



Community Wildfire Protection Plans: Monitoring and Evaluation

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CWPP Monitoring and Evaluation: Panel Overview

- **Why do it?**
 - Purpose and objectives
 - **What to assess and how**
 - Context
 - Roles and Responsibilities
 - Sustainability
 - **How?**
 - Indicators to consider in monitoring CWPPs
 - **Case Study Examples**
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Purpose of CWPP monitoring and evaluation

- Local Opportunities
 - Monitor implementation & measure effectiveness
 - Monitor Outcomes
 - change in fire conditions
 - change in public behavior
 - Update priorities and actions
 - Revitalize efforts!
 - State/National Connections
 - Policies and programs
 - Performance and accountability
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CWPP Updated Handbook: Monitoring Chapter

- Illustrates strategies to:
 - Track CWPP accomplishments
 - Identify challenges to implementation
 - Revitalize efforts for future implementation

"I believe that the 'Fire Plan' and collaboration between committees has made it a living thing that can adjust itself to address current concerns and successes. It requires attention and monitoring to stay successful."

Evaluate Outcomes

Identify New Actions

- Partnerships and Collaboration
- Risk Assessment
- Hazardous Fuels Reduction
- Structural Ignitability
- Education and Outreach
- Emergency Management

White Mountain Apache Tribal Lands Fuel Treatments



Over 16,300 acres of the wildland-urban interface have been treated on White Mountain Apache tribal lands. Treatments include thinning and prescribed burns. Five hundred acres were thinned south of Show Low along Highway 60. Mechanical work in the Williams Creek area with a large brush cutter (Fecon) totaled 2,400 acres. Maintenance work along the Rim Road on an existing fuelbreak accounted for 2,000 acres of treatment. Continuing maintenance work was done during the 2006-07 winter

with the ignition of brush piles along the reservation boundary and at other significant wildland-urban interface locations. The results of the prescribed burning will be presented in a future report.

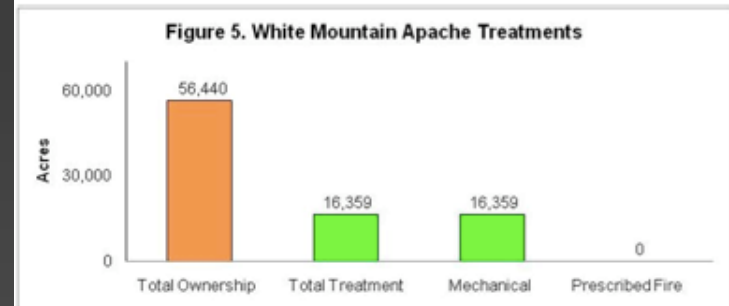


Table 5. White Mountain Apache Treatments

	Total Ownership	Total Treatment	Mechanical	Prescribed Fire
Acres	56,440	16,359	16,359	0
% of Acres Treated		28.98%	100.00%	0.00%

Ecological Monitoring

- How has fuels work impacted fire conditions?
 - What resources are out there to help communities conduct ecological monitoring?
 - FireMon
 - Others?
 - Need:
 - Case Study examples and Best practices
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Resources and Examples

- CWPP Evaluation Guide
- Josephine County Integrated Fire Plan (JCIFP)
 - Annual Report and Updated Action Plan
 - Partnership Survey
- Sitgreaves CWPP
 - Track fuels reduction
 - Update priority projects

"We work collaboratively with many diverse agencies and associations to develop common goals and ways to implement those goals."

Questions for discussion

- What are the challenges communities face in monitoring and evaluating their CWPPs?
 - Who pays?
 - Why is it important?
 - What happens if plans aren't monitored?
- What indicators can communities use to monitor implementation and evaluate CWPP effectiveness?
- What information would be most useful in the CWPP Handbook monitoring chapter?

Break-Out Sessions

- **10:15 - 11:00:**
 - Continue questions and dialogue from initial panels
 - **11:00 - 11:45:**
 - Review section in Partner Guide. Identify gaps, changes, and new ideas.
 - **11:45 - 12:00:**
 - Synthesize key ideas and recommendations into a 5-minute report out
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