

# BLM PERSPECTIVES ON THE FUTURE OF ESD'S

- Effective tool to describe and predict effects of activities/actions
- Capture knowledge before experts retire and experience is lost
- Repository of collective information as a first source of data
- Prioritize work and activities
- Establish management objectives
- Identify vegetative species to plant or restore
- Use by other programs will evolve over time

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- Defend decisions for activity plans and authorizations
- Provide more efficient landscape level management
- Data collection for assessment, inventory and monitoring will continue to be conducted on ecological sites
- Recognized as habitats associated with specific wildlife species
- Other agencies will participate