

DRAFT FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
INTEGRATED NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN
AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

U.S. ARMY FIELD ARTILLERY CENTER
FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA

1. Description of Action. The U.S. Army Field Artillery Center and Fort Sill proposes to implement an Integrated Natural Resource Management Plan at Fort Sill, Oklahoma for the period 2014-2018 to manage natural resources, support the military mission, and comply with various environmental laws.

Implementation would be ongoing operations over the five-year period using both in-house and external personnel. The primary thrust of the program would be to survey and monitor natural resources and implement programs to conserve and manage them in a proactive manner, complying with environmental laws and regulations.

Two alternatives were evaluated: Full implementation of the 2014-2018 INRMP as written and continuation of current management practices. Other alternatives were considered but eliminated from further review.

2. Anticipated Environmental Effects. No negative impacts would occur with implementation of either the No Action or Preferred Alternatives. The Preferred Alternative is expected to be more beneficial in the management of water resources, vegetation, and wildlife. No adverse impact is expected to occur to any federal-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species.

3. Conclusions. Based on a review of the information contained in environmental assessment portions of the Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan, it is concluded that implementation of the Fires Center of Excellence and Fort Sill Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan is not a major federal action, which would significantly affect the quality of the environment within the meaning of Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended. Accordingly, the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for this proposed action is not required.

4. Point of Contact. Requests for further information or submittal of public comments may be made for 30 days after first publication date to:

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A copy of the INRMP is available at the Lawton Public Library, Nye Library, and at <http://sill-www.army.mil/USAG/dpw/Environmental.html>.

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