabris
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes obsoletus
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes pilosus
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes rileyi
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes rileyi
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Glyptasida sordidus
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Helops difficilis
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Melanstus sp.
Diptera	•	<u> </u>
Diptera	Anthomyiidae	
Diptera	Anthomyiidae	Unidentified sp.
Diptera	Asilidae	,
Diptera	Asilidae	Asilus formosus
Diptera	Asilidae	Asilus sp.
Diptera	Asilidae	Cyrtopogon sp.
Diptera	Asilidae	Efferia benedicti
Diptera	Asilidae	Efferia kellogi
Diptera	Asilidae	Efferia pallidula
Diptera	Asilidae	Efferia sp.
Diptera	Asilidae	Laphystia canadensis
Diptera	Asilidae	Lasiopogon sp.
Diptera	Asilidae	Machimus new species
Diptera	Asilidae	Proctacanthella leucopogon
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon aeacus
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon coyote
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon inquinatus
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon martini
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon neglectus
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon picticornis
Diptera	Bombyliidae	
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Aphoebantus mus
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Exoprosopa dorcadion
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Geron sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Hemipenthes jaennickeana
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Hemipenthes sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Pantarbes capito
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Poecilanthrax fuliginosus
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Poecilanthrax sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Thyridanthrax fenestratoides
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Villa sp.
Diptera	Calliphoridae	
Diptera	Calliphoridae	Calliphora livida
Diptera	Calliphoridae	Phormia regina
Diptera	Chloropidae	
Diptera	Chloropidae	Chlorops sp.
Diptera	Chloropidae	Thaumatomyia sp.
Diptera	Chloropidae	Unidentified sp.

Order	Family	Species
Diptera	Conopidae	·
Diptera	Conopidae	Physocephala texana
Diptera	Conopidae	Zodion fulvifrons
Diptera	Micropezidae	, ,
Diptera	Micropezidae	Micropeza lineata
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	1 2 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Blaesoxipha kellyi
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Sarcophaga sp.
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Unidentified sp.
Diptera	Scathophagidae	
Diptera	Scathophagidae	Unidentified sp.
Diptera	Sepsidae	
Diptera	Sepsidae	Sepsis neocynipsea
Diptera	Simuliidae	, , , ,
Diptera	Simuliidae	Simulium griseum
Diptera	Syrphidae	
Diptera	Syrphidae	Eristalis hirta
Diptera	Syrphidae	Eristalis stipator
Diptera	Syrphidae	Eupeodes volucris
Diptera	Syrphidae	Paragus variabilis
Diptera	Syrphidae	Toxomerus marginatus
Diptera	Tabanidae	
Diptera	Tabanidae	Chrysops aestuans
Diptera	Tachinidae	1 ' '
Diptera	Tachinidae	Cylindromyia sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Gonias sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Peleteria sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Tachina sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Zelia sp.
Diptera	Tephritidae	
Diptera	Tephritidae	Procecidochares minuta
Diptera	Therevidae	
Diptera	Therevidae	Thereva sp.
Hemiptera		
Hemiptera	Miridae	
Hemiptera	Miridae	Lygus elisus
Hemiptera	Pentatomidae	•
Hemiptera	Pentatomidae	Perillus bioculatus
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	Apiomeris spissipes
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	Fitchia aptera
Heteroptera		•
Heteroptera	Coreidae	
Heteroptera	Coreidae	Chelinidea vittiger
Heteroptera	Corixidae	
Heteroptera	Corixidae	Sigara alternata
Heteroptera	Lygaeidae	•

Order	Family	Species
Heteroptera	Lygaeidae	Lygaeus kalmii
Heteroptera	Nabidae	1 79
Heteroptera	Nabidae	Nabis americoferus
Heteroptera	Pentatomidae	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Heteroptera	Pentatomidae	Trichopepla semivittata
Heteroptera	Reduviidae	1
Heteroptera	Reduviidae	Apiomerus spissipes
Homoptera		1
Homoptera	Cercopidae	
Homoptera	Cercopidae	Clastoptera brunnea
Homoptera	Cicadellidae	· '
Homoptera	Cicadellidae	Unidentified sp.
Homoptera	Cicadidae	
Homoptera	Cicadidae	Okanagana luteobasalis
Homoptera	Membracidae	
Homoptera	Membracidae	Publilia modesta
Hymenoptera		<u> </u>
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena gardineri
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena lupinorum
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena prunorum
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena sp.
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	·
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Anthophora sp.
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Anthophora sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Ceratina neomexicana
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Doeringiella sp.
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Epeolus sp.
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Melissodes sp.
Hymenoptera	Anthophoridae	Synhalonia sp.
Hymenoptera	Apidae	
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Apis mellifera
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus huntii
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus morrisoni
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus nevadensis
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Agathis sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Cardiochiles seminiger
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Chelonus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Chelonus sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Iphiaulax sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Vipio sp
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	Haltichella sp.
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Chrysis allectoris

Order	Family	Species
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Chrysis montana
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Chrysis serrata
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Hedychridium sp.
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Holopyga ventralis
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Parnopes edwardsii
Hymenoptera	Colletidae	<u> </u>
Hymenoptera	Colletidae	Colletes sp.
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Camponotus novaeboracensis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formic obscuripes
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica coloradensis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica obscuripes
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica obtusopilosa
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica sp.
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Lasius sp.
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Myrmica latifrons emeryana
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Pogonomyrmex occidentalis
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon melliventris
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon texanus
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon virescens
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Dialictus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Dialictus sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Halictus farinosus
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Halictus ligatus
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Halictus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Lasioglossum pruinosiformis
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Lasioglossum sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Agrypon sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Compsocryptus calipterus
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Dolichomitus imperator
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Enicospilus merdarius
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Meringopus relativus
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Meringopus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Netelia sp. Ophion bilineatus
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Ophion sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Zatypota sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Ashmeadiella sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Coelioxys edita
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Megachile sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Megachile sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Megachile sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Megachile sp. 3

Order	Family	Species
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Osmia sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Dasymutilla monticola
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Pseudomethoca contumax
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Sphaeropthalma sp.
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ageniella arcuata
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ageniella euphoribia
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Anoplius insolens
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Anoplius nigritus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Anoplius tenebrosus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Aporinellus completus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Aporinellus medianus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ceropales maculata fraterna
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Cryptocheilus hesperus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Episyron oregon
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Episyron snowi
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Evagetes hyancinthinus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Podalonia mexicana
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Pompilus arctus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Pompilus scelestus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila aberti
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila azteca
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila ferruginosa
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila polita
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila pruinosa
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila sp.
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila stangei
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Aphilanthops frigidus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Astata nevadica
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ветbix атоепа
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Bembix sayi
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris californica
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris clypeata
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris convergens
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris nigrescens
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris sexta
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris vierecki
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Chalybion californicus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Dienoplus pictifrons
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Diodontus gillettei
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Episyron biguttatus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Glenostictia megacera
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Hoplisoides punctifrons
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Isodontia elegans
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Oryttus gracilis arapaho

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Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Palmodes carbo
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Philanthus crabroniformis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Philanthus gibbosus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Philanthus multimaculatus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Pisonopsis triangularis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Podalonia mexicana
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Podalonia sp.
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Prionyx atrata
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Prionyx canadensis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Prionyx subatrata
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Solierella fossor
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Steniolia elegans
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Stictiella pulchella
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Stizoides renicinctus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex alpestris
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex ashmeadii
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex linsleyi
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex pompiliformis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex psammobius
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex tarsata
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex terminata
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachytes abdominalis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachytes distinctus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachytes fulviventris
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachytes sayi
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachytes spatulatus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Ancistrocerus catskill
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus annulatus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus auranus albivestis
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus leucomelus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus sp. 3
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Leptochilus sp.
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Pterocheilus quinquefasciatus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Stenodynerus kennicottianus
Lepidoptera		
Lepidoptera	Arctiidae	
Lepidoptera	Arctiidae	Cycnia tenera
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Perizoma custodiata
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Semiothisa curvata
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Semiothisa sp.
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	Pyrgus communis
Lepidoptera	Lasiocampidae	
Lepidoptera	Lasiocampidae	Malacosoma californica
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	

Order	Family	Species
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Abagrotis discoidalis
		Abagrotis duanca
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Abagrotis sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea devastator
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Autographa californica
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Cerapoda stylata
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Drasteria pallescens
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa annulipes
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Еихоа ѕр.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa sp. 2
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Hadenella pergentilis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Lacinipolia strigicollis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Protogygia lagena
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Protogygia querula
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Schinia acutilinea
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Schinia errans
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Schinia jaguarina
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Schinia obliqua
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Scotogramma fervida
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Scotogramma submarina
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Spaelotis sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Trichoclea decepta
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	<u> </u>
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Vanessa fabricus
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	<u> </u>
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Loxostege commixtalis
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Nomophila nearctica
Lepidoptera	Satyridae	<u> </u>
Lepidoptera	Satyridae	Cerctonis oetus
Neuroptera		
Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	
Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	Chrysopa excepta
Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	Chrysopa nigricornis
Neuroptera	Hemerobiidae	1 / / 3
Neuroptera	Hemerobiidae	Micromus variolosus
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Brachynemurus abdominalis
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Brachynemurus carrizonus
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Brachynemurus nigrilabris
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Myrmeleon sp.
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Psammoleon sinuatus
Odonata	,	1 Summoreon Sinuatus
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	
Odonata		Enallagma civile
	Coenagrionidae	
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	Enallagma cyathigerum
Odonata	Gomphidae	Onbiggomphus squarus
Odonata	Gomphidae	Ophiogomphus severus
Odonata	Libellulidae	

Order	Family	Species
Odonata	Libellulidae	Libellula forensis
Odonata	Libellulidae	Sympetrum corrupta
Odonata	Libellulidae	Sympetrum obtrusa
Odonata	Libellulidae	Sympetrum occidentale
Orthoptera		
Orthoptera	Acrididae	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Aeoloplides turnbulli
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Aerochoreutes carlinianus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Aulocara elliotti
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Circotettix carliniana
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Cratypedes neglecta
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Derotmema haydenii
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Hesperotettix viridis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus cinereus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus occidentalis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus sp.
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Opeia obscurus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Orphulella speciosa
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Psoloessa delicatula
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Trimerotropis gracilis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Trimerotropis pallidipennis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Trimerotropis sparsa
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Xanthippus corallipes
Orthoptera	Gryllidae	
Orthoptera	Gryllidae	Gryllus personatus
Orthoptera	Stenopelmatidae	
Orthoptera	Stenopelmatidae	Stenopelmatus fuscus
Trichoptera		
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Cheumatopsyche lasia
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Hydropsyche occidentalis

Table H-6. Vegetation Species List Known to Occur at the Lovell LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name
Absinth wormwood	Artemisia absinthium
African mustard	Malcolmia africana
African rue	Peganum harmala
Alkali sacaton	Sporobolus airoides
Alpine bladderwort	Lesquerella alpina
American licorice	Glycyrrhiza lepidota
American licorice	Xylorhiza glabriuscula
American vetch	Vicia americana
Annual wheatgrass	Agropyron triticeum
Asian mustard	Brassica tournefortii
Austrian fieldcress	Rorippa austriaca

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Baby's breath	Gypsophila paniculata
Barr's milkvetch	Astragalus hyalinus
Basin big sagebrush	Artemisia tridentata var tridentata
Bee balm	Cleome lutea
Berlander's goosefoot	Chenopodium berlandieri
Bermudagrass	Cynodon dactylon
Bessy's locoweed	Oxytropis besseyi
Birdfoot sagebrush	Artemisia pedatifida
Black henbane	Hyoscyamus niger
Black sagebrush	Artemisia nova
Bladderpod	Physaria acutifolia
Blue gramma	Bouteloua gracilis
Bluebunch wheatgrass	Elymus spicatus
Bohemian knotweed	Polygonum x bohemicum
Bouncingbet	Saponaria officinalis
Bracted verbena	Verbena bracteata
Brazilian egeria	Egeria densa
Broom snakeweed	Gutierrezia sarothrae
Broomrape	Orobanche ludoviciana
Buff fleabane	Erigeron ochroleucus
Buffalobur	Solanum rostratum
Bull thistle	Cirsium vulgare
Burningbush	Bassia scoparia (Kochia scoparia)
Camelthorn	Alhagi maurorum
Canada thistle	Cirsium arvense
Canada wildrye	Elymus canadensis
Cardaria	Cardaria chalapensis
Cheatgrass	Bromus tectorum
Chicory	Cichorium intybus
Chinese clematis	Clematis orientalis
Cicada milkvetch	Astragalus chamaeleuce
Cogongrass	Imperata cylindrica
Common buckthorn	Rhamnus cathartica
Common bugloss	Anchusa officinalis
Common burdock	Arctium minus
Common crupina	Crupina vulgaris
Common dandelion	Taraxacum officinale
Common lambsquarter	Chenopodium album
Common lettuce	Lactuca serriola
Common mullein	Verbascum thapsus
Common reed	Phragmites australis
Common St. Johnswort	Hypericum perforatum
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Common Name	Scientific Name
Common tansy	Tanacetum vulgare
Crested wheatgrass	Agropyron cristatum
Curly dock	Rumex crispus
Curlycup gumweed	Grindelia squarrosa
Curlyleaf pondweed	Potamogeton crispus
Cutleaf evening primrose	Oenothera laciniata
Cutleaf teasel	Dipsacus laciniatus
Cutleaf vipergrass	Scorzonera laciniata
Cypress spurge	Euphorbia cyparissias
Dalmatian toadflax	Linaria dalmatica
Dame's rocket	Hesperis matronalis
Desert biscuitroot	Lomatium foeniculaceum
Desert goosefoot	Chenopodium pratericola
Desert princeplume	Stanleya pinnata
Diffuse knapweed	Centaurea diffusa
Douglas' dustymaiden	Chaenactis douglasii
Dry goosefoot	Chenopodium desiccatum
Dyer's woad	Isatis tinctoria
Easter daisy	Townsendia incana
Elongated mustard	Brassica elongata
Englemann's fleabane	Erigeron engelmannii
Eurasian watermilfoil	Myriophyllum spicatum
European wand loosestrife	Lythrum virgatum
Fairy trumpet	Ipomopsis congesta
False buffalograss	Monroa squarrosa
Fewseed draba	Draba oligosperma
Field bindweed	Convolvulus arvensis
Field brome	Bromus arvensis
Field dodder	Cuscuta pentagona
Fivehorn smotherweed	Bassia hyssopifolia
Flaxleaf plainsmustard	Schoenocrambe linifolia
Flixweed	Descurainia incana
Flowering rush	Butomus umbellatus
Four-wing saltbush	Atriplex canescens
Foxtail barley	Hordeum jubatum
Fringed sagewort	Artemisia frigida
Fuller's teasel	Dipsacus fullonum
Garden loosestrife	Lysimachia vulgaris
Gardner's saltbush	Atriplex gardneri
Garlic mustard	Alliaria petiolata
Geyer's milkvetch	Astragalus geyeri
Giant hogweed	Heracleum mantegazzianum
Giant Knotweed	Polygonum sachalinense

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Giant reed	Arundo donax
Giant salvinia	Salvinia molesta
Giant sumpweed	Iva axillaris
Goatsrue	Galega officinalis
Gorse	Ulex europaeus
Granite prickly phlox	Leptodactylon pungens
Gray lovegrass	Eragrostis cilianensis
Gray's milkvetch	Astragalus grayi
Greasewood	Sarcobatus vermiculatus
Great Plains bladderwort	Lesquerella arenosa
Green bristlegrass	Setaria viridis
Green needlegrass	Nassella viridula (Stipa viridula)
Green rabbitbrush	Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus
Hairy whitetop	Cardaria pubescens
Hairy willow- herb	Epilobium hirsutum
Halogeton	Halogeton glomeratus
Hawksbeard	Crepis intermedia
Hawkweed	Hieracium × floribundum
Himalayan blackberry	Rubus armeniacus
Hoary alyssum	Berteroa incana
Hoary tansyaster	Machaeranthera canescens
Hood's phlox	Phlox hoodii
Hooker's mouse ear	Arenaria hookeri
Hooker's townsendia	Townsendia hookeri
Horned spurge	Euphorbia brachycera
Houndstongue	Cynoglossum officinale
Hydrilla	Hydrilla verticillata
Iberian starthistle	Centaurea iberica
Indian paintbrush	Castilleja angustifolia
Indian ricegrass	Achnatherium hymenoides
Italian thistle	Carduus pycnocephalus
Japanese knotweed	Polygonum cuspidatum (Fallopia japonica)
Johnsongrass	Sorghum halepense
Jointed goatgrass	Aegilops cylindrica
Largeflower hawksbeard	Crepis occidentalis
Leafy spurge	Euphorbia esula
Leafy wild parsley	Musineon divaricatum
Lemon scurfpea	Psoralidium lanceolatum
Leptodactylon	Leptodactylon caespitosum
Limber pine	Pinus flexilis
Long-beak twistflower	Streptanthella longirostris
Malta starthisle	Centaurea melitensis
Many-headed hymenopappus	Hymenopappus filifolius

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Marshelder	Iva xanthifolia
Mat amaranth	Amaranthus blitoides
Matgrass	Nardus stricta
Mayweed chamomile	Anthemis cotula
Meadow hawkweed	Hieracium caespitosum
Meadow knapweed	Centaurea nigrescens (Centaurea pratensis)
Mediterranean sage	Salvia aethiopis
Medusahead rye	Taeniatherum caput-medusae
Milium	Milium vernale
Miner's candle	Cryptantha celosioides
Moth mullein	Verbascum blattaria
Mountain big sagebrush	Artemisia tridentata var vaseyana
Multiflora rose	Rosa multiflora
Musk thistle	Carduus nutans
Myrtle spurge	Euphorbia myrsinites
Narrowleaf groundsel	Lithospermum incisum
Narrow-leaved dalmatian toadflax	Linaria genistifolia
Needle and thread	Heterostipa comata (Stipa comata)
Nuttall's povertyweed	Monolepis nuttalliana
Nuttall's sunflower	Haplopappus nuttallii
Nuttall's townsendia	Townsendia nuttallii
Oblong-leaf lettuce	Lactuca oblongifolia
Onionweed	Asphodelus fistulosus
Oodding buckwheat	Eriogonum cernuum
Orange hawkweed	Hieracium aurantiacum
Ox-eye daisy	Leucanthemum vulgare (Chrysanthemum leucanthemum)
Paiute suncup	Camissonia scapoidea
Pale bastard toadflax	Comandra umbellata
Pale madwort	Alyssum desertorum
Pallid primrose	Oenothera pallida
Palmer amanranth	Amaranthus palmeri
Parrotfeather	Myriophyllum aquaticum
Perennial pepperweed (giant whitetop)	Lepidium latifolium
Perennial sorghum	Sorghum almum
Perennial sowthistle	Sonchus arvensis
Pinnate gilia	Gilia pinnatifida
Pinnate tansy mustard	Descurainia pinnata
Plains milkvetch	Astragalus gilviflorus
Plains pricklypear	Opuntia polyacantha
Plains spring parsley	Cymopterus acaulis
Plumeless thistle	Carduus acanthoides
Poison hemlock	Conium maculatum
Policemen's helmet	Impatiens glandulifera

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Powell's saltbush	Atriplex powellii
Prairie milkvetch	Astragalus adsurgens
Prairie sunflower	Helianthus petiolaris
Prostrate knotweed	Polygonum aviculare
Puncturevine	Tribulus terrestris
Purple loosestrife	Lythrum salicaria
Purple pampas grass	Cortaderia jubata
Purple starthistle	Centaurea calcitrapa
Purple threeawn	Aristida purpurea
Quackgrass	Agropyron repens
Redroot amaranth	Amaranthus retroflexus
Redstem filaree	Erodium cicutarium
Ribseed sandmat	Euphorbia glyptosperma
Rillscale	Atriplex suckleyi
Ring grass sunflower	Haplopappus armerioides
Rockcress	Arabis pulchra
Rough cocklebur	Xanthium strumarium
Rough mule's ears	Wyethia scabra
Rubber rabbitbrush	Ericameria nauseosus
Rush skeletonweed	Chondrilla juncea
Russian knapweed	Acroptilon repens (Centaurea repens)
Russian olive	Elaeagnus angustifolia
Russian thistle	Salsola tragus
Saltcedar	Tamarix chinensis
Saltcedar	Tamarix parviflora
Saltcedar	Tamarix ramosissima
Saltgrass	Distichlis spicata
Sand dropseed	Sporobolus cryptandrus
Sand gilia	Aliciella leptomeria
Sand penstemon	Penstemon arenicola
Sand verbena	Abronia fragrans
Sandberg bluegrass	Poa secunda
Sandyseed polansia	Polanisia dodecandra
Scarlet beeblossom	Gaura coccinea
Scarlet globemallow	Sphaeralcea coccinea
Scentless chamomile	Anthemis arvensis
Scentless chamomile	Matricaria perforata
Scentless false mayweed	Tripleurospermum perforatum
Scorpionweed	Phacelia ivesiana
Scotch broom	Cytisus scoparius
Scotch thistle	Onopordum acanthium
Sericea lespedeza	Lespedeza cuneata
Shadescale	Atriplex confertifolia

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Shortstem buckwheat	Eriogonum brevicaule
Showy milkweed	Asclepias speciosa
Silverleaf nightshade	Solanum elaeagnifolium
Silvery groundsel	Senecio canus
Skeletonleaf bursage	Franseria discolor
Skunkbrush sumac	Rhus trilobata
Slender buckwheat	Eriogonum microthecum
Slender cryptantha	Cryptantha ambigua
Slender wheatgrass	Elymus trachycaulus
Small bugloss	Anchusa arvensis
Small evening primrose	Camissonia minor
Smallflower sand verbena	Tripterocalyx micranthus
Smooth brome	Bromus inermis
Smooth stem blazing star	Mentzelia laevicaulis
Sowthistle desertdandelion	Malacothrix sonchoides
Spike gilia	Gilia spicata
Spineless horsebrush	Tetradymia canescens
Spiny cocklebur	Xanthium spinosum
Spiny hopsage	Grayia spinosa
Spiny horsebrush	Tetradymia spinosa
Spiny sagebrush	Artemisia spinescens
Spotted knapweed	Centaurea stoebe
Spotted x diffuse knapweed hybrid	Centaurea x psammogena
Spurred anoda	Anoda cristata
Squarrose knapweed	Centaurea virgata
Squirreltail	Elymus elymoides
Stemless hymenoxys	Hymenoxys acaulis
Stickweed	Lappula redowskii
Sticky cryptantha	Cryptantha caespitosa
Suaeda	Suaeda nigra
Sulfur cinquefoil	Potentilla recta
Sunflower	Platyschkuhria integrifolia
Susty lupine	Lupinus pusillus
Swainsonpea	Sphaerophysa salsula
Syrian beancaper	Zygophyllum fabago
Tall buttercup	Ranunculus acris
Tall hawkweed	Hieracium piloselloides
Tall tumble mustard	Sisymbrium altissimum
Tansy ragwort	Senecio jacobaea
Tansyleaf tansyaster	Machaeranthera tanacetifolia
Ten-petal blazing star	Mentzelia decapetala
Texas stickweed	Lappula texana
Textile onion	Allium textile

Common Name	Scientific Name
Thickspike wheatgrass	Elymus lanceolatus
Threadleaf sedge	Carex filifolia
Thymeleaf sandmat	Euphorbia serpyllifolia
Toothed spurge	Euphorbia dentata
Torrey's desertdandelion	Malacothrix torreyi
Tufted evening primrose	Oenothera cespitosa
Tweedy's gilia	Gilia tweedyi
Utah juniper	Juniperus osteosperma
Velvetleaf	Abutilon theophrasti
Venice mallow	Hibiscus trionum
Ventenata (North Africa grass)	Ventenata dubia
Viper's bugloss	Echium vulgare
Water hyacinth	Eichhornia crassipes
Water lettuce	Pistia stratiotes
Wax-leaved penstemon	Penstemon nitidus
Western waterhemlock	Cicuta douglasii
White bryony	Bryonia alba
White locoweed	Oxytropis sericea
Whitestem blazing star	Mentzelia albicaulis
Whitetop	Cardaria draba
Wild caraway	Carum carvi
Wild onion	Allium geyeri
Wild proso millet	Panicum miliaceum
Winterfat	Krascheninnikovia lanata
Wire lettuce	Stephanomeria runcinata
Witchgrass	Panicum capillare
Wood's rose	Rosa woodsii
Woolly distaff thistle	Carthamus lanatus
Wyoming big sagebrush	Artemisia tridentata var wyomingensis
Yellow alsify	Tragopogon dubius
Yellow devil hawkweed	Hieracium glomeratum
Yellow flag iris	Iris pseudacorus
Yellow floatingheart	Nymphoides peltata
Yellow hawkweed	Hieracium fendleri
Yellow nutsedge	Cyperus esculentus
Yellow starthistle	Centaurea solstitialis
Yellow sweetclover	Melilotus officinalis
Yellow toadflax	Linaria vulgaris
Yellow x dalmatian toadflax hybrid	Linaria vulgaris x L. dalmatica

Sources: WYARNG 2013c, CEMML 2020b, USDA - NRCS 2021.

## H.3 SHERIDAN LTA SPECIES LISTS

The three tables below list the animal, invertebrate, and plant species known to occur at the Sheridan LTA, respectively.

Table H-7. Animal Species Known to Occur at the Sheridan LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name
Amphibians and Reptiles	
Tiger salamander	Ambystoma tigrinum
Western painted turtle	Chrysemys picta bellii
Bullsnake	Pituophis melanoleucas
Boreal chorus frog	Pseudacris triseriata
Northern leopard frog	Rana pipiens
Northern sagebrush lizard	Sceloporus graciosus
Birds	
American crow	Corvus brachyrhynchos
American kestrel	Falco sparvertius
American robin	Turdus migratorius
Bald eagle	Haliaeetus leucocephalus
Barn swallow	Hirundo rustica
Black-billed Magpie	Pica hudsonia
Black-capped Chickadee	Poecile atricapilla
Brewer's blackbird	Euphagus cyanocephalus
Brewer's sparrow	Spizella breweri
Broad-winged hawk	Buteo platypterus
Bullock's oriole	Icterus bullockii
Common nighthawk	Chordeiles minor
Cooper's hawk	Accipiter cooperii
Eastern kingbird	Tyrannus
Eastern screech owl	Otus asio
European starling	Sturnus vulgaris
Ferruginous hawk	Buteo regalis
Golden eagle	Aquila chrysaetos
Gray partridge	Perdix
Great blue heron	Ardea herodias
Great horned owl	Bubo virginianus
Greater sage-grouse	Centrocerus urophasianus
Horned lark	Eremophilia alpestris
House wren	Troglodytes aedon
Killdeer	Charadrius vociferous
Lark bunting	Calamospiza melanocorys
Lark sparrow	Chondestes grammacus
Loggerhead shrike	Lanius Iudovicianus
Long-eared owl	Asio otus
Mallard	Anus platyrhyncos
Merlin	Falco columbarius
Mourning dove	Zenaida macroura
Northern flicker	Colaptes auratus

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	Thirteen-lined ground squirrel	Spermophilus tridecemlineatus
White-tailed jackrabbit Lepus townsendii	Western harvest mouse	Reithrodontomys megalotis
	White-tailed jackrabbit	Lepus townsendii

Table H-8. Invertebrate Species Known to Occur at the Sheridan LTA

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Coleoptera		
Coleoptera	Anobiidae	
Coleoptera	Anobiidae	Unidentified Species
Coleoptera	Anthicidae	

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Coleoptera	Anthicidae	Anthicus sp.
Coleoptera	Anthicidae	Notoxus sp.
Coleoptera	Anthribidae	•
Coleoptera	Anthribidae	Trigonorhinus stictus
Coleoptera	Apionidae	•
Coleoptera	Apionidae	Apion sp.
Coleoptera	Apionidae	Apion coloradense
Coleoptera	Apionidae	Nanophyes canadensis
Coleoptera	Attelabidae	•
Coleoptera	Attelabidae	Merhynchites wickhami
Coleoptera	Buprestidae	·
Coleoptera	Buprestidae	Acmaeodera mixta
Coleoptera	Buprestidae	Phaenops drummondi
Coleoptera	Byrrhidae	·
Coleoptera	Byrrhidae	Cytilus alternatus
Coleoptera	Cantharidae	·
Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Cantharis sp.
Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Podabrus sp.
Coleoptera	Carabidae	
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Agonum corvus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Agonum placidus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara aeneus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara apricaria
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara carinatus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara confusa
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara cupreolata
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara torridus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara sp.
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Anisodactylus sanctaecrucis
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Badister neopulchellus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion bifossulatus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion congener
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion cordatum
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion impotens
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion obscurellus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion patreule
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion rapidum
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion timidus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion versicolor
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bradycellus congener
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Calleida viridis amoena
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Chlaenius sericeus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Cratacanthus dubius
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Discoderus parallelus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Elaphropus dolosus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Elaphrus sp.
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Euryderus grossa

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus amputatus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus desertus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus fuscipalpus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus pensylvanicus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Lebia atriceps
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Lebia perita
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Lebia viridis
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Lebia vittatus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Notiophilus aquaticus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Pasimachus elongatus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Selenophorus planipennis
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Stenolophus conjunctus
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Stenolophus comma
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Stenolophus lineola
Coleoptera	Carabidae	Stenolophus ochropeza
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	·
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Batyle ignicolle
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Cortodera subpilosus
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Crossidius pulchellus
Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Mecas cineracea
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Acanthoscelides sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Agroiconota bivittata
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Altica sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Aphthona nigriscutis
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Brachyponoea puncticollis
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Blepharida rhois
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Chaetocnema ectypa
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Chaetocnema subconvexa
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Coleothorpa dominicana franciscana
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Crepidodera solita
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Crepidodera sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Deloyala guttata/lecontii complex
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cryptocephalus confluentus
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Diabrotica sp
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Dibolia sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Disonycha procera
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Disonycha triangularis
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Disonycha xanthomelas
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Distigimotera borealis
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Gastrophysa cyanea
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Graphops m. marcassita
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Graphops n. sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Graphops sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Jonthonota nigripes
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Longitarsus sp.

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Lupersoma paralleum
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Microrhopala vittata
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Monoxia sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Neogalerucella calmariens
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Neohaemonia melsheimeri
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Ophraella americana
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Ophraella sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Pachybrachis mercurialis
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Pachybrachis nigricornis autolycus
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Pachybrachis sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Paria thoracica
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Phaedon a. armoraciae
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Phyllotreta sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Plateumaris robusta
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Psylliodes sp.
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Systena blanda
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Systena dimorpha
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Trirhabda attenuata
Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Trirhabda pilosa
Coleoptera	Cicindelidae	
Coleoptera	Cicindelidae	Cicindela punctulata
Coleoptera	Cicindelidae	Cicindela purpurea audubonii
Coleoptera	Cleridae	
Coleoptera	Cleridae	Enoclerus coccineus
Coleoptera	Cleridae	Necrobia rufipes
Coleoptera	Cleridae	Phyllobaenus sp.
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	,
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Anatis mali
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Brachiacantha albifrons
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Brachiacanthu tau
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Brumoides septentrionis
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella hieroglyphica kirbyi
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella novemnotata
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella septempunctata
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella transversoguttata richardsoni
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hippodamia convergens
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hippodamia parenthesis
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hippodamia quinquesignata
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hippodamia tredecimpunctata
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hyperaspis lateralis
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Mulsantina picta
Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Paranaemia vittigera
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	-
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Anthonomus sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Barilepton sp
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Baris sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ceutorhynchinae

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ceutorhynchina sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Euhrychiopsis leconti
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Hypera compta
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Hypera postica
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Hypera sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Listronotus sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Lixus sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Macrorhoptus hispidus
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Myrmex sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Notaris sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Notiodes sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Otiorhynchus ovatus
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Phytobius leucogaster
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinoncus sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinocyllus conicus
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Scaphomorphus sp.
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sitona cylindricollis
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sitona lineellus
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Smicronyx fulvus
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sphenophorus aequalis ochreus
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius lineellus
Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius sp.
Coleoptera	Dermestidae	
Coleoptera	Dermestidae	Anthrenus lepidus
Coleoptera	Dermestidae	Dermestes fasciatus
Coleoptera	Dermestidae	Dermestes frischi
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Agabus disintegratus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Agabus griseipennis
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Colymbetes sculptilis
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Coptotomus longulus longulus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Hydroporus notabilis
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Hygrotus acaroides
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Hygrotus impressopunctatus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Hygrotus marklini
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Hygrotus patruelis
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Hygrotus sayi
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Hygrotus sellatus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Hygrotus sp.
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Laccophilius fasciatus terminalis
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Laccophilus maculosus decipiens
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Liodessus obscurellus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Ilybius fraterculus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Ilybius subaeneus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Liodessus obscurellis
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Rhantus binotatus
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Rhantus gutticollis

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Rhantus sericans
Coleoptera	Dytiscidae	Stictotarsus striatellus
Coleoptera	Elateridae	
Coleoptera	Elateridae	Aeolus sp.
Coleoptera	Elateridae	Conoderus sp.
Coleoptera	Elateridae	Ctenicera inflatus
Coleoptera	Elateridae	Ctenicera sp.
Coleoptera	Elateridae	Hadromorphus glaucus
Coleoptera	Elateridae	Limonius ectypus
Coleoptera	Elmidae	
Coleoptera	Elmidae	Stenelmis occidentalis
Coleoptera	Gyrinidae	
Coleoptera	Gyrinidae	Gyrinus affinis
Coleoptera	Gyrinidae	Gyrinus pleuralis
Coleoptera	Haliplidae	
Coleoptera	Haliplidae	Haliplus borealis
Coleoptera	Haliplidae	Haliplus fulvus
Coleoptera	Haliplidae	Haliplus immaculicollis
Coleoptera	Haliplidae	Haliplus stagninus
Coleoptera	Haliplidae	Peltodytes callosus
Coleoptera	Haliplidae	Peltodytes edentulus
Coleoptera	Helophoridae	
Coleoptera	Helophoridae	Helophorus linearoides
Coleoptera	Helophoridae	Helohorus nitidulus
Coleoptera	Helophoridae	Helophorus orientalis
Coleoptera	Helophoridae	Helophorus sp.
Coleoptera	Heteroceridae	
Coleoptera	Heteroceridae	Heterocerus fenestratus
Coleoptera	Heteroceridae	Neoheterocerus sp.
Coleoptera	Heteroceridae	Unidentified Species
Coleoptera	Histeridae	
Coleoptera	Histeridae	Saprinus oregonensis
Coleoptera	Histeridae	Xerosaprinus lubricus
Coleoptera	Histeridae	Xerosaprinus sp.
Coleoptera	Hydraenidae	
Coleoptera	Hydraenidae	LeConte
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Anacaena sp.
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Berosus fraternus
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Berosus hatchi
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Berosus peregrinus
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Berosus sayi
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Berosus stylifer
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Cercyon sp.
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Enochrus diffusus
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Enochrus hamiltoni
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Enochrus horni

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Enochrus sp.
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Hydrobius fuscipes
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Laccobius sp.
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Paracymus subcupreus
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Sphaeridium lunatum
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Sphaeridium scarabaeoides
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Tropisternus lateralis nimbatus
Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Tropisternus sublaevis
Coleoptera	Lampyridae	
Coleoptera	Lampyridae	Pyropyga minuta
Coleoptera	Meloidae	7 173
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta atropos
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta callosa
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta cinerea
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta fabricii
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta ferruginea
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta maculata
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta normalis
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta pensylvanica
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Epicauta sericans
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Lytia viridana
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Nemognatha lurida
Coleoptera	Meloidae	Zonitis sayi
Coleoptera	Melyridae	
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Amecocerus interruptus
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Collops bipunctatus
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Collops sp.
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Malachius aeneus
Coleoptera	Melyridae	Dasytinae
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	Mordella sp.
Coleoptera	Mordellidae	Mordellistena sp.
Coleoptera	Ochodaeidae	
Coleoptera	Ochodaeidae	Cucochodaeus sparsus
Coleoptera	Ochodaeidae	Xenochodaeus americanus
Coleoptera	Phalacridae	
Coleoptera	Phalacridae	Unidentified Species
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius coloradensis
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius dentigerulus
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius distinctus
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius erraticus
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius fimetarius
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius fossor
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius granarius
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius knausi
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius vittatus

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Ataeniopsis duncani
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Ataenius sp.
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Boreocanthon ebenus
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Boreocanthon praticola
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Canthon pilularius
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Diplotaxis rufiola
Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Phyllophaga crassissima
Coleoptera	Scirtidae	
Coleoptera	Scirtidae	Unidentified Species
Coleoptera	Scraptiidae	, , , ,
Coleoptera	Scraptiidae	Pentaria sp.
Coleoptera	Silphidae	· ·
Coleoptera	Silphidae	Aclypea bituberosa
Coleoptera	Silphidae	Heterosilpha ramosa
Coleoptera	Silphidae	Nicrophorus hybridus
Coleoptera	Silphidae	Nicrophorus guttulus
Coleoptera	Silphidae	Nicrophorus tomentosus
Coleoptera	Silphidae	Nicrophorus marginatus
Coleoptera	Silphidae	Thanatophilus Iapponicus
Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	,
Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Oxypoda sp.
Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Philonthus sp
Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Scaphidiinae
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Asidopsis polita
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Blapstinus sp.
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes opaca
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes tricostata
Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Embaphion muricata
Coleoptera	Trogidae	
Coleoptera	Trogidae	Trox atrox
Coleoptera	Trogidae	Trox unistriatus
Dermaptera		
Dermaptera	Forficulidae	
Dermaptera	Forficulidae	Forficula auricularia L
Diptera		
Diptera	Acroceridae	
Diptera	Acroceridae	Acrocera sp.
Diptera	Agromyzidae	·
Diptera	Agromyzidae	Unidentified Species
Diptera	Anthomyiidae	
Diptera	Anthomyiidae	Hylemya sp.
Diptera	Asilidae	
Diptera	Asilidae	Asilus sp.
Diptera	Asilidae	Dicropaltum cumbipilosus
Diptera	Asilidae	Dicropaltum mesae
Diptera	Asilidae	Efferia sp.

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Diptera	Asilidae	Holopogon seniculus
Diptera	Asilidae	Leptogaster aridus
Diptera	Asilidae	Leptogaster murinus
Diptera	Asilidae	Machimus prairensis
Diptera	Asilidae	Machimus n. sp.
Diptera	Asilidae	Megaphorus guildiana
Diptera	Asilidae	Promachus fitchii
Diptera	Asilidae	Scleropogon picticornis
Diptera	Asilidae	Stenopogon nitens
Diptera	Bibionidae	
Diptera	Bibionidae	Bibio albipennis
Diptera	Bombyliidae	<u> </u>
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Bombylius major
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Conophorus sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Geron argutus
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Geron sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Hemipenthes jaennickeana
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Hemipenthes sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Phthiria sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Poecilanthrax alpha
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Poecilanthrax fuliginosus
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Poecilanthrax sackenii
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Systoechus sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Toxophora sp.
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Villa lateralis
Diptera	Bombyliidae	Villa sp.
Diptera	Calliphoridae	
Diptera	Calliphoridae	Calliphora coloradensis
Diptera	Calliphoridae	Calliphora latifrons
Diptera	Calliphoridae	Calliphora livida
Diptera	Calliphoridae	Lucilia illustris
Diptera	Calliphoridae	Phormia regina
Diptera	Ceratopogonidae	•
Diptera	Ceratopogonidae	Bezzia/Palpomyia sp.
Diptera	Chaoboridae	
Diptera	Chaoboridae	Chaoborus sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	
Diptera	Chironomidae	Acricoptopus sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	Apedilum sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	Chironomus sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	Cricotopus sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	Dicrotendipes sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	Micropsectra sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	Paratanytarsus sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	Procladius sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	Psectrocladus sp.
Diptera	Chironomidae	Pseudosmitta sp.

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Diptera	Chironomidae	Tanypus sp.
Diptera	Chloropidae	
Diptera	Chloropidae	Chlorops rubicundus
Diptera	Chloropidae	Diplotoxa sp.
Diptera	Chloropidae	Meromyza sp.
Diptera	Chloropidae	Oscinella sp.
Diptera	Chloropidae	Thaumatomyia sp.
Diptera	Conopidae	, ,
Diptera	Conopidae	Myopa flavopilosa
Diptera	Conopidae	Physocephala texana
Diptera	Conopidae	Physoconops gracilis
Diptera	Conopidae	Thecophora modesta
Diptera	Conopidae	Thecophora nigripes
Diptera	Conopidae	Thecophora occidensis
Diptera	Conopidae	Zodion fulvifrons
Diptera	Conopidae	Zodion intermedium
Diptera	Culicidae	
Diptera	Culicidae	Culex tarsalis
Diptera	Culicidae	Culiseta inornata
Diptera	Culicidae	Ocherotatus fitchii
Diptera	Dixidae	
Diptera	Dixidae	Dixella sp.
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Chrysotus obliquus
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Dolichopus bifractus
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Dolichopus idahoensis
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Dolichopus palustrus
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Dolichopis penciliatus
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Dolichopis plumipes
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Dolichopus sp.
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Hydrophorus sp.
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Pelastoneurus longicauda
Diptera	Dolichopodidae	Scellus vigil
Diptera	Empididae	
Diptera	Empididae	Platypalpus sp.
Diptera	Empididae	Rhamphomyia sp.
Diptera	Ephydridae	
Diptera	Ephydridae	Ochthera anatolikos
Diptera	Ephydridae	Ochthera sp.
Diptera	Hippoboscidae	
Diptera	Hippoboscidae	Lipotena depressa
Diptera	Micropezidae	
Diptera	Micropezidae	Compsobata pallipes
Diptera	Micropezidae	Micropeza lineata
Diptera	Muscidae	
Diptera	Muscidae	Haematobia irritans
Diptera	Muscidae	Stomoxys calcitrans

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Diptera	Muscidae	Unidentified Species
Diptera	Nemestrinidae	
Diptera	Nemestrinidae	Noerhynchocephalus sackenii
Diptera	Oestridae	1 / '
Diptera	Oestridae	Cephenemyia jellisoni
Diptera	Pipiculidae	
Diptera	Pipiculidae	Tomosvaryella sp.
Diptera	Psilidae	
Diptera	Psilidae	Psila sp.
Diptera	Rhagionidae	1 2 3 3
Diptera	Rhagionidae	Chrysopilus flavibarbis
Diptera	Rhagionidae	Symphoromyia plumbea
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Blaesoxipha hunteri
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Blaesoxipha kellyi
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Blaesoxipha reversa
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Ravinia querula
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Ravinia sp.
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Sarcophaga bullata
Diptera	Sarcophagidae	Sarcophaga sp.
Diptera	Scathophagidae	, , , ,
Diptera	Scathophagidae	Cordilura varipes
Diptera	Scathophagidae	Scathophaga stercoraria
Diptera	Scathophagidae	Scathophaga sp.
Diptera	Scathophagidae	Unidentified species
Diptera	Sciaridae	
Diptera	Sciaridae	Eugnoriste sp.
Diptera	Sciomyzidae	
Diptera	Sciomyzidae	Dictya texensis
Diptera	Sciomyzidae	Limnia ottawensis
Diptera	Sciomyzidae	Sepedon armipes
Diptera	Sciomyzidae	Sepedon pacifica
Diptera	Sciomyzidae	Tetanocera ferruginea
Diptera	Sciomyzidae	Trypetoptera canadensis
Diptera	Sepsidae	
Diptera	Sepsidae	Sepsis neocynipsea
Diptera	Sepsidae	Sepsis vicaria
Diptera	Sepsidae	Sepsis sp.
Diptera	Simuliidae	
Diptera	Simuliidae	Simulium argus
Diptera	Simuliidae	Simulium piperi
Diptera	Simuliidae	Simulium virgatum
Diptera	Sphaeroceridae	
Diptera	Sphaeroceridae	Rachispoda sp.
Diptera	Stratiomyidae	
Diptera	Stratiomyidae	Euparyphus cinctus
Diptera	Stratiomyidae	Euparyphus mutabilis

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Diptera	Stratiomyidae	Nemotelus sp.
Diptera	Stratiomyidae	Odontomyia sp.
Diptera	Syrphidae	
Diptera	Syrphidae	Chrysotoxum flavifrons
Diptera	Syrphidae	Eristalis hirtus temporalis
Diptera	Syrphidae	Eristalis stipator
Diptera	Syrphidae	Eupeodes sp.
Diptera	Syrphidae	Ocyptamus lemur
Diptera	Syrphidae	Paragus haemorrhous
Diptera	Syrphidae	Platycheirus sp.
Diptera	Syrphidae	Polydontomyia curvipes
Diptera	Syrphidae	Sphaerophoria contiqua
Diptera	Syrphidae	Sphaerophoria sp.
Diptera	Syrphidae	Toxomerus marginatus
Diptera	Tabanidae	
Diptera	Tabanidae	Chrysops aestuans
Diptera	Tabanidae	Chrysops ater
Diptera	Tabanidae	Chrysops fulvaster
Diptera	Tabanidae	Hybomitra frontalis
Diptera	Tabanidae	Tabanus similis
Diptera	Tachinidae	•
Diptera	Tachinidae	Archytas sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Belvosia sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Cylindromyia sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Dinera grisescens
Diptera	Tachinidae	Gonia sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Gymnosoma sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Peleteria sp.
Diptera	Tachinidae	Unidentified species
Diptera	Tephritidae	
Diptera	Tephritidae	Dioxyna sororcula
Diptera	Tephritidae	Euaresta aequalis
Diptera	Tephritidae	Euarestoides acutangulus
Diptera	Tephritidae	Eutreta diana
Diptera	Tephritidae	Eutreta pollinosa
Diptera	Tephritidae	Neotephritis finalis
Diptera	Tephritidae	Orellia occidentalis
Diptera	Tephritidae	Oxyna utahensis
Diptera	Tephritidae	Paroxyna genalis
Diptera	Tephritidae	Paroxyna jamesi
Diptera	Tephritidae	Paroxyna pygmaea
Diptera	Tipulidae	
Diptera	Tipulidae	Tipula sp.
Diptera	Therevidae	
Diptera	Therevidae	Ozodiceromya sp.
Diptera	Ulidiidae	
Diptera	Ulidiidae	Chaetopsis sp.

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Diptera	Ulidiidae	Melieria cana
Diptera	Ulidiidae	Otites stigma
Diptera	Ulidiidae	Otites sp.
Ephemeroptera		
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Acentrella insignificans
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Callibaetis fluctuans
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Callibaetis ferrugineus hageni
Ephemeroptera	Caenidae	- camacada, canagana
Ephemeroptera	Caenidae	Caenis amica
Ephemeroptera	Caenidae	Caenis latipennis
Ephemeroptera	Heptageniidae	
Ephemeroptera	Heptageniidae	Leucrocuta maculipennis
Ephemeroptera	Heptageniidae	Maccaffertium terminatum
Hemiptera		
Hemiptera	Aphididae	
Hemiptera	Aphididae	Brachycaudus cardui
Hemiptera	Aphididae	Braggia sp.
Hemiptera	Aphididae	Calaphis sp.
Hemiptera	Alydidae	
Hemiptera	Alydidae	Alydus conspersus
Hemiptera	Alydidae	Alydus eurinus
Hemiptera	Alydidae	Megalotomus quinquespinosus
Hemiptera	Belostomatidae	
Hemiptera	Belostomatidae	Belostoma fluminea
Hemiptera	Belostomatidae	Lethocerus americanus
Hemiptera	Berytidae	·
Hemiptera	Berytidae	Jalysus spinosus
Hemiptera	Berytidae	Neoneides muticus
Hemiptera	Cercopidae	
Hemiptera	Cercopidae	Aphrophora saratogensis
Hemiptera	Cercopidae	Clastoptera brunnea
Hemiptera	Cercopidae	Philaenarcys bilineata
Hemiptera	Cercopidae	Philaronia abjectus
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Aceratagallina sp.
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Anoscopus sp.
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Auridius ordinatus
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Balclutha neglecta
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Chlorotettix sp.
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Cicadula longiseta
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Colladonus montanus
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Cuerna striata
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Cuerna alpina
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Deltocephalus sp.
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Dikraneura carneola
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Dikaneurini

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Diplocolenus configuratus
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Empoasca sp. 1
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Empoasca sp. 2
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Hebecephalus sp.
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Hecalus viridis
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Helochara communis
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	ldiocerus sp.
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Limotettix striolus
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Macrosteles fascifrons complex
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Mesamia coloradensis
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Psammolettix lividellus
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Sorhoanus sp.
Hemiptera	Cicadellidae	Xerophoea peltata
Hemiptera	Cicadidae	
Hemiptera	Cicadidae	Okanagana synodica
Hemiptera	Cicadidae	Tibicinoides hesperia
Hemiptera	Cixiidae	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Hemiptera	Cixiidae	Cixius sp.
Hemiptera	Cixiidae	Cixius stigmata
Hemiptera	Cixiidae	Oliarus humilus
Hemiptera	Cixiidae	Oliarus sp.
Hemiptera	Coreidae	
Hemiptera	Coreidae	Chelinidea vittiger
Hemiptera	Coreidae	Leptoglossus clypealis
Hemiptera	Coreidae	Leptoglossus occidentalis
Hemiptera	Corixidae	
Hemiptera	Corixidae	Callicorixa audeni
Hemiptera	Corixidae	Cenocorixia utahensis
Hemiptera	Corixidae	Cenocorixa sp.
Hemiptera	Corixidae	Corisella tarsalis
Hemiptera	Corixidae	Hesperocorixa laevigata
Hemiptera	Corixidae	Hesperocorixa vulgaris
Hemiptera	Corixidae	Sigara alternata
Hemiptera	Corixidae	Sigara grossolineata
Hemiptera	Corixidae	Trichocorixa borealis
Hemiptera	Delphacidae	
Hemiptera	Delphacidae	Delphacodes sp.
Hemiptera	Dictyopharidae	
Hemiptera	Dictyopharidae	Scolops sp.
Hemiptera	Dictyopharidae	Scolops sulcipes
Hemiptera	Gerridae	
Hemiptera	Gerridae	Gerris buenoi
Hemiptera	Gerridae	Gerris comatus
Hemiptera	Gerridae	Gerris gilletti
Hemiptera	Gerridae	Limnoporus notabilis
Hemiptera	Hebridae	
Hemiptera	Hebridae	Merragata hebroides

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Hemiptera	Issidae	
Hemiptera	Issidae	Acanalonia bivittata
Hemiptera	Issidae	Bruchomorpha suturalis
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Cymus sp.
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Emblethis vicarius
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Geocoris sp.
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Geocoris uliginosa
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Lygaeus kalmii
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Melacoryphus lateralis
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Nysius raphanus
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Nysius sp.
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Sphragisticus nebulosus
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Trapezonotus vandykei
Hemiptera	Lygaeidae	Xyonysius californicus
Hemiptera	Membracidae	
Hemiptera	Membracidae	Campylenchia latipes
Hemiptera	Membracidae	Ceresa bubalus
Hemiptera	Membracidae	Publilia modesta
Hemiptera	Membracidae	Stictocephala bisonia
Hemiptera	Membracidae	Stictocephala diceros
Hemiptera	Membracidae	Telamona sp.
Hemiptera	Membracidae	Tortisilus inermis
Hemiptera	Mesoveliidae	-
Hemiptera	Mesoveliidae	Mesovelia mulsanti
Hemiptera	Miridae	-
Hemiptera	Miridae	Adelphocoris lineolatus
Hemiptera	Miridae	Adelphocoris rapidus
Hemiptera	Miridae	Coquilletia insignis
Hemiptera	Miridae	Coquilletia sp.
Hemiptera	Miridae	Irbisia brachycera
Hemiptera	Miridae	Labops hesperius
Hemiptera	Miridae	Lopidea teton
Hemiptera	Miridae	Lygus elisis
Hemiptera	Miridae	Metriorrhynchomiris dislocatus
Hemiptera	Miridae	Phytocoris sp.
Hemiptera	Miridae	Pilophorus sp.
Hemiptera	Miridae	Polymerus rubrocuneatus
Hemiptera	Miridae	Stenodema vicina
Hemiptera	Miridae	Trigonotylus coelestialium
Hemiptera	Miridae	Unidentified Species
Hemiptera	Nabidae	
Hemiptera	Nabidae	Nabicula subcoleoptrata
Hemiptera	Nabidae	Nabicula vanduzeei
Hemiptera	Nabidae	Nabis alternatus
Hemiptera	Nabidae	Nabis kalmii
Hemiptera	Nabidae	Nabis sp.

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Hemiptera	Notonectidae	
Hemiptera	Notonectidae	Buenoa margaritacea
Hemiptera	Notonectidae	Notonecta kirbyi
Hemiptera	Notonectidae	Notonecta spinosa
Hemiptera	Notonectidae	Notonecta undulata
Hemiptera	Pentatomidae	
Hemiptera	Pentatomidae	Banasa tumidifrons
Hemiptera	Pentatomidae	Chlorochroa uhleri
Hemiptera	Pentatomidae	Chlorochroa viridicata
Hemiptera	Pentatomidae	Neottiglossa sulcifrons
Hemiptera	Pentatomidae	Perillus exaptus
Hemiptera	Pentatomidae	Thyanta custator
Hemiptera	Psyllidae	
Hemiptera	Psyllidae	Craspedolepta augustipennis
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	Apiomerus spissipes
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	Melanolestes picipes
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	Phymata americana
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	Sinea diadema
Hemiptera	Reduviidae	Zelus luridus
Hemiptera	Rhopalidae	•
Hemiptera	Rhopalidae	Arhyssus scutatus
Hemiptera	Rhopalidae	Arhyssus sp.
Hemiptera	Rhopalidae	Boisea trivittatus
Hemiptera	Rhopalidae	Harmostes reflexulus
Hemiptera	Rhopalidae	Stictopleurus viridicatus
Hemiptera	Saldidae	•
Hemiptera	Saldidae	Saldula comatula
Hemiptera	Saldidae	Saldula pallipes
Hemiptera	Scutelleridae	
Hemiptera	Scutelleridae	Eurygaster alternatus
Hemiptera	Scutelleridae	Homaemus aeneifrons
Hemiptera	Scutelleridae	Homaemus bijugis
Hemiptera	Scutelleridae	Homaemus parvulus
Hemiptera	Scutelleridae	Phimodera binotata
Hemiptera	Scutelleridae	Thyreocoridae
Hymenoptera		
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena prunorum
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Andrena sp.
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Calliopsis andreniformis
Hymenoptera	Andrenidae	Calliopsis sp.
Hymenoptera	Apidae	
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Anthophora ursina
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Epeolus sp.
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Svastra obliqua
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Apis mellifera

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus appositus
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus fervida
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus griseocollis
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus huntii
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus nevadensis
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Bombus rufocinctus
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Eucera sp.
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Melissodes sp.
Hymenoptera	Apidae	Nomada sp.
Hymenoptera	Bethylidae	'
Hymenoptera	Bethylidae	Anisepyris subviolaceus
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	1 ''
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Aleiodes scrutator
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Aleiodes nr. aciculatus
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Apanteles sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Bassus sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Bracon sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Bracon sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Bracon sp. 3
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Cardiochiles sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Chelonus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Chelonus sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Chelonus sp. 3
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Chelonus sp. 4
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Chorebus sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Crassomicrodus sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Macrocentrus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Macrocentrus sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Meteorus sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Orgilus sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Phanerotoma sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Schizoprymnus americanus
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Vipio piceipectus
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Vipio sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Vipio sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Vipio sp.
Hymenoptera	Braconidae	Unidentified Species
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	Brachymeria parvula coloradensis
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	Brachymeria tegularis
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	Conura sp.
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	Conura subobsoleta
Hymenoptera	Chalcididae	Halcharia sp.
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Chrysis montana
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Hedychridium dimidiatum
Hymenoptera	Chrysididae	Unidentified Species

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Hymenoptera	Colletidae	
Hymenoptera	Colletidae	Colletes sp.
Hymenoptera	Cynipidae	
Hymenoptera	Cynipidae	Unidentified Species
Hymenoptera	Eurytomidae	
Hymenoptera	Eurytomidae	Eurytoma sp.
Hymenoptera	Eurytomidae	Unidentified Species
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Camponotus pennsylvanicus
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Camponotus vicinus
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Camponotus novaeboracensis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Camponotus sp.
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Forelius pruinosus
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica coloradensis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica fusca
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica obscuriventris
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Formica sp.
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Lasius sitkanensis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Myrmica brevispinosa
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Pogonomyrmex occidentalis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Pogonomyrex occidentalis
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Solenopsis molesta
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Tapinoma sessile
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon texanus
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon virescens
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Agapostemon sp.
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Augochlorella striata
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Halictus confusus
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Halictus ligatus
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Halictus sp.
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Lasioglossum pruinosiformis
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Lasioglossum sp.
Hymenoptera	Halictidae	Sphecodes sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Agrothereutes abbreviator rufopectus
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Anomalon sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Anomolan reticulatum
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Barylypa sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Catadelphus atrox
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Catadelphus semiruber
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Cremastus sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Cryptus persimilis
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Diadegma sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Diphyus sp. 1
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Diphyus sp. 2
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Diplazon laetatorius

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Glypta sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Lissonota sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Mesochorus sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Ophion bilineatus
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Polyblastus strobilator
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Pterocormus sp.
Hymenoptera	Ichneumonidae	Unidentified Species
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Anthidium emarginata
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Ashmeadiella sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Dioxys pomonae
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Megachile sp.
Hymenoptera	Megachilidae	Osmia sp.
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Dilophotopsis concolor
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Dasymutilla monticola
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Dasymutilla nigripes
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Dasymutilla scaevola
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Dasymutilla vesta
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Odotophotopsis melicausa
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Photomorphis myrmicoides
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Photomorphus subtenuis
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Sphaeropthalma abdomalis
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Sphaeropthalma borealis
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Sphaeropthalma clara
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Timulla ocellaria
Hymenoptera	Mutillidae	Timulla subhyalina
Hymenoptera	Perilampidae	
Hymenoptera	Perilampidae	Perilampus sp.
Hymenoptera	Perilampidae	Unidentified Species
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	•
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ageniella arcuatus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ageniella semitincta
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ageniella sp.
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Anoplius aethiops
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Anoplius dreisbachi
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Anoplius marginatus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Anoplius subtruncatus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Aporinellus yucatanensis
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Arachnospila apicata
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ceropales brevicornis
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ceropales maculata
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ceropales elegans aquilonia
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ceropales maculata
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Ceropales maculata fraterna
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Cryptocheilus attenuatum
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Cryptocheilus pallidipennis

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Cryptocheilus terminatus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Evagetes hyacinthinus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Evagetes parvus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Pompilus apicatus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Pompilus scelestus
Hymenoptera	Pompilidae	Tachypompilus unicolor
Hymenoptera	Pteromalidae	
Hymenoptera	Pteromalidae	Unidentified Species
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila kennedyi
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ammophila polita
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Aphilanthops subfrigidus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Astata bakeri
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Astata bicolor
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Astata leuthstromi
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Astata unicolor
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris nigrescens
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris sp.
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Cerceris vicina
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Crabro latipes
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ectemnius besseyae
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Ectemnius spiniferus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Epinysson sp.
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Eucerceris fulvipes
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Hoplisoides nebulosus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Isodontia mexicana
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Lindenius sp.
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Mimesa ezra
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Mimesa simplex
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Mimesa sp.
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Podalonia luctuosa
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Prionyx atrata
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Prionyx canadensis
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Solierella inerme
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Sphex lucae
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Stizoides renicinctus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex tarsata
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachysphex terminatus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachytes pennsylvanicus
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Tachytes sayi
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Trypoxylon sp.
Hymenoptera	Sphecidae	Zanysson texanus
Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae	
Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae	Aphilodyctium fidus
Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae	Dolerus neocollaris
Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae	Pachynematus extensiocornis

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Hymenoptera	Tenthredinidae	Zaschizonyx montana
Hymenoptera	Tiphiidae	
Hymenoptera	Tiphiidae	Brachycistidinae
Hymenoptera	Torymidae	
Hymenoptera	Torymidae	Unidentified Species
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	•
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Ancistrocerus catskill
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus annulatus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus foraminatus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Euodynerus sp.
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Odynerus dilectus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Polistes dominulus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Stenodynerus anormis
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Stenodynerus microstictus
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Vespula atropilosa
Hymenoptera	Vespidae	Vespula pensylvanica
Lepidoptera		
Lepidoptera	Crambidae	
Lepidoptera	Crambidae	Crambinae
Lepidoptera	Crambidae	Diastictis sp.
Lepidoptera	Crambidae	Euchromius ocelleus
Lepidoptera	Crambidae	Loxostege sticticalis
Lepidoptera	Crambidae	Nomophila nearctica
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Cisthene barnesii
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Crambidia impura
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Crambidia phalica
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Crambidia sp.
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Cycnia tenera
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Grammia incorrupta
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Grammia williamsii
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Hyphantria cunea
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Hypoprepia fucosa
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Hypoprepia miniata
Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Virbia fragilis
Lepidoptera	Gelechiidae	
Lepidoptera	Gelechiidae	Dichomeris sp.
Lepidoptera	Gelechiidae	Unidentified Species
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Cheteoscelis bistriaria
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Dichorda rectaria
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Digrammia curvata
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Digrammia denticulata
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Digrammia sp.
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Euchlaena madusaria
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Eupithecia sp.
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Glaucina nephos

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Itame amboflava
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Scopula luteolata
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Semiothisa curvata
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Semiothisa denticulata
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Speranza amboflava
Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Synchlora bistriaria
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	Hesperia colorado ochracea
Lepidoptera	Hesperiidae	Hesperia juba
Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	
Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Glaucopsyche lygdamus
Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Plebejus melissa melissa
Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Plebejus saepiolus
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Abagrotis sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Acronicta mansueta
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Acetebia balanitis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Agrotis ipsilon
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Agrotis vetusta
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Anagrapha falcifera
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Anarta crotchi
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea amputatrix
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea atrosuffusa
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea cogitata
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea devastator
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea inordinata
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea lateritia
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea occidens
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Apamea sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Autographa californica
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Caenurgina erechta
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Caradrina montana
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Catabena lineolata
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Chytonix divesta
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Condica discistriga
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Copablepharon sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Crambodes talidiformis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Cucullia antipoda
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Cucullia intermedia
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Drasteria pallescens
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Eurois occulta
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa auripennis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa auxiliaris
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa basalis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa comosa
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa dodi
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa edictalis

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa idahoensis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa infausta
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa lillooet
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa olivia
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa plagigera
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa rufula
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa tessellata
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euxoa sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Faronta diffusa
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Faronta sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Feltia jaculifera
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Heliocheilus paradoxus
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Heliothis oregonica
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Heliothis phloxiphagus
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Hemieuxoa rudens
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Hydrociodes serrata
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Lacinipolia longiclava
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Lacinipolia naevia
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Lacinipolia sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Leucania commoides
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Malacosoma californica
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Marathyssa inficita
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Noctua pronuba
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Oligia indirecta
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Parabagrotis exsertistigma
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Polia discalis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Polia nugatis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Ponometia candefacta
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Rhizagrotis albalis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Schinia acutilinea
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Schinia gaurae
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Schinia grandimedia
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Schinia jaguarina
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Scotogramma fervida
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Spaelotis bicava
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Spaelotis clandestina
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Spaelotis sp.
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Sympistis occata
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Tarache augustipennis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Tarachidia semiflava
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Therasea augustipennis
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Ulolonche disticha
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Ulolonche orbiculatus
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Unidentified Species
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Cercyonis oetus
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Cercyonis pegala ariane

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Coenonympha tullia
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Danaus plexippus
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Euphydryas anicia bernadetta
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Oeneis uhleri
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Phyciodes tharos
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Nymphalis californica
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Speyeria aphrodite ethne
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Speyeria callippe meadi
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Speyeria edwardsii
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Vanessa atalanta
Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Vanessa cardui
Lepidoptera	Papilionidae	
Lepidoptera	Papilionidae	Papilio zelicaon
Lepidoptera	Pieridae	1 '
Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Colias eurytheme
Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Colias philodice
Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Euchloe ausonides
Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Euchloe olympia
Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Pontia occidentalis
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Ambesa laetella
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Bandera cupidinella
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Chrysoteucha topiarius
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Dolichomia olinalis
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Idia sp.
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Euchromius ocellea
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Homoeosoma impressale
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Melitara dentata
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Peoria approximella
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Petrophila avernalis
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Pima albocostalis
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Pyrausta sp.
Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Pyraustinae
Lepidoptera	Sesiidae	
Lepidoptera	Sesiidae	Carmenta verecunda
Lepidoptera	Sesiidae	Penstemonia sp.
Lepidoptera	Sphingidae	
Lepidoptera	Sphingidae	Hyles euphorbiae
Lepidoptera	Sphingidae	Hyles lineata
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Choristoneura occidentalis
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Eucosma matutina
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Eucosoma optimana
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Eucosma ridingsama
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Graphalita sp.
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Hystrichophora vestaliana
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Peleochrista scintillana

Order	Family	Scientific Name	
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Sparganothis sp.	
Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Xenotemna pallorana	
Mecoptera			
Mecoptera	Boreidae		
Mecoptera	Boreidae	Boreus coloradensis	
Neuroptera	<u> </u>		
Neuroptera	Chrysopidae		
Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	Chrysopa oculata	
Neuroptera	Chrysopidae	Eremochrysa sp.	
Neuroptera	Hemerobiidae		
Neuroptera	Hemerobiidae	Micromus sp.	
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae		
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Brachynemurus abdominalis	
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Myrmeleon extialis	
Neuroptera	Myrmeleontidae	Scotoleon peregrinus	
Odonata			
Odonata	Aeshnidae		
Odonata	Aeshnidae	Anax junius	
Odonata	Coenagrionidae		
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	Enallagma annexum	
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	Enallagma carunculatum	
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	Enallagma boreale	
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	Enallagma civile	
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	Ischnura perpava	
Odonata	Coenagrionidae	Ischnura verticalis	
Odonata	Gomphidae		
Odonata	Gomphidae	Gomphus externus	
Odonata	Gomphidae	Ophiogomphus severus	
Odonata	Lestidae		
Odonata	Lestidae	Lestes australis	
Odonata	Lestidae	Lestes disjunctus disjunctus	
Odonata	Lestidae	Lestes dryas	
Odonata	Lestidae	Lestes unguiculatus	
Odonata	Libellulidae		
Odonata	Libellulidae	Leucorrhinia intacta	
Odonata	Libellulidae	Libellula forensis	
Odonata	Libellulidae	Sympetrum corruptum	
Odonata	Libellulidae	Sympetrum madidum	
Odonata	Libellulidae	Sympetrum pallipes	
Odonata	Libellulidae	Sympetrum semicinctum	
Odonata	Libellulidae	Plathemis lydia	
Orthoptera	Orthoptera		
Orthoptera	Acrididae		
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Aeropedellus clavatus	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Ageneotetix deorum	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Arphia conspersa	
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Arphia pseudonietana	

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Aulocara elliotti
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Chortophaga viridifasciatum
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Circotettix rabula
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Derotmema haydenii
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Dissosteira carolina
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Encoptolophus costalis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Eritettix simplex
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Hadrotetix trifasciatus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Hesperotettix viridis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus angustipennis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus bivittatus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus confusus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus dawsoni
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus femurrubrum
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus flavidus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus gladstoni
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus occidentalis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus packardii
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus sanguinipes
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Melanoplus sp.
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Mermiria bivittata
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Metator pardalinus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Orphulella speciosus
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Pardalophora haldemanii
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Phoetaliotes nebrascensis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Pseudopomala brachyptera
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Psoloessa delicatula
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Spharagemon campestris
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Spharagemon collaris
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Trachyrhachys kiowa
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Trimerotropis latifasciata
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Trimerotropis pallidepennis
Orthoptera	Acrididae	Xanthippus corallipes
Orthoptera	Gryllidae	
Orthoptera	Gryllidae	Oecanthus argentinus
Orthoptera	Tetrigidae	
Orthoptera	Tetrigidae	Tetrix subalatus
Orthoptera	Tettigoniidae	
Orthoptera	Tettigoniidae	Orchelimum gladiator
Orthoptera	Tettigoniidae	Orchelimum vulgare
Orthoptera	Tettigoniidae	Scudderia texensis
Psocoptera		
Psocoptera		Unidentified Species
Trichoptera		
Trichoptera	Apataniidae	
Trichoptera	Apataniidae	Apatania zonella
Trichoptera	Brachycentridae	

Order	Family	Scientific Name
Trichoptera	Brachycentridae	Amiocentrus aspilus
Trichoptera	Glossosomatidae	·
Trichoptera	Glossosomatidae	Culoptila cantha
Trichoptera	Helicopsychidae	·
Trichoptera	Helicopsychidae	Helicopsyche borealis
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Cheumatopsyche analis
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Cheumatopsyche enonis
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Cheumatopsyche lasia
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Hydropsyche bronta
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Hydropsyche confusa
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Hydropsyche occidentalis
Trichoptera	Hydroptilidae	
Trichoptera	Hydroptilidae	Agraylea multipunctata
Trichoptera	Hydroptilidae	Hydroptila argosa
Trichoptera	Hydroptilidae	Oxyethira serrata
Trichoptera	Leptoceridae	
Trichoptera	Leptoceridae	Nectopsyche sp.
Trichoptera	Leptoceridae	Oecetis avara
Trichoptera	Leptoceridae	Oecetis immobilis
Trichoptera	Leptoceridae	Oecetis inconspicua
Trichoptera	Leptoceridae	Triaenodes reuteri
Trichoptera	Leptoceridae	Triaenodes tardus
Trichoptera	Limnephilidae	
Trichoptera	Limnephilidae	Limnephilus diversus
Trichoptera	Limnephilidae	Limnephilus lithus
Trichoptera	Limnephilidae	Limnephilus spinatus
Trichoptera	Philopotamidae	
Trichoptera	Philopotamidae	Chimarra utahensis
Trichoptera	Phryganeidae	
Trichoptera	Phryganeidae	Phryganea cinera
Trichoptera	Psychomyiidae	
Trichoptera	Psychomyiidae	Psychomyia flavida

Table H-9. Vegetation Species List Known to Occur at the Sheridan LTA

Common Name	Scientific Name
Alfalfa	Medicago sativa
Alkali buttercup	Ranunculus cymbalaria
Alpine bladderpod	Lesquerella alpina
Alpine golden buckwheat	Eriogonum flavum
Alsike clover	Trifolium hybridum
Alyssum	Alyssum parviflorum
American licorice	Glycyrrhiza lepidota
American plum	Prunus americana
American sloughgrass	Beckmannia syzigachne
American speedwell	Veronica americana

Common Name	Scientific Name
Annual rabbitsfoot grass	Polypogon monspeliensis
Annual ragweed	Ambrosia artemisiifolia
Arumleaf arrowhead	Sagittaria cuneata
Autumn willowweed	Epilobium brachycarpum
Baby goldenrod	Solidago nana
Barnyardgrass	Echinochloa crusgalli
Biennial wormwood	Artemisia biennis
Big bluestem	Andropogon gerardii
Bigbract verbena	Verbena bracteata
Birdfoot deervetch	Lotus corniculatus
Black chokecherry	Prunus virginiana
Black medick	Medicago lupulina
Blister buttercup	Ranunculus sceleratus
Blue grama	Bouteloua gracilis
Blue lettuce	Lactuca oblongifolia
Bluebell bellflower	Campanula rotundifolia
Bluebunch wheatgrass	Elymus spicatus
Bluntleaf sandwort	Moehringia lateriflora
Bonneville shootingstar	Dodecatheon conjugens
Boxelder maple	Acer negundo
Bract aster	Aster bracteolatus
Breadroot scurfpea	Pediomelum esculentum
Bristly hairy goldaster	Heterotheca villosa
Brittle bladderfern	Cystopteris fragilis
Broadleaf cattail	Typha latifolia
Broadleaved pepperweed	Lepidium latifolium
Broom snakeweed	Gutierrezia sarothrae
Buff fleabane	Erigeron ochroleucus
Bulbous bluegrass	Poa bulbosa
Bull thistle	Cirsium vulgare
Bushy knotweed	Polygonum ramosissimum
California nettle	Urtica dioica
California oatgrass	Danthonia californica
Canada bluegrass	Poa compressa
Canada thistle	Cirsium arvense
Canadian gooseberry	Ribes oxyacanthoides
Canadian horseweed	Conyza canadensis
Catnip	Nepeta cataria
Chaffweed	Centunculus minimus
Cheatgrass	Bromus tectorum
Chile aster	Aster ascendens
Cinquefoil	Potentilla gracilis
Clasping pepperweed	Lepidium perfoliatum
Cloaked bulrush	Scirpus pallidus
Clustered broomrape	Orobanche fasciculata
Clustered field sedge	Carex praegracilis
Coast willowweed	Epilobium ciliatum

Common Name	Scientific Name
Colorado rush	Juncus confusus
Columbia groundsel	Senecio integerrimus
Common burdock	Arctium minus
Common gaillardia	Gaillardia aristata
Common juniper	Juniperus communis
Common mullein	Verbascum thapsus
Common plantain	Plantago major
Common snowberry	Symphoricarpos albus
Common spikerush	Eleocharis palustris
Common starlily	Leucocrinum montanum
Common sunflower	Helianthus annuus
Common tansy	Tanacetum vulgare
Common three-square	Schoenoplectus pungens (Scirpus pungens)
Common yampah	Perideridia montana
Coon's tail	Ceratophyllum demersum
Corn brome	Bromus squarrosus
Corn gromwell	Lithospermum arvense
Cosmopolitan bulrush	Bolboschoenus maritimus (Scirpus maritimus)
Creeping bentgrass	Agrostis stolonifera
Creeping juniper	Juniperus horizontalis
Crossflower	Chorispora tenella
Cuman ragweed	Ambrosia psilostachya
Curly dock	Rumex crispus
Curlycup gumweed	Grindelia squarrosa
Curlytop knotweed	Polygonum lapathifolium
Curveseed butterwort	Ranunculus testiculatus
Cutleaf nightshade	Solanum triflorum
Dalmatian toadflax	Linaria dalmatica
Dames rocket	Hesperis matronalis
Darkthroat shootingstar	Dodecatheon pulchellum
Dense silkybent	Apera interrupta
Desert biscuitroot	Lomatium foeniculaceum
Desert goosefoot	Chenopodium pratericola
Desert madwort	Alyssum desertorum
Desert stickweed	Lappula redowskii
Desert wheatgrass	Agropyron cristatum
Desert wirelettuce	Stephanomeria runcinata
Devil's beggartick	Bidens frondosa
Dillen's oxalis	Oxalis dillenii
Disc mayweed	Matricaria matricarioides
Dotted gayfeather	Liatris punctata
Douglas' knotweed	Polygonum douglasii
Douglas' sedge	Carex douglasii
Dropseed	Sporobolus asper
Drummond's false pennyroyal	Hedeoma drummondii
Drummond's milkvetch	Astragalus drummondii
Dwarf phlox	Microsteris gracilis

Common Name	Scientific Name
Dyer's woad	Isatis tinctoria
Elliptical buttercup	Ranunculus glaberrimus
False boneset	Brickellia eupatorioides
Fendler's threeawn	Aristida purpurea
Fescue sedge	Carex brevior
Field bindweed	Convolvulus arvensis
Field brome	Bromus arvensis
Field chickweed	Cerastium arvense
Field cottonrose	Logfia arvense
Field pennycress	Thlaspi arvense
Field pepperweed	Lepidium campestre
Field sagewort	Artemisia campestris
Fireberry hawthorn	Crataegus columbiana
Flodman's thistle	Cirsium flodmanii
Foothill arnica	Arnica fulgens
Fox sedge	Carex vulpinoidea
Fringed sagewort	Artemisia frigida
Fuzzytongue penstemon	Penstemon eriantherus
Giant sumpweed	Iva xanthifolia
Golden currant	Ribes aureum
Golden dock	Rumex maritimus
Gold-of-pleasure	Camelina sativa
Great Plains bladderpod	Lesquerella arenosa
Great ragweed	Ambrosia trifida
Green ash	Fraxinus pennsylvanica
Green needlegrass	Nassella viridula (Stipa viridula)
Groundplum milkvetch	Astragalus crassicarpus
Guadalupe waternymph	Najas guadalupensis
Gunnison's Mariposa lily	Calochortus gunnisonii
Gypsyflower	Cynoglossum officinale
Hairleaf water buttercup	Ranunculus circinatus
Hairspine pricklypear	Opuntia polyacantha
Hairy evening primrose	Oenothera villosa
Hairy purslane speedwell	Veronica peregrina
Hairy whitetop	Cardaria pubescens
Haresfoot locoweed	Oxytropis lagopus
Herb sophia	Descurainia sophia
Hoary balsamroot	Balsamorhiza incana
Hooker's sandwort	Arenaria hookeri
Hooker's townsendia	Townsendia hookeri
Horned pondweed	Zannichellia palustris
Indian ricegrass	Achnatherum hymenoides
Inland bluegrass	Poa interior
Inland rush	Juncus interior
Intermediate barley	Hordeum jubatum var intermedium
Jagged chickweed	Holosteum umbellatum
Kentucky bluegrass	Poa pratensis

Common Name	Scientific Name
Lambsquarters	Chenopodium album
Lanceleaf cottonwood	Populus x acuminata
Largeflower hawksbeard	Crepis occidentalis
Leafy pondweed	Potamogeton foliosus
Leafy spurge	Euphorbia esula
Leafy wildparsley	Musineon divaricatum
Leathery knotweed	Polygonum achoreum
Lemon scurfpea	Psoralidium lanceolatum
Lesser burrdock	Arctium minus
Lewis' flax	Linum lewisii
Limestone hawksbeard	Crepis intermedia
Lindley's aster	Aster ciliolatus
Little hogweed	Portulaca oleracea
Little larkspur	Delphinium bicolor
Littlepod falseflax	Camelina microcarpa
Longleaf groundcherry	Physalis longifolia
Longleaf hawksbeard	Crepis acuminata
Louisiana broomrape	Orobanche ludoviciana
Low pussytoes	Antennaria dimorpha
Macoun's buttercup	Ranunculus macounii
Madwort	Asperugo procumbens
Manyflowered aster	Aster ericoides var pansum
Manyhead hymenopappus	Hymenopappus polycephalus
Mat amaranth	Amaranthus blitoides
Mat vetch	Vicia americana
Maximilian sunflower	Helianthus maximiliani
Meadow deathcamas	Zigadenus venenosus
Mexican dock	Rumex salicifolius
Mexican muhly	Muhlenbergia mexicana
Missouri foxtail cactus	Coryphantha missouriensis
Missouri goldenrod	Solidago missouriensis
Missouri milkvetch	Astragalus missouriensis
Moist sowthistle	Sonchus uliginosus
Moscow salsify	Tragopogon miscellus
Mountain blueeyed grass	Sisyrinchium montanum
Mountain tarweed	Madia glomerata
Musk thistle	Carduus nutans
Muttongrass	Poa cusickii
Narrowleaf cottonwood	Populus angustifolia
Narrowleaf dock	Rumex stenophyllus
Narrowleaf gromwell	Lithospermum incisum
Narrowleaf water plantain	Alisma gramineum
Near navarretia	Navarretia intertexta
Nebraska sedge	Carex nebrascensis
Needle and thread	Heterostipa comata (Stipa comata)
Northern Idaho biscuitroot	Lomatium orientale
Northern waterstarwort	Callitriche hermaphroditica

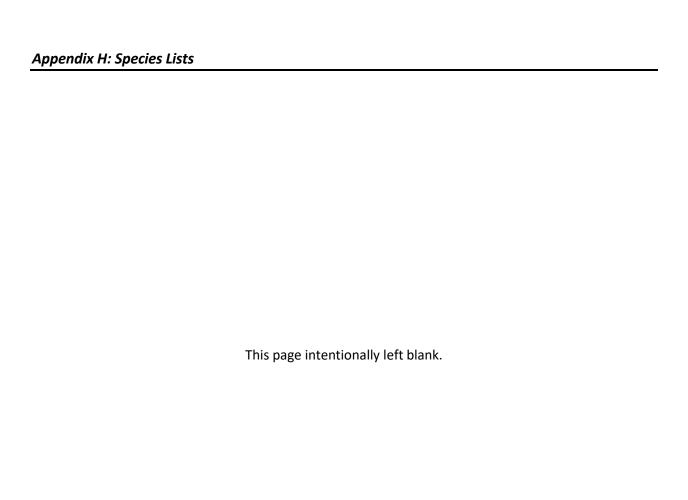
Common Name	Scientific Name
Nuttall's alkaligrass	Puccinellia nuttalliana
Nuttall's povertyweed	Monolepis nuttalliana
Nuttall's violet	Viola nuttallii
Oblongleaf bluebells	Mertensia oblongifolia
Old man's whiskers	Geum triflorum
Pale agoseris	Agoseris glauca
Pale bastard toadflax	Comandra umbellata
Pale madwort	Alyssum alyssoides
Peachleaf willow	Salix amygdaloides
Pennsylvania pellitory	Parietaria pensylvanica
Pin cherry	Prunus pensylvanica
Plains bluegrass	Poa arida
Plains cottonwood	Populus deltoides
Plains milkvetch	Astragalus gilviflorus
Plains spring parsley	Cymopterus acaulis
Platte River milkvetch	Astragalus plattensis
Plumeless thistle	Carduus acanthoides
Prairie fleabane	Erigeron strigosus
Prairie goldenbanner	Thermopsis rhombifolia
Prairie Junegrass	Koeleria macrantha
Prairie milkvetch	Astragalus adsurgens
Prairie phlox	Phlox andicola
Prairie rose	Rosa arkansana
Prickly lettuce	Lactuca serriola
Prickly rose	Rosa sayi
Prickly Russian thistle	Salsola tragus
Prostrate knotweed	Polygonum aviculare
Purple milkvetch	Astragalus agrestis
Pursh's milkvetch	Astragalus purshii
Pygmy pricklypear	Opuntia fragilis
Rayless aster	Haplopappus nuttallii
Red clover	Trifolium pratense
Redroot amaranth	Amaranthus retroflexus
Redstem filaree (storksbill)	Erodium cicutarium
Redstem stork's bill	Erodium cicutarium
Ribseed sandmat	Euphorbia glyptosperma
Rock dandelion	Taraxacum laevigatum
Rocky Mountain fescue	Festuca saximontana
Rocky Mountain goosefoot	Chenopodium glaucum
Rocky Mountain juniper	Juniperus scopulorum
Rosy pussytoes	Antennaria rosea
Rough barnyardgrass	Echinochloa muricata
Rough cockelbur	Xanthium strumarium
Rough false pennyroyal	Hedeoma hispidum
Rubber rabbitbrush	Chrysothamnus nauseosus
Rush skeletonplant	Lygodesmia juncea
Russian olive	Elaeagnus angustifolia

Common Name	Scientific Name
Rye brome	Bromus secalinus
Sandbar willow	Salix exigua
Sandberg bluegrass	Poa juncifolia
Sanddune wallflower	Erysimum capitatum
Saskatoon serviceberry	Amelanchier alnifolia
Scarlet beeblossom	Gaura coccinea
Scarlet globemallow	Sphaeralcea coccinea
Scotch thistle	Onopordum acanthium
Sego lily	Calochortus nuttallii
Shaggy dwarf morning glory	Evolvulus nuttallianus
Shepherd's purse	Capsella bursa-pastoris
Shortawn foxtail	Alopecurus aequalis
Showy milkweed	Asclepias speciosa
Silver buffaloberry	Shepherdia argentea
Silver sagebrush	Artemisia cana
Silverleaf scurfpea	Pediomelum argophyllum
Silvery oxytrope	Oxytropis sericea
Skunkbush sumac	Rhus trilobata
Sleeping popcornflower	Plagiobothrys scouleri
Sleepy catchfly	Silene antirrhina
Slimflower scurfpea	Psoralidium tenuiflorum
Slimpod Venus' looking glass	Triodanis leptocarpa
Small pondweed	Potamogeton pusillus
Smallflower blue eyed Mary	Collinsia parviflora
Smallflower woodlandstar	Lithophragma parviflorum
Smallleaf pussytoes	Antennaria parvifolia
Smooth brome	Bromus inermis
Smooth horsetail	Equisetum laevigatum
Soapweed yucca	Yucca glauca
Softstem bulrush	Scirpus validus
Spike watermilfoil	Myriophyllum sibiricum
Spiny phlox	Phlox hoodii
Spotted water hemlock	Cicuta maculata
Spreading fleabane	Erigeron divergens
Spring speedwell	Veronica verna
Spring whitlowgrass	Draba verna
Starry false Solomon's seal	Maianthemum stellatum
Stickywilly	Galium aparine
Stiff goldenrod	Oligoneuron rigidum (Solidago rigida)
Strawberry clover	Trifolium fragiferum
Strict forget me not	Myosotis micrantha
Sulphur cinquefoil	Potentilla recta
Tall fescue	Festuca arundinacea
Tall tumblemustard	Sisymbrium altissimum
Textile onion	Allium textile
Thickspick wheatgrass	Elymus lanceolatus
Threadleaf phacelia	Phacelia linearis

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Threenerve fleabane	Erigeron subtrinervis
Thyme leaved sandwort	Arenaria serpyllifolia
Timothy	Phleum pratense
Tiny mousetail	Myosurus minimus
Tiny trumpet	Collomia linearis
Toad rush	Juncus bufonius
Tomentose balsamroot	Balsamorhiza x tomentosa
Toothed willow dock	Rumex utahensis
Torrey's rush	Juncus torreyi
Tower rockcress	Arabis glabra
True forget me not	Myosotis scorpioides
Twin arnica	Arnica sororia
Twogrooved milkvetch	Astragalus bisulcatus
Upright prairie coneflower	Ratibida columnifera
Valley violet	Viola vallicola
Velvetweed	Gaura parviflora
Velvety goldenrod	Solidago mollis
Ventenata (North African grass)	Ventenata dubia
Violet prairieclover	Dalea purpurea
Warty spurge	Euphorbia spathulata
Water knotweed	Polygonum amphibium
Water mudwort	Limosella aquatica
Water sedge	Carex aquatilis
Water speedwell	Veronica catenata
Watercress	Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum
Wavyleaf thistle	Cirsium undulatum
Waxleaf penstemon	Penstemon nitidus
Weeping alkaligrass	Puccinellia distans
Weevil prairie- dandelion	Nothocalais troximoides
Western goldentop	Euthamia occidentalis
Western marsh cudweed	Gnaphalium palustre
Western onosmodium	Onosmodium molle
Western poison ivy	Toxicodendron rydbergii
Western rockjasmine	Androsace occidentalis
Western snowberry	Symphoricarpos occidentalis
Western wheatgrass	Pascopyrum smithii
Western white clematis	Clematis ligusticifolia
Western yarrow	Achillea millefolium
White heath aster	Aster ericoides var ericoides
White penstemon	Penstemon albidus
White prairieclover	Dalea candida
White sagebrush	Artemisia ludoviciana var ludoviciana
White sweetclover	Melilotus albus
Wild mint	Mentha arvensis
Willowweed	Epilobium pygmaeum
Woodland whitlowgrass	Draba nemorosa
Woods' rose	Rosa woodsii

Common Name	Scientific Name
Woolly groundsel	Senecio canus
Woolly plantain	Plantago patagonica
Woolly sedge	Carex lanuginosa
Wyoming besseya	Besseya wyomingensis
Wyoming big sagebrush	Artemisia tridentata var wyomingensis
Wyoming flax	Linum rigidum
Yellow Indian paintbrush	Castilleja flava
Yellow owlclover	Orthocarpus luteus
Yellow salsify	Tragopogon dubius
Yellow sundrops	Calylophus serrulatus
Yellow sweetclover	Melilotus officinalis
Zschack's goosefoot	Chenopodium berlandieri

Source: WYARNG 2013f; GNEC 2017; USDA - NRCS 2021.



## **APPENDIX I: ANNUAL COORDINATION**