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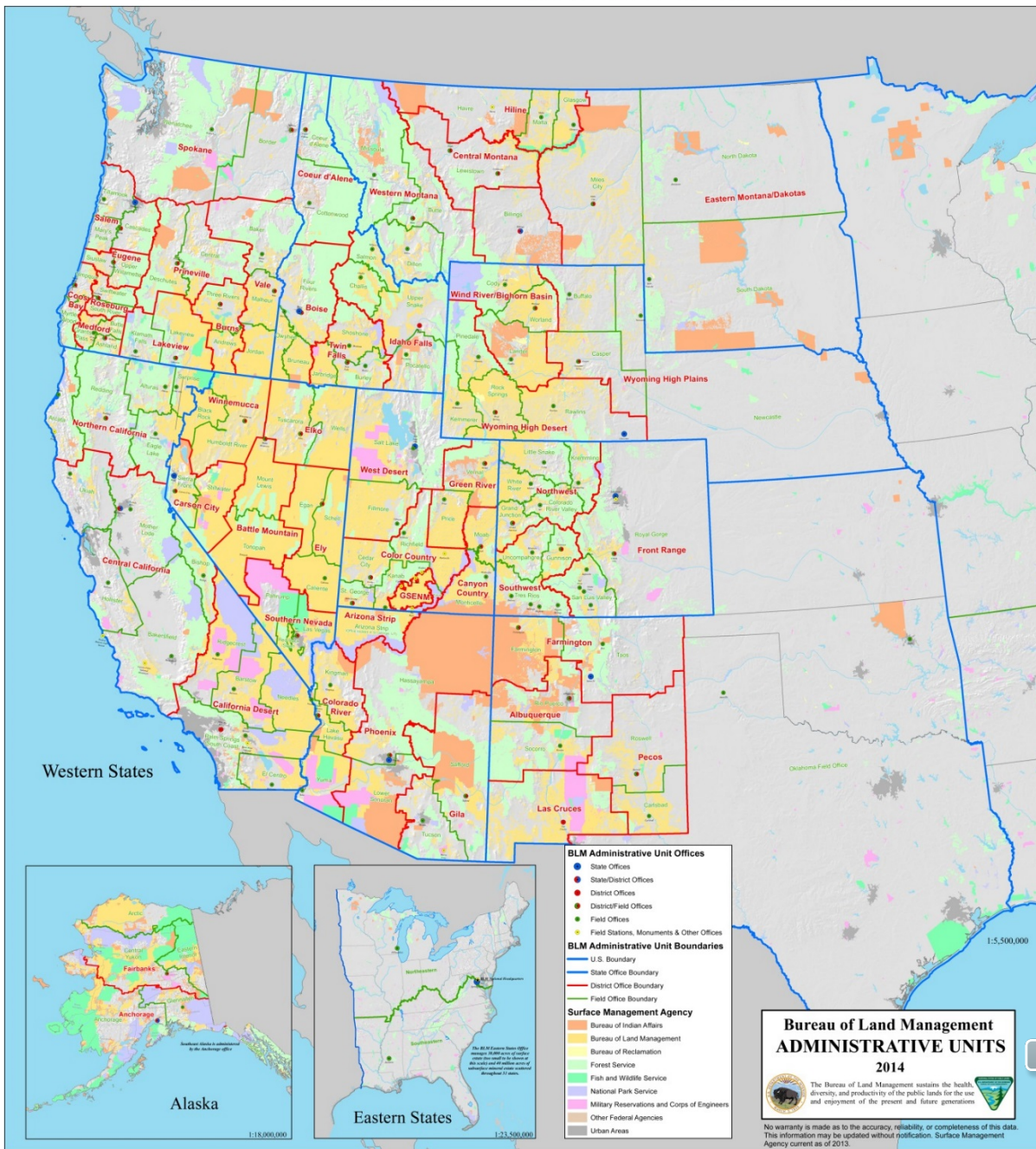






270 Million Surface
Acres

700 Million
Subsurface Acres





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Why does BLM need to be involved in replication?

- Since 1906, the United States has retained title to archaeological and paleontological specimens collected from public land





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- DOI, BLM's parent, is responsible for over 204 million museum objects
- Objects are curated at DOI facilities or in hundreds of non-DOI partner museums





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- DOI has extensive museum policies
 - <https://www.doi.gov/museum/doi-museum-policy>
- These policies apply to DOI-managed collections
- Non-DOI partners are encouraged to comply





Why does BLM need to be involved in replication?

- There are many good reasons to replicate a fossil
- Replication of DOI material should be done under an authorization from the agency
- Especially any replication with a commercial aspect should be explicitly authorized





Why does BLM need to be involved in replication?

- It is the agency that is responsible for the management of those resources
- If we are not involved we are not providing adequate oversight for the public
- Work with us

