

Science Framework for Conservation and Restoration of the Sagebrush Biome: Linking the Department of the Interior's Integrated Rangeland Fire Management Strategy to Long-Term Strategic Conservation Actions

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The Science Framework for conservation and restoration of the sagebrush biome was developed as part of a synergistic interagency collaboration among scientists and managers and is an excellent example of states, federal agencies, and university scientists working together on a science-based approach to help enable managers to conduct actions in a manner and located in places that will benefit both the sagebrush ecosystem and the species it supports.



Spring bloom in sagebrush country in the Bodie Hills overlooking Mono Lake near the Nevada-California State line. Photo Courtesy Bob Wick.

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