COORDINATION AND COOPERATION

The ISDA/BLM Cooperative Photo Monitoring program is a golden opportunity for BLM grazing permittees to engage with the monitoring and assessment of their grazing allotment(s), and the permit renewal process.

This program provides specialized training in scientifically valid monitoring procedures.

With the help of the ISDA, ranchers can submit data that they have collected to the BLM for inclusion in Rangeland Health Assessments and NEPA analysis documents.

Taking advantage of this cooperative monitoring program allows you to be a bigger part of the future of your public lands.

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ISDA/BLM COOPERATIVE PHOTO MONITORING PROGRAM

Providing support, coordination, and expertise to private and government rangeland managers and users.

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NECESSARY EQUIPMENT

One of the great things about this program is that it doesn't require specialized equipment.

- Smart phone/tablet with a camera

- Survey123 App

- 3'x3' frame

- Photo Board w/ dry erase marker

- BLM provided study sites

- Clip board

- GPS

THE MOU

In 2014 the ISDA and BLM entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for photo monitoring on public lands administered by the BLM.

This MOU set in place a formal agreement for ISDA to aid permittees in collecting photo point data on allotments for use in future BLM land health assessments and analysis for grazing permit renewals.
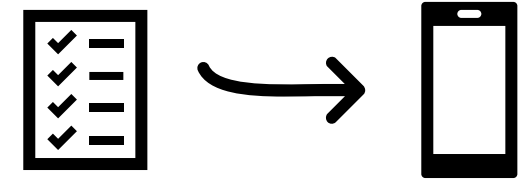

THE APP

It is a priority of the ISDA Range Program to advocate the use of the most current monitoring procedures and tools. We are excited to offer the use of a mobile app to optimize the ISDA/BLM cooperative photo monitoring program.

The Survey123 app for ArcGIS is a simple and user friendly tool that aids in streamlining data collection and analysis.

It is as simple as downloading the free app, accessing the ISDA monitoring form, collecting your data, and hitting submit.

No paper forms or emailing pictures necessary. Just complete the form in the app and it will do the rest!

For more information on the ISDA Rangeland Management Program please go to https://agri.idaho.gov/main/animals/range-management-program/.