

Overview of Designated Wilderness, Recommended Wilderness, and Potential Recommended Wilderness by Alternative for the Inyo National Forest

Note: Potential recommended wilderness consists of areas that were inventoried and evaluated as part of the wilderness evaluation and are now being considered for inclusion as recommended wilderness in one or more alternatives of the environmental analysis process. A final decision on which areas will be included in the draft environmental impact statement analysis has not yet been made.

Measurement	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D
Acres of existing designated wilderness	967,039	967,039	967,039	967,039
Existing recommended wilderness	0	0	0	0
Acres (and number of polygons) ¹ considered for the Inventory	Not Applicable	791,590 (565)	791,590 (565)	791,590 (565)
Acres (and number of polygons) included in the final inventory and evaluation ²	Not Applicable	602,239 (121)	602,239 (121)	602,239 (121)
Potential recommended wilderness acres (and number of specific potential recommended wilderness areas)	Not Applicable	37,029 (4)	121,396 (11)	0
Acres of total combined designated wilderness, existing recommended wilderness and potential recommended wilderness	967,039	1,004,068	1,088,435	967,039
Total combined designated wilderness, existing recommended wilderness and potential recommended wilderness as percentage of total forest acres ³	49%	51%	55%	49%
Percent increase in total combined designated wilderness, existing recommended wilderness and potential recommended wilderness over current management (Alt A).	Not Applicable	2%	6%	0%
Total percent increase of combined designated wilderness, existing recommended wilderness and potential recommended wilderness resulting from potential recommended wilderness	Not Applicable	4%	13%	0%

¹ The number of polygons includes whole polygons that are completely within the Inyo National Forest administrative boundary as well as partial polygons that are located on the national forest boundary with portions in two national forests.

² The acres listed here are derived from the evaluation dataset. The final inventory dataset and the evaluation dataset are the same for those polygons that were included in the inventory and evaluation except for some small corrections that were made in the evaluation dataset as small errors were identified after the final inventory had been completed. For this reason there are some small discrepancies between the polygon acreage totals shown here and those as calculated in the final inventory dataset.

³ Total national forest acres for the Inyo are 1,983,952.