

Planning & Decision Making Comparison: Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management

FOREST SERVICE

- Land Management Plan (Based on 2005 Rule; currently on hold based on court order)
 - Overarching Guiding Document – No Decisions based on NEPA/Environment Review
 - Written by Forests
 - General Guidance Established
 - Specific Projects to be analyzed under NEPA on project by project basis

- Travel Management Plans (EA/EIS/CatX)
 - Written by Forests or Districts
 - Specific Route Designation
 - Roads, Trails, Areas
 - Parking along roadside
 - Motorized retrieval of downed game
 - Camping allowances
 - Gathering Forest Products (firewood)

- Resource Management Plan – Decision Document (EIS)
 - Written by Field Office
 - Areas open / closed / limited to designated routes
 - Instruction Memorandum AZ-2005-007. Permittees (e.g. for hunting, wood gathering, livestock operators) shall comply with field office route designations. Exceptions may be authorized on a case by case basis. Therefore: No motorized retrieval of downed game
 - Camping allowances, may include firewood collection methods
 - Recreational Shooting in Monuments

- Travel Management Plans (EA)
 - Written by Field Office
 - Specific Route Designation

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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