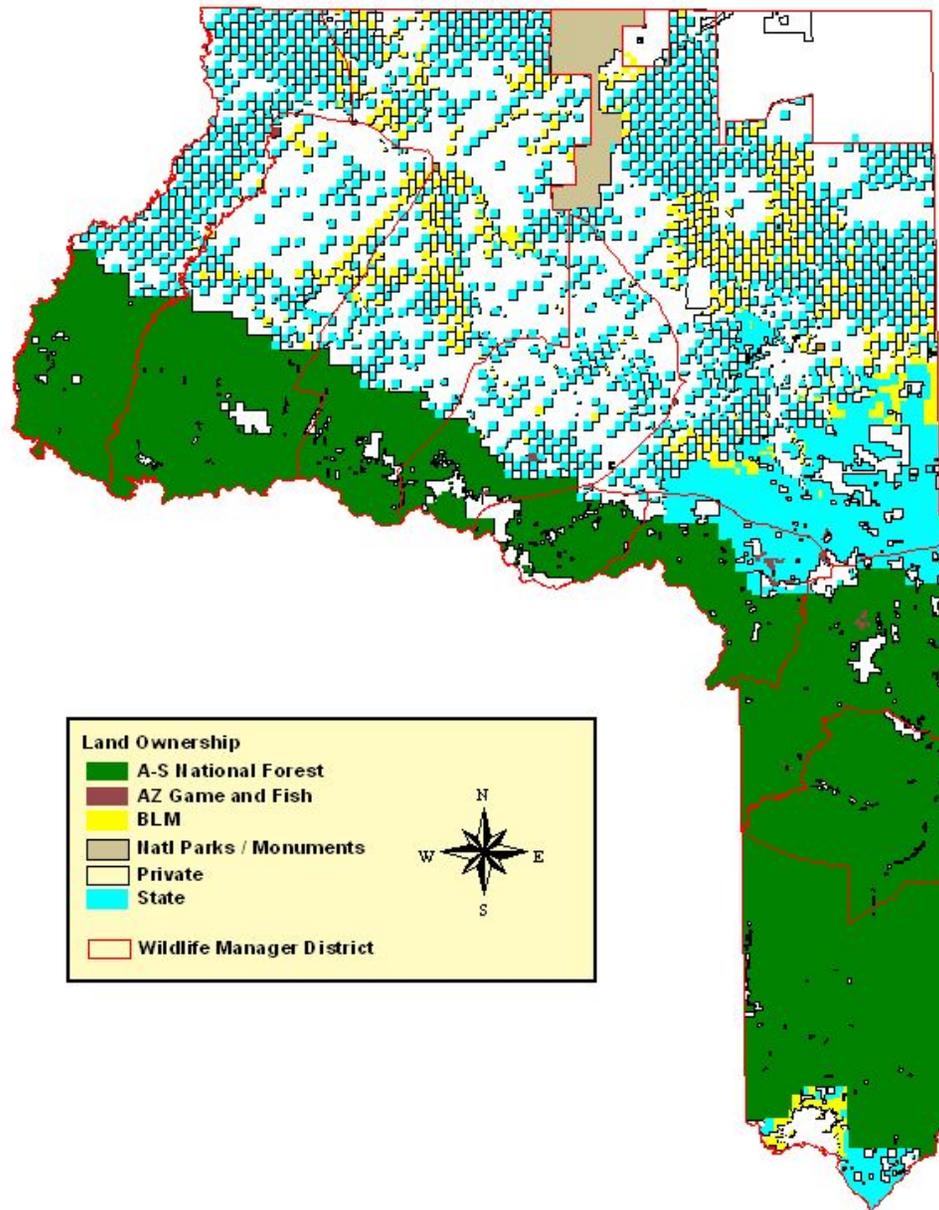
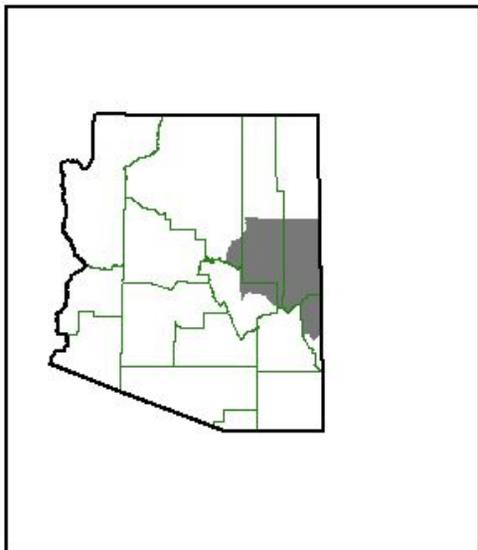


# Arizona Game and Fish Department Region I Overview





# Arizona Game and Fish Department (Region I)



# Public Lands in AGFD Region I

- Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest
  - Black Mesa Ranger District
  - Lakeside Ranger District
  - Springerville Ranger District
  - Alpine Ranger District
  - Clifton Ranger District
- Bureau of Land Management
  - Safford Field Office
    - Custodial Management Category

# Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

## Forest Plan Revision

- The current Forest Plan was prepared by the A-S in 1987, and is now 20 years old.
- The revised Forest Plan will provide guidance and direction for the management and uses of the various resources on lands managed by the Forest Service, through the next 10-15 years.

# Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

## Forest Plan Revision – continued

### Key Steps in the Forest Plan Revision

- Initial Public Meetings – Summer/Fall 2006
- Second Round of Public Meetings – January 2007
- Comprehensive Evaluation Report – Spring/Summer 2007
  - Provides for current conditions and trends on the Forests
- Third Round of Public Meetings – Spring – Summer 2007
- Develop the Proposed Plan – Summer 2007 – Spring 2008
  - Desired conditions, objectives, special use areas, suitability of areas, guidelines, and monitoring plan
- 90-day Comment Period - Spring 2008
  - Provide formal comment regarding the proposed plan
- 30-day Objection Period – Summer 2008
  - File formal objection regarding the proposed plan
- Forest Supervisor Approves Plan – Spring 2009

# Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

## Forest Plan Revision - continued

### Opportunities to Participate:

Attend Public Meetings

Web Site: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/asnf/plan-revision>

E-Mail: [asnf.planning@fs.fed.us](mailto:asnf.planning@fs.fed.us)

Phone: (928) 333-4301 – ask for a planning team member

Fax: (928) 333-5966

TTY: (928) 333-6292

Regular Mail: USDA Forest Service

Att: Plan Revision Team

P.O. Box 640

Springerville, AZ 85938

# Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

## Travel Management Planning

- Each Forest is required to designate where the public can operate motor vehicles.
- Apache-Sitgreaves Travel Management Planning conducted on forest-wide basis (not District by District).
- When implemented, general use off the designated system (e.g. “cross-country travel”) will be considered prohibited.
- Currently cross country travel is generally allowed, except where specifically prohibited.

# Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests Travel Management Planning – cont.

## Key Steps in the Forest Plan Revision

- Initial Public Meetings – Summer/Fall 2006
- Second Round of Public Meetings – April 2007
- Travel Analysis to Evaluate Public & FS Comments– Spring & Summer 2007
- Share First Draft Proposal with the Public – Fall 2007
- Finalize Proposed Action & Begin NEPA Process on Changes to Current Management – Fall 2007 through Winter 2007/2008
- Complete NEPA Process & Continue Signing to Meet Any Applicable Changes – Spring 2009
- Implement With Publishing of the Motor Vehicle Use Map – Fall 2009

# Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests Travel Management Planning – cont.

## Opportunities to Participate:

Attend Public Meetings

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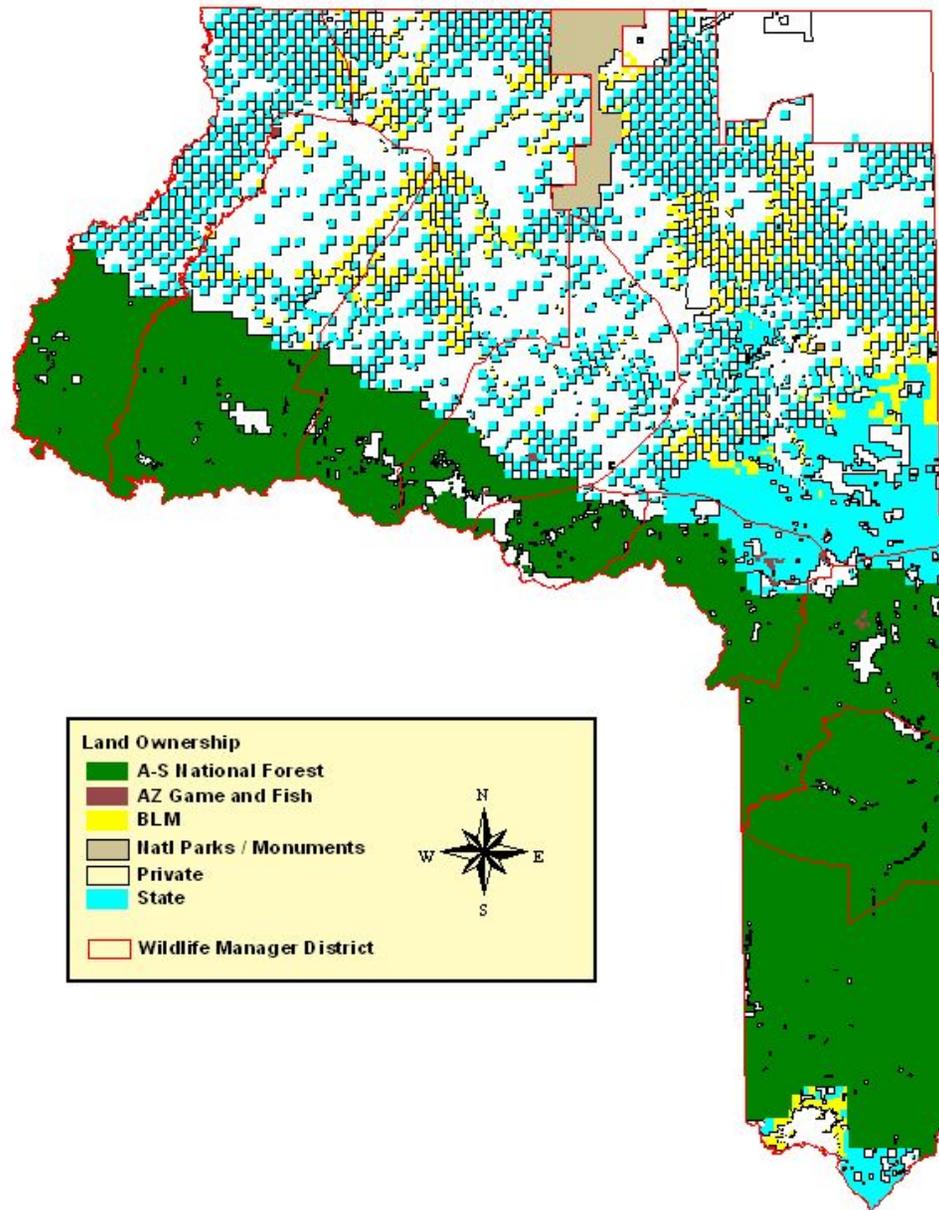
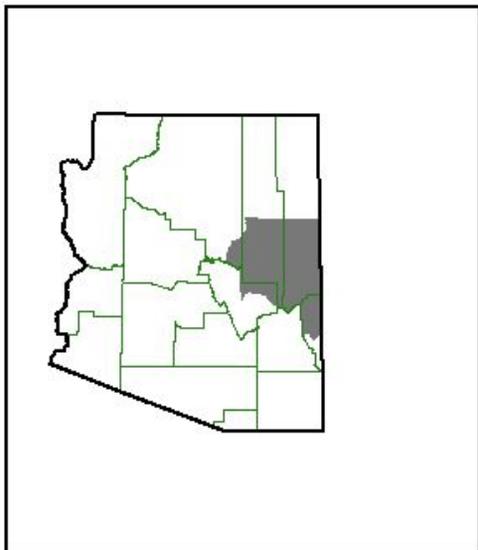
# Issues to Consider for your Input to the Land Management Agencies:

- Wildlife and habitat protection
- Access and specific roads to be open or closed
- Inappropriate and appropriate OHV travel
- Off-road travel to retrieve big game
- Redundant roads
- Dispersed camping
- Fishing, hunting, wildlife viewing and other recreational opportunities (motorized and non-motorized)
- Recreational shooting

# Bureau of Land Management Field Office Boundaries in Arizona



# Arizona Game and Fish Department (Region I)



**Land Ownership**

- A-S National Forest
- AZ Game and Fish
- BLM
- Natl Parks / Monuments
- Private
- State

Wildlife Manager District

