

**JOINT WORK SESSION  
FLAGSTAFF CITY COUNCIL/COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**AGENDA**

**JOINT WORK SESSION  
MONDAY  
JUNE 17, 2013**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
211 WEST ASPEN AVENUE  
4:00 P.M.**

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call:**

*NOTE: One or more Councilmembers/Supervisors may be in attendance telephonically or by other technological means.*

CHAIRMAN ARCHULETA  
SUPERVISOR BABBOTT  
SUPERVISOR FOWLER

SUPERVISOR METZGER  
SUPERVISOR RYAN

MAYOR NABOURS  
VICE MAYOR EVANS  
COUNCILMEMBER BAROTZ  
COUNCILMEMBER BREWSTER

COUNCILMEMBER ORAVITS  
COUNCILMEMBER OVERTON  
COUNCILMEMBER WOODSON

*As a reminder, if you are carrying a cell phone, electronic pager, computer, two-way radio, or other sound device, we ask that you turn it off at this time to minimize disruption to tonight's meeting.*

**4. Public Participation**

*Public Participation enables the public to address the Council about items that are **not** on the agenda. Public Participation appears on the agenda twice, at the beginning and at the end of the work session. You may speak at one or the other, but not both. Anyone wishing to comment on an item that **is** on the agenda is asked to fill out a speaker card and submit it to the recording clerk. When the item comes up on the agenda, your name will be called. You may address the Council up to three times throughout the meeting, including comments made during Public Participation. Please limit your remarks to three minutes per item to allow everyone an opportunity to speak*

5. **Joint Recognition of Agencies Responding to Meteor Crater Incident.**
6. **Presentation on Walnut Canyon.**
7. **Update on Flagstaff Regional Plan: Vision 2030.**
8. **Presentation on the Arizona Watchable Wildlife Experience.**
9. **Update on Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project.**
10. **Public Participation**
11. **Informational Items To/From Chairman, Supervisors and County Manager/Mayor, Council and City Manager.**
12. **Adjournment**

**CERTIFICATE OF POSTING OF NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Flagstaff City Hall on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m. in accordance with the statement filed by the City Council with the City Clerk.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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Elizabeth A. Burke, MMC, City Clerk

# Memorandum

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## CITY OF FLAGSTAFF

**To:** The Honorable Mayor and Council  
**From:** Elizabeth A. Burke, City Clerk  
**Date:** 06/14/2013  
**Meeting Date:** 06/17/2013



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### TITLE:

**Update on *Flagstaff Regional Plan: Vision 2030*.**

### DESIRED OUTCOME:

Informational

### INFORMATION:

Attached is a memo from Kimberly Sharp, Comprehensive Planning Manager for the City of Flagstaff, outlining current activities regarding the *Flagstaff Regional Plan: Vision 2030*.

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**Attachments:** Memo



## MEMO – City of Flagstaff – Comprehensive Planning

June 13, 2013

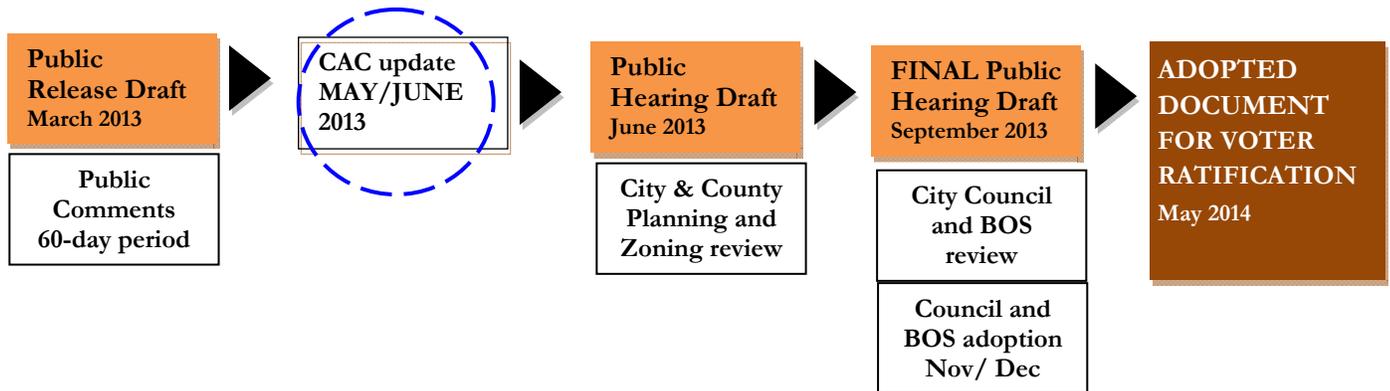
To: Flagstaff City Council and Coconino County Board of Supervisors  
June 17, 2013 Joint City/County Meeting

From: Kimberly Sharp, AICP –Comprehensive Planning Manager  
Via: Jim Cronk, Planning Director

**Re: Flagstaff Regional Plan: Vision 2030 – *Public Comments and Public Hearing Schedule***

Dear Mayor, Council and Supervisors

The **Flagstaff Regional Plan** process is:



The **Flagstaff Regional Plan: Vision 2030** is in intense editing for the Public Hearing DRAFT. From March 28 through May 31, 2013, both city and county planners along with CAC members have presented at over **55** public forums and collected over 700 comments. The CAC met June 14 to review suggested policy changes and agree to overall editing direction.

### **Public Presentations and discussions:**

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| 3/28 – Kick off party, City Hall  | 3/29 – FAC East; Wildflower Bread Company           |
| 3/30 – Phoenix Avenue Bus Transfer Center; East Flagstaff Library   | 4/3 – Beautification and Public Art Commission.     |
| 4/4 – Bicycle Advisory Committee & Friends of the Rio   | 4/5 - Friday Night Art Walk, Heritage Square        |
| 4/10 - Northern Arizona Builders Association  | 4/12 - Joint Public Officials Document presentation |
| 4/17 - Kiwanis Club, Chamber of Commerce Community and Economic Development Committee<br>ECoNA Executive Board, City Parks & Recreation Commission, and African American Advisory Committee |   |
| 4/18 - Flagstaff Republican Women’s Luncheon, ECoNA Advisory Committee, City Water Commission, and Flagstaff Liberty Alliance   |   |
| 4/19 – Wal-Mart parking lot; Main Library   | 4/20 – Earth Day City Hall,                         |
| 4/24 - NACET Board, SEDI Board Meeting, City P&Z  | 4/25 – Open Space Commission                        |
| 4/26 – Aquaplex; City Hall lobby  | 4/30 – Coconino Community College Governing         |

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| 5/1 - Transportation Commission, Christians for the Earth<br>Society of American Foresters            | 5/2- Regional Plan University (1) - <i>Land</i> |
| 5/3- Art Walk Heritage Square   | 5/7 - Rotary Club, Flagstaff Tea Party          |
| 5/8 - Sustainability Commission, City P&Z   | 5/9 - Airport Commission, Pedestrian Ad Comm    |
| 5/10 – FAC East; City Hall Lobby  | 5/14 – FUSD School District Governing Board     |
| 5/15 – Board of Realtors, NAIPTA Board, Flagstaff Housing Authority, Heritage Preservation Commission |   |
| 5/16 – Regional Plan University (2) – <i>Place</i><br>Flagstaff / Coconino County Library Board       | 5/21 - Bothands Public Policy Committee         |
| 5/22 - Friends of Flagstaff’ Future, City P&Z   | 5/23 – Coconino County Democratic Party         |
| 5/28 - Disability Awareness Committee, Tourism Commission   | 5/29 - Soroptomists International               |
| 5/29 - Native American Council for Community Action   |   |

**Overall comments from presentations:**

- Make MAPS larger and clear; numbered and listed
- All maps need notes on existing entitlements, why this map is here, and how to use it
- Reference and hyperlink all other planning efforts going on in the community
- All data needs to cite the source; better charts and graphs – easy-to-read
- Highlight why long-term planning is important; use the 4<sup>th</sup> street bridge as an example
- Highlight and underscore the diverse community
- Weave the Native American voice through the document
- Do not use “sustainability” just say what is meant –“efficient”, “for tomorrow’s generations”, etc.
- Glossary in the back
- Consolidate and delete redundancies
- Where is the Rio de Flag discussion – what happens if it IS built, and what may happen if it is NOT built?
- The potential by-pass road from I-40 to Townsend Winona Road (shown as a purple dashed line on Transportation Map p. 204 is receiving HUGE BACKLASH from community members who wish to protect Picture Canyon.
- Why do city voters get to vote and county voters do not? *This was brought up at every single outreach presentation!*

**Schedule Forward:**

June 17	<b>Joint City/County Meeting update</b>
<b>June 14,</b>	CAC review and suggested updates to editor.
<b>July 8</b>	emailed the PDF of the updated document – Public Hearing Draft – for review. We will not print copies – this is all via the website <a href="http://www.flagstaffmatters.com">www.flagstaffmatters.com</a> Folks can print their own document if they wish.
<b>July 15, 16 or 17</b>	CAC Meets with Staff to review and make any further adjustments to the Public Hearing Draft. These comments go directly back to the editor, who has one more week to make adjustments.
<b>July 24</b>	Document goes to the printer (AEC Reprographics). City is paying for 80 copies of printed document.
<b>July 31</b>	Document comes back from the printer – delivered to all parties. Document also goes live on-line <a href="http://www.flagstaffmatters.com">www.flagstaffmatters.com</a> Documents for CAC, Council, Supervisors, City & County Planning & Zoning commissions, internal planning team and management. We will have four copies available in the general public – both libraries, City and County locations, Chamber of Commerce, NACA.
<b>August 21</b>	City P&Z Hearing #1 <i>[this is not a normal P&amp;Z night – they will only be discussing Regional Plan]</i>
<b>September 4</b>	City P&Z Hearing #2 <i>[this is not a normal P&amp;Z night – they will only be discussing Regional Plan]</i>
<b>September 11</b>	City P&Z recommendation to City Council
September	<b>County P&amp;Z</b> hearing and recommendation to BOS
<b>** Regional Plan University classes – for City and County P&amp;Z, Councilmembers and Supervisors:</b>	
Thursdays	May 16, 30; June 6, 20
Conduct four classes again in September/October for Councilmembers, Supervisors and staff?	
<b><u>Proposed City Council and BOS review 2013</u></b>	
September - November	Weekly / bi-weekly Council discussions
<b>September 9</b>	Joint City Council / BOS meeting – review public and P&Z changes
<b>November 18</b>	Joint City Council / BOS meeting – <b>Public Hearing #1</b>
<b>November/ December</b>	<b>Board of Supervisors Hearing #2</b> and adoption
<b>December 3</b>	<b>City Council Public Hearing #2</b>
<b>December 17</b>	Adoption & call for election
<b>May 20, 2014</b>	General Election – mail-in ballot for General Plan

End of Memo

# Memorandum

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## CITY OF FLAGSTAFF

**To:** The Honorable Mayor and Council  
**From:** Elizabeth A. Burke, City Clerk  
**Date:** 06/12/2013  
**Meeting Date:** 06/17/2013



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### TITLE:

**Presentation on the Arizona Watchable Wildlife Experience.**

### DESIRED OUTCOME:

Information/discussion

### INFORMATION:

Attached is a memorandum prepared by Judy Weiss, Director, Coconino County Parks and Recreation, regarding the Arizona Watchable Wildlife Experience, along with the PowerPoint presentation which will be presented Monday at the Joint Work Session.

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**Attachments:** Memorandum  
PowerPoint



**Meeting Date: June 17, 2013**

**Presentation to Joint Meeting of City Council and Board of Supervisors**

**DATE:** June 5, 2013

**TO:** Honorable Chairs and Members of the Board and City Council

**FROM:** Judy Weiss, Director, Parks and Recreation

**SUBJECT:** Presentation by the Arizona Watchable Wildlife Experience to update the City Council and County Board of Supervisors on a new community partnership committed to connecting people with Arizona's natural environment and promoting conservation through the development of watchable wildlife viewing sites in and around Flagstaff to benefit the citizens and enhance economic development regionally.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This is a presentation for discussion only. No action is required.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Arizona Watchable Wildlife Experience (AWWE) is a community partnership of five organizations including the Arizona Game and Fish Department, Region 2, the Coconino County Parks and Recreation Department, the Arizona Wildlife Federation, the City of Flagstaff and the U.S. Forest Service. This partnership was created in 2011 because of the shared common vision to develop and promote public enjoyment of a network of watchable wildlife recreation sites in the greater Flagstaff area.

The AWWE program is called the 'Peak's Tour' because our location is anchored by the San Francisco Peaks and points to the enhanced opportunities to experience and participate in the incomparable wildlife viewing that our region has to offer. The sites within the AWWE program are within easy reach of residents in the Flagstaff area and visitors looking for a reason to stay one more day. The sites on the Peak's Tour are planned to include urban and ex-urban settings that can be accessed by motorized and non-motorized modes-along scenic Forest Service Roads or by foot, bike or horse on existing trail systems, such as the FUTS, the Flagstaff Loop Trail, and Coconino County's Regional Trails.

\*Existing AWWE site locations include:

Frances Short Pond, Picture Canyon Archaeological Preserve, Rogers Lake County Natural Area, The Arboretum at Flagstaff, Fort Tuthill County Park, Griffith Springs, Kachina Wetlands, Cheshire Wetlands, Museum of Northern Arizona, Sawmill County Park/Sinclair Wash, Rio de Flag Wetlands, Pumphouse County Natural Area, Buffalo Park, Mt. Elden Environmental Study Area, Lower Lake Mary, Lamar Haines Wildlife Area, Marshall Lake, Foxglenn Prairie Dog Colony, Kendrick Park, Leroux Springs, Mormon Lake, Prime Lake, Scenic Lake Driving Tour, Sunflower Flag Wildlife Area, Vail Lake, Wildcat Reach of the Rio de Flag.

*\*Each site has or will receive integrated educational materials to highlight the unique physical, biological and cultural values.*

**Objectives:**

The AWWE partnership will encourage, support and promote wildlife viewing and provide a marvelous educational tool for the public and educators. It will promote wildlife-viewing tourism and recreation in and around the urban environs of Flagstaff. The information about land management and habitat restoration will increase public awareness of these issues in urban-wildland interfaces.

**What is Watchable Wildlife?**

Watchable wildlife recreation offers nature-related outdoor education opportunities to the public, while bring awareness to the need for the conservation of native plants and animals in their natural habitats. Improvements as each site to the natural habitat and installation of interpretive signage, the AWWE program promotes conservation as well as the enjoyment of the outdoors.

**Economic Benefits—**

Nationally, wildlife watching is an \$18.1 billion dollar industry, offering economic potential for Coconino County and the City of Flagstaff. Within our region, the citizens have shown a strong attachment to our local environment through a high level of citizen participation in planning and conservation efforts. Visitors to Flagstaff may come for the pines but also expect to see wildlife, too!

**ALTERNATIVES: N/A**

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There is no fiscal impact to City of Flagstaff or Coconino County budgets. Funding to support AWWE has come from the Arizona Game and Fish Department and external grants from the Arizona Wildlife Federation.

**REVIEWED BY ELECTRONIC ROUTING****ATTACHMENTS:**

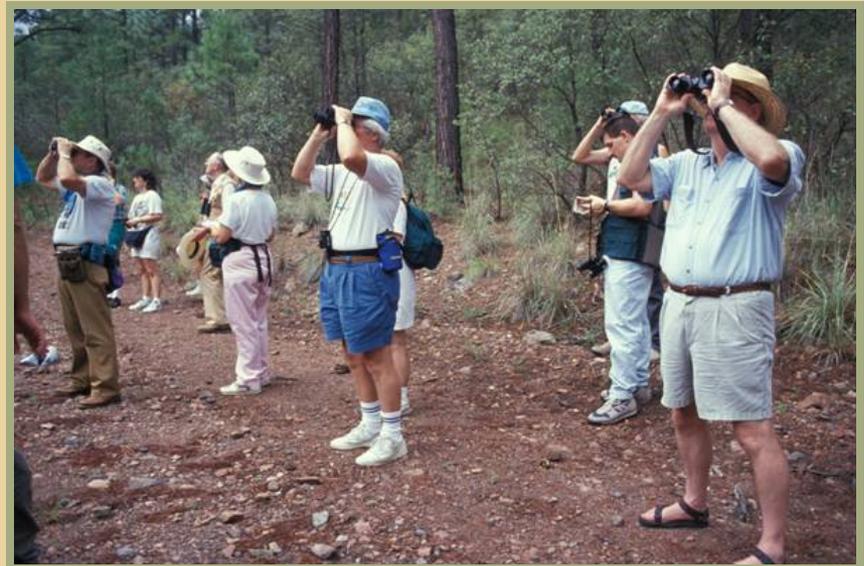
AWWE PowerPoint Presentation for June 17, 2013



*the Peaks Tour*



A concept for outdoor recreation,  
environmental education, and  
conservation in Flagstaff  
(and beyond!)



# A shared vision

- In 2011, Arizona Game & Fish convened a **core planning team**, who value watchable wildlife because it:
  - Provides outdoor recreation and education opportunities for the community and its visitors
  - Promotes the conservation of native plants, animals, and habitats
  - Brings revenue to local businesses
  - Supports the values that Flagstaff residents hold for open spaces, natural community character, and conservation



# AWWE



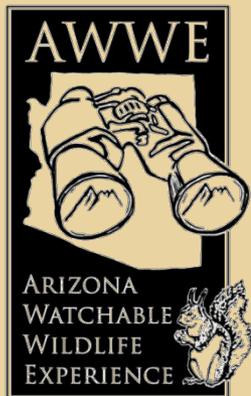
A system of watchable wildlife sites to serve the community, attract tourists, boost the local economy, and build a constituency of supporters for conservation



# The big picture



To designate and enhance viewing sites in the greater Flagstaff area, marketing them in a single campaign that:

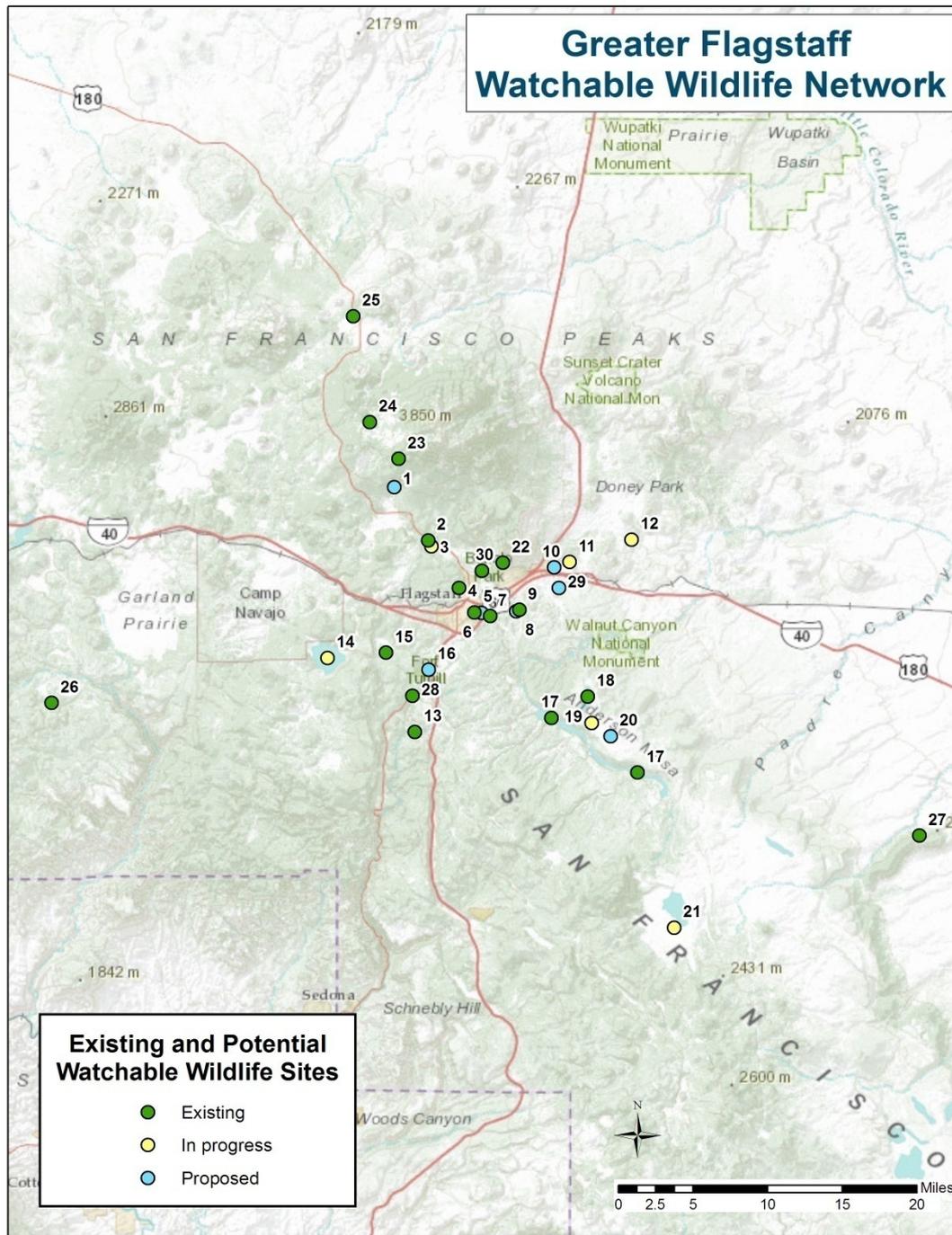


*the Peaks Tour*

- Elevates WW to an organized form of recreation in northern Arizona
- Engages community partners
- Establishes creative funding sources

# Rural & urban

1. Leroux Springs
2. Museum of Northern Arizona
3. Cheshire Wetlands
4. Francis Short Pond
5. Sawmill Multicultural and County Nature Park
6. Sinclair Wash
7. Rio de Flag Wetlands
8. Foxglenn FUTS trail
9. Foxglenn prairie dog colony
10. Rio reaches 80-100
11. Picture Canyon
12. Logan's Crossing
13. Pumphouse Greenway & Kachina Village Wetlands
14. Rogers Lake
15. Flagstaff Arboretum



# Developed & primitive

16. Fort Tuthill County Park
17. Upper and Lower Lake Mary
18. Marshall Lake
19. Prime Lake
20. Vail Lake
21. Mormon Lake
22. Mt. Elden Environmental Study Area
23. Lamar Haines Wildlife Area
24. Hart Prairie
25. Kendrick Park Nature Trail
26. Sunflower Flat
27. Raymond Wildlife Area
28. Griffith Springs Trail
29. Campbell Mesa
30. Buffalo Park

# AZWatchWildlife.com

**AWWE**  
ARIZONA  
WATCHABLE  
WILDLIFE  
EXPERIENCE

*the Peaks Tour*

HOMEPAGE | ABOUT US | LOCATIONS | LATEST NEWS | RESOURCES | CONTACT

*Welcome to the Arizona Watchable Wildlife Experience!*

AWWE is recreation,  
it is education, and  
it is  
conservation!

We are a community partnership  
committed to connecting people  
with Arizona's natural environment  
and promoting its conservation.

Join us in experiencing wildlife  
and their habitats in ways  
that are truly AWWESome!

*AWWE is connecting you with our natural heritage!*

- 2012 National Wildlife Federation grant - \$5000
- 2013 Heritage grant - \$1500
- Administrative funds from AZ Game & Fish

# Strategic Plan



- *Brochure development, printing*

- ▣ \$1,000 National Wildlife Federation grant
- ▣ Printing costs needed

- *Audio & smart phone applications*

- ▣ \$26,000 Heritage grant

- *Events*

- ▣ Pending grant request

- *Showcase site development*

- ▣ Watchable wildlife elements >\$100,000
- ▣ Habitat restoration - >\$300,000



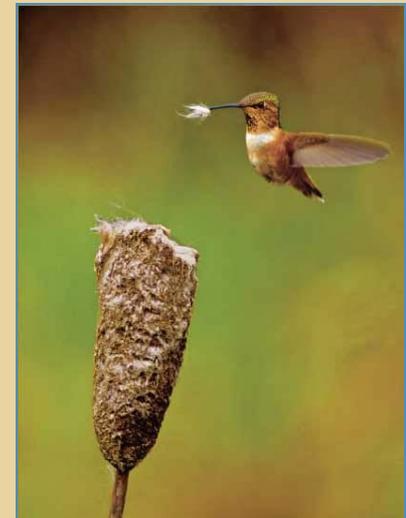
# Integrating with business

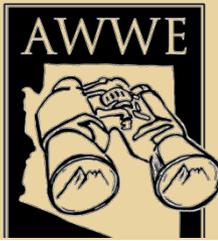
- *Provide materials to hotels,  
Visitors' Center,  
Chamber of Commerce*
  - Visitors' Center Display



# What makes AWWWE unique?

- ❑ One-stop shopping
- ❑ User-friendly guidance and expertise
- ❑ Leveraging resources, building efficiency
- ❑ Serves all demographics, creating connections with the outdoors



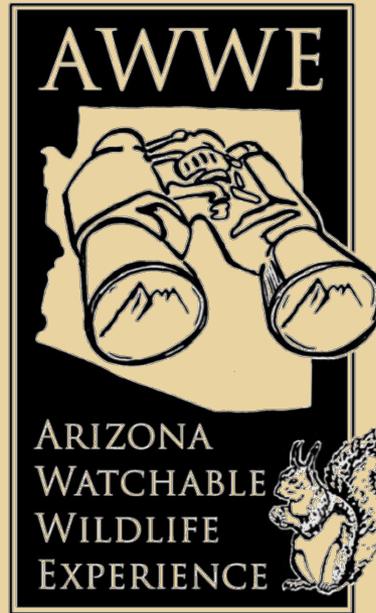


# Community Engagement

- Open house and web news
- Self-guided AWWE site visits
  - ▣ School field trips, out-of-town visitors
- Organized viewing events
- Volunteer opportunities: clean up days, restoration, and events
- “Backyard” projects
- Adopt a site



# AWWE benefits the community in many ways



 <p><b>Mallard Duck</b> <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i> Length: 16" (40.6 cm), Wingspan: 35" (89.1 cm) Season: Year-round resident.</p> <p>Males have a green head, white neck-band, and a rusty breast, while females are mottled brown, with a whitish tail. A Mexican race exists (<i>A. p. alpeii</i>), which has very similar markings to the female, with the exception of a darker tail and different bill markings. Females are also distinctive by their boisterous, quacking. Common in freshwater marshes, ponds, wooded swamps, rivers, lakes, and parks.</p>	 <p><b>American Widgeon</b> <i>Anas americana</i> Length: 14" (35.5 cm), Wingspan: 34" (86.4 cm) Season: Winter resident.</p> <p>The male is brown with a white crown and green ear patch. White shoulder patches are easily seen when in flight. The female has a grayish head and a rounded breast body with white shoulder patches. American Widgeons are often found in association with diving ducks, grebes, coots, and moorhens, from which they search food away from. Typically found in marshes, ponds, and shallow freshwater lakes.</p>
 <p><b>Northern Pintail</b> <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i> Length: 18.5" (47 cm), Wingspan: 35" (89 cm) Season: Winter resident.</p> <p>The male has a brown head with white, slender neck, white-breasted, and has a long, needle-pointed tail. Females are streaked brown, similar to a Mallard, but paler, grayer and more slender. Northern Pintail feed on the seeds of aquatic plants, but may take small aquatic animals as well. Found in marshes, prairie ponds, and tundra, also in salt marshes during winter.</p>	 <p><b>Pied-Billed Grebe</b> <i>Podilymba podiceps</i> Length: 12" (30.5 - 34 cm) Season: Year-round resident.</p> <p>Small, dab-broods with a chicken-like bill with a black ring and throat in summer, white throat and bill in winter. Grebes forage underwater. Rarely fly, escape by diving or slowly sinking below the surface. Call a series of low, short whistles. Common in shallow-water, heavily vegetated marshes, ponds, and ditches.</p>
 <p><b>Ruddy Duck</b> <i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i> Length: 11" (28 cm), Wingspan: 23" (58.4 cm) Season: Winter resident.</p> <p>Breeding males have a chestnut body, white cheeks, and a black crown. Non-breeding males and female Ruddy ducks are brown with whitish cheeks. Cheeks of the female are crossed by a brown stripe. Ruddy ducks seldom fly and escape danger by diving or hiding in aquatic vegetation. Found in freshwater marshes, mainly lakes, ponds, or creeks in shallow wet water bays and rivers in winter.</p>	 <p><b>Green-winged Teal</b> <i>Anas crecca</i> Length: 10.5" (26.7 cm), Wingspan: 24" (61.0 cm) Season: Winter resident.</p> <p>Males have dark head and prominent white stripe on side. Females look similar to Blue-winged Teal, but lack blue patches on wings and have a shorter bill. Green-winged Teal are known as the "Tees" among the fatter Flying Ducks. Common in marshes, ponds, and, mainly lakes.</p> <p>Some features have been exaggerated to assist in field identification.</p>

## the Peaks Tour





# Memorandum

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## CITY OF FLAGSTAFF

**To:** The Honorable Mayor and Council  
**From:** Paul Summerfelt, Wildland Fire Manager  
**Date:** 06/06/2013  
**Meeting Date:** 06/17/2013



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### TITLE:

**Update on Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project.**

### DESIRED OUTCOME:

Information briefing only

### INFORMATION:

Information will be presented, and questions answered, on current status of project and upcoming efforts.

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**Attachments:** PowerPoint

# Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project

Status Update  
*June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013*



# STATUS UPDATE

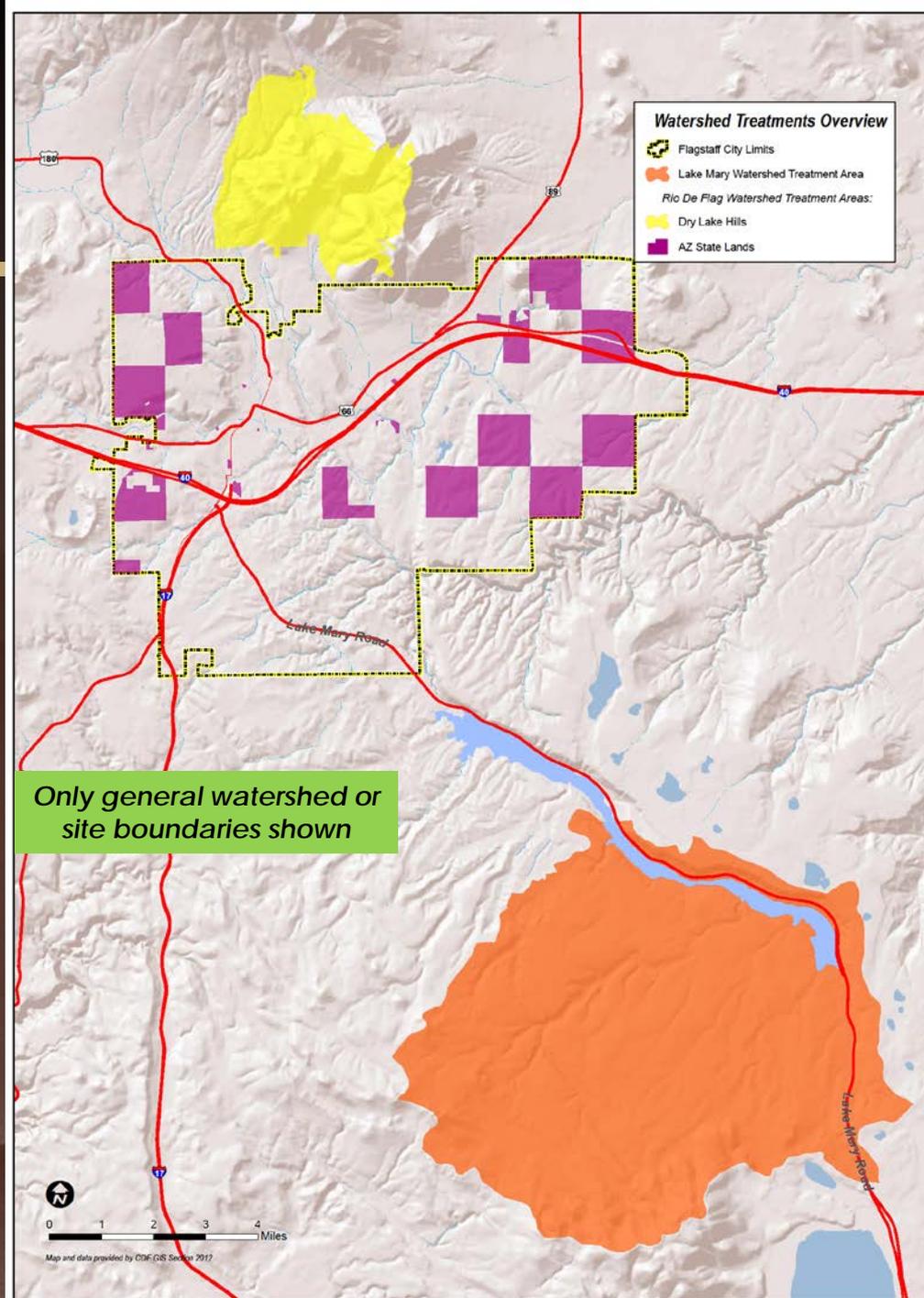
Agreements

Events & Outreach

Tribal Engagement

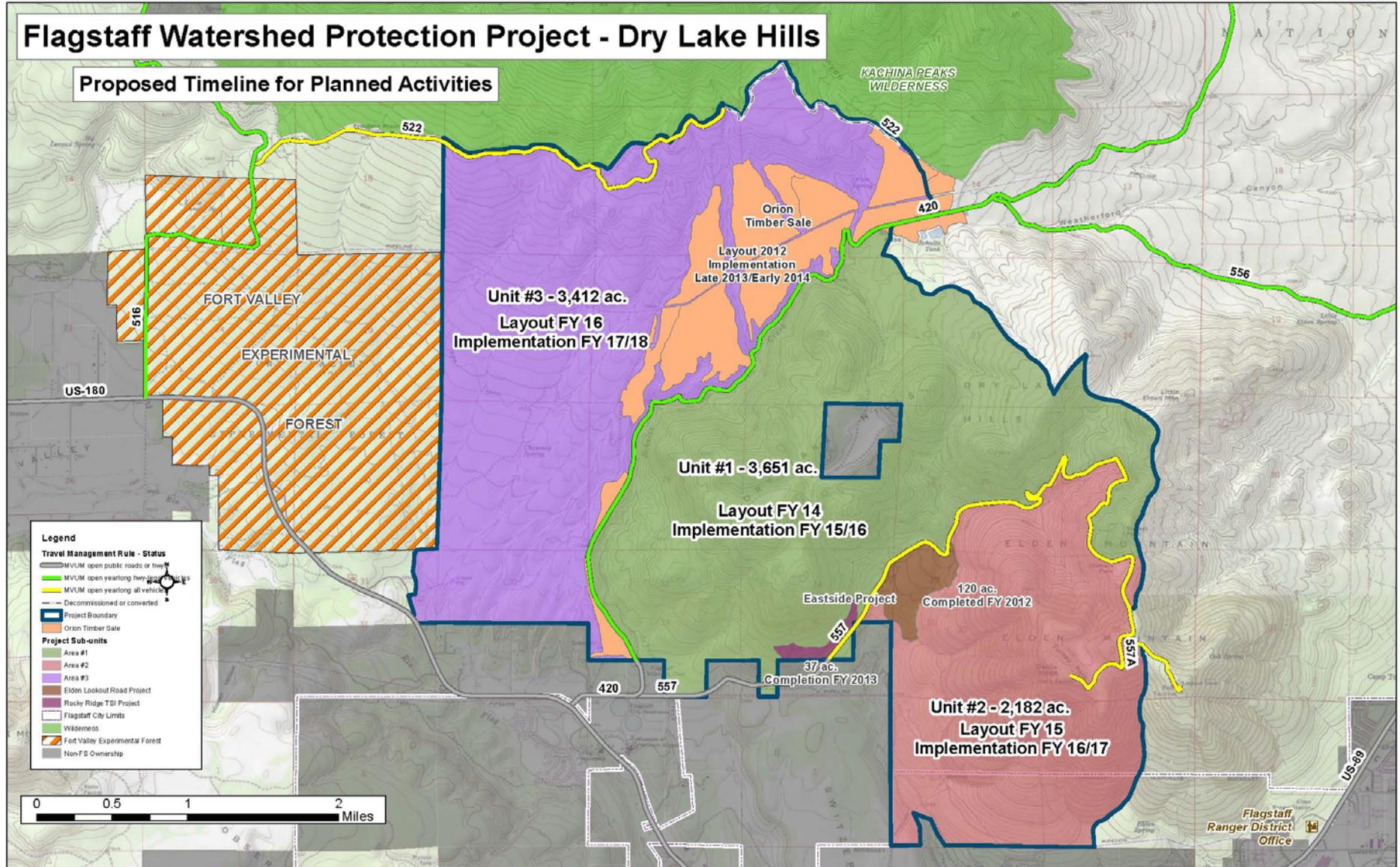
Monitoring Effort

Leverage Impacts



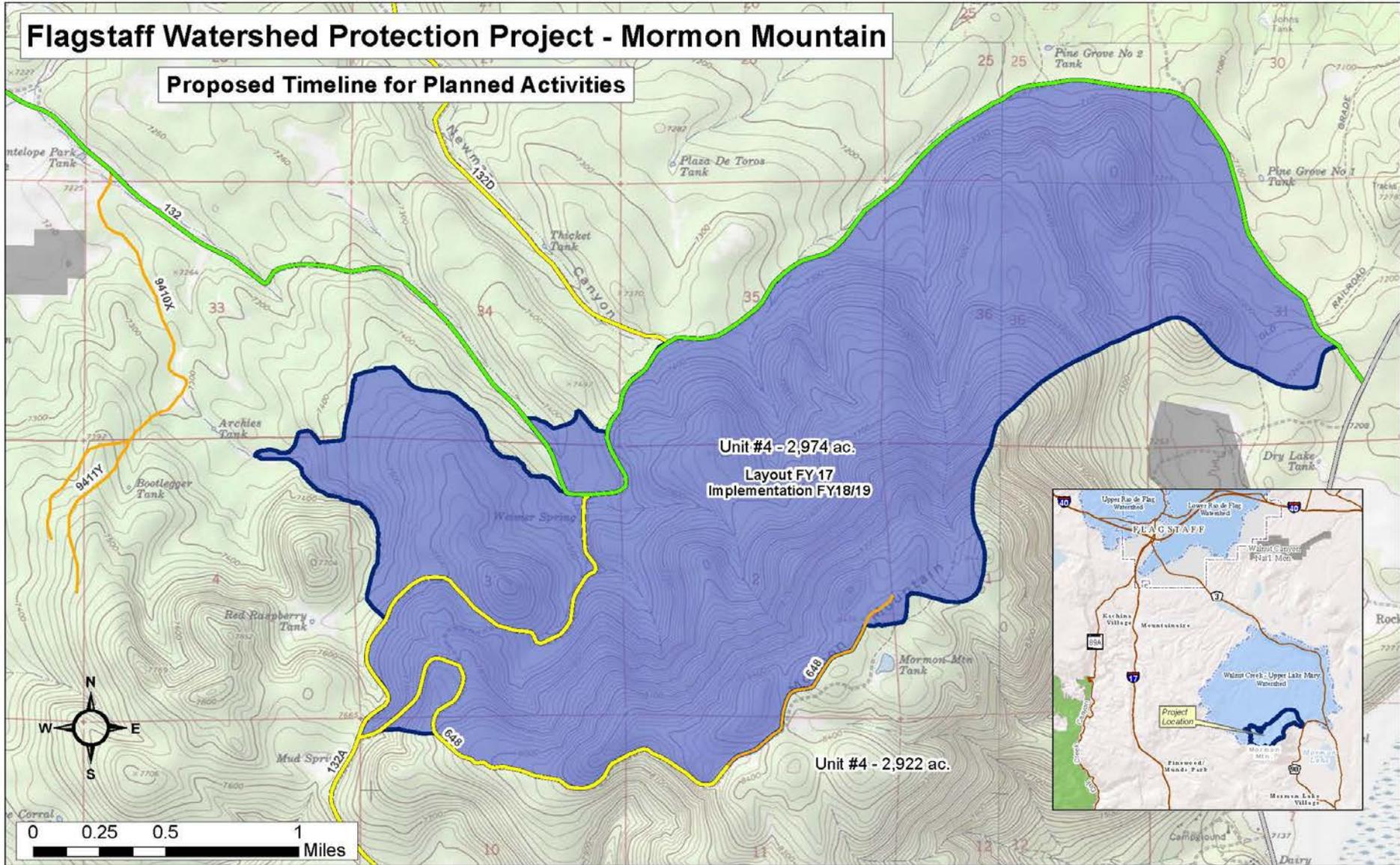
# Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project - Dry Lake Hills

## Proposed Timeline for Planned Activities



# Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project - Mormon Mountain

## Proposed Timeline for Planned Activities



# Organization

Executive Team

Project Managers

Legal  
Financial

Planning Group

Communication Group

Monitoring Group

Implementation Group



# NEPA Timeline - 2013

<b>April</b>	Proposed Action (PA)
<b>May 13<sup>th</sup></b>	PA comment period closed
<b>Summer</b>	Respond to comments; Develop Alternatives, Effects Analysis
<b>Fall-Winter</b>	Prepare Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)

# NEPA Timeline - 2014

<b>Winter</b>	Publish NOA & DEIS; receive comments
<b>Spring</b>	Respond to comments, finalize EIS, draft Record of Decision (ROD)
<b>Summer</b>	Publish FEIS & draft ROD: objection period
<b>Early Fall</b>	Issue final ROD; begin new implementation areas

# Key Messages

- Reduce wildfire & flooding risk
- Two key watersheds
- Multi-party effort
- 8-10 years to fully complete
- 1<sup>st</sup> priority is Dry Lake Hills
- Part of a larger effort
- Public involvement encouraged



# QUESTIONS

[www.flagstaffwatershedprotection.org](http://www.flagstaffwatershedprotection.org)

