The Economic Contributions of Hunting, Fishing, and Wildlife-Watching on BLM Lands

Hunting, angling, and wildlife-watching are long-standing traditions in the United States, with public lands and waters providing some of the best places to enjoy these activities. Among these shared landscapes, the 246 million acres the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) oversees across 11 Western states and Alaska attract millions of visitors annually. In 2016, visits to these states resulted in 3.1 million hunting trips, 2.8 million fishing trips, and 2.2 million trips to view wildlife, generating more than \$1 billion in salaries and wages, supporting 26,500 jobs, and producing over \$421 million in federal, state, and local tax revenue. The total economic output, or value of all sales associated with these three types of recreational activities on BLM lands, was more than \$3 billion.



New Mexico's 13.5 million acres of BLM lands saw 180,112 hunting visits, 68,895 wildlife-watching visits, and 48,221 fishing visits in 2016, generating:

Bureau of Land Management



722 jobs



\$24 million in salaries and wages



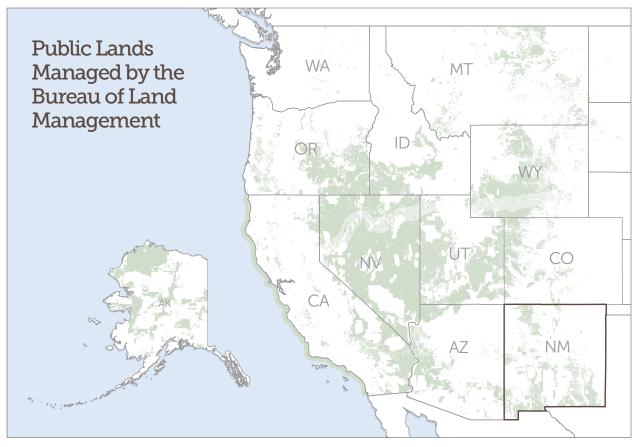
\$**04** million in sales



55 million in state and local tax revenue



\$6 million in federal tax revenue



represents BLM land

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