

National Landscape Conservation System
our National Conservation Lands at a Glance

The National Conservation Lands are composed of National Conservation Areas, National Monuments, Wilderness Areas, Wild and Scenic Rivers, and National Scenic and Historic Trails. The National Conservation Lands consist of the last places where you can experience the history of the American West. From the rivers which Lewis and Clark explored, to pioneer trails, to Native American sites, the heritage and beauty of these places are safeguarded for all to see.

Currently, the National Conservation Lands are composed of 27 million acres and are located throughout the West, Alaska and extend to the East Coast.

Snapshot of the National Conservation Lands

Category	Area	Number	Acres	Miles
Monuments and Conservation Areas	National Monuments	16	4,815,760	
	National Conservation Areas	16	4,112,798	
	Similar Designations	5	435,829	
Wilderness	Wilderness Areas	222	8,662,214	
	Wilderness Study Areas	545	12,790,291	
Wild and Scenic Rivers		67	1,164,014	2,419
Trails	National Historic Trails	10		5,342
	National Scenic Trails	5		664
TOTALS		886	Approx. 27 million	8,425



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