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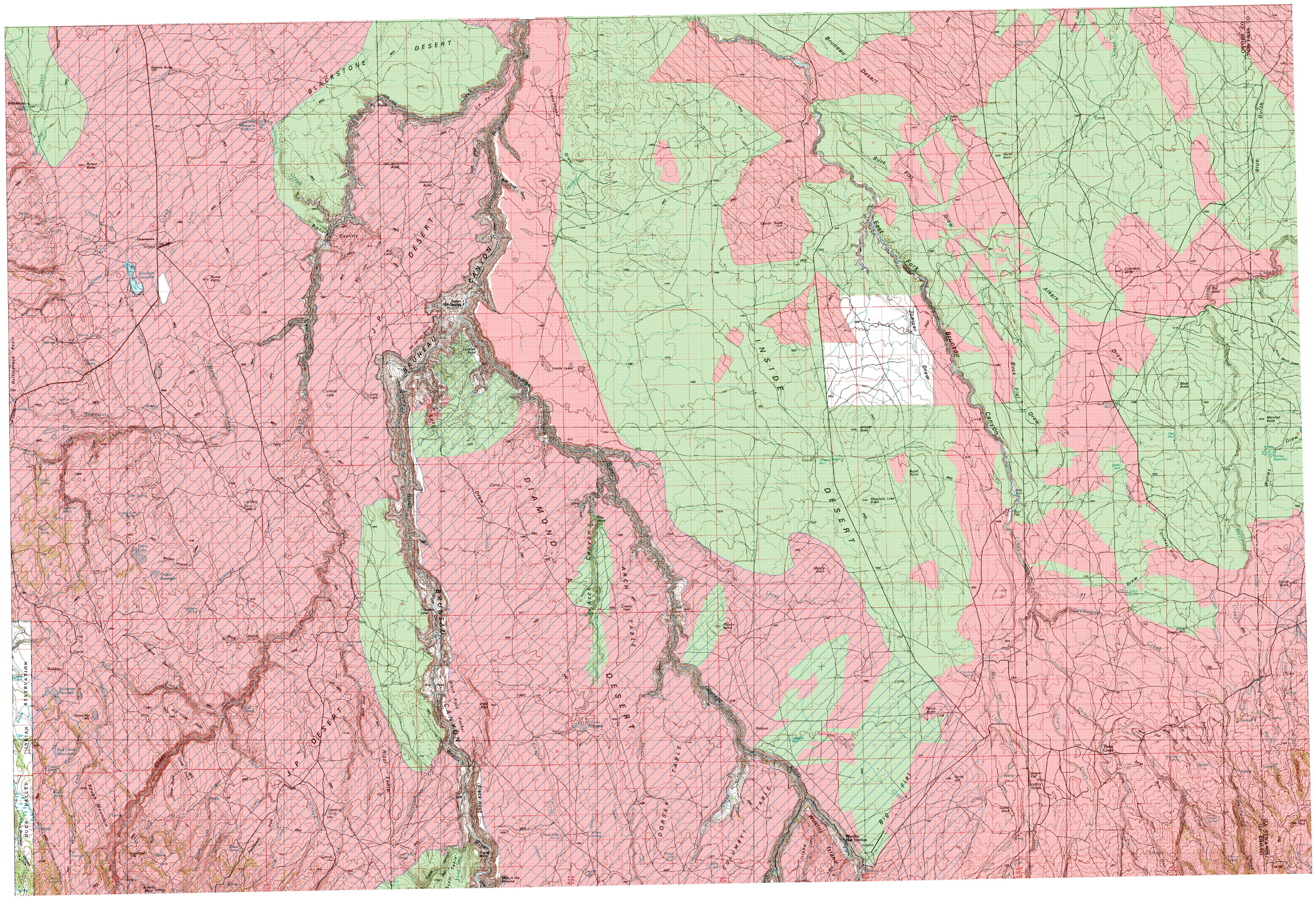
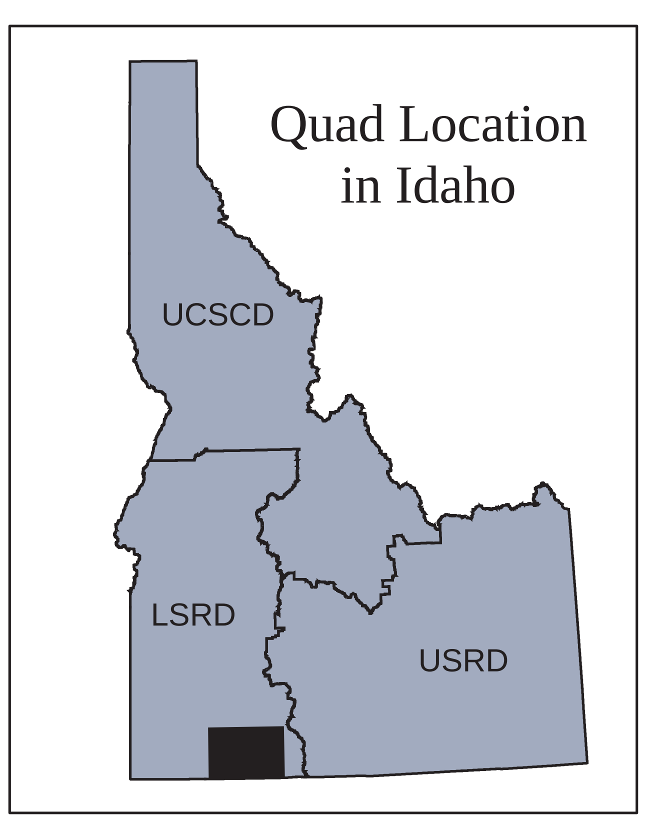
# 2002 Sage Grouse Habitat Planning Map

## Sheep Creek Quad (A142115)

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Scale 1:200,000


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Source of Data Layers
Sage Grouse General Habitat and Population Areas: Idaho Department of Fish & Game 1:100,000 dataset
Background Image: USGS 1:100,000 Digital Raster Graphic

| General Population Area Descriptions | |
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| **Sage Grouse Source Habitats** | Areas where sufficient breeding (nesting and early brood-rearing) and winter habitat remains to support sage grouse nesting and winter populations with generally stable or increasing trends. |
| **Sage Grouse Isolated Habitats** | Areas where breeding and winter habitat remains to support relatively small sage grouse nesting and winter populations and may be isolated from "source" sage grouse populations by farmlands, forests, and/or grassland. |


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| General Habitat Descriptions | |
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| **Key Sage Grouse Habitat** | **Sagebrush Overstory**: Areas of generally intact sagebrush steppe habitat that provide sage grouse habitat during some portion of the year (summer-use, late brood-rearing, fall, transition sites from winter to spring, spring to summer, and summer/fall to winter). |
| **Potential Restoration Areas** | |
| **Type I** | **Perennial Grassland**: Sagebrush-limited areas with acceptable understory conditions in terms of grass species composition. May include both native and introduced perennial grasses. |
| **Type II** | **Annual Grassland**: Small patches of existing sagebrush that do not provide adequate understory vegetation to support sage grouse. Undesirable plant species such as cheatgrass (*Bromus tectorum*), medusahead rye (*Taeniatherum caputmedusae*) or other exotic species are common or dominant in the understory. Sage grouse may still use some of the sites during summer. |
| **Type III** | **Conifer Encroachment**: Areas where junipers (*Junisperus* spp.) and/or other conifer species are encroaching into sage-grouse habitat areas. |