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Addressing the Fire—Invasives Cycle in the Sagebrush Biome: A Case Study of Policy to Action under DOI's Restoration and Resilience Framework 2024-08-28, 2:00-3:00pm ET, Microsoft Teams Live



Speakers

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When

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Summary

Fueled by invasive grasses and hotter and drier conditions, wildfires are growing more frequent and intense in the sagebrush sea, the largest contiguous ecosystem in the US. These changes threaten nationally significant biological, cultural, and economic resources. Under the Restoration and Resilience Framework, DOI is collaborating with partners through the Sagebrush Keystone Initiative to address this fire—invasives cycle with funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). Four speakers will trace how existing policies and planning have led to current science and on-the-ground action to defend and grow intact sagebrush cores that provide essential ecosystem services to people and wildlife.



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