Western Regional Partnership

**February 15 – March 15, 2017 Update**

Per the 2016 WRP Principals’ Meeting, WRP will be compiling and sending out monthly updates on agency efforts relevant to the WRP Mission. This includes publicly available information from WRP Partners and agency news releases, etc. to assist to create greater awareness of current WRP Partner actions. If you have any updates you would like to share, please email that information to [amyduffy@westernregionalpartnership.org](mailto:amyduffy@westernregionalpartnership.org).

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# WRP Updates

### **Upcoming WRP Events**

* March 23: WRP Steering Committee and Committee Co-Chair Call

### **Past WRP Events: February WRP Natural Resources Committee webinar on Mexican Wolf Recovery Program**

On February 28th, 2017, the WRP Natural Resources Committee hosted a webinar on the Mexican Wolf Recovery Program. The Mexican Wolf Recovery Program is a partnership among the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Arizona Game and Fish Department, White Mountain Apache Tribe, USDA Forest Service and USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service- Wildlife Services and several counties. This presentation was conducted by Sherry Barrett, Mexican Wolf Recovery Coordinator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Mexican wolves are the most unique, southernmost and smallest (50 to 80 pounds) subspecies of gray wolf in North America. The Wolf was once common throughout southeastern Arizona, southern New Mexico, southwestern Texas and central Mexico, but it was all but eliminated from the wild by the 1970s. Before the Mexican wolf went extinct, a binational captive breeding program was established with 7 founding wolves. There are now 240-300 wolves in 55 captive breeding facilities in the US and Mexico that are all managed as one population under the Mexican Wolf Species Survival Plan. The purpose of the captive population is to reestablish Mexican wolves in the wild in the US and Mexico. The breeding in the captive population is controlled to maintain genetic diversity. In 1976, the Mexican Wolf was listed as an endangered subspecies; in 1978 the Mexican wolf was subsumed into the gray wolf listing and in 2015 it was listed again as an endangered subspecies. Reintroduction of Mexican wolves back into the wild began in 1998 in the United States and 2011 in Mexico. In 2016 there were 113 Mexican wolves in the wild in the US.

The current objectives are to complete a revised recovery plan by November 2017 to determine how many wolves are needed for recovery (per settlement agreement). To date, six workshops have been held with: Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado and Utah officials; Mexican Government (CONANP, SEMARNAT); Forest Service and independent scientist to review scientific information for development of the recovery plan. FWS and its partners are working to grow the current experimental population south of Interstate 40 in Arizona and New Mexico to the population target of 300-325 Mexican wolves. Additionally, they are working to release wolves from the captive population to increase genetic diversity of wild population and to manage wild wolves to reduce conflicts with livestock.

The area in the Mexican Wolf Experimental Population Area in which wolves can occur was expanded in 2015 from 7,212 square miles (1998) to over 153,853 square miles (2015). The experimental population status provides more management flexibility including relaxing prohibitions on take (harassment, injury, killing); allowing release and translocation of wolves; and allowing removal of problem wolves.

There are many partnership efforts working to support efforts such as: captive breeding facilities in US and Mexico (though MOU and Species Survival Plan); the Mexican Wolf/Livestock Council has a strategic plan to offset economic effects to livestock producers; and the Mexican Wolf Tribal Working Group (includes 12 Tribes and Pueblos with an interest in wolf recovery).

Once a year a count of the wild Wolf population is made. In 2016, there were a minimum of 113 wolves, represented by 21 packs, 13 of which had at least 1 pup. Fifty pups survived to December of the year of their birth.

For more information please see: [www.fws.gov/southwest/es/mexicanwolf/](http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/mexicanwolf/) and [www.azgfd.gov/wolf](http://www.azgfd.gov/wolf).

# Energy

## **Federal Updates**

### DOE Update:

* Fact Sheet Summarizes U.S. Wind Energy Federal Incentives, Funding, and Partnership Opportunities [fact sheet](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMjIyLjcwMjk2NzMxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDIyMi43MDI5NjczMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3ODMxMDY1JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAd2VzdGVybnJlZ2lvbmFscGFydG5lcnNoaXAub3JnJnVzZXJpZD1hbXlkdWZmeUB3ZXN0ZXJucmVnaW9uYWxwYXJ0bmVyc2hpcC5vcmcmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&107&&&https://energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2017/02/f34/67742_0.pdf)
* Energy Information Administration [reports](http://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.php?id=30212) that installed wind electric generating capacity in the U.S. has surpassed conventional hydroelectric generating capacity, long the nation’s largest source of renewable electricity.
* [Wind energy accounted for 5.5% of U.S. demand in 2016 (EIA report)](http://www.euci.com/wind-energy-accounted-for-5-5-percent-of-demand-in-2016/?x=26837o385813Bc)
* [Secretary Perry: Energy Department Employees Can “Change the World”](https://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2017/03/13/secretary-perry-energy-department-employees-can-change-world)
* [Perry Sworn In As 14th Secretary Of United States Department Of Energy](https://energy.gov/articles/perry-sworn-14th-secretary-united-states-department-energy)

[Report On The Energy-Water Nexus—Water Sector](https://www.everycrsreport.com/reports/R43200.html)

## **State Updates**

### [Nevada's Quiet Solar Revolution (February 2017)](http://www.mondaq.com/unitedstates/x/570928/Renewables/Nevadas+Quiet+Solar+Revolution%20)

### CA [Energy Commission Adopts 2016 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update](http://www.energy.ca.gov/releases/2017_releases/2017-02-15_iepr2016_nr.html)

## **Tribal Updates**

### DOE Update:

* Register for the (May) 2017 National Tribal Summit. For more information, visit the [National Tribal Energy Summit](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMzEzLjcxMDYwOTYxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDMxMy43MTA2MDk2MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3ODM3MjAzJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAd2VzdGVybnJlZ2lvbmFscGFydG5lcnNoaXAub3JnJnVzZXJpZD1hbXlkdWZmeUB3ZXN0ZXJucmVnaW9uYWxwYXJ0bmVyc2hpcC5vcmcmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&103&&&https://energy.gov/indianenergy/resources/tribal-summit) web page.
* Tribal Energy Development Webinar: March 29. The Office of Indian Energy, in partnership with Western Area Power Administration, is hosting a free webinar on "Federal and State Policy: Advancing Strategic Energy Partnerships" on Wednesday, March 29, 2017, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mountain Time. [Register now](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMzAxLjcwNTkyMzkxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDMwMS43MDU5MjM5MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3ODMzNjY5JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAd2VzdGVybnJlZ2lvbmFscGFydG5lcnNoaXAub3JnJnVzZXJpZD1hbXlkdWZmeUB3ZXN0ZXJucmVnaW9uYWxwYXJ0bmVyc2hpcC5vcmcmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&101&&&https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7866524490105585155).

### [Navajo Nation Council leaders highlight the advancement of Navajo Tribal Utility Authority at groundbreaking ceremony](http://www.navajonationcouncil.org/pressReleases/2017/Mar/NNC_leaders_highlight_the_advancement_of_NTUA_at_groundbreaking_ceremony.pdf)

## **Regional**

### Solar PV sets a record in 2016 and is top choice for new generating capacity [Read the full article here](http://www.euci.com/solar-pv-sets-a-record-in-2016-and-is-top-choice-for-new-generating-capacity/?x=26837o385813Bc)

### WECC Update:

* The “Map of Principal Transmission Lines” generally portraying the interconnected system as of January 1, 2017 is [available](https://www.wecc.biz/SystemStabilityPlanning/Pages/Maps.aspx).

### SunZia Articles:

* [SunZia questions need answers](https://www.google.com/url?rct=j&sa=t&url=http://www.dchieftain.com/opinion/sunzia-questions-need-answers/article_3e714d3c-042a-11e7-8f35-1b8f34b2672f.html&ct=ga&cd=CAEYACoSNjg2NDI5OTcwMzAxMDY3Mjk0MhpjYmEzNDhkNTU0MGFiMDliOmNvbTplbjpVUw&usg=AFQjCNE1ZAy0zNFcE3DafDwiwARHsXnofQ)
* [SunZia project may start in 2018](https://www.google.com/url?rct=j&sa=t&url=http://www.dchieftain.com/news/sunzia-project-may-start-in/article_bae5cacc-fea4-11e6-9e0c-6b3a4d2f1c6f.html&ct=ga&cd=CAEYACoTNDM5NTg3OTA2OTQyMzY4MjQ4OTIaY2JhMzQ4ZDU1NDBhYjA5Yjpjb206ZW46VVM&usg=AFQjCNE_YmqNyxWkrNqZXPeIzqvnN3N88A)

### **U.S. Wind Power Makes History with** [total installed capacity of 82,183 megawatts](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMjIyLjcwMjk2NzMxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDIyMi43MDI5NjczMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3ODMxMDY1JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAd2VzdGVybnJlZ2lvbmFscGFydG5lcnNoaXAub3JnJnVzZXJpZD1hbXlkdWZmeUB3ZXN0ZXJucmVnaW9uYWxwYXJ0bmVyc2hpcC5vcmcmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&103&&&https://energy.gov/eere/wind/articles/us-wind-power-achieves-landmark-installed-capacity-82-megawatts).

### Western lawmakers vow to increase state renewable energy portfolios [Read the full article here](http://www.euci.com/western-lawmakers-vow-to-increase-state-renewable-energy-portfolios/?x=26651a385813Bc)

# Natural Resources

## **Federal Updates**

### DOI Update:

* [President Trump Requests $11.6 Billion for Interior Department’s FY 2018 Budget](http://www.elabs10.com/c.html?ufl=d&rtr=on&s=x8pbwi,2rtxh,3xn3,9b92,lj2v,jhie,1h3)
* [Secretary Zinke Signs Orders to Expand Access to Public Lands](http://www.elabs10.com/c.html?ufl=d&rtr=on&s=x8pbwi,2rdn9,3xn3,17b7,5a7x,jhie,1h3)
* [Ryan Zinke Sworn In as 52nd Secretary of the Interior](http://www.elabs10.com/c.html?ufl=d&rtr=on&s=x8pbwi,2rdn9,3xn3,im17,595m,jhie,1h3)

### BLM Update:

* Secretary Zinke Issues Lease for 56 Million Tons of Coal in Central Utah and Names Mike Nedd as New Acting-Director of BLM ([Department of Interior News Release](http://www.elabs10.com/c.html?ufl=d&rtr=on&s=x8pbwi,2rtxh,3xn3,ltyq,2s60,jhie,1h3))
* [BLM to Host Open Houses on Proposed Withdrawal in Crucial Sage-Grouse Habitat](http://www.elabs10.com/c.html?ufl=a&rtr=on&s=x8pbwi,2r5jj,6uop,g1ec,hmkk,egha,55ud)

### BuRec Update:

* Bureau of Reclamation Seeks Applied Science Project Applicants for Desert and Southern Rockies Landscape Conservation Cooperatives. **The funding opportunity is available at**[www.grants.gov](http://usbr.us7.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=dee828a4e91f9006e3eef293c&id=73113f5d36&e=57c4211ac9)**by searching for opportunity number BOR-DO- 17-F024.**

USDA Update:

* [USDA seeks project proposals to protect and restore critical wetlands](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/newsroom/releases/?cid=NRCSEPRD1318612)
* [USDA Announces Webinar Series about Project Applications for the Regional Conservation Partnership Program](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/newsroom/releases/?cid=NRCSEPRD1316034)

### EPA Updates:

* [EPA's Pruitt to City Leaders: Don't Let Congress Forget About Water Infrastructure](http://link.routefifty.com/click/9141911.1500/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5yb3V0ZWZpZnR5LmNvbS9pbmZyYXN0cnVjdHVyZS8yMDE3LzAzL2VwYS1zY290dC1wcnVpdHQtd2F0ZXItaW5mcmFzdHJ1Y3R1cmUtY2l0aWVzLzEzNjE2MS8_b3JlZj1yZi10b2RheS1ubA/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13C12d378f5)
* [EPA to Act on Waters of the United States Rule](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-act-waters-united-states-rule-1)
* [Scott Pruitt Confirmed and Sworn in as EPA Administrator](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/scott-pruitt-confirmed-and-sworn-epa-administrator)
* [82 FR 13086 - Approval of California Air Plan Revisions, Western Mojave Desert, Rate of Progress Demonstration [PDF 107 KB]](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-03-09/pdf/2017-04692.pdf) [More Information](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/search/pagedetails.action?na=&se=&sm=&flr=&ercode=&dateBrowse=&govAuthBrowse=&collection=&historical=true&st=CALIFORNIA+OR+%22+CA%22&cbWithin=true&psh=&sbh=&tfh=&originalSearch=content%3A%28Interior+OR+%E2%80%9CForest+Service%E2%80%9D+OR+endangered+OR+habitat+OR+ecosystem+OR+environmental+OR+%22NOAA%22+OR+new+OR+Pacific+OR+wilderness%29+AND+publishdate%3Arange%282017-03-02%2C%29+AND+collection%3AFR&fromState=advSearch&sb=don&sb=don&ps=100&ps=100&granuleId=2017-04692&packageId=FR-2017-03-09)
* [82 FR 13280 - Approval of California Air Plan Revisions, Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District [PDF 123 KB]](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-03-10/pdf/2017-04689.pdf) [More Information](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/search/pagedetails.action?na=&se=&sm=&flr=&ercode=&dateBrowse=&govAuthBrowse=&collection=&historical=true&st=CALIFORNIA+OR+%22+CA%22&cbWithin=true&psh=&sbh=&tfh=&originalSearch=content%3A%28Interior+OR+%E2%80%9CForest+Service%E2%80%9D+OR+endangered+OR+habitat+OR+ecosystem+OR+environmental+OR+%22NOAA%22+OR+new+OR+Pacific+OR+wilderness%29+AND+publishdate%3Arange%282017-03-02%2C%29+AND+collection%3AFR&fromState=advSearch&sb=don&sb=don&ps=100&ps=100&granuleId=2017-04689&packageId=FR-2017-03-10)
* [82 FR 13390 - Approval of California Air Plan; Owens Valley Serious Area Plan for the 1987 24-Hour PM10 [PDF 147 KB]](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-03-13/pdf/2017-04804.pdf). [More Information](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/search/pagedetails.action?na=&se=&sm=&flr=&ercode=&dateBrowse=&govAuthBrowse=&collection=&historical=true&st=CALIFORNIA+OR+%22+CA%22&cbWithin=true&psh=&sbh=&tfh=&originalSearch=content%3A%28Interior+OR+%E2%80%9CForest+Service%E2%80%9D+OR+endangered+OR+habitat+OR+ecosystem+OR+environmental+OR+%22NOAA%22+OR+new+OR+Pacific+OR+wilderness%29+AND+publishdate%3Arange%282017-03-02%2C%29+AND+collection%3AFR&fromState=advSearch&sb=don&sb=don&ps=100&ps=100&granuleId=2017-04804&packageId=FR-2017-03-13)
* [82 FR 13392 - Determination of Attainment and Approval of Base Year Emissions Inventories for the Imperial... [PDF 187 KB]](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-03-13/pdf/2017-04780.pdf) [More Information](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/search/pagedetails.action?na=&se=&sm=&flr=&ercode=&dateBrowse=&govAuthBrowse=&collection=&historical=true&st=CALIFORNIA+OR+%22+CA%22&cbWithin=true&psh=&sbh=&tfh=&originalSearch=content%3A%28Interior+OR+%E2%80%9CForest+Service%E2%80%9D+OR+endangered+OR+habitat+OR+ecosystem+OR+environmental+OR+%22NOAA%22+OR+new+OR+Pacific+OR+wilderness%29+AND+publishdate%3Arange%282017-03-02%2C%29+AND+collection%3AFR&fromState=advSearch&sb=don&sb=don&ps=100&ps=100&granuleId=2017-04780&packageId=FR-2017-03-13)
* [82 FR 13413 - Determination of Attainment and Approval of Base Year Emissions Inventories for the Imperial... [PDF 113 KB]](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-03-13/pdf/2017-04782.pdf) [More Information](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/search/pagedetails.action?na=&se=&sm=&flr=&ercode=&dateBrowse=&govAuthBrowse=&collection=&historical=true&st=CALIFORNIA+OR+%22+CA%22&cbWithin=true&psh=&sbh=&tfh=&originalSearch=content%3A%28Interior+OR+%E2%80%9CForest+Service%E2%80%9D+OR+endangered+OR+habitat+OR+ecosystem+OR+environmental+OR+%22NOAA%22+OR+new+OR+Pacific+OR+wilderness%29+AND+publishdate%3Arange%282017-03-02%2C%29+AND+collection%3AFR&fromState=advSearch&sb=don&sb=don&ps=100&ps=100&granuleId=2017-04782&packageId=FR-2017-03-13)
* [Across party lines, Western governors see a partner in Pruitt](https://www.google.com/url?rct=j&sa=t&url=http://www.coloradoindependent.com/164238/across-party-lines-western-governors-see-a-partner-in-pruitt&ct=ga&cd=CAEYACoTMTM0Mjk5OTY3OTg3Njk2MDg5MzIaZjQwZTFiNWZkNDg5ZGQ2Zjpjb206ZW46VVM&usg=AFQjCNH8quTE8MnQmID72gvdkj3Zyb-yPw)

### NOAA Update:

* [U.S. had 2nd warmest February and 6th warmest winter on record](http://www.noaa.gov/news/us-had-2nd-warmest-february-and-6th-warmest-winter-on-record)

### GAO **Environmental Litigation: Information on Endangered Species Act Deadline Suits.**

GAO-17-304, February 28. Report: [http://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-17-304](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMjI4LjcwNTQ5NjMxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDIyOC43MDU0OTYzMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MTczNzgwJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJmZsPSZleHRyYT1NdWx0aXZhcmlhdGVJZD0mJiY=&&&100&&&http://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-17-304?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery) Highlights: [http://www.gao.gov/assets/690/683059.pdf](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMjI4LjcwNTQ5NjMxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDIyOC43MDU0OTYzMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MTczNzgwJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJmZsPSZleHRyYT1NdWx0aXZhcmlhdGVJZD0mJiY=&&&101&&&http://www.gao.gov/assets/690/683059.pdf?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

### [Report On Federal Wildfire Suppression Spending](https://www.everycrsreport.com/reports/R44082.html#_Toc474408635)

## **State Updates**

### CA Update:

* [California governor announces $450 million flood protection plan](http://click.pewtrusts.org/?qs=148afb3aebb2d8d93016542c3d8609c48021960dfc4282f709cec137a798b5c1ba2e4387ebaa186ac7e23ff8cb38257c5c07ea2da131bbe8)
* [Governor Brown Takes Action to Bolster Dam Safety and Repair Transportation and Water Infrastructure](https://www.gov.ca.gov/news.php?id=19696)

### [State Efforts to Expand Flood Preparedness](http://click.pewtrusts.org/?qs=e17ed4e961e5ee0d63baf7e99c6e9d744d6805a5e1736e02f96a928b0fb76e90c43b6bec75389c9a620d1212f46e429aaf6eab0179a05105)

### [Governor Ducey Appoints Attorney, Gila River Indian Community Member Rodney Lewis To CAWCD Board](http://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2017/03/governor-ducey-appoints-attorney-gila-river-indian-community-member-rodney)

### [Gov. Herbert signs H.C.R. 12](https://www.utah.gov/governor/news_media/article.html?article=20170217-3)

Gov. Gary R. Herbert today signed H.C.R. 12, Concurrent Resolution Urging Federal Legislation to Reduce or Modify the Boundaries of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument.

## **Regional Updates**

### [Striking photos taken from space show dramatic impact of 2017 storm](http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/NASA-satellite-photos-Before-and-after-the-2017-10981012.php)

### WGA update

* [Governors request 'active support' of full funding for PILT, SRS programs](http://westgov.org/news/357-news-2017/1374-governors-request-active-support-of-full-funding-for-pilt-srs-programs)
* **Presented testimony** to the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee hearing, [Modernization of the Endangered Species Act](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001LvaIQ3mi68plpkyzv_5D9VCL6pd-fPLi-xWTIvURNqW3AamG5rzk3c8Ge5bO_mOPWIdUR9wVsL38dq9cQivUH-R-T15spmDAxTRwF-248WamMF2zfKCSlA4-qBWeRQkdH7BjWl0bL0oBjrwv7Dzwvcckpw-88WbjNxXgXc7YOxis9IaJtlGZ-3pylQC_t8z30e5KkndWx0lTbf05C9VihE8iS1XuK8hVbv3j_ffLlrAWBfTDGXILULHUxNQhXKNENhpOE01NOFyYmC8IfRTryWsLcniacH-nkg-fZn1rNAN0CKjTloLTGuUrBQZTO3OZCGC9DGuuFhc=&c=7-6yMxqoF_qprgLOagb18h6Nw9qXhf1nV9Klr_W7Didpdd3wyVNOaw==&ch=jjIiQtolZiBfZdk9b-KQXWLn2kI7L6c28KLGpCWLoPKVxbUB0Rva3A==).
* WGA recently hosted "Listing, Recovery and Delisting," a work session designed to elicit detailed input about themes that arose during the first year of the [Species Conservation and Endangered Species Act Initiative](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001LvaIQ3mi68plpkyzv_5D9VCL6pd-fPLi-xWTIvURNqW3AamG5rzk3QyJtAk4XSLfe5r9K8Pr340qsi1iDPqlz1exb9fyWenkj-kscHytrggQ5BVNd76r73VkIfy36_Z0fRAJ0scSxn1AyeVYSq_0OnBtBn5c0zKkTMaGnUvHFlz0uEzWAFZ9_izbVoPI2sekrmU-4fnAOaw=&c=7-6yMxqoF_qprgLOagb18h6Nw9qXhf1nV9Klr_W7Didpdd3wyVNOaw==&ch=jjIiQtolZiBfZdk9b-KQXWLn2kI7L6c28KLGpCWLoPKVxbUB0Rva3A==). Learn more by [reading our report](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001LvaIQ3mi68plpkyzv_5D9VCL6pd-fPLi-xWTIvURNqW3AamG5rzk3VYEUNjh1qqcp41T4oLexX9EfawXLxntw7becpIwBFclEvyzNbx1u_AcsyhTB_3d3h1-YbbrmSC68pjSxwIocqdNRA1mzW8f2gFKcGwNUyMp1csb9J99MtvLbUdozJF5zpr9M-uqplKcGaB1nt8ZRngpZA_Xx_RBooov7VPcZewtAJXxe6LLBXQ7smbDghXYs3c1J4mc4CH4n1FCIHBvyuxgenbqT_3OMQP6P6iJYj4DjDtValFVQxZm1KGP4cHwQChV-fpCPek3qdDS0OlAdi16vatZnjZqopsRcwtgQj0keTLESeAk8Kw=&c=7-6yMxqoF_qprgLOagb18h6Nw9qXhf1nV9Klr_W7Didpdd3wyVNOaw==&ch=jjIiQtolZiBfZdk9b-KQXWLn2kI7L6c28KLGpCWLoPKVxbUB0Rva3A==) on the session. Received a letter of support from the Western Agriculture and Conservation Coalition. [Read the letter](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001LvaIQ3mi68plpkyzv_5D9VCL6pd-fPLi-xWTIvURNqW3AamG5rzk3VYEUNjh1qqcFtQr6qjDPRbjq7zaD-7NMNfLPJFeReyWbvnZ6FY2eNb_ntVWmN5fu4DkLGI4SWeUF3ghC8TV04FwC85YxMemwKI6NmhKsQfTfIVOLMg_Bcq9SuqtCLIZS9MD0sJZMVVNbJy6xHh4HV6DKqCtPbN2qwOB03c5jKl4iGNHDy0rBhmhjP_03HLjy4PgTncvKIDGwBeZBd3p6bqUDEYWpi5tl75azjVOagmRLJO3H5Gt3hWknB3K-F4vnsg7BXSvAuP3&c=7-6yMxqoF_qprgLOagb18h6Nw9qXhf1nV9Klr_W7Didpdd3wyVNOaw==&ch=jjIiQtolZiBfZdk9b-KQXWLn2kI7L6c28KLGpCWLoPKVxbUB0Rva3A==).

# Military Readiness, Homeland Security, Disaster Preparedness and Aviation

## **Military Readiness**

DoD Update:

* [Sources: Mattis, Ricardel clashed over Pentagon appointees](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9157429.28337/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlbmV3cy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvc291cmNlcy1tYXR0aXMtcmljYXJkZWwtY2xhc2hlZC1vdmVyLXBlbnRhZ29uLWFwcG9pbnRlZXM/57588738498e574579743a61Bd1a58fef)
* [These States Saw More Federal Defense Dollars](http://click.pewtrusts.org/?qs=b15b4a557be54b833951b2ffcf26c104b8217bb9eb9aa7062b0c4b74b2e0d949225bd4b50165bf61f806ab59635e4973c3a914558e07229f)
* [The Military Value of the Defense Department’s Energy Efforts](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9145045.28561/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlb25lLmNvbS9pZGVhcy8yMDE3LzAzL21pbGl0YXJ5LXZhbHVlLWRlZmVuc2UtZGVwYXJ0bWVudHMtZW5lcmd5LWVmZm9ydHMvMTM2MTI1Lz9vcmVmPWQtcml2ZXI/57588738498e574579743a61B5b95937d)
* [Pros and cons of Pentagon's leadership vacuum](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9145045.28561/aHR0cDovL3d3dy53YXNoaW5ndG9uZXhhbWluZXIuY29tL3Byb3MtYW5kLWNvbnMtb2YtcGVudGFnb25zLWxlYWRlcnNoaXAtdmFjdXVtL2FydGljbGUvMjYxNzI3OA/57588738498e574579743a61Bdb9a74b4)
* [Pentagon delivers fiscal 2017 supplemental defense request to OMB](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9122856.28945/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlbmV3cy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvcGVudGFnb24tZGVsaXZlcnMtZnktMjAxNy1zdXBwbGVtZW50YWwtcmVxdWVzdC10by1vbWI/57588738498e574579743a61B4148f6b6)
* [JLUS Policy Committee Awarded Department of Defense Grant](https://www.google.com/url?rct=j&sa=t&url=https://www.lakepowelllife.com/jlus-policy-committee-awarded-department-of-defense-grant/&ct=ga&cd=CAEYACoTMjcxNjM0Nzk3MDA4Mjg3OTY3MjIaNGYyMGJjYmFlYmJhZTk4NTpjb206ZW46VVM&usg=AFQjCNHkVD65N78HCZMcZx64TQiAz6ah3A)
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* [Senior Enlisted Military Advisors Call for Budget Certainty](https://www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1107293/senior-enlisted-military-advisors-call-for-budget-certainty)
* [Pentagon delivers interim AT&L memo to Congress](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9032052.29841/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlbmV3cy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvcGVudGFnb24tZGVsaXZlcnMtaW50ZXJpbS1hdC1sLW1lbW8tdG8tY29uZ3Jlc3M/57588738498e574579743a61Bed7d9476)
* DoD Natural Resources Program[Winter 2017](http://www.dodnaturalresources.net/Natural_Selections_Winter_2017_Environmental_Awards.pdf) Newsletter: Environmental Awards
* NV JMAC information: <http://clearinghouse.nv.gov/public/JMAC/20170216/>
* [Mattis Takes on the Pentagon Bureaucracy](http://link.govexec.com/click/8924962.1852/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5nb3ZleGVjLmNvbS9mZWRlcmFsLW5ld3MvZmVkYmxvZy8yMDE3LzAyL21hdHRpcy10YWtlcy1wZW50YWdvbi1idXJlYXVjcmFjeS8xMzU2MDEvP29yZWY9ZGVmZW5zZW9uZV90b2RheV9ubA/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13Bb977e043)
* [Why military base closures could actually happen this time](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/8932123.30193/aHR0cDovL3d3dy53YXNoaW5ndG9uZXhhbWluZXIuY29tL3doeS1taWxpdGFyeS1iYXNlLWNsb3N1cmVzLWNvdWxkLWFjdHVhbGx5LWhhcHBlbi10aGlzLXRpbWUvYXJ0aWNsZS8yNjE1MDY2/57588738498e574579743a61B1689521c)
* [Defense Secretary Asks DoD to Seek Organizational Efficiencies](https://www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1089561/defense-secretary-asks-dod-to-seek-organizational-efficiencies)
* [F-35 Program Makes Significant, Solid Progress, Official Says](https://www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1086174/f-35-program-makes-significant-solid-progress-official-says)
* REPI OFFICE UPDATES:
  + 2017 Sentinel Landscapes Application Now Available - The Sentinel Landscapes Federal Coordinating Committee is now accepting applications for designation in 2017.  The application is open to all eligible entities interested in promoting natural resource conservation and the sustainability of working lands in areas surrounding military installations and ranges.  To be considered for a Sentinel Landscape designation in 2017, applications must be submitted via [http://www.SentinelLandscapes.org/apply-now/](http://www.sentinellandscapes.org/apply-now/) by 8:00pm EDT on Thursday, March 30, 2017.
  + REPI Program Newsletter. Winter 2017 Edition. <http://createsend.com/t/d-E4D0F4CBF9D8247B>
  + Conservation Finance Tools and Strategies Webinar: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 1:00PM ET. For instructions to join the webinar, please go to: [<http://www.repi.mil/Resources/Webinars/>]

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* [US Air Force 'Urgently' Needs Funds By April](http://link.defenseone.com/click/8895656.1852/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlb25lLmNvbS9pZGVhcy8yMDE3LzAyL291ci1haXItZm9yY2UtdXJnZW50bHktbmVlZHMtZnVuZHMtYXByaWwvMTM1NTY2Lz9vcmVmPWRlZmVuc2VvbmVfdG9kYXlfbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13Ba2013d3c)
* [Air Force Chief of Staff Outlines Future Challenges of Military Readiness](https://www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1092743/air-force-chief-of-staff-outlines-future-challenges-of-military-readiness)
* [Disbrow delivers State of the AF](http://www.af.mil/News/ArticleDisplay/tabid/223/Article/1101633/disbrow-delivers-state-of-the-af.aspx)
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Army Update:

* [Trump eyes former flight surgeon Mark Green as next Army secretary](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9157429.28337/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5taWxpdGFyeXRpbWVzLmNvbS9hcnRpY2xlcy9tYXJrLWdyZWVuLXRydW1wLWFybXktc2VjcmV0YXJ5/57588738498e574579743a61Bd88fb985)
* [Army says it’s now fast-tracking requests to bypass governmentwide hiring freeze](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9157429.28337/aHR0cDovL2ZlZGVyYWxuZXdzcmFkaW8uY29tL2FybXkvMjAxNy8wMy9hcm15LXNheXMtbm93LWZhc3QtdHJhY2tpbmctd2FpdmVycy1nb3Zlcm5tZW50d2lkZS1oaXJpbmctZnJlZXplLw/57588738498e574579743a61B70f75656)
* [Army must dominate in electromagnetic spectrum](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9145045.28561/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5jNGlzcm5ldC5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvYXJteS1tdXN0LWRvbWluYXRlLWluLWVsZWN0cm9tYWduZXRpYy1zcGVjdHJ1bQ/57588738498e574579743a61Bfe3ad060)
* [3-star: More training days for the Guard as the Army struggles with readiness](http://link.armytimes.com/click/9101126.29009/aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuYXJteXRpbWVzLmNvbS9hcnRpY2xlcy8zLXN0YXItbW9yZS10cmFpbmluZy1kYXlzLWZvci10aGUtZ3VhcmQtYXMtdGhlLWFybXktc3RydWdnbGVzLXdpdGgtcmVhZGluZXNz/57588738498e574579743a61B678d6c28)

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* [Watch: The Future of War and the US Navy](http://link.defenseone.com/click/9012548.1852/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlb25lLmNvbS9pZGVhcy8yMDE3LzAzL3dhdGNoLWZ1dHVyZS13YXItYW5kLXVzLW5hdnkvMTM1NzkxLz9vcmVmPWRlZmVuc2VvbmVfdG9kYXlfbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B43f7cf59)
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## **Homeland Security/Disaster Preparedness**

### DHS Update:

* [Statement by Secretary of Homeland Security John Kelly on Southwest Border Security](https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/03/08/statement-secretary-homeland-security-john-kelly-southwest-border-security)
* [Secretary Kelly Issues Implementation Memoranda on Border Security and Interior Enforcement Executive Orders](https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/02/21/secretary-kelly-issues-implementation-memoranda-border-security-and-interior)
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* [DHS to Solicit Proposals for 'Wall Structures' on Southern Border](http://link.govexec.com/click/8925024.1852/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5nb3ZleGVjLmNvbS9tYW5hZ2VtZW50LzIwMTcvMDIvZGhzLXNvbGljaXQtcHJvcG9zYWxzLXdhbGwtc3RydWN0dXJlcy1zb3V0aGVybi1ib3JkZXIvMTM1NzA1Lz9vcmVmPWRlZmVuc2VvbmVfdG9kYXlfbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13Ba2a43454)

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* [Gov. McAuliffe: Cybersecurity Is Key State Issue](https://www.nga.org/cms/home/news-room/news-releases/2017--news/col2-content/gov-mcauliffe-cybersecurity-is.html)
* [What States Risk By Not Prioritizing Cybersecurity Measures](http://link.routefifty.com/click/9130954.1500/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5yb3V0ZWZpZnR5LmNvbS90ZWNoLWRhdGEvMjAxNy8wMy93aGF0LXN0YXRlcy1yaXNrLW5vdC1wcmlvcml0aXppbmctY3liZXJzZWN1cml0eS1tZWFzdXJlcy8xMzYxOTgvP29yZWY9cmYtdG9kYXktbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B32e54656)
* [Expect a Cyber Budget Boost But Stay Tuned for that Executive Order, Homeland Adviser Says](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9127608.2396/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9jeWJlcnNlY3VyaXR5LzIwMTcvMDMvZXhwZWN0LWN5YmVyLWJ1ZGdldC1ib29zdC1zdGF5LXR1bmVkLWV4ZWN1dGl2ZS1vcmRlci1ob21lbGFuZC1hZHZpc2VyLXNheXMvMTM2MTc1Lz9vcmVmPWdvdmV4ZWNfdG9kYXlfcG1fbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B6939b06d)
* [White House's Annual Cyber Report Counts 30,000 Incidents but Only 16 are 'Major'](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9127131.1948/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9jeWJlcnNlY3VyaXR5LzIwMTcvMDMvd2hpdGUtaG91c2VzLWFubnVhbC1jeWJlci1yZXBvcnQtY291bnRzLTMwMDAwLWluY2lkZW50cy1vbmx5LTE2LWFyZS1tYWpvci8xMzYxNDYvP29yZWY9ZGVmZW5zZW9uZV90b2RheV9ubA/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B471e714e)
* [Lawmakers eye cyber help for states](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9145045.28561/aHR0cDovL3RoZWhpbGwuY29tL3BvbGljeS90ZWNobm9sb2d5LzMyMzc4NS1sYXdtYWtlcnMtZXllLWN5YmVyLWhlbHAtZm9yLXN0YXRlcw/57588738498e574579743a61B0a3fba2c)
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* [Trump Cyber Czar Brings Deep Expertise but Maybe Some Baggage, Too](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9129686.3708/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9jeWJlcnNlY3VyaXR5LzIwMTcvMDMvdHJ1bXAtY3liZXItY3phci1icmluZ3MtZGVlcC1leHBlcnRpc2UtbWF5YmUtc29tZS1iYWdnYWdlLXRvby8xMzYxMjcvP29yZWY9Z292ZXhlY190b2RheV9ubA/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B1cbe142d)
* [Money Talks in Agency Cybersecurity, Former DOD Official Says](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9109403.764/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9jeWJlcnNlY3VyaXR5LzIwMTcvMDMvbW9uZXktdGFsa3MtYWdlbmN5LWN5YmVyc2VjdXJpdHktZm9ybWVyLWRvZC1vZmZpY2lhbC1zYXlzLzEzNjA0Ni8_b3JlZj1uZXh0Z292X2RlZmVuc2VfaXQ/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B3b175879)
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* [Study: The potential costs of cyberattacks are escalating rapidly](http://go.questexweb.com/dc/Gw4T1hBboEOVaiGzwYK_QSWKax0B8T4G3J3i-6RGM2Z86Zzi6i_tSrjbMYbTbpEY8hhcu6heEWs2zfugC2O_ja_7OpS0SPr13OPXwyEePJaZjLCAO0npFPAdukC317wcoel2voFf9EMQTvT7OSQbV0RAc2inbXA97LBQly23FV8f7ynOc5m6frZgiB8bvKBtUqFCuYOWDSumFlULLV-gew==/AE0c04MQ10uefN400Q0seSF)
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* [FAA Releases Updated Drone Sighting Reports.](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMjIzLjcwMzU3NzExJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDIyMy43MDM1NzcxMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MDE2MTIwJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&102&&&http://www.faa.gov/uas/resources/uas_sightings_report/)

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## **GIS Information**

### [Coastal Access for All](http://greeninfo.us8.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=f96270dea294e65aee47ba7d1&id=75e580fc17&e=08dca49007)

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CPAD 101 Webinars

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### [DoD Announces the Launch of “Code.mil,” an Experiment in Open Source](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMjIzLjcwMzU1NTExJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDIyMy43MDM1NTUxMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MzkxOTU0JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAZHVmZnljb25zdWx0aW5nLm5ldCZ1c2VyaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAZHVmZnljb25zdWx0aW5nLm5ldCZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&100&&&https://www.defense.gov/News/News-Releases/News-Release-View/Article/1092364/dod-announces-the-launch-of-codemil-an-experiment-in-open-source?source=GovDelivery)

# Miscellaneous

### WGA

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### White House

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* [President Trump is Rebuilding America's National Security](https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/02/28/president-trump-rebuilding-americas-national-security)
* [President Trump is Working to Rebuild our Nation's Infrastructure](https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/02/28/president-trump-working-rebuild-our-nations-infrastructure)
* [Presidential Executive Order on Restoring the Rule of Law, Federalism, and Economic Growth by Reviewing the "Waters of the United States" Rule](https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/02/28/presidential-executive-order-restoring-rule-law-federalism-and-economic)

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* CO [State revenue forecast calls for continued economic momentum](https://www.colorado.gov/governor/news/state-revenue-forecast-calls-continued-economic-momentum)
* UT [State leaders release revised FY2018 revenue numbers](https://www.utah.gov/governor/news_media/article.html?article=20170217-1)