Western Regional Partnership

**March 15-April 30 2017 Update**

Per the 2016 WRP Principals’ Meeting, WRP will be compiling and sending out regular 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.

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# WRP Updates

### Upcoming May WRP Efforts:

* May 5th WRP Energy Committee webinar on the Department of Energy’s Office (DOE) of Indian Energy Policy and Programs. This webinar will run from 10 to 11 am Pacific. This presentation will be conducted by Mr. Christopher Clark Deschene, Director, Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs, DOE.
* May 16th WRP SC Subcommittee call regarding Website & GIS
* May 22nd WRP Natural Resources and Military Readiness, Homeland Security, Disaster Preparedness and Aviation (MRHSDP&A) Committee webinar on wildfire and forestry. This webinar will run from 12:30 to 2 pm Pacific. This webinar will be conducted by Chief Ken Pimlott, State Forester, CA Department of Forestry & Fire Protection, Mr. Mike Zupko, Executive Manager, Wildland Fire Leadership Council and Mr. Troy Timmons, Director of Strategic Initiatives, Policy Advisor, Western Governors’ Association (WGA).

*If you have any questions on the above events, please contact* *amyduffy@westernregionalpartnership.org*

# Energy

## **Federal Updates**

### White House Update:

* [Presidential Executive Order Implementing an America-First Offshore Energy Strategy](https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/04/28/presidential-executive-order-implementing-america-first-offshore-energy)
* [Presidential Executive Order on Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth](https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/03/28/presidential-executive-order-promoting-energy-independence-and-economi-1)
* [Remarks by President Trump at Signing of Executive Order on an America-First Offshore Energy Strategy](https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/04/28/remarks-president-trump-signing-executive-order-america-first-offshore)
* [Remarks by President Trump at Signing of Executive Order to Create Energy Independence](https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/03/28/remarks-president-trump-signing-executive-order-create-energy)
* [President Donald J. Trump to Open Up America’s Energy Potential](https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/04/28/president-donald-j-trump-open-americas-energy-potential)
* Trump signs executive order eliminating Clean Power Plan [Read the full article here](http://www.euci.com/trump-signs-executive-order-eliminating-clean-power-plan/?x=26918e385813Bc)

### DOE Update:

* Perry Sworn in as 14th Secretary of United States Department of Energy: video [get to know the Secretary!](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lp-Ewn9iFgs)
* [Secretary Perry statement on Nevada, Yucca visit](https://energy.gov/articles/secretary-perry-statement-nevada-yucca-visit)

### DOI Update:

* [Secretary Zinke Commends President Trump’s Offshore Executive Order](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/secretary-zinke-commends-president-trumps-offshore-executive-order)
* [Interior Department Announces Proposal to Repeal Recent Amendments to Federal Energy Valuation Rules](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-department-announces-proposal-repeal-recent-amendments-federal-energy)
* Sec. Zinke Acts on Energy Independence EO.Zinke, acted on the President’s most recent [executive order](http://trk.cp20.com/click/fjxom-afjn9d-ovds275/) (EO) and signed three secretarial orders. [Secretarial Order 3348](http://trk.cp20.com/click/fjxom-afjn9e-ovds276/),  overturns a 2016 moratorium on all new coal leases on federal land and ends the programmatic environmental impacts statement originally set to be released by 2019. The second order, [Secretarial Order 3349](http://trk.cp20.com/click/fjxom-afjn9f-ovds277/),  implements a review of agency actions directed by the president’s executive order signed last Tuesday regarding energy independence and directs a reexamination of the mitigation and climate change policies across the Department of the Interior (DOI). Sec. Zinke also re-established the [Royalty Policy Committee](http://trk.cp20.com/click/fjxom-afjn9g-ovds278/) to review fair market value of and collection of revenues from Federal and Indian mineral and energy leases, as well as renewable energy sources.

## **State Updates**

### CA Update:

* CEC Newsletter: [April 2017](http://www.energy.ca.gov/commission/newsletter/newsletter.php?issDate=201704)
* [Energy Commissioner Visits Mojave Desert Army Base To Learn How Water and Energy Impacts Facility](http://calenergycommission.blogspot.com/2017/03/energy-commissioner-visits-mojave.html)
* [California ISO Board Approves Annual Transmission Plan](http://www.caiso.com/Documents/CaliforniaISOBoardApprovesAnnualTransmissionPlan.pdf)

### NV Update:

* [Governor Sandoval Reiterates Opposition to Yucca Mountain, Discusses Cyber Defense and Potential Partnerships with Secretary Perry](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/Governor-Sandoval-Reiterates-Opposition-to-Yucca-Mountain%2C-Discusses-Cyber-Defense-and-Potential-Partnerships-with-Secretary-Perry/)
* [Sandoval Reiterates Yucca Mountain Opposition to Congressional Subcommittee](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/Sandoval-Reiterates-Yucca-Mountain-Opposition-to-Congressional-Subcommittee/)
* [Governor Sandoval Announces Committee on Energy Choice Membership](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/Governor-Sandoval-Announces-Committee-on-Energy-Choice-Membership/)
* [Governor Sandoval Leads Efforts to Pursue All State Options to Defeat Yucca Mountain](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/Governor-Sandoval-Leads-Efforts-to-Pursue-All-State-Options-to-Defeat-Yucca-Mountain/)
* [Sandoval Statement on Meeting with Secretary Rick Perry](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/Sandoval-Statement-on-Meeting-with-Secretary-Rick-Perry/)
* [Statement from Governor Sandoval on Yucca Mountain](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/Statement-from-Governor-Sandoval-on-Yucca-Mountain/)

## **Tribal Updates**

### [Navajo power plant could stay open through 2019](http://c.bizjournals.com/ct/e/231138041/NzgwNzk1MzE6OjI0MjM1ODc)

### DOE Update:

* May 31, 2017, 1 p.m. ET: **Office of Indian Energy Webinar: What Energy Project Is Right for My Tribe?**
Attendees will learn how to identify the appropriate energy project, whether it's a small renewable energy project for a single tribal residence or building, a tribal community project, or a utility-scale project requiring transmission interconnection and a power purchase agreement. The webinar is free but [registration](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDE5LjcyNDc3OTkxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQxOS43MjQ3Nzk5MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3ODU0MjExJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAd2VzdGVybnJlZ2lvbmFscGFydG5lcnNoaXAub3JnJnVzZXJpZD1hbXlkdWZmeUB3ZXN0ZXJucmVnaW9uYWxwYXJ0bmVyc2hpcC5vcmcmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&127&&&https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/477579852056023555) is required. [Recordings and slides of past tribal energy webinars](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDE5LjcyNDc3OTkxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQxOS43MjQ3Nzk5MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3ODU0MjExJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAd2VzdGVybnJlZ2lvbmFscGFydG5lcnNoaXAub3JnJnVzZXJpZD1hbXlkdWZmeUB3ZXN0ZXJucmVnaW9uYWxwYXJ0bmVyc2hpcC5vcmcmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&128&&&https://energy.gov/indianenergy/webinars#series) are available.
* New Office of Indian Energy Brochure Highlights 15 Years of Tribal Successes, [download the brochure](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMzIzLjcxNDgxMTAxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDMyMy43MTQ4MTEwMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3ODQyMjM1JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAd2VzdGVybnJlZ2lvbmFscGFydG5lcnNoaXAub3JnJnVzZXJpZD1hbXlkdWZmeUB3ZXN0ZXJucmVnaW9uYWxwYXJ0bmVyc2hpcC5vcmcmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&112&&&https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2017/03/f34/DOE-IE-annual-report_final0313.pdf).
* May 1-3 2017 National Tribal Energy Summit. For those unable to attend the Summit in person, NCSL will offer [live, online streaming video](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDI1LjcyNjgwNzMxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQyNS43MjY4MDczMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3ODU4NTc5JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAd2VzdGVybnJlZ2lvbmFscGFydG5lcnNoaXAub3JnJnVzZXJpZD1hbXlkdWZmeUB3ZXN0ZXJucmVnaW9uYWxwYXJ0bmVyc2hpcC5vcmcmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&103&&&http://www.ncsl.org/research/energy/2017-national-tribal-energy-summit-streaming-video.aspx) on May 2 of an address by U.S. Secretary of Energy Rick Perry and two panel discussions. Visit the [National Tribal Energy Summit web page](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDI1LjcyNjgwNzMxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQyNS43MjY4MDczMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3ODU4NTc5JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAd2VzdGVybnJlZ2lvbmFscGFydG5lcnNoaXAub3JnJnVzZXJpZD1hbXlkdWZmeUB3ZXN0ZXJucmVnaW9uYWxwYXJ0bmVyc2hpcC5vcmcmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&104&&&http://www.ncsl.org/research/energy/national-tribal-energy-summit-2017.aspx).

## **Regional**

### [Pacific Coast Governors Issue Statement on Presidential Executive Order on Offshore Oil and Gas Drilling](https://www.gov.ca.gov/news.php?id=19767)

### WECC Update:

* The Scenario Planning Steering Group (SPSG) will host its Q2 in-person meeting in Portland, Oregon, May 4, 2017. Please find the May 4, 2017 Meeting Agenda for review [here](https://www.wecc.biz/Administrative/2017-05-04%20Draft%20SPSG%20Agenda%20v01.pdf). The Quantum Planning Group continues to provide WECC and its committees with analysis on 20-Year Long Term Planning Tool scenarios, as well as early indicators, trends, and scenario movement.  You can find copies of Quantum Planning Group’s latest monthly reports:    [January 2017](https://www.wecc.biz/Reliability/Scenario%20Trends%20and%20Early%20Indicator%20Analysis%20January%202017.pdf)    [February 2017](https://www.wecc.biz/Reliability/Scenario%20Trends%20and%20Early%20Indicator%20Analysis%20February%202017.pdf)  [March 2017](https://www.wecc.biz/Reliability/Scenario%20Trends%20and%20Early%20Indicator%20Analysis%20March%202017.pdf)

### California oversupply volumes grow, ISO curtails more renewables [Read the full article here](http://www.euci.com/campaigns/station.php?x=27059n385813Bc&utm_campaign=042617_energize_weekly&utm_medium=email&utm_source=energize&url=http://www.platts.com/latest-news/electric-power/portland-maine/california-oversupply-volumes-grow-iso-curtails-21508104)

### WGA Update:

* Western Governors just urged leadership of the House Natural Resources Committee to give an expedited review to the [**Electricity Reliability and Forest Protection Act.**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001BGfgJLtrtdJYhMs5F51zKnjBo7D3-loHoF2g8PmttjuTowR3f_GkronPY8jrgoY9aTREPyYSc0nyZlSoJabOaMSJopyaU89H0P-B3yWfVP_xe54Efg-fYJGyQNsVlLH8wF1qxpEnpMtNwywzWWP_OA0EzjDmDVd6qLLaurdTR2Eo5ue6xfC64xX6xx4oHdbDf4UB7FZmuXZcXB5hUWyU6jIRjOEOb2ByuNlyJdeSEwRBY8kQ3Z_eRVrOP-c4yvBAWLKfm_ek8fDmBKv4e_BjrwymURDFAgCT1PWTUKf326ue8c25vNwp8dDNCVRoDAxOwEVwVEazuthXbBECECDgYA==&c=uHTh-tb7XnZgaSxjv8_85OqlrdeXBFqxc9hCugomA07HZek5npVZuQ==&ch=AVDgSzu9ne8xb-2OeaUQQIMVCJzsTanbSsxaBnMAM8nCXRth4afcRg==) Learn about the Governors' support, then [read, download the letter](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001BGfgJLtrtdJYhMs5F51zKnjBo7D3-loHoF2g8PmttjuTowR3f_GkronPY8jrgoY9aTREPyYSc0nyZlSoJabOaMSJopyaU89H0P-B3yWfVP_xe54Efg-fYJGyQNsVlLH8wF1qxpEnpMtNwywzWWP_OA0EzjDmDVd6qLLaurdTR2Eo5ue6xfC64xX6xx4oHdbDf4UB7FZmuXZcXB5hUWyU6jIRjOEOb2ByuNlyJdeSEwRBY8kQ3Z_eRVrOP-c4yvBAWLKfm_ek8fDmBKv4e_BjrwymURDFAgCT1PWTUKf326ue8c25vNwp8dDNCVRoDAxOwEVwVEazuthXbBECECDgYA==&c=uHTh-tb7XnZgaSxjv8_85OqlrdeXBFqxc9hCugomA07HZek5npVZuQ==&ch=AVDgSzu9ne8xb-2OeaUQQIMVCJzsTanbSsxaBnMAM8nCXRth4afcRg==)
* Western 'Road Show' highlights safety of WIPP transportation program. The Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) in New Mexico reopened in January, three years after a closure caused by a minor radioactive leak in 2014. ([**More**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001QYsdzIW89ey7es3AP2y79iJMK9mIaMkGSGwqVkrxmnd7IW1QuH_m4YLSW1ONrLsdWoekuRaEV0lebyi3pZRRm48jjy7rF8jgtnmmcOwSqRJ9gy94-17L8XCAmzfTZkoUEJeEFg5LecvE7wnOiOOaW86f9RkbtdKZlxNSkdm0-_-xmO8FB_T4H9zWfqFwROuJrj7_zDgx_vWExFGSXrSo9S99t86VOD2u_HBojEN-t90kvKoCqNf6w5E2Q7X4BLrSi0zMM_aq5NQ5KNQBviL80rmHLJqqNvOnC7Wn4fPPRh3RqyPny2Tc_noZitTbX91SGtoFuMvF3-_67e5RoW-tqw==&c=iP8EvmQVPkcPhkWSSaxQ0HzThrcnOBeu_BNoarYX_3hIGzfCfTCaeg==&ch=NhS72V2yE6irBb7eyRvZq_MuSSxAXjWpfBirJZ3Jsaxpx_Dgr7cQqA==))

### Wind and Solar dominate a big year for new generating capacity in 2016 [Read the full article here](http://www.euci.com/wind-and-solar-dominate-a-big-year-for-new-generating-capacity-in-2016/?x=26882n385813Bc)

### Tucson Electric Power plans 800MW of new renewable energy by 2030 [Read the full article here](http://www.euci.com/campaigns/station.php?x=26990t385813Bc&url=https://www.pv-tech.org/news/tucson-electric-power-plans-800mw-of-new-renewable-energy-by-2030)

### WIEB Update:

* [Western Interstate Energy Board Supports Continued Funding for the U.S. Department of Energy State Energy Program (SEP)](http://westernenergyboard.org/2017/04/western-interstate-energy-board-supports-continued-funding-for-the-u-s-department-of-energy-state-energy-program-sep/%22%20%5Co%20%22Western%20Interstate%20Energy%20Board%20Supports%20Continued%20Funding%20for%20the%20U.S.%20Department%20of%20Energy%20State%20Energy%20Program%20%28SEP%29)
* [2017 WIEB Annual Board Meeting | Boise, Idaho | April 12, 2017](http://westernenergyboard.org/2017/03/2017-wieb-annual-board-meeting-boise-idaho-april-12-2017/)

# Natural Resources

## **Federal Updates**

### White House Update:

* [Presidential Executive Order on the Review of Designations Under the Antiquities Act](https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/04/26/presidential-executive-order-review-designations-under-antiquities-act)
* [Trump Instructs Federal Agencies to Stop Considering Climate Change](http://link.govexec.com/click/9258450.1980/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5nb3ZleGVjLmNvbS9tYW5hZ2VtZW50LzIwMTcvMDMvdHJ1bXAtaW5zdHJ1Y3RzLWZlZGVyYWwtYWdlbmNpZXMtc3RvcC1jb25zaWRlcmluZy1jbGltYXRlLWNoYW5nZS8xMzY1MzQvP29yZWY9ZGVmZW5zZW9uZV90b2RheV9ubA/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13Bdb5fa452)

### DOI Update:

* [Secretary Zinke Applauds Nomination of David Bernhardt as Deputy Secretary of the Interior](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/secretary-zinke-applauds-nomination-david-bernhardt-deputy-secretary-interior)
* [Secretary Zinke Appoints Skipwith and MacGregor to key Interior posts](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/secretary-zinke-appoints-skipwith-and-macgregor-key-interior-posts)

### BLM Update:

* [BLM, U.S. Army to unveil newest firefighting facility](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-us-army-unveil-newest-firefighting-facility)
* [BLM seeks nominations to Arizona Resource Advisory Council](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-nominations-arizona-resource-advisory-council)
* [BLM Announces Next Steps for Eagle Crest Hydroelectric Project in Riverside County](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-announces-next-steps-eagle-crest-hydroelectric-project-riverside-county)
* [82 FR 20486 - Public Land Order No. 7861; Transfer of Administrative Jurisdiction, Chocolate Mountain Aerial... [PDF 108 KB]](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-05-02/pdf/2017-08853.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+Searchlight+OR+%22NOAA%22+OR+new+OR+Pacific+OR+wilderness%29+AND+publishdate%3Arange%282017-05-02%2C%29+AND+collection%3AFR&fromState=advSearch&sb=don&sb=don&ps=100&ps=100&granuleId=2017-08853&packageId=FR-2017-05-02)
* [BLM Resource Advisory Council to Meet and Discuss Land Use Planning](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-resource-advisory-council-meet-and-discuss-land-use-planning%22%20%5Co%20%22Permalink%20to%20The%20King%20Crest%20Trail%20a%20National%20Recreation%20Trail%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)
* [BLM seeks public input on proposed route designations in San Bernardino County](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-public-input-proposed-route-designations-san-bernardino-county)
* [BLM Seeks Northern California District Resource Advisory Council Nominations](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-desert-district-advisory-council-nominations-0)
* [BLM Seeks Desert District Advisory Council Nominations](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-desert-district-advisory-council-nominations-0)
* [Statement from Secretary Zinke on his meeting with California Governor Jerry Brown](https://edit.doi.gov/pressreleases/statement-secretary-zinke-his-meeting-california-governor-jerry-brown%22%20%5Co%20%22Permalink%20to%20The%20King%20Crest%20Trail%20a%20National%20Recreation%20Trail%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)
* BLM announces proposed actions for Bighorn Sheep efforts in San Bernardino County ([BLM News Release](http://www.elabs10.com/c.html?ufl=d&rtr=on&s=x8pbwi,2sagd,3xn3,l69j,76zw,jhie,1h3))

### BuRec Update:

* [Bureau of Reclamation Makes Water and Related Data Available for Easy Download and Use](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/newsrelease/detail.cfm?RecordID=59124)
* [Alan Mikkelsen Named Reclamation's Deputy Commissioner](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/newsrelease/detail.cfm?RecordID=59097)
* [Reclamation’s Mid-Pacific Region Names Travis Aberle as Assistant Regional Director](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/newsrelease/detail.cfm?RecordID=58965)

Fish & Wildlife Service Update:

* New [USFWS collaboration](http://email.connectablenews.com/t/y-l-hthukyt-jtpdhjrid-yk/) expands science-based tools to the sage-steppe.
* Wildlife and the Role of Prescribed Fire[USFWS Medium](http://www.elabs10.com/c.html?ufl=d&rtr=on&s=x8pbwi,2sh59,3xn3,f5ir,9790,jhie,1h3)
* [Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of 5-Year Status Reviews for 138 Species in Hawaii, Oregon, Washington, and California](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/04/20/2017-07940/endangered-and-threatened-wildlife-and-plants-initiation-of-5-year-status-reviews-for-138-species-in?utm_campaign=subscription%20mailing%20list&utm_source=federalregister.gov&utm_medium=email)
* [Endangered Species Act Petitions for Florida Black Bear and Mojave Desert Tortoise do not Warrant Further Action](https://www.fws.gov/news/ShowNews.cfm?ref=endangered-species-act-petitions-for-florida-black-bear-and-mojave-desert-&_ID=36017)
* [New Study Shows Americans’ Deep Appreciation for Nature, Barriers to Connection](https://www.fws.gov/news/ShowNews.cfm?ref=new-study-shows-americans%E2%80%99-deep-appreciation-for-nature-barriers-to-&_ID=36035)

### NPS Update:

* [Secretary Zinke Announces $34.9 Billion Added to U.S. Economy in 2016 due to National Park Visitation](https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1207/04-19-2017-economic-benefits.htm)

### USGS Update:

* [Billions More Milkweeds Needed to Restore Monarchs](https://www.usgs.gov/news/billions-more-milkweeds-needed-restore-monarchs)

### USDA Update:

* [Sonny Perdue Sworn in as 31st U.S. Secretary of Agriculture](https://www.usda.gov/media/press-releases/2017/04/25/sonny-perdue-sworn-31st-us-secretary-agriculture)
* [USDA seeks project proposals to protect and restore critical wetlands](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/newsroom/releases/?cid=NRCSEPRD1318612)
* Public comment sought: [**See the Tonto Forest Plan Revision page**](http://email.robly.com/wf/click?upn=nwUjRqdRFnzb84kIkg7-2BhTlY4u55zGfCydQTuNKAL-2Buaqz-2Bwo3eIU303lRben6SWVREpuw00E-2BX6HOLcGSjJ2g-3D-3D_5PjEt93WmttSKmNUTGB3Jh4CYMM1aa0ogK-2Fb8lNxv9Shb4DSFWb98OiCbiuB-2BulhlMPolu4vX18VbPg5HvXgoxYDw5aD8TYcuNR05SSVWP3bkBpct5POxoaH5OEYHvAtsiTzJuMbrM-2FMsl-2Fm5LJgKrxIbFzW9VpZ8PKhbfSn5HjtXd7COGnPiooOPwTkzDnGRKXd9C3uALKRiuV-2FdfpqsyX3hx3eeTYva0gXGrXcM93a3vK2-2BWR-2BROsFCQYzQLxhJ-2B5f9t1vcNyexq2bvU0-2Fy3GCsksb0r23H6ca7pTUT-2BIetp3KPnBKj-2F-2B9lh4NO96RVHYjtnUu1NT4VcZuXf-2Bu4ZAiW-2BsZkUem62GsMlWzYgacu5l4s1ghgVg1-2F82sVe9-2B2PoPsmratoRYsclB0VfK6TQO2bRm9iS7dgJ1Xs8NYX69OzZgkI4pe6-2BwDCPKOepdHqBS3Y5rKVeYn-2FiztqD4ag-3D-3D)

### EPA Update:

* [Administrator Pruitt and Nevada Governor Sandoval Discuss Key Environmental and Economic Issues](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/administrator-pruitt-and-nevada-governor-sandoval-discuss-key-environmental-and)
* [EPA to Reconsider Oil and Gas Rule](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-reconsider-oil-and-gas-rule)
* [EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt Meets with National Tribal Caucus Chairman](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-administrator-scott-pruitt-meets-national-tribal-caucus-chairman-0)

### NOAA Update:

* [NOAA Spring Outlook](http://www.noaa.gov/media-release/spring-outlook-risk-of-major-flooding-in-north-dakota-moderate-flooding-in-idaho)
* With respect to flood potential and water supply forecasts:  <http://nws.noaa.gov/oh/2017NHAD.html>

### USDOT Update:

* **BTS Releases** [National Transportation Noise Map](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMzIxLjcxMzU1NDgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDMyMS43MTM1NTQ4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MDI3NzQ3JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&103&&&https://maps.bts.dot.gov/services/rest/services/Noise), released today, shows that more than 97 percent of the U.S. population has the potential to be exposed to noise from aviation and Interstate highways at levels below 50 decibels or roughly comparable to the noise level of a humming refrigerator.
* BTS updated [*National Transportation Statistics*](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDE0LjcyMzI0MjkxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQxNC43MjMyNDI5MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MDQwMzY0JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&103&&&http://www.rita.dot.gov/bts/sites/rita.dot.gov.bts/files/publications/national_transportation_statistics/index.html) *(NTS)* – a web-only reference guide to national-level transportation data

## **State Updates**

### AZ Update:

* Six public meetings planned in May to present I-11 corridor alternatives: website at [i11study.com](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDIxLjcyNTM4MzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQyMS43MjUzODM4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3OTM3NTA1JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&101&&&http://www.i11study.com/) and an online mapping and comment tool will be activated. The comment period runs through June 2.
* [Governor Ducey Holds Wildfire Season Outlook Briefing](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=20247452&msgid=300972&act=U2LD&c=1533672&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.usnews.com%2Fnews%2Fbest-states%2Farizona%2Farticles%2F2017-04-11%2Fducey-to-attend-arizona-wildfire-season-outlook-briefing)
* [5 Tips To Prevent Wildfires This Summer](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=20247452&msgid=300972&act=U2LD&c=1533672&destination=http%3A%2F%2Fazgovernor.gov%2Fgovernor%2Fblog%2F2017%2F04%2F5-tips-prevent-wildfires-summer)
* [AZ State forester: Abundant grass could spell busy fire season in Southern Arizona](http://tucson.com/news/local/state-forester-abundant-grass-could-spell-busy-fire-season-in/article_21980804-ef33-55fc-baa5-402d1c0af842.html)
* [ADOT's 2018-2022 Tentative Five-Year Program](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDEzLjcyMzE0MDYxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQxMy43MjMxNDA2MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3OTMzNjIyJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&102&&&http://azdot.gov/fiveyearplan)
* [Public input sought on proposed 4FRI forest restoration alternatives for Rim Country](http://email.robly.com/wf/click?upn=nwUjRqdRFnzb84kIkg7-2BhdCiYWICB6JqmTHT9TPEJxc-3D_5PjEt93WmttSKmNUTGB3Jh4CYMM1aa0ogK-2Fb8lNxv9Shb4DSFWb98OiCbiuB-2BulhlMPolu4vX18VbPg5HvXgoxYDw5aD8TYcuNR05SSVWP3bkBpct5POxoaH5OEYHvAtsiTzJuMbrM-2FMsl-2Fm5LJgKrxIbFzW9VpZ8PKhbfSn5HjtXd7COGnPiooOPwTkzDnGpD3dlOgkjX-2BwWPPlBnxZmVExYb64R2K5yXfGSvSVs5V3yzLDbx3HrdmX1iGb6KF-2F7n7wQfI-2BrzkpdUanxkO0pbdp7jOnZX-2BfYD0ozsQPOM82A0aiE2v7uSlDW1Pa-2BjQ-2BHyfkR0VQbaA-2FYJK-2BmsPsJQdrVv0K-2B1WRa9Two-2BS354rM6C0TbMpHCD9-2Fm-2BG6xiAHyuoFUsgKY5QSP8dgbNsePGD9c6KyyBl3mUKkF4y-2FhhRHqEfbaRoW5enYeeg0mhALzMIRPrIDTylfqR4tOiTZew-3D-3D)
* [AZGFD applauds federal decision to withdraw proposed listing of two fish species under Endangered Species Act](https://www.azgfd.com/azgfd-applauds-federal-decision-to-withdraw-proposed-listing-of-two-fish-species-under-endangered-species-act/)
* [Saturday, May 20, 2017 - Using Primary Source Documents to Understand Wildlife Management](http://email.robly.com/wf/click?upn=HKZ-2FfSNwGh577WH4tR5l1I-2BxVF-2F8m2qY7S9LnhXHq70ujjWQL-2F5V8kSilX3BpA6z_5PjEt93WmttSKmNUTGB3Jh4CYMM1aa0ogK-2Fb8lNxv9Shb4DSFWb98OiCbiuB-2BulhlMPolu4vX18VbPg5HvXgoxYDw5aD8TYcuNR05SSVWP3bkBpct5POxoaH5OEYHvAtsiTzJuMbrM-2FMsl-2Fm5LJgKrxIbFzW9VpZ8PKhbfSn5HjtXd7COGnPiooOPwTkzDnGZp8oreLnh-2BJ7f6XWHYjK5BWR9lwS-2FhD2-2FqChmEfwrZ5fkn0OF5S9t7dwupdfU5DKpuHSXR-2B2nQNOSEVk0Ro2Py7WqkvWYyTKpcd19iXr76M0alVf1GNSB1qDZb06Hk1LqulEoZTCqxOzTUC5rQYPsH5k24bpI-2BgmgtI1XQNURZS-2BzUGb0nZXZRyCSEJS5c72FwZaxxH9cgsbDYWGtsz85BMdT1cKrt6snbccywLlUYfSseqKhVORYd9CnCUNAuk7A-2BhGhIIxwbLB3IwCCjYFCw-3D-3D)
* [What’s Being Done To Improve Arizona’s Infrastructure](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=20247452&msgid=297039&act=U2LD&c=1533672&destination=http%3A%2F%2Fazbigmedia.com%2Fazre-magazine%2Finfrastructure-connects)

### CA Update:

* [Governor Brown Signs Landmark Transportation Funding Package](https://www.gov.ca.gov/news.php?id=19769)
* [California Agencies Pilot Wildlife Crossing Mitigation Credit System](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDIwLjcyNDk4MjgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQyMC43MjQ5ODI4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTE4ODc5JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&112&&&http://www.dot.ca.gov/paffairs/pr/2017/prs/17pr039.html)
* [Governor Brown Lifts Drought Emergency, Retains Prohibition on Wasteful Practices](https://www.gov.ca.gov/news.php?id=19747)
* [State Releases Plan to Make Water Conservation a Way of Life](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/press_room/press_releases/2017/pr040717_conservation_report.pdf)
* [Natural Resources Agency Releases 10-Year Plan to Protect Public Health and Habitat at the Salton Sea](http://resources.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Press-Release-Natural-Resources-Agency-Releases-10-Year-Plan-to-Protect-Public-Health-and-Habitat-at-the-Salton-Sea.pdf)
* [Managing Floods in California](http://lao.ca.gov/publications/report/3571?utm_source=subscription)

### CO update:

* [Gov. Hickenlooper’s statement on President Trump’s executive order on national monuments](https://www.colorado.gov/governor/news/gov-hickenlooper%E2%80%99s-statement-president-trump%E2%80%99s-executive-order-national-monuments)

### NM Update:

* Share with Wildlife Call For Project Information for FY18 Projects released: The NM Dept of Game and Fish’s Share with Wildlife program announces the release of the Call For Project Information (CFPI) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 projects. The CFPI is available on the Share with Wildlife website (<http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/conservation/share-with-wildlife/>) on the Applications-Reports tab. The Share with Wildlife program funds projects up to $50,000 that pertain to one of the following four categories: habitat enhancement, biological and ecological studies, wildlife rehabilitation, and wildlife education. Topics of particular interest to the Department for FY18 and details regarding proposal format are listed in the CFPI. All questions regarding the application process and final project proposals should be submitted to the Share with Wildlife Coordinator, Ginny Seamster (virginia.seamster@state.nm.us). All proposals must be submitted electronically in a single .pdf or Microsoft Word file (.doc and .docx both acceptable) by 5PM Mountain Time on Friday, June 2nd, 2017.

### NV Update:

* [Nevada Governor Sandoval and the Environmental Protection Agency's Administrator Pruitt Discuss Key Environmental and Economic Issues](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/Nevada-Governor-Sandoval-and-the-Environmental-Protection-Agency_s-Administrator-Pruitt-Discuss-Key-Environmental-and-Economic-Issues/)
* [Sandoval Issues Letter to Administrator Pruitt on Proposed Mining Rule](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/Sandoval-Issues-Letter-to-Administrator-Pruitt-on-Proposed-Mining-Rule/)

### Utah update:

* [Gov. Herbert statement on national monument review executive order](https://www.utah.gov/governor/news_media/article.html?article=20170426-1)
* [Utah DOT Rolls Out Details for I-80 Road Projects](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDE3LjcyMzcyNjYxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQxNy43MjM3MjY2MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTE4MDQwJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&116&&&http://www.parkrecord.com/news/summit-county/utah-department-of-transportation-rolls-out-details-for-interstate-80-road-projects/)
* [Utah Finds Unexpected Benefits from Statewide Road Data Project](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDExLjcyMTc5NjQxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQxMS43MjE3OTY0MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTE2ODE2JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&111&&&http://www.govtech.com/data/Utah-Finds-Unexpected-Benefits-from-Statewide-Road-Data-Project.html)
* [Utah DOT Outlines Its Top 10 Projects for 2017](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDEzLjcyMjc5MDUxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQxMy43MjI3OTA1MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTE3NDQzJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&113&&&http://fox13now.com/2017/04/12/udot-outlines-its-top-10-projects-for-2017/)
* [Utah Governor Signs Bills Providing $1 Billion for Highways](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMzI3LjcxNTY2MTExJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDMyNy43MTU2NjExMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTEzMjk3JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&108&&&http://www.sltrib.com/news/5102245-155/gov-gary-herbert-signs-bills-providing)
* [New Utah Law Lets State Commission Issue $1B More in Transportation Project Bonds](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMzMxLjcxNzk2MDMxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDMzMS43MTc5NjAzMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTE0Njc1JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&113&&&http://news.transportation.org/Pages/033117utah.aspx)

## **Tribal Updates**

### [U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao Announces More Than $9 Million for Tribal Transportation Safety Improvements](https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/dot3017)

## **Regional Updates**

### [Western States Negotiate Drought Contingency Plan Despite Wet Winter](http://link.routefifty.com/click/9409129.3676/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5yb3V0ZWZpZnR5LmNvbS9pbmZyYXN0cnVjdHVyZS8yMDE3LzA0L3R1Y3Nvbi1hcml6b25hLXdhdGVyLWNvbnNlcnZhdGlvbi1pbm5vdmF0aW9uLzEzNzA1NS8_b3JlZj1nb3ZleGVjX3RvZGF5X25s/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B2545eae0)

### [U.S. National Parks: Can We Fix Them?](http://click.pewtrusts.org/?qs=c98ff2a5fd088d66fdad7e589c03620d009fd65bb676620e1c3a9ec4a11ffbff501d3df518b92e68436f3ed0d995ca4483461c2b79e49087)

### [How Do Conservation Easements Work?](http://email.connectablenews.com/t/y-l-hthukyt-jtpdhjrid-n/)

### [Success Story: Wildhorse Ranch Project](http://email.connectablenews.com/t/y-l-hthukyt-jtpdhjrid-c/)

### [Conserving The West's "Emerald Isles"](http://email.connectablenews.com/t/y-l-hthukyt-jtpdhjrid-g/)

### Sage Grouse Update:

* [Sage Grouse Need Intact Landscapes For Surprising Long-Distance Movements](http://email.connectablenews.com/t/y-l-htjddid-jtpdhjrid-q/)
* [The Best Mating Dance In The West](http://email.connectablenews.com/t/y-l-htjddid-jtpdhjrid-n/)
* Grazing, Water, and Greater Sage-Grouse ([My Public Lands Tumblr](http://www.elabs10.com/c.html?ufl=a&rtr=on&s=x8pbwi,2s0k8,6uop,3idr,855o,egha,55ud))
* How to Manage Rangelands and Greater Sage-Grouse Habitat ([My Public Lands Tumblr](http://www.elabs10.com/c.html?ufl=a&rtr=on&s=x8pbwi,2s0k8,6uop,kqfs,9bfk,egha,55ud))

### [Identifying Corridors among Large Protected Areas in the United States](http://northpacificlcc.us5.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=145bdf3c2e41f0d6cbce9a374&id=bc6c85c23d&e=43601fd33b):

### [Landscape Design - Integrating ecological, social, and economic considerations into conservation planning:](http://northpacificlcc.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=145bdf3c2e41f0d6cbce9a374&id=e1aa9c0be4&e=43601fd33b)

### [I-25 Coalition Looking to Fill Gap in Funding for Colorado Highway Expansion](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDIwLjcyNDk4MjgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQyMC43MjQ5ODI4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTE4ODc5JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&109&&&http://gazette.com/i-25-coalition-looking-to-fill-gap-in-funding-for-highway-expansion/article/1601348)

### LCC Update:

* LCC NETWORK PROGRESS REPORT: Accomplishing Recommendations in the National Academy of Sciences When the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) released its [*Review of the LCCs*](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0019aRpFuVlsgEtOCTC8k5uXeUYk5m7B2t0YphwLa6aY39OAF8LFIBNuqYHjrGx4iCrpJldwsDbIq0QHyLRtzEGnjAe3D7qA-d4-C1xaxiQUd9QipXtjMWjAlTNiL6OPQVWpL2pmOnb8WrJNMbxPDARsyEVisNyG89rrnjw9nMmk75iIV4a2evdPu4u854crDJTC51mTF5MER8Sa_wetDTI--h9eTzUTh1OB7jWHrCeDqASALSQ2UWdYCjoxtG08vUhJD8NuTtpxi3Z9YpRxGmg44PAUVshnntQFaubgOrLjWryQJQSxUp1CXkAhw1xkuibUCkAnAsDbhRWJ91TlL7L3OeMe81c2cZTFZJYoi4RMaTs0aTMTsa5iGGhf0UFQcCOTwFTzpdWQ8H0bWZbDpHcpreUtvVR0Wjg&c=agd7OPInI11xqRZwDV8d7hzvVIIhPavHcPxBGHVPgZfaLCiKsQ9nAQ==&ch=cY0229pREmxCzmaKJwTU-BIt-UYcQuEzBS1TPO7msTZ_n3dZUzkvpg==) in December 2015, the LCC Network committed to reporting on our progress in responding to the recommendations. We produced this [**One Year Progress Report**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0019aRpFuVlsgEtOCTC8k5uXeUYk5m7B2t0YphwLa6aY39OAF8LFIBNuq5hnKb4EPUY1sFxJPdE76R-XY9xoKoU1ecwvtqwa0WUqybk937Ssuhe8xc-I-DJR6BhEtD1pFyEMp9_RcQG7PZWF1tQQwLfa8gctxOwL6QFVcXX02FraH7NWQ3bgUygIuPhIBgj7F7Ra7SDHVoNh5tLDqpzHr8ZQsVykqkr0R7TPK0tFOgFbbZyXVTHHXjsgVtHtWMZrpuXlRltF_IQV1jfEpvckghepSmS8ybJ6DlGhUa2r9PFVR4tHQWsCZJycrSr9kJyA7VlAArkBqKE0QgvOdLUSJCoZxzYYi73PhKYBSA3x2l2ULXSDfUCfEJ3EAbdR9PbUGuG8HmljiWQNAobK7mm1cU3BbJFVksFqbLOZdVRPY6kig0AFP-af9-ESTa-FluVbga6R4tCoqEMqgLi7j06Wj6VeXMTRPphcLWsoNWghAPv-KA=&c=agd7OPInI11xqRZwDV8d7hzvVIIhPavHcPxBGHVPgZfaLCiKsQ9nAQ==&ch=cY0229pREmxCzmaKJwTU-BIt-UYcQuEzBS1TPO7msTZ_n3dZUzkvpg==) to assess completion of the recommendations, recognize accomplishments, and identify actions still to be performed with an estimated timeline. [More >](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0019aRpFuVlsgEtOCTC8k5uXeUYk5m7B2t0YphwLa6aY39OAF8LFIBNuqYHjrGx4iCrpJldwsDbIq0QHyLRtzEGnjAe3D7qA-d4-C1xaxiQUd9QipXtjMWjAlTNiL6OPQVWpL2pmOnb8WrJNMbxPDARsyEVisNyG89rrnjw9nMmk75iIV4a2evdPu4u854crDJTC51mTF5MER8Sa_wetDTI--h9eTzUTh1OB7jWHrCeDqASALSQ2UWdYCjoxtG08vUhJD8NuTtpxi3Z9YpRxGmg44PAUVshnntQFaubgOrLjWryQJQSxUp1CXkAhw1xkuibUCkAnAsDbhRWJ91TlL7L3OeMe81c2cZTFZJYoi4RMaTs0aTMTsa5iGGhf0UFQcCOTwFTzpdWQ8H0bWZbDpHcpreUtvVR0Wjg&c=agd7OPInI11xqRZwDV8d7hzvVIIhPavHcPxBGHVPgZfaLCiKsQ9nAQ==&ch=cY0229pREmxCzmaKJwTU-BIt-UYcQuEzBS1TPO7msTZ_n3dZUzkvpg==)
* **May 2017 LCC Council Meeting.** The LCC Council will meet in early May to discuss progress and provide input on developing a Performance Evaluation system for the LCC Network (one of the NAS recommendations). Measuring effectiveness of landscape conservation and collaboration has been challenging in the past due to the large geographies encompassed and long time frame required to see desired results. This evaluation system may help other large-scale collaborative efforts determine how to best measure their progress.[More >](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0019aRpFuVlsgEtOCTC8k5uXeUYk5m7B2t0YphwLa6aY39OAF8LFIBNuhpNmPTCu8xP69jwVA8b98nsEEMQWwQ1eQ6VkhETplypU15IykOaVVLvkkzjXFrwRI5zSZR4WTyp7uPmm8JMHqNTKOJTvlMb1CXF6PXI09Qk-uNDCDU2iYi9FIJ5Gf50qzXhkJZ4QkE1aX4XG97zkkvYzRgwWe3NhvAGC1UiDENDpWE-tA3LMcW0BRjr9saVuFXwoTX8vY1rMpCpibz561mG-dGiHKr0t6ra-m_AgbxKhxarg-cZB1r6x1cWMtgMMduNQIG2zeePdHnfSa7XFR2WKvX2864sq6ENU6qz-c4cYzC8fQb5aQ8-ycxIL3v7__nhkI32FjF1&c=agd7OPInI11xqRZwDV8d7hzvVIIhPavHcPxBGHVPgZfaLCiKsQ9nAQ==&ch=cY0229pREmxCzmaKJwTU-BIt-UYcQuEzBS1TPO7msTZ_n3dZUzkvpg==)

### [Winning Wild (Mustangs Roaming the West)](http://azc.cc/2oiUAke)

# Military Readiness, Homeland Security, Disaster Preparedness and Aviation

## **Military Readiness**

DoD Update:

* The REPI Report to Congress was submitted on 29 March and is available on the REPI website for viewing and download (<http://www.repi.mil/Portals/44/Documents/Reports_to_Congress/REPI2017RTC.pdf?ver=2017-03-31-100740-790>) The Report summarizes and reviews the achievements of the Program through Fiscal Year 2016: in its 14-year lifespan, the REPI Program has protected 464,668 acres in 89 locations across 30 states.
* The REPI Program outreach materials (e.g., state and project fact sheets as well as general REPI Program fact sheets) have been updated and are also available on the REPI website. (<http://www.repi.mil/Resources/Reports-and-Fact-Sheets/>) and (<http://www.repi.mil/Resources/State-Fact-Sheets/>)
* The Sentinel Landscape applications were due on 30 March.  The Federal Coordination Committee review process is underway; they anticipate making final decisions by late Summer 2017.  For information on the Sentinel Landscapes Partnership, interested parties can visit  <http://www.sentinellandscapes.org/>.
* NR Program Webinar Series Presentations:
	+ NOAA Compensatory Mitigation Policy, presented by Susan‐Marie Stedman, NOAA Fisheries, Office of Habitat Conservation (02 May 2017) [PowerPoint Deck](http://www.dodnaturalresources.net/Mitigation_Issues_Outreach_presentation_May_2017.pdf)& [Webinar Recording](https://dodnatres.adobeconnect.com/pqfzc7tgrbfb/?proto=true)
	+ Understanding Occupancy Patterns in a Low-Density Population of Gopher Tortoises, *Gopherus polyphemus*, presented by Steve Goodman, Virginia Tech Department of Fish and Wildlife Conservation (22 March 2017) [PowerPoint Deck](http://www.dodnaturalresources.net/DoD_Webinar_Goodman_et_al_2017.pdf) & [Webinar Recording](https://dodnatres.adobeconnect.com/p1a51sj0f5p/)
* **F-35 Joint Strike Fighter: DOD Needs to Complete Developmental Testing Before Making Significant New Investments.** Report: [http://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-17-351](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDI0LjcyNjM0OTkxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQyNC43MjYzNDk5MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MTkyNzA2JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJmZsPSZleHRyYT1NdWx0aXZhcmlhdGVJZD0mJiY=&&&102&&&http://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-17-351?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)
* [U.S. Military Demographics Are Changing](http://click.pewtrusts.org/?qs=b009a3ec039db41e39eaeb04559c2240e9508e965d8fe38bcde0b5dfe3345481a41fa0f8fe8c8802305478c436fabbe79cae40898bea236a)
* [A Bug Bounty to Hack Military Bases? It Could Happen.](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9432678.2076/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9kZWZlbnNlLzIwMTcvMDQvYnVnLWJvdW50eS1oYWNrLW1pbGl0YXJ5LWJhc2VzLWl0LWNvdWxkLWhhcHBlbi8xMzcyMDAvP29yZWY9ZGVmZW5zZW9uZV90b2RheV9ubA/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B9c9d8c2e)
* [Department of Defense Announces Winners of the 2017 Secretary of Defense Environmental Awards](http://www.denix.osd.mil/awards/home/)
* [JLUS Policy Committee awarded Department of Defense Joint Land Use StudyGrant](https://www.google.com/url?rct=j&sa=t&url=http://www.oea.gov/jlus-policy-committee-awarded-department-defense-joint-land-use-study-grant&ct=ga&cd=CAEYACoUMTc3MjA5NDQzMzQ1Nzg1ODg3ODkyGjRmMjBiY2JhZWJiYWU5ODU6Y29tOmVuOlVT&usg=AFQjCNHJ3VLzQI495MLGuqyrWoAKq4jSEA)
* [The DoD's Infrastructure Readiness Challenge](http://link.defenseone.com/click/9471420.892/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlb25lLmNvbS9zcG9uc29yZWQvMjAxNy8wNC9kb2RzLWluZnJhc3RydWN0dXJlLXJlYWRpbmVzcy1jaGFsbGVuZ2UvMTM2OTMxLz9vcmVmPU5M/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B0e75f7e1)
* [Pentagon sees F-35 delivery rate as improving, but still falling behind schedule again this year](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9473616.63377/aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuc3RyaXBlcy5jb20vbmV3cy91cy9wZW50YWdvbi1zZWVzLWYtMzUtZGVsaXZlcnktcmF0ZS1hcy1pbXByb3ZpbmctYnV0LXN0aWxsLWZhbGxpbmctYmVoaW5kLXNjaGVkdWxlLWFnYWluLXRoaXMteWVhci0xLjQ2NTI3OSMuV1AtOXhHbnl1MDA/57588738498e574579743a61B2611a8a5)
* [Trump announces two more nominees for Pentagon spots](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9473616.63377/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlbmV3cy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvdHJ1bXAtYW5ub3VuY2VzLXR3by1tb3JlLW5vbWluZWVzLWZvci1wZW50YWdvbi1zcG90cw/57588738498e574579743a61Be303bfe5)
* [Transcom Challenges Include Cyber, Tankers, More Contested Environments](https://www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1135705/transcom-challenges-include-cyber-tankers-more-contested-environments/)
* [Stable Funding Key to Recovering From Readiness Decline, DoD Officials Say](https://www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1135457/stable-funding-key-to-recovering-from-readiness-decline-dod-officials-say/)
* [DoD weapons designer: Swarming teams of drones will dominate future wars](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9281765.72454/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlbmV3cy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvZG9kLXdlYXBvbnMtZGVzaWduZXItc3dhcm1pbmctdGVhbXMtb2YtZHJvbmVzLXdpbGwtZG9taW5hdGUtZnV0dXJlLXdhcnM/57588738498e574579743a61B17a981e6)
* [Trump Presidency Improves Prospects for Base Closures](http://hrana.org/news/2017/03/trump-presidency-improves-prospects-for-base-closures/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)
* [DACOWITS Releases FY16 Annual Report](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMzI0LjcxNTA4MjMxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDMyNC43MTUwODIzMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3NDAwMzU2JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAZHVmZnljb25zdWx0aW5nLm5ldCZ1c2VyaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAZHVmZnljb25zdWx0aW5nLm5ldCZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&100&&&https://www.defense.gov/News/News-Releases/News-Release-View/Article/1129331/dacowits-releases-fy16-annual-report?source=GovDelivery)

Air Force Update:

* [Air Force Issues Challenge to “Hack the Air Force”](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDI2LjcyNzUzMzIxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQyNi43Mjc1MzMyMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3NDEwMDgxJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAZHVmZnljb25zdWx0aW5nLm5ldCZ1c2VyaWQ9YW15ZHVmZnlAZHVmZnljb25zdWx0aW5nLm5ldCZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&100&&&https://www.defense.gov/News/News-Releases/News-Release-View/Article/1164012/air-force-issues-challenge-to-hack-the-air-force?source=GovDelivery)
* [Air Force extends F-16 fighter's service life](http://link.airforcetimes.com/click/9379041.71249/aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuYWlyZm9yY2V0aW1lcy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvYWlyLWZvcmNlLWV4dGVuZHMtZi0xNi1maWdodGVycy1zZXJ2aWNlLWxpZmU/57588738498e574579743a61B867184fe)
* [Growing readiness woes: Only 7 in 10 Air Force planes are ready to fly](http://link.airforcetimes.com/click/9298697.72367/aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuYWlyZm9yY2V0aW1lcy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvZ3Jvd2luZy1yZWFkaW5lc3Mtd29lcy1vbmx5LTMtaW4tMTAtYWlyLWZvcmNlLXBsYW5lcy1hcmUtcmVhZHktdG8tZmx5/57588738498e574579743a61B13ee8c8a)
* [AF releases implementation plans for latest diversity, inclusion initiatives](http://www.af.mil/News/Article-Display/Article/1162571/af-releases-implementation-plans-for-latest-diversity-inclusion-initiatives/)
* [F-15 retirement likely not a possibility until 2020s, Air Force officials say](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9274134.72203/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlbmV3cy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvZi0xNWMtZC1yZXRpcmVtZW50LWxpa2VseS1ub3QtYS1wb3NzaWJpbGl0eS11bnRpbC0yMDIwcy1vZmZpY2lhbHMtc2F5/57588738498e574579743a61B62d9e90c)
* [Air Force May Cut Flying Hours Due to ‘$1.3 Billion Math Problem’](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9256469.72049/aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuZG9kYnV6ei5jb20vMjAxNy8wMy8yNS9haXItZm9yY2UtY3V0LWZseWluZy1ob3Vycy1tYXRoLXByb2JsZW0v/57588738498e574579743a61B0638d32f)
* [Air Force meeting with airlines on pilot shortage in May](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9256469.72049/aHR0cDovL2ZlZGVyYWxuZXdzcmFkaW8uY29tL2Fpci1mb3JjZS8yMDE3LzAzL2Fpci1mb3JjZS1tZWV0aW5nLWFpcmxpbmVzLXBpbG90LXNob3J0YWdlLW1heS8/57588738498e574579743a61B928e3b3f)
* [Air Force: $147M funding increase needed to keep future fighter on schedule](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9227191.72355/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlbmV3cy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvYWlyLWZvcmNlLTE0N20tZnVuZGluZy1pbmNyZWFzZS1uZWVkZWQtdG8ta2VlcC1mdXR1cmUtZmlnaHRlci1vbi1zY2hlZHVsZQ/57588738498e574579743a61B7366e12f)

Army Update:

* [Army personnel boss nominated to be next vice chief of staff](http://link.armytimes.com/click/9473616.63377/aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuYXJteXRpbWVzLmNvbS9hcnRpY2xlcy9hcm15LXBlcnNvbm5lbC1ib3NzLW5vbWluYXRlZC10by1iZS1uZXh0LXZpY2UtY2hpZWYtb2Ytc3RhZmY/57588738498e574579743a61Bd0b5ef03)
* [It's time to move past incremental modernization in aviation, says major general](https://www.army.mil/article/186843/its_time_to_move_past_incremental_modernization_in_aviation_says_major_general)
* [Milley: Fort Huachuca vital to Army readiness, modernization](https://www.army.mil/article/186371/milley_fort_huachuca_vital_to_army_readiness_modernization)
* [Dailey: Fiscal constraints mean Army must balance services with readiness](https://www.army.mil/article/184904/dailey_fiscal_constraints_mean_army_must_balance_services_with_readiness)
* [Allyn: Dollars for Army readiness will run out in July](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9216550.72321/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlbmV3cy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvYWxseW4tZG9sbGFycy1mb3ItYXJteS1yZWFkaW5lc3Mtd2lsbC1ydW4tb3V0LWluLWp1bHk/57588738498e574579743a61B6d6134ea)
* [Army pursuing 14-day energy, water independence for installations](https://www.army.mil/article/184993/army_pursuing_14_day_energy_water_independence_for_installations)

Navy Update

* [US Navy considers a more powerful frigate](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9360308.71633/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlbmV3cy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvdXMtbmF2eS1jb25zaWRlcnMtYS1tb3JlLXBvd2VyZnVsLWZyaWdhdGU/57588738498e574579743a61Bf548a8fb)
* [The Five Coolest Drones from America's Biggest Naval Arms Show](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9332568.764/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9kZWZlbnNlLzIwMTcvMDQvZml2ZS1jb29sZXN0LWRyb25lcy1hbWVyaWNhcy1iaWdnZXN0LW5hdmFsLWFybXMtc2hvdy8xMzY4NDAvP29yZWY9bmV4dGdvdl9kZWZlbnNlX2l0/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13Bee6653ae)
* [Navy, Marines fighter jet shortfall may top 100 aircraft](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9266359.72017/aHR0cDovL3d3dy53YXNoaW5ndG9uZXhhbWluZXIuY29tL25hdnktbWFyaW5lcy1maWdodGVyLWpldC1zaG9ydGZhbGwtbWF5LXRvcC0xMDAtYWlyY3JhZnQvYXJ0aWNsZS8yNjE4NzA4/57588738498e574579743a61Bb13cde9a)

USMC Update:

* [Marine Corps aims to improve aircraft readiness with hangar Wi-Fi](http://link.marinecorpstimes.com/click/9491057.62993/aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cubWFyaW5lY29ycHN0aW1lcy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvbWFyaW5lLWNvcnBzLWFpbXMtdG8taW1wcm92ZS1haXJjcmFmdC1yZWFkaW5lc3Mtd2l0aC1oYW5nYXItd2ktZmk/57588738498e574579743a61B21ab4d63)
* [Marines Relocate Desert Tortoises](https://www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1152478/marines-relocate-desert-tortoises/)
* [Marines are once again 'The Few, The Proud'](http://link.marinecorpstimes.com/click/9281765.72454/aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cubWFyaW5lY29ycHN0aW1lcy5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvaWNvbmljLW1hcmluZS1yZWNydWl0aW5nLXNsb2dhbi1yZXR1cm5z/57588738498e574579743a61Bc8de9a48)

## **Homeland Security/Disaster Preparedness**

### DHS Update:

* [Elaine C. Duke Sworn In As Deputy Secretary For The Department Of Homeland Security](https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/04/10/elaine-c-duke-sworn-deputy-secretary-department-homeland-security)
* [Government Needs 'Heavy Artillery' for Cyberspace, DHS Chief Says](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9460304.1212/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9jeWJlcnNlY3VyaXR5LzIwMTcvMDQvZ292ZXJubWVudC1uZWVkcy1oZWF2eS1hcnRpbGxlcnktY3liZXJzcGFjZS1kaHMtY2hpZWYtc2F5cy8xMzcxMDkvP29yZWY9bmV4dGdvdl9jeWJlcnNlY3VyaXR5X25s/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B1dbfd30b)
* FEMA Opens FY 2016 FP&S Application Period. To access the Notice of Funding Opportunity and technical assistance documents for the program, click [here](http://trk.cp20.com/click/fv8f5-apwr1b-ovds275/).
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* [DHS Secretary Says 'Threat Agains Aviation' Keeps Him Up at Night](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDI0LjcyNjE2MzAxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQyNC43MjYxNjMwMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTE5NjIyJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&124&&&http://www.cbsnews.com/news/dhs-secretary-john-kelly-says-threat-against-aviation-keeps-him-up-at-night/)
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* [DHS Cyber Strategy Delayed for Trump Team Review](http://link.defenseone.com/click/9259494.1980/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlb25lLmNvbS90ZWNobm9sb2d5LzIwMTcvMDMvZGhzLWN5YmVyLXN0cmF0ZWd5LWRlbGF5ZWQtdHJ1bXAtdGVhbS1yZXZpZXcvMTM2NTU2Lz9vcmVmPWRlZmVuc2VvbmVfdG9kYXlfbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B8a10e6d4)
* [Acting FEMA Chief Spotlights Agency's Priorities for State and Local Emergency Managers](http://link.routefifty.com/click/9258451.1500/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5yb3V0ZWZpZnR5LmNvbS9wdWJsaWMtc2FmZXR5LzIwMTcvMDMvZmVtYS1hY3RpbmctYWRtaW5pc3RyYXRvci1mZW50b24tbmVtYS8xMzY0NDgvP29yZWY9cmYtdG9kYXktbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13Bd5421110)
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### [When Disaster Strikes, Governments Put All Hands on Deck](http://link.routefifty.com/click/9434587.1468/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5yb3V0ZWZpZnR5LmNvbS9tYW5hZ2VtZW50LzIwMTcvMDQvZGlzYXN0ZXItZmVkZXJhbC1zdGF0ZS1jb29yZGluYXRpb24vMTM3MTgxLz9vcmVmPXJmLXRvZGF5LW5s/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13Bfb00c0a5)

### Cyber Security:

* [Government Needs 'Heavy Artillery' for Cyberspace, DHS Chief Says](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9416380.1884/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9jeWJlcnNlY3VyaXR5LzIwMTcvMDQvZ292ZXJubWVudC1uZWVkcy1oZWF2eS1hcnRpbGxlcnktY3liZXJzcGFjZS1kaHMtY2hpZWYtc2F5cy8xMzcxMDkvP29yZWY9bmV4dGdvdl90b2RheV9ubA/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13Bc396d3a7)
* [Unlocking the Power of NIST's Cybersecurity Framework](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9487148.3612/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS90ZWNobm9sb2d5LW5ld3MvdGVjaC1pbnNpZGVyLzIwMTcvMDQvdW5sb2NraW5nLXBvd2VyLW5pc3RzLWN5YmVyc2VjdXJpdHktZnJhbWV3b3JrLzEzNzQzNC8_b3JlZj1nb3ZleGVjX3RvZGF5X25s/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13Bbfd890b1)
* [Looking to the Feds for Help in Fighting Cybercriminals](http://link.routefifty.com/click/9356103.1468/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5yb3V0ZWZpZnR5LmNvbS90ZWNoLWRhdGEvMjAxNy8wNC9sb29raW5nLWZlZHMtaGVscC1maWdodGluZy1jeWJlcmNyaW1pbmFscy8xMzY4ODYvP29yZWY9cmYtdG9kYXktbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B02aea842)
* [Giuliani Cyber Task Force Hammers Down Focus Issues](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9330898.3708/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9jeWJlcnNlY3VyaXR5LzIwMTcvMDQvZ2l1bGlhbmktY3liZXItdGFzay1mb3JjZS1oYW1tZXJpbmctZG93bi1mb2N1cy1pc3N1ZXMvMTM2ODAzLz9vcmVmPWdvdmV4ZWNfdG9kYXlfbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B961b6c3f)
* [Risk of cyberattack on US power grid ‘palpable,’ experts tell Congress](http://link.militarytimes.com/click/9324583.72049/aHR0cDovL2ZpZnRoZG9tYWluLmNvbS8yMDE3LzA0LzA1L3Jpc2stb2YtY3liZXJhdHRhY2stb24tdXMtcG93ZXItZ3JpZC1wYWxwYWJsZS1leHBlcnRzLXRlbGwtY29uZ3Jlc3Mv/57588738498e574579743a61B48d9b6a3)
* [Cyber Warfare: The Evolving Battlefield](http://link.defenseone.com/click/9252480.860/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5kZWZlbnNlb25lLmNvbS9hc3NldHMvY3liZXItd2FyZmFyZS9wb3J0YWwvP29yZWY9Tkw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B82bae157) This eBook examines the Pentagon's cutting edge cyber tools and capabilities for defending and attacking networks in the age of the zero day. It will explore how new tactics and hacks are changing defense for leaders and even soldiers in conflict zones.

## **Aviation**

### Drone Update:

* FAA Issues Study on UAS Human Collision Hazards. The report on the ASSURE research and two video files are available here:  [http://pr.cirlot.com/faa-and-assure-announce-results-of-ground-collision-study/](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDI4LjcyODQwODcxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQyOC43Mjg0MDg3MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MDQ1OTg2JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&102&&&http://pr.cirlot.com/faa-and-assure-announce-results-of-ground-collision-study/)
* UAS for Transmission Line and Pipeline Mapping [Click here to download](http://www.euci.com/energize/Day.pdf?x=27021x385813Bc&utm_campaign=041917_energize_weekly&utm_medium=email&utm_source=energize)
* [Drone registrations in US reach 770K](http://r.smartbrief.com/resp/iTjODKbjocpplSngfDlgfMfCDLLs?format=standard)
* [Amazon's drones make first drop in US](http://r.smartbrief.com/resp/iTaADKbjocppebAYfDlgfMfCTejM?format=standard)
* [FAA anticipates private drone proliferation](http://r.smartbrief.com/resp/iSxGDKbjocppaGpUfDlgfMfCIUPC?format=standard)
* Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Technology Holds Hearing on Drones
Last week, the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Technology held a [hearing](http://trk.cp20.com/click/fbqc6-a8ogan-ovds275/)  titled "Unmanned Aircraft Systems: Innovation, Integration, Successes, and Challenges.

### [NTSB wants to increase effectiveness of PIREPS](http://generalaviationnews.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=5bfd0bc5a2e999c46b328dc8d&id=6523f66b2f&e=addf359aac)

### [National Weather Service launches Graphical Forecast for Aviation](http://r.smartbrief.com/resp/iWzKDKbjocpstxccfDlgfMfCdQuY?format=standard)

### [NM Lt. Governor John Sanchez Named Chair of ASA](http://stateaviationjournal.com/index.php/state-news/new-mexico/new-mexico-lt-governor-john-sanchez-named-chair-of-asa)

### [User-friendly graphical forecast goes live](http://generalaviationnews.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=5bfd0bc5a2e999c46b328dc8d&id=9cb0f73a4c&e=addf359aac)

### [Can you hear me now? First-ever noise maps of America's largest cities](http://c.bizjournals.com/ct/e/228735691/Nzc3NTY1MTE6OjI0MjM1ODc)

### FAA Updates:

* [FAA’s and Industry’s Cost Estimates for Airport Development](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMzI0LjcxNDk4MzkxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDMyNC43MTQ5ODM5MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTEyODk5JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&131&&&http://www.gao.gov/assets/690/683641.pdf)
* [FAA to Hold Airspace Workshops in Las Vegas](https://www.faa.gov/news/updates/?newsId=87906)
* [82 FR 17936 - Establishment of Restricted Area R-2507W; Chocolate Mountains, CA [PDF 132 KB]](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-04-14/pdf/2017-07573.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%282017-04-11%2C%29+AND+collection%3AFR&fromState=advSearch&sb=don&sb=don&ps=100&ps=100&granuleId=2017-07573&packageId=FR-2017-04-14)
* [FAA Will Release Maps to Speed up Drone Authorization Applications](https://www.faa.gov/news/updates/?newsId=87867)
* [FAA Prohibits Drone Flights Over Military Bases](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDEwLjcyMTMyOTExJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQxMC43MjEzMjkxMSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTE2NTI1JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&124&&&http://www.pcmag.com/news/352945/faa-prohibits-drone-flights-over-military-bases)To ensure the public is aware of these restricted locations, the FAA has created an [interactive map](http://uas-faa.opendata.arcgis.com/) online. The link to these restrictions is also included in the FAA’s [B4UFLY](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDA3LjcyMDcxOTUxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQwNy43MjA3MTk1MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MDM3NjUyJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&102&&&https://www.faa.gov/uas/where_to_fly/b4ufly/)mobile app. The app will be updated within 60 days to reflect these airspace restrictions. Additional information, including frequently asked questions, is available on the [FAA’s UAS website](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDA3LjcyMDcxOTUxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQwNy43MjA3MTk1MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MDM3NjUyJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&103&&&https://www.faa.gov/uas/where_to_fly/airspace_restrictions/).
* [FAA forecasts gradual growth for general aviation](http://r.smartbrief.com/resp/iStBDKbjocpoyufYfDlgfMfCgFHC?format=standard)
* FAA Forecasts Continued Growth in Air Travel [Aerospace Forecast Report Fiscal Years 2017 to 2037](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwMzIxLjcxMzY4MTkxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDMyMS43MTM2ODE5MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MDI3ODg2JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mbXZpZD0mZXh0cmE9JiYm&&&101&&&https://www.faa.gov/data_research/aviation/aerospace_forecasts/)
* [FAA Safety Briefing - March/April 2017](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbXNpZD0mYXVpZD0mbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcwNDEzLjcyMjc5MDUxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MDQxMy43MjI3OTA1MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE2OTE3NDQzJmVtYWlsaWQ9YW15cmR1ZmZ5QGljbG91ZC5jb20mdXNlcmlkPWFteXJkdWZmeUBpY2xvdWQuY29tJnRhcmdldGlkPSZmbD0mZXh0cmE9TXVsdGl2YXJpYXRlSWQ9JiYm&&&132&&&https://www.faa.gov/news/safety_briefing/2017/media/MarApr2017.pdf)

## **Frequency**

### NTIA update:

* [05/04/2017 CSMAC Meeting](https://www.ntia.doc.gov/meeting/2017/05042017-csmac-meeting)
* [04/21/2017 Notice of Recruitment of Firstnet Board Members](https://www.ntia.doc.gov/federal-register-notice/2017/04212017-notice-recruitment-firstnet-board-members)

### [Mapping T-Mobile, Dish, Comcast and AT&T: Who got how much 600 MHz spectrum and where?](http://go.questexweb.com/dc/Pbv9O4c1H4PY1a6n8S1hi32Q564X8bI_C9UvQfyeTEgBPDCq0omUFlt8fB6GJVCNrIyHkjVb4zo37w32y3GBBsHjjPUrUONlDcGqn9C7GiozijrVz_qAua8m5ctlXfTxpGSVvlICzCBlBkkWUHm-h3aG-u3FnrtWNKbNXwExrtXdTvEdbW2gnIczbgt5wJi5jVoWvjfhb16qqlbByeuEyMG6kkgu1g16DscrgDZ_Qf4%3D/p0400MeyEF040duQeQ0NS21)

### [Capitol Hill's Broadband Policy Quandary: Connecting Sparsely Populated Areas](http://link.routefifty.com/click/9243899.1500/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5yb3V0ZWZpZnR5LmNvbS9zbWFydC1jaXRpZXMvMjAxNy8wMy9jb25ncmVzcy1ydXJhbC1icm9hZGJhbmQtcG9saWN5LzEzNjM2My8_b3JlZj1yZi10b2RheS1ubA/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B5b9217d8)

## **GIS Information**

### San Joaquin Valley Greenprint Pilot [Read more »](http://greeninfo.us8.list-manage.com/track/click?u=f96270dea294e65aee47ba7d1&id=cbf7242fb3&e=08dca49007)

### [GAO: Optimize Data Centers or Lose Them](http://link.nextgov.com/click/9366280.444/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5uZXh0Z292LmNvbS9jbG91ZC1jb21wdXRpbmcvMjAxNy8wMy9nYW8tb3B0aW1pemUtZGF0YS1jZW50ZXJzLW9yLWxvc2UtdGhlbS8xMzY0MTYvP29yZWY9bmV4dGdvdi1jbG91ZA/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B65b75d95)

### [Big Data is more than merely analyzing it; it's what you do with the results](http://go.questexweb.com/dc/dFRZvuRzHPxHbLqrCqPNIuKV34ilFlRoCO3N_qmKdUeaKR941vHXl4pSJ2VlllAuik_ofZfjHYdZWwlbxdTmrRcLmKDRO_SDTFNeCce90n6kVkeTq31HaLpMIxSdxtOhaBc37FlR_gH_k1C1NiubA_djphcOHQgqrQSFWx5Kzbv5KXD-B2EQpknZjwtkCM9uw_73zF8_KUGMaufOePJaYg%3D%3D/I0l0jMS0Q4NRue140m0QF0e)

### Previously recorded webinars:

##### [Navigating the Data Basin Platform: A Guided Tour](http://consbio.us9.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=3dea159e4cbe0a0ff3b43eadd&id=f49964aad2&e=c5455c0952)

* [SCGIS Webinar: Understanding Coordinate Systems and Projections for ArcGIS](http://consbio.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=3dea159e4cbe0a0ff3b43eadd&id=c7beb0ba64&e=c5455c0952)

##### [SCGIS Webinar: SCGIS Webinar: Do-It-Yourself Data Tinkering: Adapting Spatial Data for Local Use](http://consbio.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=3dea159e4cbe0a0ff3b43eadd&id=47f0b96f33&e=c5455c0952)

##### [SCGIS Webinar: Telling your Story with Story](http://consbio.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=3dea159e4cbe0a0ff3b43eadd&id=9ad5756878&e=c5455c0952)[Maps](http://consbio.us9.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=3dea159e4cbe0a0ff3b43eadd&id=6b50e194f7&e=c5455c0952)

# Miscellaneous

### State Updates:

* AZ
	+ [Requesting Air Support To Extinguish The Sawmill Fire](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=20247452&msgid=304279&act=U2LD&c=1533672&destination=http%3A%2F%2Fazgovernor.gov%2Fgovernor%2Fnews%2F2017%2F04%2Fgovernor-ducey-requests-national-guard-unmanned-aerial-asset-aid-sawmill-fire)
	+ [AZ Staff Changes In Governor’s Office And AMC](http://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2017/04/staff-changes-governors-office-and-amc)
* CO:
	+ [Governor Hickenlooper announces appointment of new Adjutant General, Air Force Major General Michael A. Loh](https://www.colorado.gov/governor/news/governor-hickenlooper-announces-appointment-new-adjutant-general-air-force-major-general)
	+ [State revenue forecast calls for continued economic momentum](https://www.colorado.gov/governor/news/state-revenue-forecast-calls-continued-economic-momentum)
* NM:
	+ [Lawmakers ask New Mexico Supreme Court to block vetoes of budget](http://click.pewtrusts.org/?qs=d05bf49381e0cfa6e2ac1bc5fdb6e26aba1d345881f9b4b28ec4b292423d25f515cfbffa477c4de782d7817c74b96d7fbcfec4fced5363b9)
	+ [New Mexico governor tells cabinet to create furlough plans](http://click.pewtrusts.org/?qs=78201a1070d54368fcbf4a1eeeba7e83029d9606735d43414b7ea9e67d7863e0160ee4b8a18b3e063fb3d8dfb3c2d6dd8d71101427e7064d)
	+ [New Mexico governor says furloughs could start next month](http://click.pewtrusts.org/?qs=67635562f43281433343b11833f2a6786fc36436c501b0bb5f85136fd592046a08505614bbaacc6f56ec07c13f3732a1d555a457c09bcfe8)
	+ [N.M. Gov: 'Now We're Staring Down the Path of a Government Shutdown'](http://link.routefifty.com/click/9195138.1500/aHR0cDovL3d3dy5yb3V0ZWZpZnR5LmNvbS9maW5hbmNlLzIwMTcvMDMvbmV3LW1leGljby1nb3Zlcm5vci1zdGF0ZS1zaHV0ZG93bi8xMzYzMDYvP29yZWY9cmYtdG9kYXktbmw/542dc73f3b35d0811c8bba13B92e0792f)
* NV:
	+ [State and Third Party Statistics Show Strong Economic Recovery Across Nevada](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/State-and-Third-Party-Statistics-Show-Strong-Economic-Recovery-Across-Nevada/)
	+ [Nevada’s Unemployment Rate Falls Below 5 Percent in February](http://gov.nv.gov/News-and-Media/Press/2017/Nevada%E2%80%99s-Unemployment-Rate-Falls-Below-5-Percent-in-February/)

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* Governors Hickenlooper, Mead
honored by TRCP for conservation work [first governors to receive the award](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001tSwo9eqP8n5n-pfpVDQYFQGlDQImi60c2sGcaUzPxlxAGPaIKDxWvFen6l51IpBbtDoQfR6ElKzcY3XXx39YFhn52T2qiWQEDn-hca4YyB62IhyRJJgJ5jAFsUTx8nqnyIp01hz0pGXeOJuppnwzky9rcE7UZB7XmqDJPS39z6QjGmoEoVCYukEKAWKS_FGJZyYyodA8kFbZPyaf4qSjg60vRVWwxG-nVh7_lXpdrfgBhzpwDXnsy9v2v1O_DL14onF7lsJKgZF1Er2NbH5kKRGQBYlkLHtptWbL9WuYYKfaAurDSgu9J7PbVaknuX4xQj-Ozu4mtxukb6mbZIRKZI3P-pi2G3Xj&c=HmX9ioD6ZPmShqqTt3DdUglhKEAxQMNXS6yfB8A0cE32k5HXZII06w==&ch=IV28_HD-PIDl1nRBW71PMid914sesojEwopNMe9gi-anHx_874YhpQ==).
* Governors seek active role
in federal regulatory reform process [Read, download letter](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001LxlkL9VpdLSx61PnRoUaR6WrBikv_EX89TFGcc5D_M6xfIIP_AC9qUopDd-HHJeLSGGHlo7t_fSLkjwr9Z7RwfV9hBOk4xhLX4FvlhtTpWodzFDnFR08a5JLbKvlr4Ib1mKwgwp043kMa1PB3-fFmPMI5sGeM9KYgWN2Xi9Dq5E5MOxmNv0AesZ0--TcZOdD2t7Ur1pde19sYACz6ZXp1KDJYuSZf-zVza-u2P8DgT4OkbqwdNDg8LdL9OshRcgyA56ULY61xwZtDqL8x4DiJAtT9DmQRIglcC6K7f_egIL0UzVL8on_yfvH6X7nAMJe&c=8DjVjcrpda3s-820J0tuH0wok9jirKuNVQkSmrAEJfhQrb-T8dmjSw==&ch=_rucfw8JXo3jYHXz_HGp0fM-RfE-c2504iQaj0Mr1frSiFZg7fqTQA==)
* WGA Chair and Montana **Gov. Steve Bullock**will host his colleagues June 26-28 at the **WGA Annual Meeting**in beautiful Whitefish, Montana. [Register now](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001QYsdzIW89ey7es3AP2y79iJMK9mIaMkGSGwqVkrxmnd7IW1QuH_m4doDIpqpgs7N44Kf1ihBT9vNc3btxjcUWbraeywzUl3YlNdDWI-8BY-zHv9uD6vhhE35qRK66KpPsxezHrg6P3PFeEjea5R6pcZuQM5S-OvtyloSiT3R5iykPMZfcdC-pq4wHisPGfVdKOH3ZQLBlUHjBB5pGuybBMMF6ONAJOsbqowPtrwoqHvnMOLC8gor35XtP7LnkwTlA6CNYRVii-5Y19t2W1UlGj6D6Xehw8Hr3mBVzQq4oe7LjZXjG3dtNg==&c=iP8EvmQVPkcPhkWSSaxQ0HzThrcnOBeu_BNoarYX_3hIGzfCfTCaeg==&ch=NhS72V2yE6irBb7eyRvZq_MuSSxAXjWpfBirJZ3Jsaxpx_Dgr7cQqA==)