# Ecological site group 29-2 Ecological Site Group 2

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# **Key Characteristics**

None specified

Provisional. A provisional ecological site description has undergone quality control and quality assurance review. It contains a working state and transition model and enough information to identify the ecological site.

#### **Climate**

The group is characterized by a two-state STM with one community phase in the first state and three community phases in the second state.

# **Vegetation dynamics**

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#### **Major Land Resource Area**

MLRA 029X Southern Nevada Basin and Range

#### **Stage**

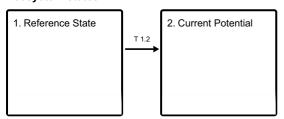
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#### State and transition model

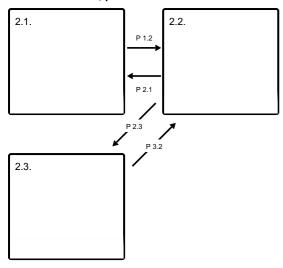
#### **Ecosystem states**



#### State 1 submodel, plant communities



#### State 2 submodel, plant communities



# State 1 Reference State

# Community 1.1

native shrubs dominant perennial bunchgrass sub-dominant

# State 2 Current Potential

# **Community 2.1**

native shrubs dominant perennial grass sub-dominant annual non-native species present

#### Community 2.2

native shrubs stable or increasing perennial bunchgrass decrease annual non-native species increase

#### Community 2.3

native shrubs dominate overstory bunchgrass decrease annual non-natives increase bare ground increases

# Pathway P 1.2 Community 2.1 to 2.2

prolonged drought / inadequate rest and recovery from defoliation

# Pathway P 2.1 Community 2.2 to 2.1

rest and recovery

# Pathway P 2.3 Community 2.2 to 2.3

prolonged drought / inadequate rest and recovery from defoliation

# Pathway P 3.2 Community 2.3 to 2.2

recovery or changes in management

# Transition T 1.2 State 1 to 2

introduction of non-native species

# **Citations**