Ecological site group DX035X02BESG08 Coconino Plateau - Ustic Aridic - Clayey Upland

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Key Characteristics

- Coconino Plateau (B)
- Soil at site is Clayey.
- Site soils are ustic aridic or within a 10-14" precipitation zone.
- Site is and/or located in an upland with slopes <15%.

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.

Physiography

Site is and/or located in an upland with slopes <15%. Aspects tend to be southwest in the eastern half, and east in the western half of the LRU.

Climate

Site soils are ustic aridic or within a 10-14" precipitation zone. Precipitation comes predominantly from monsoonal patterns during months of July, August, and September.

Soil features

Clayey Subgroup. Site consists of limited amounts of gently sloping sheet alluvial or eolian deposits over residuum of plateaus and structural benches.

Major Land Resource Area

MLRA 035X Colorado Plateau

Subclasses

- R035XA106AZ–Clayey Upland 10-14" p.z.
- R035XA107AZ—Clay Loam Upland 10-14" p.z.

Correlated Map Unit Components

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Stage

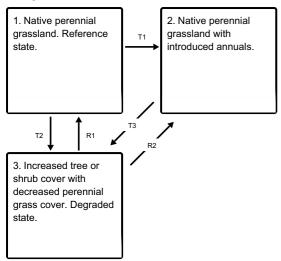
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State and transition model

Ecosystem states



State 3 submodel, plant communities

3.1. Increased tree or shrub cover with decreased perennial grass cover. Degraded state.

State 1

Native perennial grassland. Reference state.

State 2

Native perennial grassland with introduced annuals.

State 3

Increased tree or shrub cover with decreased perennial grass cover. Degraded state.

Community 3.1

Increased tree or shrub cover with decreased perennial grass cover. Degraded state.

Transition T1 State 1 to 2

Historic introduction of non-native species.

Transition T2 State 1 to 3

Lack of fire on the landscape. Improper grazing management.

Transition T3 State 2 to 3

Reintroduction of fire. Brush management.

Restoration pathway R1 State 3 to 1

Reintroduction of fire, brush management.

Restoration pathway R2 State 3 to 2

Citations