

Activity: Emergency Operations

ACTIVITY SUMMARY (\$000)

Subactivity		2002 Actual Amount	2003 Estimate Amount	Uncontrollable & Related Changes (+/-) Amount	Program Changes (+/-) Amount	2004 Budget Request Amount	Inc(+) Dec(-) from 2003 Amount
Emergency Damage	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0
Repair	FTE	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grasshoppers & Mormon Crickets	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0
	FTE	2	1	0	0	1	0

2004 PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This activity supports the Resource Use and Resource Protection mission goals from the Department's Draft Strategic Plan by providing funding for emergency damage repair and grasshopper and Mormon cricket control. Funds for emergency operations may be transferred from other no-year accounts, but if this is done, the Bureau must request that funds be replenished by supplemental appropriation.

The objective of this activity is to provide immediate response in the form of personnel, equipment, or supplies for emergency grasshopper and Mormon cricket control operations, and for the repair or replacement of government property (facilities, equipment, utilities) destroyed or damaged by catastrophic acts of nature such as floods, storms, fires (other than wildfires), and other unavoidable causes. No funds are being requested at this time but may be requested depending on amount needed because of the catastrophic act.

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Subactivity: Emergency Damage Repair

SUBACTIVITY SUMMARY (\$000)

Subactivity	2002 Actual	2003 Enacted to Date	Uncontrollable & Related Changes (+/-)	Program Changes (+/-)	2004 Budget Request	Change From 2003 (+/-)
\$	0	0	0	0	0	0
FTE	0	0	0	0	0	0

2004 PROGRAM OVERVIEW

In responding to an emergency damage situation on BLM-administered lands, BLM personnel assess the extent of the damage or loss, document the nature of immediate repair work or replacement needed, and determine what additional actions may be necessary to prevent further damage, loss, or destruction, and to protect resource values and minimize disruption of public service. Emergency damage repair work may be authorized by the Secretary to be completed with emergency funds either by BLM personnel or by contractors.

Because emergency situations are not predictable from year to year, funds to perform emergency damage repair work on facilities, equipment and utilities may be transferred from other no-year accounts under the authority of Section 101 of the annual Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Act; the BLM must then request that these funds be replenished by supplemental appropriation.

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Subactivity: Grasshopper and Mormon Cricket Control

SUBACTIVITY SUMMARY (\$000)

	2002 Actual Amount	2003 Estimate Amount	Uncontrollable & Related Changes (+/-) Amount	Program Changes (+/-) Amount	2004 Budget Request Amount	Inc(+) Dec(-) from 2003 Amount
\$(000)	0	0	0	0	0	0
FTE	2	1	0	0	1	0

2004 PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The BLM cooperates with the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to assist with inspections of BLM-administered public lands where potential outbreaks of pests may occur, as well as assisting in developing and implementing control plans. When outbreaks occur, APHIS conducts control operations and is reimbursed for its expenses on BLM lands when these expenses exceed funding available to APHIS for the control work.

In 1987, a no-year appropriation of \$5,000,000 was provided to the BLM specifically for Mormon cricket and grasshopper control. That funding has been utilized from that time forward for grasshopper and Mormon cricket control as needed in any given year. This fund remained available until it was exhausted in 1999. During the summers of 1999 and 2000, several grasshopper and Mormon cricket outbreaks occurred in the West, particularly in Idaho, Oregon, Nevada, and Utah. A total of \$360,000 in 1999 and \$318,000 in 2000 was reprogrammed from other sources, as there were no funds remaining in the account to fund inspections or to develop and implement control plans. In 2001, an emergency appropriation of \$1,482,000 was provided to the BLM specifically for Mormon cricket and grasshopper control. Of that original amount, \$930,000 remains available for grasshopper and Mormon cricket control.

The BLM is including the chemical Dimilin for analysis in the Conservation and Restoration Vegetation/Habitat Treatment Programmatic EIS scheduled for completion in 2005. This will expand treatment options for grasshoppers and Mormon crickets on public lands in future years.

If severe outbreaks occur in 2004 that exceed current funding availability, the Secretary's emergency authority would be utilized under section 102 of the annual Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Act. Supplemental funding would then be requested to replenish funds transferred from other Department of the Interior accounts.