

## M01t4\_Ecological Sites

This module is a discussion of ecological sites and how they are used in assessing Rangeland Health. The instructor is Jeff Herrick.

An ecological site is a particular type of land with specific physical characteristics which determines its ability to produce particular types and amounts of vegetation.

Consequently, different ecological sites also vary in their response to management.

Because ecological sites depend primarily on soils and climate, we can use soil maps to identify groups of ecological sites. However, to confirm the identity of an ecological site, we must go to the field. The following brief video provides an example of how to identify an ecological site in Southern New Mexico.