



# Taos Field Office Fire Management Plan

Bureau of Land Management  
Department of the Interior  
Taos, NM  
October 2004

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Leslie Boby- Biological Technician

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Justin Dean- Lead Biological Technician

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pat Pacheco- FMO

Recommended by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sam DesGeorges- Field Office Manager

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Linda Rundell- State Director



## **Table of Contents**

<b>I. Introduction.....</b>	<b>1</b>
A. Purpose .....	1
B. Relationship to Environmental Compliance .....	1
C. Collaboration.....	1
D. Authorities.....	2
<b>II. Relationship to Land Management Planning and Fire Policy .....</b>	<b>2</b>
A. Program Guidance.....	1
B. Fire and Fuels Management and Resource Goals Derived from RMP .....	2
<b>III. Wildland Fire Management Strategies.....</b>	<b>3</b>
A. General Management Considerations.....	3
B. Wildland Fire Management Goals.....	4
C. Wildland Fire Management Options.....	4
D. Descriptions of Fire Management Units.....	6
1. Taos Field Office-Rest of Office.....	8
2. North Unit/Pot Mountain.....	10
3. Rio Grande Corridor ACEC.....	14
4. San Antonio Gorge ACEC.....	16
5. San Antonio WSA.....	18
6. Cerro Del Aire.....	21
7. Wild Rivers.....	24
8. Cebolla/Abiqui.....	28
9. Black Mesa/Ojo Caliente.....	31
10. Rio Grande Corridor-Well Developed Riparian.....	34
11. Copper Hill ACEC/Sebastian Martin Grant.....	37
12. Copper Hill WUI.....	41
13. Thirty-One Mile.....	44
14. Fun Valley/Chimayo.....	47
15. Sombrillo SMA/Santa Cruz Lake Recreation Area.....	49
16. Chimayo Scout Camp.....	51
17. Buckman.....	54
18. Sabinoso WSA.....	56
19. La Cienega.....	58
20. Archuleta Mesa.....	62
21. Ute Mountain.....	65
<b>IV. Wildland Fire Management Program Components.....</b>	<b>68</b>
A. Wildland Fire Suppression.....	68
B. Wildland Fire Use.....	71
C. Prescribed Fire.....	71
D. Smoke Management/Air Quality.....	72
E. Non-Fire Fuels Applications.....	72
F. Fuel Treatment Summary 2004.....	72
G. Emergency Rehabilitation and Restoration.....	73
H. Community Protection/ Community Assistance.....	74
<b>VII. Organization and Budget.....</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>VIII. Monitoring and Evaluation.....</b>	<b>77</b>
<b>IX. References and Literature Cited.....</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>Appendix A: Vegetation Communities and Associated Wildlife Species</b>	
<b>Appendix B: Wildlife</b>	
<b>Appendix C: 2001 Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy</b>	
<b>Appendix D: Fire Management Unit Maps</b>	
<b>Appendix E: Annual acreage targets, based on historical conditions</b>	