

## Field Assessment Form

Site Name \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Ecological Province \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### I. Ecological Site / Plant Association

A. Ecological Site \_\_\_\_\_

a. Soil Type \_\_\_\_\_

b. Soil Influence on Vegetation \_\_\_\_\_

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c. Soil Erosion Potential      High    Moderate    Low

B. Diagnostic Sagebrush Species \_\_\_\_\_

C. Bitterbrush Present?      Yes    No

D. Diagnostic Perennial Grass(es) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

E. Plant Association or PNV \_\_\_\_\_

F. Species of Concern \_\_\_\_\_

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G. Old Growth on the Site (Table 1)    Yes    No

H. Large Wood Found on the Site?    Yes    No

I. Historic Fire Return Interval (Key 2) \_\_\_\_\_

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**II. Current State**

A. Factors Affecting Current Ecological Function \_\_\_\_\_

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B. Current Stage of Woodland Succession \_\_\_\_\_

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C. Dominant Shrub(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Recruitment Yes No

\_\_\_\_\_ Recruitment Yes No

\_\_\_\_\_ Recruitment Yes No

\_\_\_\_\_ Recruitment Yes No

D. Desirable Shrub(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Recruitment Yes No

\_\_\_\_\_ Recruitment Yes No

E. Percent Dead Shrubs <10% 11-25% 26-50% >50%

F. Dominant Grass(es) \_\_\_\_\_

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≤ 2 Desirable Grasses / m<sup>2</sup> Yes No

G. Invasive Species Present Yes No

Species Present \_\_\_\_\_

H. Current Plant Community \_\_\_\_\_

I. Evidence of surface Erosion (rills, sediment dams, pedestals, etc.)? Yes No

J. Fuel characteristics – Kind of fire supported \_\_\_\_\_

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K. How will the site burn, understory respond, With / Without pre-treatment>

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L. Habitat Suitability for Target Species Low Moderate High



M. Social Concerns \_\_\_\_\_

Current Uses \_\_\_\_\_

### III Landscape Considerations

A. Topography, Patch Size, Edge, and Connectedness of the landscape \_\_\_\_\_

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B. Composition and Distribution of Adjacent Patches \_\_\_\_\_

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C. Recruitment of Native Species in Adjacent Patches \_\_\_\_\_

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D. Fuel Types and Fire Types Likely in Adjacent Patches \_\_\_\_\_

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E. Influence of Surrounding Area for Wildlife Habitat Suitability \_\_\_\_\_

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F. Current Uses, Management, and Economic concerns of Adjacent Patches \_\_\_\_\_

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G. Size of Area to be Treated \_\_\_\_\_

H. Will Treatment Fragment / Link Adjacent Patches? \_\_\_\_\_

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### IV. Management Action

A. Factors that will influence Treatment Selected \_\_\_\_\_

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B. Treatment Options

1. **Phase I or II** (Circle treatment recommendation)

a. Cut

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b. Burn

c. Seeding Required Yes No

d. Other Options \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. Phase II and/or III (circle treatment recommendation)**

a. Partial Cut and Broadcast Burn

b. Cut, Drop and Leave

c. Cut, Drop and Burn

d. Cut, Pile and Burn

e. Seeding Required Yes No

f. Selective Harvest for Biomass

g. Other Options \_\_\_\_\_

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**3. Additional Considerations**

a. Small trees may require follow-up (remove all trees option)

b. Weed Potential, Shrub Layer, Liability, Structures. Containment

c. Post Treatment Monitoring

d. Post-Treatment Management Affects on Adjacent Landscape

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