



**Tribal Collaboration Plan and Cultural Resources Monitoring Framework**

**Cultural Resources Monitoring Framework**

Under all alternatives, the BLM and USFS would implement cultural resources monitoring as detailed by a Cultural Resources Monitoring Framework. This framework establishes measurable indicators of resource conditions to assess any changes to those resources, thresholds for implementation of new management actions, methodologies for monitoring resource conditions relative to indicators to determine whether management action thresholds have been met, and a suite of management actions to be taken should a threshold be crossed.



**Cultural Resource Indicators**

- National Register of Historic Places Criteria
- Types of Significance
- Elements of Integrity

**Thresholds for Management Action**

- Impacting Agents such as erosion, livestock concentration, recreation and vandalism that alter important characteristics of a site
- Site Condition
- Retention of Integrity
- National Register of Historic Places Status

**Cultural Resources Monitoring Methodologies**

- Location Selection
- Baseline Assessment
- Cultural Resources Monitoring

**Management Actions**

- Specific management actions are determined on a site-specific basis
- Appendix E, Cultural Resources Allocation Criteria and Management Strategies provides a table of possible management actions.

**American Indian Tribal Collaboration Framework**

Presidential Proclamation 9558, as amended by Proclamation 9681 mandates that BLM and USFS manage cultural resources in collaboration with American Indian Tribes for present and future generations in ways consistent with their scientific, educational, recreational, and traditional American Indian uses. To achieve this objective, a framework for American Indian collaboration would be implemented. This framework details plans for improving and sustaining Tribal relationships and outlines general considerations and processes for Tribal consultation.

**Improving and Sustaining Tribal Relationships**

- Building and Maintaining Relationships
- Establishing Partnerships with American Indian Tribes
- Collaborative Land Management
- Seeking Opportunities for American Indian Tribes in Procurement Decisions
- Development of American Indian Human Resources Recruitment Programs for BLM and USFS Education and Training Opportunities

**Tribal Consultation Considerations and Process**

- Roles and Responsibilities of Consultation Parties
- Methods of Consultation
- Consultation Guidelines for Selected Authorities