

D. PLANNING

1. Master Plan

The station currently operates in accordance with the Innoko National Wildlife Refuge Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP). This document was developed pursuant to Sections 304(g), 1008, and 1317 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act of 1980 (Alaska Lands Act), Section 3(d) of the Wilderness Act of 1964, and Section 102 (2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). The CCP, in final form, was approved in October of 1987 and includes an environmental impact statement and wilderness review. This document forms the foundation for all "step-down" management plans.

2. Management Plans

At the time of this report, the station has two management plans approved in final form: the Innoko NWR Fisheries Management Plan dated 3/93; and the Innoko NWR Environmental Education Plan dated 9/93. Other management plans are in various stages of development. Completion of the station's Fire Management Plan has been placed on "hold" pending completion of a Geographical Information System (GIS)/satellite imagery fuels mapping project scheduled for the 1995 field season. Other GIS related work, and regional efforts to standardize wildlife population and habitat assessment methods, have delayed completion of the station's Wildlife Inventory and Habitat Assessment Plan.

4. Compliance with Environmental Mandates

Considerable time and effort was expended throughout the year developing compatibility determinations (CD's), and associated requirements (NEPA, Recreation Act., etc.), in order to comply with the provisions of the compatibility lawsuit. Fortunately, most secondary uses and their compatibility were addressed in the Innoko NWR Comprehensive Conservation Plan/Environmental Impact Statement/Wilderness Review. CD's were prepared for all unpermitted uses and for every activity requiring the issuance of a Special Use Permit. All uses known to occur were determined to be compatible.