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Attached is a copy of BLM Technical Reference No. 1730-1, Measuring and Monitoring Plant Populations. The authors of this technical reference have drawn on their background and research in plant and vegetation monitoring, along with their experience in teaching courses in plant and vegetation monitoring (including the BLM National Training Center Course 1730-05, Measuring and Monitoring Plant Populations and Vegetation) to put together a practical and useful reference. This technical reference should prove to be an invaluable resource for botanists, range management specialists, wildlife biologists, and others involved in the design, execution, analysis, and interpretation of monitoring studies involving vegetation and plants. Please make sure these individuals see this document.

Users of the Interagency Technical References, Sampling Vegetation Attributes and Utilization Studies and Residual Measurements, should be aware that those documents make reference to a yet-to-be-published new "Planning for Monitoring" interagency technical reference for help in designing monitoring studies. Because the attached new technical reference covers all of these details, it will take the place of the Planning for Monitoring" technical reference referred to in the two interagency technical references.

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