

Ecological site group 29-2

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Key Characteristics

None specified

Provisional. A provisional ecological site description has undergone quality control and quality assurance review. It contains a working state and transition model and enough information to identify the ecological site.

Climate

The group is characterized by a two-state STM with one community phase in the first state and three community phases in the second state.

Vegetation dynamics

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Major Land Resource Area

MLRA 029X
Southern Nevada Basin and Range

Stage

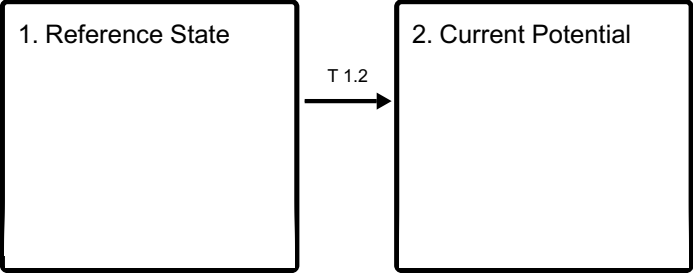
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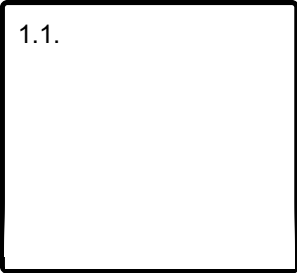
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State and transition model

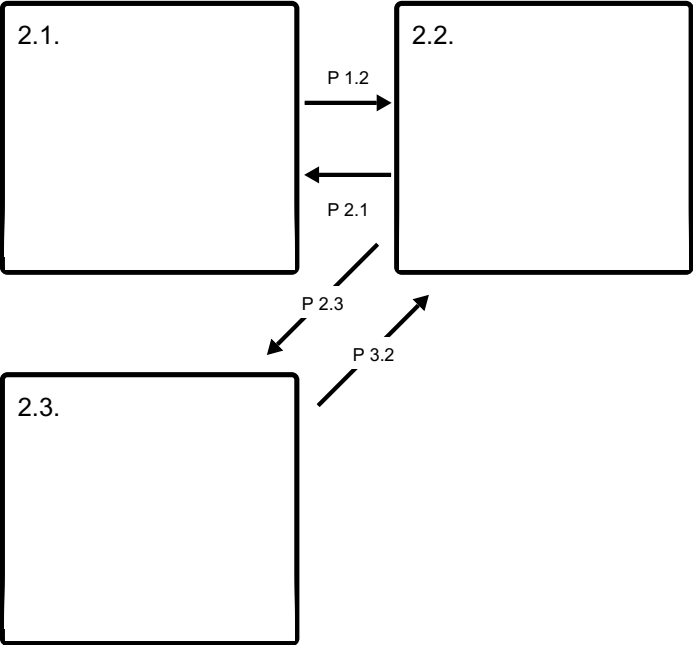
Ecosystem states



State 1 submodel, plant communities



State 2 submodel, plant communities



State 1
Reference State

Community 1.1
native shrubs dominant perennial bunchgrass sub-dominant

State 2
Current Potential

Community 2.1

native shrubs dominant perennial grass sub-dominant annual non-native species present

Community 2.2

native shrubs stable or increasing perennial bunchgrass decrease annual non-native species increase

Community 2.3

native shrubs dominate overstory bunchgrass decrease annual non-natives increase bare ground increases

Pathway P 1.2

Community 2.1 to 2.2

prolonged drought / inadequate rest and recovery from defoliation

Pathway P 2.1

Community 2.2 to 2.1

rest and recovery

Pathway P 2.3

Community 2.2 to 2.3

prolonged drought / inadequate rest and recovery from defoliation

Pathway P 3.2

Community 2.3 to 2.2

recovery or changes in management

Transition T 1.2

State 1 to 2

introduction of non-native species

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