



Illilouette Basin, Yosemite National Park. Photo credit: Marc Meyer

## Background

The Southern Sierra Prescribed Fire Council was formed with a common interest to maximize the appropriate use of prescribed fire and managing natural ignitions in the southern Sierra Nevada. The Sierra Nevada is a very unique landscape and has many challenges and opportunities to the implementation of prescribed fire. Our council is committed to exploring these challenges and working collectively to reach solutions for creation of a more robust fire management program. Our steering committee represents a diverse group of stakeholders including federal and state agencies, tribes, science advisors for land management and air quality, private companies, NGOs, and private landowners.

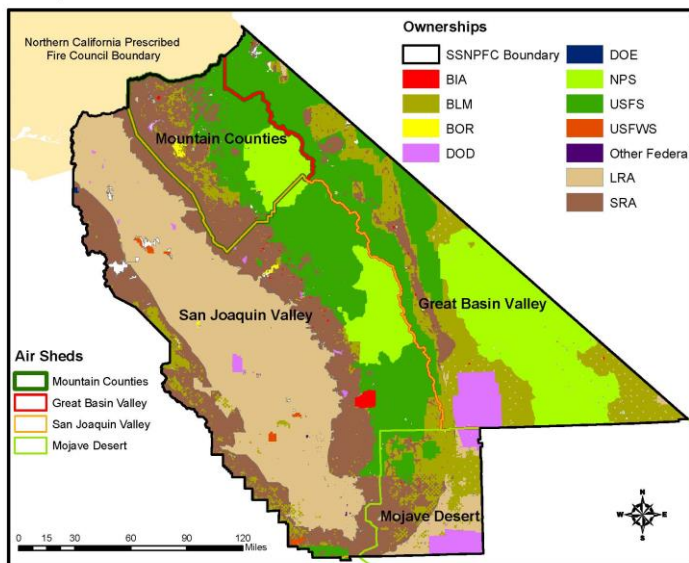
## Mission

Our mission is to serve as a venue for practitioners, state and federal agencies, tribes, academic institutions, non-governmental organizations, coalitions, and interested individuals to work collaboratively to promote, protect, conserve, and expand the responsible use of prescribed fire and cultural fire in the southern Sierra Nevada's fire-adapted landscapes and fire-dependent landscapes, and to promote public understanding and acceptance on the ecological and cultural importance of burning.

## Goals

- Focused attention on prescribed fire and needs of fire practitioners;
- Networking – learning and sharing;
- Coordination for planning, training, and implementation;
- Education and outreach at local and regional levels;
- Improving fire policy and regulations.

Ownerships and Air Sheds in the Southern Sierra Nevada Prescribed Fire Council Boundary



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## Get Involved

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