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Appendix 1. Testing the Influence of Management Regime and Year on Vegetation Structure Variables on Two Grass Types on Federal Lands Managed under an Adaptive-Management Framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13

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A. Mean Bare-Ground Cover (percent)

Table 1.1. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a beta distribution with a logit link) testing the influence of management regime and year on mean bare-ground cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.3 | 2.63 | 0.0005** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 82.1 | 7.68 | 0.0001** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 132.2 | 0.44 | 0.6448 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 141.3 | 1.19 | 0.3156 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 112.8 | 3.36 | 0.0213** |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 128.0 | 0.54 | 0.4644 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 129.7 | 0.55 | 0.6509 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 95.4 | 0.10 | 0.7507 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 104.0 | 0.65 | 0.4222 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 123.4 | 1.63 | 0.2044 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 97.6 | 0.01 | 0.9055 |

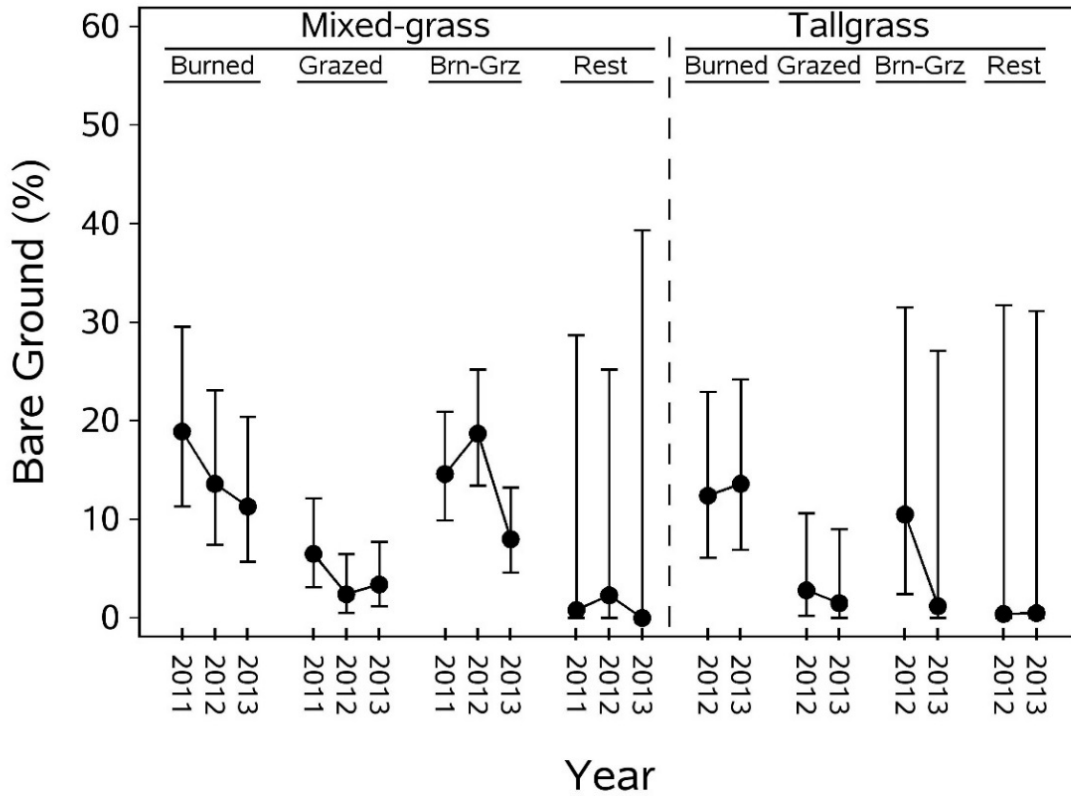
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 1.2. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of bare-ground cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass type | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -1.395 | 0.292 | 18.9 | 11.3 | 29.5 |
| | | 2012 | -1.765 | 0.315 | 13.6 | 7.4 | 23.1 |
| | | 2013 | -1.966 | 0.339 | 11.3 | 5.7 | 20.4 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -2.518 | 0.321 | 6.5 | 3.1 | 12.1 |
| | | 2012 | -3.342 | 0.423 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 6.5 |
| | | 2013 | -3.077 | 0.367 | 3.4 | 1.2 | 7.7 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -1.688 | 0.212 | 14.6 | 9.9 | 20.9 |
| | | 2012 | -1.408 | 0.190 | 18.7 | 13.4 | 25.2 |
| | | 2013 | -2.311 | 0.263 | 8.0 | 4.6 | 13.2 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -3.985 | 1.594 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 28.7 |
| | | 2012 | -3.390 | 1.201 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 25.2 |
| | | 2013 | -4.595 | 2.144 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 39.3 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -1.869 | 0.362 | 12.4 | 6.1 | 22.9 |
| | | 2013 | -1.770 | 0.349 | 13.6 | 6.9 | 24.2 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -3.227 | 0.610 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 10.6 |
| | | 2013 | -3.676 | 0.753 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 9.0 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -2.042 | 0.669 | 10.5 | 2.4 | 31.5 |
| | | 2013 | -3.809 | 1.464 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 27.1 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -4.220 | 1.785 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 31.7 |
| | | 2013 | -4.179 | 1.750 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 31.1 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 1.1. Back-transformed least squares mean bare-ground cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

B. Standard Deviation of Bare-Ground Cover (percent)

Table 1.3. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a beta distribution with a logit link) testing the influence of management regime and year on the standard deviation of bare-ground cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.5 | 2.18 | 0.0043** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 81.0 | 4.53 | 0.0055** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 145.0 | 1.14 | 0.3233 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 141.7 | 1.97 | 0.0745* |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 106.2 | 2.28 | 0.0838* |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 131.8 | 1.54 | 0.2173 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 132.8 | 1.28 | 0.2845 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 92.2 | 0.05 | 0.8215 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 99.9 | 0.93 | 0.3371 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 109.5 | 1.16 | 0.2840 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 94.8 | 0.02 | 0.8894 |

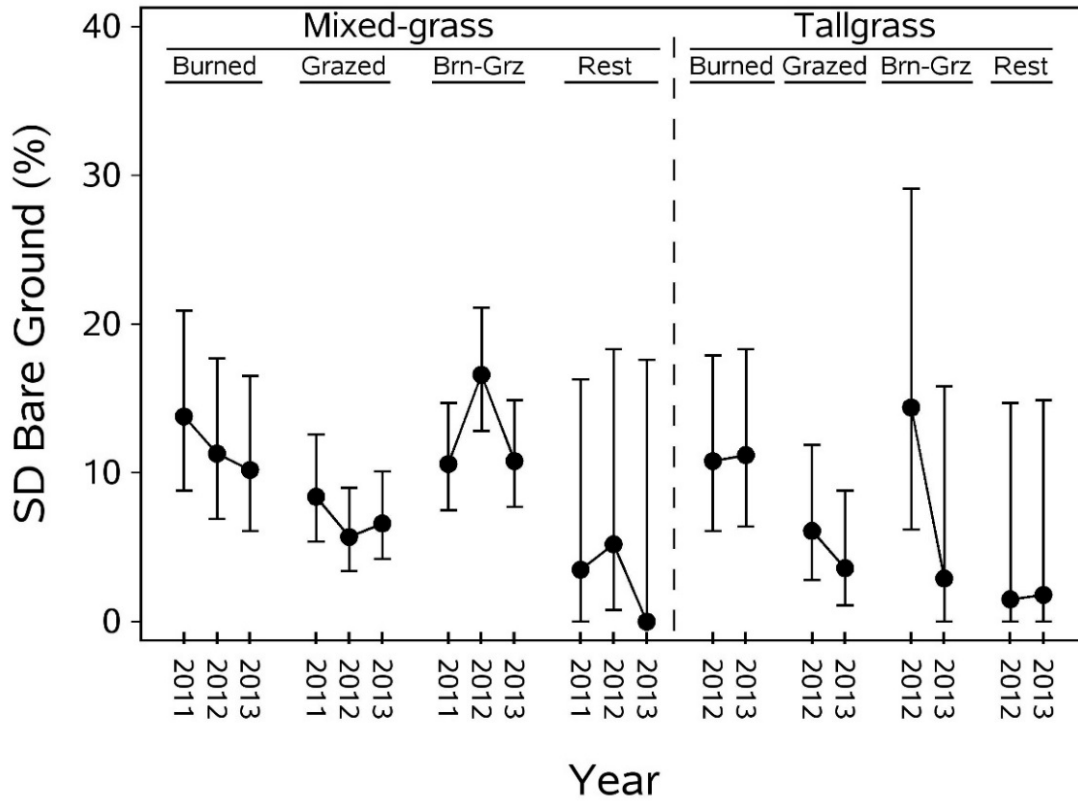
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 1.4. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95 percent confidence intervals) of the standard deviation of bare-ground cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass type | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -1.748 | 0.242 | 13.8 | 8.8 | 20.9 |
| | | 2012 | -1.965 | 0.252 | 11.3 | 6.9 | 17.7 |
| | | 2013 | -2.066 | 0.262 | 10.2 | 6.1 | 16.5 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -2.269 | 0.212 | 8.4 | 5.4 | 12.6 |
| | | 2012 | -2.638 | 0.227 | 5.7 | 3.4 | 9.0 |
| | | 2013 | -2.492 | 0.210 | 6.6 | 4.2 | 10.1 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -2.032 | 0.178 | 10.6 | 7.5 | 14.7 |
| | | 2012 | -1.547 | 0.147 | 16.6 | 12.8 | 21.1 |
| | | 2013 | -2.009 | 0.173 | 10.8 | 7.7 | 14.9 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -3.066 | 0.767 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 16.3 |
| | | 2012 | -2.718 | 0.657 | 5.2 | 0.8 | 18.3 |
| | | 2013 | -4.595 | 1.590 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 17.6 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -2.012 | 0.283 | 10.8 | 6.1 | 17.9 |
| | | 2013 | -1.975 | 0.279 | 11.2 | 6.4 | 18.3 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -2.570 | 0.337 | 6.1 | 2.8 | 11.9 |
| | | 2013 | -3.035 | 0.414 | 3.6 | 1.1 | 8.8 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -1.701 | 0.438 | 14.4 | 6.2 | 29.1 |
| | | 2013 | -3.192 | 0.812 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 15.8 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -3.678 | 1.020 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 14.7 |
| | | 2013 | -3.552 | 0.961 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 14.9 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 1.2. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of bare-ground cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

C. Mean Litter Depth (centimeters)

Table 1.5. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on mean litter depth (centimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.2 | 2.76 | 0.0002** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 79.7 | 3.93 | 0.0113** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 132.7 | 4.56 | 0.0122** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 137.5 | 1.44 | 0.2019 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 106.4 | 1.01 | 0.3936 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 122.4 | 5.82 | 0.0173** |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 122.4 | 1.55 | 0.2039 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 94.5 | 0.00 | 0.9538 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 100.8 | 0.98 | 0.3235 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 103.7 | 1.24 | 0.2684 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 92.1 | 0.05 | 0.8285 |

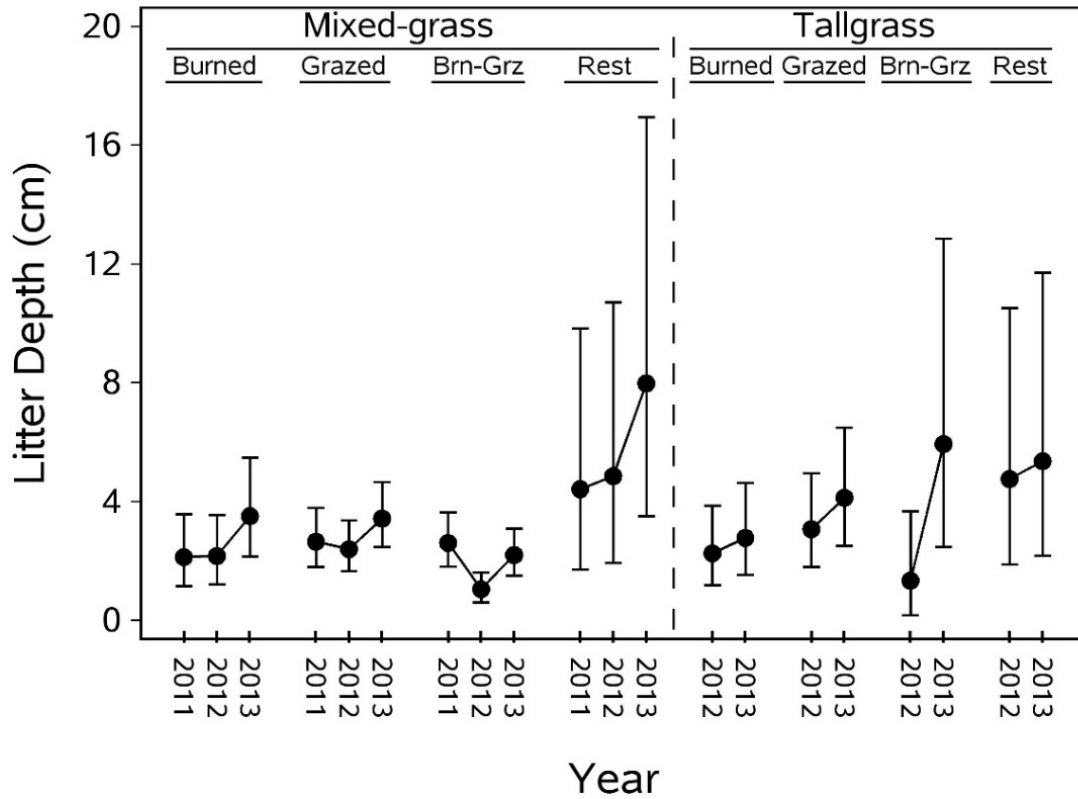
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Table 1.6. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) litter depth (centimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

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| Grass type | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.14 | 0.19 | 2.13 | 1.15 | 3.57 |
| | | 2012 | 1.15 | 0.18 | 2.17 | 1.21 | 3.55 |
| | | 2013 | 1.51 | 0.18 | 3.51 | 2.14 | 5.48 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 1.30 | 0.14 | 2.65 | 1.79 | 3.79 |
| | | 2012 | 1.22 | 0.13 | 2.40 | 1.65 | 3.36 |
| | | 2013 | 1.49 | 0.12 | 3.43 | 2.47 | 4.66 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 1.28 | 0.13 | 2.61 | 1.81 | 3.63 |
| | | 2012 | 0.72 | 0.12 | 1.05 | 0.61 | 1.62 |
| | | 2013 | 1.16 | 0.12 | 2.20 | 1.50 | 3.08 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 1.69 | 0.35 | 4.42 | 1.71 | 9.83 |
| | | 2012 | 1.77 | 0.35 | 4.86 | 1.93 | 10.71 |
| | | 2013 | 2.20 | 0.35 | 7.98 | 3.50 | 16.95 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.18 | 0.20 | 2.26 | 1.18 | 3.86 |
| | | 2013 | 1.33 | 0.20 | 2.78 | 1.53 | 4.63 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.40 | 0.19 | 3.07 | 1.79 | 4.95 |
| | | 2013 | 1.63 | 0.19 | 4.13 | 2.51 | 6.49 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.85 | 0.35 | 1.34 | 0.17 | 3.67 |
| | | 2013 | 1.94 | 0.35 | 5.94 | 2.47 | 12.86 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.75 | 0.35 | 4.76 | 1.88 | 10.51 |
| | | 2013 | 1.85 | 0.35 | 5.36 | 2.18 | 11.71 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; cm, centimeters]

Figure 1.3. Back-transformed least squares mean litter depth (centimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

D. Standard Deviation of Litter Depth (centimeters)

Table 1.7. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on the standard deviation of the mean litter depth (centimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 184.1 | 1.28 | 0.1982 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 89.5 | 1.39 | 0.2499 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 140.1 | 3.16 | 0.0455 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 147.1 | 0.23 | 0.9670 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 118.0 | 0.14 | 0.9359 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 123.3 | 2.02 | 0.1579 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 123.3 | 1.19 | 0.3175 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 106.1 | 0.37 | 0.5460 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 112.9 | 0.01 | 0.9074 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 115.3 | 0.89 | 0.3474 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 103.3 | 0.88 | 0.3511 |

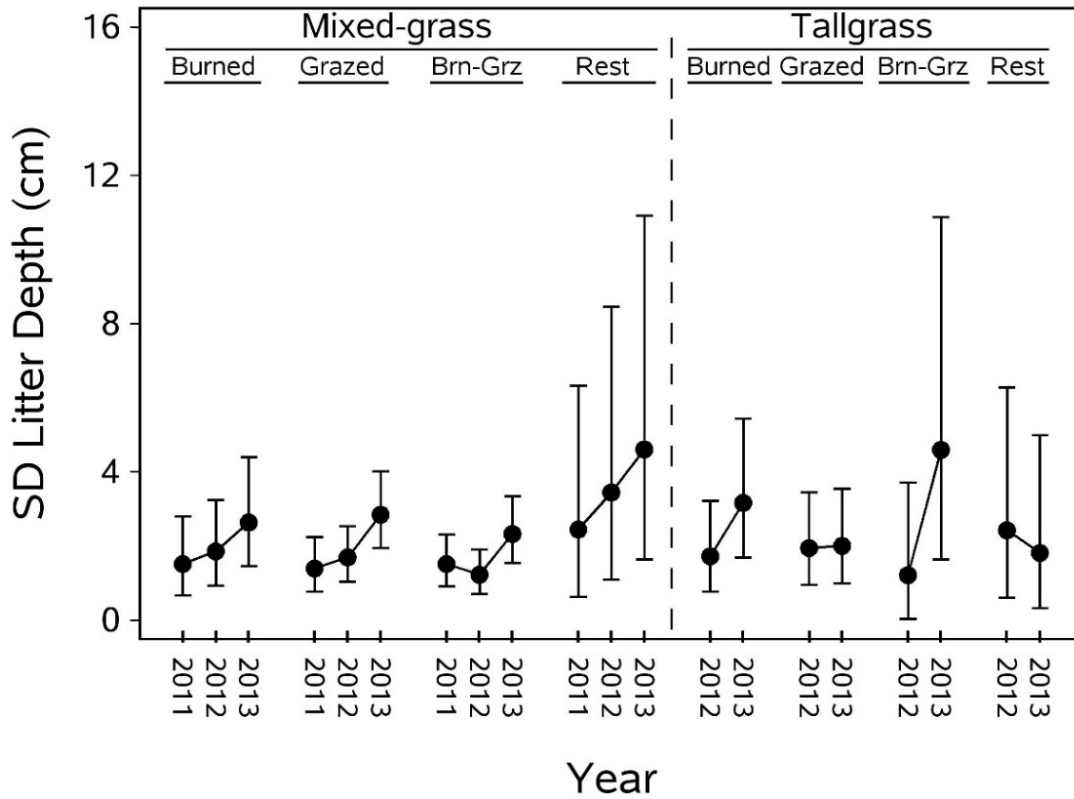
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Table 1.8. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of litter depth (centimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass type | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.92 | 0.21 | 1.52 | 0.67 | 2.81 |
| | | 2012 | 1.05 | 0.20 | 1.86 | 0.93 | 3.24 |
| | | 2013 | 1.29 | 0.20 | 2.64 | 1.46 | 4.40 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.88 | 0.15 | 1.40 | 0.78 | 2.24 |
| | | 2012 | 0.99 | 0.14 | 1.70 | 1.05 | 2.54 |
| | | 2013 | 1.35 | 0.14 | 2.85 | 1.95 | 4.02 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.93 | 0.14 | 1.52 | 0.92 | 2.31 |
| | | 2012 | 0.80 | 0.14 | 1.23 | 0.71 | 1.91 |
| | | 2013 | 1.20 | 0.14 | 2.33 | 1.55 | 3.34 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 1.24 | 0.38 | 2.45 | 0.63 | 6.33 |
| | | 2012 | 1.49 | 0.38 | 3.45 | 1.10 | 8.45 |
| | | 2013 | 1.72 | 0.38 | 4.61 | 1.64 | 10.91 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.00 | 0.22 | 1.73 | 0.77 | 3.22 |
| | | 2013 | 1.43 | 0.22 | 3.17 | 1.70 | 5.44 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.08 | 0.21 | 1.95 | 0.96 | 3.46 |
| | | 2013 | 1.10 | 0.21 | 2.01 | 1.00 | 3.55 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.80 | 0.38 | 1.22 | 0.04 | 3.71 |
| | | 2013 | 1.72 | 0.38 | 4.60 | 1.64 | 10.88 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.23 | 0.38 | 2.43 | 0.61 | 6.28 |
| | | 2013 | 1.04 | 0.38 | 1.82 | 0.33 | 4.99 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; cm, centimeters; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 1.4. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of litter depth (centimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

E. Mean Maximum Vegetation Height

Table 1. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on mean maximum vegetation height (centimeters) on two grass types on federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

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| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 180.2 | 2.43 | 0.0013** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 76.9 | 2.17 | 0.0986* |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 129.2 | 4.57 | 0.0121** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 135.9 | 1.95 | 0.0777* |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 105.2 | 0.11 | 0.9537 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 114.0 | 4.76 | 0.0311** |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 114.0 | 1.44 | 0.2352 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 92.9 | 2.97 | 0.0883* |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 99.7 | 3.94 | 0.0499** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 102.5 | 1.27 | 0.2619 |
| Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 90.3 | 0.67 | 0.4156 | |

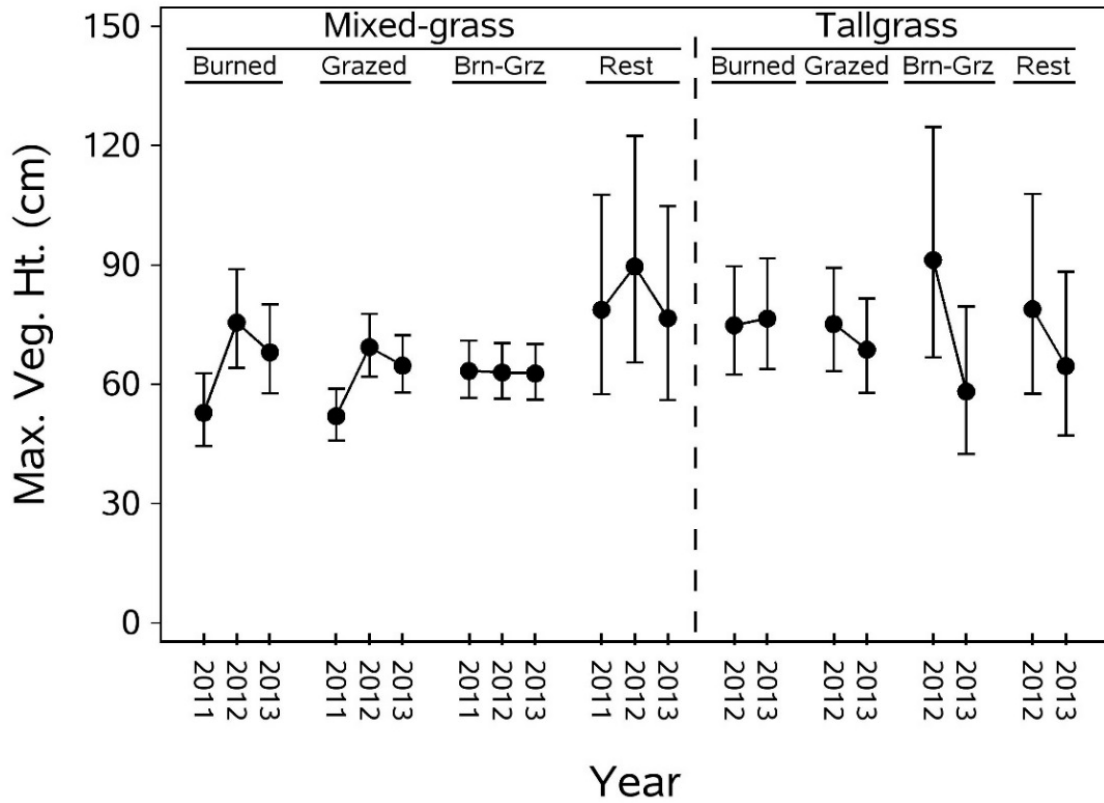
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Table 2. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) maximum vegetation height (centimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass type | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | | LCL | UCL |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 3.99 | 0.09 | 52.84 | 44.47 | 62.77 |
| | | 2012 | 4.34 | 0.08 | 75.52 | 64.11 | 88.93 |
| | | 2013 | 4.23 | 0.08 | 68.04 | 57.75 | 80.14 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 3.97 | 0.06 | 52.00 | 45.89 | 58.91 |
| | | 2012 | 4.25 | 0.06 | 69.36 | 61.94 | 77.66 |
| | | 2013 | 4.19 | 0.06 | 64.70 | 57.90 | 72.29 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 4.16 | 0.06 | 63.36 | 56.56 | 70.95 |
| | | 2012 | 4.16 | 0.06 | 62.97 | 56.35 | 70.35 |
| | | 2013 | 4.15 | 0.06 | 62.72 | 56.12 | 70.08 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 4.38 | 0.16 | 78.75 | 57.55 | 107.64 |
| | | 2012 | 4.51 | 0.16 | 89.63 | 65.53 | 122.46 |
| | | 2013 | 4.35 | 0.16 | 76.64 | 55.99 | 104.76 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 4.33 | 0.09 | 74.84 | 62.44 | 89.65 |
| | | 2013 | 4.35 | 0.09 | 76.52 | 63.85 | 91.66 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 4.33 | 0.09 | 75.19 | 63.32 | 89.24 |
| | | 2013 | 4.24 | 0.09 | 68.69 | 57.84 | 81.55 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 4.52 | 0.16 | 91.27 | 66.74 | 124.70 |
| | | 2013 | 4.08 | 0.16 | 58.19 | 42.45 | 79.63 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 4.38 | 0.16 | 78.88 | 57.64 | 107.81 |
| | | 2013 | 4.18 | 0.16 | 64.60 | 47.15 | 88.35 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; cm, centimeters; Max. Veg. Ht., maximum vegetation height; %, percent]

Figure 1.5. Back-transformed least squares mean maximum vegetation height (centimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

F. Standard Deviation of Maximum Vegetation Height (centimeters)

Table 1.9. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on the standard deviation of maximum vegetation height (centimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 186.8 | 5.15 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 95.2 | 0.42 | 0.7364 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 146.5 | 23.09 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 152.1 | 0.19 | 0.9794 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 123.9 | 2.26 | 0.0845* |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 133.6 | 4.76 | 0.0309** |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 133.6 | 0.63 | 0.5942 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 111.7 | 1.38 | 0.2421 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 118.4 | 0.35 | 0.5554 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 121.2 | 6.92 | 0.0096** |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 109.1 | 0.37 | 0.5432 |

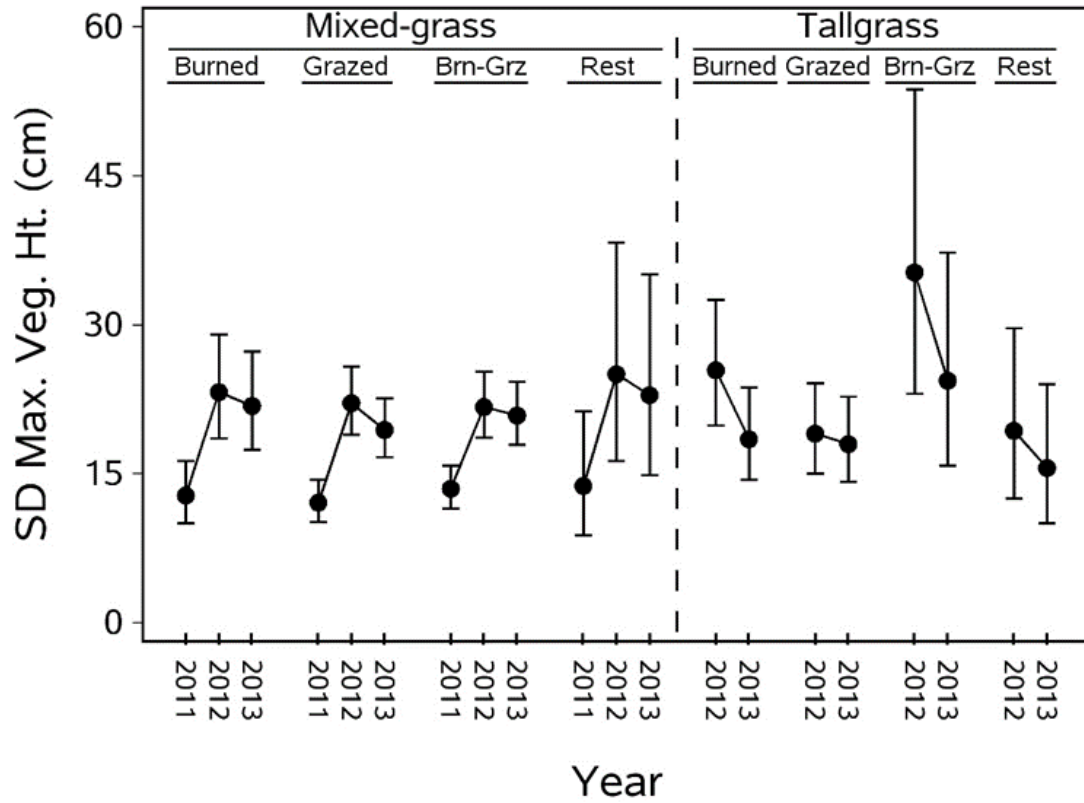
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 1.10. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of maximum vegetation height (centimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass type | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | | LCL | UCL |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 2.62 | 0.11 | 12.80 | 10.02 | 16.28 |
| | | 2012 | 3.19 | 0.11 | 23.22 | 18.54 | 29.02 |
| | | 2013 | 3.13 | 0.11 | 21.83 | 17.42 | 27.29 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 2.57 | 0.08 | 12.09 | 10.13 | 14.40 |
| | | 2012 | 3.14 | 0.08 | 22.11 | 18.93 | 25.80 |
| | | 2013 | 3.02 | 0.07 | 19.41 | 16.65 | 22.60 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 2.67 | 0.08 | 13.49 | 11.50 | 15.81 |
| | | 2012 | 3.12 | 0.07 | 21.72 | 18.65 | 25.27 |
| | | 2013 | 3.08 | 0.07 | 20.86 | 17.90 | 24.27 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.69 | 0.21 | 13.77 | 8.79 | 21.27 |
| | | 2012 | 3.26 | 0.21 | 25.03 | 16.26 | 38.25 |
| | | 2013 | 3.17 | 0.21 | 22.91 | 14.86 | 35.06 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 3.27 | 0.12 | 25.42 | 19.84 | 32.49 |
| | | 2013 | 2.97 | 0.12 | 18.48 | 14.37 | 23.69 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 3.00 | 0.11 | 19.04 | 15.00 | 24.10 |
| | | 2013 | 2.94 | 0.11 | 17.98 | 14.16 | 22.77 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 3.59 | 0.21 | 35.27 | 23.05 | 53.69 |
| | | 2013 | 3.23 | 0.21 | 24.37 | 15.83 | 37.27 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 3.01 | 0.21 | 19.33 | 12.48 | 29.66 |
| | | 2013 | 2.81 | 0.21 | 15.58 | 10.00 | 24.01 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; cm, centimeters; Max. Veg. Ht., maximum vegetation height; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 1.6. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of maximum vegetation height (cm) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

G. Mean Vertical Obstruction Reading (VOR)

Table 1.11. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on mean vertical obstruction reading (decimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 183.8 | 3.20 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 84.0 | 6.80 | 0.0004** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 136.8 | 3.29 | 0.0401** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 141.5 | 1.94 | 0.0781* |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 110.9 | 0.02 | 0.9965 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 126.9 | 2.33 | 0.1292 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 126.9 | 1.02 | 0.3871 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 99.0 | 1.02 | 0.3154 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 105.3 | 13.31 | 0.0004** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 108.2 | 2.93 | 0.0898* |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 96.6 | 0.73 | 0.3959 |

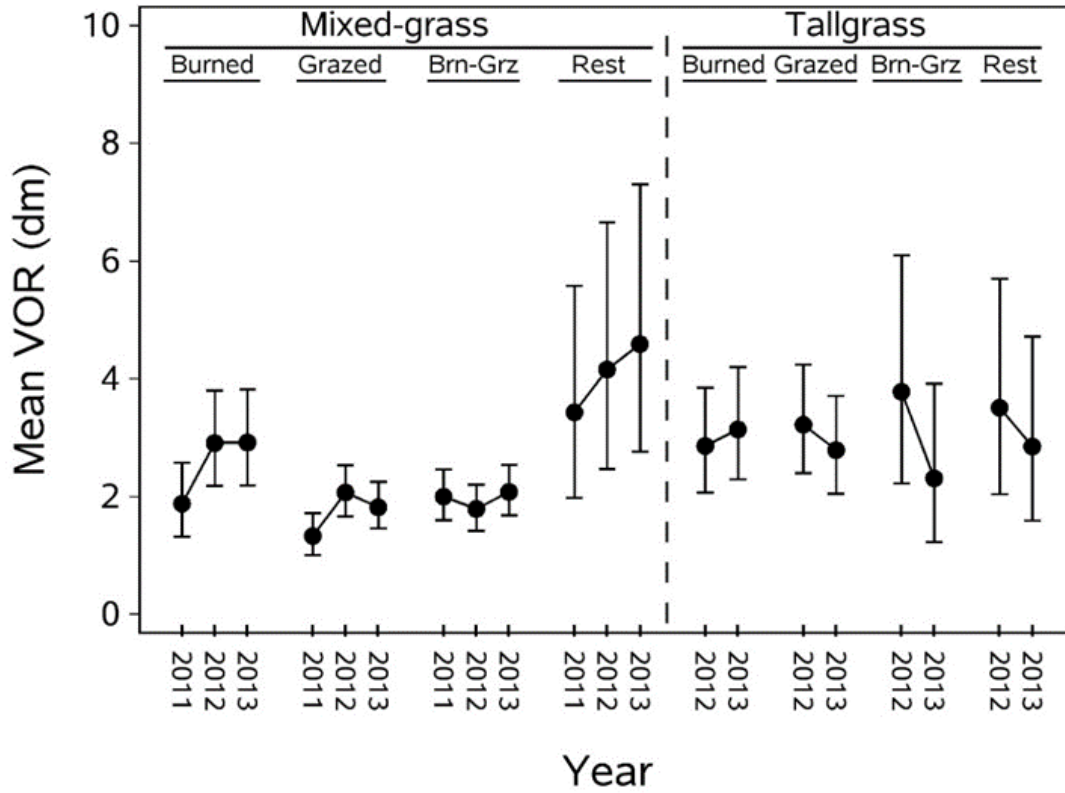
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 1.12. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) vertical obstruction reading (decimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass type | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.06 | 0.11 | 1.88 | 1.32 | 2.57 |
| | | 2012 | 1.36 | 0.11 | 2.91 | 2.18 | 3.80 |
| | | 2013 | 1.37 | 0.11 | 2.92 | 2.19 | 3.82 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.85 | 0.08 | 1.33 | 1.00 | 1.72 |
| | | 2012 | 1.12 | 0.07 | 2.07 | 1.66 | 2.53 |
| | | 2013 | 1.04 | 0.07 | 1.82 | 1.46 | 2.25 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 1.10 | 0.07 | 2.00 | 1.60 | 2.46 |
| | | 2012 | 1.02 | 0.07 | 1.79 | 1.42 | 2.20 |
| | | 2013 | 1.12 | 0.07 | 2.08 | 1.68 | 2.54 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 1.49 | 0.20 | 3.43 | 1.98 | 5.58 |
| | | 2012 | 1.64 | 0.20 | 4.16 | 2.47 | 6.66 |
| | | 2013 | 1.72 | 0.20 | 4.59 | 2.76 | 7.30 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.35 | 0.12 | 2.86 | 2.07 | 3.85 |
| | | 2013 | 1.42 | 0.12 | 3.14 | 2.29 | 4.20 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.44 | 0.11 | 3.22 | 2.40 | 4.24 |
| | | 2013 | 1.33 | 0.11 | 2.79 | 2.05 | 3.71 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 1.57 | 0.20 | 3.78 | 2.22 | 6.10 |
| | | 2013 | 1.20 | 0.20 | 2.31 | 1.23 | 3.92 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.51 | 0.20 | 3.51 | 2.04 | 5.70 |
| | | 2013 | 1.35 | 0.20 | 2.85 | 1.59 | 4.72 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; VOR, vertical obstruction reading; dm, decimeters]

Figure 1.7. Back-transformed least squares mean vertical obstruction reading (decimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

H. Standard Deviation of Vertical Obstruction Reading (VOR; decimeters)

Table 1.13. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on the standard deviation of vertical obstruction reading (decimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.3 | 3.05 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 77.3 | 5.79 | 0.0013** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 130.4 | 4.16 | 0.0177** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 135.4 | 1.36 | 0.2355 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 104.1 | 1.63 | 0.1870 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 119.8 | 6.65 | 0.0111** |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 119.8 | 3.66 | 0.0145** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 92.2 | 0.03 | 0.8525 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 98.5 | 3.14 | 0.0794* |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 101.4 | 5.83 | 0.0176** |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 89.8 | 2.74 | 0.1012 |

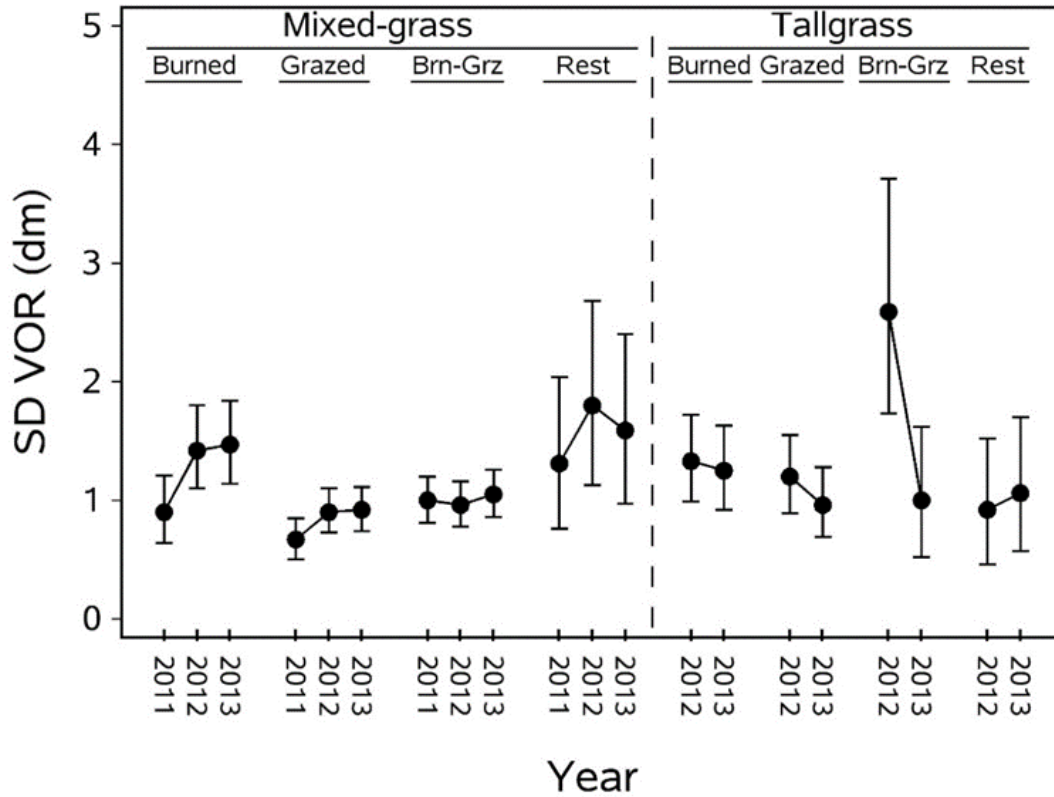
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 1.14. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of vertical obstruction reading (decimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass type | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.64 | 0.08 | 0.90 | 0.64 | 1.21 |
| | | 2012 | 0.89 | 0.07 | 1.42 | 1.10 | 1.80 |
| | | 2013 | 0.90 | 0.07 | 1.47 | 1.14 | 1.84 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.51 | 0.05 | 0.67 | 0.50 | 0.85 |
| | | 2012 | 0.64 | 0.05 | 0.90 | 0.73 | 1.10 |
| | | 2013 | 0.65 | 0.05 | 0.92 | 0.74 | 1.11 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.69 | 0.05 | 1.00 | 0.81 | 1.20 |
| | | 2012 | 0.67 | 0.05 | 0.96 | 0.78 | 1.16 |
| | | 2013 | 0.72 | 0.05 | 1.05 | 0.86 | 1.26 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.84 | 0.14 | 1.31 | 0.76 | 2.04 |
| | | 2012 | 1.03 | 0.14 | 1.80 | 1.13 | 2.68 |
| | | 2013 | 0.95 | 0.14 | 1.59 | 0.97 | 2.40 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.84 | 0.08 | 1.33 | 0.99 | 1.72 |
| | | 2013 | 0.81 | 0.08 | 1.25 | 0.92 | 1.63 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.79 | 0.08 | 1.20 | 0.89 | 1.55 |
| | | 2013 | 0.67 | 0.08 | 0.96 | 0.69 | 1.28 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 1.28 | 0.14 | 2.59 | 1.73 | 3.71 |
| | | 2013 | 0.69 | 0.14 | 1.00 | 0.52 | 1.62 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.65 | 0.14 | 0.92 | 0.46 | 1.52 |
| | | 2013 | 0.72 | 0.14 | 1.06 | 0.57 | 1.70 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; dm, decimeters; SD, standard deviation; VOR, vertical obstruction reading]

Figure 1.8. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of vertical obstruction reading (decimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

I. Mean Standing Dead Cover (percent)

Table 1.15. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a beta distribution with a logit link) testing the influence of management regime and year on mean standing dead cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 188.5 | 5.25 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 130.0 | 0.78 | 0.5046 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 152.7 | 19.95 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 160.2 | 0.08 | 0.9977 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 138.6 | 0.28 | 0.8409 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 145.4 | 1.73 | 0.1900 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 145.2 | 1.71 | 0.1683 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 136.5 | 1.56 | 0.2138 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 138.0 | 0.20 | 0.6548 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 138.9 | 0.81 | 0.3683 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 127.6 | 0.79 | 0.3766 |

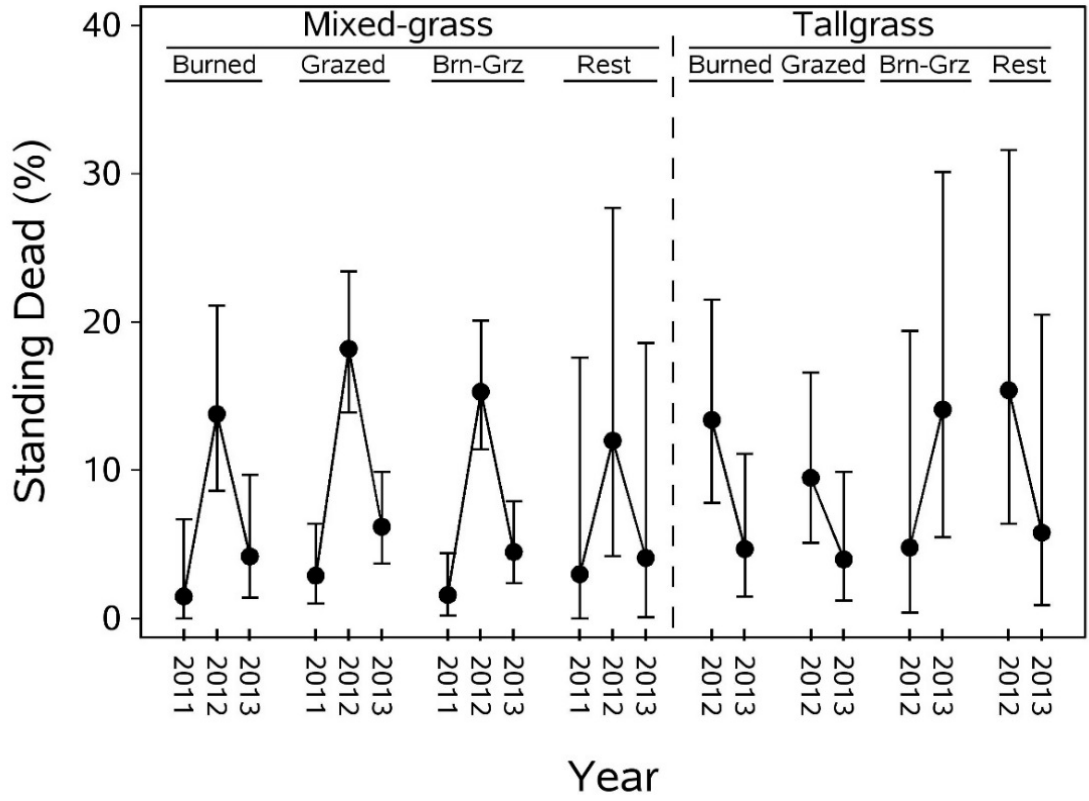
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 1.16. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standing dead cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass type | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -3.647 | 0.593 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 6.7 |
| | | 2012 | -1.752 | 0.251 | 13.8 | 8.6 | 21.1 |
| | | 2013 | -2.902 | 0.401 | 4.2 | 1.4 | 9.7 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -3.208 | 0.350 | 2.9 | 1.0 | 6.4 |
| | | 2012 | -1.435 | 0.156 | 18.2 | 13.9 | 23.4 |
| | | 2013 | -2.559 | 0.233 | 6.2 | 3.7 | 9.9 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -3.616 | 0.385 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 4.4 |
| | | 2012 | -1.638 | 0.163 | 15.3 | 11.4 | 20.1 |
| | | 2013 | -2.839 | 0.264 | 4.5 | 2.4 | 7.9 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -3.190 | 0.874 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 17.6 |
| | | 2012 | -1.905 | 0.507 | 12.0 | 4.2 | 27.7 |
| | | 2013 | -2.932 | 0.777 | 4.1 | 0.1 | 18.6 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -1.785 | 0.280 | 13.4 | 7.8 | 21.5 |
| | | 2013 | -2.815 | 0.426 | 4.7 | 1.5 | 11.1 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -2.140 | 0.304 | 9.5 | 5.1 | 16.6 |
| | | 2013 | -2.944 | 0.428 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 9.9 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -2.792 | 0.730 | 4.8 | 0.4 | 19.4 |
| | | 2013 | -1.728 | 0.476 | 14.1 | 5.5 | 30.1 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -1.630 | 0.460 | 15.4 | 6.4 | 31.6 |
| | | 2013 | -2.626 | 0.679 | 5.8 | 0.9 | 20.5 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 1.9. Back-transformed least squares mean standing dead cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

J. Standard Deviation of Standing Dead Cover (percent)

Table 1.17. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a beta distribution with a logit link) testing the influence of management regime and year on the standard deviation of standing dead cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 185.5 | 7.07 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 106.6 | 1.86 | 0.1413 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 141.6 | 28.05 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 149.0 | 0.51 | 0.7967 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 124.9 | 1.42 | 0.2390 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 131.5 | 3.59 | 0.0603* |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 132.0 | 1.97 | 0.1217 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 117.4 | 2.55 | 0.1128 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 125.4 | 0.22 | 0.6409 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 122.3 | 3.03 | 0.0845* |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 109.2 | 1.26 | 0.2640 |

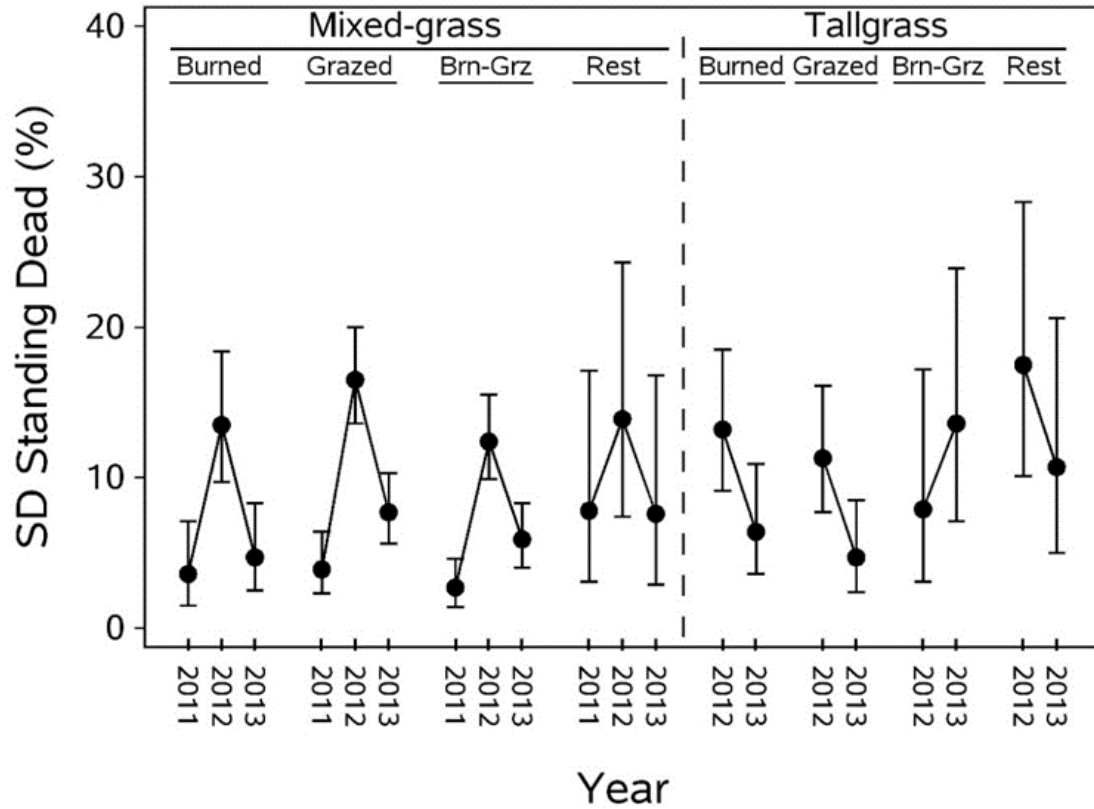
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 1.18. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95 percent confidence intervals) of the standard deviation of standing dead cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned-only, grazed-only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | Standard error | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|----------------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95 percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -3.041 | 0.313 | 3.6 | 1.5 | 7.1 |
| | | 2012 | -1.774 | 0.177 | 13.5 | 9.7 | 18.4 |
| | | 2013 | -2.798 | 0.268 | 4.7 | 2.5 | 8.3 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -2.958 | 0.219 | 3.9 | 2.3 | 6.4 |
| | | 2012 | -1.548 | 0.113 | 16.5 | 13.6 | 20.0 |
| | | 2013 | -2.357 | 0.150 | 7.7 | 5.6 | 10.3 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -3.264 | 0.229 | 2.7 | 1.4 | 4.6 |
| | | 2012 | -1.862 | 0.124 | 12.4 | 9.9 | 15.5 |
| | | 2013 | -2.610 | 0.167 | 5.9 | 4.0 | 8.3 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -2.334 | 0.420 | 7.8 | 3.1 | 17.1 |
| | | 2012 | -1.739 | 0.335 | 13.9 | 7.4 | 24.3 |
| | | 2013 | -2.368 | 0.426 | 7.6 | 2.9 | 16.8 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -1.803 | 0.198 | 13.2 | 9.1 | 18.5 |
| | | 2013 | -2.521 | 0.262 | 6.4 | 3.6 | 10.9 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -1.966 | 0.199 | 11.3 | 7.7 | 16.1 |
| | | 2013 | -2.804 | 0.281 | 4.7 | 2.4 | 8.5 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -2.326 | 0.419 | 7.9 | 3.1 | 17.2 |
| | | 2013 | -1.769 | 0.338 | 13.6 | 7.1 | 23.9 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -1.481 | 0.307 | 17.5 | 10.1 | 28.3 |
| | | 2013 | -2.018 | 0.371 | 10.7 | 5.0 | 20.6 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 1.10. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of standing dead cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

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Appendix 2. Testing the Influence of Post-Management Treatments on Vegetation Structure Variables on Federal Lands Managed under an Adaptive-Management Framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13

A. Mean Bare-Ground Cover (percent)

Table 2.1. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean bare-ground cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 150.3 | 7.03 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 158.6 | 13.62 | 0.0003** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 107.2 | 0.15 | 0.7003 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 131.5 | 5.52 | 0.0203** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.8 | 0.01 | 0.9384 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 159.1 | 0.01 | 0.9401 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 146.5 | 8.05 | 0.0052** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 161.1 | 0.31 | 0.5788 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 131.8 | 0.37 | 0.5460 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.1 | 0.95 | 0.3299 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.6 | 0.53 | 0.4694 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.8 | 0.70 | 0.4035 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 0.15 | 0.6957 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.6 | 0.65 | 0.4226 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 2.53 | 0.1133 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 150.4 | 1.35 | 0.2470 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 149.9 | 0.71 | 0.3995 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 150.6 | 3.34 | 0.0697* |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 163.1 | 1.47 | 0.2268 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 164.6 | 1.88 | 0.1724 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.4 | 0.16 | 0.6867 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 141.3 | 6.55 | 0.0115** |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

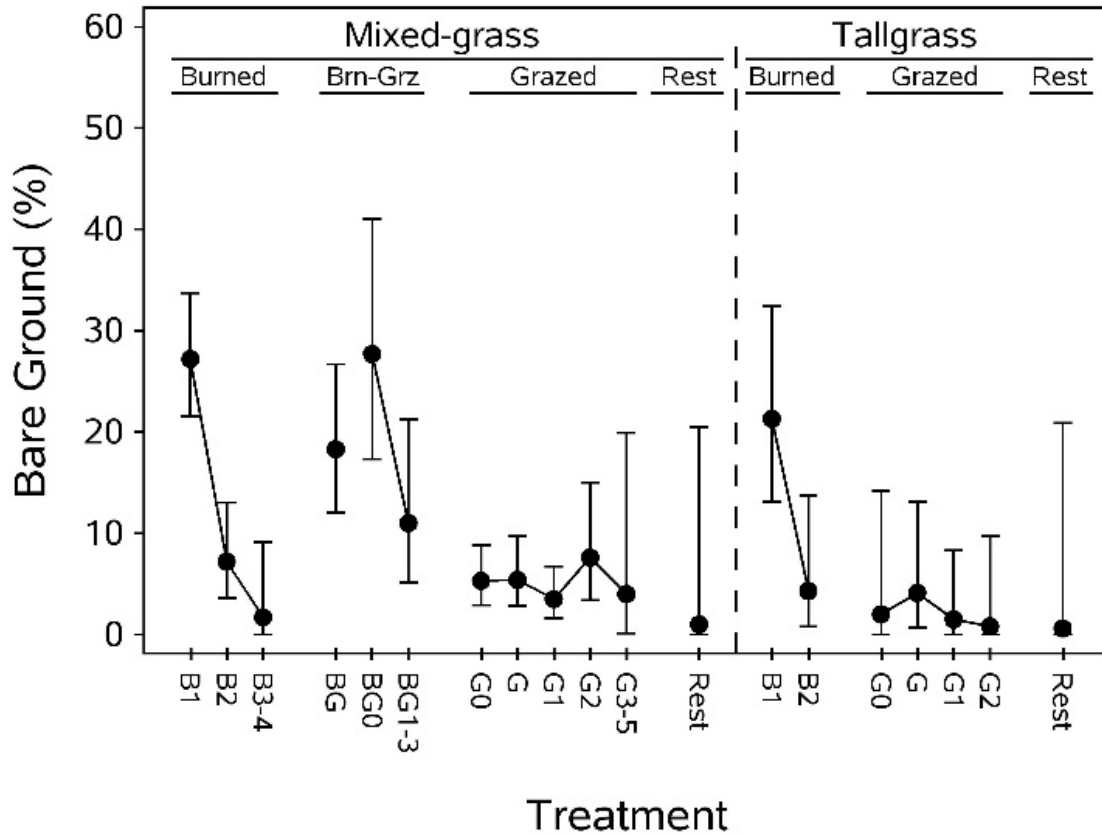
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.2. Least squares mean (standard error) bare-ground cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) bare-ground cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -0.933 | 0.155 | 27.2 | 21.5 | 33.7 |
| | B2 | -2.417 | 0.309 | 7.2 | 3.6 | 13.0 |
| | B3-4 | -3.578 | 0.713 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 9.1 |
| | BG | -1.430 | 0.239 | 18.3 | 12.0 | 26.7 |
| | BG0 | -0.910 | 0.300 | 27.7 | 17.3 | 41.0 |
| | BG1-3 | -1.991 | 0.376 | 11.0 | 5.1 | 21.2 |
| | G0 | -2.707 | 0.250 | 5.3 | 2.9 | 8.8 |
| | G | -2.682 | 0.285 | 5.4 | 2.8 | 9.7 |
| | G1 | -3.049 | 0.286 | 3.5 | 1.6 | 6.7 |
| | G2 | -2.368 | 0.361 | 7.6 | 3.4 | 15.0 |
| | G3-5 | -2.935 | 0.818 | 4.0 | 0.1 | 19.9 |
| | Rest | -3.877 | 1.317 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 20.5 |
| Tall | B1 | -1.251 | 0.286 | 21.3 | 13.1 | 32.4 |
| | B2 | -2.892 | 0.577 | 4.3 | 0.8 | 13.7 |
| | G0 | -3.492 | 0.904 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 14.2 |
| | G | -2.933 | 0.575 | 4.1 | 0.7 | 13.1 |
| | G1 | -3.661 | 0.705 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 8.3 |
| | G2 | -3.980 | 0.946 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 9.7 |
| | Rest | -4.126 | 1.457 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 20.9 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 2.1. Back-transformed least squares mean bare-ground cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.1 and 2.2.

B. Standard Deviation of Bare-Ground Cover (percent)

Table 2.3. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the standard deviation of mean bare-ground cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 151.8 | 4.06 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 158.8 | 11.55 | 0.0009** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 104.5 | 0.77 | 0.3821 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 137.1 | 2.83 | 0.0950* |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 167.9 | 0.12 | 0.7258 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 159.9 | 0.03 | 0.8663 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 135.1 | 7.65 | 0.0065** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 161.9 | 0.39 | 0.5334 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 134.0 | 1.05 | 0.3076 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 0.60 | 0.4387 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 0.55 | 0.4590 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.7 | 1.63 | 0.2034 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.15 | 0.6950 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 2.04 | 0.1554 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 3.19 | 0.0760* |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 155.1 | 1.51 | 0.2211 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 155.1 | 1.15 | 0.2853 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 155.9 | 4.14 | 0.0435* |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 156.2 | 0.29 | 0.5880 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.2 | 3.57 | 0.0605* |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.6 | 0.54 | 0.4640 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 141.2 | 9.40 | 0.0026** | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

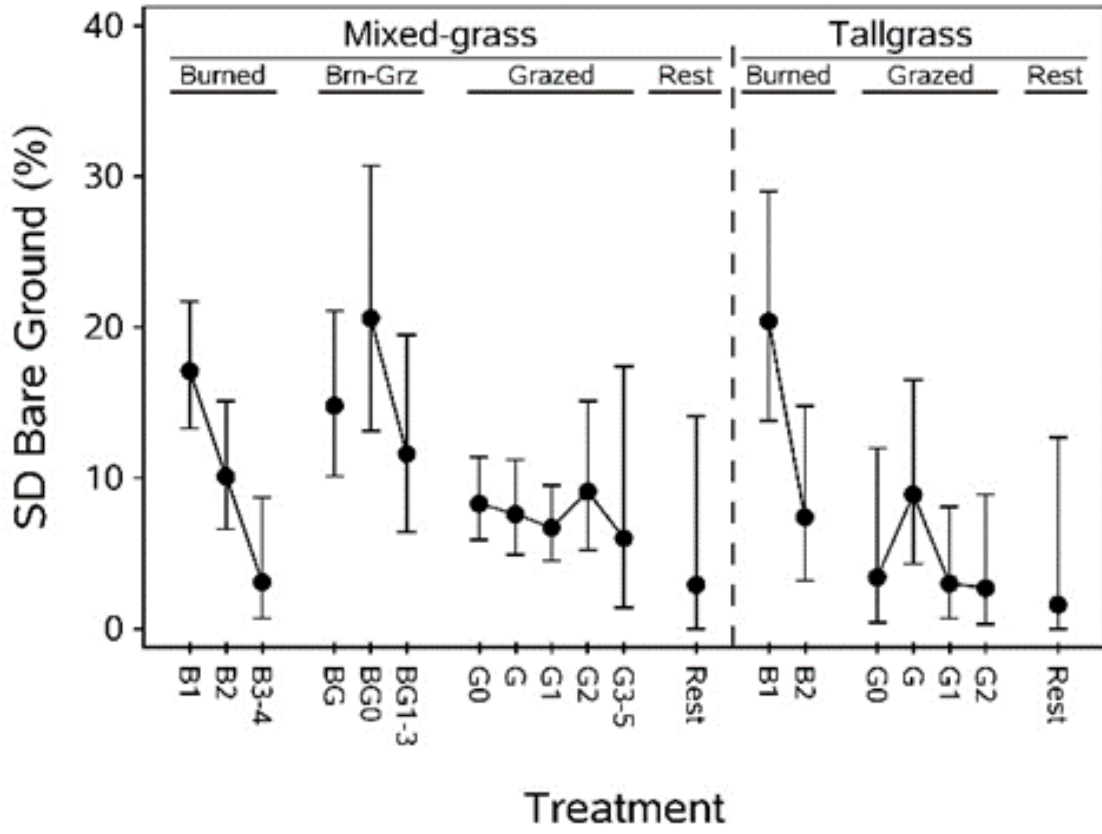
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.4. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of the standard deviation of bare-ground cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -1.510 | 0.144 | 17.1 | 13.3 | 21.7 |
| | B2 | -2.077 | 0.217 | 10.1 | 6.6 | 15.1 |
| | B3-4 | -3.160 | 0.472 | 3.1 | 0.7 | 8.7 |
| | BG | -1.669 | 0.210 | 14.8 | 10.1 | 21.1 |
| | BG0 | -1.289 | 0.266 | 20.6 | 13.1 | 30.7 |
| | BG1-3 | -1.940 | 0.300 | 11.6 | 6.4 | 19.5 |
| | G0 | -2.278 | 0.167 | 8.3 | 5.9 | 11.4 |
| | G | -2.367 | 0.201 | 7.6 | 4.9 | 11.2 |
| | G1 | -2.489 | 0.179 | 6.7 | 4.5 | 9.5 |
| | G2 | -2.184 | 0.270 | 9.1 | 5.2 | 15.1 |
| | G3-5 | -2.590 | 0.563 | 6.0 | 1.4 | 17.4 |
| | Rest | -3.209 | 0.757 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 14.1 |
| Tall | B1 | -1.299 | 0.230 | 20.4 | 13.8 | 29.0 |
| | B2 | -2.395 | 0.370 | 7.4 | 3.2 | 14.8 |
| | G0 | -3.072 | 0.598 | 3.4 | 0.4 | 12.0 |
| | G | -2.213 | 0.339 | 8.9 | 4.3 | 16.5 |
| | G1 | -3.178 | 0.449 | 3.0 | 0.7 | 8.1 |
| | G2 | -3.256 | 0.536 | 2.7 | 0.3 | 8.9 |
| | Rest | -3.620 | 0.908 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 12.7 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 2.2. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of bare-ground cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.3 and 2.4.

C. Mean Litter Depth (centimeters)

Table 2.5. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean litter depth (centimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 152.7 | 5.04 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 155.3 | 29.09 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 96.9 | 0.13 | 0.7215 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 141.0 | 1.96 | 0.1642 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 167.1 | 3.72 | 0.0553* |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 158.4 | 0.32 | 0.5718 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 125.6 | 10.78 | 0.0013** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 159.7 | 0.00 | 0.9784 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 141.4 | 2.91 | 0.0901* |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.00 | 0.9832 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 0.70 | 0.4034 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.2 | 3.20 | 0.0753* |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 0.07 | 0.7973 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 0.01 | 0.9053 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 0.44 | 0.5072 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 155.7 | 4.18 | 0.0426** |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 156.8 | 1.72 | 0.1913 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 158.2 | 9.79 | 0.0021** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 146.8 | 3.46 | 0.0648* |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 161.5 | 3.81 | 0.0525* |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.8 | 0.21 | 0.6448 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 140.6 | 7.10 | 0.0086** | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

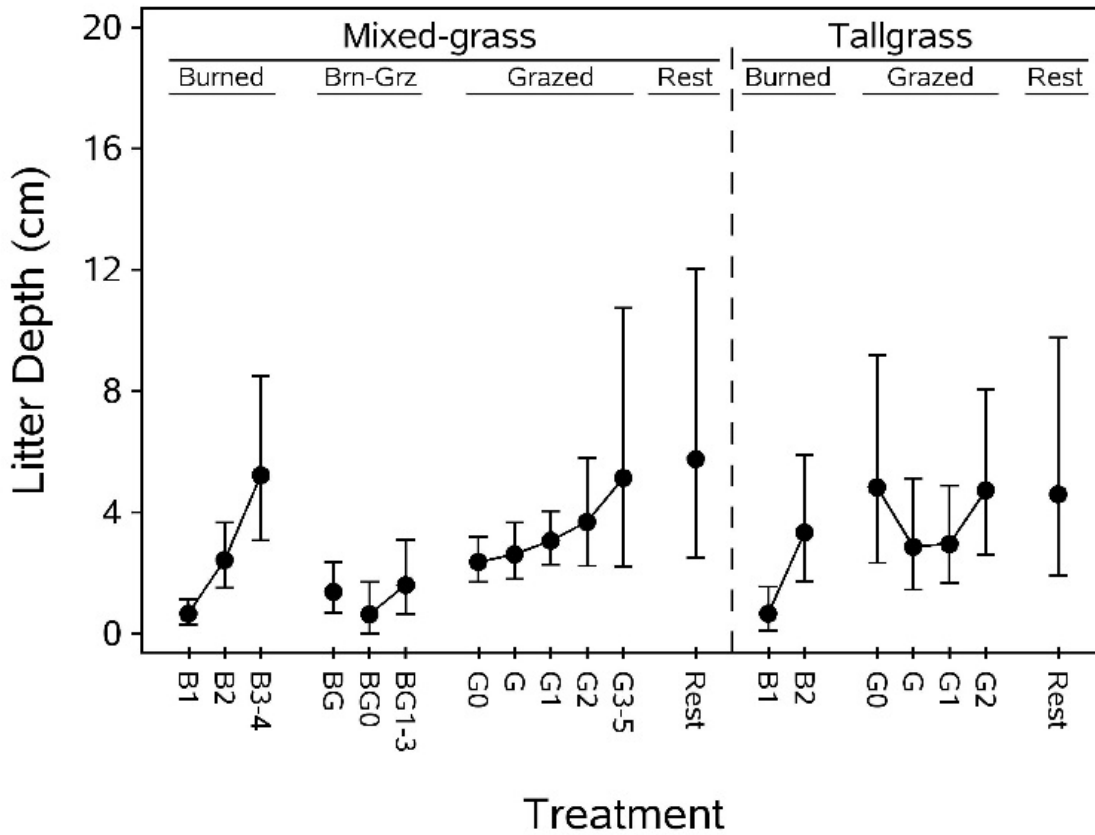
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Table 2.6. Least squares mean (standard error) litter depth (centimeters) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) litter depth (centimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.50 | 0.13 | 0.66 | 0.29 | 1.13 |
| | B2 | 1.23 | 0.16 | 2.43 | 1.51 | 3.67 |
| | B3-4 | 1.83 | 0.22 | 5.23 | 3.08 | 8.50 |
| | BG | 0.87 | 0.18 | 1.38 | 0.68 | 2.37 |
| | BG0 | 0.49 | 0.25 | 0.64 | 0.00 | 1.70 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.96 | 0.23 | 1.61 | 0.66 | 3.10 |
| | G0 | 1.22 | 0.11 | 2.37 | 1.71 | 3.20 |
| | G | 1.29 | 0.13 | 2.62 | 1.80 | 3.67 |
| | G1 | 1.40 | 0.11 | 3.07 | 2.28 | 4.05 |
| | G2 | 1.55 | 0.19 | 3.69 | 2.24 | 5.80 |
| | G3-5 | 1.81 | 0.33 | 5.14 | 2.21 | 10.74 |
| Rest | 1.91 | 0.34 | 5.76 | 2.50 | 12.05 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.51 | 0.22 | 0.66 | 0.09 | 1.55 |
| | B2 | 1.47 | 0.24 | 3.34 | 1.74 | 5.89 |
| | G0 | 1.76 | 0.28 | 4.83 | 2.34 | 9.19 |
| | G | 1.35 | 0.23 | 2.87 | 1.45 | 5.12 |
| | G1 | 1.38 | 0.20 | 2.96 | 1.66 | 4.89 |
| | G2 | 1.75 | 0.23 | 4.73 | 2.62 | 8.06 |
| | Rest | 1.72 | 0.33 | 4.60 | 1.92 | 9.77 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; cm, centimeters]

Figure 2.3. Back-transformed least squares mean litter depth (centimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.5 and 2.6.

D. Standard Deviation of Litter Depth (centimeters)

Table 2.7. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the standard deviation of the mean litter depth (centimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 156.4 | 1.37 | 0.1521 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 163.6 | 7.22 | 0.0079 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 98.9 | 0.05 | 0.8308 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 157.6 | 0.91 | 0.3427 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 162.5 | 0.93 | 0.3355 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 157.4 | 0.12 | 0.7307 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 144.3 | 4.84 | 0.0294 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 162.2 | 0.13 | 0.7152 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 148.8 | 0.59 | 0.4447 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.03 | 0.8607 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 5.36 | 0.0219 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.5 | 0.65 | 0.4215 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.6 | 0.04 | 0.8468 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.48 | 0.4877 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 0.01 | 0.9284 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 159.1 | 1.89 | 0.1707 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 163.3 | 1.17 | 0.2803 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.0 | 3.25 | 0.0733 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 128.3 | 0.41 | 0.5255 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.5 | 0.06 | 0.8114 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.7 | 0.02 | 0.8776 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 147.1 | 0.03 | 0.8643 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

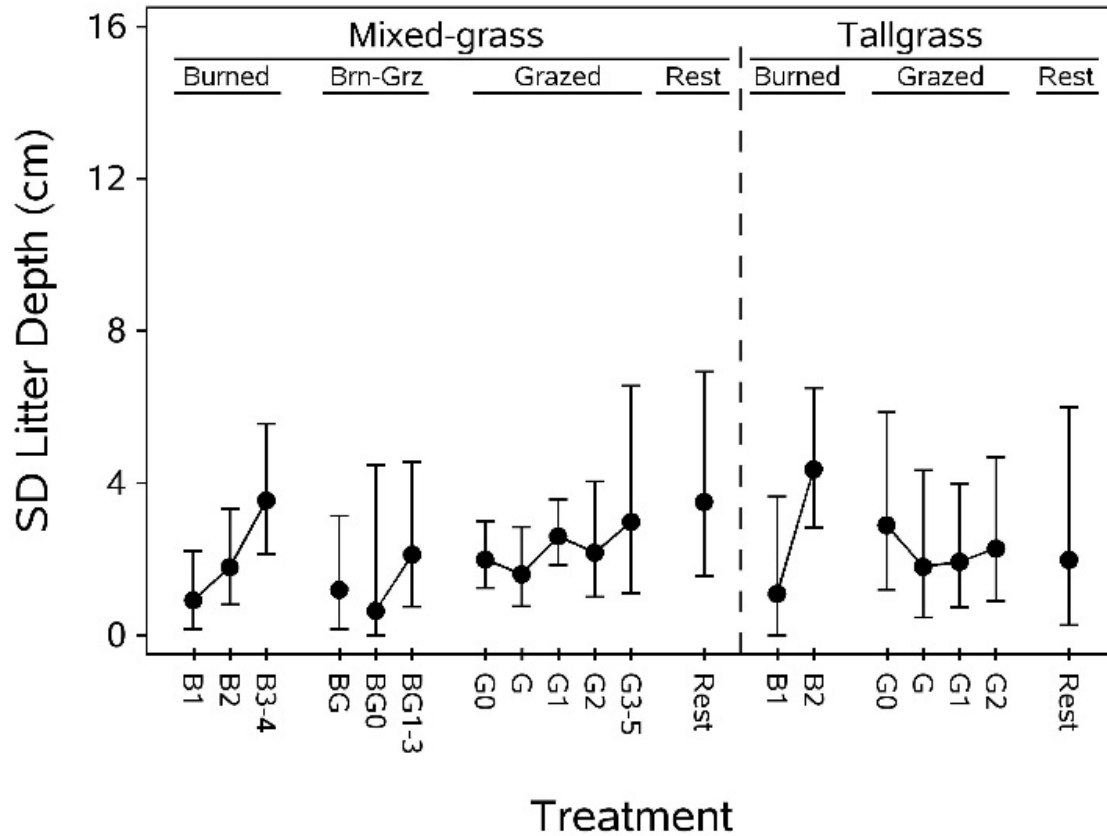
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.8. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of litter depth (centimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.65 | 0.26 | 0.92 | 0.15 | 2.21 |
| | B2 | 1.03 | 0.22 | 1.79 | 0.80 | 3.33 |
| | B3-4 | 1.51 | 0.19 | 3.54 | 2.14 | 5.56 |
| | BG | 0.79 | 0.32 | 1.19 | 0.16 | 3.14 |
| | BG0 | 0.49 | 0.61 | 0.64 | 0.00 | 4.47 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.14 | 0.30 | 2.12 | 0.75 | 4.56 |
| | G0 | 1.10 | 0.15 | 1.99 | 1.24 | 2.99 |
| | G | 0.96 | 0.20 | 1.60 | 0.76 | 2.84 |
| | G1 | 1.28 | 0.12 | 2.60 | 1.85 | 3.56 |
| | G2 | 1.15 | 0.24 | 2.17 | 1.00 | 4.04 |
| | G3-5 | 1.38 | 0.33 | 2.98 | 1.09 | 6.55 |
| | Rest | 1.50 | 0.29 | 3.50 | 1.56 | 6.92 |
| Tall | B1 | 0.74 | 0.41 | 1.09 | 0.00 | 3.64 |
| | B2 | 1.68 | 0.17 | 4.36 | 2.83 | 6.50 |
| | G0 | 1.36 | 0.29 | 2.89 | 1.20 | 5.86 |
| | G | 1.03 | 0.33 | 1.80 | 0.47 | 4.33 |
| | G1 | 1.08 | 0.27 | 1.93 | 0.72 | 3.99 |
| | G2 | 1.19 | 0.28 | 2.28 | 0.89 | 4.68 |
| | Rest | 1.09 | 0.44 | 1.98 | 0.27 | 6.00 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; cm, centimeters; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 2.4. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of litter depth (centimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.7 and 2.8.

E. Mean Maximum Vegetation Height (centimeters)

Table 2.9. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on maximum vegetation height (centimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 154.1 | 3.65 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 159.4 | 3.41 | 0.0667* |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 96.5 | 2.05 | 0.1555 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 146.5 | 4.79 | 0.0302** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 165.3 | 2.39 | 0.1237 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 159.1 | 0.00 | 0.9799 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 122.5 | 1.25 | 0.2649 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 161.6 | 17.91 | <0.0001** |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 142.7 | 0.84 | 0.3619 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.5 | 1.50 | 0.2222 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.27 | 0.6056 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 4.74 | 0.0308** |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 0.56 | 0.4533 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 6.93 | 0.0093** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.5 | 0.08 | 0.7836 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 159.8 | 0.86 | 0.3546 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.2 | 2.78 | 0.0972* |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.3 | 4.41 | 0.0373** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 137.8 | 3.24 | 0.0742* |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 162.6 | 0.45 | 0.5021 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.2 | 0.10 | 0.7530 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 137.2 | 2.98 | 0.0866* | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

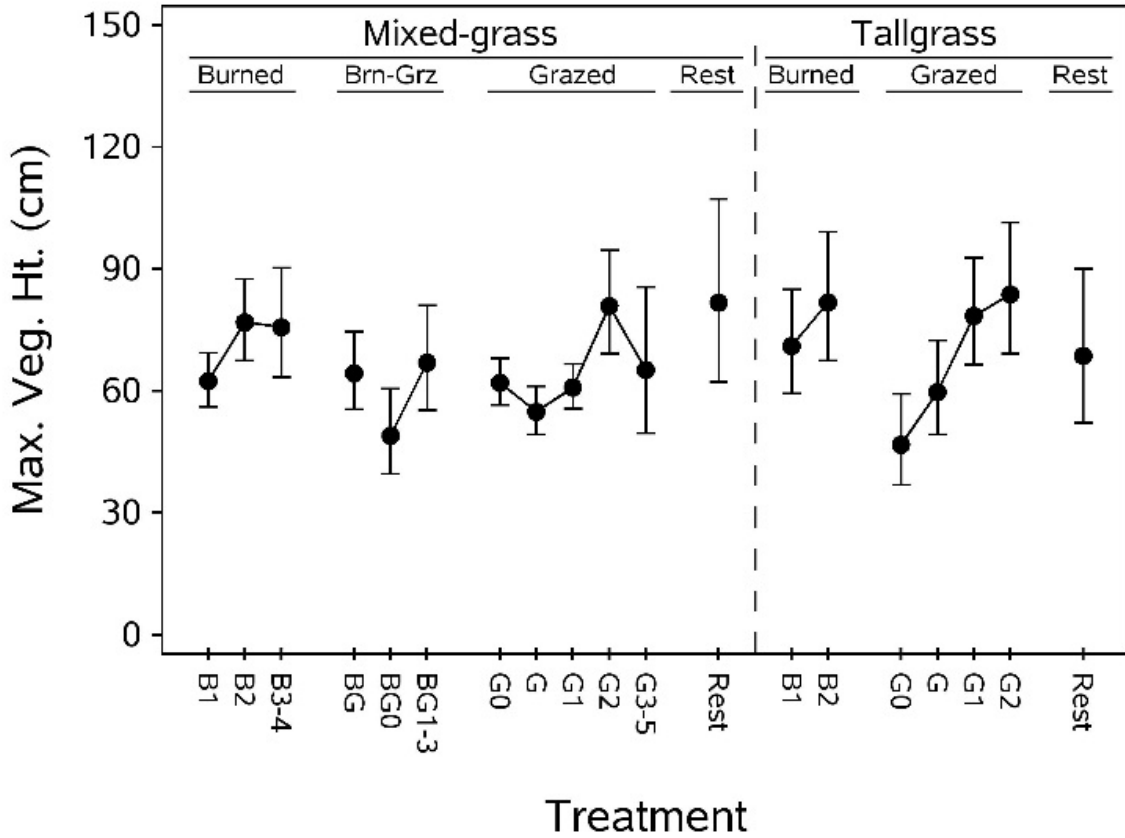
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.10. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) maximum vegetation height (centimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 4.15 | 0.05 | 62.37 | 56.12 | 69.31 |
| | B2 | 4.36 | 0.07 | 76.87 | 67.47 | 87.55 |
| | B3-4 | 4.34 | 0.09 | 75.62 | 63.30 | 90.30 |
| | BG | 4.18 | 0.07 | 64.30 | 55.42 | 74.57 |
| | BG0 | 3.91 | 0.11 | 48.97 | 39.62 | 60.48 |
| | BG1-3 | 4.22 | 0.10 | 66.92 | 55.24 | 81.04 |
| | G0 | 4.14 | 0.05 | 61.96 | 56.48 | 67.95 |
| | G | 4.02 | 0.05 | 54.85 | 49.23 | 61.11 |
| | G1 | 4.12 | 0.05 | 60.82 | 55.54 | 66.59 |
| | G2 | 4.41 | 0.08 | 80.87 | 69.16 | 94.53 |
| | G3-5 | 4.19 | 0.14 | 65.13 | 49.57 | 85.49 |
| | Rest | 4.41 | 0.14 | 81.68 | 62.16 | 107.22 |
| Tall | B1 | 4.28 | 0.09 | 71.01 | 59.39 | 84.85 |
| | B2 | 4.42 | 0.10 | 81.73 | 67.41 | 99.04 |
| | G0 | 3.87 | 0.12 | 46.74 | 36.86 | 59.20 |
| | G | 4.11 | 0.10 | 59.70 | 49.23 | 72.36 |
| | G1 | 4.38 | 0.08 | 78.45 | 66.42 | 92.64 |
| | G2 | 4.44 | 0.10 | 83.72 | 69.09 | 101.41 |
| | Rest | 4.24 | 0.14 | 68.59 | 52.19 | 90.05 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; cm, centimeters; Max., maximum; Veg., vegetation; Ht., height]

Figure 2.5. Back-transformed least squares mean maximum vegetation height (centimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.9 and 2.10.

F. Standard Deviation of Maximum Vegetation Height (centimeters)

Table 2.11. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the standard deviation of maximum vegetation height on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 159.0 | 1.10 | 0.3599 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 164.9 | 0.56 | 0.4548 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 113.5 | 0.07 | 0.7886 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 157.3 | 1.62 | 0.2045 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 165.2 | 0.97 | 0.3267 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 162.9 | 0.01 | 0.9119 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 132.6 | 1.77 | 0.1859 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 165.2 | 0.36 | 0.5468 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 151.7 | 0.71 | 0.4023 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 5.39 | 0.0214 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.01 | 0.9120 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 0.00 | 0.9540 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.48 | 0.4886 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.14 | 0.7059 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.03 | 0.8554 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.2 | 0.01 | 0.9332 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 166.1 | 0.19 | 0.6608 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 165.6 | 0.00 | 0.9738 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 140.8 | 0.79 | 0.3755 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.5 | 1.23 | 0.2686 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.7 | 0.00 | 0.9536 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 144.2 | 3.59 | 0.0602 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

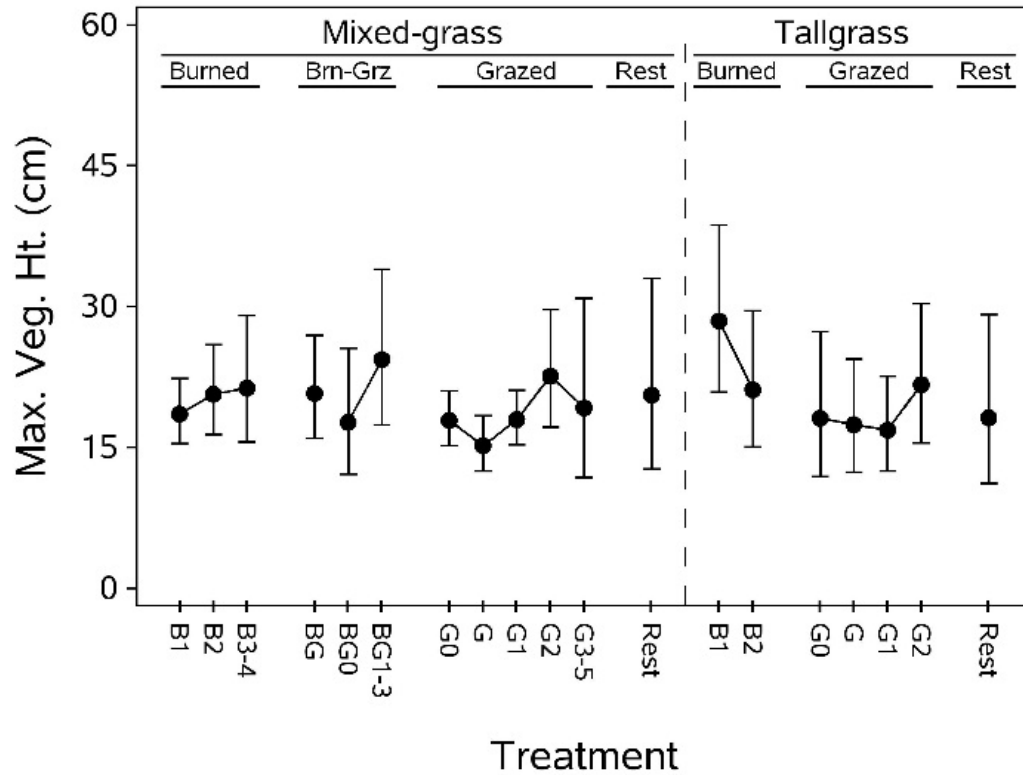
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.12. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of maximum vegetation height (centimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 2.97 | 0.09 | 18.55 | 15.39 | 22.32 |
| | B2 | 3.08 | 0.11 | 20.65 | 16.40 | 25.94 |
| | B3-4 | 3.10 | 0.15 | 21.30 | 15.55 | 29.03 |
| | BG | 3.08 | 0.13 | 20.75 | 15.95 | 26.90 |
| | BG0 | 2.93 | 0.18 | 17.66 | 12.12 | 25.54 |
| | BG1-3 | 3.23 | 0.16 | 24.35 | 17.38 | 33.97 |
| | G0 | 2.94 | 0.08 | 17.87 | 15.17 | 21.02 |
| | G | 2.78 | 0.09 | 15.16 | 12.49 | 18.36 |
| | G1 | 2.94 | 0.08 | 17.95 | 15.29 | 21.05 |
| | G2 | 3.16 | 0.13 | 22.59 | 17.14 | 29.68 |
| | G3-5 | 3.01 | 0.23 | 19.20 | 11.82 | 30.84 |
| | Rest | 3.07 | 0.23 | 20.57 | 12.69 | 32.99 |
| Tall | B1 | 3.38 | 0.15 | 28.46 | 20.87 | 38.68 |
| | B2 | 3.10 | 0.16 | 21.13 | 15.05 | 29.53 |
| | G0 | 2.95 | 0.20 | 18.10 | 11.88 | 27.33 |
| | G | 2.91 | 0.16 | 17.41 | 12.35 | 24.40 |
| | G1 | 2.88 | 0.14 | 16.83 | 12.49 | 22.55 |
| | G2 | 3.12 | 0.16 | 21.69 | 15.45 | 30.30 |
| | Rest | 2.95 | 0.23 | 18.14 | 11.15 | 29.17 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; cm, centimeter; Max., maximum; Veg., vegetation; Ht., height]

Figure 2.6. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of maximum vegetation height (centimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.11 and 2.12.

G. Mean Vertical Obstruction Reading (VOR, decimeters)

Table 2.13. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 146.2 | 6.00 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 142.9 | 6.78 | 0.0102** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 89.9 | 1.19 | 0.2775 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 126.1 | 14.54 | 0.0002** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.9 | 7.34 | 0.0074** |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 153.9 | 0.49 | 0.4867 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 121.9 | 1.09 | 0.2991 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 153.4 | 13.01 | 0.0004** |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 133.4 | 3.76 | 0.0547* |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.5 | 2.62 | 0.1076 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 0.54 | 0.4617 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.3 | 0.02 | 0.8896 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 7.73 | 0.0061** |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.5 | 11.75 | 0.0008** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.65 | 0.4197 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 143.6 | 2.91 | 0.0902* |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 143.8 | 8.92 | 0.0033** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 148.5 | 10.56 | 0.0014** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 159.2 | 9.50 | 0.0024** |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 158.1 | 0.00 | 0.9907 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.3 | 0.55 | 0.4609 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 141.3 | 1.36 | 0.2450 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

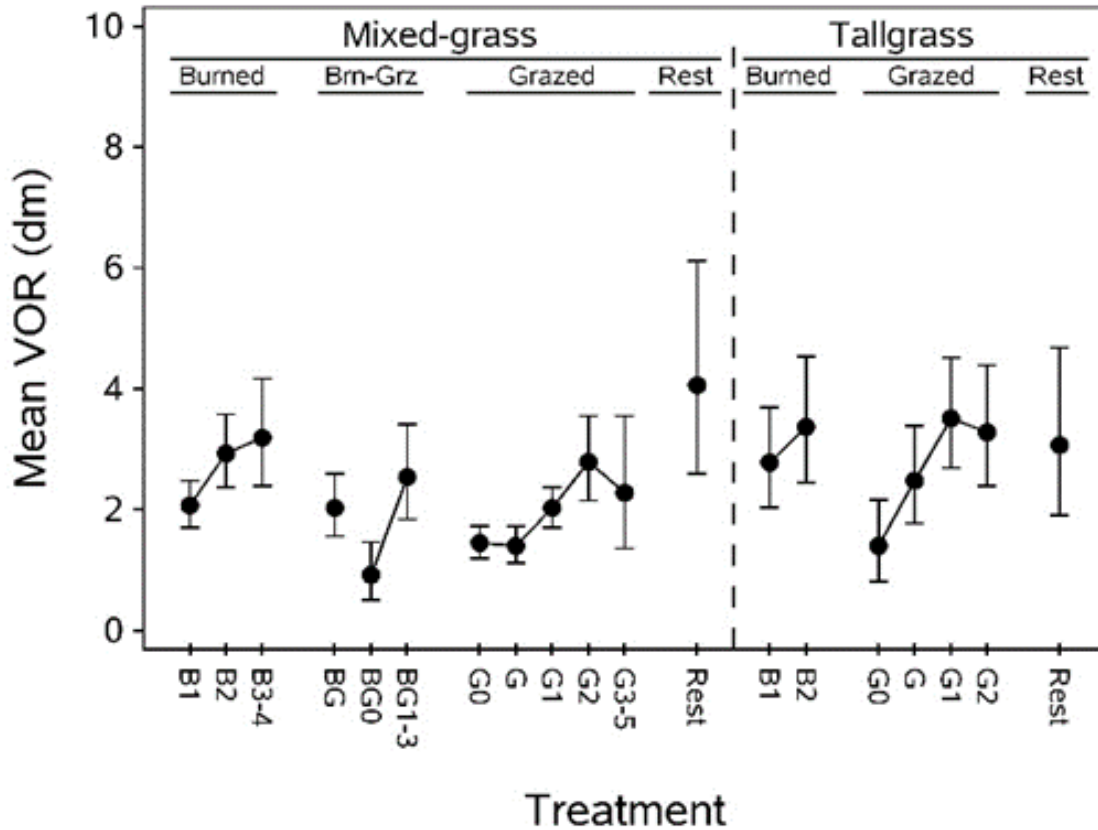
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.14. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) vertical obstruction readings (decimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.12 | 0.06 | 2.07 | 1.70 | 2.48 |
| | B2 | 1.37 | 0.08 | 2.93 | 2.37 | 3.58 |
| | B3-4 | 1.43 | 0.11 | 3.19 | 2.39 | 4.17 |
| | BG | 1.11 | 0.09 | 2.03 | 1.56 | 2.59 |
| | BG0 | 0.65 | 0.13 | 0.92 | 0.50 | 1.46 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.26 | 0.11 | 2.54 | 1.84 | 3.41 |
| | G0 | 0.90 | 0.06 | 1.45 | 1.19 | 1.73 |
| | G | 0.88 | 0.06 | 1.40 | 1.11 | 1.72 |
| | G1 | 1.11 | 0.06 | 2.03 | 1.71 | 2.37 |
| | G2 | 1.33 | 0.09 | 2.79 | 2.15 | 3.55 |
| | G3-5 | 1.19 | 0.17 | 2.28 | 1.36 | 3.55 |
| Rest | 1.62 | 0.17 | 4.06 | 2.59 | 6.12 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.33 | 0.11 | 2.78 | 2.04 | 3.69 |
| | B2 | 1.47 | 0.12 | 3.37 | 2.45 | 4.53 |
| | G0 | 0.87 | 0.14 | 1.40 | 0.81 | 2.16 |
| | G | 1.25 | 0.12 | 2.48 | 1.77 | 3.38 |
| | G1 | 1.51 | 0.10 | 3.51 | 2.69 | 4.52 |
| | G2 | 1.45 | 0.12 | 3.28 | 2.39 | 4.39 |
| | Rest | 1.40 | 0.17 | 3.07 | 1.91 | 4.68 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; dm, decimeter; VOR, vertical obstruction reading]

Figure 2.7. Back-transformed least squares mean vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.13 and 2.14.

H. Standard Deviation of Vertical Obstruction Reading (VOR, decimeters)

Table 2.15. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the standard deviation of vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 148.9 | 3.85 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 148.3 | 1.82 | 0.1791 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 91.8 | 0.27 | 0.6025 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 132.0 | 11.32 | 0.0010** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.3 | 3.89 | 0.0503* |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 155.8 | 0.01 | 0.9342 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 123.1 | 0.77 | 0.3829 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 156.2 | 4.63 | 0.0330** |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 136.4 | 1.64 | 0.2019 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.3 | 5.13 | 0.0247** |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 0.07 | 0.7961 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.1 | 0.85 | 0.3586 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 2.38 | 0.1249 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.92 | 0.3395 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.07 | 0.7907 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 148.8 | 0.45 | 0.5020 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 149.5 | 4.44 | 0.0368** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 152.8 | 2.94 | 0.0882* |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 153.5 | 12.13 | 0.0006** |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 159.3 | 2.80 | 0.0960* |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.4 | 0.09 | 0.7610 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 140.4 | 11.60 | 0.0009** | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

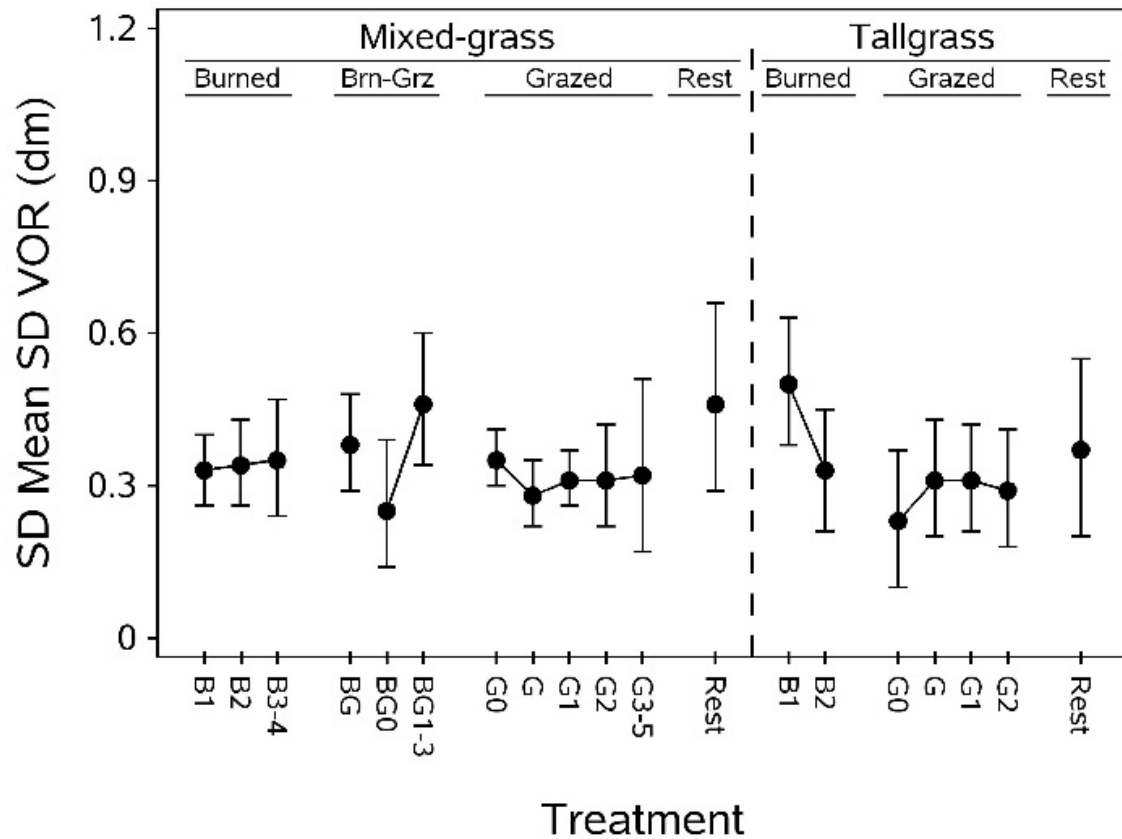
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.16. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of vertical obstruction readings (decimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.77 | 0.05 | 1.17 | 0.97 | 1.39 |
| | B2 | 0.87 | 0.06 | 1.39 | 1.13 | 1.69 |
| | B3-4 | 0.90 | 0.08 | 1.46 | 1.09 | 1.89 |
| | BG | 0.72 | 0.07 | 1.06 | 0.80 | 1.35 |
| | BG0 | 0.48 | 0.10 | 0.61 | 0.33 | 0.95 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.90 | 0.09 | 1.45 | 1.07 | 1.91 |
| | G0 | 0.57 | 0.04 | 0.76 | 0.62 | 0.92 |
| | G | 0.54 | 0.05 | 0.71 | 0.55 | 0.89 |
| | G1 | 0.65 | 0.04 | 0.92 | 0.77 | 1.08 |
| | G2 | 0.78 | 0.07 | 1.19 | 0.90 | 1.52 |
| | G3-5 | 0.73 | 0.13 | 1.08 | 0.62 | 1.67 |
| | Rest | 0.94 | 0.13 | 1.57 | 0.98 | 2.32 |
| Tall | B1 | 1.00 | 0.08 | 1.71 | 1.30 | 2.20 |
| | B2 | 0.90 | 0.09 | 1.46 | 1.06 | 1.94 |
| | G0 | 0.46 | 0.11 | 0.58 | 0.28 | 0.96 |
| | G | 0.70 | 0.09 | 1.01 | 0.68 | 1.39 |
| | G1 | 0.74 | 0.08 | 1.09 | 0.79 | 1.43 |
| | G2 | 0.75 | 0.09 | 1.12 | 0.78 | 1.53 |
| | Rest | 0.70 | 0.13 | 1.02 | 0.57 | 1.60 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; dm, decimeter; Min., minimum; SD, standard deviation; VOR, vertical obstruction reading]

Figure 2.8. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.15 and 2.16.

I. Mean Minimum Vertical Obstruction Reading (VOR, decimeters)

Table 2.17. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the mean minimum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 144.5 | 6.46 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 140.0 | 7.35 | 0.0076** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 88.3 | 1.13 | 0.2901 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 123.0 | 15.04 | 0.0002** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 169.0 | 7.77 | 0.0059** |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 152.7 | 0.82 | 0.3665 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 120.6 | 1.46 | 0.2290** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 151.9 | 14.08 | 0.0002** |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 131.4 | 3.61 | 0.0597* |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.1 | 2.44 | 0.1205 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.6 | 0.69 | 0.4086 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.9 | 0.00 | 0.9692 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 8.34 | 0.0044** |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 12.47 | 0.0005** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.85 | 0.3581 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 140.8 | 3.10 | 0.0805* |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 140.7 | 9.60 | 0.0023** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 146.0 | 11.30 | 0.0010** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 161.4 | 10.45 | 0.0015** |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 157.5 | 0.01 | 0.9351 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.3 | 0.36 | 0.5518 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 141.3 | 1.19 | 0.2764 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

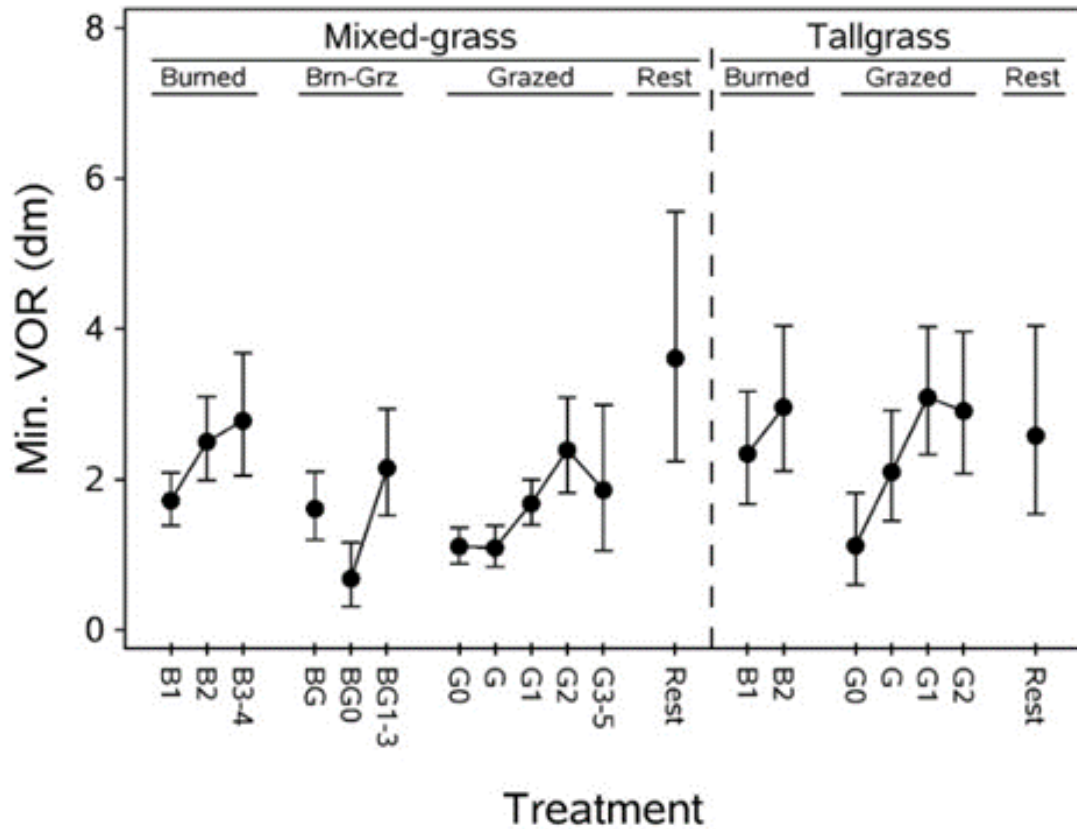
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.18. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) minimum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.00 | 0.07 | 1.72 | 1.38 | 2.09 |
| | B2 | 1.25 | 0.08 | 2.50 | 1.99 | 3.10 |
| | B3-4 | 1.33 | 0.11 | 2.78 | 2.05 | 3.68 |
| | BG | 0.96 | 0.09 | 1.61 | 1.19 | 2.10 |
| | BG0 | 0.52 | 0.13 | 0.68 | 0.31 | 1.16 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.15 | 0.11 | 2.15 | 1.52 | 2.94 |
| | G0 | 0.75 | 0.06 | 1.11 | 0.88 | 1.36 |
| | G | 0.74 | 0.07 | 1.09 | 0.84 | 1.38 |
| | G1 | 0.99 | 0.06 | 1.68 | 1.40 | 2.00 |
| | G2 | 1.22 | 0.10 | 2.39 | 1.82 | 3.09 |
| | G3-5 | 1.05 | 0.17 | 1.86 | 1.05 | 2.99 |
| | Rest | 1.53 | 0.18 | 3.61 | 2.24 | 5.56 |
| Tall | B1 | 1.20 | 0.11 | 2.34 | 1.67 | 3.17 |
| | B2 | 1.38 | 0.12 | 2.96 | 2.11 | 4.04 |
| | G0 | 0.75 | 0.14 | 1.12 | 0.60 | 1.82 |
| | G | 1.13 | 0.12 | 2.10 | 1.45 | 2.92 |
| | G1 | 1.41 | 0.11 | 3.09 | 2.33 | 4.03 |
| | G2 | 1.36 | 0.12 | 2.91 | 2.08 | 3.96 |
| | Rest | 1.27 | 0.17 | 2.58 | 1.54 | 4.04 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; dm, decimeter; Min., minimum; SD, VOR, vertical obstruction reading]

Figure 2.9. Back-transformed least squares mean minimum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.17 and 2.18.

J. Standard Deviation of Minimum Vertical Obstruction Reading (VOR, decimeters)

Table 2.19. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the standard deviation of mean minimum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 148.1 | 4.11 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 146.4 | 3.20 | 0.0755* |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 91.6 | 0.13 | 0.7165 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 130.0 | 10.79 | 0.0013** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.6 | 4.50 | 0.0353** |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 155.2 | 0.06 | 0.8004 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 123.2 | 0.10 | 0.7501 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 155.3 | 5.47 | 0.0206** |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 135.5 | 1.93 | 0.1674 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.0 | 4.04 | 0.0461** |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 0.26 | 0.6124 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.8 | 0.40 | 0.5271 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 2.52 | 0.1143 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 1.89 | 0.1715 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.00 | 0.9964 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 147.0 | 0.42 | 0.5176 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 147.5 | 4.86 | 0.0290** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 151.3 | 3.73 | 0.0554* |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 156.0 | 14.34 | 0.0002** |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 159.0 | 2.33 | 0.1293 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.4 | 0.11 | 0.7397 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 141.1 | 10.12 | 0.0018** | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

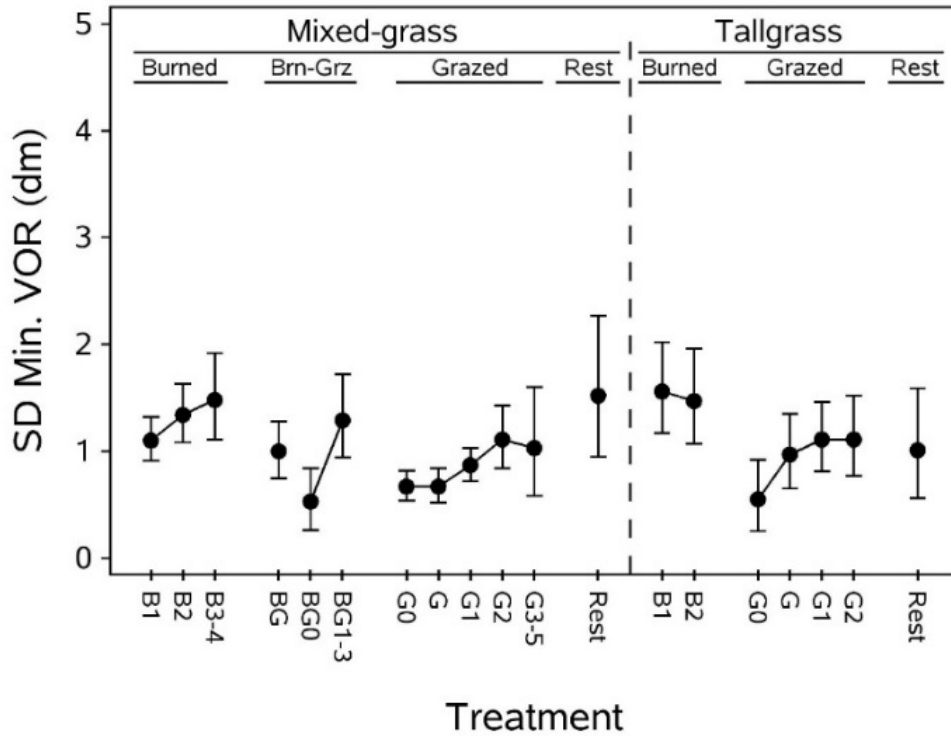
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.20. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of mean minimum vertical obstruction reading (decimeters), by grassland type (mixed grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.74 | 0.05 | 1.10 | 0.91 | 1.32 |
| | B2 | 0.85 | 0.06 | 1.34 | 1.08 | 1.63 |
| | B3-4 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 1.48 | 1.11 | 1.92 |
| | BG | 0.69 | 0.07 | 1.00 | 0.75 | 1.28 |
| | BG0 | 0.42 | 0.10 | 0.53 | 0.26 | 0.84 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.83 | 0.09 | 1.29 | 0.94 | 1.72 |
| | G0 | 0.51 | 0.04 | 0.67 | 0.54 | 0.82 |
| | G | 0.51 | 0.05 | 0.67 | 0.52 | 0.84 |
| | G1 | 0.63 | 0.04 | 0.87 | 0.72 | 1.03 |
| | G2 | 0.75 | 0.07 | 1.11 | 0.84 | 1.43 |
| | G3-5 | 0.71 | 0.13 | 1.03 | 0.58 | 1.60 |
| Rest | 0.92 | 0.13 | 1.52 | 0.95 | 2.27 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.94 | 0.08 | 1.56 | 1.17 | 2.02 |
| | B2 | 0.91 | 0.09 | 1.47 | 1.07 | 1.96 |
| | G0 | 0.44 | 0.11 | 0.55 | 0.25 | 0.92 |
| | G | 0.68 | 0.09 | 0.97 | 0.65 | 1.35 |
| | G1 | 0.75 | 0.08 | 1.11 | 0.81 | 1.46 |
| | G2 | 0.75 | 0.09 | 1.11 | 0.77 | 1.52 |
| | Rest | 0.70 | 0.13 | 1.01 | 0.56 | 1.59 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; dm, decimeter; Min., minimum; SD, standard deviation; VOR, vertical obstruction reading]

Figure 2.10. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of the mean minimum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.19 and 2.20.

K. Mean Maximum Vertical Obstruction Reading (VOR, decimeters)

Table 2.21. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the mean maximum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 149.1 | 5.19 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 148.3 | 6.04 | 0.0151** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 92.5 | 1.14 | 0.2877 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 132.1 | 13.47 | 0.0003** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.4 | 6.22 | 0.0136** |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 155.9 | 0.18 | 0.6715 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 123.8 | 0.69 | 0.4093 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 156.2 | 10.33 | 0.0016** |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 136.7 | 3.64 | 0.0584* |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.3 | 3.14 | 0.0783* |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 0.51 | 0.4745 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.1 | 0.08 | 0.7773 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 7.22 | 0.0079** |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 10.05 | 0.0018** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.45 | 0.5026 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 148.8 | 2.70 | 0.1022 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 149.4 | 7.95 | 0.0055** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 152.8 | 9.69 | 0.0022** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 154.3 | 7.94 | 0.0055** |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 159.4 | 0.00 | 0.9803 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.4 | 0.67 | 0.4147 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 141.0 | 1.66 | 0.2000 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

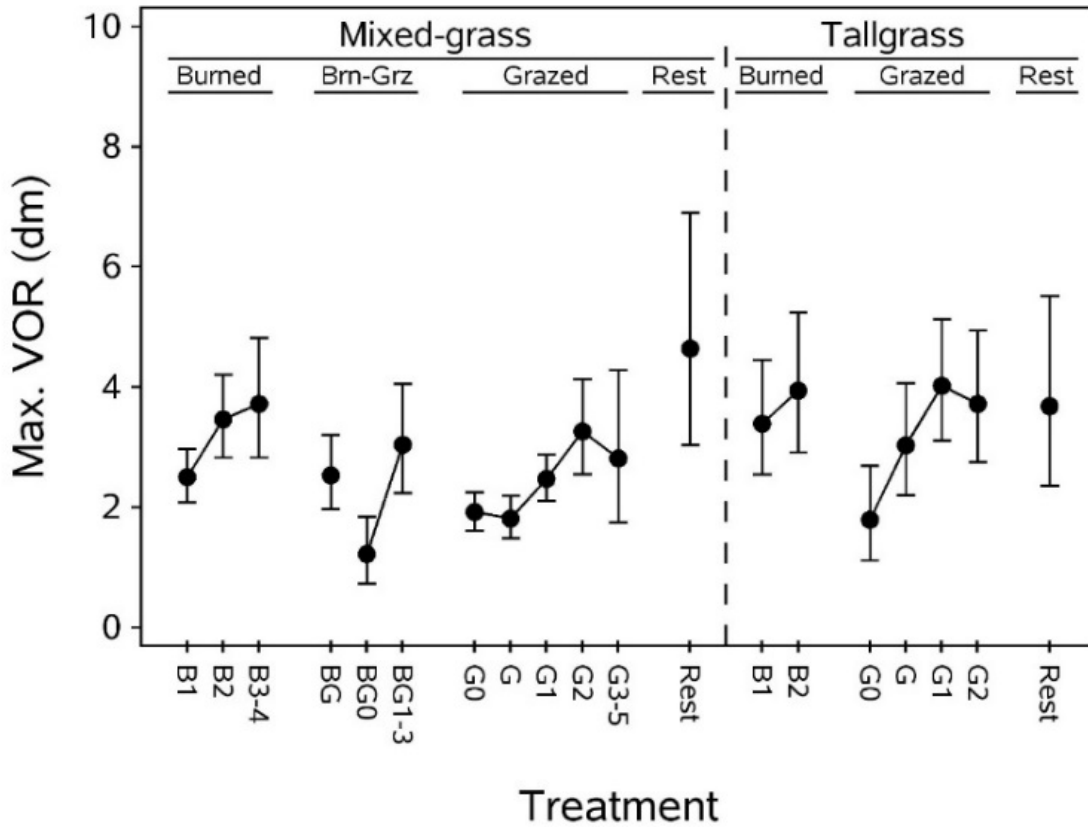
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.22. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) maximum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.25 | 0.06 | 2.50 | 2.08 | 2.97 |
| | B2 | 1.49 | 0.08 | 3.46 | 2.82 | 4.20 |
| | B3-4 | 1.55 | 0.11 | 3.72 | 2.82 | 4.82 |
| | BG | 1.26 | 0.09 | 2.53 | 1.97 | 3.20 |
| | BG0 | 0.80 | 0.13 | 1.22 | 0.73 | 1.84 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.40 | 0.11 | 3.04 | 2.23 | 4.05 |
| | G0 | 1.07 | 0.06 | 1.92 | 1.61 | 2.25 |
| | G | 1.03 | 0.06 | 1.81 | 1.48 | 2.19 |
| | G1 | 1.24 | 0.06 | 2.47 | 2.11 | 2.87 |
| | G2 | 1.45 | 0.09 | 3.26 | 2.55 | 4.13 |
| | G3-5 | 1.34 | 0.17 | 2.81 | 1.75 | 4.28 |
| | Rest | 1.73 | 0.17 | 4.64 | 3.03 | 6.90 |
| Tall | B1 | 1.48 | 0.11 | 3.39 | 2.54 | 4.45 |
| | B2 | 1.60 | 0.12 | 3.94 | 2.91 | 5.24 |
| | G0 | 1.03 | 0.14 | 1.79 | 1.11 | 2.69 |
| | G | 1.39 | 0.12 | 3.03 | 2.20 | 4.06 |
| | G1 | 1.61 | 0.10 | 4.02 | 3.11 | 5.13 |
| | G2 | 1.55 | 0.12 | 3.72 | 2.75 | 4.94 |
| | Rest | 1.54 | 0.17 | 3.68 | 2.36 | 5.51 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; dm, decimeter; Max., maximum; VOR, vertical obstruction reading]

Figure 2.11. Back-transformed least squares mean maximum vertical obstruction reading (decimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.21 and 2.22.

L. Standard Deviation of Maximum Vertical Obstruction Reading (VOR, decimeters)

Table 2.23. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the standard deviation of mean maximum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 154.5 | 3.05 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 159.4 | 0.56 | 0.4545 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 98.9 | 0.18 | 0.6752 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 146.8 | 11.79 | 0.0008** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 165.8 | 2.13 | 0.1468 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 159.5 | 0.01 | 0.9182 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 124.9 | 2.05 | 0.1544 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 161.7 | 2.61 | 0.1079 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 143.7 | 1.26 | 0.2634 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.5 | 5.83 | 0.0168** |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.00 | 0.9730 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 1.80 | 0.1812 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 1.97 | 0.1626 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.01 | 0.9424 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.5 | 0.21 | 0.6448 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 159.7 | 0.60 | 0.4380 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.0 | 3.58 | 0.0601* |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.3 | 2.09 | 0.1504 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 140.5 | 7.45 | 0.0071** |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 162.8 | 2.84 | 0.0937* |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.2 | 0.11 | 0.7420 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 139.2 | 12.56 | 0.0005** |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

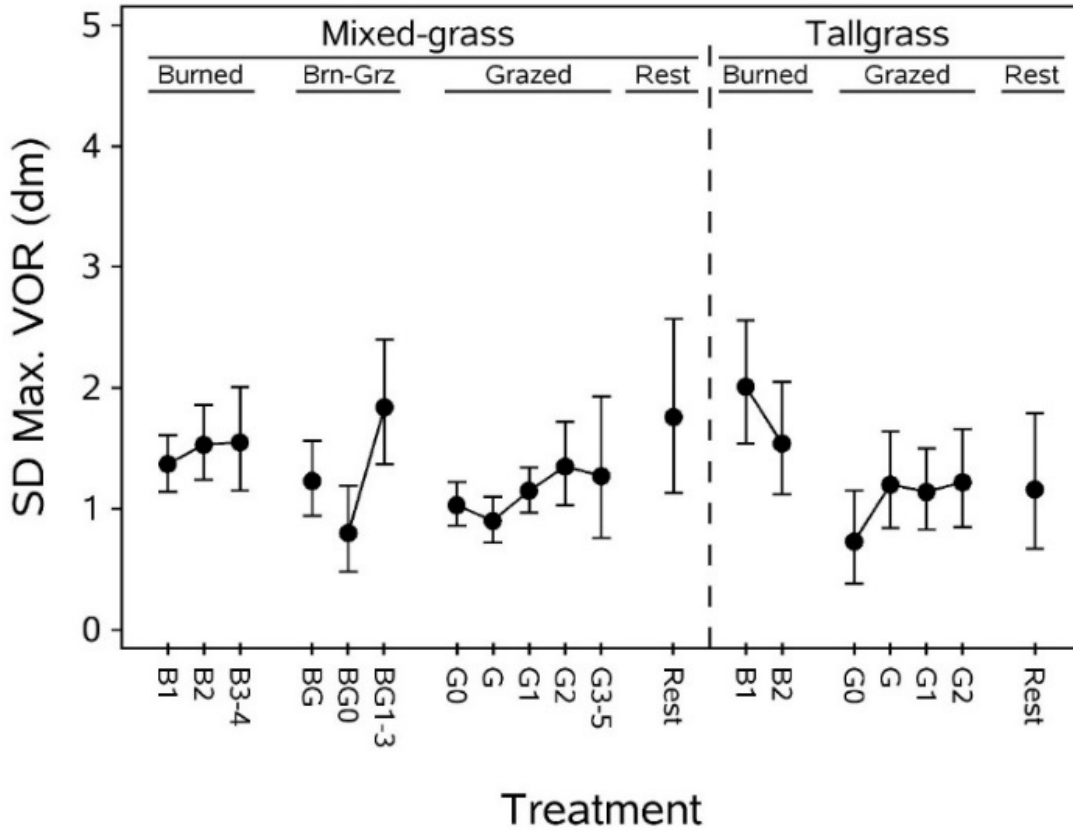
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.24. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of mean maximum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters), by grassland type (mixed grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.86 | 0.05 | 1.37 | 1.14 | 1.61 |
| | B2 | 0.93 | 0.06 | 1.53 | 1.24 | 1.86 |
| | B3-4 | 0.93 | 0.09 | 1.55 | 1.15 | 2.01 |
| | BG | 0.80 | 0.07 | 1.23 | 0.94 | 1.56 |
| | BG0 | 0.59 | 0.10 | 0.80 | 0.48 | 1.19 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.04 | 0.09 | 1.84 | 1.37 | 2.40 |
| | G0 | 0.71 | 0.04 | 1.03 | 0.86 | 1.22 |
| | G | 0.64 | 0.05 | 0.90 | 0.72 | 1.10 |
| | G1 | 0.77 | 0.04 | 1.15 | 0.97 | 1.34 |
| | G2 | 0.85 | 0.07 | 1.35 | 1.03 | 1.72 |
| | G3-5 | 0.82 | 0.13 | 1.27 | 0.76 | 1.93 |
| Rest | 1.02 | 0.13 | 1.76 | 1.13 | 2.57 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.10 | 0.09 | 2.01 | 1.54 | 2.56 |
| | B2 | 0.93 | 0.09 | 1.54 | 1.12 | 2.05 |
| | G0 | 0.55 | 0.11 | 0.73 | 0.38 | 1.15 |
| | G | 0.79 | 0.09 | 1.20 | 0.84 | 1.64 |
| | G1 | 0.76 | 0.08 | 1.14 | 0.83 | 1.50 |
| | G2 | 0.80 | 0.09 | 1.22 | 0.85 | 1.66 |
| | Rest | 0.77 | 0.13 | 1.16 | 0.67 | 1.79 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; dm, decimeters; Max., maximum; SD, standard deviation; VOR, vertical obstruction reading]

Figure 2.12. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of the mean maximum vertical obstruction readings (decimeters) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.23 and 2.24.

M. Mean Standing Dead Cover (percent)

Table 2.25. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean standing dead cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 162.3 | 1.25 | 0.2295 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 168.9 | 5.05 | 0.0260 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 128.5 | 2.05 | 0.1546 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 168.6 | 3.30 | 0.0711 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 163.7 | 0.39 | 0.5341 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 166.6 | 0.01 | 0.9118 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 138.3 | 1.34 | 0.2490 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 168.5 | 1.50 | 0.2228 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 158.0 | 0.50 | 0.4826 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.16 | 0.6921 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.02 | 0.9027 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 0.15 | 0.7010 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 1.05 | 0.3072 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 2.04 | 0.1554 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 0.01 | 0.9246 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 0.01 | 0.9318 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.8 | 0.06 | 0.8021 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.9 | 0.00 | 0.9794 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 139.0 | 0.20 | 0.6556 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 166.9 | 0.76 | 0.3858 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 0.22 | 0.6434 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 144.8 | 0.50 | 0.4818 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

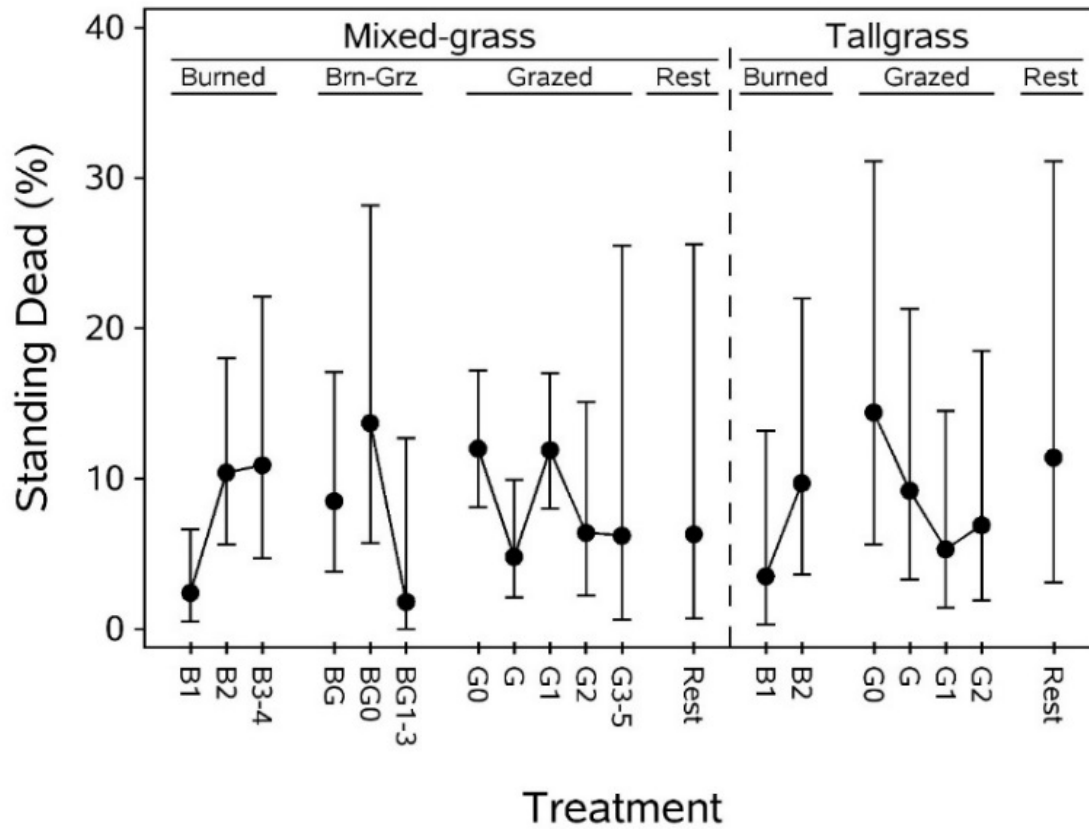
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.26. Least squares mean (standard error) standing dead cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standing dead cover (percent) by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -3.353 | 0.435 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 6.6 |
| | B2 | -2.049 | 0.307 | 10.4 | 5.6 | 18.0 |
| | B3-4 | -2.005 | 0.411 | 10.9 | 4.7 | 22.1 |
| | BG | -2.252 | 0.380 | 8.5 | 3.8 | 17.1 |
| | BG0 | -1.758 | 0.444 | 13.7 | 5.7 | 28.2 |
| | BG1-3 | -3.539 | 0.868 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 12.7 |
| | G0 | -1.904 | 0.205 | 12.0 | 8.1 | 17.2 |
| | G | -2.780 | 0.344 | 4.8 | 2.1 | 9.9 |
| | G1 | -1.913 | 0.202 | 11.9 | 8.0 | 17.0 |
| | G2 | -2.525 | 0.448 | 6.4 | 2.2 | 15.1 |
| | G3-5 | -2.563 | 0.787 | 6.2 | 0.6 | 25.5 |
| | Rest | -2.538 | 0.776 | 6.3 | 0.7 | 25.6 |
| Tall | B1 | -3.047 | 0.637 | 3.5 | 0.3 | 13.2 |
| | B2 | -2.117 | 0.462 | 9.7 | 3.6 | 22.0 |
| | G0 | -1.701 | 0.486 | 14.4 | 5.6 | 31.1 |
| | G | -2.180 | 0.475 | 9.2 | 3.3 | 21.3 |
| | G1 | -2.696 | 0.510 | 5.3 | 1.4 | 14.5 |
| | G2 | -2.459 | 0.532 | 6.9 | 1.9 | 18.5 |
| | Rest | -1.952 | 0.614 | 11.4 | 3.1 | 31.1 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 2.13. Back-transformed least squares mean standing dead cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.25 and 2.26.

N. Standard Deviation of Standing Dead Cover (percent)

Table 2.27. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the standard deviation of mean standing dead cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 160.5 | 1.59 | 0.0683* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 168.7 | 3.95 | 0.0484** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 128.3 | 0.94 | 0.3337 |
| | Mixed: BG0 versus BG1-3 | 1 | 169.0 | 2.28 | 0.1333 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 160.2 | 0.04 | 0.8486 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 166.5 | 0.01 | 0.9281 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 127.8 | 2.22 | 0.1383 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 168.9 | 1.75 | 0.1879 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 157.3 | 0.04 | 0.8329 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.18 | 0.6751 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.44 | 0.5099 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 0.43 | 0.5114 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 2.06 | 0.1532 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 2.31 | 0.1301 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.6 | 0.01 | 0.9034 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 168.3 | 0.14 | 0.7063 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.6 | 0.06 | 0.8056 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 1.05 | 0.3072 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 125.5 | 0.12 | 0.7322 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 167.4 | 1.95 | 0.1639 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 1.80 | 0.1820 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 137.9 | 0.05 | 0.8273 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

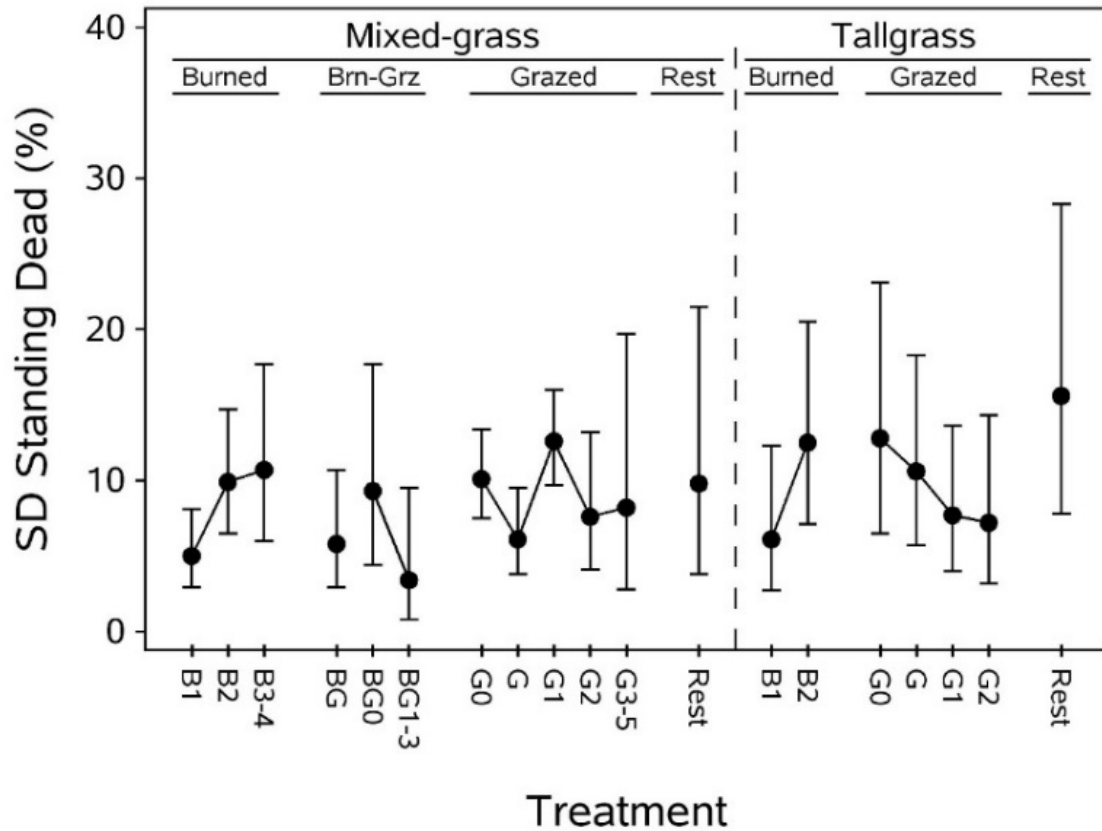
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 2.28. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of the standard deviation of standing dead cover (percent) by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -2.748 | 0.226 | 5.0 | 2.9 | 8.1 |
| | B2 | -2.099 | 0.214 | 9.9 | 6.5 | 14.7 |
| | B3-4 | -2.023 | 0.283 | 10.7 | 6.0 | 17.7 |
| | BG | -2.619 | 0.303 | 5.8 | 2.9 | 10.7 |
| | BG0 | -2.169 | 0.355 | 9.3 | 4.4 | 17.7 |
| | BG1-3 | -3.080 | 0.480 | 3.4 | 0.8 | 9.5 |
| | G0 | -2.079 | 0.150 | 10.1 | 7.5 | 13.4 |
| | G | -2.567 | 0.215 | 6.1 | 3.8 | 9.5 |
| | G1 | -1.851 | 0.135 | 12.6 | 9.7 | 16.0 |
| | G2 | -2.357 | 0.286 | 7.6 | 4.1 | 13.2 |
| | G3-5 | -2.285 | 0.480 | 8.2 | 2.8 | 19.7 |
| Rest | -2.113 | 0.448 | 9.8 | 3.8 | 21.5 | |
| Tall | B1 | -2.571 | 0.354 | 6.1 | 2.7 | 12.3 |
| | B2 | -1.862 | 0.288 | 12.5 | 7.1 | 20.5 |
| | G0 | -1.829 | 0.349 | 12.8 | 6.5 | 23.1 |
| | G | -2.029 | 0.307 | 10.6 | 5.7 | 18.3 |
| | G1 | -2.356 | 0.303 | 7.7 | 4.0 | 13.6 |
| | G2 | -2.413 | 0.358 | 7.2 | 3.2 | 14.3 |
| | Rest | -1.612 | 0.373 | 15.6 | 7.8 | 28.3 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 2.14. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of standing dead cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 2.27 and 2.28.

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Appendix 3. Testing the Influence of Management Regime and Year on Floristic Composition Variables Collected on Two Grass Types on Federal Lands Managed under an Adaptive-Management Framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13

A. Mean Brome Cover (percent)

Table 3.1. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on mean cover (percent) of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.3 | 1.44 | 0.1129 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 79.7 | 1.45 | 0.2347 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 131.8 | 1.82 | 0.1659 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 131.6 | 0.47 | 0.8294 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 88.3 | 2.22 | 0.0915 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 127.6 | 0.66 | 0.4183 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 127.7 | 0.24 | 0.8708 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 84.3 | 0.06 | 0.8124 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 86.9 | 0.77 | 0.3822 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 87.1 | 0.04 | 0.8335 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 82.4 | 1.98 | 0.1628 |

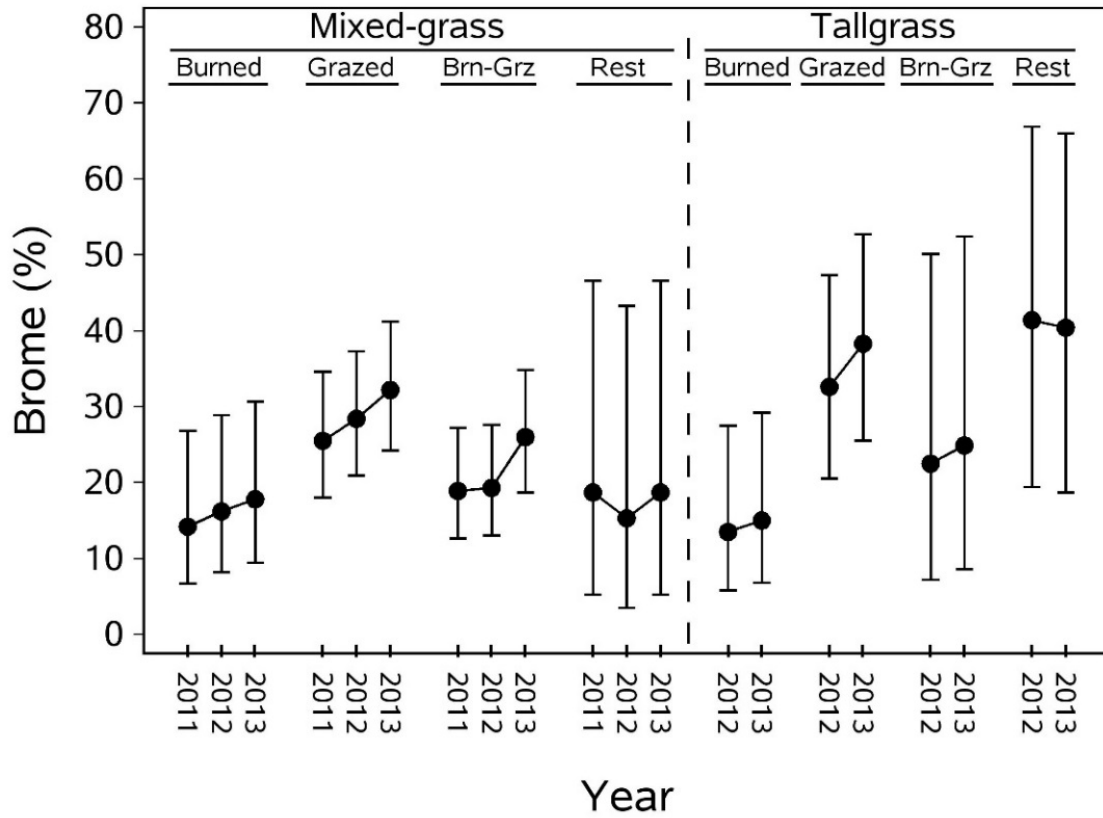
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.2. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of brome cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -1.722 | 0.392 | 14.2 | 6.7 | 26.8 |
| | | 2012 | -1.573 | 0.368 | 16.2 | 8.2 | 28.9 |
| | | 2013 | -1.462 | 0.355 | 17.8 | 9.4 | 30.7 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -1.020 | 0.218 | 25.5 | 18.0 | 34.6 |
| | | 2012 | -0.874 | 0.203 | 28.4 | 20.9 | 37.3 |
| | | 2013 | -0.701 | 0.197 | 32.2 | 24.2 | 41.2 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -1.390 | 0.233 | 18.9 | 12.6 | 27.2 |
| | | 2012 | -1.366 | 0.230 | 19.3 | 13.0 | 27.6 |
| | | 2013 | -0.994 | 0.209 | 26.0 | 18.7 | 34.8 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -1.404 | 0.667 | 18.7 | 5.2 | 46.6 |
| | | 2012 | -1.638 | 0.719 | 15.3 | 3.5 | 43.3 |
| | | 2013 | -1.406 | 0.668 | 18.7 | 5.2 | 46.6 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -1.771 | 0.435 | 13.5 | 5.8 | 27.5 |
| | | 2013 | -1.655 | 0.418 | 15.0 | 6.8 | 29.2 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -0.682 | 0.313 | 32.6 | 20.5 | 47.3 |
| | | 2013 | -0.437 | 0.298 | 38.3 | 25.5 | 52.7 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -1.183 | 0.627 | 22.5 | 7.2 | 50.1 |
| | | 2013 | -1.053 | 0.606 | 24.9 | 8.6 | 52.4 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -0.306 | 0.537 | 41.4 | 19.4 | 66.9 |
| | | 2013 | -0.349 | 0.539 | 40.4 | 18.7 | 66.0 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 3.1. Back-transformed least squares mean cover (percent) of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

B. Standard Deviation of Brome Cover (percent)

Table 3.3. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on standard deviation of the mean cover (percent) of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.3 | 0.65 | 0.8610 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 78.2 | 0.28 | 0.8432 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 130.6 | 1.08 | 0.3414 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 131.0 | 0.62 | 0.7106 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 92.1 | 1.82 | 0.1491 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 126.9 | 0.03 | 0.8534 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 126.8 | 0.50 | 0.6854 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 86.2 | 2.10 | 0.1506 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 90.0 | 0.09 | 0.7706 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 90.3 | 0.03 | 0.8584 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 83.7 | 0.75 | 0.3879 |

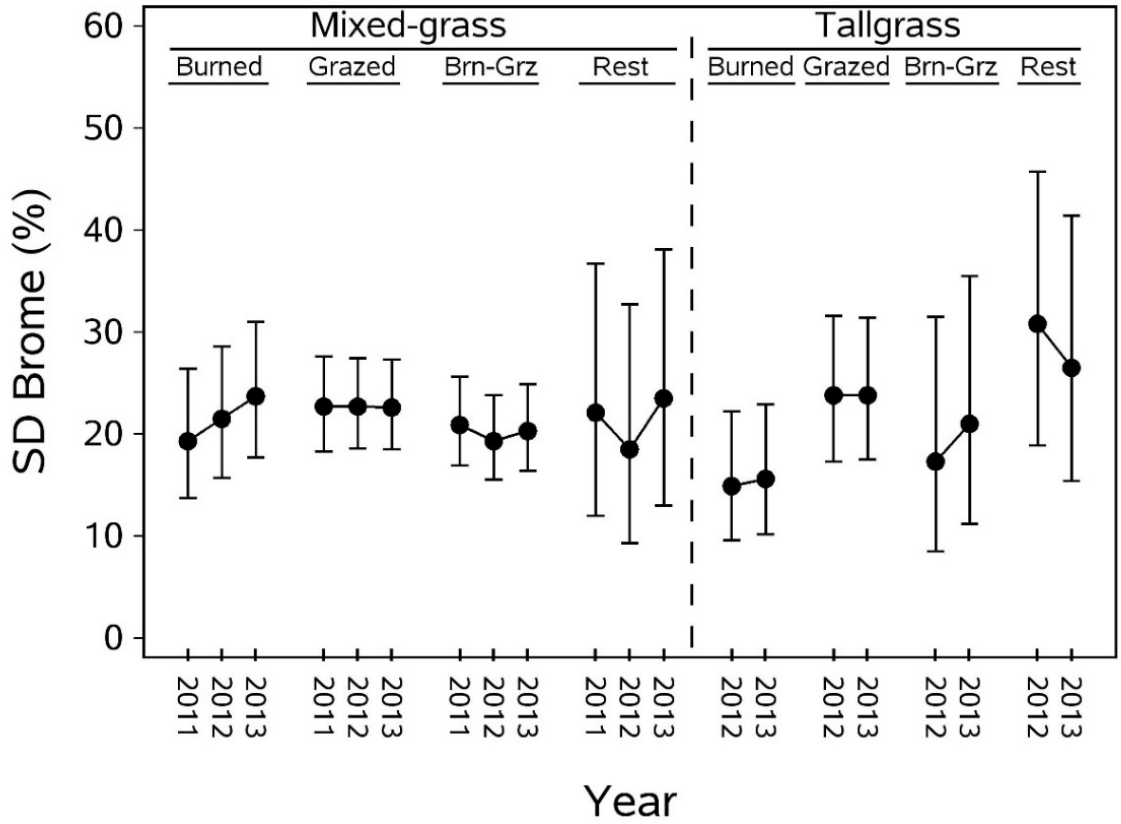
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.4. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of standard deviation of the mean cover (percent) of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -1.368 | 0.200 | 19.3 | 13.7 | 26.4 |
| | | 2012 | -1.236 | 0.188 | 21.5 | 15.7 | 28.6 |
| | | 2013 | -1.112 | 0.182 | 23.7 | 17.7 | 31.0 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -1.170 | 0.131 | 22.7 | 18.3 | 27.6 |
| | | 2012 | -1.168 | 0.124 | 22.7 | 18.6 | 27.4 |
| | | 2013 | -1.175 | 0.124 | 22.6 | 18.5 | 27.3 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -1.269 | 0.128 | 20.9 | 16.9 | 25.6 |
| | | 2012 | -1.368 | 0.131 | 19.3 | 15.5 | 23.8 |
| | | 2013 | -1.306 | 0.129 | 20.3 | 16.4 | 24.9 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -1.202 | 0.357 | 22.1 | 12.0 | 36.7 |
| | | 2012 | -1.421 | 0.380 | 18.5 | 9.3 | 32.7 |
| | | 2013 | -1.128 | 0.350 | 23.5 | 13.0 | 38.1 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -1.663 | 0.237 | 14.9 | 9.6 | 22.2 |
| | | 2013 | -1.613 | 0.233 | 15.6 | 10.2 | 22.9 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -1.112 | 0.196 | 23.8 | 17.3 | 31.6 |
| | | 2013 | -1.107 | 0.191 | 23.8 | 17.5 | 31.4 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -1.495 | 0.389 | 17.3 | 8.5 | 31.5 |
| | | 2013 | -1.265 | 0.363 | 21.0 | 11.2 | 35.5 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -0.763 | 0.323 | 30.8 | 18.9 | 45.7 |
| | | 2013 | -0.968 | 0.337 | 26.5 | 15.4 | 41.4 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 3.2. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of the mean cover (percent) of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

C. Mean Kentucky Bluegrass Cover (percent)

Table 3.5. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on the mean cover (percent) of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 180.1 | 1.44 | 0.1121 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 74.5 | 0.50 | 0.6860 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 127.5 | 3.71 | 0.0272 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 128.1 | 1.40 | 0.2200 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 89.7 | 0.59 | 0.6203 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 123.5 | 0.93 | 0.3356 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 123.5 | 0.49 | 0.6931 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 83.1 | 1.03 | 0.3141 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 87.7 | 0.54 | 0.4660 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 87.6 | 0.73 | 0.3954 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 81.3 | 0.03 | 0.8673 |

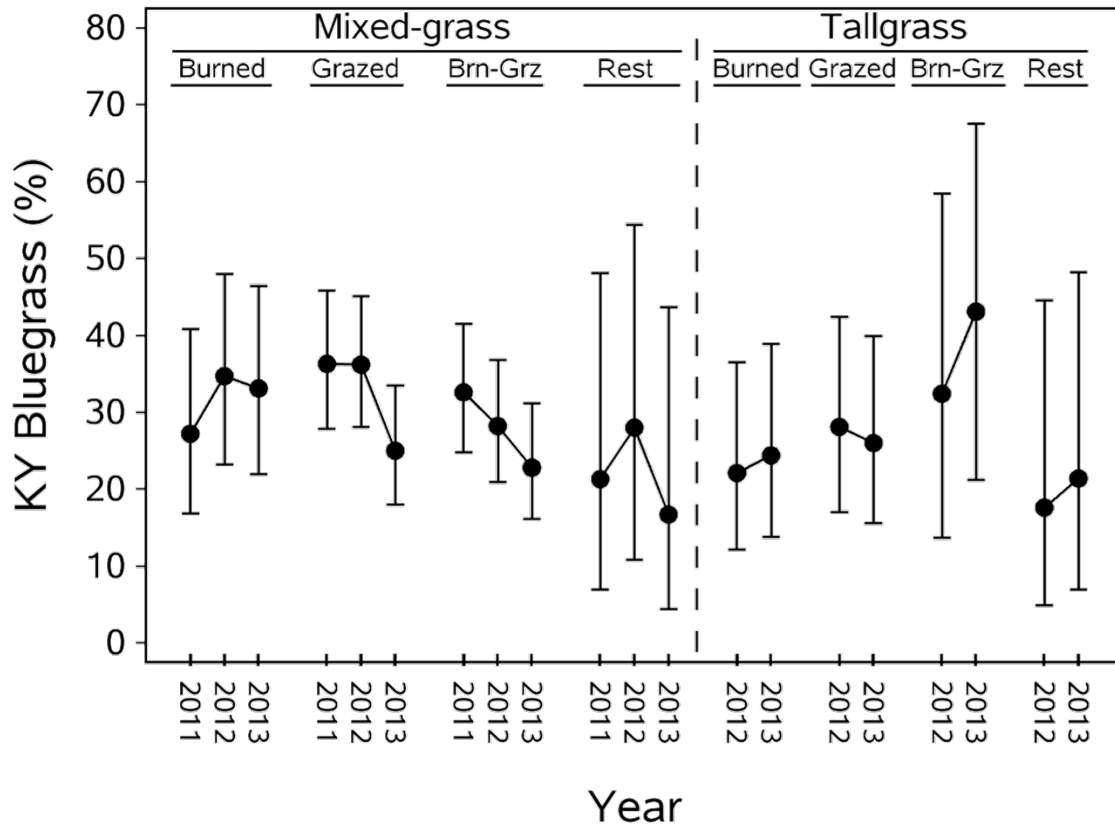
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.6. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean cover (percent) of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) (95-percent confidence intervals), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -0.932 | 0.306 | 27.2 | 16.8 | 40.8 |
| | | 2012 | -0.589 | 0.281 | 34.7 | 23.2 | 48.0 |
| | | 2013 | -0.661 | 0.284 | 33.1 | 21.9 | 46.4 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -0.517 | 0.199 | 36.3 | 27.8 | 45.8 |
| | | 2012 | -0.523 | 0.186 | 36.2 | 28.1 | 45.1 |
| | | 2013 | -1.046 | 0.206 | 25.0 | 18.0 | 33.5 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -0.680 | 0.193 | 32.6 | 24.8 | 41.5 |
| | | 2012 | -0.886 | 0.198 | 28.2 | 20.9 | 36.8 |
| | | 2013 | -1.162 | 0.213 | 22.8 | 16.1 | 31.2 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -1.250 | 0.619 | 21.3 | 6.9 | 48.1 |
| | | 2012 | -0.896 | 0.567 | 28.0 | 10.8 | 54.4 |
| | | 2013 | -1.535 | 0.674 | 16.7 | 4.4 | 43.7 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -1.202 | 0.353 | 22.1 | 12.1 | 36.5 |
| | | 2013 | -1.079 | 0.342 | 24.4 | 13.8 | 38.9 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -0.893 | 0.319 | 28.1 | 17.0 | 42.4 |
| | | 2013 | -0.992 | 0.317 | 26.0 | 15.6 | 39.9 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -0.689 | 0.546 | 32.4 | 13.7 | 58.4 |
| | | 2013 | -0.239 | 0.519 | 43.1 | 21.2 | 67.5 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -1.479 | 0.662 | 17.6 | 4.9 | 44.5 |
| | | 2013 | -1.243 | 0.618 | 21.4 | 6.9 | 48.2 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; KY, Kentucky]

Figure 3.3. Back-transformed least squares mean cover (percent) of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

D. Standard Deviation of Kentucky Bluegrass Cover (percent)

Table 3.7. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on standard deviation of the mean cover (percent) of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.1 | 1.43 | 0.1183 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 76.3 | 2.51 | 0.0650 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 127.6 | 3.97 | 0.0213 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 130.0 | 0.45 | 0.8426 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 95.6 | 0.24 | 0.8714 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 124.6 | 0.92 | 0.3394 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 125.3 | 1.72 | 0.1659 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 87.8 | 5.53 | 0.0209 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 92.7 | 0.02 | 0.8803 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 93.1 | 0.05 | 0.8190 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 85.5 | 0.62 | 0.4349 |

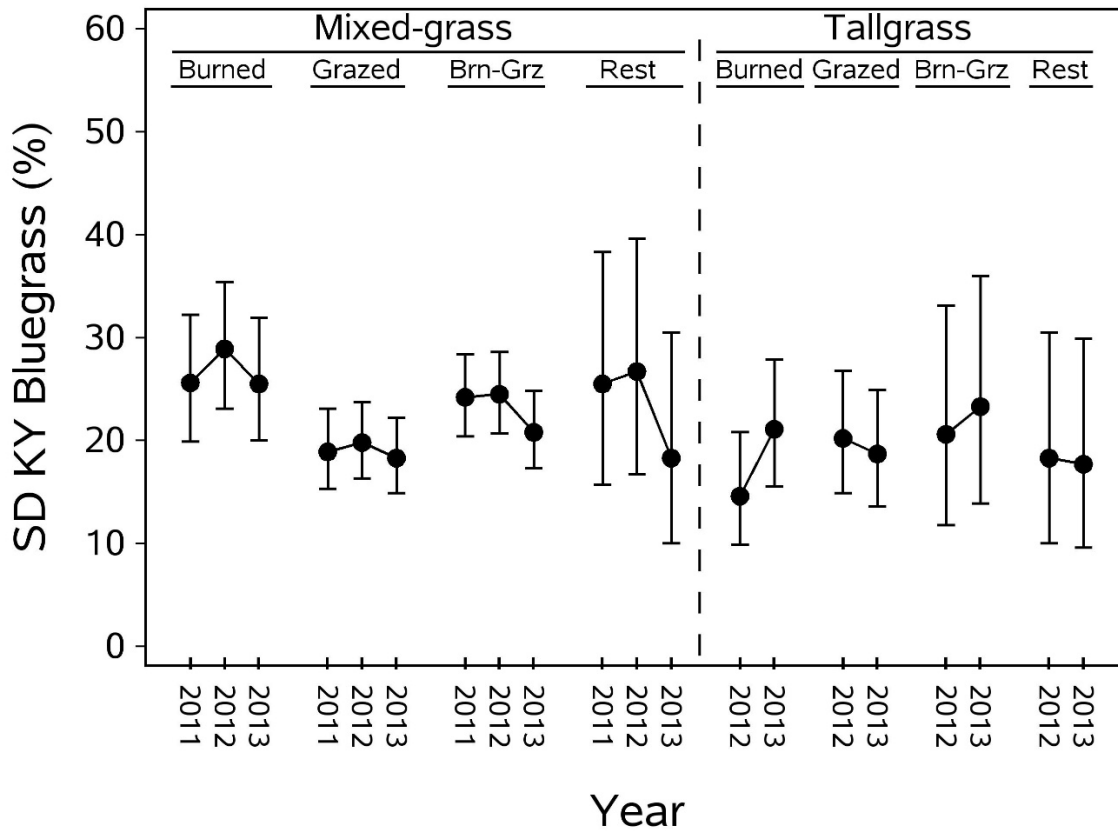
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.8. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean cover (percent) of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) (95-percent confidence intervals), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -1.013 | 0.161 | 25.6 | 19.9 | 32.2 |
| | | 2012 | -0.852 | 0.151 | 28.9 | 23.1 | 35.4 |
| | | 2013 | -1.021 | 0.156 | 25.5 | 20.0 | 31.9 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -1.392 | 0.125 | 18.9 | 15.3 | 23.1 |
| | | 2012 | -1.338 | 0.114 | 19.8 | 16.3 | 23.7 |
| | | 2013 | -1.431 | 0.118 | 18.3 | 14.9 | 22.2 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -1.089 | 0.108 | 24.2 | 20.4 | 28.4 |
| | | 2012 | -1.073 | 0.106 | 24.5 | 20.7 | 28.6 |
| | | 2013 | -1.275 | 0.113 | 20.8 | 17.3 | 24.8 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -1.022 | 0.299 | 25.5 | 15.7 | 38.3 |
| | | 2012 | -0.957 | 0.295 | 26.7 | 16.7 | 39.6 |
| | | 2013 | -1.433 | 0.335 | 18.3 | 10.0 | 30.5 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -1.692 | 0.210 | 14.6 | 9.9 | 20.8 |
| | | 2013 | -1.263 | 0.184 | 21.1 | 15.5 | 27.9 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -1.311 | 0.183 | 20.2 | 14.9 | 26.8 |
| | | 2013 | -1.406 | 0.182 | 18.7 | 13.6 | 24.9 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -1.290 | 0.321 | 20.6 | 11.8 | 33.1 |
| | | 2013 | -1.138 | 0.308 | 23.3 | 13.9 | 36.0 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -1.431 | 0.335 | 18.3 | 10.0 | 30.5 |
| | | 2013 | -1.467 | 0.338 | 17.7 | 9.6 | 29.9 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; KY, Kentucky; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 3.4. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of the mean cover (percent) of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

E. Mean Native Forb Cover (percent)

Table 3.9. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on mean native forb cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.8 | 2.96 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 77.3 | 1.27 | 0.2914 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 133.0 | 0.58 | 0.5628 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 138.6 | 0.54 | 0.7732 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 106.1 | 3.88 | 0.0112** |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 130.5 | 2.23 | 0.1381 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 134.3 | 2.03 | 0.1124 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 92.0 | 2.39 | 0.1253 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 102.2 | 0.07 | 0.7989 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 101.4 | 0.04 | 0.8422 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 83.5 | 3.59 | 0.0616* |

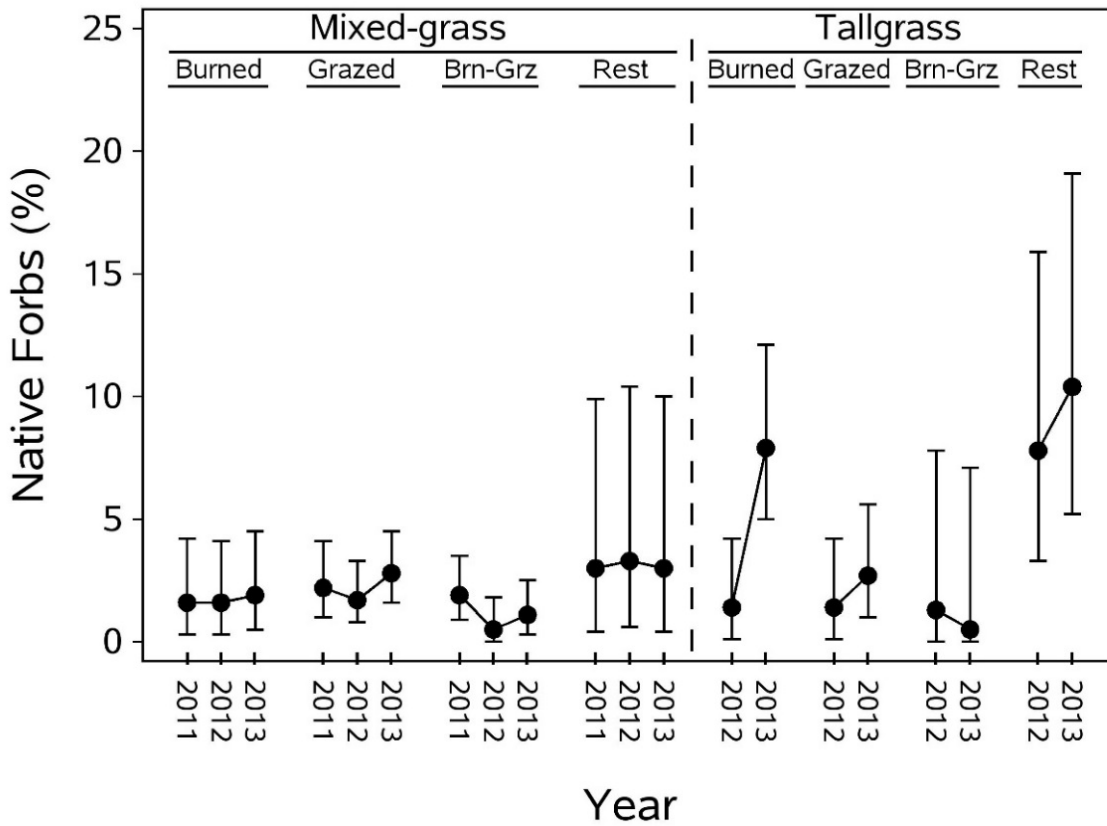
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.10. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of native forb cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -3.636 | 0.373 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 4.2 |
| | | 2012 | -3.617 | 0.355 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 4.1 |
| | | 2013 | -3.503 | 0.336 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 4.5 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -3.401 | 0.240 | 2.2 | 1.0 | 4.1 |
| | | 2012 | -3.567 | 0.234 | 1.7 | 0.8 | 3.3 |
| | | 2013 | -3.231 | 0.200 | 2.8 | 1.6 | 4.5 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -3.498 | 0.231 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 3.5 |
| | | 2012 | -4.167 | 0.312 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 1.8 |
| | | 2013 | -3.826 | 0.265 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 2.5 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -3.191 | 0.557 | 3.0 | 0.4 | 9.9 |
| | | 2012 | -3.095 | 0.533 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 10.4 |
| | | 2013 | -3.174 | 0.552 | 3.0 | 0.4 | 10.0 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -3.693 | 0.407 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 4.2 |
| | | 2013 | -2.324 | 0.220 | 7.9 | 5.0 | 12.1 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -3.705 | 0.406 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 4.2 |
| | | 2013 | -3.270 | 0.316 | 2.7 | 1.0 | 5.6 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -3.767 | 0.730 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 7.8 |
| | | 2013 | -4.176 | 0.888 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 7.1 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -2.342 | 0.384 | 7.8 | 3.3 | 15.9 |
| | | 2013 | -2.053 | 0.342 | 10.4 | 5.2 | 19.1 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 3.5. Back-transformed least squares mean native forb cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

F. Standard Deviation of Native Forb Cover (percent)

Table 3.11. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on standard deviation of native forb cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.4 | 2.06 | 0.0076** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 79.0 | 2.81 | 0.0446** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 137.7 | 1.71 | 0.1851 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 143.2 | 0.73 | 0.6292 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 109.5 | 1.52 | 0.2125 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 132.5 | 2.03 | 0.1564 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 134.0 | 0.86 | 0.4624 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 94.4 | 0.78 | 0.3806 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 106.1 | 0.00 | 0.9854 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 105.1 | 0.02 | 0.8914 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 92.1 | 0.03 | 0.8703 |

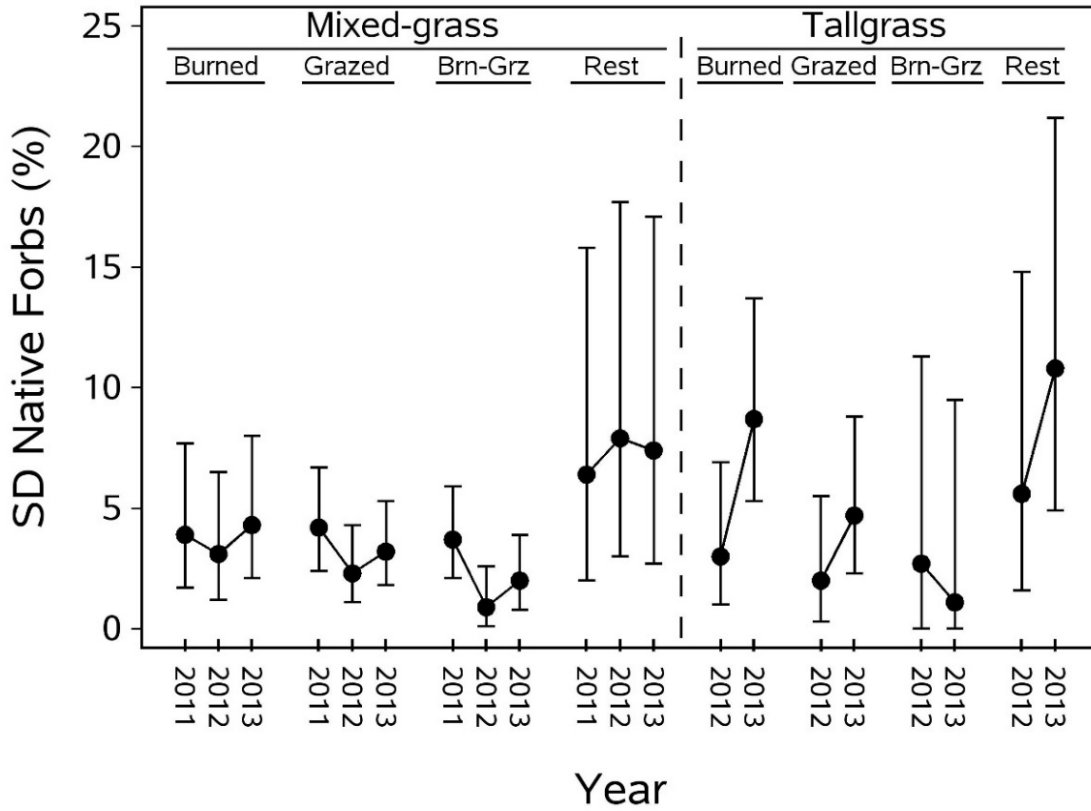
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.12. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of standard deviation of native forb cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -2.967 | 0.314 | 3.9 | 1.7 | 7.7 |
| | | 2012 | -3.153 | 0.327 | 3.1 | 1.2 | 6.5 |
| | | 2013 | -2.874 | 0.288 | 4.3 | 2.1 | 8.0 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -2.908 | 0.220 | 4.2 | 2.4 | 6.7 |
| | | 2012 | -3.371 | 0.245 | 2.3 | 1.1 | 4.3 |
| | | 2013 | -3.135 | 0.220 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 5.3 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -3.019 | 0.212 | 3.7 | 2.1 | 5.9 |
| | | 2012 | -3.919 | 0.317 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 2.6 |
| | | 2013 | -3.472 | 0.257 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 3.9 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -2.531 | 0.475 | 6.4 | 2.0 | 15.8 |
| | | 2012 | -2.323 | 0.436 | 7.9 | 3.0 | 17.7 |
| | | 2013 | -2.390 | 0.448 | 7.4 | 2.7 | 17.1 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -3.172 | 0.365 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 6.9 |
| | | 2013 | -2.233 | 0.243 | 8.7 | 5.3 | 13.7 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -3.490 | 0.421 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 5.5 |
| | | 2013 | -2.798 | 0.292 | 4.7 | 2.3 | 8.8 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -3.257 | 0.658 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 11.3 |
| | | 2013 | -3.863 | 0.875 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 9.5 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -2.657 | 0.502 | 5.6 | 1.6 | 14.8 |
| | | 2013 | -2.012 | 0.385 | 10.8 | 4.9 | 21.2 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 3.6. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of native forb cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

G. Mean Native Grass Cover (percent)

Table 3.13. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on mean native grass cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 \leq p < 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.0 | 1.63 | 0.0533* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 79.8 | 2.17 | 0.0982* |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 130.0 | 0.03 | 0.9704 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 131.6 | 1.43 | 0.2070 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 94.2 | 3.96 | 0.0105** |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 128.7 | 0.82 | 0.3680 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 128.7 | 0.56 | 0.6404 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 87.0 | 2.03 | 0.1578 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 92.3 | 0.02 | 0.8968 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 92.9 | 2.82 | 0.0964* |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 86.7 | 0.30 | 0.5832 |

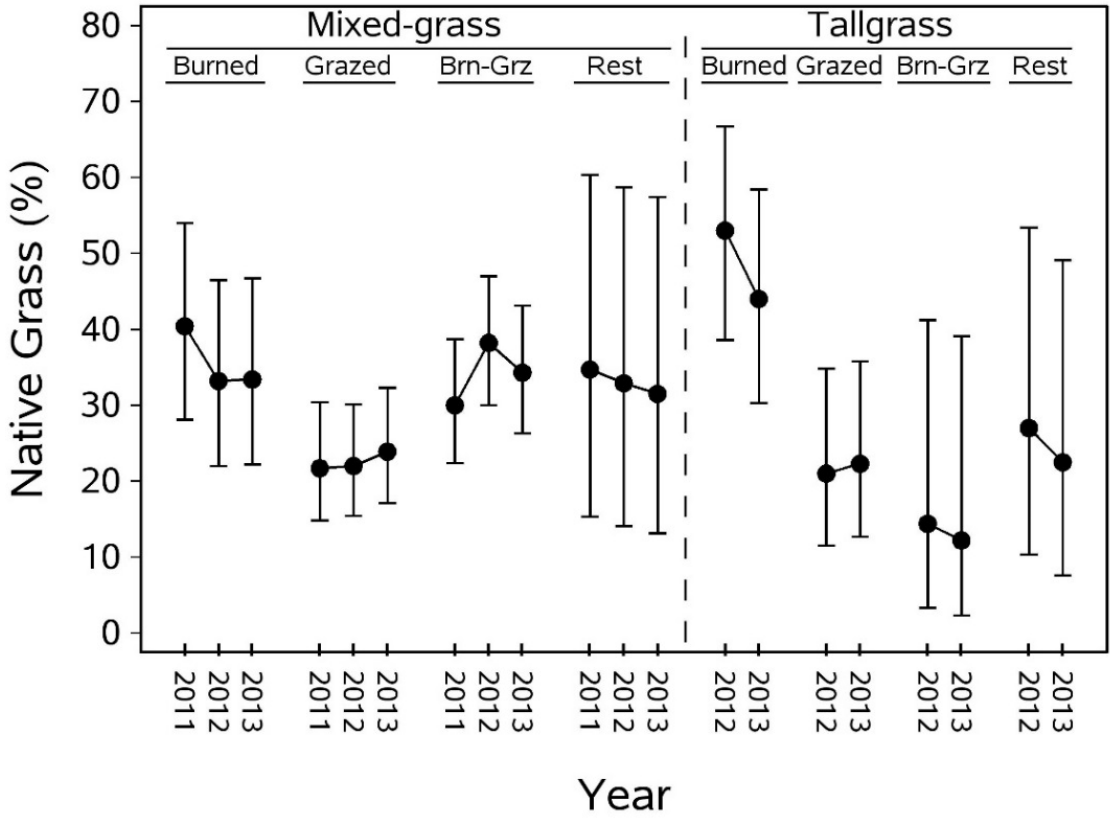
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.14. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of native grass cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -0.346 | 0.278 | 40.4 | 28.1 | 54.0 |
| | | 2012 | -0.653 | 0.282 | 33.2 | 22.0 | 46.5 |
| | | 2013 | -0.645 | 0.282 | 33.4 | 22.2 | 46.7 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -1.225 | 0.227 | 21.7 | 14.8 | 30.4 |
| | | 2012 | -1.211 | 0.213 | 22.0 | 15.4 | 30.1 |
| | | 2013 | -1.104 | 0.208 | 23.9 | 17.1 | 32.3 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -0.800 | 0.196 | 30.0 | 22.4 | 38.7 |
| | | 2012 | -0.440 | 0.184 | 38.2 | 30.0 | 47.0 |
| | | 2013 | -0.608 | 0.189 | 34.3 | 26.3 | 43.1 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -0.586 | 0.534 | 34.7 | 15.3 | 60.3 |
| | | 2012 | -0.667 | 0.541 | 32.9 | 14.1 | 58.7 |
| | | 2013 | -0.732 | 0.547 | 31.5 | 13.1 | 57.4 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.160 | 0.297 | 53.0 | 38.6 | 66.7 |
| | | 2013 | -0.203 | 0.297 | 44.0 | 30.3 | 58.4 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -1.266 | 0.348 | 21.0 | 11.5 | 34.8 |
| | | 2013 | -1.189 | 0.332 | 22.3 | 12.7 | 35.8 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -1.704 | 0.710 | 14.4 | 3.3 | 41.2 |
| | | 2013 | -1.881 | 0.756 | 12.2 | 2.3 | 39.1 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -0.942 | 0.570 | 27.0 | 10.3 | 53.4 |
| | | 2013 | -1.179 | 0.604 | 22.5 | 7.6 | 49.1 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 3.7. Back-transformed least squares mean native grass cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

H. Standard Deviation of Native Grass Cover (percent)

Table 3.15. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on standard deviation of native grass cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$)]

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 180.6 | 1.56 | 0.0713* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 76.4 | 2.37 | 0.0769* |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 127.1 | 2.52 | 0.0843* |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 128.3 | 1.44 | 0.2030 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 90.1 | 0.37 | 0.7753 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 126.6 | 1.84 | 0.1773 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 126.5 | 2.07 | 0.1079 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 83.9 | 1.68 | 0.1991 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 87.8 | 1.11 | 0.2939 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 88.6 | 1.49 | 0.2262 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 82.4 | 0.03 | 0.8710 |

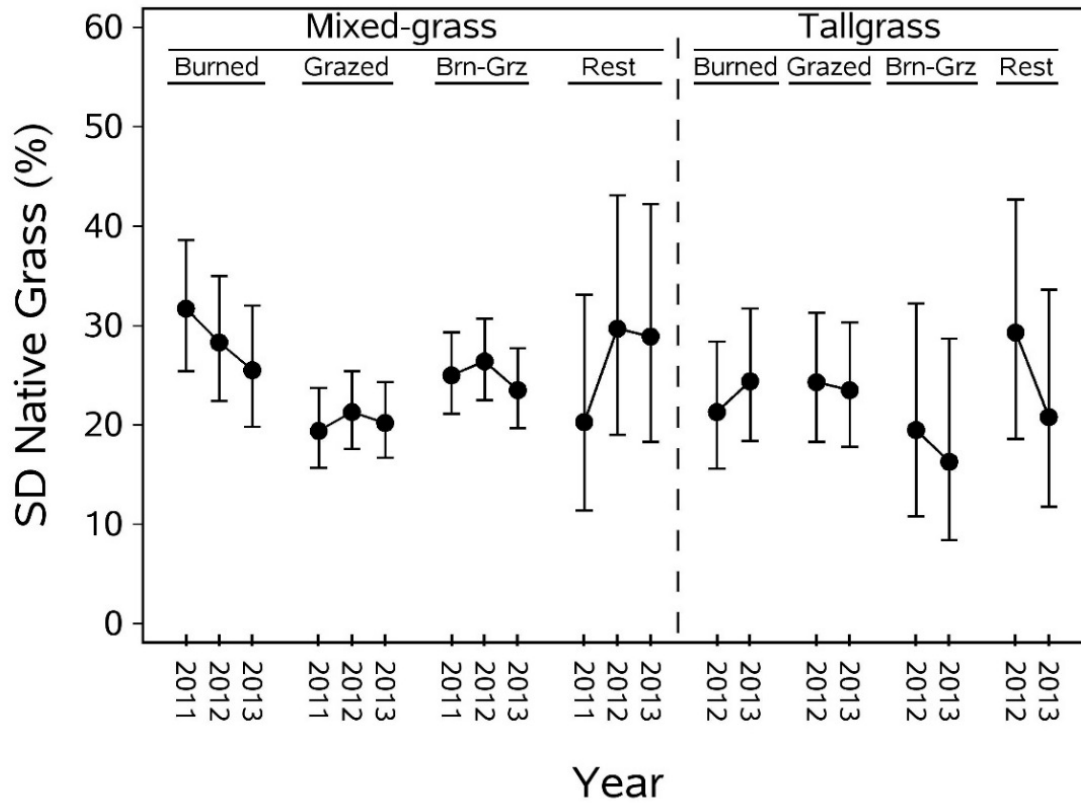
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.16. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of standard deviation of native grass cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -0.724 | 0.154 | 31.7 | 25.4 | 38.6 |
| | | 2012 | -0.882 | 0.155 | 28.3 | 22.4 | 35.0 |
| | | 2013 | -1.022 | 0.160 | 25.5 | 19.8 | 32.0 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -1.360 | 0.125 | 19.4 | 15.7 | 23.7 |
| | | 2012 | -1.251 | 0.114 | 21.3 | 17.6 | 25.4 |
| | | 2013 | -1.310 | 0.116 | 20.2 | 16.7 | 24.3 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -1.048 | 0.109 | 25.0 | 21.1 | 29.3 |
| | | 2012 | -0.974 | 0.106 | 26.4 | 22.5 | 30.7 |
| | | 2013 | -1.126 | 0.111 | 23.5 | 19.7 | 27.7 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -1.305 | 0.331 | 20.3 | 11.4 | 33.1 |
| | | 2012 | -0.813 | 0.294 | 29.7 | 19.0 | 43.1 |
| | | 2013 | -0.852 | 0.296 | 28.9 | 18.3 | 42.2 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -1.246 | 0.188 | 21.3 | 15.6 | 28.4 |
| | | 2013 | -1.075 | 0.180 | 24.4 | 18.4 | 31.7 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -1.085 | 0.175 | 24.3 | 18.3 | 31.3 |
| | | 2013 | -1.125 | 0.172 | 23.5 | 17.8 | 30.3 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -1.356 | 0.336 | 19.5 | 10.8 | 32.2 |
| | | 2013 | -1.565 | 0.358 | 16.3 | 8.4 | 28.7 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -0.832 | 0.295 | 29.3 | 18.6 | 42.7 |
| | | 2013 | -1.278 | 0.328 | 20.8 | 11.8 | 33.6 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 3.8. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of native grass cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

I. Mean Nonnative Forb Cover (percent)

Table 3.17. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on mean nonnative forb cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 177.5 | 0.77 | 0.7417 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 70.5 | 0.19 | 0.9020 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 132.7 | 4.02 | 0.0201 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 137.5 | 0.66 | 0.6859 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 98.6 | 0.33 | 0.8045 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 108.2 | 0.03 | 0.8545 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 108.9 | 0.21 | 0.8867 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 84.1 | 1.13 | 0.2913 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 93.8 | 0.60 | 0.4401 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 95.4 | 0.08 | 0.7776 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 85.0 | 0.19 | 0.6660 |

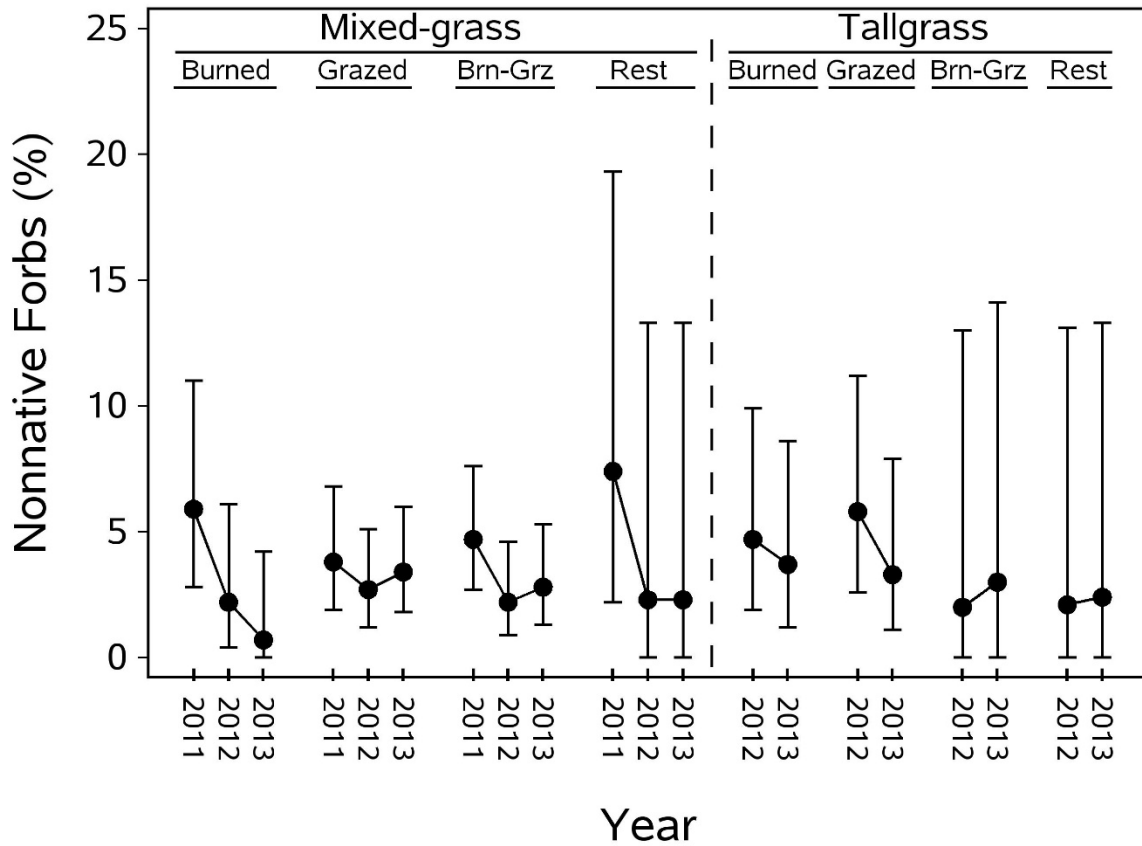
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.18. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of nonnative forb cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -2.606 | 0.313 | 5.9 | 2.8 | 11.0 |
| | | 2012 | -3.405 | 0.428 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 6.1 |
| | | 2013 | -4.060 | 0.585 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 4.2 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -2.997 | 0.269 | 3.8 | 1.9 | 6.8 |
| | | 2012 | -3.264 | 0.271 | 2.7 | 1.2 | 5.1 |
| | | 2013 | -3.076 | 0.249 | 3.4 | 1.8 | 6.0 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -2.806 | 0.225 | 4.7 | 2.7 | 7.6 |
| | | 2012 | -3.394 | 0.288 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 4.6 |
| | | 2013 | -3.231 | 0.267 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 5.3 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -2.394 | 0.522 | 7.4 | 2.2 | 19.3 |
| | | 2012 | -3.381 | 0.811 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 13.3 |
| | | 2013 | -3.390 | 0.814 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 13.3 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -2.811 | 0.361 | 4.7 | 1.9 | 9.9 |
| | | 2013 | -3.016 | 0.396 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 8.6 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -2.624 | 0.332 | 5.8 | 2.6 | 11.2 |
| | | 2013 | -3.092 | 0.389 | 3.3 | 1.1 | 7.9 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -3.478 | 0.849 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 13.0 |
| | | 2013 | -3.171 | 0.736 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 14.1 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -3.437 | 0.832 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 13.1 |
| | | 2013 | -3.362 | 0.804 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 13.3 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 3.9. Back-transformed least squares mean nonnative forb cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

J. Standard Deviation of Nonnative Forb Cover (percent)

Table 3.19. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on standard deviation of nonnative forb cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 180.4 | 1.19 | 0.2705 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 75.5 | 0.10 | 0.9586 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 140.9 | 5.88 | 0.0035 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 141.7 | 1.08 | 0.3768 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 103.0 | 0.18 | 0.9120 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 118.6 | 0.00 | 0.9984 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 119.2 | 0.73 | 0.5363 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 89.4 | 0.26 | 0.6087 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 98.8 | 0.22 | 0.6419 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 98.7 | 0.28 | 0.5958 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 90.5 | 0.45 | 0.5055 |

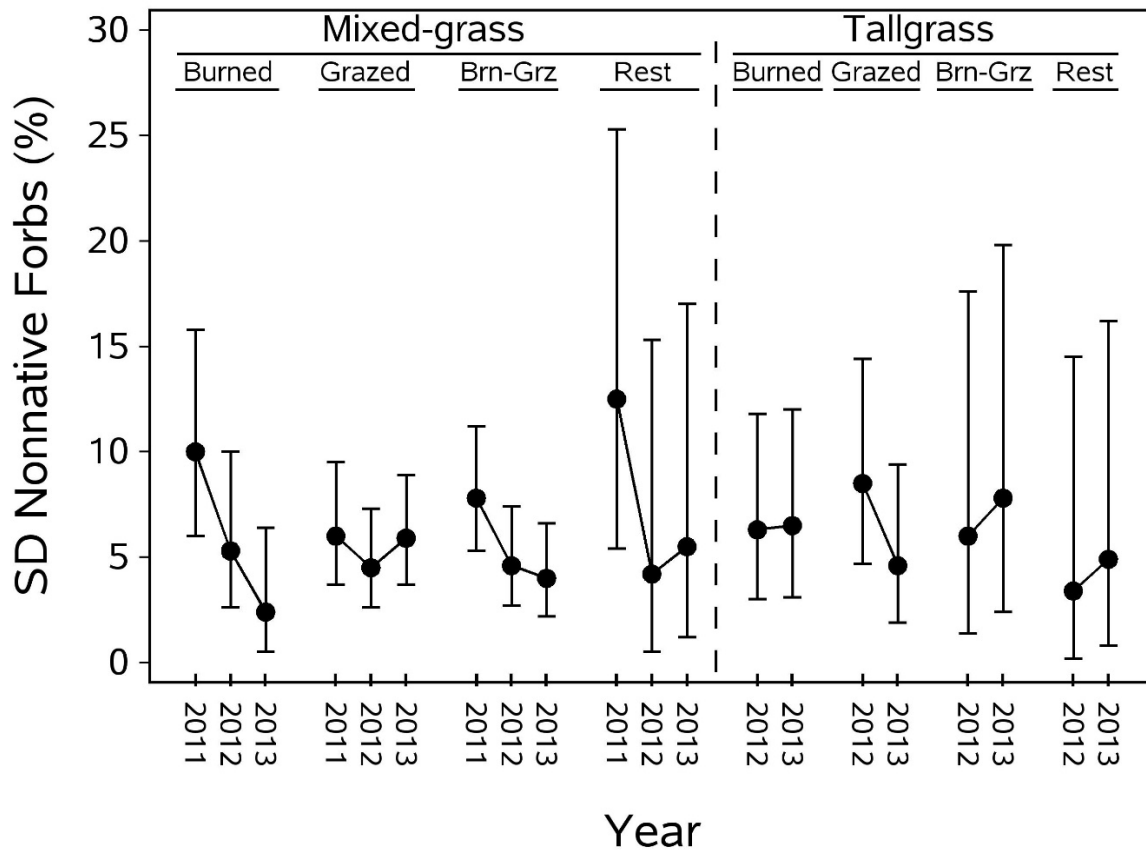
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.20. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of standard deviation of nonnative forb cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -2.093 | 0.252 | 10.0 | 6.0 | 15.8 |
| | | 2012 | -2.692 | 0.309 | 5.3 | 2.6 | 10.0 |
| | | 2013 | -3.343 | 0.415 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 6.4 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -2.580 | 0.222 | 6.0 | 3.7 | 9.5 |
| | | 2012 | -2.845 | 0.224 | 4.5 | 2.6 | 7.3 |
| | | 2013 | -2.606 | 0.202 | 5.9 | 3.7 | 8.9 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -2.335 | 0.183 | 7.8 | 5.3 | 11.2 |
| | | 2012 | -2.824 | 0.221 | 4.6 | 2.7 | 7.4 |
| | | 2013 | -2.954 | 0.235 | 4.0 | 2.2 | 6.6 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -1.860 | 0.423 | 12.5 | 5.4 | 25.3 |
| | | 2012 | -2.911 | 0.652 | 4.2 | 0.5 | 15.3 |
| | | 2013 | -2.661 | 0.584 | 5.5 | 1.2 | 17.0 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -2.544 | 0.321 | 6.3 | 3.0 | 11.8 |
| | | 2013 | -2.519 | 0.317 | 6.5 | 3.1 | 12.0 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -2.257 | 0.283 | 8.5 | 4.7 | 14.4 |
| | | 2013 | -2.823 | 0.343 | 4.6 | 1.9 | 9.4 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -2.583 | 0.565 | 6.0 | 1.4 | 17.6 |
| | | 2013 | -2.336 | 0.509 | 7.8 | 2.4 | 19.8 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -3.069 | 0.700 | 3.4 | 0.2 | 14.5 |
| | | 2013 | -2.772 | 0.613 | 4.9 | 0.8 | 16.2 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 3.10. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of nonnative forb cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

K. Mean Nonnative Grass Cover (percent)

Table 3.21. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on mean nonnative grass cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 180.8 | 1.64 | 0.0500** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 78.3 | 3.29 | 0.0248** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 128.6 | 0.97 | 0.3834 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 130.9 | 1.07 | 0.3861 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 95.8 | 4.30 | 0.0069** |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 130.1 | 1.89 | 0.1714 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 128.8 | 0.65 | 0.5833 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 87.3 | 1.04 | 0.3097 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 93.4 | 0.31 | 0.5800 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 94.2 | 2.71 | 0.1033 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 86.2 | 0.73 | 0.3945 |

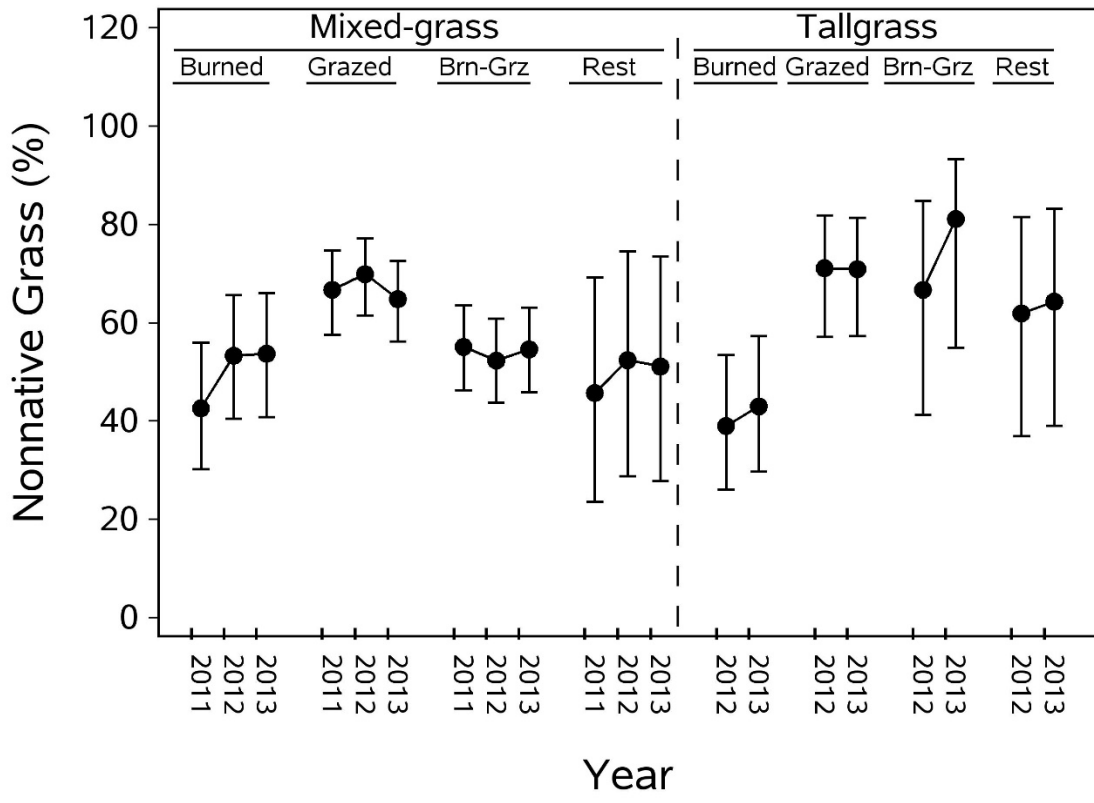
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.22. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of nonnative grass cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -0.257 | 0.273 | 42.6 | 30.2 | 55.9 |
| | | 2012 | 0.173 | 0.264 | 53.3 | 40.5 | 65.6 |
| | | 2013 | 0.189 | 0.265 | 53.7 | 40.8 | 66.0 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.740 | 0.203 | 66.7 | 57.5 | 74.7 |
| | | 2012 | 0.891 | 0.195 | 69.9 | 61.5 | 77.1 |
| | | 2013 | 0.656 | 0.187 | 64.8 | 56.2 | 72.6 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.245 | 0.180 | 55.1 | 46.3 | 63.5 |
| | | 2012 | 0.133 | 0.177 | 52.3 | 43.7 | 60.8 |
| | | 2013 | 0.226 | 0.181 | 54.6 | 45.8 | 63.1 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -0.132 | 0.505 | 45.7 | 23.6 | 69.2 |
| | | 2012 | 0.135 | 0.505 | 52.4 | 28.8 | 74.5 |
| | | 2013 | 0.084 | 0.505 | 51.1 | 27.8 | 73.5 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -0.407 | 0.297 | 39.0 | 26.1 | 53.4 |
| | | 2013 | -0.241 | 0.293 | 43.0 | 29.7 | 57.3 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.950 | 0.318 | 71.1 | 57.1 | 81.8 |
| | | 2013 | 0.938 | 0.307 | 70.9 | 57.3 | 81.3 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.741 | 0.539 | 66.7 | 41.2 | 84.8 |
| | | 2013 | 1.525 | 0.658 | 81.1 | 54.9 | 93.3 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.528 | 0.522 | 61.9 | 36.9 | 81.5 |
| | | 2013 | 0.632 | 0.530 | 64.3 | 39.0 | 83.2 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 3.11. Back-transformed least squares mean nonnative grass cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

L. Standard Deviation of Nonnative Grass Cover (percent)

Table 3.23. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on standard deviation of nonnative grass cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.0 | 1.30 | 0.1879 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 78.2 | 3.04 | 0.0340 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 130.2 | 1.51 | 0.2255 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 134.0 | 1.16 | 0.3335 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 101.8 | 1.25 | 0.2951 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 125.3 | 0.40 | 0.5276 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 125.6 | 1.28 | 0.2827 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 91.5 | 3.97 | 0.0494 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 98.1 | 3.32 | 0.0716 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 99.1 | 1.42 | 0.2367 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 88.1 | 0.49 | 0.4876 |

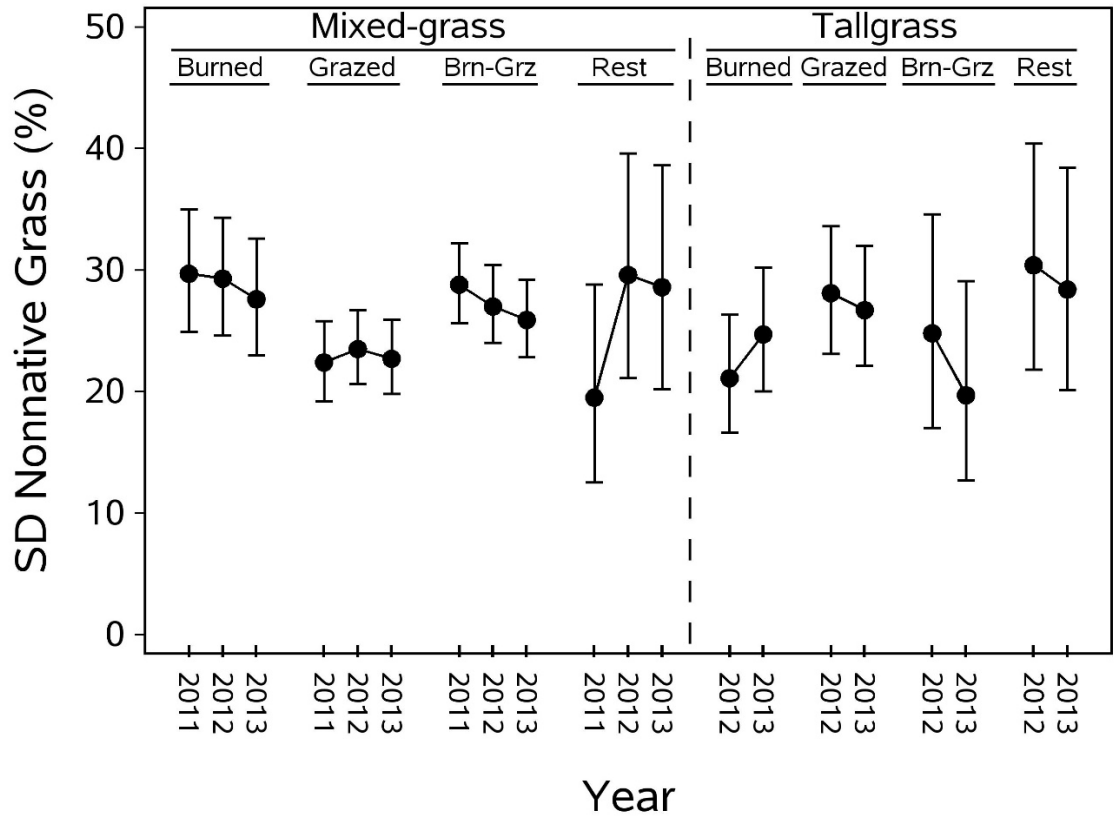
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.24. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of standard deviation of nonnative grass cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | -0.815 | 0.121 | 29.7 | 24.9 | 35.0 |
| | | 2012 | -0.835 | 0.118 | 29.3 | 24.6 | 34.3 |
| | | 2013 | -0.917 | 0.120 | 27.6 | 23.0 | 32.6 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | -1.188 | 0.094 | 22.4 | 19.2 | 25.8 |
| | | 2012 | -1.125 | 0.085 | 23.5 | 20.6 | 26.7 |
| | | 2013 | -1.168 | 0.086 | 22.7 | 19.8 | 25.9 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | -0.858 | 0.081 | 28.8 | 25.6 | 32.2 |
| | | 2012 | -0.942 | 0.081 | 27.0 | 24.0 | 30.4 |
| | | 2013 | -1.000 | 0.082 | 25.9 | 22.8 | 29.2 |
| | Rest | 2011 | -1.358 | 0.256 | 19.5 | 12.5 | 28.8 |
| | | 2012 | -0.821 | 0.224 | 29.6 | 21.1 | 39.6 |
| | | 2013 | -0.867 | 0.226 | 28.6 | 20.2 | 38.6 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | -1.261 | 0.144 | 21.1 | 16.6 | 26.3 |
| | | 2013 | -1.060 | 0.137 | 24.7 | 20.0 | 30.2 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | -0.891 | 0.130 | 28.1 | 23.1 | 33.6 |
| | | 2013 | -0.957 | 0.126 | 26.7 | 22.1 | 32.0 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | -1.055 | 0.236 | 24.8 | 17.0 | 34.6 |
| | | 2013 | -1.341 | 0.255 | 19.7 | 12.7 | 29.1 |
| | Rest | 2012 | -0.783 | 0.223 | 30.4 | 21.8 | 40.4 |
| | | 2013 | -0.874 | 0.227 | 28.4 | 20.1 | 38.4 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 3.12. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of nonnative grass cover (percent) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

M. Defoliation Index

Table 3.25. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of management regime and year on mean the Defoliation Index on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Source of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.1 | 7.93 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 79.4 | 32.51 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 128.7 | 0.12 | 0.8910 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 129.6 | 0.95 | 0.4646 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 88.2 | 2.68 | 0.0519* |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 127.5 | 0.01 | 0.9129 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 127.5 | 1.47 | 0.2252 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 84.1 | 2.60 | 0.1108 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 86.2 | 20.43 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 87.3 | 1.28 | 0.2618 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 83.4 | 9.66 | 0.0026** |

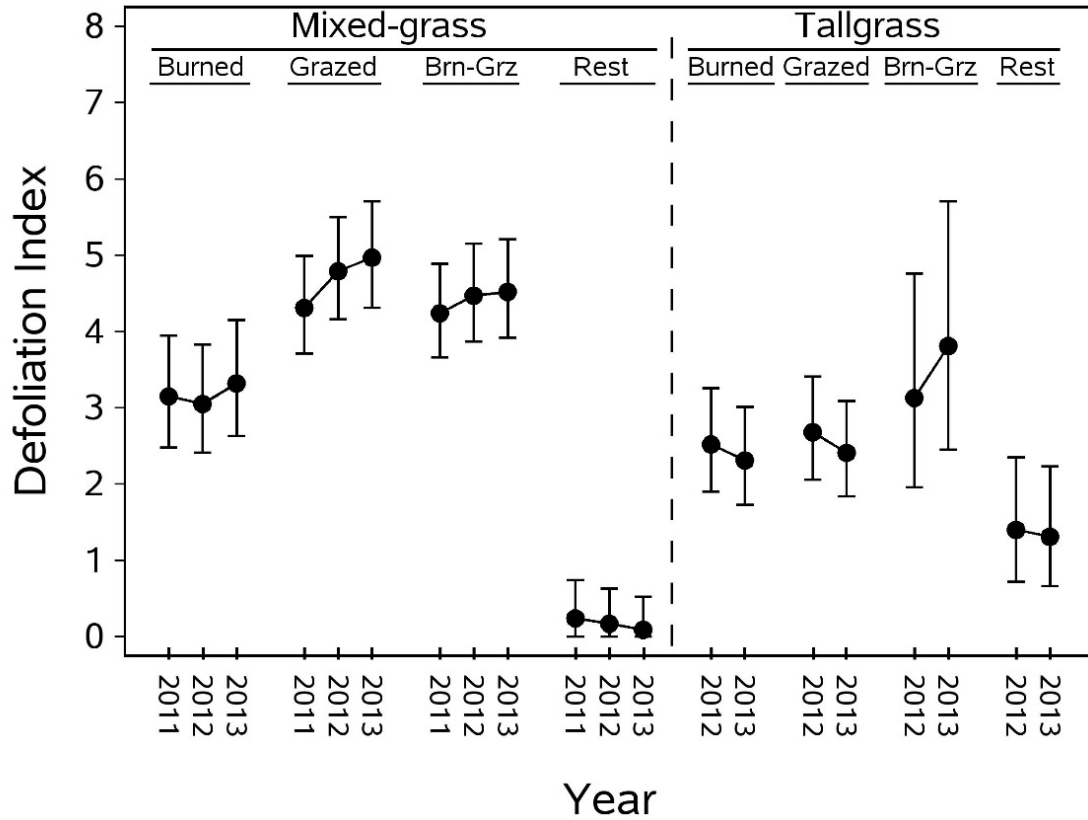
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 3.26. Least squares mean (standard error) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) of the Defoliation Index, by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.42 | 0.09 | 3.15 | 2.48 | 3.95 |
| | | 2012 | 1.40 | 0.09 | 3.05 | 2.41 | 3.83 |
| | | 2013 | 1.46 | 0.09 | 3.32 | 2.63 | 4.15 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 1.67 | 0.06 | 4.31 | 3.71 | 4.99 |
| | | 2012 | 1.76 | 0.06 | 4.79 | 4.16 | 5.50 |
| | | 2013 | 1.79 | 0.06 | 4.97 | 4.31 | 5.71 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 1.66 | 0.06 | 4.24 | 3.66 | 4.89 |
| | | 2012 | 1.70 | 0.06 | 4.47 | 3.87 | 5.15 |
| | | 2013 | 1.71 | 0.06 | 4.52 | 3.92 | 5.21 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.22 | 0.17 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.74 |
| | | 2012 | 0.15 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.00 | 0.63 |
| | | 2013 | 0.09 | 0.17 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 0.52 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.26 | 0.10 | 2.52 | 1.90 | 3.26 |
| | | 2013 | 1.20 | 0.10 | 2.31 | 1.73 | 3.01 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.30 | 0.09 | 2.68 | 2.06 | 3.41 |
| | | 2013 | 1.23 | 0.09 | 2.41 | 1.84 | 3.09 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 1.42 | 0.17 | 3.13 | 1.96 | 4.76 |
| | | 2013 | 1.57 | 0.17 | 3.81 | 2.45 | 5.71 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.87 | 0.17 | 1.40 | 0.72 | 2.35 |
| | | 2013 | 0.84 | 0.17 | 1.31 | 0.66 | 2.23 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 3.13. Back-transformed least squares mean Defoliation Index in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

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Appendix 4. Testing the Influence of Post-Management Treatments on Vegetation Composition Variables on Federal Lands Managed under an Adaptive-Management Framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13

A. Mean Brome Cover (percent)

Table 4.1. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1\text{percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean cover (percent) of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 118.7 | 1.61 | 0.0669* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 99.1 | 0.31 | 0.5772 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 81.9 | 0.06 | 0.8044 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 93.5 | 1.92 | 0.1690 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 133.6 | 6.28 | 0.0134** |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 117.1 | 2.32 | 0.1301 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 98.7 | 0.31 | 0.5808 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 123.5 | 7.37 | 0.0076** |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 114.6 | 1.19 | 0.2781 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 152.3 | 0.04 | 0.8403 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 157.9 | 0.00 | 0.9500 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 0.03 | 0.8683 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.1 | 0.20 | 0.6572 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 151.4 | 1.27 | 0.2609 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.3 | 2.95 | 0.0875** |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 100.8 | 0.18 | 0.6765 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 98.5 | 0.63 | 0.4290 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 103.5 | 0.13 | 0.7153 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 136.5 | 1.88 | 0.1722 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 164.6 | 2.11 | 0.1487 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.3 | 0.44 | 0.5069 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 163.3 | 1.98 | 0.1613 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

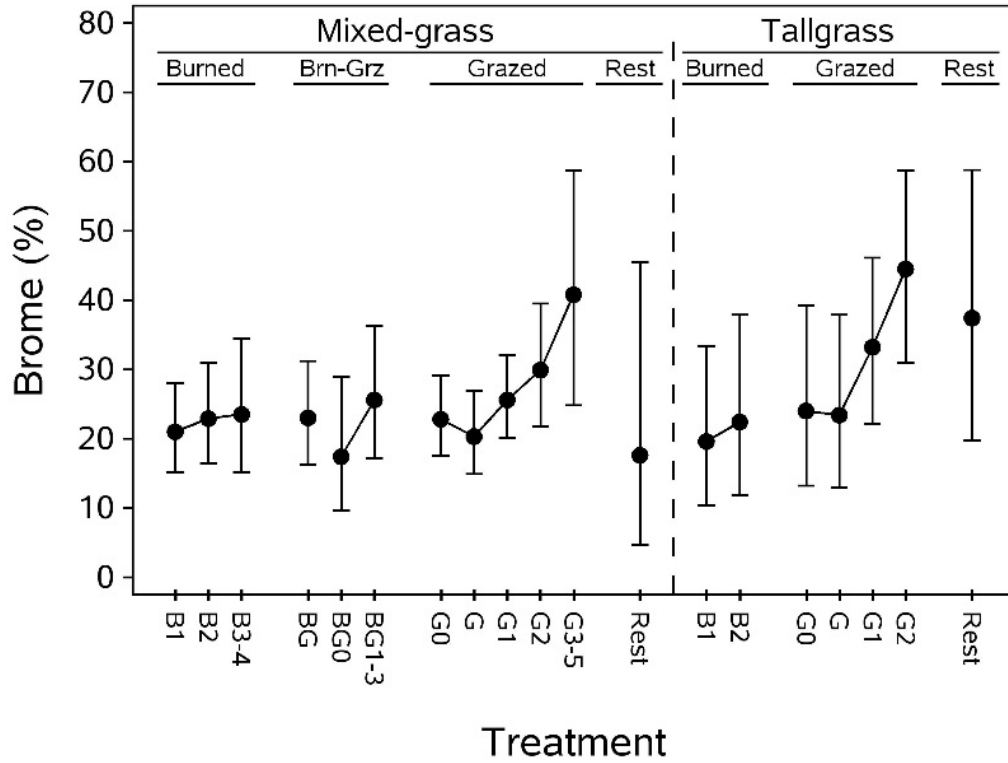
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.2. Least squares mean (standard error) cover (percent) of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) cover (percent) of smooth brome (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -1.269 | 0.190 | 21.0 | 15.2 | 28.0 |
| | B2 | -1.157 | 0.205 | 22.9 | 16.4 | 31.0 |
| | B3-4 | -1.124 | 0.267 | 23.5 | 15.2 | 34.4 |
| | BG | -1.153 | 0.209 | 23.0 | 16.3 | 31.2 |
| | BG0 | -1.491 | 0.327 | 17.4 | 9.6 | 28.9 |
| | BG1-3 | -1.013 | 0.251 | 25.6 | 17.2 | 36.3 |
| | G0 | -1.164 | 0.164 | 22.8 | 17.5 | 29.1 |
| | G | -1.308 | 0.182 | 20.3 | 14.9 | 26.9 |
| | G1 | -1.013 | 0.157 | 25.6 | 20.1 | 32.1 |
| | G2 | -0.803 | 0.213 | 29.9 | 21.8 | 39.5 |
| | G3-5 | -0.332 | 0.371 | 40.8 | 24.8 | 58.7 |
| | Rest | -1.479 | 0.682 | 17.6 | 4.7 | 45.5 |
| Tall | B1 | -1.351 | 0.359 | 19.6 | 10.4 | 33.4 |
| | B2 | -1.184 | 0.374 | 22.4 | 11.8 | 37.9 |
| | G0 | -1.099 | 0.358 | 24.0 | 13.2 | 39.2 |
| | G | -1.133 | 0.348 | 23.4 | 13.0 | 37.9 |
| | G1 | -0.655 | 0.276 | 33.2 | 22.2 | 46.1 |
| | G2 | -0.180 | 0.293 | 44.5 | 31.0 | 58.7 |
| | Rest | -0.472 | 0.444 | 37.4 | 19.7 | 58.8 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 4.1. Back-transformed least squares mean cover (percent) of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.1 and 4.2.

B. Standard Deviation of Brome Cover (percent)

Table 4.3. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on standard deviation of mean cover (percent) of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 125.6 | 1.20 | 0.2676 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 108.2 | 1.76 | 0.1874 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 79.3 | 0.16 | 0.6945 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 98.2 | 2.29 | 0.1335 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 153.5 | 0.01 | 0.9271 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 131.1 | 0.55 | 0.4600 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 104.9 | 0.02 | 0.8888 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 131.8 | 0.21 | 0.6450 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 114.5 | 0.25 | 0.6193 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 157.2 | 1.02 | 0.3153 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 160.4 | 1.65 | 0.2006 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.3 | 0.00 | 0.9496 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.15 | 0.6949 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 160.0 | 0.00 | 0.9808 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.8 | 1.57 | 0.2121 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 110.7 | 0.17 | 0.6791 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 108.8 | 0.00 | 0.9555 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 117.2 | 0.25 | 0.6149 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 160.2 | 1.83 | 0.1777 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 154.6 | 5.94 | 0.0159 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.9 | 3.70 | 0.0561 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 150.4 | 1.47 | 0.2277 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit(Grass type)} + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

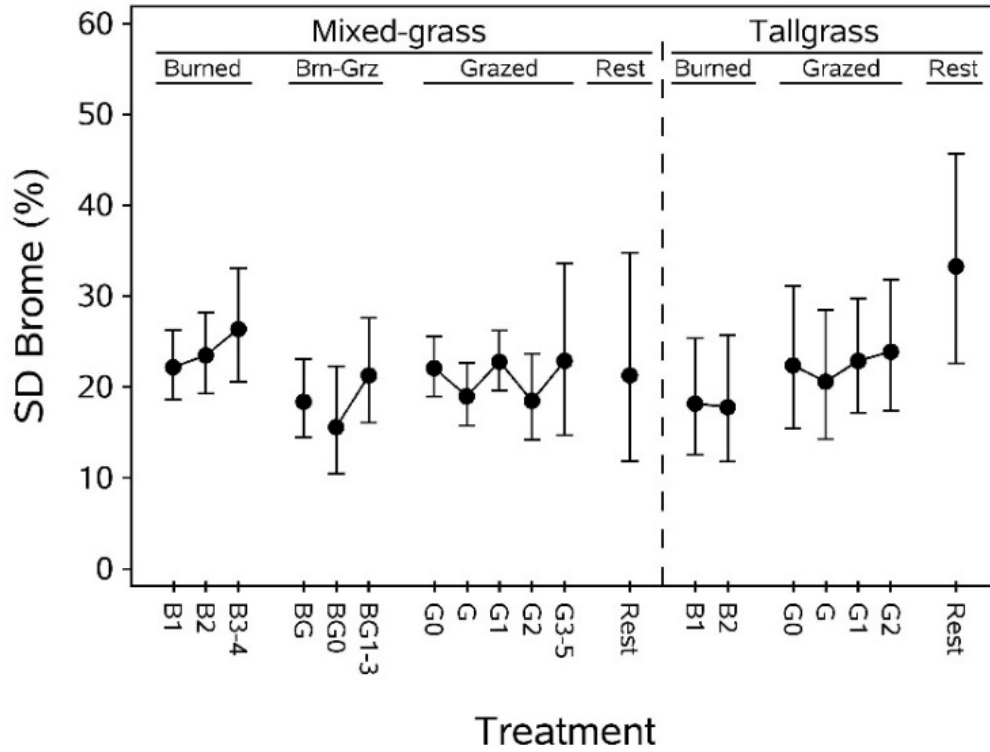
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.4. Least squares mean (standard error) standard deviation of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of brome cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -1.196 | 0.109 | 22.2 | 18.6 | 26.3 |
| | B2 | -1.128 | 0.123 | 23.5 | 19.3 | 28.2 |
| | B3-4 | -0.974 | 0.161 | 26.4 | 20.6 | 33.1 |
| | BG | -1.422 | 0.140 | 18.4 | 14.5 | 23.1 |
| | BG0 | -1.616 | 0.217 | 15.6 | 10.5 | 22.3 |
| | BG1-3 | -1.247 | 0.170 | 21.3 | 16.1 | 27.6 |
| | G0 | -1.202 | 0.095 | 22.1 | 19.0 | 25.6 |
| | G | -1.386 | 0.110 | 19.0 | 15.8 | 22.7 |
| | G1 | -1.166 | 0.093 | 22.8 | 19.6 | 26.2 |
| | G2 | -1.416 | 0.154 | 18.5 | 14.2 | 23.7 |
| | G3-5 | -1.159 | 0.267 | 22.9 | 14.7 | 33.6 |
| Rest | -1.246 | 0.338 | 21.3 | 11.9 | 34.8 | |
| Tall | B1 | -1.434 | 0.210 | 18.2 | 12.6 | 25.4 |
| | B2 | -1.464 | 0.231 | 17.8 | 11.8 | 25.7 |
| | G0 | -1.187 | 0.224 | 22.4 | 15.4 | 31.1 |
| | G | -1.291 | 0.215 | 20.6 | 14.3 | 28.5 |
| | G1 | -1.161 | 0.176 | 22.9 | 17.2 | 29.7 |
| | G2 | -1.103 | 0.197 | 23.9 | 17.4 | 31.8 |
| | Rest | -0.652 | 0.266 | 33.3 | 22.6 | 45.7 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 4.2. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.3 and 4.4.

C. Mean Kentucky Bluegrass Cover (percent)

Table 4.5. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 130.5 | 0.56 | 0.9235 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 115.9 | 0.66 | 0.4184 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 79.0 | 0.22 | 0.6380 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 100.8 | 2.10 | 0.1507 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 162.0 | 0.13 | 0.7240 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 139.1 | 0.07 | 0.7972 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 108.9 | 0.07 | 0.7984 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 140.9 | 1.20 | 0.2750 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 112.6 | 1.37 | 0.2446 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 160.0 | 0.72 | 0.3958 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 162.3 | 1.08 | 0.3008 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 162.6 | 0.01 | 0.9281 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.4 | 0.05 | 0.8240 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.3 | 0.01 | 0.9321 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 1.14 | 0.2865 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 118.1 | 0.49 | 0.4874 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 116.7 | 0.42 | 0.5159 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 123.6 | 0.27 | 0.6014 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 167.3 | 0.02 | 0.8825 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 154.2 | 0.00 | 0.9851 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.6 | 0.27 | 0.6062 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 143.8 | 0.68 | 0.4122 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

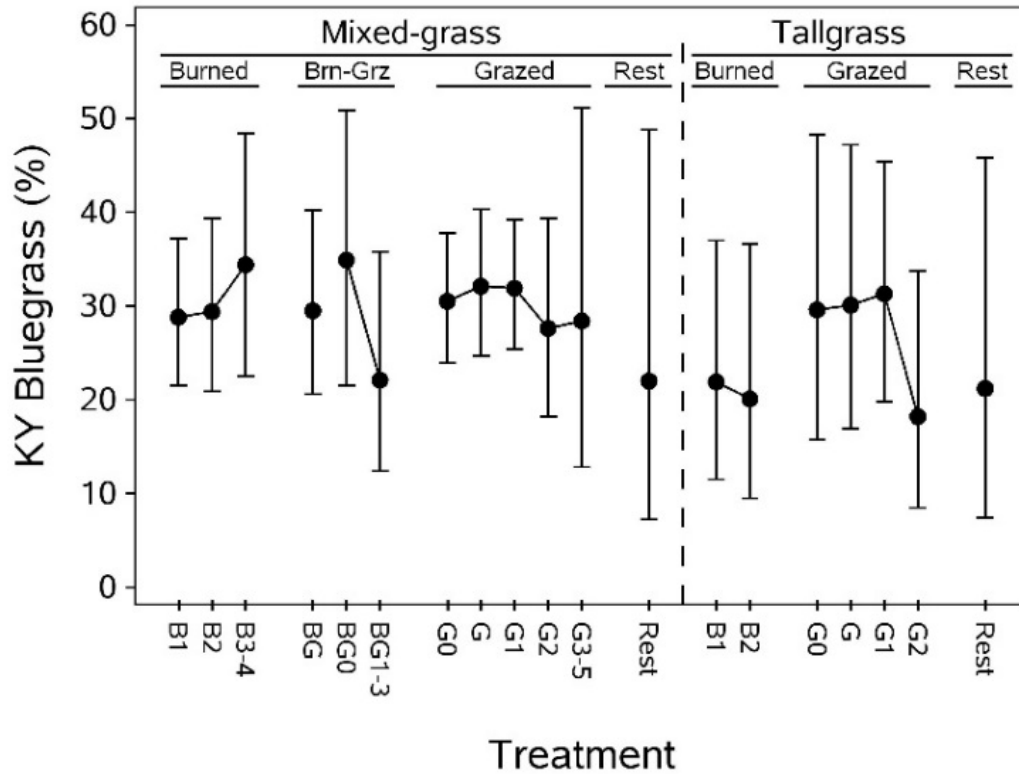
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.6. Least squares mean (standard error) Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -0.859 | 0.194 | 28.8 | 21.5 | 37.2 |
| | B2 | -0.830 | 0.225 | 29.4 | 20.9 | 39.4 |
| | B3-4 | -0.603 | 0.295 | 34.4 | 22.5 | 48.4 |
| | BG | -0.823 | 0.239 | 29.5 | 20.6 | 40.2 |
| | BG0 | -0.580 | 0.336 | 34.9 | 21.5 | 50.9 |
| | BG1-3 | -1.203 | 0.337 | 22.1 | 12.4 | 35.8 |
| | G0 | -0.779 | 0.165 | 30.5 | 23.9 | 37.8 |
| | G | -0.705 | 0.181 | 32.1 | 24.7 | 40.3 |
| | G1 | -0.712 | 0.161 | 31.9 | 25.4 | 39.2 |
| | G2 | -0.914 | 0.267 | 27.6 | 18.2 | 39.4 |
| | G3-5 | -0.874 | 0.489 | 28.4 | 12.8 | 51.1 |
| Rest | -1.209 | 0.613 | 22.0 | 7.2 | 48.8 | |
| Tall | B1 | -1.216 | 0.371 | 21.9 | 11.5 | 37.0 |
| | B2 | -1.321 | 0.417 | 20.1 | 9.5 | 36.6 |
| | G0 | -0.818 | 0.404 | 29.6 | 15.7 | 48.3 |
| | G | -0.796 | 0.369 | 30.1 | 16.9 | 47.2 |
| | G1 | -0.741 | 0.305 | 31.3 | 19.8 | 45.4 |
| | G2 | -1.439 | 0.413 | 18.2 | 8.5 | 33.7 |
| | Rest | -1.256 | 0.576 | 21.2 | 7.4 | 45.8 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; KY, Kentucky]

Figure 4.3. Back-transformed least squares mean Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.5 and 4.6.

D. Standard Deviation of Kentucky Bluegrass Cover (percent)

Table 4.7. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on standard deviation of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 133.9 | 0.83 | 0.6610 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 121.7 | 0.23 | 0.6347 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 80.4 | 0.85 | 0.3592 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 105.4 | 1.20 | 0.2750 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 165.1 | 0.06 | 0.8129 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 142.0 | 0.01 | 0.9367 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 111.9 | 0.19 | 0.6603 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 141.9 | 0.34 | 0.5626 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 117.2 | 0.57 | 0.4516 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 161.3 | 3.70 | 0.0560 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.2 | 3.33 | 0.0699 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 162.4 | 0.19 | 0.6606 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.8 | 0.12 | 0.7342 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.6 | 0.91 | 0.3423 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.5 | 0.20 | 0.6583 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 124.0 | 0.00 | 0.9810 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 122.7 | 0.23 | 0.6288 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 130.6 | 0.04 | 0.8493 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 167.9 | 1.64 | 0.2015 |
| Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 152.3 | 0.87 | 0.3538 | |
| Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.2 | 0.11 | 0.7357 | |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 142.6 | 1.01 | 0.3157 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

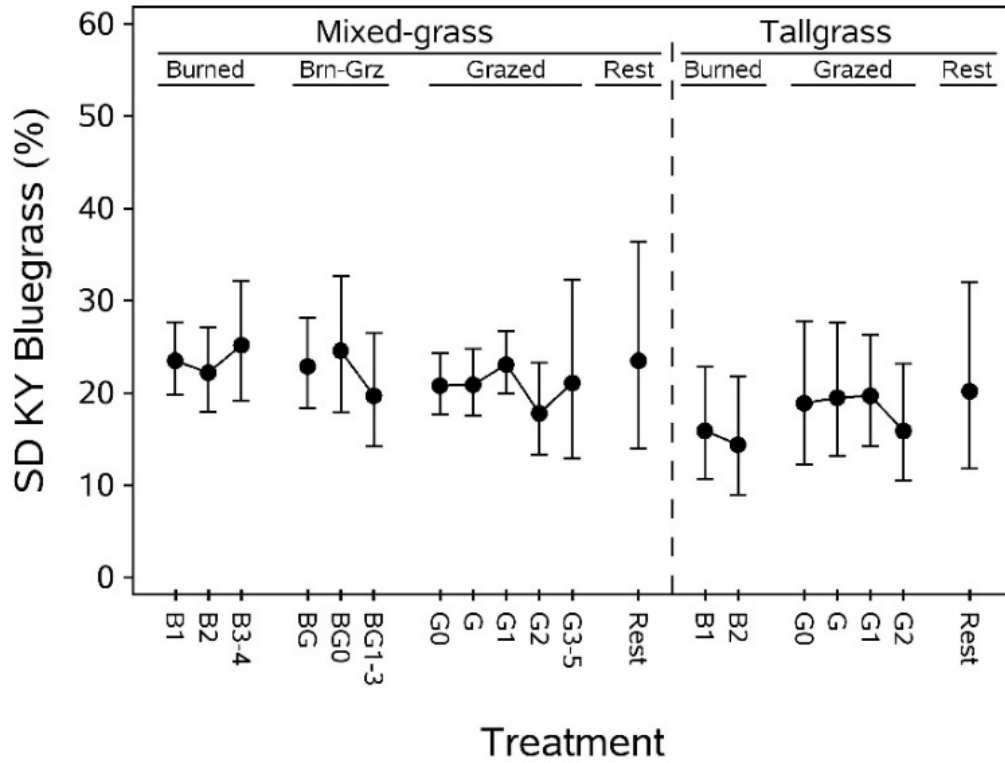
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.8. Least squares mean (standard error) standard deviation of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -1.124 | 0.109 | 23.5 | 19.8 | 27.7 |
| | B2 | -1.196 | 0.131 | 22.2 | 18.0 | 27.1 |
| | B3-4 | -1.035 | 0.172 | 25.2 | 19.2 | 32.2 |
| | BG | -1.158 | 0.140 | 22.9 | 18.3 | 28.2 |
| | BG0 | -1.067 | 0.199 | 24.6 | 17.9 | 32.7 |
| | BG1-3 | -1.344 | 0.190 | 19.7 | 14.2 | 26.5 |
| | G0 | -1.277 | 0.098 | 20.8 | 17.7 | 24.3 |
| | G | -1.270 | 0.110 | 20.9 | 17.5 | 24.8 |
| | G1 | -1.145 | 0.094 | 23.1 | 19.9 | 26.7 |
| | G2 | -1.464 | 0.166 | 17.8 | 13.3 | 23.3 |
| | G3-5 | -1.259 | 0.287 | 21.1 | 12.9 | 32.3 |
| Rest | -1.126 | 0.311 | 23.5 | 14.0 | 36.4 | |
| Tall | B1 | -1.595 | 0.219 | 15.9 | 10.7 | 22.8 |
| | B2 | -1.707 | 0.248 | 14.4 | 9.0 | 21.8 |
| | G0 | -1.396 | 0.250 | 18.9 | 12.2 | 27.8 |
| | G | -1.355 | 0.226 | 19.5 | 13.2 | 27.6 |
| | G1 | -1.344 | 0.186 | 19.7 | 14.3 | 26.3 |
| | G2 | -1.590 | 0.229 | 15.9 | 10.5 | 23.2 |
| | Rest | -1.311 | 0.308 | 20.2 | 11.8 | 32.0 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent, KY, Kentucky; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 4.4. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.7 and 4.8.

E. Mean Native Forb Cover (percent)

Table 4.9. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean native forb cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 153.6 | 1.98 | 0.0140** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 160.4 | 1.25 | 0.2645 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 99.5 | 0.99 | 0.3211 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 148.1 | 0.42 | 0.5163 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 163.2 | 1.41 | 0.2368 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 155.0 | 1.38 | 0.2420 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 121.3 | 0.02 | 0.8801 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 160.0 | 0.18 | 0.6685 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 138.8 | 0.14 | 0.7058 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.7 | 1.63 | 0.2031 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 1.39 | 0.2407 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.0 | 0.00 | 0.9496 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.0 | 0.08 | 0.7798 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.01 | 0.9208 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.4 | 0.36 | 0.5476 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 158.4 | 0.74 | 0.3896 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 160.0 | 0.42 | 0.5178 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 159.8 | 1.59 | 0.2086 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 138.7 | 0.26 | 0.6115 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 157.1 | 3.35 | 0.0690* |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 163.7 | 10.98 | 0.0011** |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 139.5 | 3.41 | 0.0668* | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

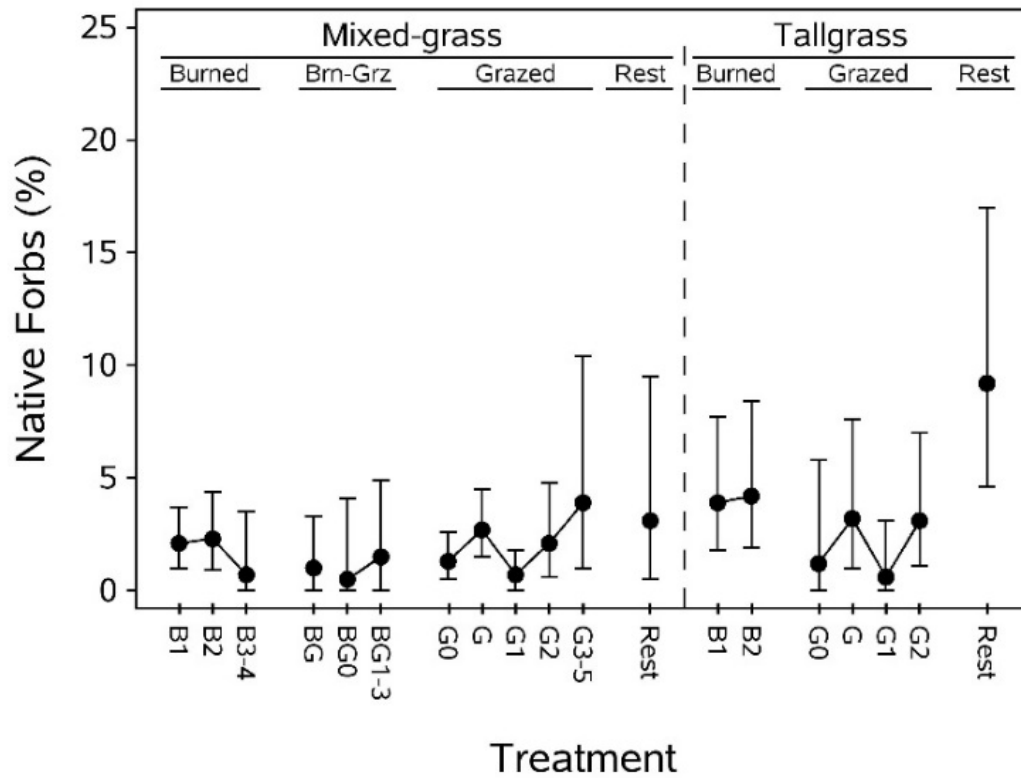
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.10. Least squares mean (standard error) native forb cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) native forb cover (percent) by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -3.443 | 0.227 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 3.7 |
| | B2 | -3.390 | 0.274 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 4.4 |
| | B3-4 | -4.068 | 0.515 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 3.5 |
| | BG | -3.870 | 0.390 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 3.3 |
| | BG0 | -4.178 | 0.642 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 4.1 |
| | BG1-3 | -3.673 | 0.459 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 4.9 |
| | G0 | -3.742 | 0.228 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 2.6 |
| | G | -3.262 | 0.213 | 2.7 | 1.5 | 4.5 |
| | G1 | -4.075 | 0.263 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1.8 |
| | G2 | -3.440 | 0.336 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 4.8 |
| | G3-5 | -2.973 | 0.471 | 3.9 | 1.0 | 10.4 |
| Rest | -3.152 | 0.512 | 3.1 | 0.5 | 9.5 | |
| Tall | B1 | -2.956 | 0.306 | 3.9 | 1.8 | 7.7 |
| | B2 | -2.893 | 0.322 | 4.2 | 1.9 | 8.4 |
| | G0 | -3.782 | 0.594 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 5.8 |
| | G | -3.137 | 0.392 | 3.2 | 1.0 | 7.6 |
| | G1 | -4.131 | 0.497 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 3.1 |
| | G2 | -3.144 | 0.360 | 3.1 | 1.1 | 7.0 |
| | Rest | -2.176 | 0.335 | 9.2 | 4.6 | 17.0 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 4.5. Back-transformed least squares mean native forb cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.9 and 4.10.

F. Standard Deviation of Native Forb Cover (percent)

Table 4.11. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on standard deviation of native forb cover (percent) on two grass types on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 150.8 | 2.07 | 0.0094** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 155.9 | 2.10 | 0.1497 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 96.0 | 3.20 | 0.0767* |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 141.2 | 0.87 | 0.3519 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 164.9 | 0.87 | 0.3518 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 151.8 | 0.96 | 0.3293 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 119.5 | 0.02 | 0.8890 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 156.5 | 0.80 | 0.3717 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 137.2 | 0.20 | 0.6514 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.2 | 0.09 | 0.7596 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.7 | 0.00 | 0.9692 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.1 | 0.01 | 0.9142 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.4 | 0.12 | 0.7292 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 0.00 | 0.9480 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.6 | 2.02 | 0.1576 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 153.3 | 2.18 | 0.1416 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 153.5 | 4.24 | 0.0411** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 156.7 | 5.38 | 0.0216** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 144.7 | 0.92 | 0.3381 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 156.5 | 1.31 | 0.2536 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 165.0 | 5.02 | 0.0264** |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 142.0 | 2.04 | 0.1555 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

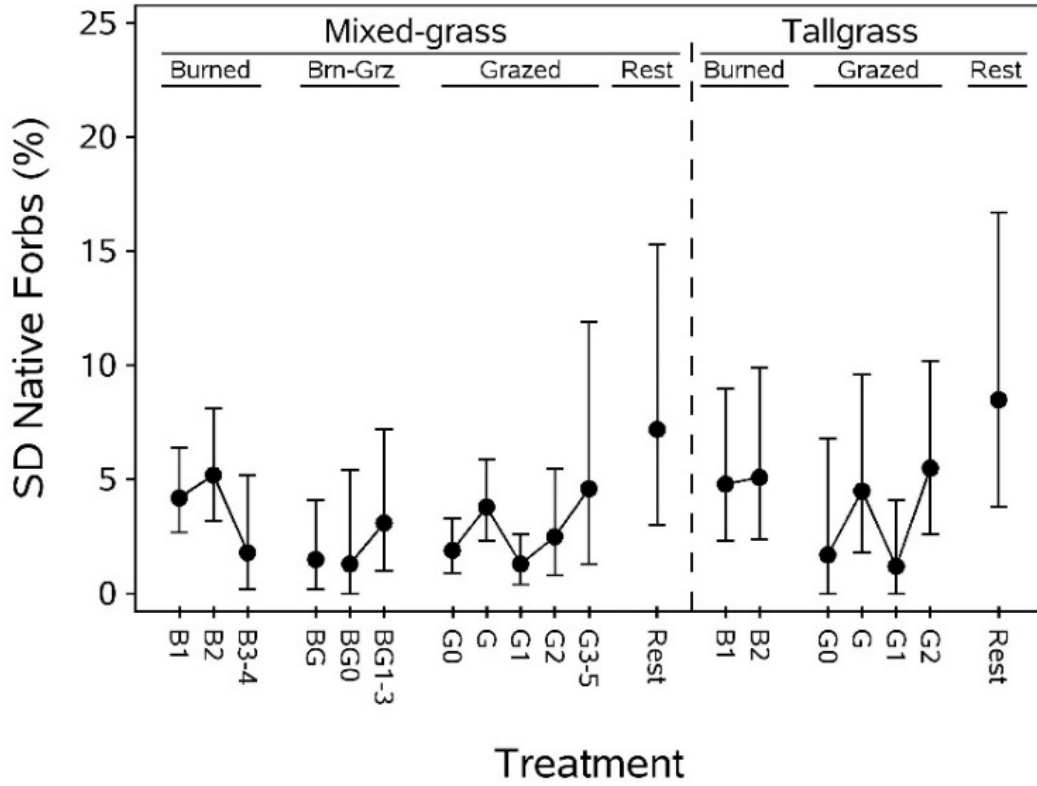
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.12. Least squares mean (standard error) standard deviation of native forb cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of native forb cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -2.894 | 0.187 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 6.4 |
| | B2 | -2.714 | 0.212 | 5.2 | 3.2 | 8.1 |
| | B3-4 | -3.557 | 0.426 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 5.2 |
| | BG | -3.652 | 0.369 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 4.1 |
| | BG0 | -3.769 | 0.555 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 5.4 |
| | BG1-3 | -3.156 | 0.379 | 3.1 | 1.0 | 7.2 |
| | G0 | -3.520 | 0.217 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 3.3 |
| | G | -2.983 | 0.197 | 3.8 | 2.3 | 5.9 |
| | G1 | -3.760 | 0.239 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 2.6 |
| | G2 | -3.320 | 0.335 | 2.5 | 0.8 | 5.5 |
| | G3-5 | -2.823 | 0.466 | 4.6 | 1.3 | 11.9 |
| Rest | -2.411 | 0.395 | 7.2 | 3.0 | 15.3 | |
| Tall | B1 | -2.785 | 0.302 | 4.8 | 2.3 | 9.0 |
| | B2 | -2.729 | 0.318 | 5.1 | 2.4 | 9.9 |
| | G0 | -3.586 | 0.571 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 6.8 |
| | G | -2.840 | 0.362 | 4.5 | 1.8 | 9.6 |
| | G1 | -3.794 | 0.448 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 4.1 |
| | G2 | -2.673 | 0.309 | 5.5 | 2.6 | 10.2 |
| | Rest | -2.256 | 0.368 | 8.5 | 3.8 | 16.7 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 4.6. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of native forb cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.11 and 4.12.

G. Mean Native Grass Cover (percent)

Table 4.13. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean native grass cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 131.3 | 1.39 | 0.1471 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 117.6 | 5.02 | 0.0269 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 87.7 | 0.53 | 0.4671 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 104.0 | 0.35 | 0.5540 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 157.2 | 0.57 | 0.4501 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 139.1 | 0.23 | 0.6355 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 111.1 | 1.78 | 0.1847 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 139.5 | 0.56 | 0.4560 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 119.4 | 0.25 | 0.6194 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 159.5 | 0.00 | 0.9993 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.3 | 2.62 | 0.1077 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.7 | 0.14 | 0.7082 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.02 | 0.9004 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 161.7 | 0.41 | 0.5242 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 0.02 | 0.8919 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 118.9 | 0.03 | 0.8534 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 116.8 | 0.46 | 0.5003 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 122.9 | 0.05 | 0.8269 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 162.7 | 1.60 | 0.2078 |
| Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 159.9 | 2.55 | 0.1123 | |
| Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.0 | 0.22 | 0.6398 | |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 152.3 | 4.55 | 0.0345 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit(Grass type)} + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

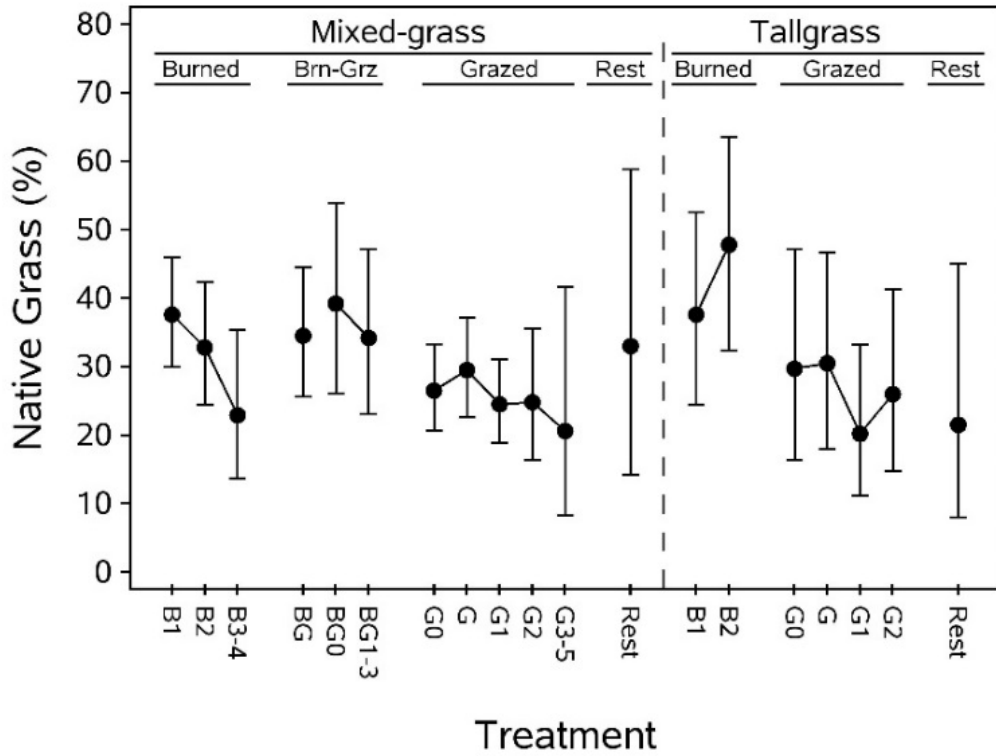
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.14. Least squares mean (standard error) native grass cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) native grass cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -0.465 | 0.173 | 37.6 | 29.9 | 45.9 |
| | B2 | -0.674 | 0.206 | 32.8 | 24.4 | 42.3 |
| | B3-4 | -1.160 | 0.308 | 22.9 | 13.6 | 35.4 |
| | BG | -0.599 | 0.213 | 34.5 | 25.6 | 44.5 |
| | BG0 | -0.397 | 0.303 | 39.2 | 26.1 | 53.9 |
| | BG1-3 | -0.612 | 0.273 | 34.2 | 23.1 | 47.1 |
| | G0 | -0.969 | 0.164 | 26.5 | 20.6 | 33.3 |
| | G | -0.824 | 0.175 | 29.5 | 22.7 | 37.2 |
| | G1 | -1.075 | 0.167 | 24.5 | 18.8 | 31.1 |
| | G2 | -1.054 | 0.256 | 24.8 | 16.4 | 35.5 |
| | G3-5 | -1.291 | 0.508 | 20.6 | 8.2 | 41.7 |
| | Rest | -0.661 | 0.540 | 33.0 | 14.2 | 58.8 |
| Tall | B1 | -0.465 | 0.309 | 37.6 | 24.5 | 52.5 |
| | B2 | -0.047 | 0.329 | 47.8 | 32.4 | 63.5 |
| | G0 | -0.815 | 0.378 | 29.7 | 16.4 | 47.1 |
| | G | -0.775 | 0.348 | 30.5 | 17.9 | 46.7 |
| | G1 | -1.314 | 0.335 | 20.2 | 11.2 | 33.2 |
| | G2 | -0.995 | 0.350 | 26.0 | 14.7 | 41.3 |
| | Rest | -1.239 | 0.551 | 21.5 | 8.0 | 45.0 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 4.7. Back-transformed least squares mean native grass cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.13 and 4.14.

H. Standard Deviation of Native Grass Cover (percent)

Table 4.15. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on standard deviation of native grass cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 126.0 | 1.11 | 0.3477 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 108.8 | 0.95 | 0.3317 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 84.5 | 1.09 | 0.3002 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 99.0 | 0.78 | 0.3791 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 148.6 | 0.04 | 0.8443 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 130.6 | 0.30 | 0.5824 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 110.1 | 4.37 | 0.0389 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 133.5 | 0.15 | 0.6997 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 115.3 | 0.06 | 0.8142 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 156.6 | 0.54 | 0.4642 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 159.9 | 2.19 | 0.1409 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.1 | 0.28 | 0.5958 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.7 | 0.31 | 0.5773 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 158.3 | 0.01 | 0.9320 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.01 | 0.9162 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 111.1 | 0.02 | 0.8792 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 108.9 | 0.50 | 0.4825 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 115.0 | 0.00 | 0.9459 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 153.9 | 2.47 | 0.1183 |
| Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 160.4 | 0.50 | 0.4815 | |
| Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.0 | 0.09 | 0.7664 | |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 156.3 | 0.53 | 0.4680 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

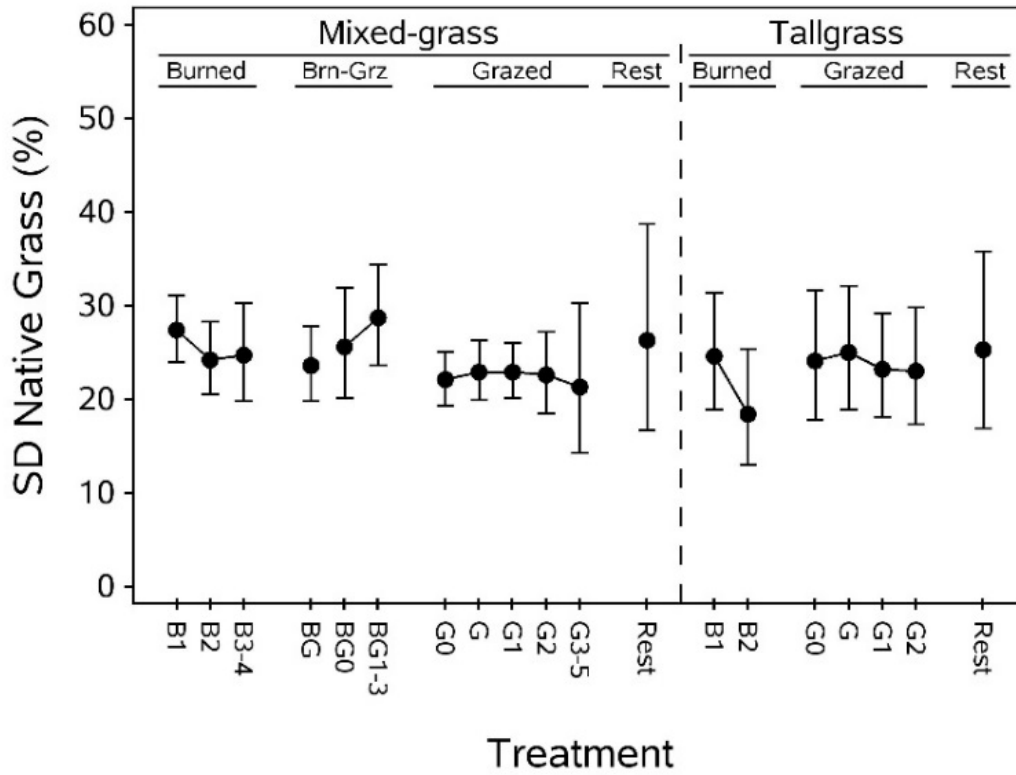
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.16. Least squares mean (standard error) standard deviation of native grass cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of native grass cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -0.925 | 0.090 | 27.4 | 24.0 | 31.1 |
| | B2 | -1.086 | 0.105 | 24.2 | 20.5 | 28.3 |
| | B3-4 | -1.062 | 0.140 | 24.7 | 19.8 | 30.3 |
| | BG | -1.119 | 0.110 | 23.6 | 19.8 | 27.8 |
| | BG0 | -1.017 | 0.155 | 25.6 | 20.1 | 31.9 |
| | BG1-3 | -0.861 | 0.131 | 28.7 | 23.6 | 34.4 |
| | G0 | -1.205 | 0.084 | 22.1 | 19.3 | 25.1 |
| | G | -1.156 | 0.090 | 22.9 | 19.9 | 26.3 |
| | G1 | -1.156 | 0.082 | 22.9 | 20.1 | 26.0 |
| | G2 | -1.176 | 0.123 | 22.6 | 18.5 | 27.2 |
| | G3-5 | -1.248 | 0.235 | 21.3 | 14.3 | 30.3 |
| Rest | -0.979 | 0.286 | 26.3 | 16.7 | 38.7 | |
| Tall | B1 | -1.064 | 0.167 | 24.6 | 18.9 | 31.4 |
| | B2 | -1.422 | 0.202 | 18.4 | 13.0 | 25.4 |
| | G0 | -1.095 | 0.189 | 24.1 | 17.8 | 31.6 |
| | G | -1.046 | 0.176 | 25.0 | 18.9 | 32.1 |
| | G1 | -1.141 | 0.154 | 23.2 | 18.1 | 29.2 |
| | G2 | -1.154 | 0.175 | 23.0 | 17.3 | 29.8 |
| | Rest | -1.033 | 0.251 | 25.3 | 16.9 | 35.8 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent, SD, standard deviation]

Figure 4.8. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of native grass cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.15 and 4.16.

I. Mean Nonnative Forb Cover (percent)

Table 4.17. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean nonnative forb cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 156.8 | 0.77 | 0.7342 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 165.5 | 0.25 | 0.6197 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 105.8 | 0.04 | 0.8516 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 160.3 | 1.01 | 0.3175 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 161.6 | 0.65 | 0.4219 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 161.1 | 0.06 | 0.8034 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 133.2 | 2.85 | 0.0935 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 165.7 | 0.55 | 0.4580 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 137.4 | 0.32 | 0.5703 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 2.85 | 0.0930 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.27 | 0.6073 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 0.02 | 0.9022 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.8 | 1.83 | 0.1779 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.31 | 0.5805 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 0.19 | 0.6601 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.0 | 0.17 | 0.6811 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 166.2 | 0.10 | 0.7518 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 163.8 | 0.92 | 0.3393 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 130.8 | 0.05 | 0.8300 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 166.0 | 0.26 | 0.6110 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.9 | 0.36 | 0.5513 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 137.4 | 0.02 | 0.8992 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

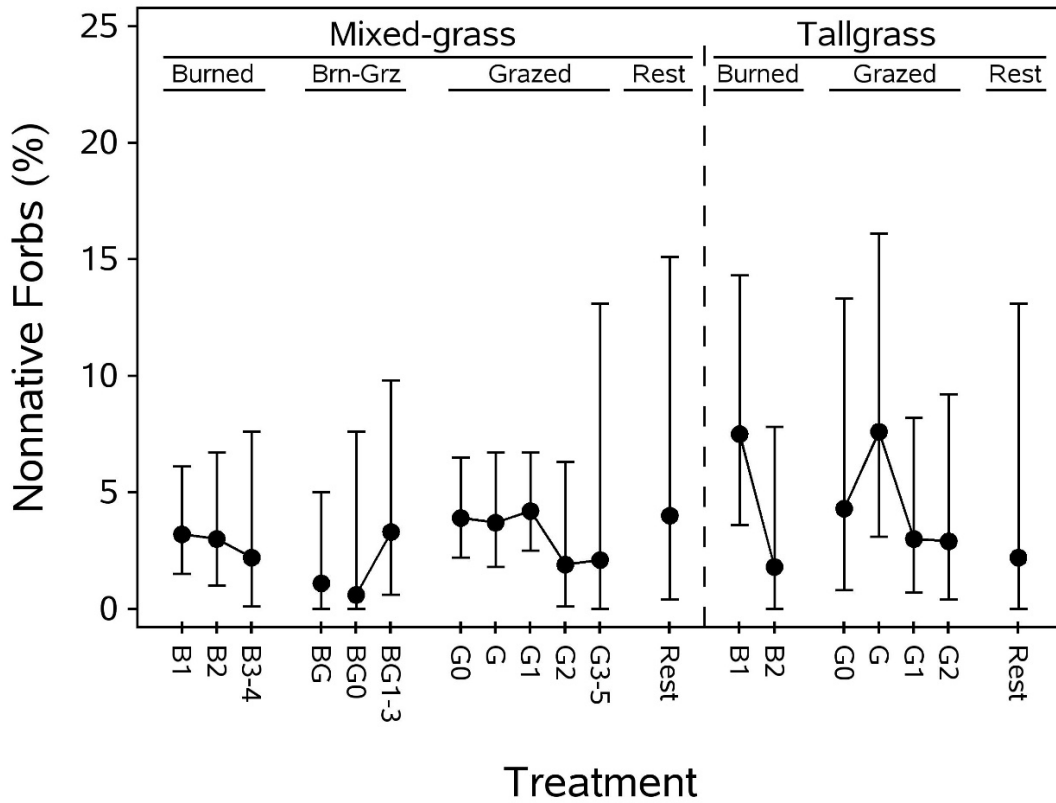
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.18. Least squares mean (standard error) nonnative forb cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) nonnative forb cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -3.118 | 0.278 | 3.2 | 1.5 | 6.1 |
| | B2 | -3.183 | 0.356 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 6.7 |
| | B3-4 | -3.420 | 0.542 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 7.6 |
| | BG | -3.842 | 0.556 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 5.0 |
| | BG0 | -4.129 | 0.900 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 7.6 |
| | BG1-3 | -3.098 | 0.506 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 9.8 |
| | G0 | -2.962 | 0.227 | 3.9 | 2.2 | 6.5 |
| | G | -3.017 | 0.273 | 3.7 | 1.8 | 6.7 |
| | G1 | -2.904 | 0.217 | 4.2 | 2.5 | 6.7 |
| | G2 | -3.527 | 0.503 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 6.3 |
| | G3-5 | -3.446 | 0.836 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 13.1 |
| Rest | -2.951 | 0.662 | 4.0 | 0.4 | 15.1 | |
| Tall | B1 | -2.377 | 0.339 | 7.5 | 3.6 | 14.3 |
| | B2 | -3.551 | 0.620 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 7.8 |
| | G0 | -2.887 | 0.561 | 4.3 | 0.8 | 13.3 |
| | G | -2.361 | 0.400 | 7.6 | 3.1 | 16.1 |
| | G1 | -3.182 | 0.452 | 3.0 | 0.7 | 8.2 |
| | G2 | -3.205 | 0.528 | 2.9 | 0.4 | 9.2 |
| | Rest | -3.423 | 0.825 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 13.1 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 4.9. Back-transformed least squares mean nonnative forb cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.17 and 4.18.

J. Standard Deviation of Nonnative Forb Cover (percent)

Table 4.19. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on standard deviation of nonnative forb cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 155.2 | 0.89 | 0.5921 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 162.0 | 0.58 | 0.4485 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 101.3 | 0.41 | 0.5239 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 152.7 | 0.73 | 0.3943 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 162.9 | 0.32 | 0.5736 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 158.9 | 0.07 | 0.7897 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 131.3 | 3.24 | 0.0741 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 164.8 | 2.81 | 0.0954 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 133.2 | 0.39 | 0.5355 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.8 | 2.38 | 0.1249 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.8 | 0.63 | 0.4301 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.4 | 0.51 | 0.4743 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.3 | 2.25 | 0.1358 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.14 | 0.7114 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.7 | 0.01 | 0.9317 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 161.4 | 0.23 | 0.6322 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 162.6 | 0.35 | 0.5542 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.5 | 1.56 | 0.2137 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 136.9 | 0.05 | 0.8183 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 164.3 | 0.36 | 0.5471 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.5 | 0.30 | 0.5870 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 135.6 | 0.03 | 0.8734 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

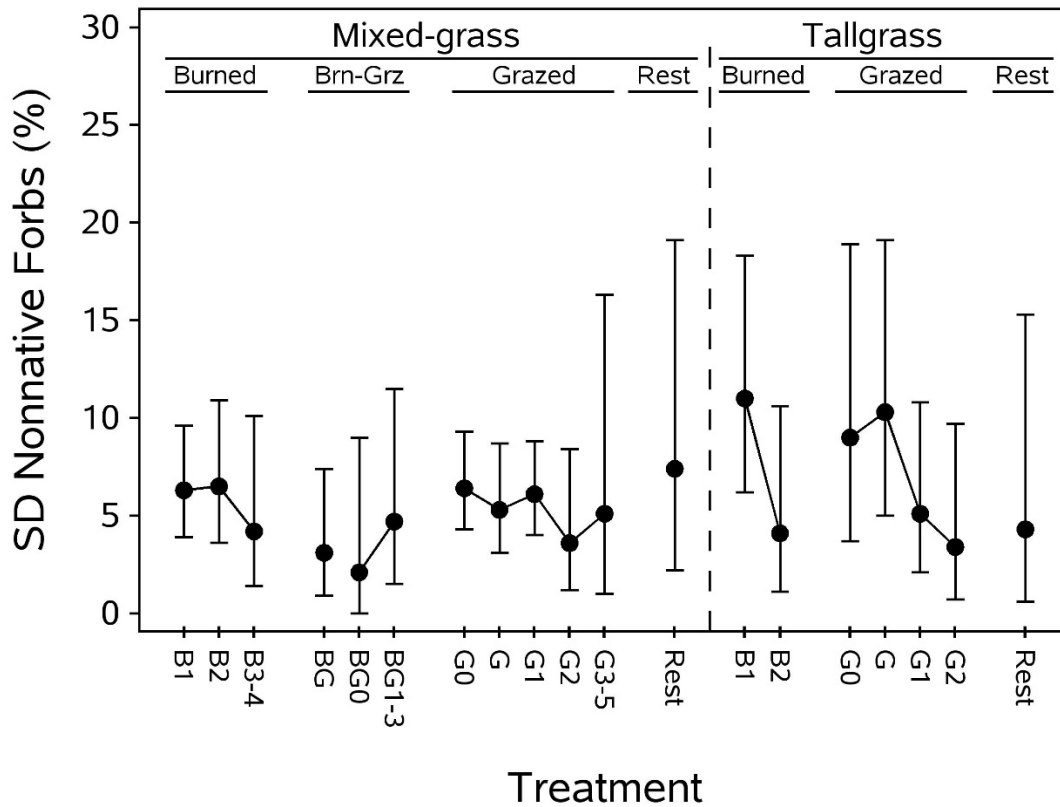
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.20. Least squares mean (standard error) standard deviation of nonnative forb cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of nonnative forb cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -2.547 | 0.213 | 6.3 | 3.9 | 9.6 |
| | B2 | -2.512 | 0.260 | 6.5 | 3.6 | 10.9 |
| | B3-4 | -2.902 | 0.420 | 4.2 | 1.4 | 10.1 |
| | BG | -3.156 | 0.394 | 3.1 | 0.9 | 7.4 |
| | BG0 | -3.450 | 0.640 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 9.0 |
| | BG1-3 | -2.798 | 0.433 | 4.7 | 1.5 | 11.5 |
| | G0 | -2.523 | 0.185 | 6.4 | 4.3 | 9.3 |
| | G | -2.692 | 0.232 | 5.3 | 3.1 | 8.7 |
| | G1 | -2.578 | 0.186 | 6.1 | 4.0 | 8.8 |
| | G2 | -3.030 | 0.393 | 3.6 | 1.2 | 8.4 |
| | G3-5 | -2.735 | 0.596 | 5.1 | 1.0 | 16.3 |
| Rest | -2.391 | 0.515 | 7.4 | 2.2 | 19.1 | |
| Tall | B1 | -1.995 | 0.288 | 11.0 | 6.2 | 18.3 |
| | B2 | -2.930 | 0.460 | 4.1 | 1.1 | 10.6 |
| | G0 | -2.199 | 0.412 | 9.0 | 3.7 | 18.9 |
| | G | -2.063 | 0.349 | 10.3 | 5.0 | 19.1 |
| | G1 | -2.730 | 0.364 | 5.1 | 2.1 | 10.8 |
| | G2 | -3.084 | 0.493 | 3.4 | 0.7 | 9.7 |
| | Rest | -2.883 | 0.637 | 4.3 | 0.6 | 15.3 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 4.10. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of nonnative forb cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.19 and 4.20.

K. Mean Nonnative Grass Cover (percent)

Table 4.21. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on mean nonnative grass cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 130.0 | 1.35 | 0.1682 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 115.5 | 1.28 | 0.2606 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 83.1 | 0.40 | 0.5297 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 102.6 | 0.02 | 0.8768 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 159.6 | 0.71 | 0.3999 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 139.0 | 0.11 | 0.7371 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 109.5 | 0.02 | 0.8751 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 138.6 | 1.23 | 0.2686 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 116.4 | 0.04 | 0.8365 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 159.3 | 0.66 | 0.4183 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 162.4 | 0.97 | 0.3271 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 162.5 | 0.06 | 0.8133 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.7 | 0.00 | 0.9835 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 161.7 | 1.63 | 0.2030 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.6 | 0.47 | 0.4940 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 118.6 | 0.21 | 0.6495 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 116.9 | 1.08 | 0.3017 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 123.9 | 0.09 | 0.7641 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 164.2 | 2.25 | 0.1356 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 156.6 | 2.35 | 0.1274 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.0 | 0.00 | 0.9596 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 148.6 | 7.23 | 0.0080 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit(Grass type)} + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

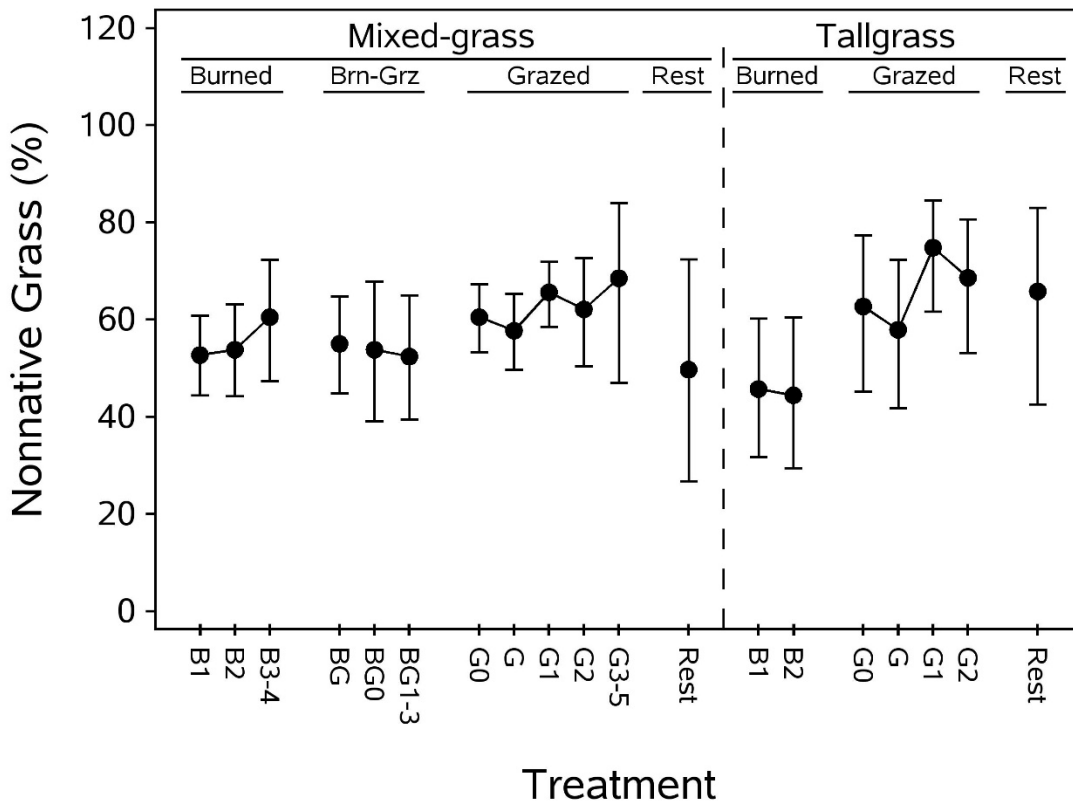
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.22. Least squares mean (standard error) nonnative grass cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) nonnative grass cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.148 | 0.170 | 52.7 | 44.4 | 60.8 |
| | B2 | 0.194 | 0.198 | 53.8 | 44.2 | 63.1 |
| | B3-4 | 0.470 | 0.274 | 60.5 | 47.3 | 72.3 |
| | BG | 0.240 | 0.209 | 55.0 | 44.8 | 64.7 |
| | BG0 | 0.194 | 0.305 | 53.8 | 39.1 | 67.8 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.138 | 0.268 | 52.4 | 39.4 | 65.0 |
| | G0 | 0.469 | 0.151 | 60.5 | 53.3 | 67.2 |
| | G | 0.352 | 0.165 | 57.7 | 49.7 | 65.3 |
| | G1 | 0.688 | 0.154 | 65.6 | 58.5 | 71.9 |
| | G2 | 0.539 | 0.249 | 62.1 | 50.3 | 72.6 |
| | G3-5 | 0.825 | 0.462 | 68.5 | 47.0 | 84.0 |
| | Rest | 0.029 | 0.504 | 49.7 | 26.7 | 72.4 |
| Tall | B1 | -0.133 | 0.301 | 45.7 | 31.7 | 60.2 |
| | B2 | -0.183 | 0.329 | 44.4 | 29.4 | 60.4 |
| | G0 | 0.563 | 0.367 | 62.7 | 45.1 | 77.3 |
| | G | 0.360 | 0.331 | 57.9 | 41.8 | 72.3 |
| | G1 | 1.143 | 0.320 | 74.8 | 61.6 | 84.5 |
| | G2 | 0.827 | 0.339 | 68.6 | 53.1 | 80.6 |
| | Rest | 0.697 | 0.488 | 65.8 | 42.5 | 83.0 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent]

Figure 4.11. Back-transformed least squares mean nonnative grass cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.21 and 4.22.

L. Standard Deviation of Nonnative Grass Cover (percent)

Table 4.23. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a beta distribution with a logit link, $y = (y+1 \text{ percent})$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on standard deviation of nonnative grass cover (percent) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 137.3 | 1.42 | 0.1329 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 126.3 | 0.00 | 0.9485 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 86.5 | 0.85 | 0.3603 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 111.4 | 0.05 | 0.8202 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 165.3 | 0.07 | 0.7911 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 146.3 | 2.07 | 0.1523 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 120.8 | 11.67 | 0.0009 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 144.2 | 0.18 | 0.6711 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 122.8 | 0.62 | 0.4321 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 162.5 | 0.46 | 0.5006 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.8 | 9.73 | 0.0021 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.3 | 0.61 | 0.4377 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.0 | 2.26 | 0.1345 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.1 | 0.00 | 0.9626 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.5 | 0.00 | 0.9794 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 128.2 | 0.18 | 0.6693 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 127.1 | 0.08 | 0.7759 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 134.0 | 0.02 | 0.8925 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 168.0 | 3.40 | 0.0670 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 154.0 | 3.86 | 0.0513 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.3 | 0.42 | 0.5196 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 145.9 | 4.92 | 0.0281 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

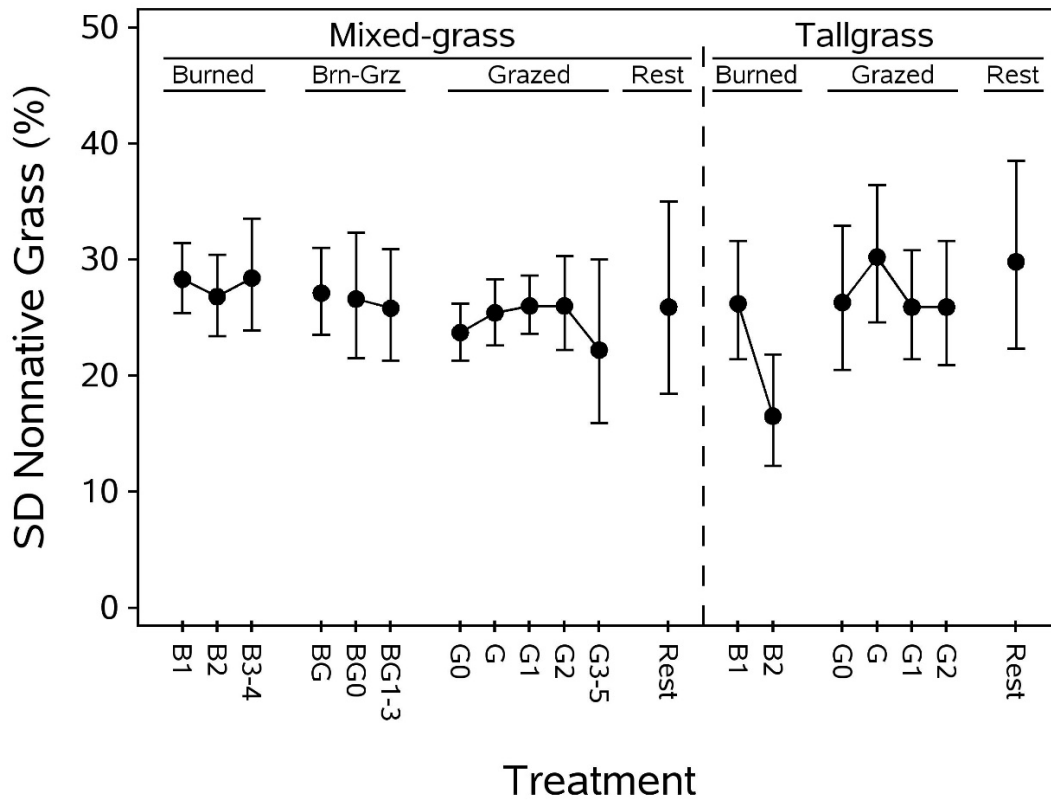
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.24. Least squares mean (standard error) standard deviation of nonnative grass cover (percent) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) standard deviation of nonnative grass cover (percent), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | -0.882 | 0.074 | 28.3 | 25.4 | 31.4 |
| | B2 | -0.956 | 0.089 | 26.8 | 23.4 | 30.4 |
| | B3-4 | -0.874 | 0.119 | 28.4 | 23.9 | 33.5 |
| | BG | -0.940 | 0.095 | 27.1 | 23.5 | 31.0 |
| | BG0 | -0.965 | 0.139 | 26.6 | 21.5 | 32.3 |
| | BG1-3 | -1.004 | 0.124 | 25.8 | 21.3 | 30.9 |
| | G0 | -1.117 | 0.067 | 23.7 | 21.3 | 26.2 |
| | G | -1.028 | 0.074 | 25.4 | 22.6 | 28.3 |
| | G1 | -0.995 | 0.065 | 26.0 | 23.6 | 28.6 |
| | G2 | -0.993 | 0.105 | 26.0 | 22.2 | 30.3 |
| | G3-5 | -1.195 | 0.202 | 22.2 | 15.9 | 30.0 |
| Rest | -1.001 | 0.217 | 25.9 | 18.4 | 35.0 | |
| Tall | B1 | -0.984 | 0.132 | 26.2 | 21.4 | 31.6 |
| | B2 | -1.550 | 0.168 | 16.5 | 12.2 | 21.8 |
| | G0 | -0.981 | 0.160 | 26.3 | 20.5 | 32.9 |
| | G | -0.789 | 0.141 | 30.2 | 24.6 | 36.4 |
| | G1 | -1.001 | 0.122 | 25.9 | 21.4 | 30.8 |
| | G2 | -0.998 | 0.139 | 25.9 | 20.9 | 31.6 |
| | Rest | -0.810 | 0.196 | 29.8 | 22.3 | 38.5 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed; %, percent; SD, standard deviation]

Figure 4.12. Back-transformed least squares mean standard deviation of nonnative grass cover (percent) on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.23 and 4.24.

M. Defoliation Index

Table 4.25. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on the Defoliation Index on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × Treatment | 18 | 118.6 | 10.28 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 99.7 | 11.88 | 0.0008** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 80.9 | 0.03 | 0.8708 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 91.9 | 0.09 | 0.7692 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 136.1 | 17.02 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 120.2 | 8.22 | 0.0049** |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 99.6 | 14.80 | 0.0002** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 126.8 | 17.49 | <0.0001** |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 110.6 | 0.68 | 0.4122 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 150.5 | 4.84 | 0.0294** |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 156.1 | 13.76 | 0.0003** |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.8 | 6.17 | 0.0140** |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 160.3 | 18.29 | <0.0001** |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 150.0 | 18.07 | <0.0001** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.0 | 29.70 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest# | 1 | 96.2 | 31.25 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest# | 1 | 95.5 | 36.26 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest# | 1 | 97.3 | 40.72 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 139.9 | 5.05 | 0.0262** |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 163.8 | 11.22 | 0.0010** |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.8 | 18.07 | <0.0001** |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 159.8 | 0.21 | 0.6459 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

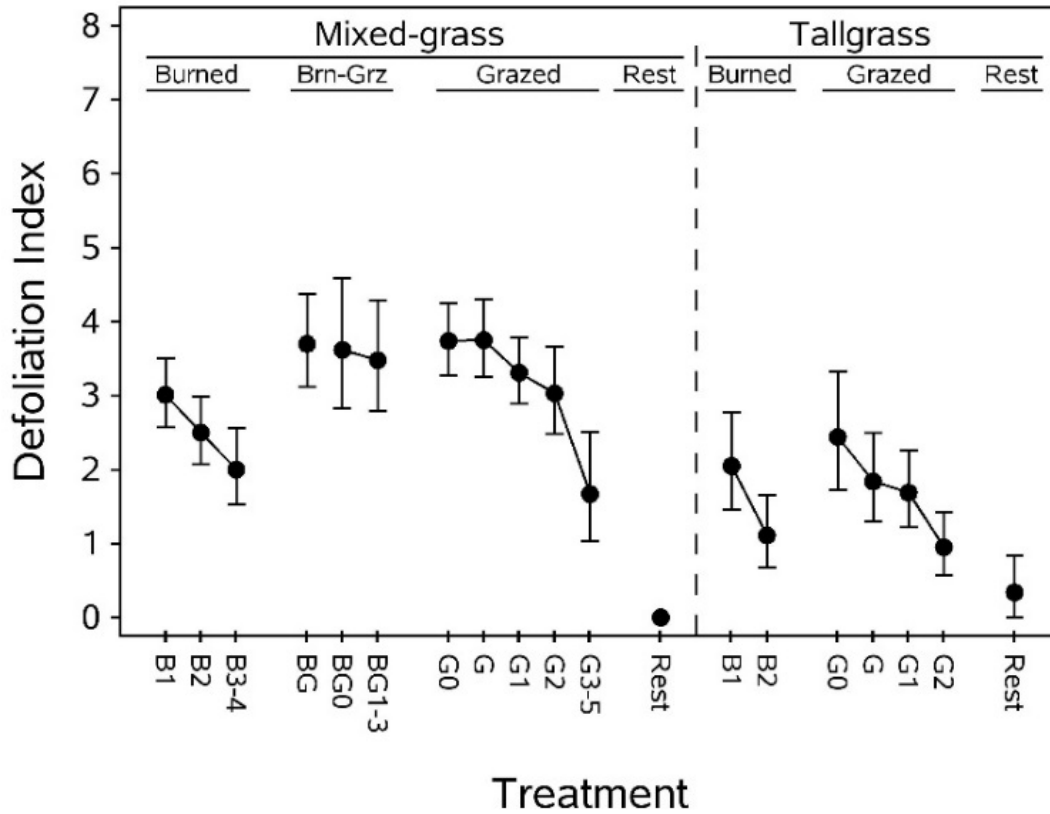
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 4.26. Least squares mean (standard error) Defoliation Index and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) Defoliation Index, by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.39 | 0.06 | 3.01 | 2.57 | 3.51 |
| | B2 | 1.25 | 0.07 | 2.50 | 2.07 | 2.99 |
| | B3-4 | 1.10 | 0.09 | 2.00 | 1.53 | 2.56 |
| | BG | 1.55 | 0.07 | 3.70 | 3.12 | 4.37 |
| | BG0 | 1.53 | 0.10 | 3.62 | 2.83 | 4.59 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.50 | 0.08 | 3.48 | 2.79 | 4.29 |
| | G0 | 1.56 | 0.05 | 3.74 | 3.28 | 4.25 |
| | G | 1.56 | 0.06 | 3.75 | 3.25 | 4.30 |
| | G1 | 1.46 | 0.05 | 3.31 | 2.89 | 3.78 |
| | G2 | 1.39 | 0.07 | 3.03 | 2.48 | 3.66 |
| | G3-5 | 0.98 | 0.14 | 1.67 | 1.03 | 2.51 |
| | Rest | -0.69 | 0.34 | -0.50 | 0.00 | -0.02 |
| Tall | B1 | 1.12 | 0.11 | 2.05 | 1.46 | 2.78 |
| | B2 | 0.75 | 0.12 | 1.11 | 0.67 | 1.66 |
| | G0 | 1.24 | 0.12 | 2.44 | 1.73 | 3.33 |
| | G | 1.04 | 0.11 | 1.84 | 1.30 | 2.50 |
| | G1 | 0.99 | 0.10 | 1.69 | 1.22 | 2.26 |
| | G2 | 0.67 | 0.11 | 0.95 | 0.57 | 1.42 |
| | Rest | 0.29 | 0.16 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.84 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 4.13. Back-transformed least squares mean Defoliation Index on Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 4.25 and 4.26.

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Appendix 5. Testing the Influence of Management Regime and Year on Breeding Densities (Pairs per 100 Hectares) of 35 Common Bird Species and Grassland Bird Species of Conservation Concern on Two Grass Types on Federal Lands Managed under an Adaptive-Management Framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13

A. Red-winged Blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*)

Table 5.1. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of red-winged blackbirds (*Agelaius phoeniceus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 185.6 | 3.26 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 86.3 | 0.43 | 0.7350 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 139.1 | 8.93 | 0.0002** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 142.4 | 1.09 | 0.3713 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 109.3 | 1.75 | 0.1604 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 132.9 | 12.26 | 0.0006** |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 132.9 | 0.78 | 0.5078 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 98.9 | 1.27 | 0.2633 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 104.1 | 0.00 | 0.9644 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 107.0 | 4.48 | 0.0366** |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 97.0 | 0.46 | 0.5012 |

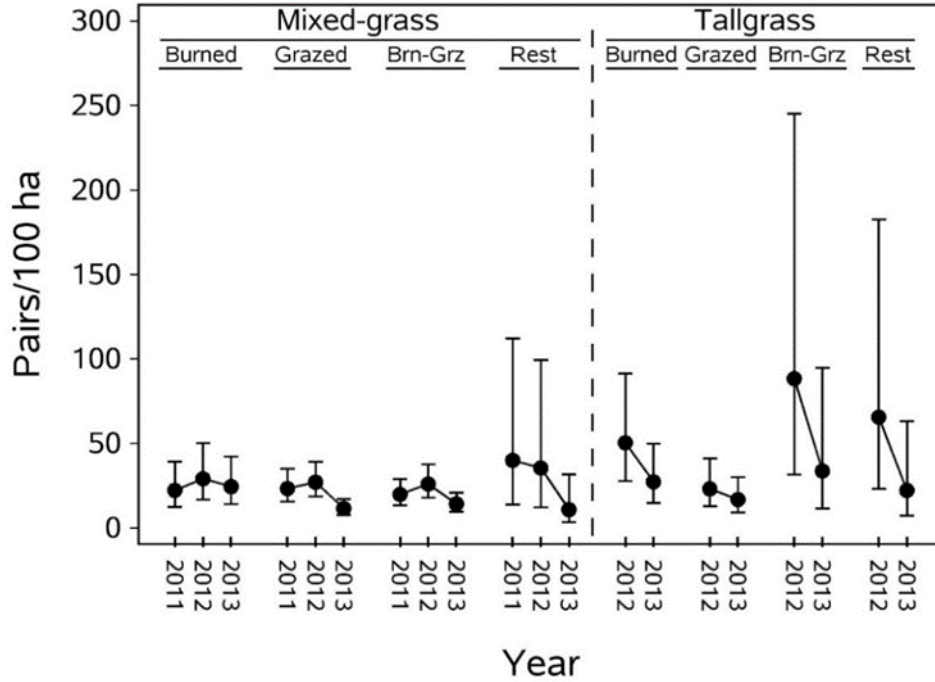
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.2. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of red-winged blackbirds (*Agelaius phoeniceus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 3.15 | 0.28 | 22.34 | 12.49 | 39.38 |
| | | 2012 | 3.41 | 0.27 | 29.18 | 16.78 | 50.22 |
| | | 2013 | 3.24 | 0.27 | 24.53 | 14.04 | 42.32 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 3.20 | 0.20 | 23.41 | 15.53 | 35.06 |
| | | 2012 | 3.34 | 0.18 | 27.15 | 18.71 | 39.20 |
| | | 2013 | 2.53 | 0.18 | 11.61 | 7.82 | 17.03 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 3.04 | 0.18 | 19.93 | 13.57 | 29.06 |
| | | 2012 | 3.30 | 0.18 | 26.06 | 17.95 | 37.64 |
| | | 2013 | 2.73 | 0.18 | 14.33 | 9.72 | 20.92 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 3.72 | 0.52 | 40.08 | 13.92 | 112.12 |
| | | 2012 | 3.60 | 0.52 | 35.52 | 12.26 | 99.54 |
| | | 2013 | 2.48 | 0.52 | 10.94 | 3.34 | 31.87 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 3.94 | 0.30 | 50.52 | 27.71 | 91.45 |
| | | 2013 | 3.35 | 0.30 | 27.39 | 14.82 | 49.94 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 3.19 | 0.28 | 23.23 | 12.92 | 41.20 |
| | | 2013 | 2.88 | 0.28 | 16.86 | 9.25 | 30.10 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 4.49 | 0.52 | 88.40 | 31.47 | 245.15 |
| | | 2013 | 3.55 | 0.52 | 33.77 | 11.63 | 94.74 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 4.20 | 0.52 | 65.65 | 23.21 | 182.50 |
| | | 2013 | 3.15 | 0.52 | 22.28 | 7.46 | 63.10 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.1. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of red-winged blackbirds (*Agelaius phoeniceus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

B. Clay-colored Sparrow (*Spizella pallida*)

Table 5.3. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of clay-colored sparrows (*Spizella pallida*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of Variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.6 | 1.07 | 0.3882 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 80.0 | 1.63 | 0.1887 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 130.1 | 1.76 | 0.1753 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 131.5 | 0.70 | 0.6504 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 91.3 | 0.76 | 0.5167 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 128.2 | 0.22 | 0.6431 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 128.2 | 0.41 | 0.7445 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 86.3 | 0.73 | 0.3941 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 89.1 | 0.06 | 0.8035 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 90.6 | 1.24 | 0.2693 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 85.3 | 0.40 | 0.5306 |

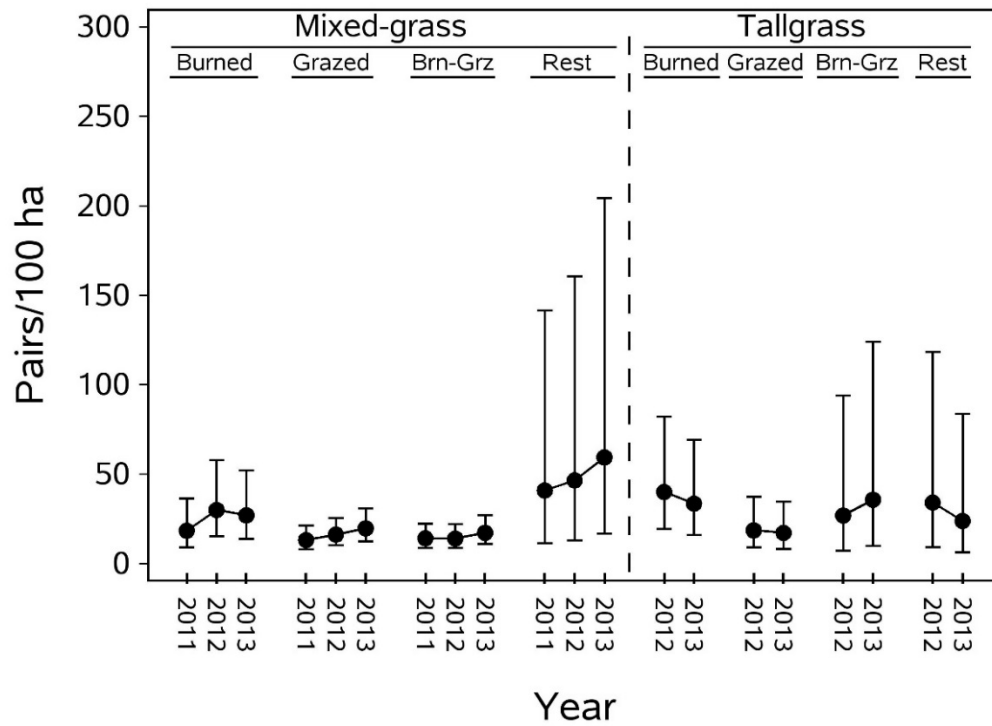
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.4. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of clay-colored sparrows (*Spizella pallida*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 2.97 | 0.33 | 18.44 | 9.14 | 36.30 |
| | | 2012 | 3.43 | 0.33 | 30.02 | 15.38 | 57.76 |
| | | 2013 | 3.33 | 0.33 | 27.06 | 13.81 | 52.15 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 2.66 | 0.23 | 13.23 | 8.08 | 21.33 |
| | | 2012 | 2.85 | 0.22 | 16.30 | 10.28 | 25.52 |
| | | 2013 | 3.03 | 0.22 | 19.78 | 12.52 | 30.92 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 2.72 | 0.22 | 14.19 | 8.87 | 22.37 |
| | | 2012 | 2.71 | 0.22 | 14.06 | 8.82 | 22.08 |
| | | 2013 | 2.91 | 0.22 | 17.29 | 10.91 | 27.11 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 3.74 | 0.62 | 40.92 | 11.34 | 141.43 |
| | | 2012 | 3.86 | 0.62 | 46.59 | 13.01 | 160.70 |
| | | 2013 | 4.10 | 0.62 | 59.43 | 16.78 | 204.32 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 3.72 | 0.36 | 40.12 | 19.29 | 82.32 |
| | | 2013 | 3.54 | 0.36 | 33.60 | 16.08 | 69.10 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 2.98 | 0.34 | 18.65 | 9.06 | 37.40 |
| | | 2013 | 2.90 | 0.34 | 17.24 | 8.33 | 34.64 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 3.33 | 0.62 | 26.96 | 7.23 | 94.02 |
| | | 2013 | 3.61 | 0.62 | 35.80 | 9.83 | 124.04 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 3.56 | 0.62 | 34.15 | 9.35 | 118.44 |
| | | 2013 | 3.22 | 0.62 | 23.94 | 6.34 | 83.73 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.2. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of clay-colored sparrows (*Spizella pallida*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

C. Bobolink (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*)

Table 5.5. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of bobolinks (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 184.7 | 2.28 | 0.0027** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 87.8 | 0.77 | 0.5133 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 139.8 | 0.59 | 0.5584 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 146.3 | 1.18 | 0.3215 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 116.9 | 0.49 | 0.6932 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 124.1 | 0.26 | 0.6094 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 124.1 | 1.00 | 0.3970 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 104.8 | 3.56 | 0.0621* |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 111.2 | 9.93 | 0.0021** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 114.2 | 3.09 | 0.0813* |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 102.0 | 4.43 | 0.0377** |

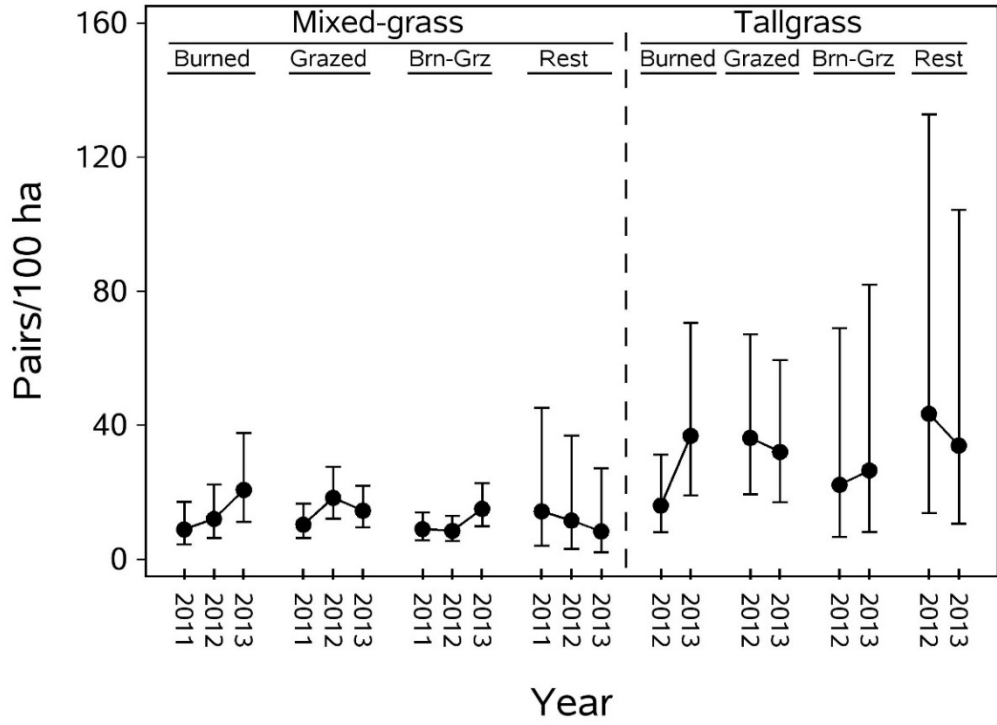
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.6. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of bobolinks (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 2.30 | 0.31 | 8.95 | 4.45 | 17.19 |
| | | 2012 | 2.57 | 0.29 | 12.10 | 6.37 | 22.29 |
| | | 2013 | 3.08 | 0.29 | 20.74 | 11.23 | 37.65 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 2.43 | 0.22 | 10.40 | 6.36 | 16.65 |
| | | 2012 | 2.96 | 0.20 | 18.39 | 12.14 | 27.62 |
| | | 2013 | 2.74 | 0.20 | 14.55 | 9.53 | 21.95 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 2.31 | 0.20 | 9.07 | 5.77 | 13.99 |
| | | 2012 | 2.26 | 0.20 | 8.54 | 5.46 | 13.08 |
| | | 2013 | 2.78 | 0.20 | 15.09 | 9.90 | 22.76 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.73 | 0.56 | 14.37 | 4.11 | 45.25 |
| | | 2012 | 2.53 | 0.56 | 11.61 | 3.19 | 36.93 |
| | | 2013 | 2.24 | 0.56 | 8.36 | 2.11 | 27.15 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 2.84 | 0.32 | 16.08 | 8.04 | 31.26 |
| | | 2013 | 3.63 | 0.32 | 36.89 | 19.06 | 70.57 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 3.62 | 0.31 | 36.28 | 19.39 | 67.15 |
| | | 2013 | 3.50 | 0.31 | 32.07 | 17.09 | 59.46 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 3.15 | 0.56 | 22.25 | 6.73 | 68.96 |
| | | 2013 | 3.32 | 0.56 | 26.56 | 8.16 | 81.94 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 3.79 | 0.56 | 43.45 | 13.77 | 132.75 |
| | | 2013 | 3.55 | 0.56 | 33.97 | 10.62 | 104.23 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.3. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of bobolinks (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

D. Grasshopper Sparrow (*Ammodramus savannarum*)

Table 5.7. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of grasshopper sparrows (*Ammodramus savannarum*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 183.7 | 4.73 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 80.8 | 9.17 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 134.4 | 0.16 | 0.8546 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 138.2 | 2.21 | 0.0459** |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 105.3 | 4.71 | 0.0040** |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 126.8 | 0.60 | 0.4391 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 126.8 | 5.98 | 0.0008** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 94.3 | 0.92 | 0.3386 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 99.8 | 2.51 | 0.1163 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 102.9 | 10.37 | 0.0017** |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 92.2 | 0.02 | 0.8999 |

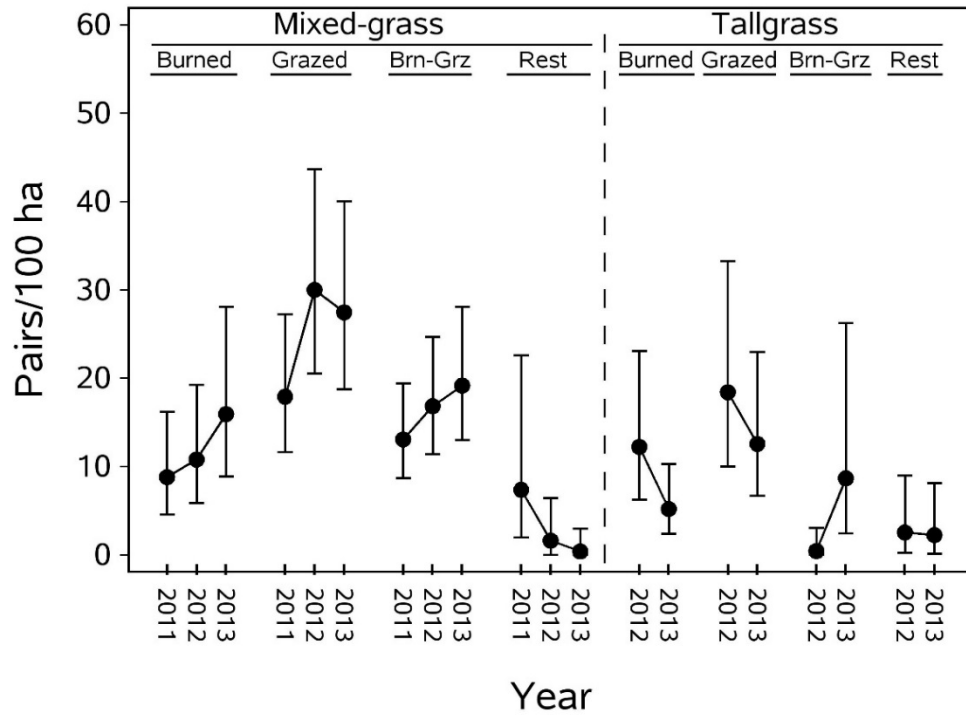
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.8. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of grasshopper sparrows (*Ammodramus savannarum*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 2.28 | 0.29 | 8.82 | 4.60 | 16.21 |
| | | 2012 | 2.47 | 0.28 | 10.81 | 5.88 | 19.28 |
| | | 2013 | 2.83 | 0.28 | 15.95 | 8.87 | 28.11 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 2.94 | 0.20 | 17.92 | 11.66 | 27.26 |
| | | 2012 | 3.43 | 0.19 | 30.00 | 20.53 | 43.63 |
| | | 2013 | 3.35 | 0.19 | 27.47 | 18.75 | 40.04 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 2.65 | 0.19 | 13.09 | 8.73 | 19.42 |
| | | 2012 | 2.88 | 0.19 | 16.84 | 11.39 | 24.68 |
| | | 2013 | 3.00 | 0.19 | 19.17 | 12.99 | 28.08 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.13 | 0.53 | 7.38 | 1.98 | 22.60 |
| | | 2012 | 0.97 | 0.53 | 1.63 | 0.00 | 6.42 |
| | | 2013 | 0.35 | 0.53 | 0.41 | 0.00 | 2.98 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 2.58 | 0.30 | 12.24 | 6.28 | 23.07 |
| | | 2013 | 1.83 | 0.30 | 5.21 | 2.42 | 10.29 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 2.97 | 0.29 | 18.43 | 10.02 | 33.26 |
| | | 2013 | 2.61 | 0.29 | 12.58 | 6.71 | 22.95 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.37 | 0.53 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 3.09 |
| | | 2013 | 2.27 | 0.53 | 8.68 | 2.44 | 26.26 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.27 | 0.53 | 2.56 | 0.26 | 9.01 |
| | | 2013 | 1.18 | 0.53 | 2.25 | 0.15 | 8.14 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.4. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of grasshopper sparrows (*Ammodramus savannarum*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

E. Savannah Sparrow (*Passerculus sandwichensis*)

Table 5.9. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Savannah sparrows (*Passerculus sandwichensis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.9 | 3.73 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 78.9 | 1.16 | 0.3301 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 131.3 | 2.06 | 0.1315 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 134.1 | 2.74 | 0.0151** |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 98.9 | 9.20 | <0.0001** |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 126.4 | 2.87 | 0.0929* |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 126.4 | 3.05 | 0.0309** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 89.7 | 0.42 | 0.5209 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 94.3 | 1.00 | 0.3211 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 96.8 | 0.08 | 0.7830 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 88.0 | 22.11 | <0.0001** |

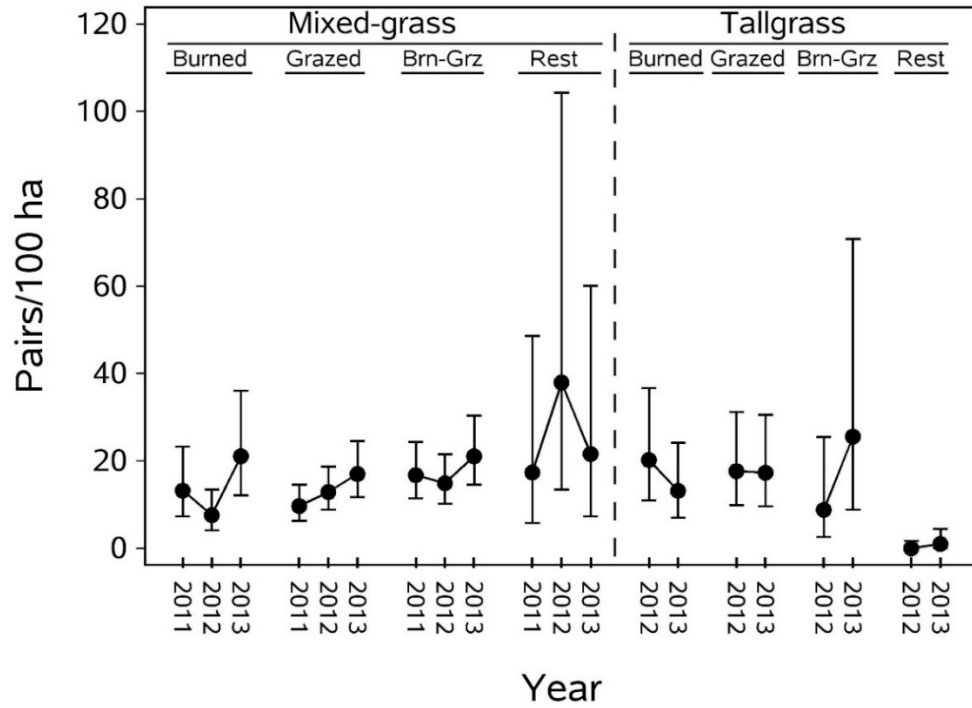
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.10. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Savannah sparrows (*Passerculus sandwichensis*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 2.66 | 0.27 | 13.23 | 7.33 | 23.33 |
| | | 2012 | 2.15 | 0.26 | 7.61 | 4.12 | 13.46 |
| | | 2013 | 3.10 | 0.26 | 21.10 | 12.15 | 36.12 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 2.37 | 0.19 | 9.68 | 6.32 | 14.60 |
| | | 2012 | 2.63 | 0.18 | 12.90 | 8.81 | 18.71 |
| | | 2013 | 2.89 | 0.18 | 17.03 | 11.70 | 24.60 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 2.88 | 0.18 | 16.77 | 11.47 | 24.32 |
| | | 2012 | 2.77 | 0.18 | 14.92 | 10.23 | 21.56 |
| | | 2013 | 3.09 | 0.18 | 21.08 | 14.55 | 30.34 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.91 | 0.51 | 17.36 | 5.80 | 48.58 |
| | | 2012 | 3.66 | 0.51 | 37.97 | 13.43 | 104.25 |
| | | 2013 | 3.12 | 0.51 | 21.61 | 7.37 | 60.07 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 3.06 | 0.29 | 20.24 | 10.97 | 36.70 |
| | | 2013 | 2.65 | 0.29 | 13.17 | 6.98 | 24.14 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 2.93 | 0.28 | 17.69 | 9.85 | 31.21 |
| | | 2013 | 2.91 | 0.28 | 17.31 | 9.63 | 30.56 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 2.28 | 0.51 | 8.82 | 2.64 | 25.52 |
| | | 2013 | 3.28 | 0.51 | 25.58 | 8.84 | 70.78 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.70 |
| | | 2013 | 0.70 | 0.51 | 1.01 | 0.00 | 4.43 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.5. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Savannah sparrows (*Passerculus sandwichensis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

F. Western Meadowlark (*Sturnella neglecta*)

Table 5.11. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of western meadowlarks (*Sturnella neglecta*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.5 | 2.37 | 0.0017** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 74.9 | 9.48 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 128.1 | 1.06 | 0.3479 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 131.6 | 0.59 | 0.7394 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 97.6 | 0.10 | 0.9590 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 121.4 | 0.07 | 0.7935 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 121.4 | 2.42 | 0.0695* |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 87.5 | 0.76 | 0.3861 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 92.4 | 6.65 | 0.0115** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 95.3 | 0.06 | 0.8082 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 85.3 | 4.80 | 0.0313** |

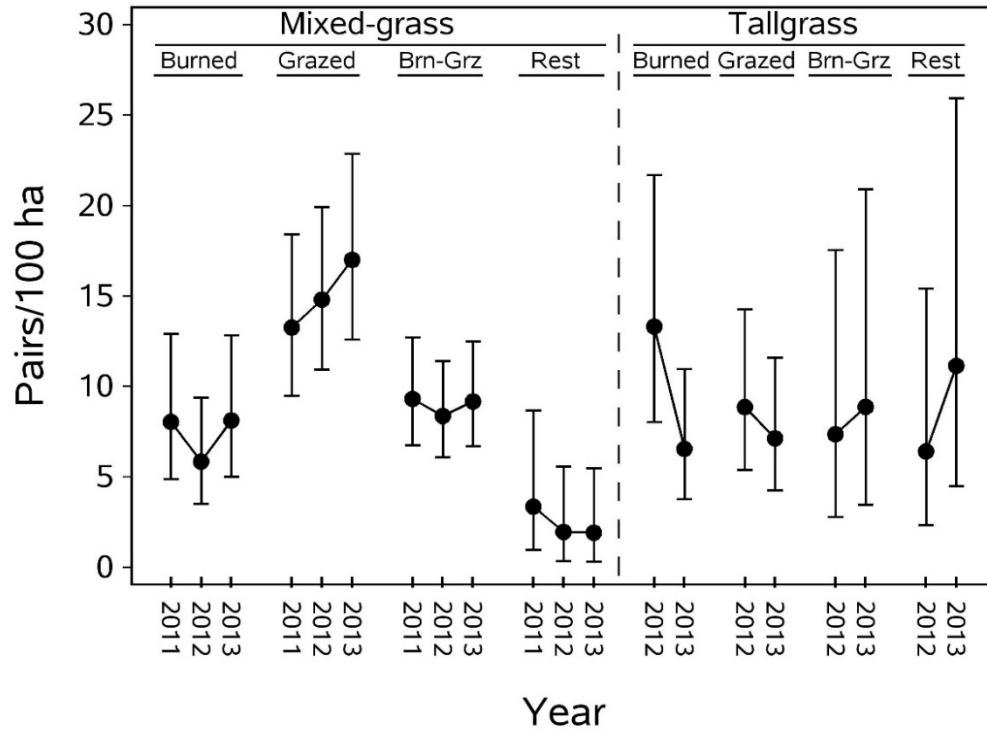
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.12. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of western meadowlarks (*Sturnella neglecta*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 2.20 | 0.22 | 8.04 | 4.88 | 12.92 |
| | | 2012 | 1.92 | 0.21 | 5.85 | 3.52 | 9.38 |
| | | 2013 | 2.21 | 0.21 | 8.12 | 5.01 | 12.82 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 2.66 | 0.16 | 13.26 | 9.49 | 18.39 |
| | | 2012 | 2.76 | 0.14 | 14.80 | 10.94 | 19.92 |
| | | 2013 | 2.89 | 0.14 | 17.00 | 12.59 | 22.85 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 2.33 | 0.15 | 9.31 | 6.75 | 12.70 |
| | | 2012 | 2.24 | 0.14 | 8.37 | 6.08 | 11.39 |
| | | 2013 | 2.32 | 0.14 | 9.17 | 6.68 | 12.48 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 1.47 | 0.41 | 3.36 | 0.97 | 8.67 |
| | | 2012 | 1.09 | 0.41 | 1.96 | 0.34 | 5.57 |
| | | 2013 | 1.07 | 0.41 | 1.92 | 0.32 | 5.47 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 2.66 | 0.23 | 13.31 | 8.04 | 21.67 |
| | | 2013 | 2.02 | 0.23 | 6.55 | 3.77 | 10.96 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 2.29 | 0.22 | 8.86 | 5.38 | 14.26 |
| | | 2013 | 2.10 | 0.22 | 7.13 | 4.26 | 11.58 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 2.12 | 0.41 | 7.36 | 2.77 | 17.54 |
| | | 2013 | 2.29 | 0.41 | 8.87 | 3.45 | 20.89 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 2.00 | 0.41 | 6.41 | 2.34 | 15.42 |
| | | 2013 | 2.50 | 0.41 | 11.14 | 4.48 | 25.92 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.6. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of western meadowlarks (*Sturnella neglecta*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

G. Brown-headed Cowbird (*Molothrus ater*)

Table 5.13. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Brown-headed Cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.3 | 3.47 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 77.7 | 1.94 | 0.1305 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 131.7 | 2.89 | 0.0588* |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 137.0 | 1.07 | 0.3808 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 105.5 | 1.55 | 0.2048 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 120.1 | 1.13 | 0.2889 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 120.1 | 3.51 | 0.0175** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 93.4 | 5.30 | 0.0236** |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 99.5 | 12.58 | 0.0006** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 102.8 | 0.21 | 0.6441 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 90.9 | 6.82 | 0.0105** |

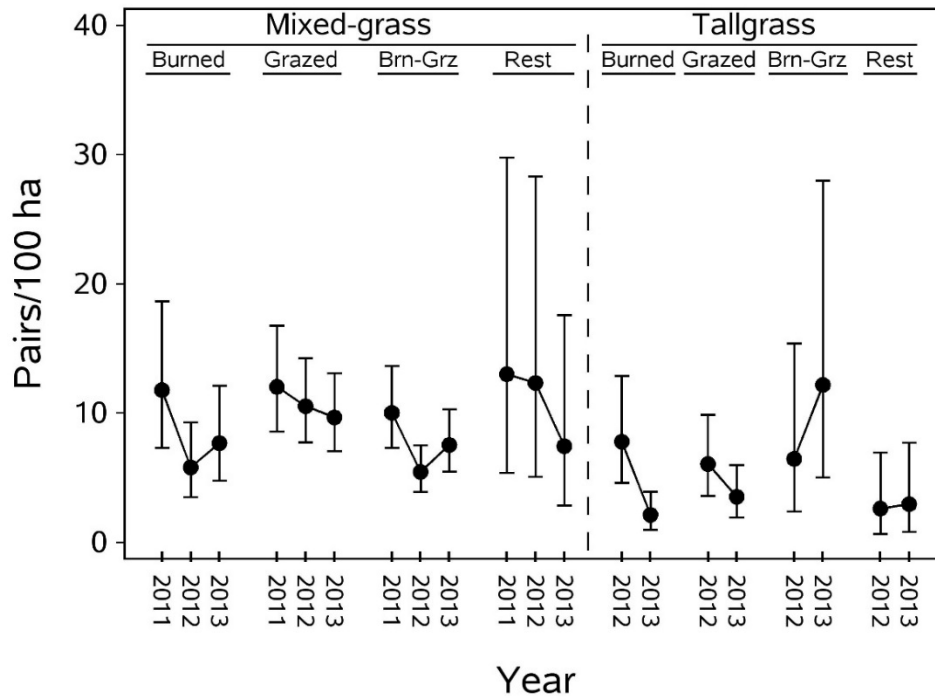
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.14. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of brown-headed cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 2.55 | 0.22 | 11.79 | 7.32 | 18.65 |
| | | 2012 | 1.92 | 0.21 | 5.81 | 3.51 | 9.27 |
| | | 2013 | 2.16 | 0.21 | 7.69 | 4.76 | 12.10 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 2.57 | 0.16 | 12.04 | 8.57 | 16.77 |
| | | 2012 | 2.45 | 0.14 | 10.54 | 7.74 | 14.24 |
| | | 2013 | 2.37 | 0.14 | 9.68 | 7.08 | 13.10 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 2.40 | 0.14 | 10.03 | 7.31 | 13.65 |
| | | 2012 | 1.87 | 0.14 | 5.46 | 3.90 | 7.53 |
| | | 2013 | 2.15 | 0.14 | 7.55 | 5.47 | 10.29 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.64 | 0.40 | 13.02 | 5.38 | 29.78 |
| | | 2012 | 2.59 | 0.40 | 12.34 | 5.07 | 28.30 |
| | | 2013 | 2.13 | 0.40 | 7.45 | 2.85 | 17.57 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 2.17 | 0.23 | 7.80 | 4.59 | 12.86 |
| | | 2013 | 1.14 | 0.23 | 2.14 | 0.99 | 3.94 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.96 | 0.22 | 6.07 | 3.60 | 9.88 |
| | | 2013 | 1.51 | 0.22 | 3.54 | 1.95 | 5.98 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 2.01 | 0.40 | 6.47 | 2.40 | 15.40 |
| | | 2013 | 2.58 | 0.40 | 12.19 | 5.01 | 27.98 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.29 | 0.40 | 2.62 | 0.65 | 6.96 |
| | | 2013 | 1.38 | 0.40 | 2.97 | 0.81 | 7.71 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.7. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of brown-headed cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

H. Sedge Wren (*Cistothorus platensis*)

Table 5.15. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sedge wrens (*Cistothorus platensis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 186.0 | 3.31 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 88.0 | 4.25 | 0.0075** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 141.5 | 1.74 | 0.1792 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 146.2 | 1.68 | 0.1287 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 115.7 | 0.10 | 0.9579 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 131.2 | 2.49 | 0.1168 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 131.2 | 1.52 | 0.2112 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 103.7 | 0.83 | 0.3637 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 109.8 | 8.05 | 0.0054** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 113.1 | 4.15 | 0.0440** |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 101.2 | 0.02 | 0.8852 |

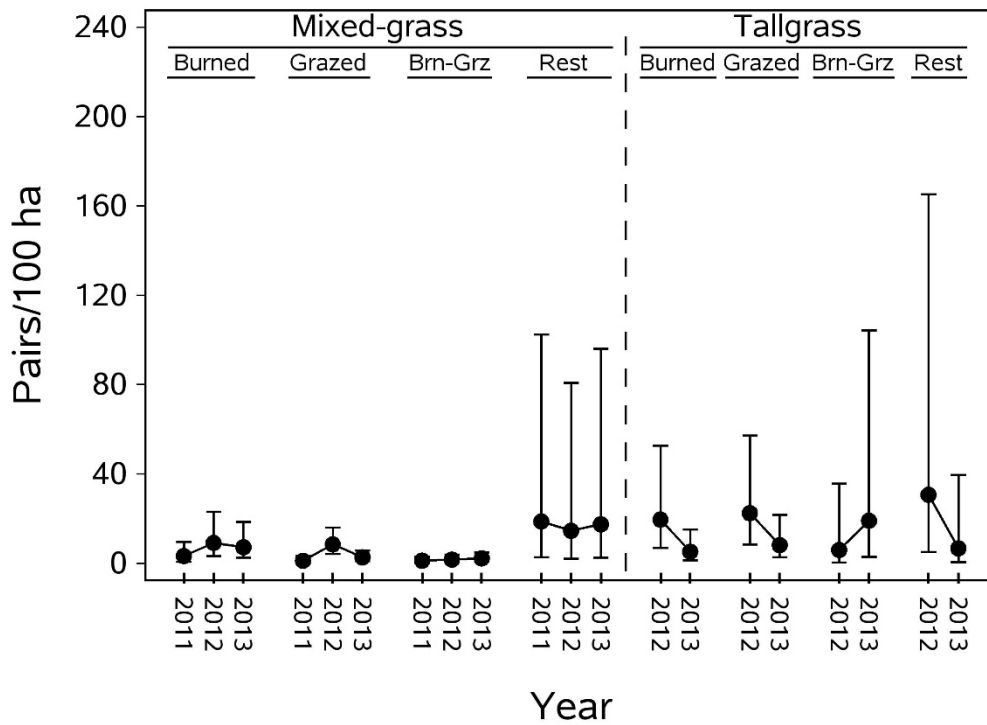
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.16. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sedge wrens (*Cistothorus platensis*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.46 | 0.46 | 3.31 | 0.75 | 9.64 |
| | | 2012 | 2.32 | 0.44 | 9.16 | 3.28 | 23.14 |
| | | 2013 | 2.11 | 0.44 | 7.23 | 2.47 | 18.55 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.78 | 0.33 | 1.18 | 0.14 | 3.18 |
| | | 2012 | 2.25 | 0.30 | 8.49 | 4.29 | 16.03 |
| | | 2013 | 1.32 | 0.30 | 2.73 | 1.08 | 5.70 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.81 | 0.30 | 1.25 | 0.24 | 3.09 |
| | | 2012 | 1.00 | 0.30 | 1.71 | 0.51 | 3.85 |
| | | 2013 | 1.19 | 0.30 | 2.29 | 0.83 | 4.91 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.98 | 0.85 | 18.76 | 2.77 | 102.52 |
| | | 2012 | 2.75 | 0.85 | 14.60 | 1.98 | 80.74 |
| | | 2013 | 2.92 | 0.85 | 17.51 | 2.53 | 95.99 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 3.03 | 0.49 | 19.61 | 6.92 | 52.62 |
| | | 2013 | 1.83 | 0.49 | 5.24 | 1.40 | 15.24 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 3.16 | 0.46 | 22.49 | 8.48 | 57.20 |
| | | 2013 | 2.22 | 0.46 | 8.20 | 2.71 | 21.79 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 1.95 | 0.85 | 6.00 | 0.34 | 35.69 |
| | | 2013 | 3.00 | 0.85 | 19.08 | 2.83 | 104.24 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 3.46 | 0.85 | 30.70 | 5.05 | 165.12 |
| | | 2013 | 2.04 | 0.85 | 6.72 | 0.47 | 39.47 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.8. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sedge wrens (*Cistothorus platensis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

I. Common Yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*)

Table 5.17. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common yellowthroats (*Geothlypis trichas*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.1 | 4.29 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 77.0 | 3.02 | 0.0348** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 129.3 | 3.07 | 0.0500** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 132.0 | 3.87 | 0.0014** |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 96.3 | 0.12 | 0.9486 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 124.6 | 0.76 | 0.3845 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 124.6 | 0.67 | 0.5705 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 87.4 | 6.73 | 0.0111** |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 91.9 | 22.70 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 94.3 | 4.94 | 0.0286** |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 85.8 | 0.47 | 0.4964 |

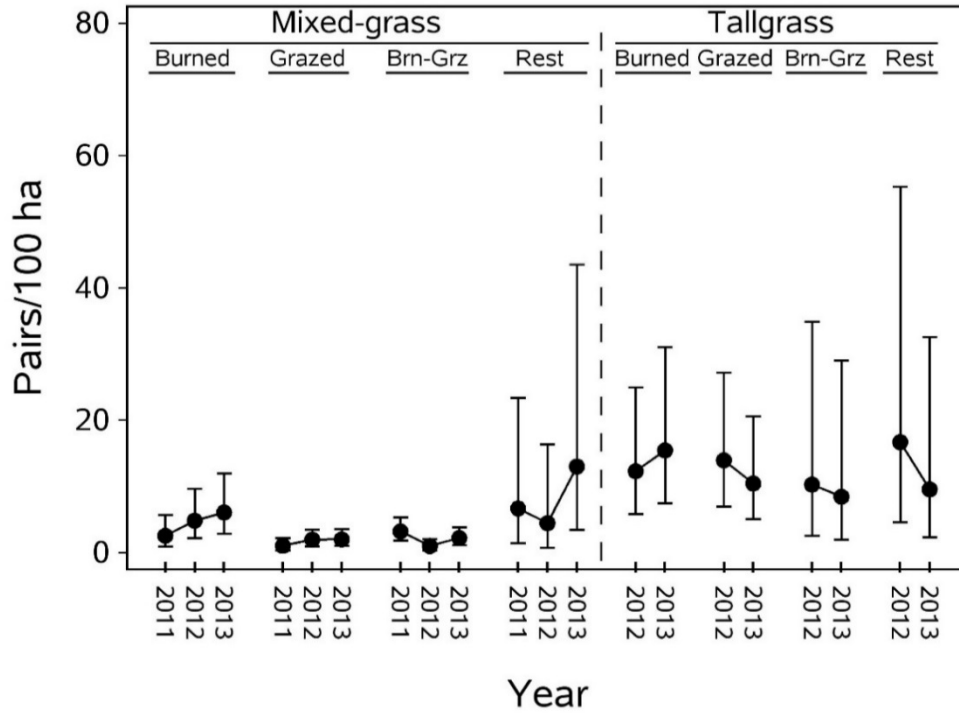
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.18. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common yellowthroats (*Geothlypis trichas*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.27 | 0.32 | 2.57 | 0.92 | 5.66 |
| | | 2012 | 1.76 | 0.31 | 4.84 | 2.19 | 9.67 |
| | | 2013 | 1.96 | 0.31 | 6.08 | 2.87 | 11.95 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.72 | 0.22 | 1.05 | 0.32 | 2.18 |
| | | 2012 | 1.09 | 0.21 | 1.98 | 0.99 | 3.48 |
| | | 2013 | 1.10 | 0.21 | 2.01 | 1.00 | 3.52 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 1.44 | 0.21 | 3.22 | 1.79 | 5.36 |
| | | 2012 | 0.70 | 0.21 | 1.02 | 0.35 | 2.03 |
| | | 2013 | 1.17 | 0.21 | 2.22 | 1.14 | 3.84 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.04 | 0.59 | 6.69 | 1.42 | 23.41 |
| | | 2012 | 1.70 | 0.59 | 4.47 | 0.72 | 16.38 |
| | | 2013 | 2.64 | 0.59 | 13.02 | 3.41 | 43.53 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 2.59 | 0.34 | 12.31 | 5.83 | 24.94 |
| | | 2013 | 2.80 | 0.34 | 15.46 | 7.44 | 31.07 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 2.71 | 0.32 | 13.96 | 6.95 | 27.18 |
| | | 2013 | 2.44 | 0.32 | 10.46 | 5.08 | 20.57 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 2.42 | 0.59 | 10.29 | 2.55 | 34.85 |
| | | 2013 | 2.25 | 0.59 | 8.46 | 1.98 | 29.05 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 2.87 | 0.59 | 16.71 | 4.58 | 55.26 |
| | | 2013 | 2.36 | 0.59 | 9.57 | 2.33 | 32.57 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.9. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common yellowthroats (*Geothlypis trichas*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

J. Dickcissel (*Spiza americana*)

Table 5.19. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of dickcissels (*Spiza americana*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 187.5 | 9.47 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 93.9 | 7.36 | 0.0002** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 146.4 | 13.21 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 151.6 | 1.45 | 0.1993 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 122.7 | 1.05 | 0.3751 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 134.5 | 29.51 | <0.0001** |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 134.5 | 1.18 | 0.3184 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 110.5 | 19.37 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 116.8 | 1.91 | 0.1694 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 120.0 | 2.01 | 0.1589 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 107.9 | 3.32 | 0.0714* |

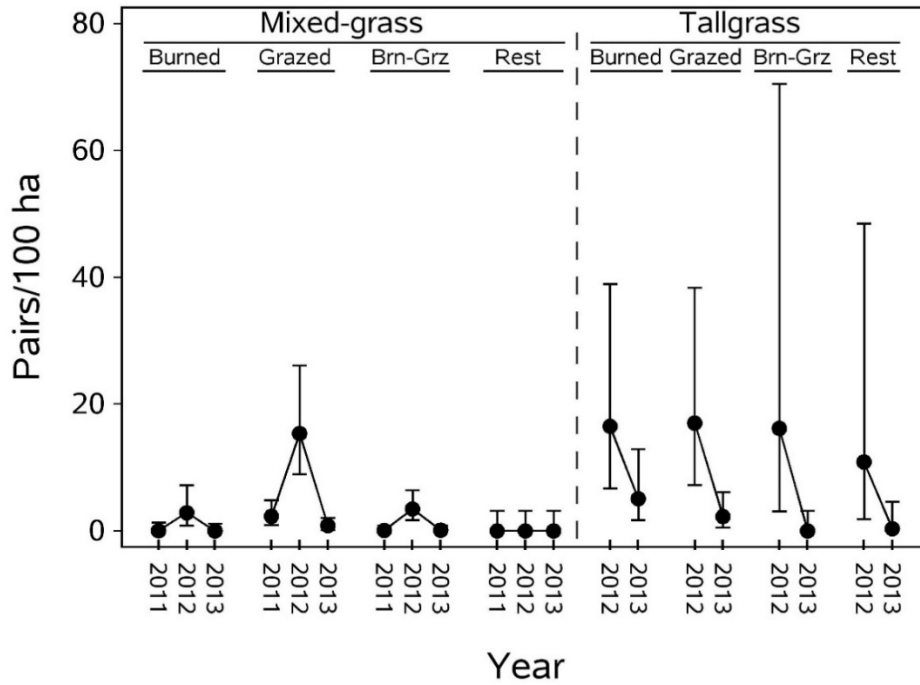
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.20. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of dickcissels (*Spiza americana*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.04 | 0.40 | 0.04 | 0.00 | 1.28 |
| | | 2012 | 1.36 | 0.38 | 2.88 | 0.84 | 7.17 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 1.20 | 0.29 | 2.31 | 0.89 | 4.81 |
| | | 2012 | 2.80 | 0.26 | 15.37 | 8.90 | 26.09 |
| | | 2013 | 0.61 | 0.26 | 0.84 | 0.11 | 2.04 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.08 | 0.26 | 0.08 | 0.00 | 0.81 |
| | | 2012 | 1.50 | 0.26 | 3.47 | 1.70 | 6.39 |
| | | 2013 | 0.12 | 0.26 | 0.12 | 0.00 | 0.86 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.73 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.16 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.73 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.16 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.73 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.16 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 2.86 | 0.42 | 16.51 | 6.69 | 38.89 |
| | | 2013 | 1.81 | 0.42 | 5.09 | 1.67 | 12.88 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 2.89 | 0.40 | 17.01 | 7.25 | 38.34 |
| | | 2013 | 1.18 | 0.40 | 2.27 | 0.50 | 6.13 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 2.84 | 0.73 | 16.17 | 3.12 | 70.47 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.73 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.16 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 2.47 | 0.73 | 10.88 | 1.85 | 48.46 |
| | | 2013 | 0.30 | 0.73 | 0.35 | 0.00 | 4.62 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.10. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of dickcissels (*Spiza americana*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

K. Chestnut-collared Longspur (*Calcarius ornatus*)

Table 5.21. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of chestnut-collared longspurs (*Calcarius ornatus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 180.1 | 2.70 | 0.0003** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 71.64 | 3.60 | 0.0173** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 124.2 | 0.40 | 0.6769 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 127.4 | 1.03 | 0.4079 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 92.3 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 118.5 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 118.5 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 82.8 | 6.56 | 0.0122** |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 87.53 | 13.20 | 0.0005** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 90.18 | 7.84 | 0.0062** |
| Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 81.02 | 0.00 | 1.0000 | |

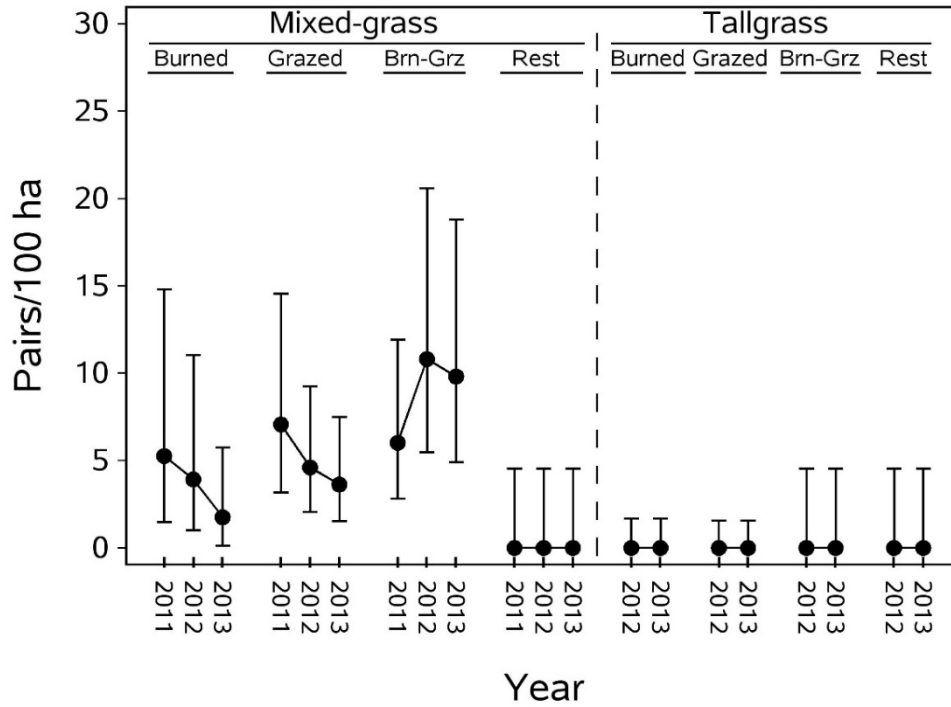
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.22. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of chestnut-collared longspurs (*Calcarius ornatus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.83 | 0.47 | 5.26 | 1.48 | 14.81 |
| | | 2012 | 1.59 | 0.46 | 3.92 | 1.01 | 11.05 |
| | | 2013 | 1.01 | 0.46 | 1.76 | 0.13 | 5.75 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 2.09 | 0.34 | 7.07 | 3.18 | 14.56 |
| | | 2012 | 1.73 | 0.31 | 4.61 | 2.07 | 9.26 |
| | | 2013 | 1.53 | 0.31 | 3.63 | 1.53 | 7.48 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 1.95 | 0.31 | 6.02 | 2.81 | 11.93 |
| | | 2012 | 2.47 | 0.31 | 10.81 | 5.47 | 20.58 |
| | | 2013 | 2.38 | 0.31 | 9.81 | 4.90 | 18.79 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.55 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.55 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.55 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.69 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.69 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.56 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.56 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.55 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.55 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.55 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.87 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.55 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.11. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of chestnut-collared longspurs (*Calcarius ornatus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

L. Eastern Kingbird (*Tyrannus tyrannus*)

Table 5.23. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of eastern kingbirds (*Tyrannus tyrannus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.8 | 0.95 | 0.5271 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 77.0 | 1.99 | 0.1230 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 128.0 | 0.99 | 0.3733 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 129.8 | 0.51 | 0.8019 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 91.7 | 0.37 | 0.7777 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 125.2 | 1.83 | 0.1784 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 125.2 | 0.51 | 0.6783 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 84.9 | 0.36 | 0.5521 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 88.3 | 1.86 | 0.1766 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 90.2 | 0.17 | 0.6834 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 83.6 | 2.24 | 0.1386 |

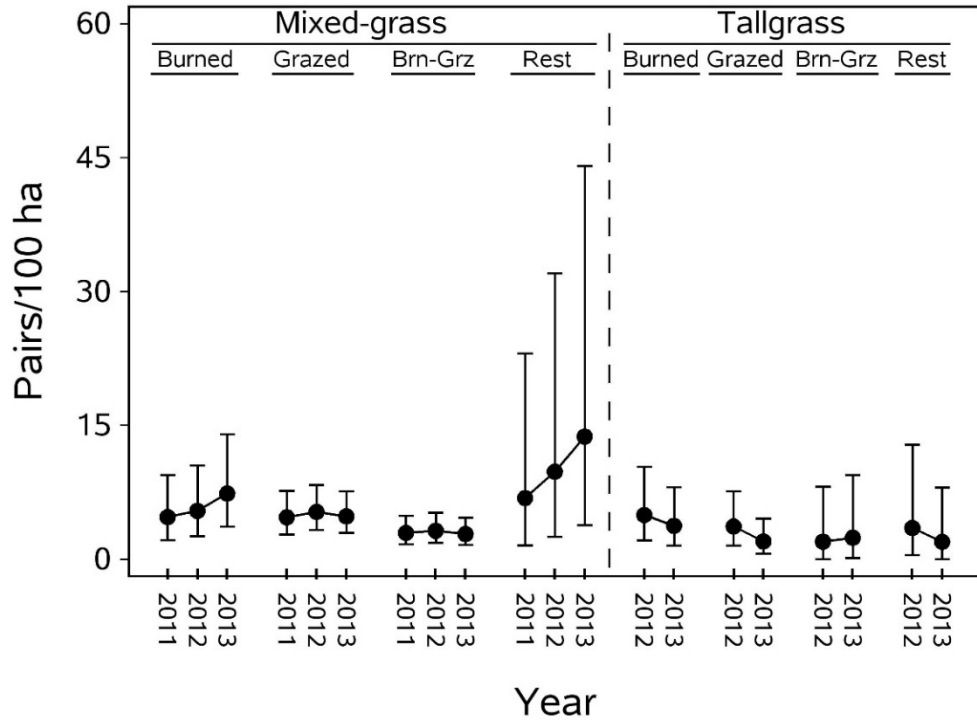
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.24. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of eastern kingbirds (*Tyrannus tyrannus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.75 | 0.30 | 4.74 | 2.16 | 9.44 |
| | | 2012 | 1.86 | 0.30 | 5.43 | 2.59 | 10.51 |
| | | 2013 | 2.13 | 0.30 | 7.38 | 3.68 | 14.01 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 1.74 | 0.21 | 4.71 | 2.77 | 7.67 |
| | | 2012 | 1.84 | 0.20 | 5.32 | 3.28 | 8.35 |
| | | 2013 | 1.76 | 0.20 | 4.82 | 2.93 | 7.63 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 1.38 | 0.20 | 2.97 | 1.67 | 4.89 |
| | | 2012 | 1.44 | 0.20 | 3.21 | 1.85 | 5.22 |
| | | 2013 | 1.35 | 0.20 | 2.84 | 1.60 | 4.69 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.06 | 0.57 | 6.87 | 1.58 | 23.05 |
| | | 2012 | 2.38 | 0.57 | 9.82 | 2.54 | 32.05 |
| | | 2013 | 2.69 | 0.57 | 13.76 | 3.83 | 44.07 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.79 | 0.33 | 4.96 | 2.13 | 10.36 |
| | | 2013 | 1.56 | 0.33 | 3.76 | 1.50 | 8.07 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.54 | 0.31 | 3.68 | 1.54 | 7.63 |
| | | 2013 | 1.10 | 0.31 | 2.01 | 0.63 | 4.56 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 1.09 | 0.57 | 1.98 | 0.00 | 8.11 |
| | | 2013 | 1.23 | 0.57 | 2.42 | 0.12 | 9.44 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.51 | 0.57 | 3.52 | 0.48 | 12.81 |
| | | 2013 | 1.08 | 0.57 | 1.96 | 0.00 | 8.03 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.12. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of eastern kingbirds (*Tyrannus tyrannus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

M. Yellow Warbler (*Setophaga petechia*)

Table 5.25. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow warblers (*Setophaga petechia*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 181.8 | 2.95 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 80.9 | 1.02 | 0.3870 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 128.4 | 7.62 | 0.0007** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 128.6 | 1.22 | 0.3010 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 83.1 | 0.14 | 0.9354 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 128.2 | 8.60 | 0.0040** |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 128.2 | 1.71 | 0.1692 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 82.1 | 0.14 | 0.7085 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 82.6 | 0.01 | 0.9035 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 82.9 | 0.13 | 0.7146 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 81.9 | 0.92 | 0.3402 |

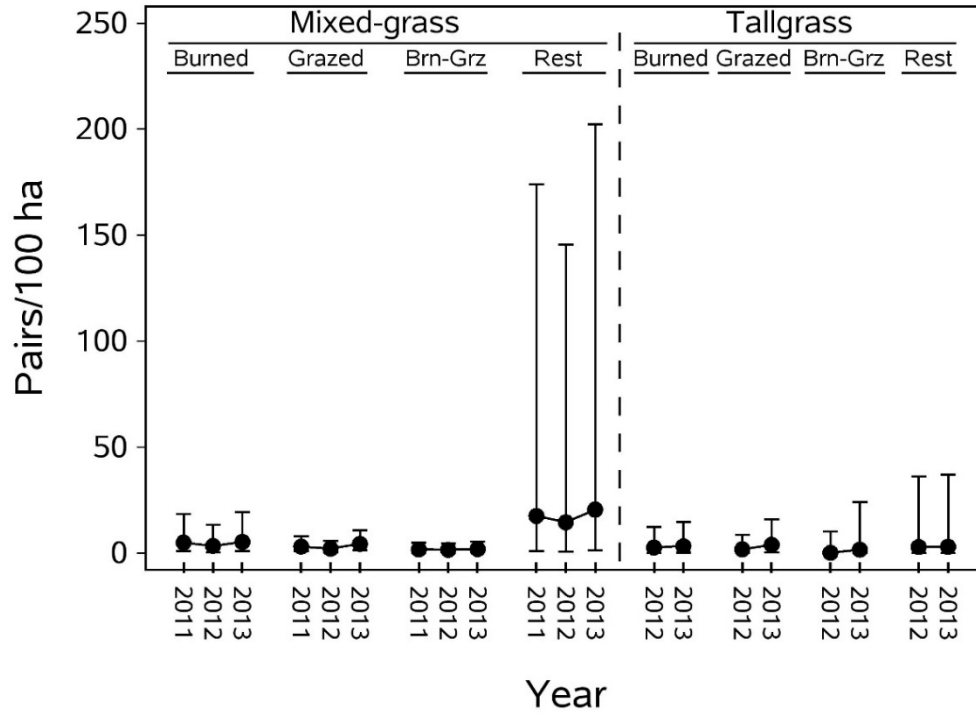
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.26. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow warblers (*Setophaga petechia*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.79 | 0.60 | 5.01 | 0.85 | 18.48 |
| | | 2012 | 1.49 | 0.60 | 3.43 | 0.37 | 13.30 |
| | | 2013 | 1.84 | 0.60 | 5.29 | 0.95 | 19.29 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 1.41 | 0.40 | 3.09 | 0.86 | 7.98 |
| | | 2012 | 1.14 | 0.40 | 2.12 | 0.43 | 5.80 |
| | | 2013 | 1.68 | 0.40 | 4.37 | 1.46 | 10.72 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 1.01 | 0.40 | 1.75 | 0.26 | 4.99 |
| | | 2012 | 0.94 | 0.40 | 1.55 | 0.17 | 4.55 |
| | | 2013 | 1.09 | 0.40 | 1.96 | 0.36 | 5.47 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.92 | 1.14 | 17.56 | 0.97 | 174.00 |
| | | 2012 | 2.74 | 1.14 | 14.55 | 0.65 | 145.61 |
| | | 2013 | 3.07 | 1.14 | 20.57 | 1.29 | 202.38 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.29 | 0.66 | 2.64 | 0.00 | 12.30 |
| | | 2013 | 1.46 | 0.66 | 3.31 | 0.18 | 14.75 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.04 | 0.63 | 1.83 | 0.00 | 8.67 |
| | | 2013 | 1.60 | 0.63 | 3.95 | 0.45 | 15.91 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.17 | 1.14 | 0.18 | 0.00 | 10.16 |
| | | 2013 | 0.97 | 1.14 | 1.65 | 0.00 | 23.97 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.37 | 1.14 | 2.93 | 0.00 | 36.07 |
| | | 2013 | 1.39 | 1.14 | 3.03 | 0.00 | 36.97 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.13. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow warblers (*Setophaga petechia*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

N. Brewer's Blackbird (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*)

Table 5.27. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Brewer's blackbirds (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 180.4 | 2.84 | 0.0002** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 72.8 | 1.60 | 0.1966 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 126.7 | 4.48 | 0.0132** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 132.0 | 0.84 | 0.5435 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 99.9 | 2.02 | 0.1157 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 115.5 | 0.80 | 0.3729 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 115.5 | 4.05 | 0.0089** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 87.9 | 2.24 | 0.1382 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 94.0 | 7.64 | 0.0069** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 97.2 | 3.15 | 0.0790* |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 85.5 | 2.12 | 0.1486 |

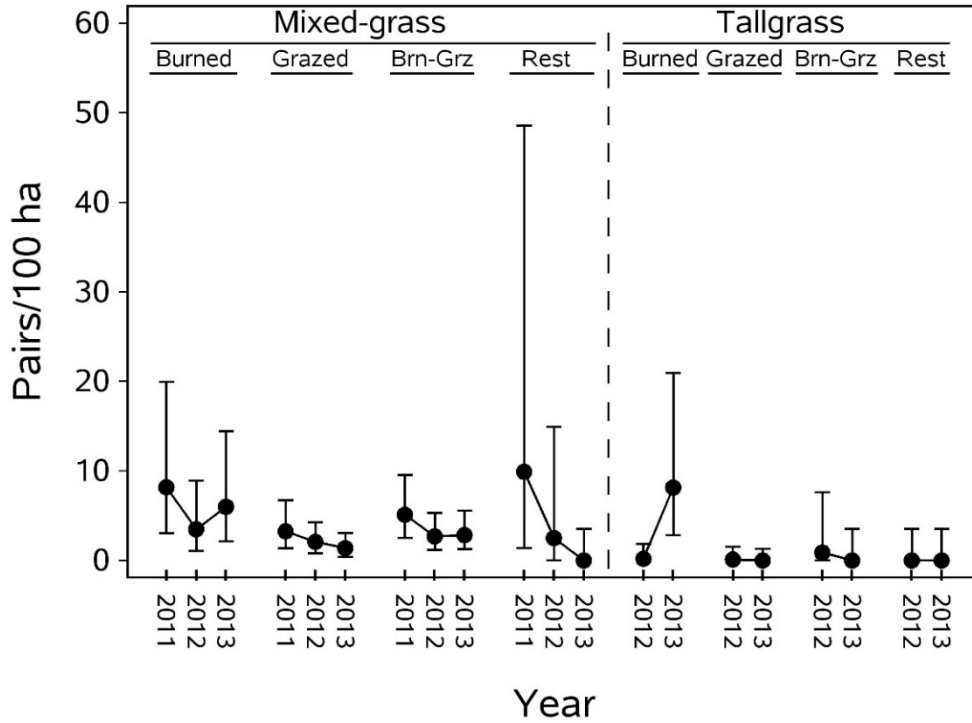
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.28. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Brewer's blackbirds (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 2.22 | 0.42 | 8.18 | 3.02 | 19.95 |
| | | 2012 | 1.50 | 0.40 | 3.49 | 1.04 | 8.90 |
| | | 2013 | 1.95 | 0.40 | 6.00 | 2.17 | 14.43 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 1.45 | 0.30 | 3.26 | 1.35 | 6.73 |
| | | 2012 | 1.13 | 0.27 | 2.08 | 0.81 | 4.26 |
| | | 2013 | 0.87 | 0.27 | 1.38 | 0.40 | 3.07 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 1.81 | 0.28 | 5.12 | 2.55 | 9.56 |
| | | 2012 | 1.31 | 0.27 | 2.69 | 1.17 | 5.30 |
| | | 2013 | 1.34 | 0.27 | 2.84 | 1.25 | 5.55 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.39 | 0.77 | 9.91 | 1.40 | 48.55 |
| | | 2012 | 1.26 | 0.77 | 2.51 | 0.00 | 14.94 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.54 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.17 | 0.45 | 0.19 | 0.00 | 1.85 |
| | | 2013 | 2.21 | 0.45 | 8.15 | 2.82 | 20.94 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.10 | 0.42 | 0.11 | 0.00 | 1.53 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.42 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.29 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.64 | 0.77 | 0.89 | 0.00 | 7.61 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.54 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.54 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.54 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.14. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Brewer's blackbirds (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

O. Common Grackle (*Quiscalus quiscula*)

Table 5.29. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common grackles (*Quiscalus quiscula*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 185.4 | 1.05 | 0.4012 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 91.8 | 1.36 | 0.2615 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 142.2 | 0.43 | 0.6487 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 149.2 | 0.89 | 0.5005 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 120.4 | 0.72 | 0.5440 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 125.1 | 1.19 | 0.2773 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 125.1 | 0.53 | 0.6628 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 108.7 | 1.21 | 0.2733 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 114.9 | 0.09 | 0.7672 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 117.8 | 0.03 | 0.8731 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 105.9 | 0.97 | 0.3261 |

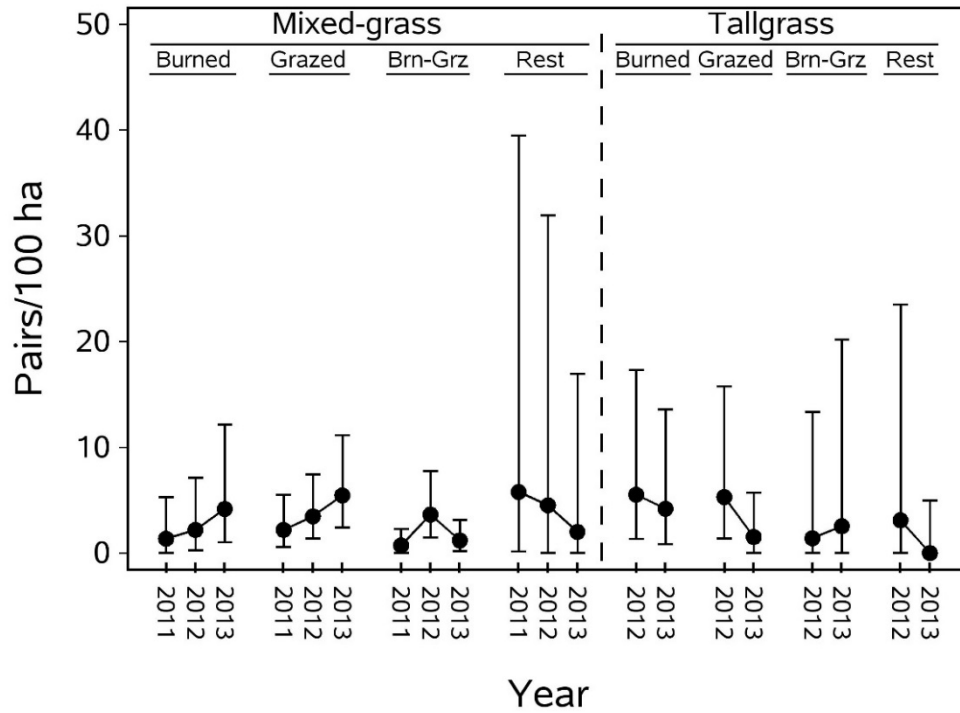
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.30. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common grackles (*Quiscalus quiscula*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.86 | 0.50 | 1.36 | 0.00 | 5.29 |
| | | 2012 | 1.16 | 0.48 | 2.19 | 0.25 | 7.12 |
| | | 2013 | 1.64 | 0.48 | 4.18 | 1.03 | 12.17 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 1.16 | 0.36 | 2.20 | 0.57 | 5.52 |
| | | 2012 | 1.50 | 0.32 | 3.48 | 1.38 | 7.43 |
| | | 2013 | 1.87 | 0.32 | 5.46 | 2.43 | 11.16 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.55 | 0.33 | 0.73 | 0.00 | 2.30 |
| | | 2012 | 1.54 | 0.32 | 3.65 | 1.47 | 7.75 |
| | | 2013 | 0.79 | 0.32 | 1.20 | 0.17 | 3.13 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 1.91 | 0.91 | 5.78 | 0.13 | 39.50 |
| | | 2012 | 1.71 | 0.91 | 4.52 | 0.00 | 31.97 |
| | | 2013 | 1.10 | 0.91 | 2.01 | 0.00 | 16.97 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.88 | 0.53 | 5.53 | 1.33 | 17.33 |
| | | 2013 | 1.65 | 0.53 | 4.20 | 0.85 | 13.61 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.84 | 0.50 | 5.30 | 1.37 | 15.78 |
| | | 2013 | 0.93 | 0.50 | 1.53 | 0.00 | 5.73 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.88 | 0.91 | 1.40 | 0.00 | 13.37 |
| | | 2013 | 1.27 | 0.91 | 2.54 | 0.00 | 20.18 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.41 | 0.91 | 3.10 | 0.00 | 23.52 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.91 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.98 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.15. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common grackles (*Quiscalus quiscula*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

P. Yellow-headed Blackbird (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*)

Table 5.31. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow-headed blackbirds (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 184.8 | 3.52 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 85.8 | 3.38 | 0.0219** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 139.1 | 4.68 | 0.0108** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 144.8 | 3.39 | 0.0037** |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 114.8 | 0.88 | 0.4552 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 126.0 | 0.70 | 0.4048 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 126.0 | 3.99 | 0.0094** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 102.4 | 3.23 | 0.0752* |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 108.8 | 2.85 | 0.0940* |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 112.0 | 0.55 | 0.4605 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 99.7 | 0.86 | 0.3548 |

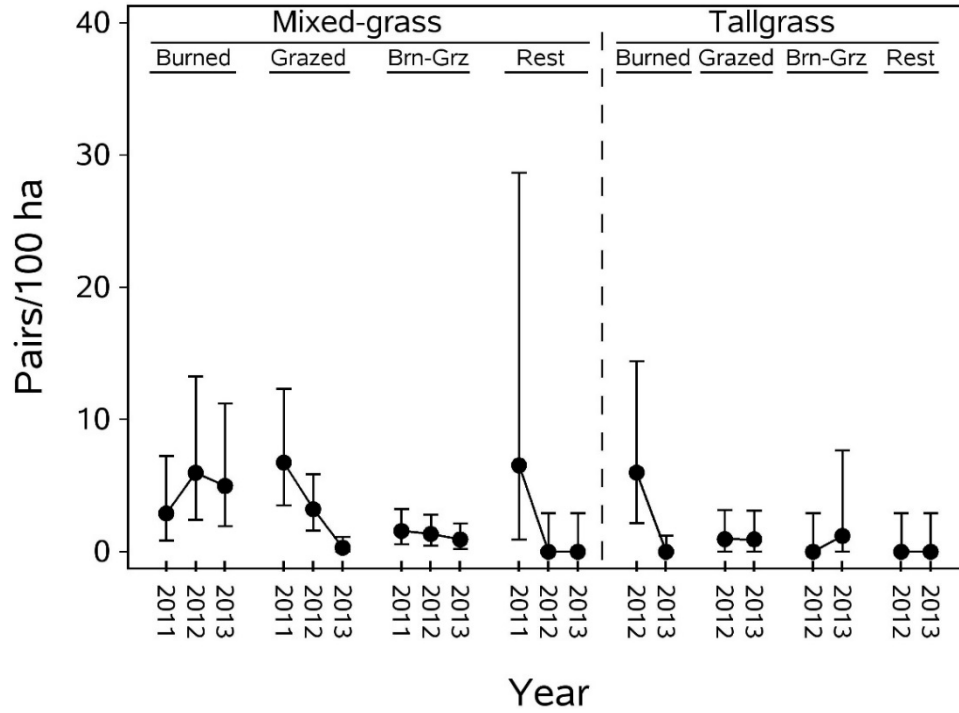
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.32. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow-headed blackbirds (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.36 | 0.38 | 2.90 | 0.85 | 7.25 |
| | | 2012 | 1.94 | 0.36 | 5.98 | 2.41 | 13.26 |
| | | 2013 | 1.79 | 0.36 | 4.98 | 1.93 | 11.23 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 2.05 | 0.28 | 6.75 | 3.51 | 12.32 |
| | | 2012 | 1.44 | 0.25 | 3.22 | 1.60 | 5.85 |
| | | 2013 | 0.27 | 0.25 | 0.31 | 0.00 | 1.13 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.95 | 0.25 | 1.58 | 0.57 | 3.22 |
| | | 2012 | 0.86 | 0.25 | 1.35 | 0.45 | 2.82 |
| | | 2013 | 0.66 | 0.25 | 0.93 | 0.19 | 2.14 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 2.02 | 0.70 | 6.54 | 0.92 | 28.65 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.93 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.93 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.94 | 0.40 | 5.99 | 2.17 | 14.41 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.21 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.67 | 0.38 | 0.96 | 0.00 | 3.15 |
| | | 2013 | 0.66 | 0.38 | 0.94 | 0.00 | 3.11 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.93 |
| | | 2013 | 0.79 | 0.70 | 1.20 | 0.00 | 7.66 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.93 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.93 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.16. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow-headed blackbirds (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

Q. Cliff Swallow (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*)

Table 5.33. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of cliff swallows (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 177.7 | 2.01 | 0.0099** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 66.5 | 1.18 | 0.3254 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 119.8 | 0.89 | 0.4121 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 124.6 | 0.56 | 0.7624 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 91.9 | 1.86 | 0.1416 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 109.7 | 1.70 | 0.1954 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 109.7 | 1.82 | 0.1468 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 80.4 | 2.73 | 0.1024 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 86.1 | 13.99 | 0.0003** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 89.3 | 1.93 | 0.1684 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 78.2 | 1.23 | 0.2705 |

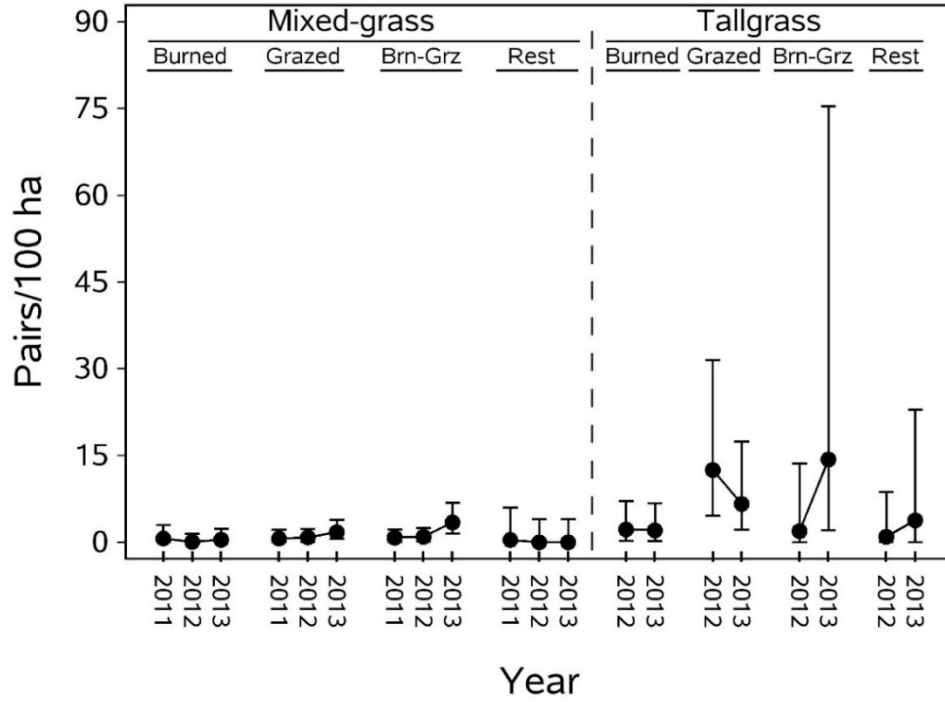
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.34. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of cliff swallows (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.51 | 0.45 | 0.66 | 0.00 | 2.97 |
| | | 2012 | 0.07 | 0.43 | 0.08 | 0.00 | 1.49 |
| | | 2013 | 0.36 | 0.43 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 2.33 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.51 | 0.32 | 0.67 | 0.00 | 2.13 |
| | | 2012 | 0.61 | 0.29 | 0.85 | 0.05 | 2.25 |
| | | 2013 | 1.01 | 0.29 | 1.75 | 0.56 | 3.84 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.59 | 0.29 | 0.80 | 0.01 | 2.20 |
| | | 2012 | 0.67 | 0.29 | 0.96 | 0.11 | 2.45 |
| | | 2013 | 1.49 | 0.29 | 3.44 | 1.52 | 6.84 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.34 | 0.82 | 0.41 | 0.00 | 6.02 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.98 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.98 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.17 | 0.47 | 2.22 | 0.27 | 7.14 |
| | | 2013 | 1.12 | 0.47 | 2.07 | 0.21 | 6.75 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 2.60 | 0.45 | 12.49 | 4.60 | 31.51 |
| | | 2013 | 2.03 | 0.45 | 6.64 | 2.17 | 17.42 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 1.08 | 0.82 | 1.94 | 0.00 | 13.64 |
| | | 2013 | 2.73 | 0.82 | 14.34 | 2.08 | 75.39 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.67 | 0.82 | 0.95 | 0.00 | 8.71 |
| | | 2013 | 1.57 | 0.82 | 3.79 | 0.00 | 22.88 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.17. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of cliff swallows (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

R. Song Sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*)

Table 5.35. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of song sparrows (*Melospiza melodia*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 183.5 | 1.69 | 0.0403** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 81.7 | 1.59 | 0.1992 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 132.4 | 4.94 | 0.0085** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 134.1 | 0.72 | 0.6312 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 95.9 | 0.09 | 0.9637 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 129.9 | 0.22 | 0.6396 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 129.9 | 1.15 | 0.3316 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 89.3 | 0.00 | 0.9821 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 92.6 | 0.00 | 0.9928 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 94.5 | 0.74 | 0.3931 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 88.1 | 1.73 | 0.1923 |

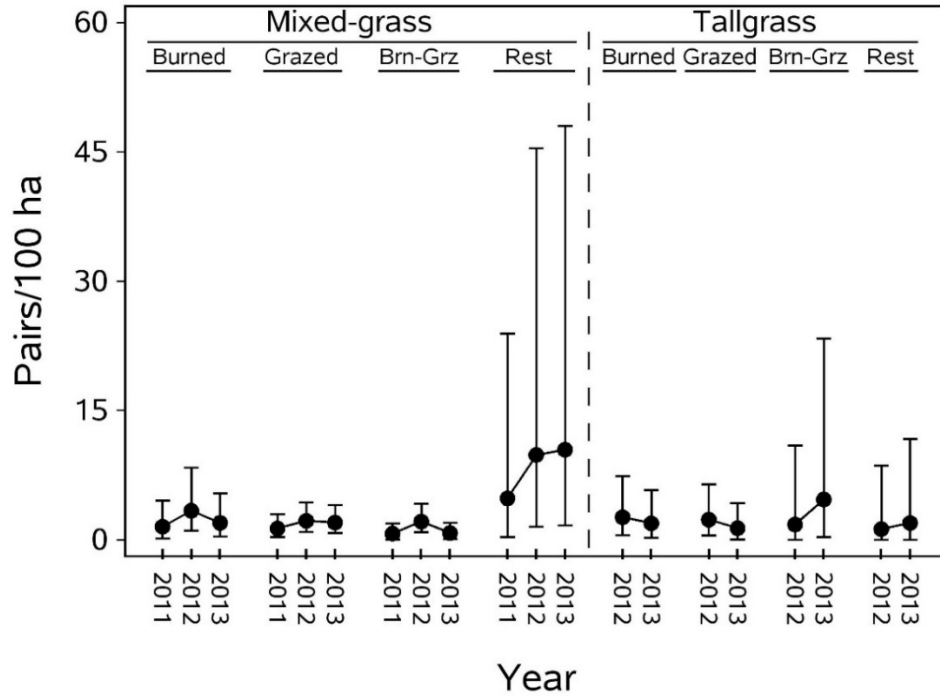
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.36. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of song sparrows (*Melospiza melodia*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.94 | 0.40 | 1.55 | 0.17 | 4.54 |
| | | 2012 | 1.48 | 0.39 | 3.39 | 1.06 | 8.38 |
| | | 2013 | 1.10 | 0.39 | 1.99 | 0.40 | 5.39 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.85 | 0.28 | 1.34 | 0.36 | 3.01 |
| | | 2012 | 1.17 | 0.26 | 2.22 | 0.93 | 4.35 |
| | | 2013 | 1.11 | 0.26 | 2.02 | 0.81 | 4.04 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.55 | 0.26 | 0.74 | 0.04 | 1.91 |
| | | 2012 | 1.14 | 0.26 | 2.14 | 0.89 | 4.22 |
| | | 2013 | 0.59 | 0.26 | 0.80 | 0.08 | 2.00 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 1.76 | 0.74 | 4.83 | 0.36 | 23.92 |
| | | 2012 | 2.38 | 0.74 | 9.86 | 1.54 | 45.40 |
| | | 2013 | 2.44 | 0.74 | 10.47 | 1.68 | 48.00 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.29 | 0.43 | 2.64 | 0.57 | 7.42 |
| | | 2013 | 1.07 | 0.43 | 1.93 | 0.26 | 5.77 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.21 | 0.41 | 2.36 | 0.52 | 6.44 |
| | | 2013 | 0.86 | 0.41 | 1.37 | 0.07 | 4.25 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 1.03 | 0.74 | 1.79 | 0.00 | 10.94 |
| | | 2013 | 1.74 | 0.74 | 4.69 | 0.33 | 23.33 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.81 | 0.74 | 1.26 | 0.00 | 8.64 |
| | | 2013 | 1.09 | 0.74 | 1.97 | 0.00 | 11.71 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.18. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of song sparrows (*Melospiza melodia*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

S. American Goldfinch (*Spinus tristis*)

Table 5.37. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of American goldfinches (*Spinus tristis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.7 | 2.27 | 0.0029** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 79.3 | 0.99 | 0.4012 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 130.3 | 4.53 | 0.0125** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 132.1 | 0.60 | 0.7286 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 94.2 | 0.25 | 0.8601 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 127.5 | 7.42 | 0.0074** |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 127.5 | 1.27 | 0.2877 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 87.3 | 0.03 | 0.8561 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 90.7 | 0.11 | 0.7413 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 92.7 | 0.01 | 0.9438 |
| Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 86.0 | 0.16 | 0.6903 | |

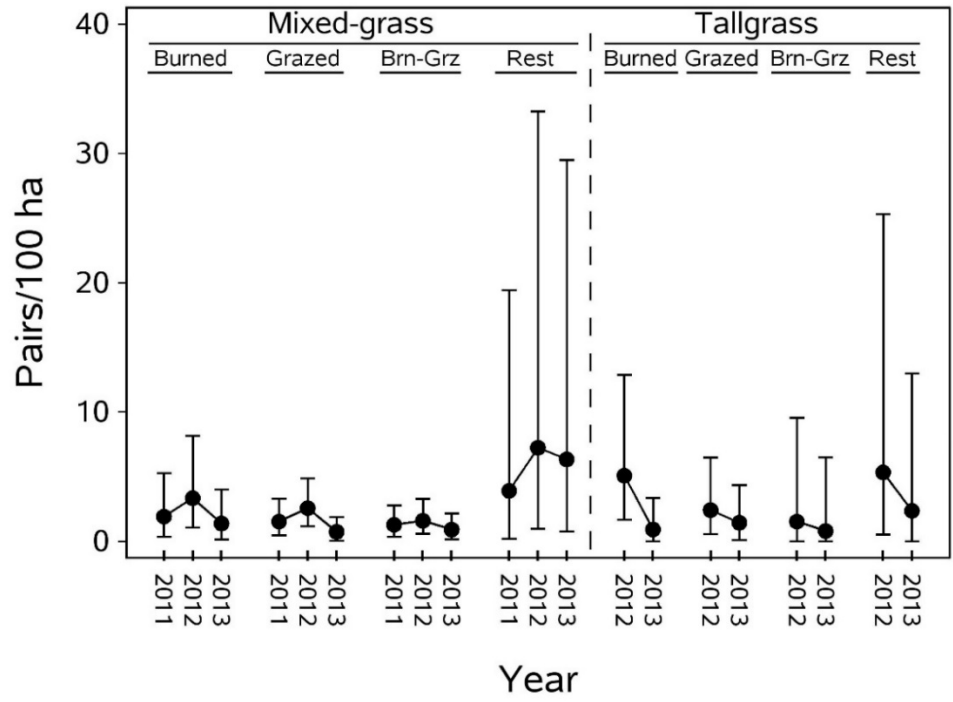
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.38. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of American goldfinches (*Spinus tristis*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.08 | 0.39 | 1.93 | 0.37 | 5.28 |
| | | 2012 | 1.47 | 0.38 | 3.35 | 1.07 | 8.15 |
| | | 2013 | 0.87 | 0.38 | 1.39 | 0.14 | 4.02 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.93 | 0.27 | 1.54 | 0.49 | 3.32 |
| | | 2012 | 1.28 | 0.25 | 2.58 | 1.17 | 4.89 |
| | | 2013 | 0.56 | 0.26 | 0.75 | 0.06 | 1.88 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.83 | 0.26 | 1.29 | 0.38 | 2.79 |
| | | 2012 | 0.96 | 0.25 | 1.60 | 0.58 | 3.28 |
| | | 2013 | 0.65 | 0.26 | 0.92 | 0.16 | 2.17 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 1.59 | 0.73 | 3.92 | 0.19 | 19.43 |
| | | 2012 | 2.11 | 0.73 | 7.25 | 0.99 | 33.24 |
| | | 2013 | 1.99 | 0.73 | 6.35 | 0.77 | 29.50 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.81 | 0.42 | 5.09 | 1.68 | 12.86 |
| | | 2013 | 0.66 | 0.42 | 0.93 | 0.00 | 3.38 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.23 | 0.40 | 2.43 | 0.57 | 6.47 |
| | | 2013 | 0.90 | 0.40 | 1.45 | 0.12 | 4.34 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.93 | 0.73 | 1.54 | 0.00 | 9.55 |
| | | 2013 | 0.59 | 0.73 | 0.81 | 0.00 | 6.50 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.85 | 0.73 | 5.34 | 0.53 | 25.31 |
| | | 2013 | 1.21 | 0.73 | 2.37 | 0.00 | 12.99 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.19. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of American goldfinches (*Spinus tristis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

T. Upland Sandpiper (*Bartramia longicauda*)

Table 5.39. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of upland sandpipers (*Bartramia longicauda*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.1 | 2.47 | 0.0011** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 78.1 | 2.14 | 0.1023 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 131.8 | 7.98 | 0.0005** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 137.7 | 2.37 | 0.0329** |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 106.7 | 1.47 | 0.2276 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 118.6 | 0.08 | 0.7838 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 118.6 | 0.23 | 0.8730 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 94.3 | 0.77 | 0.3839 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 100.7 | 2.08 | 0.1527 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 103.9 | 0.67 | 0.4136 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 91.7 | 0.64 | 0.4244 |

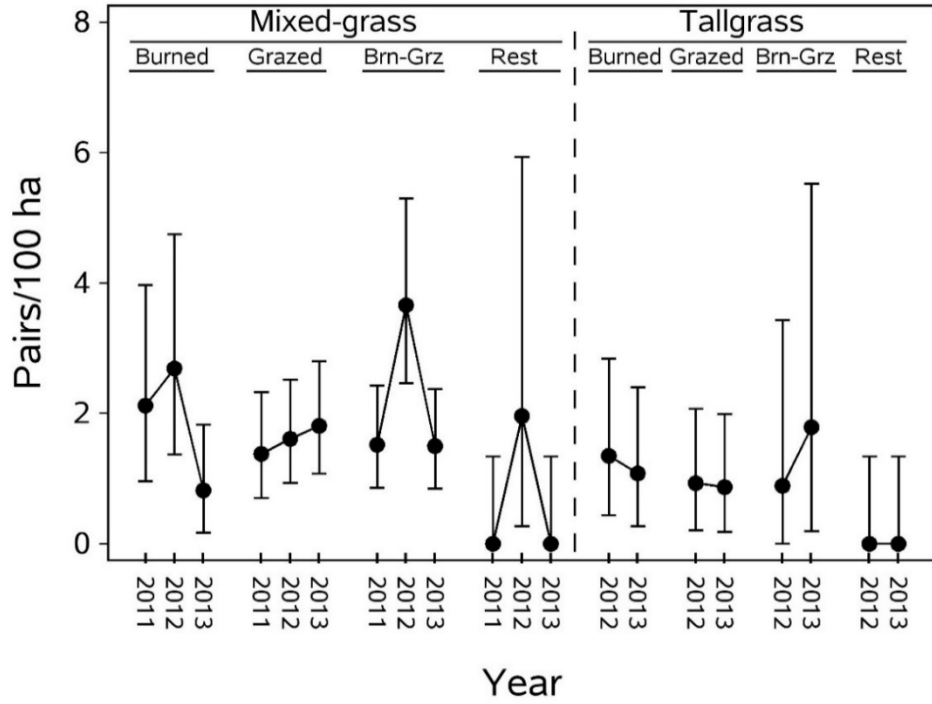
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.40. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of upland sandpipers (*Bartramia longicauda*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.14 | 0.24 | 2.12 | 0.96 | 3.97 |
| | | 2012 | 1.31 | 0.23 | 2.69 | 1.37 | 4.75 |
| | | 2013 | 0.60 | 0.23 | 0.82 | 0.17 | 1.83 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.87 | 0.17 | 1.38 | 0.70 | 2.33 |
| | | 2012 | 0.96 | 0.15 | 1.61 | 0.93 | 2.52 |
| | | 2013 | 1.03 | 0.15 | 1.81 | 1.08 | 2.80 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.93 | 0.16 | 1.52 | 0.86 | 2.43 |
| | | 2012 | 1.54 | 0.15 | 3.66 | 2.46 | 5.30 |
| | | 2013 | 0.91 | 0.15 | 1.50 | 0.85 | 2.37 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.34 |
| | | 2012 | 1.09 | 0.43 | 1.96 | 0.27 | 5.93 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.34 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.86 | 0.25 | 1.35 | 0.44 | 2.84 |
| | | 2013 | 0.73 | 0.25 | 1.08 | 0.27 | 2.40 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.66 | 0.24 | 0.93 | 0.21 | 2.07 |
| | | 2013 | 0.63 | 0.24 | 0.87 | 0.18 | 1.99 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.64 | 0.43 | 0.89 | 0.00 | 3.43 |
| | | 2013 | 1.03 | 0.43 | 1.79 | 0.19 | 5.52 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.34 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.34 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.20. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of upland sandpipers (*Bartramia longicauda*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

U. Killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*)

Table 5.41. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 183.7 | 3.00 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 83.3 | 1.54 | 0.2100 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 136.5 | 4.94 | 0.0085** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 142.6 | 1.48 | 0.1874 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 112.4 | 1.21 | 0.3110 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 122.3 | 2.25 | 0.1360 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 122.3 | 2.70 | 0.0487** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 100.0 | 0.00 | 0.9925 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 106.4 | 0.05 | 0.8287 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 109.7 | 0.31 | 0.5761 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 97.4 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |

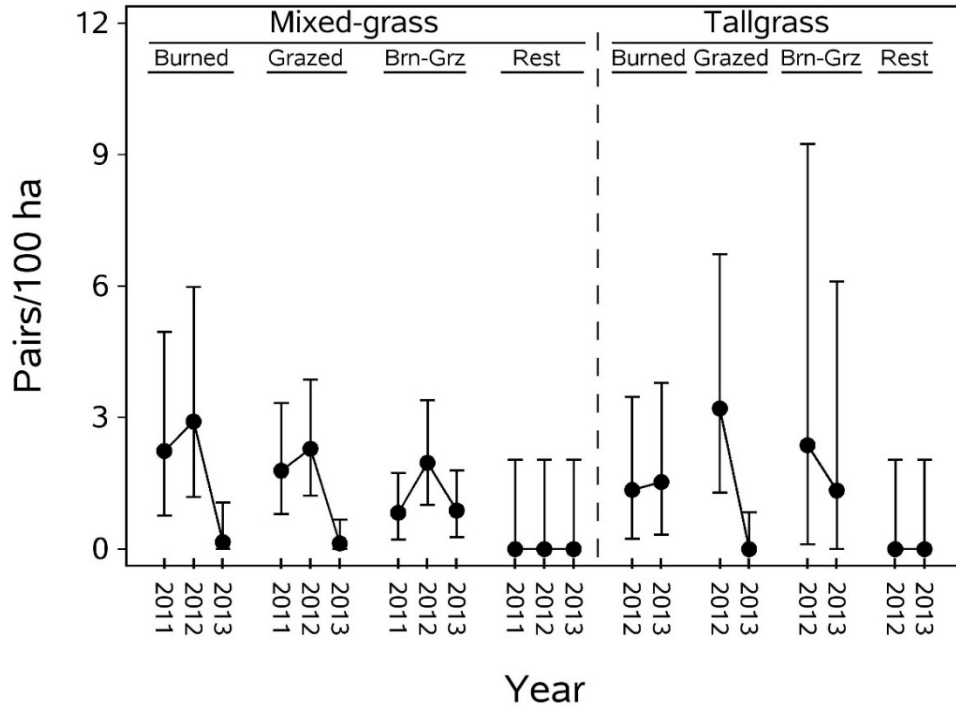
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.42. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 1.18 | 0.31 | 2.24 | 0.77 | 4.95 |
| | | 2012 | 1.36 | 0.30 | 2.91 | 1.19 | 5.98 |
| | | 2013 | 0.14 | 0.30 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 1.06 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 1.03 | 0.22 | 1.79 | 0.80 | 3.33 |
| | | 2012 | 1.19 | 0.20 | 2.29 | 1.22 | 3.87 |
| | | 2013 | 0.12 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 0.00 | 0.67 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.60 | 0.20 | 0.83 | 0.22 | 1.73 |
| | | 2012 | 1.09 | 0.20 | 1.97 | 1.01 | 3.40 |
| | | 2013 | 0.63 | 0.20 | 0.88 | 0.27 | 1.79 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.04 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.04 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.04 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.86 | 0.33 | 1.35 | 0.24 | 3.47 |
| | | 2013 | 0.93 | 0.33 | 1.53 | 0.33 | 3.79 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.44 | 0.31 | 3.21 | 1.29 | 6.73 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.84 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 1.22 | 0.57 | 2.37 | 0.11 | 9.24 |
| | | 2013 | 0.85 | 0.57 | 1.34 | 0.00 | 6.11 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.04 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.04 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.21. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

V. Tree Swallow (*Tachycineta bicolor*)

Table 5.43. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of tree swallows (*Tachycineta bicolor*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 186.3 | 1.70 | 0.0393** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 96.7 | 0.75 | 0.5229 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 145.1 | 0.49 | 0.6116 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 152.4 | 0.71 | 0.6438 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 124.3 | 1.57 | 0.1988 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 126.9 | 9.45 | 0.0026** |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 126.9 | 2.70 | 0.0483** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 113.2 | 0.33 | 0.5694 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 119.3 | 6.79 | 0.0103** |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 121.9 | 2.32 | 0.1305 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 110.5 | 0.35 | 0.5549 |

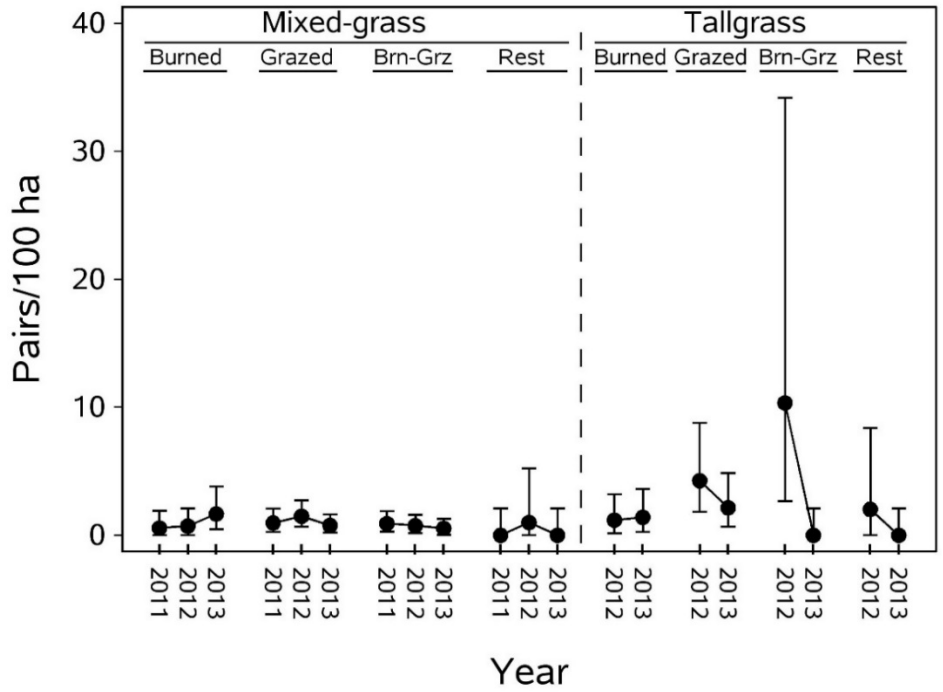
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.44. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of tree swallows (*Tachycineta bicolor*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.45 | 0.32 | 0.57 | 0.00 | 1.92 |
| | | 2012 | 0.54 | 0.30 | 0.72 | 0.00 | 2.10 |
| | | 2013 | 0.98 | 0.30 | 1.67 | 0.48 | 3.81 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.68 | 0.23 | 0.97 | 0.25 | 2.08 |
| | | 2012 | 0.91 | 0.20 | 1.49 | 0.67 | 2.71 |
| | | 2013 | 0.57 | 0.20 | 0.77 | 0.19 | 1.64 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.65 | 0.21 | 0.92 | 0.28 | 1.89 |
| | | 2012 | 0.56 | 0.20 | 0.75 | 0.17 | 1.61 |
| | | 2013 | 0.43 | 0.20 | 0.54 | 0.03 | 1.30 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.58 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.10 |
| | | 2012 | 0.69 | 0.58 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 5.21 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.58 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.10 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.78 | 0.33 | 1.18 | 0.14 | 3.20 |
| | | 2013 | 0.88 | 0.33 | 1.41 | 0.25 | 3.63 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.66 | 0.32 | 4.27 | 1.84 | 8.79 |
| | | 2013 | 1.15 | 0.32 | 2.15 | 0.69 | 4.85 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 2.43 | 0.58 | 10.34 | 2.66 | 34.16 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.58 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.10 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.11 | 0.58 | 2.03 | 0.00 | 8.38 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.58 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.10 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.22. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of tree swallows (*Tachycineta bicolor*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

W. Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*)

Table 5.45. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of barn swallows (*Hirundo rustica*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 183.8 | 1.41 | 0.1256 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 82.4 | 2.41 | 0.0725 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 136.1 | 0.04 | 0.9655 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 141.6 | 0.50 | 0.8082 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 111.0 | 1.54 | 0.2071 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 123.6 | 0.08 | 0.7835 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 123.6 | 2.78 | 0.0441 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 98.6 | 6.33 | 0.0135 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 104.9 | 1.20 | 0.2750 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 108.2 | 0.95 | 0.3319 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 96.0 | 3.17 | 0.0781 |

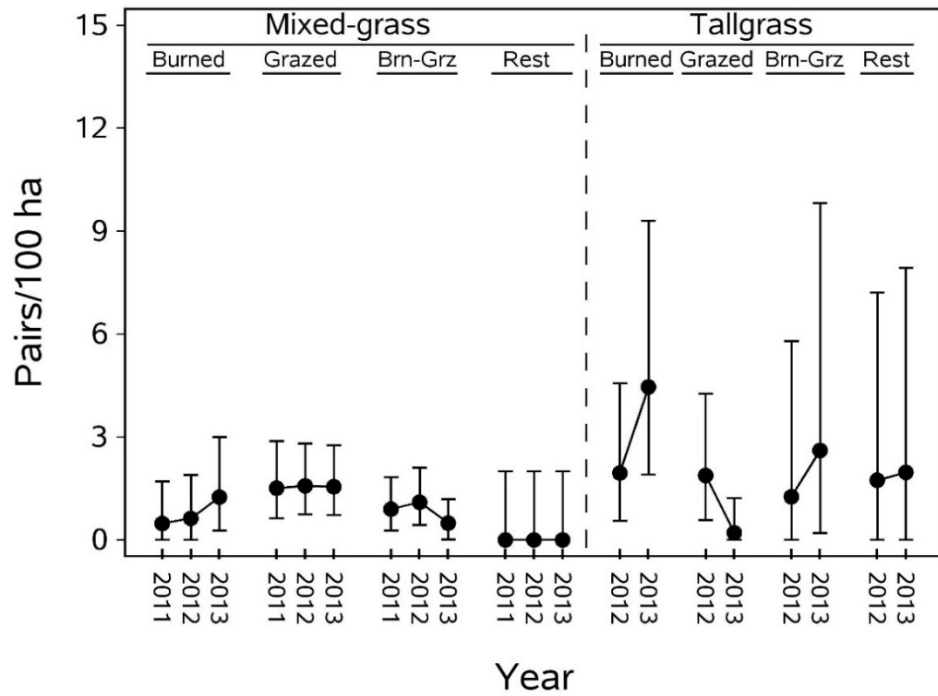
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.46. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of barn swallows (*Hirundo rustica*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.39 | 0.31 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 1.70 |
| | | 2012 | 0.49 | 0.29 | 0.63 | 0.00 | 1.89 |
| | | 2013 | 0.81 | 0.29 | 1.25 | 0.27 | 3.00 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.92 | 0.22 | 1.51 | 0.63 | 2.88 |
| | | 2012 | 0.95 | 0.20 | 1.58 | 0.75 | 2.81 |
| | | 2013 | 0.94 | 0.20 | 1.55 | 0.73 | 2.76 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.64 | 0.20 | 0.90 | 0.28 | 1.83 |
| | | 2012 | 0.74 | 0.20 | 1.10 | 0.43 | 2.10 |
| | | 2013 | 0.40 | 0.20 | 0.49 | 0.01 | 1.19 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.56 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.56 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.56 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 1.08 | 0.32 | 1.95 | 0.56 | 4.56 |
| | | 2013 | 1.70 | 0.32 | 4.46 | 1.90 | 9.30 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.06 | 0.31 | 1.88 | 0.58 | 4.26 |
| | | 2013 | 0.19 | 0.31 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 1.22 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.82 | 0.56 | 1.26 | 0.00 | 5.79 |
| | | 2013 | 1.28 | 0.56 | 2.61 | 0.20 | 9.82 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 1.01 | 0.56 | 1.74 | 0.00 | 7.21 |
| | | 2013 | 1.09 | 0.56 | 1.97 | 0.00 | 7.93 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.23. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of barn swallows (*Hirundo rustica*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

X. Mourning Dove (*Zenaida macroura*)

Table 5.47. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of mourning doves (*Zenaida macroura*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 185.8 | 0.90 | 0.5859 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 87.6 | 0.53 | 0.6627 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 141.1 | 0.09 | 0.9110 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 145.9 | 0.22 | 0.9699 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 115.6 | 0.37 | 0.7750 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 130.4 | 1.35 | 0.2471 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 130.4 | 3.73 | 0.0129 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 103.4 | 0.05 | 0.8194 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 109.6 | 3.11 | 0.0808 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 112.9 | 0.38 | 0.5399 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 100.9 | 0.10 | 0.7571 |

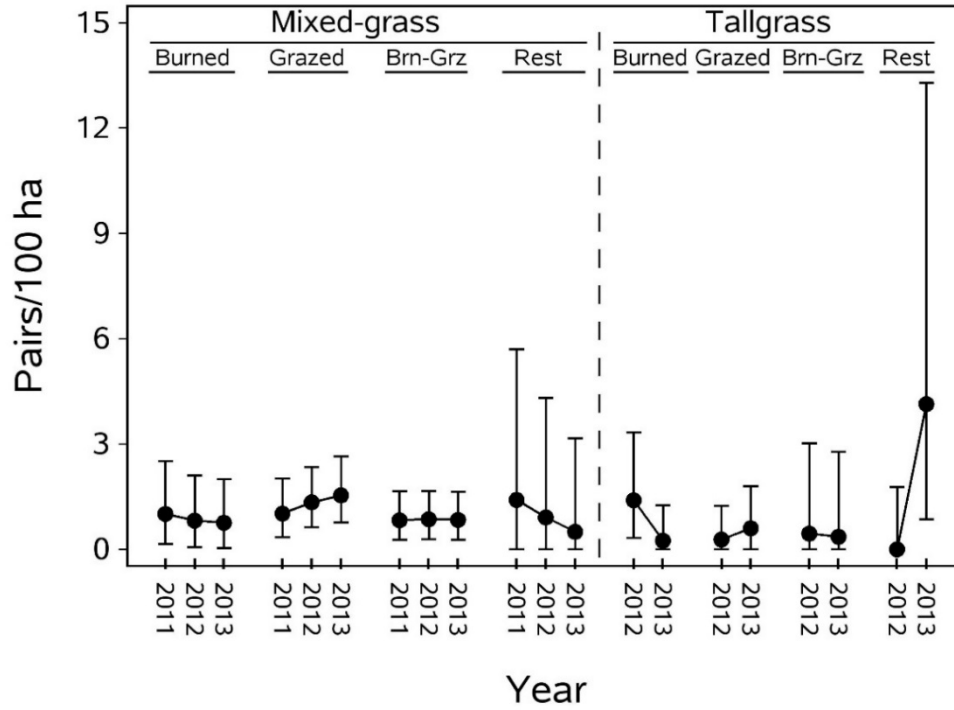
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.48. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of mourning doves (*Zenaida macroura*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.70 | 0.28 | 1.01 | 0.15 | 2.51 |
| | | 2012 | 0.60 | 0.27 | 0.82 | 0.07 | 2.10 |
| | | 2013 | 0.56 | 0.27 | 0.76 | 0.03 | 2.00 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.70 | 0.20 | 1.02 | 0.35 | 2.02 |
| | | 2012 | 0.85 | 0.18 | 1.34 | 0.63 | 2.35 |
| | | 2013 | 0.93 | 0.18 | 1.54 | 0.77 | 2.65 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.61 | 0.19 | 0.83 | 0.27 | 1.65 |
| | | 2012 | 0.62 | 0.18 | 0.86 | 0.29 | 1.66 |
| | | 2013 | 0.61 | 0.18 | 0.84 | 0.28 | 1.64 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.88 | 0.52 | 1.41 | 0.00 | 5.70 |
| | | 2012 | 0.65 | 0.52 | 0.91 | 0.00 | 4.31 |
| | | 2013 | 0.41 | 0.52 | 0.50 | 0.00 | 3.17 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.88 | 0.30 | 1.40 | 0.33 | 3.33 |
| | | 2013 | 0.22 | 0.30 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 1.25 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.25 | 0.29 | 0.28 | 0.00 | 1.24 |
| | | 2013 | 0.47 | 0.29 | 0.60 | 0.00 | 1.80 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.37 | 0.52 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 3.02 |
| | | 2013 | 0.31 | 0.52 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 2.78 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.52 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.78 |
| | | 2013 | 1.64 | 0.52 | 4.14 | 0.85 | 13.29 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.24. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of mourning doves (*Zenaida macroura*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

Y. Ring-necked Pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*)

Table 5.49. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of ring-necked pheasants (*Phasianus colchicus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect (≤ 0.05)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 186.1 | 1.98 | 0.0112** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 91.2 | 1.21 | 0.3098 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 143.4 | 4.42 | 0.0138** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 149.4 | 0.68 | 0.6680 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 120.5 | 2.90 | 0.0379** |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 129.0 | 0.06 | 0.8023 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 129.0 | 0.19 | 0.9048 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 108.2 | 0.57 | 0.4532 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 114.6 | 1.47 | 0.2283 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 117.8 | 4.52 | 0.0356** |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 105.5 | 0.20 | 0.6576 |

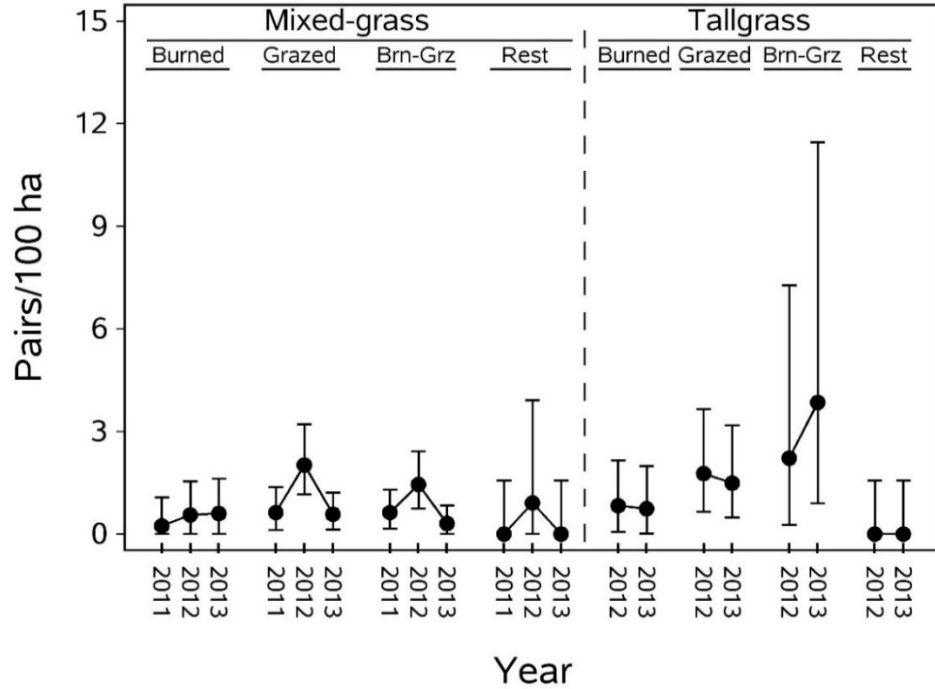
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.50. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of ring-necked pheasants (*Phasianus colchicus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.21 | 0.26 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 1.07 |
| | | 2012 | 0.44 | 0.25 | 0.56 | 0.00 | 1.54 |
| | | 2013 | 0.47 | 0.25 | 0.60 | 0.00 | 1.62 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.49 | 0.19 | 0.63 | 0.12 | 1.37 |
| | | 2012 | 1.11 | 0.17 | 2.02 | 1.16 | 3.21 |
| | | 2013 | 0.46 | 0.17 | 0.58 | 0.13 | 1.21 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.49 | 0.17 | 0.63 | 0.16 | 1.29 |
| | | 2012 | 0.90 | 0.17 | 1.45 | 0.75 | 2.42 |
| | | 2013 | 0.27 | 0.17 | 0.31 | 0.00 | 0.83 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.57 |
| | | 2012 | 0.65 | 0.48 | 0.91 | 0.00 | 3.91 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.57 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.61 | 0.28 | 0.83 | 0.06 | 2.16 |
| | | 2013 | 0.55 | 0.28 | 0.74 | 0.01 | 1.99 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 1.02 | 0.26 | 1.77 | 0.65 | 3.65 |
| | | 2013 | 0.91 | 0.26 | 1.49 | 0.49 | 3.18 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 1.17 | 0.48 | 2.22 | 0.26 | 7.28 |
| | | 2013 | 1.58 | 0.48 | 3.85 | 0.89 | 11.46 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.57 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.57 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.25. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of ring-necked pheasants (*Phasianus colchicus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

Z. Baird's Sparrow (*Centronyx bairdii*)

Table 5.51. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Baird's sparrows (*Centronyx bairdii*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 183.1 | 1.02 | 0.4345 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 80.2 | 1.61 | 0.1939 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 131.5 | 0.38 | 0.6821 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 133.5 | 1.15 | 0.3395 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 96.3 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 128.4 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 128.4 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 88.8 | 0.01 | 0.9356 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 92.6 | 3.80 | 0.0542 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 94.6 | 0.53 | 0.4672 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 87.5 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |

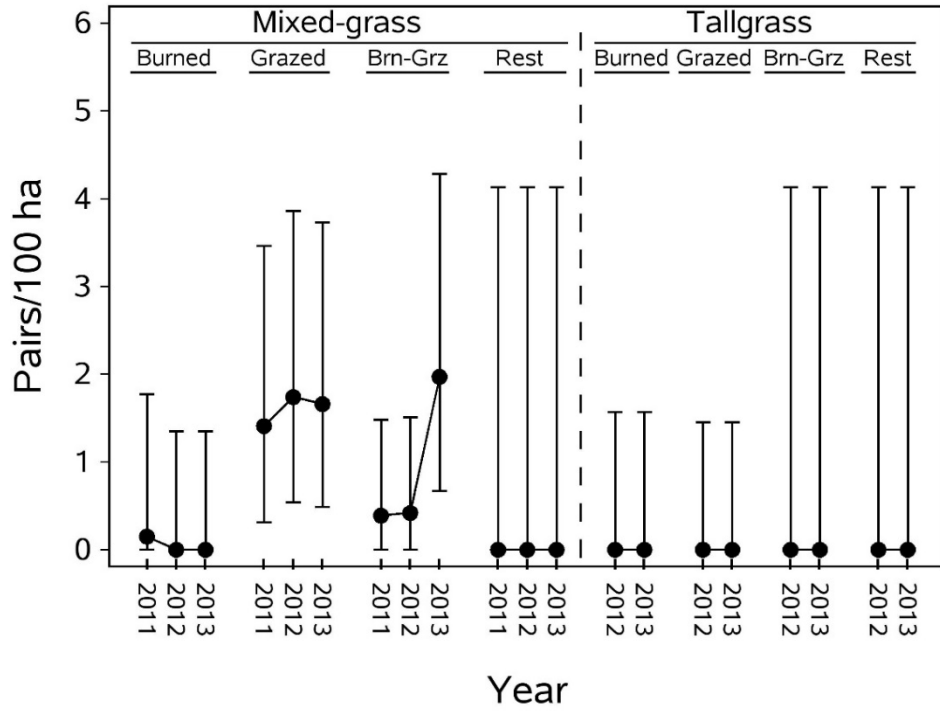
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.52. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Baird's sparrows (*Centronyx bairdii*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.14 | 0.45 | 0.15 | 0.00 | 1.77 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.35 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.35 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.88 | 0.31 | 1.41 | 0.31 | 3.46 |
| | | 2012 | 1.01 | 0.29 | 1.74 | 0.54 | 3.86 |
| | | 2013 | 0.98 | 0.29 | 1.66 | 0.49 | 3.73 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.33 | 0.30 | 0.39 | 0.00 | 1.48 |
| | | 2012 | 0.35 | 0.29 | 0.42 | 0.00 | 1.51 |
| | | 2013 | 1.09 | 0.29 | 1.97 | 0.67 | 4.28 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.13 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.13 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.13 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.57 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.57 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.46 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.45 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.46 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.45 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.13 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.13 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.13 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.13 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.26. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Baird's sparrows (*Centronyx bairdii*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

AA. Sharp-tailed Grouse (*Tympanuchus phasianellus*)

Table 5.53. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sharp-tailed grouse (*Tympanuchus phasianellus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 185.9 | 1.00 | 0.4665 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 92.4 | 0.49 | 0.6921 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 143.3 | 0.29 | 0.7473 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 150.0 | 1.16 | 0.3335 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 121.3 | 0.28 | 0.8385 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 127.0 | 0.01 | 0.9276 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 127.0 | 0.14 | 0.9349 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 109.4 | 1.65 | 0.2020 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 115.7 | 3.99 | 0.0480 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 118.7 | 0.58 | 0.4461 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 106.7 | 0.77 | 0.3828 |

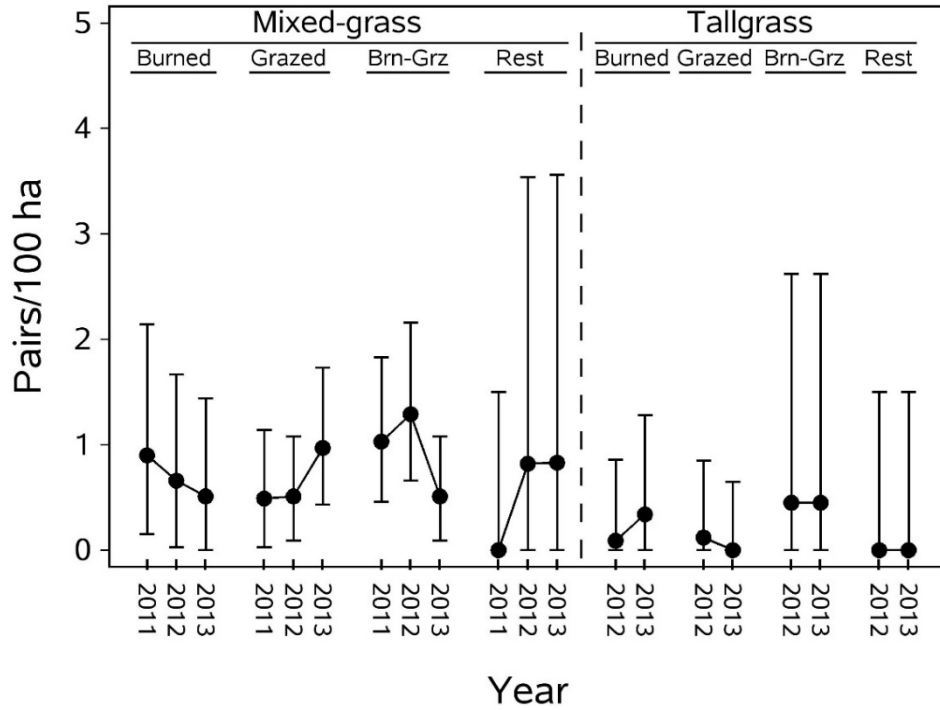
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.54. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sharp-tailed grouse (*Tympanuchus phasianellus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.64 | 0.26 | 0.90 | 0.15 | 2.14 |
| | | 2012 | 0.50 | 0.24 | 0.66 | 0.03 | 1.67 |
| | | 2013 | 0.41 | 0.24 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 1.44 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.40 | 0.19 | 0.49 | 0.03 | 1.14 |
| | | 2012 | 0.41 | 0.17 | 0.51 | 0.09 | 1.08 |
| | | 2013 | 0.68 | 0.17 | 0.97 | 0.43 | 1.73 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.71 | 0.17 | 1.03 | 0.46 | 1.83 |
| | | 2012 | 0.83 | 0.17 | 1.29 | 0.66 | 2.16 |
| | | 2013 | 0.41 | 0.17 | 0.51 | 0.09 | 1.08 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.47 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.50 |
| | | 2012 | 0.60 | 0.47 | 0.82 | 0.00 | 3.54 |
| | | 2013 | 0.60 | 0.47 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 3.56 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.09 | 0.27 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 0.86 |
| | | 2013 | 0.30 | 0.27 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 1.28 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.11 | 0.26 | 0.12 | 0.00 | 0.85 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.65 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.37 | 0.47 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 2.62 |
| | | 2013 | 0.37 | 0.47 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 2.62 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.47 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.50 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.47 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.50 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.27. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sharp-tailed grouse (*Tympanuchus phasianellus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

BB. Nelson's Sparrow (*Ammospiza nelsoni*)

Table 5.55. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Nelson's sparrows (*Ammospiza nelsoni*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 186.9 | 2.20 | 0.0040** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 90.4 | 7.05 | 0.0003** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 143.5 | 2.60 | 0.0776* |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 147.7 | 0.39 | 0.8821 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 117.0 | 1.36 | 0.2583 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 134.8 | 1.23 | 0.2690 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 134.8 | 0.61 | 0.6105 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 105.3 | 0.00 | 0.9682 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 111.2 | 0.45 | 0.5056 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 114.4 | 0.02 | 0.9001 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 103.0 | 11.73 | 0.0009** |

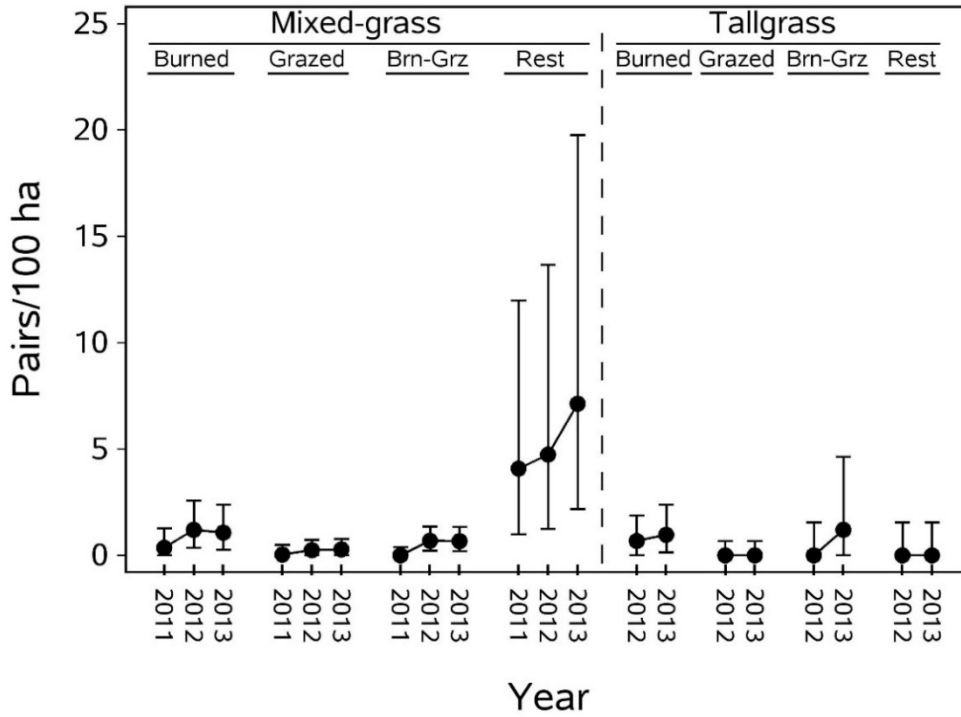
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.56. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Nelson's sparrows (*Ammodramus nelsoni*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.31 | 0.26 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 1.27 |
| | | 2012 | 0.79 | 0.25 | 1.20 | 0.35 | 2.58 |
| | | 2013 | 0.73 | 0.25 | 1.07 | 0.27 | 2.38 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.04 | 0.19 | 0.04 | 0.00 | 0.50 |
| | | 2012 | 0.22 | 0.17 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.73 |
| | | 2013 | 0.25 | 0.17 | 0.28 | 0.00 | 0.78 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.17 | -0.01 | 0.00 | 0.38 |
| | | 2012 | 0.52 | 0.17 | 0.69 | 0.21 | 1.35 |
| | | 2013 | 0.52 | 0.17 | 0.67 | 0.20 | 1.33 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 1.63 | 0.48 | 4.08 | 0.99 | 11.98 |
| | | 2012 | 1.75 | 0.48 | 4.74 | 1.25 | 13.67 |
| | | 2013 | 2.10 | 0.48 | 7.13 | 2.18 | 19.76 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.52 | 0.28 | 0.68 | 0.00 | 1.88 |
| | | 2013 | 0.68 | 0.28 | 0.97 | 0.14 | 2.38 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.67 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.67 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.55 |
| | | 2013 | 0.79 | 0.48 | 1.20 | 0.00 | 4.62 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.55 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.55 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.28. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Nelson's sparrows (*Ammodramus nelsoni*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

CC. Marbled Godwit (*Limosa fedoa*)

Table 5.57. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of marbled godwits (*Limosa fedoa*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 184.9 | 1.29 | 0.1957 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 84.3 | 0.86 | 0.4645 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 137.9 | 0.00 | 0.9978 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 141.9 | 1.27 | 0.2756 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 109.8 | 0.32 | 0.8077 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 129.7 | 1.05 | 0.3067 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 129.7 | 0.81 | 0.4885 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 98.5 | 5.93 | 0.0167 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 104.2 | 3.13 | 0.0800 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 107.3 | 0.20 | 0.6591 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 96.3 | 0.16 | 0.6868 |

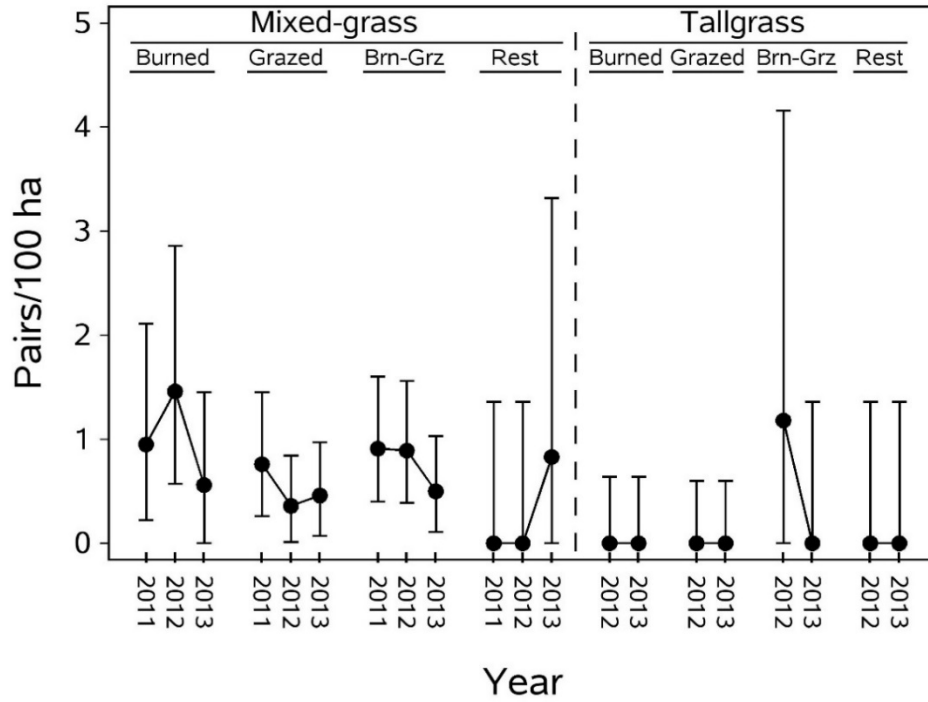
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.58. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of marbled godwits (*Limosa fedoa*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.67 | 0.24 | 0.95 | 0.22 | 2.11 |
| | | 2012 | 0.90 | 0.23 | 1.46 | 0.57 | 2.86 |
| | | 2013 | 0.45 | 0.23 | 0.56 | 0.00 | 1.45 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.56 | 0.17 | 0.76 | 0.26 | 1.45 |
| | | 2012 | 0.31 | 0.15 | 0.36 | 0.01 | 0.84 |
| | | 2013 | 0.38 | 0.16 | 0.46 | 0.07 | 0.97 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.65 | 0.16 | 0.91 | 0.40 | 1.60 |
| | | 2012 | 0.64 | 0.15 | 0.89 | 0.39 | 1.56 |
| | | 2013 | 0.41 | 0.16 | 0.50 | 0.11 | 1.03 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.36 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.36 |
| | | 2013 | 0.60 | 0.44 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 3.32 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.64 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.64 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.60 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.60 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.78 | 0.44 | 1.18 | 0.00 | 4.16 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.36 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.36 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.36 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.29. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of marbled godwits (*Limosa fedoa*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

DD. Vesper Sparrow (*Pooecetes gramineus*)

Table 5.59. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of vesper sparrows (*Pooecetes gramineus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 185.0 | 1.44 | 0.1125 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 89.1 | 2.04 | 0.1146 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 141.1 | 0.90 | 0.4096 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 147.5 | 0.97 | 0.4478 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 118.3 | 0.06 | 0.9799 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 125.6 | 0.22 | 0.6396 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 125.6 | 0.08 | 0.9682 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 106.2 | 0.61 | 0.4364 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 112.5 | 1.98 | 0.1620 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 115.6 | 1.37 | 0.2443 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 103.4 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |

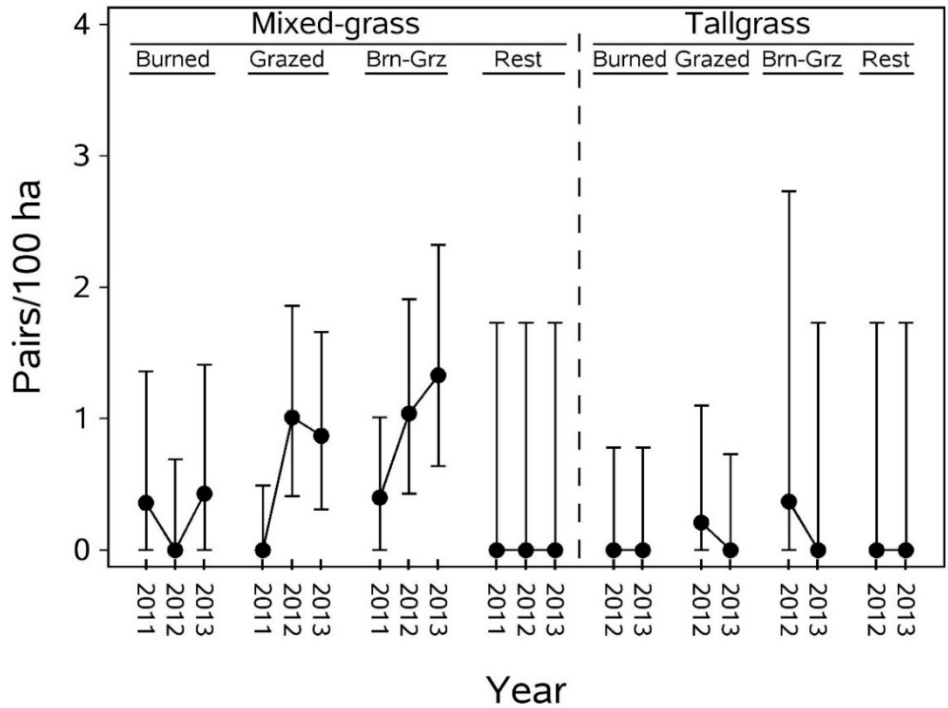
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.60. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of vesper sparrows (*Pooecetes gramineus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.31 | 0.28 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 1.36 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.27 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.69 |
| | | 2013 | 0.36 | 0.27 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 1.41 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.49 |
| | | 2012 | 0.70 | 0.18 | 1.01 | 0.41 | 1.86 |
| | | 2013 | 0.62 | 0.18 | 0.87 | 0.31 | 1.66 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.34 | 0.18 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 1.01 |
| | | 2012 | 0.71 | 0.18 | 1.04 | 0.43 | 1.91 |
| | | 2013 | 0.85 | 0.18 | 1.33 | 0.64 | 2.32 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.73 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.73 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.73 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.78 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.78 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.19 | 0.28 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 1.10 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.28 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.73 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.31 | 0.51 | 0.37 | 0.00 | 2.73 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.73 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.73 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.73 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.30. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of vesper sparrows (*Poocetes gramineus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

EE. LeConte's Sparrow (*Ammospiza leconteii*)

Table 5.61. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of LeConte's sparrows (*Ammospiza leconteii*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 186.8 | 3.16 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 100.2 | 8.52 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 146.9 | 11.25 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 154.5 | 3.04 | 0.0078** |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 126.8 | 0.86 | 0.4614 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 127.9 | 0.28 | 0.5958 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 127.9 | 1.17 | 0.3237 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 116.3 | 2.19 | 0.1416 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 122.1 | 1.20 | 0.2746 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 124.5 | 0.43 | 0.5155 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 113.6 | 7.10 | 0.0088** |

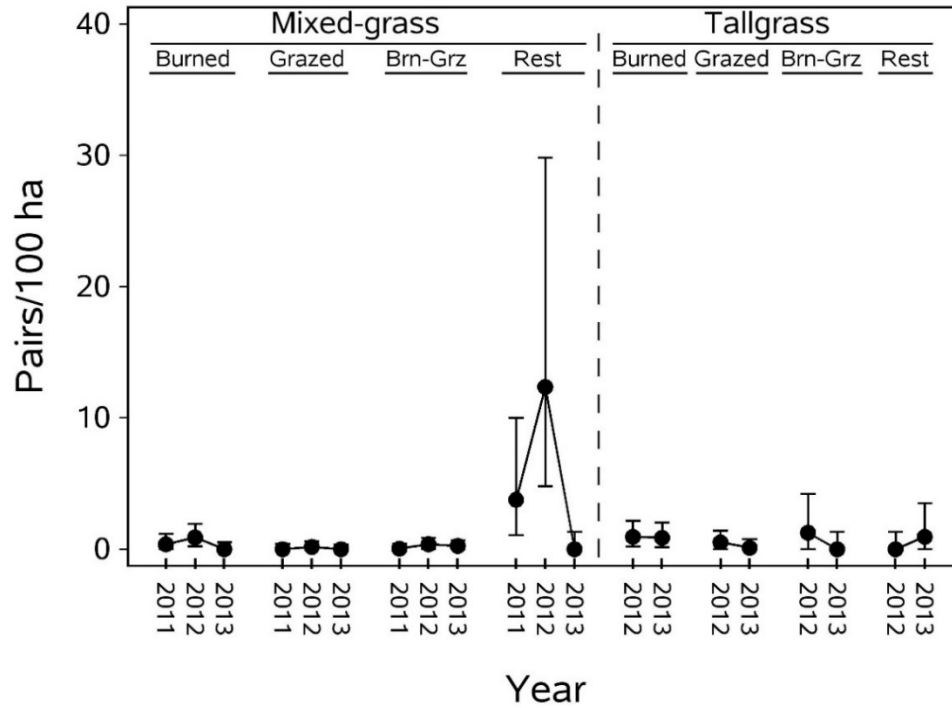
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.62. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of LeConte's sparrows (*Ammodramus leconteii*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.32 | 0.23 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 1.18 |
| | | 2012 | 0.64 | 0.22 | 0.90 | 0.22 | 1.93 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.55 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.39 |
| | | 2012 | 0.16 | 0.15 | 0.18 | 0.00 | 0.59 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.15 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.34 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 0.42 |
| | | 2012 | 0.32 | 0.15 | 0.38 | 0.03 | 0.86 |
| | | 2013 | 0.23 | 0.15 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.69 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 1.56 | 0.43 | 3.77 | 1.07 | 10.01 |
| | | 2012 | 2.59 | 0.43 | 12.36 | 4.79 | 29.84 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.31 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.67 | 0.25 | 0.95 | 0.20 | 2.16 |
| | | 2013 | 0.63 | 0.25 | 0.87 | 0.15 | 2.03 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.43 | 0.23 | 0.53 | 0.00 | 1.42 |
| | | 2013 | 0.10 | 0.23 | 0.11 | 0.00 | 0.75 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.82 | 0.43 | 1.26 | 0.00 | 4.22 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.31 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.31 |
| | | 2013 | 0.67 | 0.43 | 0.95 | 0.00 | 3.50 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.31. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of LeConte's sparrows (*Ammodramus leconteii*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

FF. Willet (*Tringa semipalmata*)

Table 5.63. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of willets (*Tringa semipalmata*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 184.2 | 2.17 | 0.0046** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 87.6 | 5.62 | 0.0014** |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 138.7 | 0.59 | 0.5568 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 145.8 | 1.03 | 0.4108 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 116.3 | 0.07 | 0.9738 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 121.7 | 0.28 | 0.5974 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 121.7 | 0.09 | 0.9635 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 104.4 | 8.24 | 0.0050** |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 110.8 | 0.59 | 0.4453 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 113.7 | 4.20 | 0.0427** |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 101.7 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |

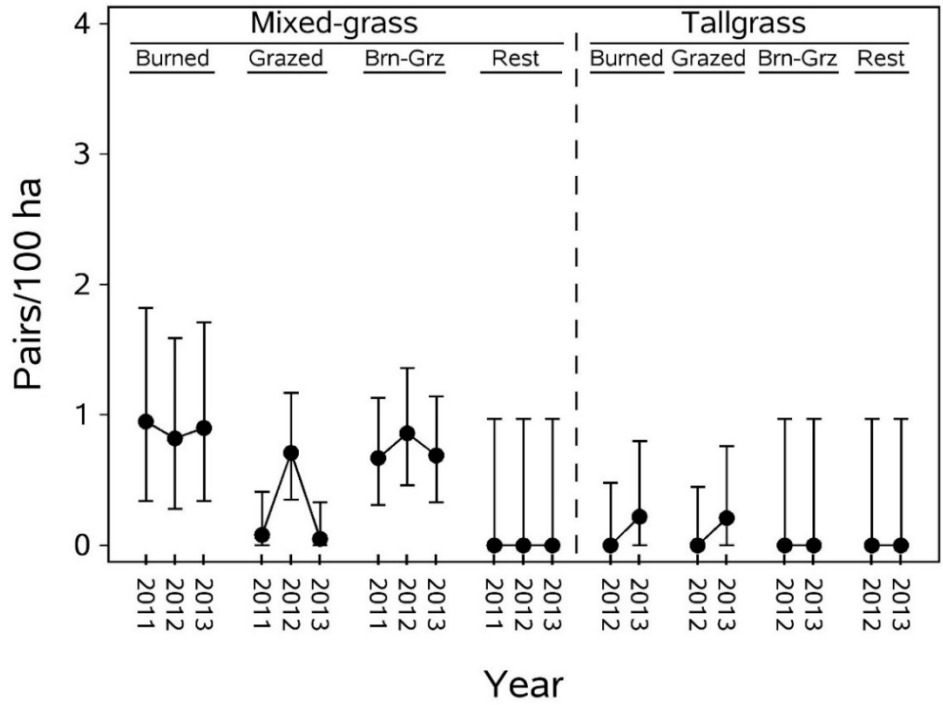
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.64. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of willets (*Tringa semipalmata*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.67 | 0.19 | 0.95 | 0.34 | 1.82 |
| | | 2012 | 0.60 | 0.18 | 0.82 | 0.28 | 1.59 |
| | | 2013 | 0.64 | 0.18 | 0.90 | 0.34 | 1.71 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.08 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.00 | 0.41 |
| | | 2012 | 0.54 | 0.12 | 0.71 | 0.35 | 1.17 |
| | | 2013 | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 0.33 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.51 | 0.12 | 0.67 | 0.31 | 1.13 |
| | | 2012 | 0.62 | 0.12 | 0.86 | 0.46 | 1.36 |
| | | 2013 | 0.52 | 0.12 | 0.69 | 0.33 | 1.14 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.48 |
| | | 2013 | 0.20 | 0.20 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.80 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.19 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.45 |
| | | 2013 | 0.19 | 0.19 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.76 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.32. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of willets (*Tringa semipalmata*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

GG. Horned Lark (*Eremophila alpestris*)

Table 5.65. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of horned larks (*Eremophila alpestris*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 183.5 | 1.33 | 0.1714 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 88.0 | 1.31 | 0.2773 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 137.5 | 1.85 | 0.1604 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 145.3 | 0.94 | 0.4693 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 115.8 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 118.6 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 118.6 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 104.4 | 0.68 | 0.4131 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 110.6 | 4.87 | 0.0294 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 113.3 | 1.08 | 0.3014 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 101.7 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |

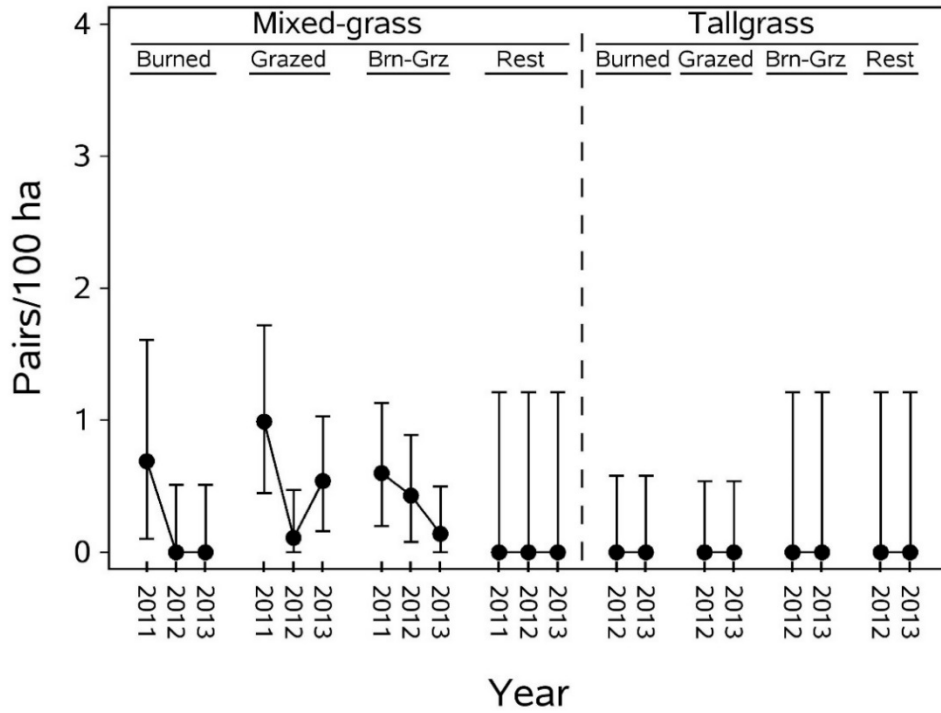
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.66. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of horned larks (*Eremophila alpestris*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.52 | 0.22 | 0.69 | 0.10 | 1.61 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.51 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.51 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.69 | 0.16 | 0.99 | 0.45 | 1.72 |
| | | 2012 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.11 | 0.00 | 0.47 |
| | | 2013 | 0.43 | 0.14 | 0.54 | 0.16 | 1.03 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.47 | 0.15 | 0.60 | 0.20 | 1.13 |
| | | 2012 | 0.35 | 0.14 | 0.43 | 0.08 | 0.89 |
| | | 2013 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.00 | 0.50 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.21 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.21 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.21 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.58 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.58 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.54 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.54 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.21 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.21 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.21 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.21 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.33. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of horned larks (*Eremophila alpestris*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

HH. Northern Harrier (*Circus hudsonius*)

Table 5.67. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of northern harriers (*Circus hudsonius*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 182.9 | 0.68 | 0.8390 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 92.3 | 0.51 | 0.6730 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 137.1 | 0.12 | 0.8834 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 146.0 | 0.74 | 0.6206 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 116.6 | 0.68 | 0.5643 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 114.9 | 0.18 | 0.6733 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 114.9 | 0.07 | 0.9768 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 107.0 | 2.97 | 0.0878 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 112.5 | 0.04 | 0.8387 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 114.5 | 1.22 | 0.2724 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 104.4 | 1.54 | 0.2177 |

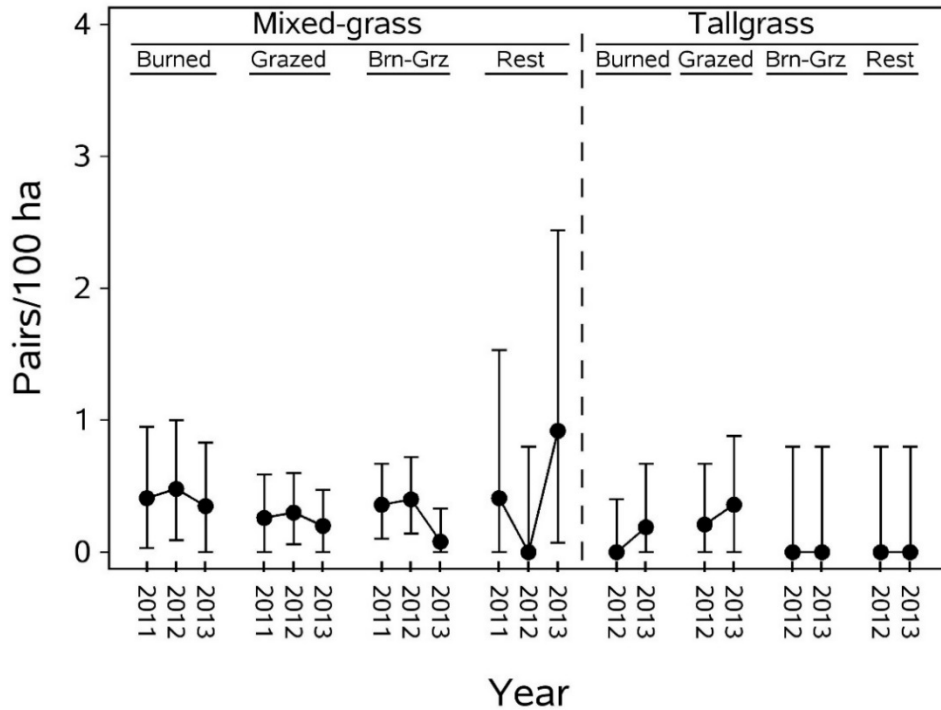
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²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.68. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of northern harriers (*Circus hudsonius*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.35 | 0.16 | 0.41 | 0.03 | 0.95 |
| | | 2012 | 0.39 | 0.16 | 0.48 | 0.09 | 1.00 |
| | | 2013 | 0.30 | 0.16 | 0.35 | 0.00 | 0.83 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.23 | 0.12 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.59 |
| | | 2012 | 0.26 | 0.11 | 0.30 | 0.06 | 0.60 |
| | | 2013 | 0.18 | 0.11 | 0.20 | 0.00 | 0.47 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.30 | 0.11 | 0.36 | 0.10 | 0.67 |
| | | 2012 | 0.33 | 0.11 | 0.40 | 0.14 | 0.72 |
| | | 2013 | 0.08 | 0.11 | 0.08 | 0.00 | 0.33 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.34 | 0.30 | 0.41 | 0.00 | 1.53 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.80 |
| | | 2013 | 0.65 | 0.30 | 0.92 | 0.07 | 2.44 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.40 |
| | | 2013 | 0.18 | 0.17 | 0.19 | 0.00 | 0.67 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.19 | 0.16 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.67 |
| | | 2013 | 0.31 | 0.16 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 0.88 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.80 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.80 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.80 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.80 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.34. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of northern harriers (*Circus hudsonius*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

II. Sprague's Pipit (*Anthus spragueii*)

Table 5.69. Generalized linear mixed model (assuming a gamma distribution with a log link) testing the influence of management regime and year on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Sprague's pipits (*Anthus spragueii*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × regime × year | 19 | 183.2 | 0.67 | 0.8498 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: regime effect | 3 | 80.2 | 0.43 | 0.7338 |
| | Mixed: year effect | 2 | 131.7 | 0.57 | 0.5649 |
| | Mixed: interaction | 6 | 133.8 | 1.15 | 0.3372 |
| | Tall: regime effect | 3 | 97.0 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: year effect | 1 | 128.2 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: interaction | 3 | 128.2 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned only | 1 | 89.2 | 0.16 | 0.6895 |
| | Mixed versus tall: grazed only | 1 | 93.1 | 1.65 | 0.2024 |
| | Mixed versus tall: burned-grazed | 1 | 95.3 | 0.23 | 0.6309 |
| | Mixed versus tall: rest | 1 | 87.8 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |

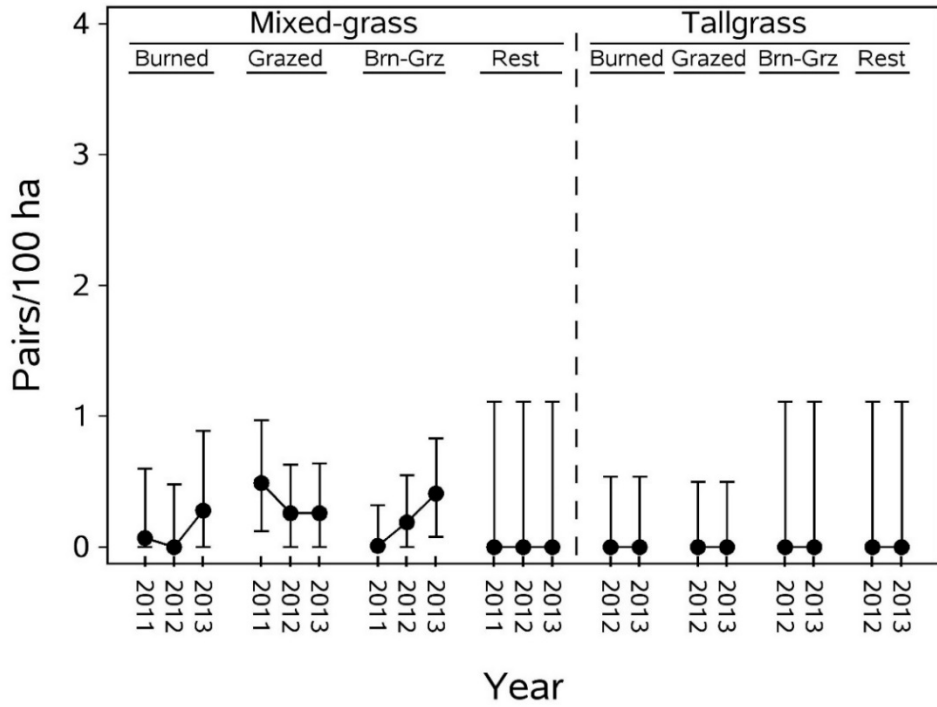
¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime} \times \text{Year} + \text{Year} \times \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type} \times \text{Regime})$, where Grass type × Regime × Year is a fixed effect, Unit(Grass type × Regime) and Year × Unit(Grass type × Regime) are random effects in a mixed-model framework, and Year is a repeated-measures factor.

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 5.70. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Sprague's pipits (*Anthus spragueii*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass), overall treatment regime (burned only, grazed only, burned-grazed, or rest), and year (2011, 2012, 2013), on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Regime | Year | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|---------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | Burned only | 2011 | 0.07 | 0.20 | 0.07 | 0.00 | 0.60 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.20 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.48 |
| | | 2013 | 0.25 | 0.20 | 0.28 | 0.00 | 0.89 |
| | Grazed only | 2011 | 0.40 | 0.14 | 0.49 | 0.12 | 0.97 |
| | | 2012 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.63 |
| | | 2013 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.64 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2011 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.32 |
| | | 2012 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 0.19 | 0.00 | 0.55 |
| | | 2013 | 0.34 | 0.13 | 0.41 | 0.08 | 0.83 |
| | Rest | 2011 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 |
| | | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 |
| Tall | Burned only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.54 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.54 |
| | Grazed only | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.50 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.50 |
| | Burned-grazed | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 |
| | Rest | 2012 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 |
| | | 2013 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 |



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 5.35. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Sprague's pipits (*Anthus spragueii*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits.

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Appendix 6. Testing the Influence of Post-Management Treatments on Breeding Densities (Pairs per 100 Hectares) of 35 Common Breeding Bird Species and Grassland Species of Conservation Concern on Federal Lands Managed under an Adaptive-Management Framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13

A. Red-winged Blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*)

Table 6.1. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of red-winged blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 145.6 | 1.66 | 0.0537* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 141.0 | 0.17 | 0.6846 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 91.4 | 0.00 | 0.9799 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 124.7 | 0.41 | 0.5210 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 169.0 | 3.58 | 0.0601* |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 153.4 | 0.10 | 0.7473 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 123.1 | 1.42 | 0.2353 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 152.6 | 0.17 | 0.6826 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 133.2 | 0.06 | 0.8093 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.1 | 2.28 | 0.1329 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.6 | 0.16 | 0.6927 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.1 | 2.45 | 0.1191 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 2.92 | 0.0893* |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 0.13 | 0.7160 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.25 | 0.6193 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 141.8 | 0.03 | 0.8689 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 141.6 | 0.56 | 0.4556 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 146.8 | 0.54 | 0.4633 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 162.6 | 2.05 | 0.1541 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 158.2 | 0.00 | 0.9894 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.5 | 0.84 | 0.3606 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 143.3 | 2.07 | 0.1526 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

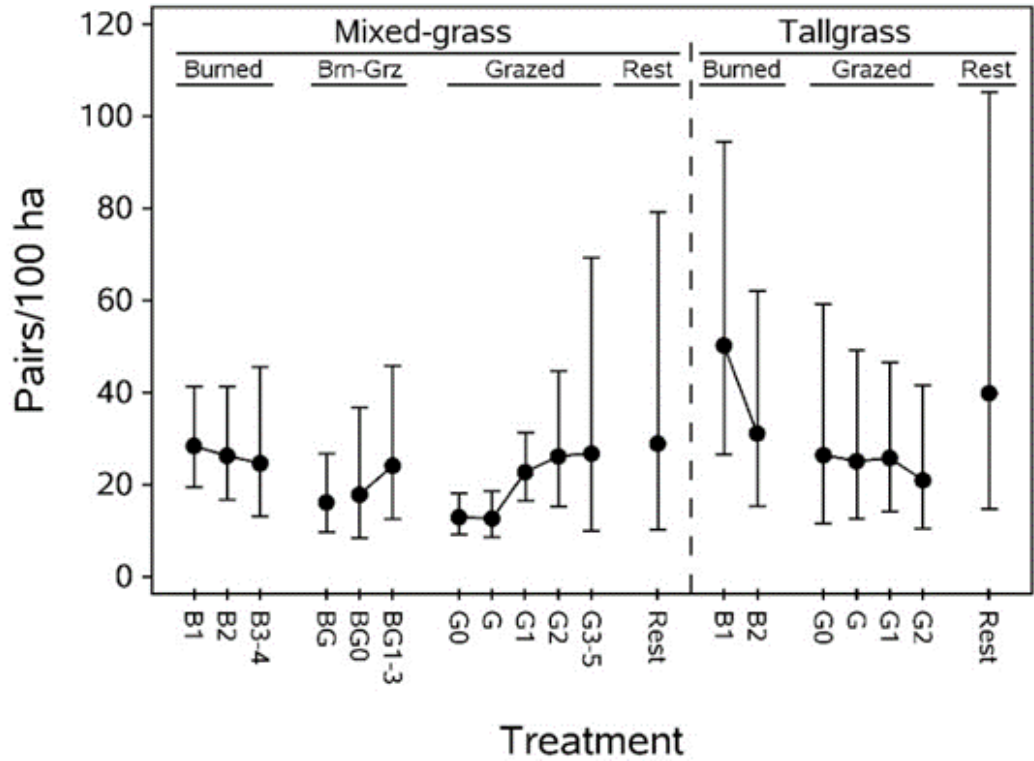
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.2. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of red-winged blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 3.38 | 0.19 | 28.34 | 19.42 | 41.18 |
| | B2 | 3.30 | 0.22 | 26.23 | 16.59 | 41.17 |
| | B3-4 | 3.24 | 0.31 | 24.57 | 13.06 | 45.51 |
| | BG | 2.84 | 0.25 | 16.08 | 9.56 | 26.63 |
| | BG0 | 2.93 | 0.36 | 17.76 | 8.35 | 36.63 |
| | BG1-3 | 3.22 | 0.32 | 24.06 | 12.43 | 45.76 |
| | G0 | 2.63 | 0.16 | 12.87 | 9.13 | 18.00 |
| | G | 2.61 | 0.18 | 12.58 | 8.49 | 18.44 |
| | G1 | 3.16 | 0.16 | 22.67 | 16.37 | 31.27 |
| | G2 | 3.30 | 0.26 | 26.10 | 15.14 | 44.50 |
| | G3-5 | 3.32 | 0.47 | 26.69 | 9.92 | 69.22 |
| Rest | 3.40 | 0.50 | 28.85 | 10.13 | 79.06 | |
| Tall | B1 | 3.93 | 0.32 | 50.16 | 26.43 | 94.42 |
| | B2 | 3.47 | 0.35 | 31.05 | 15.29 | 62.04 |
| | G0 | 3.31 | 0.40 | 26.35 | 11.43 | 59.21 |
| | G | 3.26 | 0.33 | 25.03 | 12.53 | 49.07 |
| | G1 | 3.29 | 0.29 | 25.73 | 14.04 | 46.52 |
| | G2 | 3.09 | 0.34 | 20.89 | 10.30 | 41.43 |
| | Rest | 3.71 | 0.49 | 39.79 | 14.67 | 105.15 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.1. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of red-winged blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.1 and 6.2.

B. Clay-colored Sparrow (*Spizella pallida*)

Table 6.3. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of clay-colored sparrow (*Spizella pallida*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 123.2 | 2.01 | 0.0138** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 151.4 | 7.00 | 0.0090** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 84.2 | 0.04 | 0.8390 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 93.0 | 0.08 | 0.7788 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 139.8 | 0.00 | 0.9777 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 125.1 | 0.15 | 0.7017 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 167.9 | 5.78 | 0.0173** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 124.8 | 0.01 | 0.9181 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 123.4 | 0.85 | 0.3570 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 154.7 | 0.03 | 0.8684 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.6 | 10.19 | 0.0017** |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.6 | 0.28 | 0.5996 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.0 | 0.17 | 0.6794 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 154.3 | 0.02 | 0.9002 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 0.02 | 0.8815 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 123.5 | 12.21 | 0.0007** |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 107.8 | 8.56 | 0.0042** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 137.9 | 10.27 | 0.0017** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 157.7 | 2.65 | 0.1055 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 158.8 | 0.75 | 0.3868 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 165.3 | 1.05 | 0.3068 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 162.4 | 0.05 | 0.8157 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

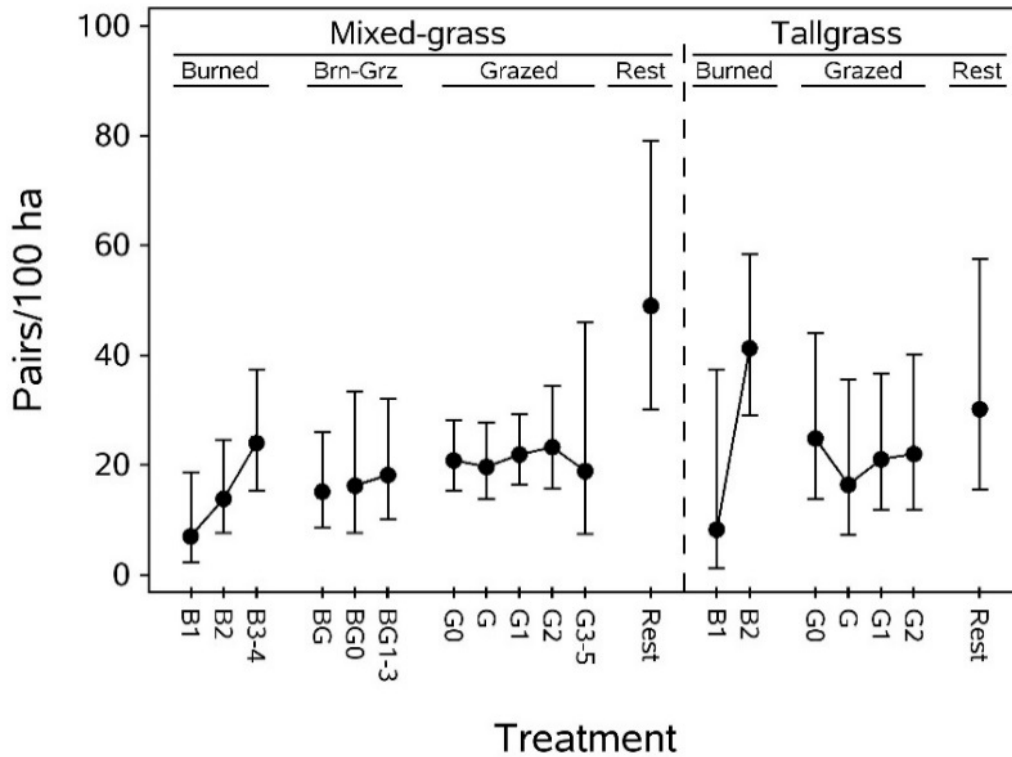
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.4. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of clay-colored sparrows (*Spizella pallida*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 2.08 | 0.46 | 7.02 | 2.26 | 18.70 |
| | B2 | 2.70 | 0.28 | 13.84 | 7.61 | 24.59 |
| | B3-4 | 3.22 | 0.22 | 24.02 | 15.30 | 37.39 |
| | BG | 2.78 | 0.26 | 15.14 | 8.66 | 25.96 |
| | BG0 | 2.85 | 0.35 | 16.23 | 7.64 | 33.36 |
| | BG1-3 | 2.95 | 0.28 | 18.18 | 10.15 | 32.00 |
| | G0 | 3.08 | 0.15 | 20.84 | 15.34 | 28.19 |
| | G | 3.03 | 0.17 | 19.68 | 13.88 | 27.75 |
| | G1 | 3.13 | 0.14 | 21.91 | 16.40 | 29.17 |
| | G2 | 3.19 | 0.19 | 23.27 | 15.64 | 34.40 |
| | G3-5 | 2.99 | 0.44 | 18.89 | 7.42 | 45.99 |
| Rest | 3.91 | 0.24 | 48.98 | 30.21 | 79.03 | |
| Tall | B1 | 2.22 | 0.73 | 8.25 | 1.23 | 37.43 |
| | B2 | 3.74 | 0.17 | 41.26 | 29.06 | 58.41 |
| | G0 | 3.25 | 0.28 | 24.84 | 13.82 | 44.06 |
| | G | 2.86 | 0.38 | 16.42 | 7.30 | 35.58 |
| | G1 | 3.09 | 0.27 | 21.04 | 11.90 | 36.68 |
| | G2 | 3.14 | 0.29 | 22.02 | 11.92 | 40.05 |
| | Rest | 3.44 | 0.32 | 30.19 | 15.61 | 57.58 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.2. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of clay-colored sparrows (*Spizella pallida*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.3 and 6.4.

C. Bobolink (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*)

Table 6.5. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of bobolinks (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 153.1 | 4.87 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 155.4 | 3.41 | 0.0667* |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 98.7 | 3.25 | 0.0747* |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 141.5 | 7.59 | 0.0066* |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 167.3 | 4.58 | 0.0339** |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 158.7 | 0.69 | 0.4078 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 127.2 | 4.67 | 0.0326** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 159.9 | 2.95 | 0.0878* |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 142.2 | 0.32 | 0.5718 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.95 | 0.3322 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 1.31 | 0.2534 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.2 | 0.95 | 0.3315 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 17.74 | <0.0001** |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 11.93 | 0.0007** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 1.71 | 0.1927 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 155.8 | 0.44 | 0.5101 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 156.8 | 0.03 | 0.8595 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 158.3 | 0.06 | 0.8005 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 148.5 | 1.45 | 0.2299 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 161.7 | 0.45 | 0.5014 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.8 | 0.03 | 0.8626 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 141.9 | 0.80 | 0.3720 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

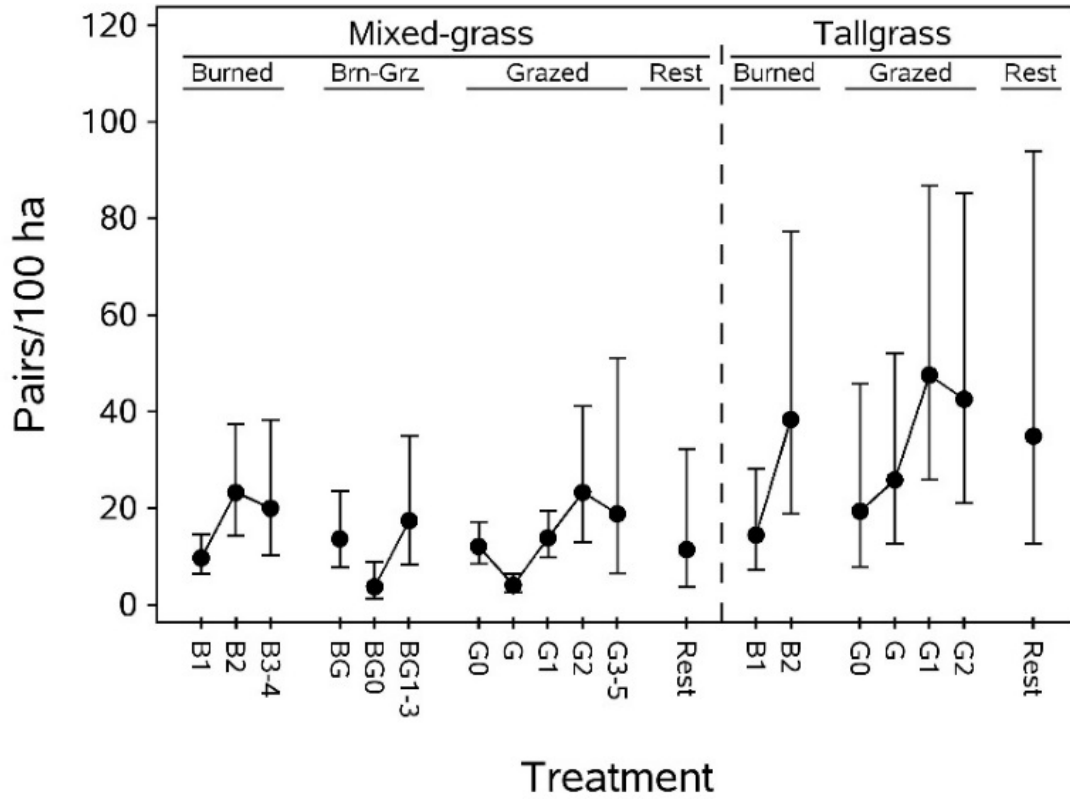
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.6. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of bobolinks (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 2.37 | 0.19 | 9.71 | 6.37 | 14.57 |
| | B2 | 3.19 | 0.23 | 23.28 | 14.33 | 37.45 |
| | B3-4 | 3.04 | 0.32 | 20.00 | 10.21 | 38.34 |
| | BG | 2.69 | 0.26 | 13.66 | 7.74 | 23.62 |
| | BG0 | 1.55 | 0.38 | 3.73 | 1.26 | 8.90 |
| | BG1-3 | 2.91 | 0.34 | 17.42 | 8.42 | 35.02 |
| | G0 | 2.57 | 0.17 | 12.09 | 8.45 | 17.14 |
| | G | 1.62 | 0.19 | 4.05 | 2.46 | 6.37 |
| | G1 | 2.70 | 0.16 | 13.84 | 9.77 | 19.45 |
| | G2 | 3.19 | 0.28 | 23.28 | 13.01 | 41.10 |
| | G3-5 | 2.99 | 0.49 | 18.86 | 6.57 | 51.11 |
| Rest | 2.52 | 0.50 | 11.44 | 3.67 | 32.17 | |
| Tall | B1 | 2.74 | 0.32 | 14.44 | 7.18 | 28.15 |
| | B2 | 3.67 | 0.35 | 38.37 | 18.81 | 77.27 |
| | G0 | 3.01 | 0.42 | 19.38 | 7.89 | 45.72 |
| | G | 3.29 | 0.35 | 25.85 | 12.61 | 51.98 |
| | G1 | 3.88 | 0.30 | 47.56 | 25.88 | 86.71 |
| | G2 | 3.77 | 0.35 | 42.57 | 21.03 | 85.18 |
| | Rest | 3.58 | 0.50 | 34.95 | 12.60 | 94.02 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.3. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of bobolinks (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.5 and 6.6.

D. Grasshopper Sparrow (*Ammodramus savannarum*)

Table 6.7. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of grasshopper sparrows (*Ammodramus savannarum*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 148.0 | 7.22 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 146.6 | 10.05 | 0.0019** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 90.8 | 12.62 | 0.0006** |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 129.9 | 0.25 | 0.6167 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.5 | 1.15 | 0.2850 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 155.1 | 0.03 | 0.8705 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 122.5 | 3.48 | 0.0645* |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 155.3 | 0.75 | 0.3892 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 135.2 | 1.84 | 0.1776 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.1 | 1.91 | 0.1686 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 8.17 | 0.0048** |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.8 | 0.03 | 0.8592 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 2.59 | 0.1092 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 2.26 | 0.1344 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.06 | 0.8118 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 147.1 | 4.31 | 0.0395** |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 147.7 | 12.51 | 0.0005** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 151.4 | 8.38 | 0.0044** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 155.1 | 12.24 | 0.0006** |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 158.9 | 0.12 | 0.7318 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.4 | 9.83 | 0.0020** |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 140.4 | 20.16 | <0.0001** | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

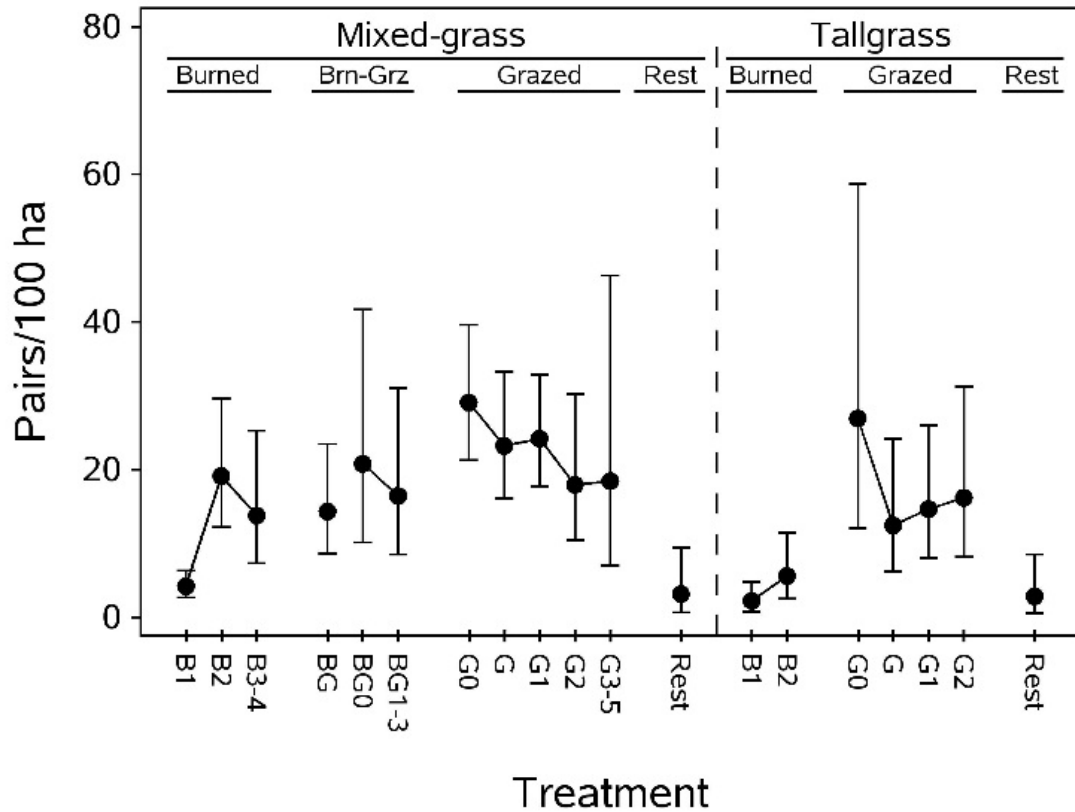
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.8. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of grasshopper sparrows (*Ammodramus savannarum*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.65 | 0.18 | 4.20 | 2.68 | 6.34 |
| | B2 | 3.00 | 0.21 | 19.13 | 12.22 | 29.65 |
| | B3-4 | 2.69 | 0.29 | 13.78 | 7.32 | 25.26 |
| | BG | 2.73 | 0.24 | 14.32 | 8.59 | 23.48 |
| | BG0 | 3.08 | 0.34 | 20.78 | 10.11 | 41.69 |
| | BG1-3 | 2.86 | 0.31 | 16.44 | 8.51 | 31.01 |
| | G0 | 3.40 | 0.15 | 29.09 | 21.29 | 39.62 |
| | G | 3.19 | 0.18 | 23.21 | 16.13 | 33.20 |
| | G1 | 3.23 | 0.15 | 24.19 | 17.75 | 32.83 |
| | G2 | 2.94 | 0.26 | 17.94 | 10.48 | 30.26 |
| | G3-5 | 2.97 | 0.45 | 18.45 | 7.00 | 46.30 |
| Rest | 1.42 | 0.47 | 3.14 | 0.65 | 9.39 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.17 | 0.30 | 2.21 | 0.78 | 4.79 |
| | B2 | 1.89 | 0.33 | 5.60 | 2.49 | 11.50 |
| | G0 | 3.33 | 0.39 | 26.95 | 12.09 | 58.68 |
| | G | 2.60 | 0.32 | 12.46 | 6.21 | 24.15 |
| | G1 | 2.75 | 0.28 | 14.64 | 8.06 | 26.00 |
| | G2 | 2.84 | 0.32 | 16.18 | 8.15 | 31.23 |
| | Rest | 1.35 | 0.46 | 2.85 | 0.56 | 8.49 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.4. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of grasshopper sparrows (*Ammodramus savannarum*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.7 and 6.8.

E. Savannah Sparrow (*Passerculus sandwichensis*)

Table 6.9. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Savannah sparrow (*Passerculus sandwichensis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 130.5 | 3.62 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 116.1 | 10.48 | 0.0016** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 80.7 | 0.99 | 0.3226 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 102.1 | 0.70 | 0.4034 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 161.7 | 0.70 | 0.4049 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 139.1 | 0.01 | 0.9384 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 109.0 | 0.03 | 0.8664 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 138.3 | 8.30 | 0.0046** |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 117.8 | 0.05 | 0.8196 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 160.6 | 3.82 | 0.0524* |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.9 | 0.00 | 0.9559 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.0 | 4.35 | 0.0386** |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 0.33 | 0.5680 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.9 | 0.26 | 0.6112 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 5.13 | 0.0247** |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 117.7 | 1.81 | 0.1812 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 115.7 | 0.32 | 0.5716 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 123.6 | 1.07 | 0.3038 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 167.5 | 4.44 | 0.0367** |
| Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 156.7 | 14.58 | 0.0002** | |
| Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.9 | 22.01 | <0.0001** | |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 146.3 | 0.46 | 0.4991 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

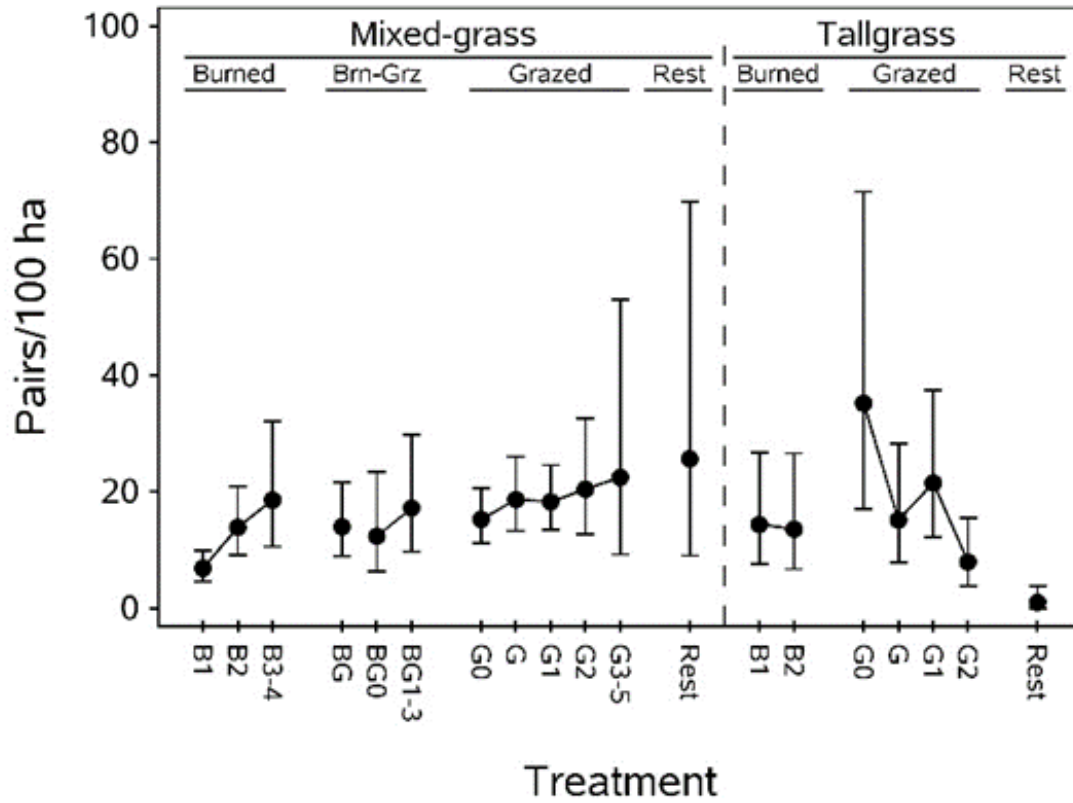
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.10. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Savannah sparrows (*Passerculus sandwichensis*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 2.06 | 0.17 | 6.85 | 4.63 | 9.95 |
| | B2 | 2.70 | 0.20 | 13.88 | 9.10 | 20.90 |
| | B3-4 | 2.97 | 0.27 | 18.58 | 10.58 | 32.13 |
| | BG | 2.71 | 0.21 | 13.99 | 8.95 | 21.57 |
| | BG0 | 2.59 | 0.31 | 12.38 | 6.35 | 23.35 |
| | BG1-3 | 2.90 | 0.27 | 17.20 | 9.74 | 29.85 |
| | G0 | 2.79 | 0.15 | 15.26 | 11.20 | 20.67 |
| | G | 2.98 | 0.16 | 18.66 | 13.30 | 26.04 |
| | G1 | 2.96 | 0.15 | 18.26 | 13.49 | 24.59 |
| | G2 | 3.06 | 0.23 | 20.43 | 12.67 | 32.60 |
| | G3-5 | 3.16 | 0.43 | 22.48 | 9.21 | 53.04 |
| Rest | 3.28 | 0.50 | 25.65 | 9.04 | 69.75 | |
| Tall | B1 | 2.73 | 0.30 | 14.38 | 7.56 | 26.64 |
| | B2 | 2.68 | 0.33 | 13.56 | 6.68 | 26.60 |
| | G0 | 3.59 | 0.35 | 35.19 | 17.06 | 71.49 |
| | G | 2.78 | 0.30 | 15.15 | 7.91 | 28.27 |
| | G1 | 3.11 | 0.27 | 21.53 | 12.22 | 37.41 |
| | G2 | 2.19 | 0.31 | 7.94 | 3.86 | 15.43 |
| | Rest | 0.68 | 0.46 | 0.98 | 0.00 | 3.86 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.5. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Savannah sparrows (*Passerculus sandwichensis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.9 and 6.10.

F. Western Meadowlark (*Sturnella neglecta*)

Table 6.11. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of western meadowlarks (*Sturnella neglecta*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 132.8 | 2.28 | 0.0041** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 120.2 | 0.06 | 0.8069 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 79.7 | 1.45 | 0.2315 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 104.6 | 0.00 | 0.9745 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 165.2 | 1.21 | 0.2728 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 142.1 | 0.59 | 0.4450 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 110.1 | 3.39 | 0.0682* |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 140.7 | 2.04 | 0.1550 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 119.1 | 0.07 | 0.7987 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 162.0 | 1.20 | 0.2746 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.0 | 0.01 | 0.9082 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.4 | 0.04 | 0.8489 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.86 | 0.3560 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.4 | 0.18 | 0.6744 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 2.18 | 0.1421 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 121.7 | 4.16 | 0.0435** |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 120.1 | 10.40 | 0.0016** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 128.0 | 9.88 | 0.0021** |
| Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 169.0 | 8.86 | 0.0033** | |
| Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 155.3 | 0.90 | 0.3435 | |
| Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.3 | 3.07 | 0.0817* | |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 142.9 | 1.18 | 0.2796 | |

Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

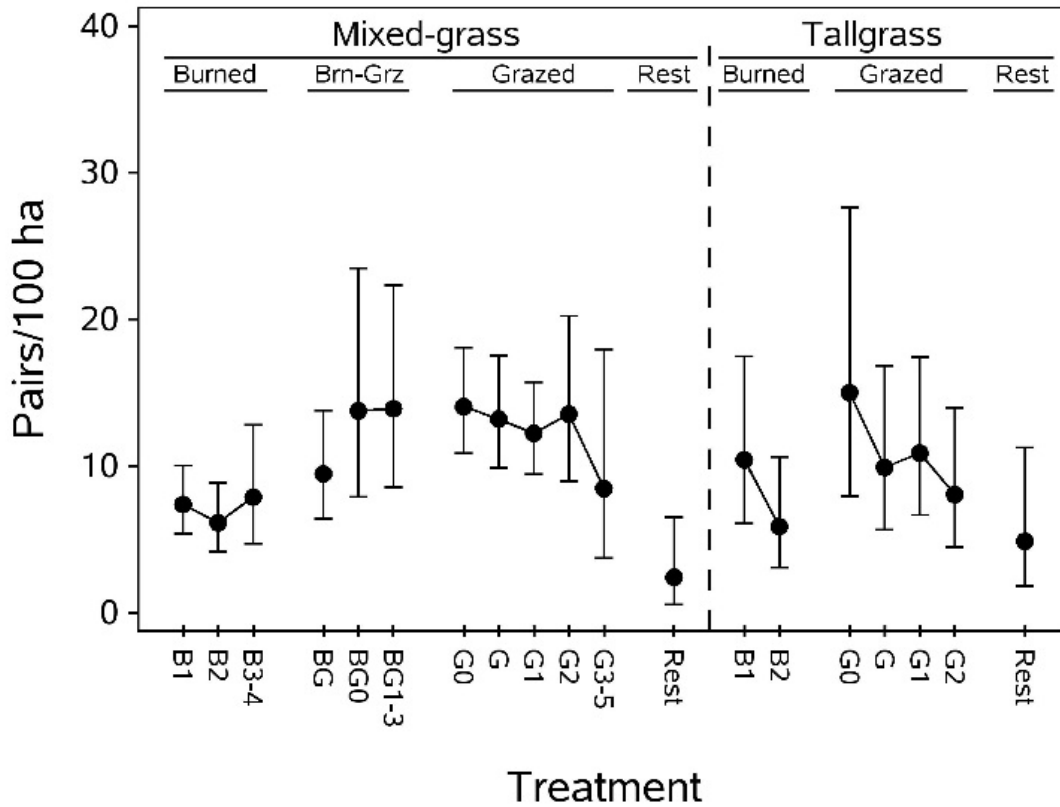
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.12. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of western meadowlarks (*Sturnella neglecta*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 2.13 | 0.14 | 7.38 | 5.36 | 10.03 |
| | B2 | 1.96 | 0.17 | 6.13 | 4.16 | 8.85 |
| | B3-4 | 2.18 | 0.23 | 7.88 | 4.71 | 12.81 |
| | BG | 2.35 | 0.18 | 9.46 | 6.40 | 13.78 |
| | BG0 | 2.69 | 0.26 | 13.76 | 7.90 | 23.48 |
| | BG1-3 | 2.70 | 0.23 | 13.91 | 8.53 | 22.33 |
| | G0 | 2.71 | 0.12 | 14.05 | 10.87 | 18.08 |
| | G | 2.65 | 0.14 | 13.20 | 9.88 | 17.52 |
| | G1 | 2.58 | 0.12 | 12.22 | 9.45 | 15.72 |
| | G2 | 2.68 | 0.19 | 13.54 | 8.96 | 20.22 |
| | G3-5 | 2.25 | 0.36 | 8.46 | 3.72 | 17.97 |
| Rest | 1.23 | 0.40 | 2.41 | 0.55 | 6.51 | |
| Tall | B1 | 2.44 | 0.25 | 10.42 | 6.06 | 17.47 |
| | B2 | 1.93 | 0.27 | 5.87 | 3.07 | 10.61 |
| | G0 | 2.77 | 0.30 | 15.00 | 7.94 | 27.63 |
| | G | 2.39 | 0.25 | 9.90 | 5.66 | 16.84 |
| | G1 | 2.47 | 0.22 | 10.88 | 6.65 | 17.43 |
| | G2 | 2.20 | 0.26 | 8.05 | 4.48 | 13.97 |
| | Rest | 1.77 | 0.38 | 4.87 | 1.81 | 11.26 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.6. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of western meadowlarks (*Sturnella neglecta*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.11 and 6.12.

G. Brown-headed Cowbird (*Molothrus ater*)

Table 6.13. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of brown-headed cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 155.0 | 0.90 | 0.5847 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 160.0 | 0.09 | 0.7690 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 100.9 | 0.06 | 0.8053 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 152.5 | 0.89 | 0.3481 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 166.7 | 0.27 | 0.6067 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 160.4 | 0.42 | 0.5170 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 128.1 | 0.05 | 0.8285 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 161.2 | 1.48 | 0.2257 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 145.3 | 0.48 | 0.4917 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 1.16 | 0.2839 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 1.27 | 0.2614 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 1.00 | 0.3189 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 2.20 | 0.1399 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.22 | 0.2713 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 3.05 | 0.0826 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 158.2 | 0.73 | 0.3956 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.0 | 0.08 | 0.7815 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 161.0 | 1.67 | 0.1981 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 142.4 | 1.47 | 0.2271 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.3 | 0.09 | 0.7704 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.7 | 0.31 | 0.5791 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 131.7 | 0.32 | 0.5739 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

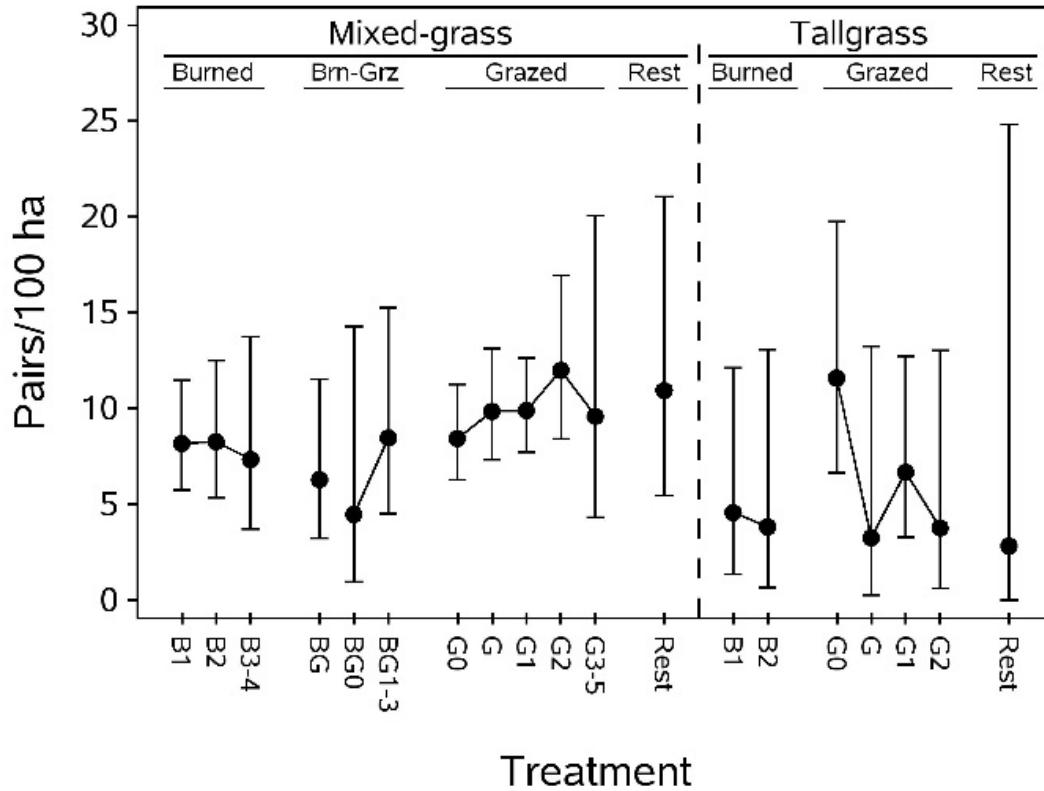
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.14. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of brown-headed cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 2.22 | 0.16 | 8.18 | 5.75 | 11.48 |
| | B2 | 2.23 | 0.19 | 8.27 | 5.36 | 12.50 |
| | B3-4 | 2.12 | 0.29 | 7.34 | 3.72 | 13.75 |
| | BG | 1.99 | 0.28 | 6.29 | 3.24 | 11.54 |
| | BG0 | 1.70 | 0.52 | 4.48 | 0.97 | 14.27 |
| | BG1-3 | 2.25 | 0.28 | 8.47 | 4.52 | 15.25 |
| | G0 | 2.25 | 0.13 | 8.44 | 6.27 | 11.27 |
| | G | 2.38 | 0.14 | 9.85 | 7.32 | 13.14 |
| | G1 | 2.39 | 0.11 | 9.90 | 7.73 | 12.62 |
| | G2 | 2.57 | 0.16 | 12.00 | 8.43 | 16.94 |
| | G3-5 | 2.36 | 0.35 | 9.59 | 4.32 | 20.06 |
| Rest | 2.48 | 0.31 | 10.94 | 5.46 | 21.05 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.72 | 0.44 | 4.57 | 1.36 | 12.13 |
| | B2 | 1.58 | 0.55 | 3.83 | 0.66 | 13.07 |
| | G0 | 2.53 | 0.25 | 11.59 | 6.64 | 19.75 |
| | G | 1.45 | 0.62 | 3.26 | 0.27 | 13.24 |
| | G1 | 2.04 | 0.30 | 6.68 | 3.30 | 12.73 |
| | G2 | 1.56 | 0.55 | 3.77 | 0.62 | 13.03 |
| | Rest | 1.34 | 0.97 | 2.83 | 0.00 | 24.81 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.7. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of brown-headed cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.13 and 6.14.

H. Sedge Wren (*Cistothorus platensis*)

Table 6.15. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sedge wrens (*Cistothorus platensis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 121.5 | 1.68 | 0.0517* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 114.5 | 0.48 | 0.4879 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 117.6 | 2.56 | 0.1121 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 88.2 | 0.01 | 0.9221 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 167.2 | 1.28 | 0.2604 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 96.9 | 0.54 | 0.4640 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 103.0 | 3.61 | 0.0604* |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 117.0 | 0.64 | 0.4250 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 116.8 | 0.17 | 0.6820 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.8 | 3.12 | 0.0789* |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.5 | 7.20 | 0.0080** |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.6 | 3.63 | 0.0584* |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.5 | 0.84 | 0.3609 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.3 | 8.60 | 0.0038** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 148.3 | 2.05 | 0.1540 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 115.6 | 3.71 | 0.0566* |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 97.1 | 5.76 | 0.0183** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.4 | 2.77 | 0.0980* |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 168.0 | 0.07 | 0.7951 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 141.0 | 0.25 | 0.6175 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 166.4 | 2.37 | 0.1255 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 129.4 | 1.55 | 0.2159 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

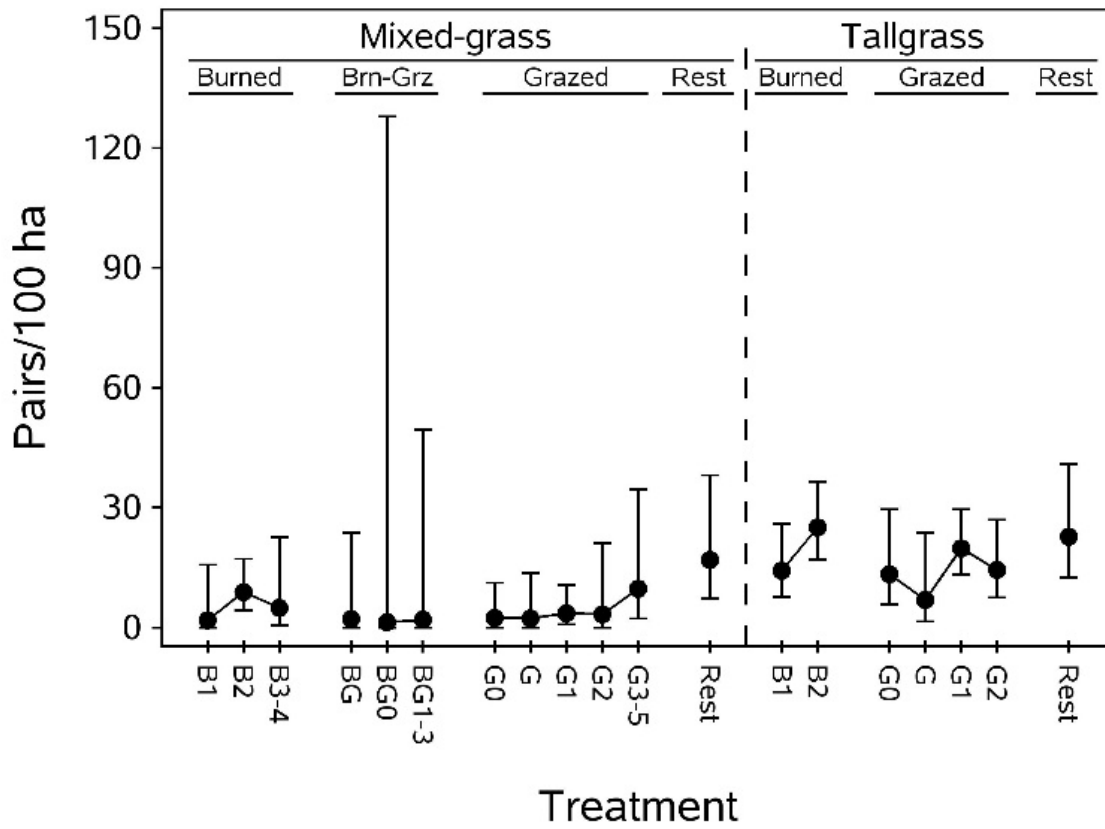
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.16. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sedge wrens (*Cistothorus platensis*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.05 | 0.90 | 1.85 | 0.00 | 15.73 |
| | B2 | 2.29 | 0.31 | 8.91 | 4.41 | 17.18 |
| | B3-4 | 1.78 | 0.71 | 4.94 | 0.49 | 22.72 |
| | BG | 1.16 | 1.05 | 2.18 | 0.00 | 23.70 |
| | BG0 | 0.87 | 2.04 | 1.38 | 0.00 | 127.86 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.10 | 1.44 | 1.99 | 0.00 | 49.47 |
| | G0 | 1.24 | 0.64 | 2.45 | 0.00 | 11.19 |
| | G | 1.20 | 0.76 | 2.31 | 0.00 | 13.64 |
| | G1 | 1.53 | 0.48 | 3.61 | 0.82 | 10.71 |
| | G2 | 1.46 | 0.84 | 3.32 | 0.00 | 21.23 |
| | G3-5 | 2.37 | 0.61 | 9.75 | 2.24 | 34.68 |
| Rest | 2.89 | 0.40 | 16.96 | 7.23 | 38.15 | |
| Tall | B1 | 2.72 | 0.29 | 14.25 | 7.61 | 26.03 |
| | B2 | 3.26 | 0.19 | 25.10 | 17.14 | 36.54 |
| | G0 | 2.67 | 0.38 | 13.39 | 5.78 | 29.56 |
| | G | 2.07 | 0.58 | 6.95 | 1.54 | 23.84 |
| | G1 | 3.04 | 0.20 | 19.84 | 13.19 | 29.62 |
| | G2 | 2.74 | 0.30 | 14.45 | 7.52 | 27.03 |
| | Rest | 3.17 | 0.29 | 22.78 | 12.52 | 40.80 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.8. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sedge wrens (*Cistothorus platensis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.15 and 6.16.

I. Common Yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*)

Table 6.17. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common yellowthroats (*Geothlypis trichas*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 131.6 | 2.71 | 0.0006** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 127.0 | 2.62 | 0.1080 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 66.6 | 0.00 | 0.9803 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 132.2 | 0.55 | 0.4604 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 167.7 | 0.04 | 0.8450 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 152.4 | 0.30 | 0.5840 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 101.7 | 0.32 | 0.5725 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 137.5 | 2.46 | 0.1189 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 120.5 | 0.02 | 0.8899 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.8 | 10.35 | 0.0016** |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.5 | 8.99 | 0.0031** |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.6 | 9.22 | 0.0028** |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.3 | 10.66 | 0.0013** |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 18.46 | <0.0001** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 155.0 | 10.13 | 0.0018** |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 121.7 | 2.00 | 0.1595 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 129.7 | 4.49 | 0.0360* |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.9 | 2.35 | 0.1273 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 165.4 | 1.34 | 0.2482 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 153.8 | 0.29 | 0.5922 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.0 | 0.50 | 0.4791 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 139.4 | 0.07 | 0.7982 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

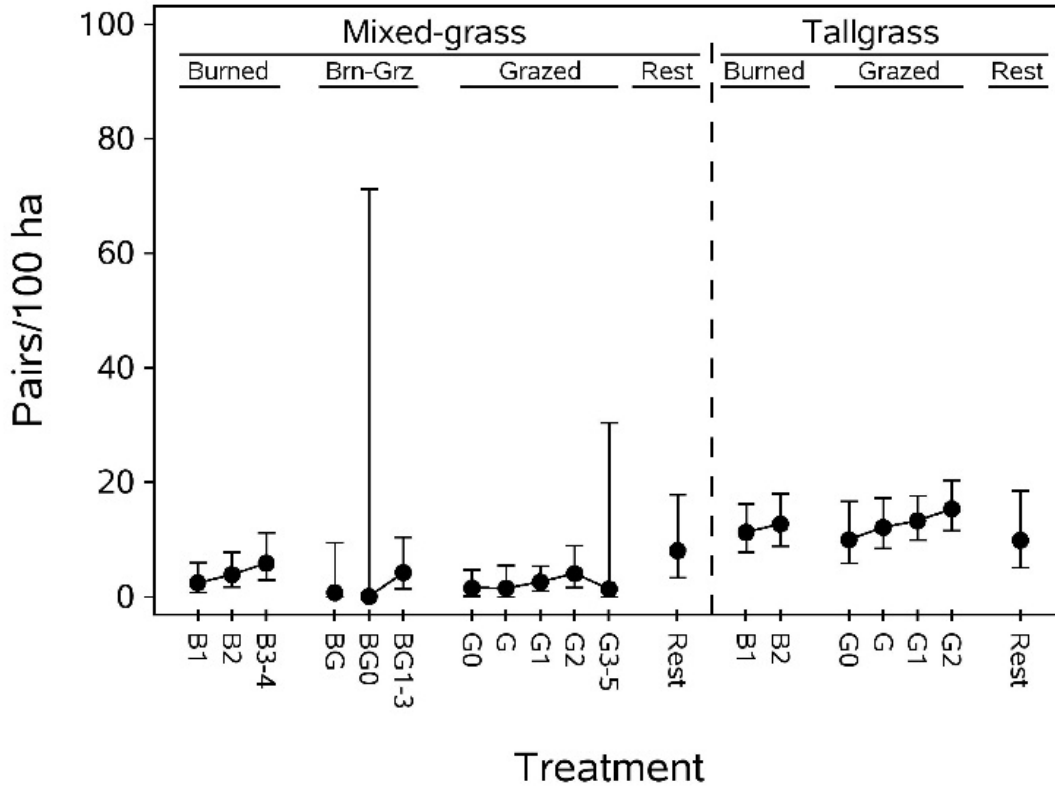
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.18. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common yellowthroats (*Geothlypis trichas*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.24 | 0.36 | 2.45 | 0.72 | 5.93 |
| | B2 | 1.59 | 0.30 | 3.91 | 1.74 | 7.83 |
| | B3-4 | 1.93 | 0.29 | 5.89 | 2.89 | 11.20 |
| | BG | 0.57 | 0.91 | 0.76 | 0.00 | 9.47 |
| | BG0 | 0.08 | 2.14 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 71.26 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.66 | 0.40 | 4.25 | 1.42 | 10.40 |
| | G0 | 0.94 | 0.41 | 1.56 | 0.14 | 4.77 |
| | G | 0.93 | 0.48 | 1.53 | 0.00 | 5.43 |
| | G1 | 1.29 | 0.29 | 2.62 | 1.05 | 5.38 |
| | G2 | 1.63 | 0.34 | 4.09 | 1.61 | 8.92 |
| | G3-5 | 0.87 | 1.31 | 1.39 | 0.00 | 30.36 |
| Rest | 2.20 | 0.37 | 8.06 | 3.36 | 17.83 | |
| Tall | B1 | 2.51 | 0.17 | 11.30 | 7.77 | 16.24 |
| | B2 | 2.62 | 0.17 | 12.73 | 8.89 | 18.07 |
| | G0 | 2.40 | 0.24 | 9.98 | 5.84 | 16.62 |
| | G | 2.58 | 0.17 | 12.15 | 8.46 | 17.27 |
| | G1 | 2.66 | 0.14 | 13.29 | 9.94 | 17.67 |
| | G2 | 2.80 | 0.14 | 15.37 | 11.52 | 20.40 |
| | Rest | 2.39 | 0.30 | 9.89 | 5.06 | 18.55 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.9. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common yellowthroats (*Geothlypis trichas*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.17 and 6.18.

J. Dickcissel (*Spiza americana*)

Table 6.19. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with an identity link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of dickcissels (*Spiza americana*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 154.3 | 1.89 | 0.0201** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 164.2 | 0.16 | 0.6939 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 92.2 | 0.12 | 0.7301 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 153.6 | 1.49 | 0.2239 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 161.1 | 0.43 | 0.5111 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 159.3 | 0.62 | 0.4323 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 112.3 | 4.75 | 0.0314** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 163.6 | 0.00 | 0.9658 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 142.2 | 3.23 | 0.0743* |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 13.12 | 0.0004** |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.58 | 0.4460 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 0.50 | 0.4821 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 1.44 | 0.2312 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 3.42 | 0.0663* |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.08 | 0.7823 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 164.8 | 0.03 | 0.8520 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 166.1 | 0.41 | 0.5243 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 165.0 | 0.18 | 0.6713 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 120.3 | 1.28 | 0.2605 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 164.0 | 0.74 | 0.3916 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.7 | 0.06 | 0.8111 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 128.1 | 1.30 | 0.2568 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

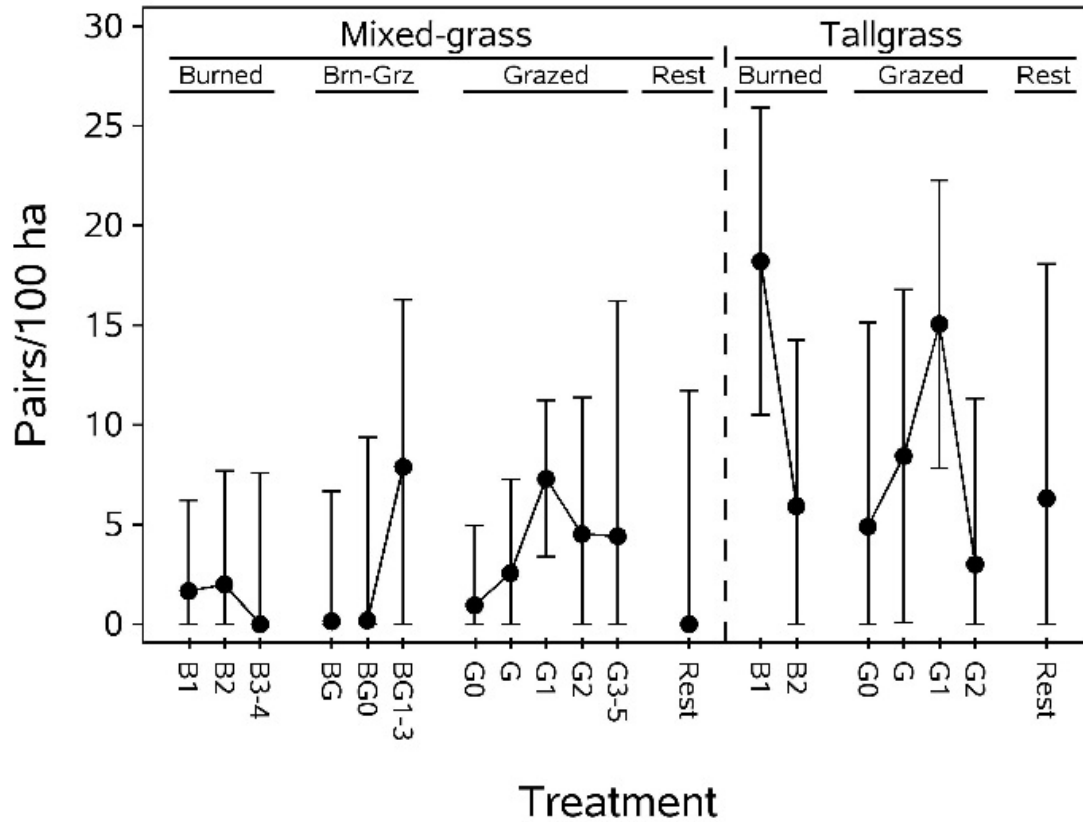
Table 6.20. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of dickcissels (*Spiza americana*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean ² | SE | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------|------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LCL | UCL |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.66 | 2.33 | 0.00 | 6.22 |
| | B2 | 2.00 | 2.90 | 0.00 | 7.68 |
| | B3-4 | 0.00 | 3.95 | 0.00 | 7.59 |
| | BG | 0.15 | 3.32 | 0.00 | 6.65 |
| | BG0 | 0.19 | 4.68 | 0.00 | 9.37 |
| | BG1-3 | 7.89 | 4.28 | 0.00 | 16.28 |
| | G0 | 0.95 | 2.05 | 0.00 | 4.96 |
| | G | 2.56 | 2.40 | 0.00 | 7.26 |
| | G1 | 7.30 | 2.01 | 3.37 | 11.24 |
| | G2 | 4.52 | 3.49 | 0.00 | 11.36 |
| | G3-5 | 4.42 | 6.02 | 0.00 | 16.22 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 5.98 | 0.00 | 11.72 |
| Tall | B1 | 18.21 | 3.93 | 10.51 | 25.91 |
| | B2 | 5.92 | 4.24 | 0.00 | 14.24 |
| | G0 | 4.90 | 5.22 | 0.00 | 15.14 |
| | G | 8.43 | 4.26 | 0.08 | 16.78 |
| | G1 | 15.06 | 3.68 | 7.84 | 22.27 |
| | G2 | 3.00 | 4.25 | 0.00 | 11.33 |
| | Rest | 6.32 | 6.00 | 0.00 | 18.08 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Densities were not transformed.



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.10. Least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of dickcissels (*Spiza americana*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.19 and 6.20.

K. Chestnut-collared Longspur (*Calcarius ornatus*)

Table 6.21. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with an identity link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of chestnut-collared longspur (*Calcarius ornatus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[**, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 121.5 | 1.87 | 0.0243** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 103.0 | 0.78 | 0.3795 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 79.5 | 0.19 | 0.6647 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 93.3 | 0.78 | 0.3807 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 145.3 | 0.59 | 0.4430 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 125.9 | 1.47 | 0.2283 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 101.4 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 129.7 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 111.6 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 155.3 | 2.54 | 0.1132 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 160.1 | 0.95 | 0.3313 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.1 | 1.77 | 0.1853 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.0 | 1.58 | 0.2099 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 156.8 | 1.45 | 0.2298 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 3.91 | 0.0497** |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 104.6 | 0.56 | 0.4548 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 102.3 | 0.53 | 0.4683 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 108.7 | 4.11 | 0.0452** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 151.0 | 0.01 | 0.9300 |
| Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 162.5 | 0.00 | 1.0000 | |
| Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.1 | 0.00 | 1.0000 | |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 156.4 | 0.00 | 1.0000 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

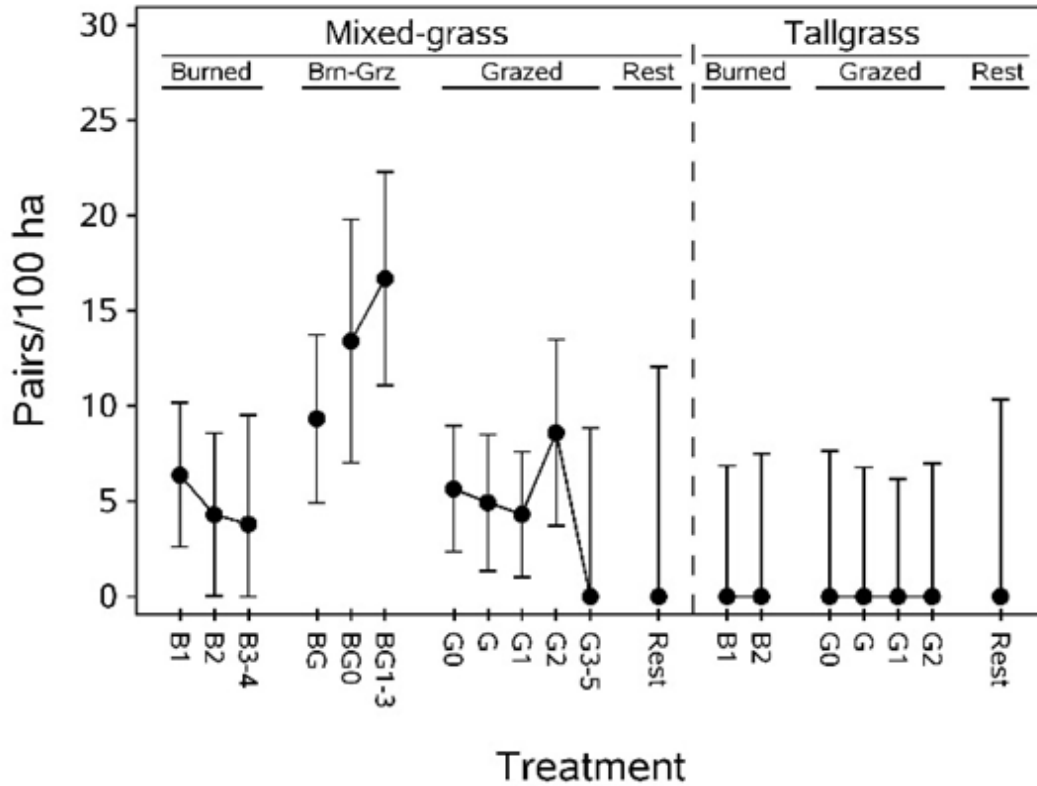
Table 6.22. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of chestnut-collared longspurs (*Calcarius ornatus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean ² | SE | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------|------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LCL | UCL |
| Mixed | B1 | 6.37 | 1.93 | 2.59 | 10.16 |
| | B2 | 4.30 | 2.19 | 0.01 | 8.58 |
| | B3-4 | 3.80 | 2.92 | 0.00 | 9.52 |
| | BG | 9.34 | 2.25 | 4.92 | 13.75 |
| | BG0 | 13.40 | 3.26 | 7.01 | 19.79 |
| | BG1-3 | 16.69 | 2.85 | 11.10 | 22.28 |
| | G0 | 5.65 | 1.69 | 2.34 | 8.96 |
| | G | 4.93 | 1.83 | 1.34 | 8.51 |
| | G1 | 4.31 | 1.68 | 1.01 | 7.60 |
| | G2 | 8.59 | 2.49 | 3.71 | 13.48 |
| | G3-5 | 0.00 | 4.66 | 0.00 | 8.84 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 6.15 | 0.00 | 12.05 |
| Tall | B1 | 0.00 | 3.50 | 0.00 | 6.87 |
| | B2 | 0.00 | 3.83 | 0.00 | 7.50 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 3.90 | 0.00 | 7.64 |
| | G | 0.00 | 3.46 | 0.00 | 6.79 |
| | G1 | 0.00 | 3.15 | 0.00 | 6.18 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 3.56 | 0.00 | 6.98 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 5.27 | 0.00 | 10.33 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Densities were not transformed.



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.11. Least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of chestnut-collared longspurs (*Calcarius ornatus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.21 and 6.22.

L. Eastern Kingbird (*Tyrannus tyrannus*)

Table 6.23. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of eastern kingbirds (*Tyrannus tyrannus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 123.8 | 1.65 | 0.0580* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 106.3 | 2.37 | 0.1269 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 78.5 | 0.03 | 0.8551 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 94.9 | 0.85 | 0.3598 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 152.0 | 2.63 | 0.1070 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 130.3 | 1.81 | 0.1810 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 102.9 | 0.72 | 0.3996 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 132.0 | 0.05 | 0.8236 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 112.5 | 9.25 | 0.0029** |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 157.1 | 0.39 | 0.5355 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 161.4 | 0.26 | 0.6119 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.6 | 2.42 | 0.1214 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.7 | 1.00 | 0.3187 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 159.7 | 0.19 | 0.6654 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.74 | 0.1890 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 108.0 | 0.72 | 0.3965 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 105.7 | 2.27 | 0.1351 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 112.8 | 1.63 | 0.2042 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 158.6 | 3.32 | 0.0702* |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 159.6 | 0.00 | 0.9561 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.6 | 0.04 | 0.8502 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 151.6 | 0.03 | 0.8522 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

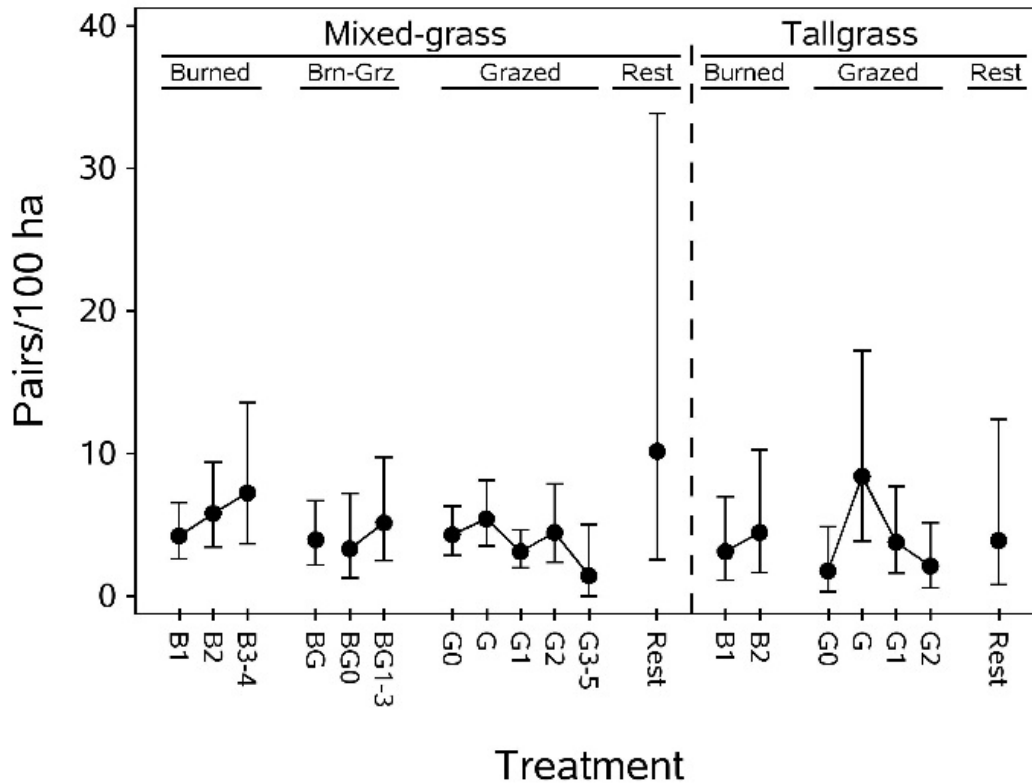
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.24. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of eastern kingbirds (*Tyrannus tyrannus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.65 | 0.19 | 4.22 | 2.61 | 6.56 |
| | B2 | 1.92 | 0.22 | 5.79 | 3.45 | 9.37 |
| | B3-4 | 2.11 | 0.29 | 7.24 | 3.66 | 13.57 |
| | BG | 1.60 | 0.22 | 3.95 | 2.19 | 6.69 |
| | BG0 | 1.46 | 0.33 | 3.31 | 1.27 | 7.19 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.81 | 0.29 | 5.13 | 2.49 | 9.74 |
| | G0 | 1.67 | 0.16 | 4.30 | 2.85 | 6.31 |
| | G | 1.86 | 0.18 | 5.41 | 3.51 | 8.11 |
| | G1 | 1.41 | 0.16 | 3.11 | 1.99 | 4.65 |
| | G2 | 1.70 | 0.25 | 4.46 | 2.36 | 7.87 |
| | G3-5 | 0.88 | 0.46 | 1.42 | 0.00 | 5.00 |
| Rest | 2.41 | 0.58 | 10.15 | 2.57 | 33.86 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.41 | 0.34 | 3.11 | 1.12 | 6.97 |
| | B2 | 1.70 | 0.37 | 4.46 | 1.65 | 10.27 |
| | G0 | 1.02 | 0.39 | 1.76 | 0.30 | 4.88 |
| | G | 2.24 | 0.34 | 8.40 | 3.85 | 17.22 |
| | G1 | 1.56 | 0.31 | 3.77 | 1.62 | 7.69 |
| | G2 | 1.13 | 0.35 | 2.11 | 0.58 | 5.14 |
| | Rest | 1.59 | 0.51 | 3.90 | 0.79 | 12.38 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.12. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of eastern kingbirds (*Tyrannus tyrannus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.23 and 6.24.

M. Yellow Warbler (*Setophaga petechia*)

Table 6.25. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow warblers (*Setophaga petechia*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 115.1 | 1.14 | 0.3257 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 112.1 | 2.10 | 0.1500 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 96.6 | 1.40 | 0.2395 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 93.1 | 0.20 | 0.6595 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 116.0 | 0.01 | 0.9129 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 106.1 | 0.01 | 0.9292 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 110.7 | 0.10 | 0.7504 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 143.3 | 0.66 | 0.4194 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 129.9 | 0.19 | 0.6665 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 146.6 | 0.30 | 0.5872 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 153.4 | 0.14 | 0.7103 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.7 | 0.27 | 0.6046 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 151.5 | 0.03 | 0.8619 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 142.3 | 0.49 | 0.4864 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.0 | 0.49 | 0.4863 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 117.5 | 13.00 | 0.0005 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 107.2 | 14.71 | 0.0002 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 141.9 | 12.05 | 0.0007 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 118.7 | 0.17 | 0.6788 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 168.4 | 0.14 | 0.7137 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 146.4 | 0.03 | 0.8675 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 169.0 | 0.12 | 0.7312 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

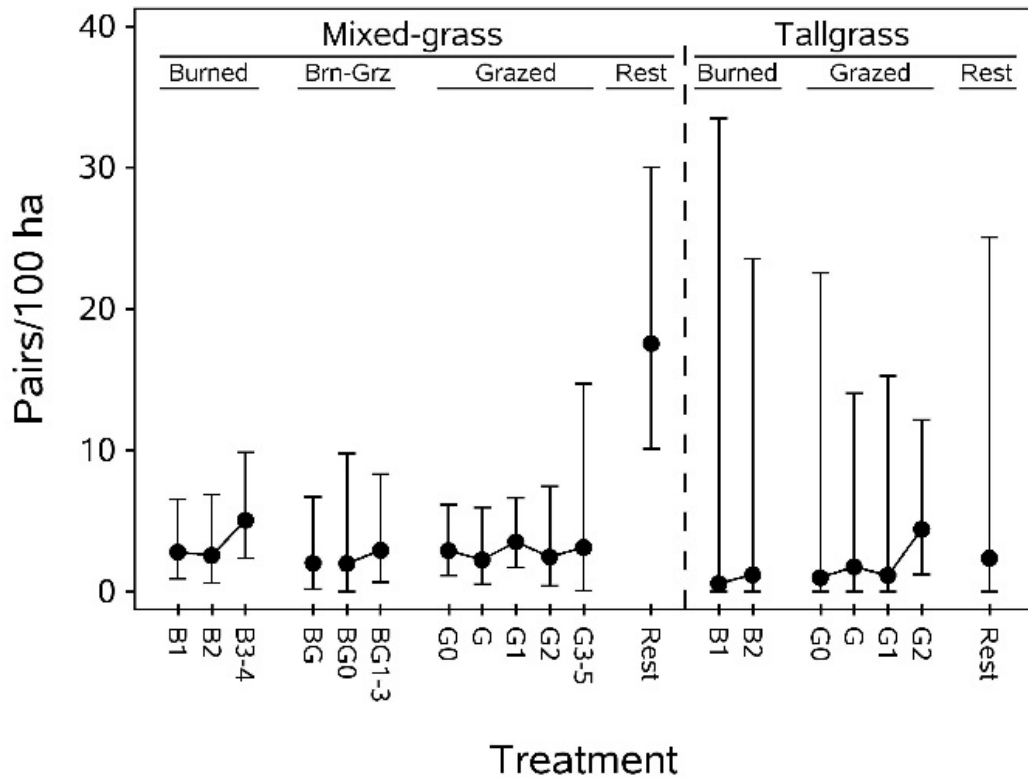
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.26. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow warblers (*Setophaga petechia*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.34 | 0.35 | 2.80 | 0.91 | 6.55 |
| | B2 | 1.27 | 0.40 | 2.56 | 0.61 | 6.85 |
| | B3-4 | 1.80 | 0.30 | 5.05 | 2.37 | 9.87 |
| | BG | 1.10 | 0.48 | 2.01 | 0.18 | 6.70 |
| | BG0 | 1.09 | 0.65 | 1.99 | 0.00 | 9.78 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.37 | 0.44 | 2.93 | 0.66 | 8.31 |
| | G0 | 1.36 | 0.31 | 2.91 | 1.13 | 6.17 |
| | G | 1.18 | 0.39 | 2.25 | 0.52 | 5.97 |
| | G1 | 1.51 | 0.27 | 3.53 | 1.69 | 6.64 |
| | G2 | 1.24 | 0.46 | 2.46 | 0.42 | 7.46 |
| | G3-5 | 1.42 | 0.68 | 3.13 | 0.08 | 14.73 |
| Rest | 2.92 | 0.26 | 17.56 | 10.10 | 30.04 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.46 | 1.57 | 0.58 | 0.00 | 33.48 |
| | B2 | 0.79 | 1.23 | 1.19 | 0.00 | 23.55 |
| | G0 | 0.69 | 1.26 | 0.99 | 0.00 | 22.54 |
| | G | 1.01 | 0.86 | 1.76 | 0.00 | 14.02 |
| | G1 | 0.77 | 1.03 | 1.15 | 0.00 | 15.27 |
| | G2 | 1.69 | 0.45 | 4.42 | 1.23 | 12.15 |
| | Rest | 1.21 | 1.04 | 2.37 | 0.00 | 25.08 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.13. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow warblers (*Setophaga petechia*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.25 and 6.26.

N. Brewer's Blackbird (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*)

Table 6.27. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with an identity link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Brewer's blackbirds (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 150.4 | 1.67 | 0.0502* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 154.6 | 4.35 | 0.0386** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 87.6 | 0.74 | 0.3926 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 138.4 | 0.00 | 0.9691 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 165.7 | 0.49 | 0.4832 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 156.4 | 0.11 | 0.7367 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 116.9 | 11.10 | 0.0012** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 158.7 | 0.04 | 0.8334 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 136.7 | 0.05 | 0.8253 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.89 | 0.3456 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 1.36 | 0.2454 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.2 | 0.15 | 0.7006 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.53 | 0.4685 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.84 | 0.3620 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 0.04 | 0.8506 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 155.0 | 0.00 | 0.9695 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 156.5 | 0.34 | 0.5617 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 157.5 | 0.17 | 0.6831 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 137.8 | 2.32 | 0.1302 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 160.4 | 1.23 | 0.2699 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.7 | 0.01 | 0.9325 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 133.5 | 3.28 | 0.0722* | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

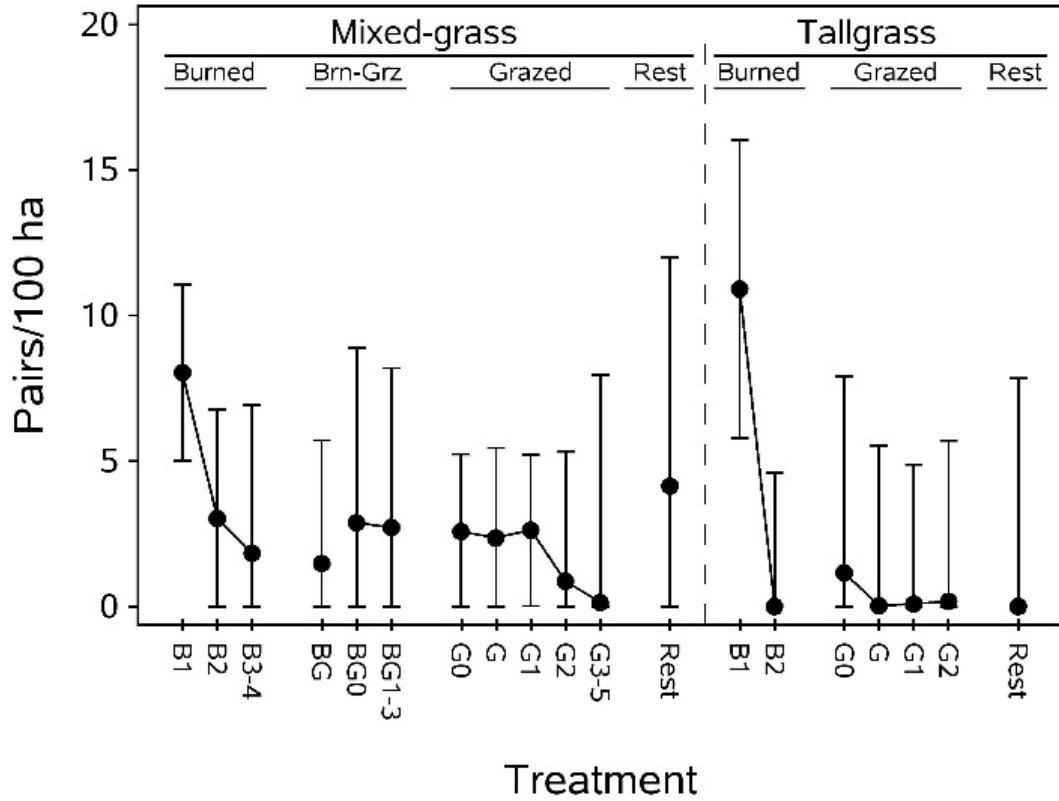
Table 6.28. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Brewer's blackbird (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean ² | SE | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------|------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LCL | UCL |
| Mixed | B1 | 8.04 | 1.54 | 5.01 | 11.06 |
| | B2 | 3.03 | 1.90 | 0.00 | 6.77 |
| | B3-4 | 1.83 | 2.60 | 0.00 | 6.93 |
| | BG | 1.48 | 2.16 | 0.00 | 5.71 |
| | BG0 | 2.88 | 3.07 | 0.00 | 8.89 |
| | BG1-3 | 2.72 | 2.79 | 0.00 | 8.19 |
| | G0 | 2.58 | 1.35 | 0.00 | 5.23 |
| | G | 2.36 | 1.57 | 0.00 | 5.44 |
| | G1 | 2.63 | 1.32 | 0.03 | 5.22 |
| | G2 | 0.87 | 2.28 | 0.00 | 5.34 |
| | G3-5 | 0.14 | 3.98 | 0.00 | 7.95 |
| | Rest | 4.14 | 4.02 | 0.00 | 12.01 |
| Tall | B1 | 10.91 | 2.62 | 5.78 | 16.03 |
| | B2 | 0.00 | 2.83 | 0.00 | 4.60 |
| | G0 | 1.16 | 3.44 | 0.00 | 7.90 |
| | G | 0.03 | 2.81 | 0.00 | 5.53 |
| | G1 | 0.09 | 2.44 | 0.00 | 4.87 |
| | G2 | 0.18 | 2.82 | 0.00 | 5.70 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 4.00 | 0.00 | 7.84 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Densities were not transformed.



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.14. Least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Brewer's blackbirds (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.27 and 6.28.

O. Common Grackle (*Quiscalus quiscula*)

Table 6.29. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with an identity link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common grackles (*Quiscalus quiscula*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 157.6 | 0.64 | 0.8633 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 165.0 | 0.74 | 0.3894 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 106.2 | 0.00 | 0.9445 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 156.7 | 0.00 | 0.9567 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 163.8 | 1.19 | 0.2779 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 161.9 | 0.31 | 0.5800 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 125.4 | 2.85 | 0.0938 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 164.9 | 0.01 | 0.9305 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 148.8 | 0.23 | 0.6321 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 2.54 | 0.1131 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.58 | 0.4469 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 0.87 | 0.3528 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.84 | 0.3605 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.02 | 0.9027 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 0.60 | 0.4388 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.4 | 0.05 | 0.8261 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 166.4 | 0.18 | 0.6760 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 165.7 | 0.31 | 0.5766 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 133.1 | 0.24 | 0.6227 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.2 | 0.09 | 0.7701 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.7 | 0.04 | 0.8473 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 138.6 | 0.04 | 0.8448 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

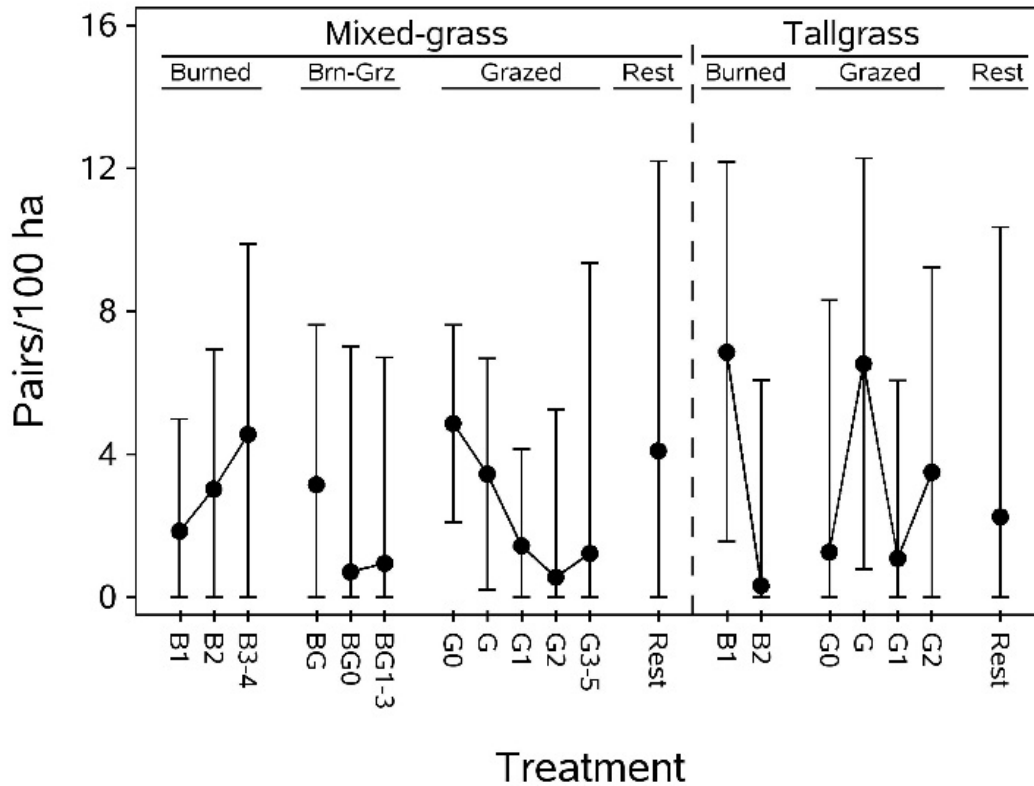
Table 6.30. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common crackles (*Quiscalus quiscula*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean ² | SE | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------|------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LCL | UCL |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.85 | 1.61 | 0.00 | 4.99 |
| | B2 | 3.03 | 1.99 | 0.00 | 6.94 |
| | B3-4 | 4.56 | 2.72 | 0.00 | 9.89 |
| | BG | 3.15 | 2.28 | 0.00 | 7.62 |
| | BG0 | 0.71 | 3.22 | 0.00 | 7.02 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.95 | 2.94 | 0.00 | 6.71 |
| | G0 | 4.86 | 1.41 | 2.10 | 7.62 |
| | G | 3.45 | 1.65 | 0.21 | 6.68 |
| | G1 | 1.44 | 1.38 | 0.00 | 4.15 |
| | G2 | 0.56 | 2.40 | 0.00 | 5.26 |
| | G3-5 | 1.23 | 4.15 | 0.00 | 9.35 |
| | Rest | 4.10 | 4.13 | 0.00 | 12.20 |
| Tall | B1 | 6.86 | 2.71 | 1.55 | 12.18 |
| | B2 | 0.33 | 2.93 | 0.00 | 6.07 |
| | G0 | 1.27 | 3.59 | 0.00 | 8.31 |
| | G | 6.53 | 2.93 | 0.78 | 12.28 |
| | G1 | 1.09 | 2.54 | 0.00 | 6.06 |
| | G2 | 3.50 | 2.93 | 0.00 | 9.24 |
| | Rest | 2.25 | 4.14 | 0.00 | 10.36 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Densities were not transformed.



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.15. Least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common grackles (*Quiscalus quiscula*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.29 and 6.30.

P. Yellow-headed Blackbird (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*)

Table 6.31. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow-headed blackbirds (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 161.1 | 1.42 | 0.1277 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 168.3 | 6.08 | 0.0146 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 123.7 | 2.10 | 0.1494 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 165.1 | 0.48 | 0.4894 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 163.7 | 0.01 | 0.9229 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 165.0 | 0.10 | 0.7483 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 133.2 | 1.76 | 0.1864 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 167.5 | 2.52 | 0.1140 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 156.6 | 1.02 | 0.3144 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.67 | 0.4140 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 4.69 | 0.0318 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.73 | 0.1896 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.03 | 0.8665 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 3.25 | 0.0733 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.00 | 0.9457 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 168.5 | 0.00 | 0.9555 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.9 | 0.05 | 0.8178 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.4 | 0.24 | 0.6270 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 135.4 | 0.55 | 0.4597 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 167.4 | 0.77 | 0.3822 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 1.34 | 0.2491 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 144.0 | 0.18 | 0.6692 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

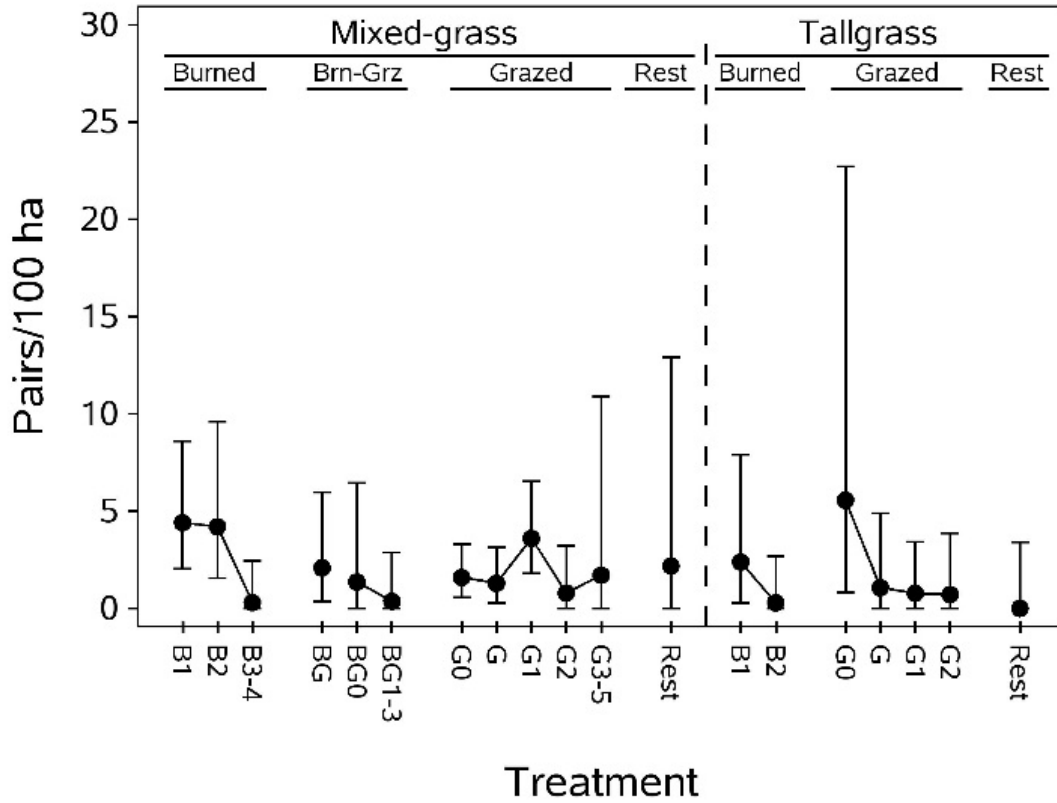
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.32. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow-headed blackbirds (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.69 | 0.29 | 4.40 | 2.04 | 8.59 |
| | B2 | 1.65 | 0.36 | 4.20 | 1.55 | 9.61 |
| | B3-4 | 0.27 | 0.50 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 2.44 |
| | BG | 1.13 | 0.42 | 2.08 | 0.36 | 5.96 |
| | BG0 | 0.86 | 0.59 | 1.36 | 0.00 | 6.44 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.30 | 0.54 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 2.88 |
| | G0 | 0.95 | 0.26 | 1.59 | 0.57 | 3.29 |
| | G | 0.83 | 0.30 | 1.29 | 0.27 | 3.13 |
| | G1 | 1.53 | 0.25 | 3.60 | 1.81 | 6.54 |
| | G2 | 0.58 | 0.44 | 0.79 | 0.00 | 3.22 |
| | G3-5 | 1.00 | 0.76 | 1.71 | 0.00 | 10.90 |
| Rest | 1.16 | 0.75 | 2.18 | 0.00 | 12.89 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.22 | 0.49 | 2.38 | 0.28 | 7.89 |
| | B2 | 0.25 | 0.53 | 0.29 | 0.00 | 2.66 |
| | G0 | 1.88 | 0.66 | 5.56 | 0.81 | 22.71 |
| | G | 0.73 | 0.54 | 1.07 | 0.00 | 4.89 |
| | G1 | 0.58 | 0.46 | 0.78 | 0.00 | 3.41 |
| | G2 | 0.53 | 0.53 | 0.71 | 0.00 | 3.86 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.75 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.39 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.16. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow-headed blackbirds (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.31 and 6.32.

Q. Cliff Swallow (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*)

Table 6.33. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with an identity link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of cliff swallows (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 142.1 | 1.63 | 0.0590** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 138.1 | 0.00 | 0.9900 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 81.0 | 0.00 | 0.9554 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 119.2 | 1.11 | 0.2938 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.9 | 0.49 | 0.4859 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 150.8 | 0.08 | 0.7719 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 114.5 | 0.01 | 0.9210 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 150.3 | 0.13 | 0.7179 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 127.2 | 4.19 | 0.0426** |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.0 | 0.20 | 0.6523 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.6 | 0.29 | 0.5911 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.5 | 0.37 | 0.5439 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 3.54 | 0.0615* |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 18.94 | <0.0001** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.8 | 1.62 | 0.2050 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 138.9 | 0.00 | 0.9702 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 139.1 | 0.04 | 0.8456 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 144.5 | 0.00 | 0.9682 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 156.8 | 0.15 | 0.7011 |
| Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 155.8 | 0.10 | 0.7488 | |
| Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 166.9 | 2.64 | 0.1059 | |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 136.0 | 4.25 | 0.0412** | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

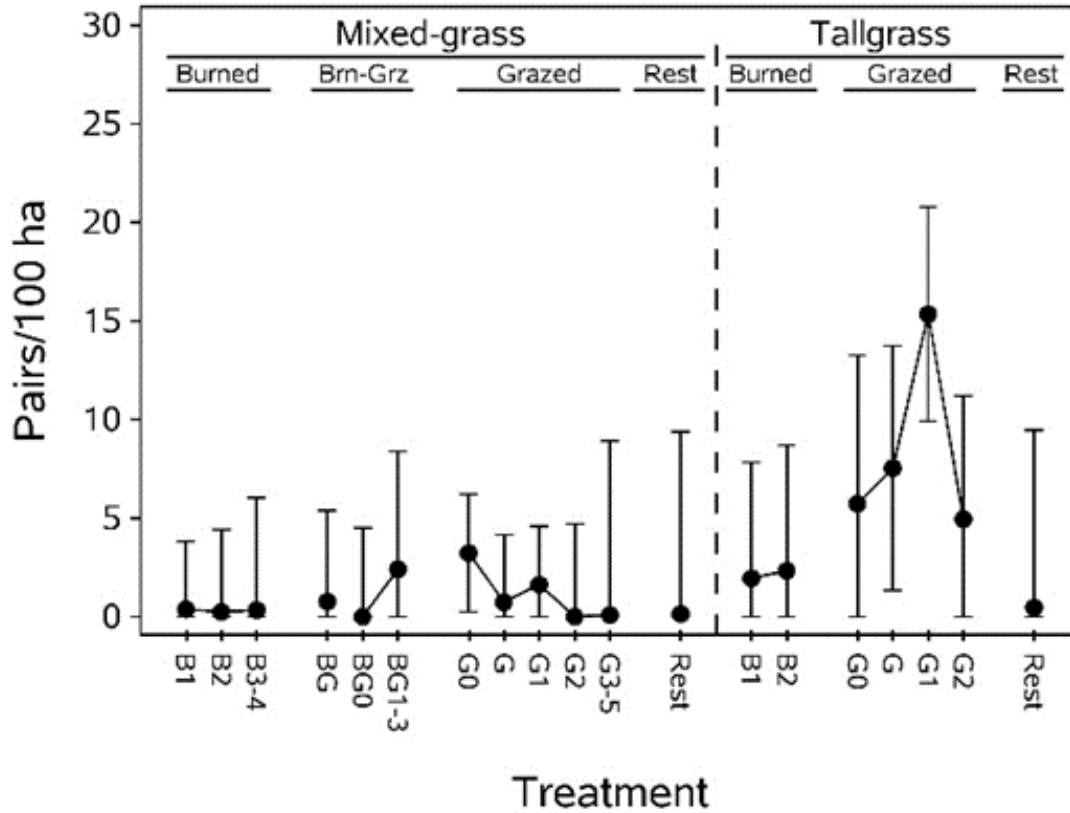
Table 6.34. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of cliff swallows (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean ² | SE | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------|------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LCL | UCL |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.38 | 1.75 | 0.00 | 3.82 |
| | B2 | 0.24 | 2.12 | 0.00 | 4.40 |
| | B3-4 | 0.34 | 2.91 | 0.00 | 6.04 |
| | BG | 0.77 | 2.35 | 0.00 | 5.38 |
| | BG0 | 0.00 | 3.39 | 0.00 | 4.49 |
| | BG1-3 | 2.41 | 3.05 | 0.00 | 8.39 |
| | G0 | 3.23 | 1.52 | 0.25 | 6.21 |
| | G | 0.74 | 1.74 | 0.00 | 4.16 |
| | G1 | 1.63 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 4.57 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 2.52 | 0.00 | 4.71 |
| | G3-5 | 0.09 | 4.50 | 0.00 | 8.92 |
| | Rest | 0.14 | 4.71 | 0.00 | 9.36 |
| Tall | B1 | 1.95 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 7.83 |
| | B2 | 2.33 | 3.25 | 0.00 | 8.70 |
| | G0 | 5.73 | 3.83 | 0.00 | 13.25 |
| | G | 7.54 | 3.16 | 1.34 | 13.74 |
| | G1 | 15.35 | 2.77 | 9.91 | 20.79 |
| | G2 | 4.94 | 3.19 | 0.00 | 11.20 |
| | Rest | 0.46 | 4.60 | 0.00 | 9.48 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Densities were not transformed.



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.17. Least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of cliff swallows (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.33 and 6.34.

R. Song Sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*)

Table 6.35. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of song sparrows (*Melospiza melodia*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 143.0 | 1.53 | 0.0884* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 136.7 | 0.32 | 0.5748 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 95.0 | 0.07 | 0.7950 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 120.5 | 0.45 | 0.5058 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.3 | 0.42 | 0.5183 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 154.4 | 0.00 | 0.9562 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 121.5 | 0.14 | 0.7123 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 149.5 | 0.18 | 0.6762 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 127.0 | 0.00 | 0.9633 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.7 | 0.20 | 0.6591 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.6 | 0.00 | 0.9806 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.2 | 0.13 | 0.7158 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.01 | 0.9399 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.4 | 1.64 | 0.2018 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.0 | 0.20 | 0.6541 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 145.9 | 12.44 | 0.0006** |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 150.0 | 13.01 | 0.0004** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.7 | 6.97 | 0.0091** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 168.5 | 0.57 | 0.4504 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 158.4 | 0.00 | 0.9793 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.5 | 0.01 | 0.9028 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 143.4 | 0.02 | 0.8843 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

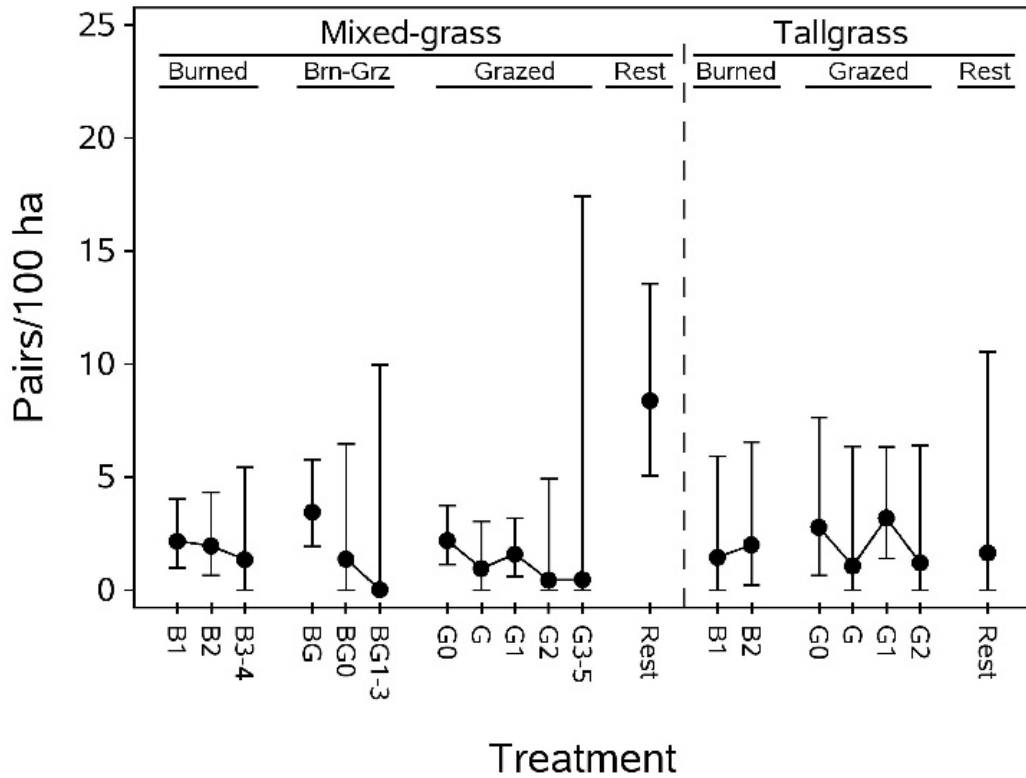
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.36. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of song sparrows (*Melospiza melodia*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.15 | 0.24 | 2.16 | 0.99 | 4.02 |
| | B2 | 1.09 | 0.30 | 1.96 | 0.65 | 4.32 |
| | B3-4 | 0.86 | 0.51 | 1.35 | 0.00 | 5.43 |
| | BG | 1.49 | 0.21 | 3.45 | 1.93 | 5.78 |
| | BG0 | 0.86 | 0.59 | 1.37 | 0.00 | 6.48 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.02 | 1.21 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 9.96 |
| | G0 | 1.16 | 0.20 | 2.19 | 1.14 | 3.74 |
| | G | 0.67 | 0.37 | 0.96 | 0.00 | 3.05 |
| | G1 | 0.95 | 0.25 | 1.59 | 0.60 | 3.19 |
| | G2 | 0.37 | 0.72 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 4.91 |
| | G3-5 | 0.38 | 1.29 | 0.47 | 0.00 | 17.43 |
| Rest | 2.24 | 0.22 | 8.38 | 5.05 | 13.56 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.89 | 0.53 | 1.45 | 0.00 | 5.92 |
| | B2 | 1.10 | 0.47 | 2.00 | 0.20 | 6.54 |
| | G0 | 1.33 | 0.42 | 2.78 | 0.65 | 7.63 |
| | G | 0.73 | 0.65 | 1.07 | 0.00 | 6.35 |
| | G1 | 1.43 | 0.28 | 3.19 | 1.40 | 6.31 |
| | G2 | 0.79 | 0.62 | 1.21 | 0.00 | 6.40 |
| | Rest | 0.98 | 0.75 | 1.65 | 0.00 | 10.54 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.18. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of song sparrows (*Melospiza melodia*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.35 and 6.36.

S. American Goldfinch (*Spinus tristis*)

Table 6.37. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of American goldfinches (*Spinus tristis*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 134.8 | 1.20 | 0.2662 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 122.6 | 0.39 | 0.5326 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 83.8 | 2.39 | 0.1259 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 107.7 | 0.25 | 0.6201 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 165.0 | 0.10 | 0.7489 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 143.7 | 0.77 | 0.3813 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 113.4 | 1.66 | 0.2003 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 142.4 | 0.01 | 0.9028 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 122.0 | 0.75 | 0.3885 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 162.4 | 0.00 | 0.9547 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.1 | 2.91 | 0.0897 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.0 | 0.11 | 0.7462 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.50 | 0.4807 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.5 | 0.95 | 0.3318 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.5 | 0.68 | 0.4120 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 124.1 | 1.12 | 0.2927 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 122.4 | 2.86 | 0.0933 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 130.0 | 2.10 | 0.1494 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 168.9 | 2.59 | 0.1095 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 156.6 | 0.49 | 0.4846 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.5 | 2.60 | 0.1088 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 145.4 | 1.66 | 0.2000 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

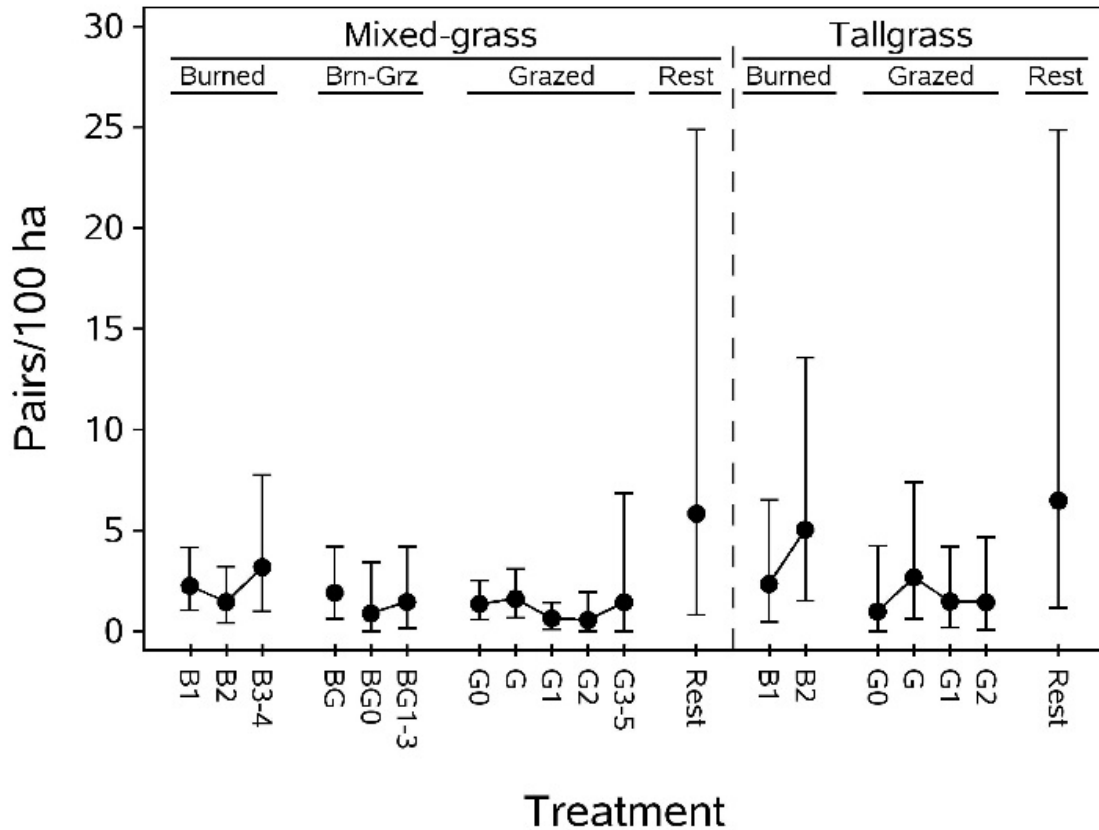
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.38. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of American goldfinches (*Spinus tristis*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.18 | 0.24 | 2.25 | 1.05 | 4.15 |
| | B2 | 0.90 | 0.28 | 1.45 | 0.42 | 3.21 |
| | B3-4 | 1.43 | 0.38 | 3.18 | 0.99 | 7.75 |
| | BG | 1.07 | 0.30 | 1.91 | 0.63 | 4.20 |
| | BG0 | 0.64 | 0.43 | 0.89 | 0.00 | 3.42 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.90 | 0.38 | 1.46 | 0.16 | 4.20 |
| | G0 | 0.86 | 0.20 | 1.36 | 0.58 | 2.51 |
| | G | 0.96 | 0.23 | 1.61 | 0.67 | 3.08 |
| | G1 | 0.49 | 0.20 | 0.64 | 0.10 | 1.43 |
| | G2 | 0.45 | 0.32 | 0.56 | 0.00 | 1.95 |
| | G3-5 | 0.89 | 0.60 | 1.44 | 0.00 | 6.85 |
| Rest | 1.92 | 0.68 | 5.84 | 0.81 | 24.88 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.20 | 0.41 | 2.34 | 0.48 | 6.50 |
| | B2 | 1.80 | 0.45 | 5.04 | 1.50 | 13.58 |
| | G0 | 0.68 | 0.50 | 0.98 | 0.00 | 4.25 |
| | G | 1.30 | 0.42 | 2.67 | 0.60 | 7.40 |
| | G1 | 0.91 | 0.38 | 1.48 | 0.19 | 4.20 |
| | G2 | 0.89 | 0.43 | 1.44 | 0.05 | 4.67 |
| | Rest | 2.01 | 0.63 | 6.48 | 1.17 | 24.86 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.19. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of American goldfinches (*Spinus tristis*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.37 and 6.38.

T. Upland Sandpiper (*Bartramia longicauda*)

Table 6.39. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of upland sandpipers (*Bartramia longicauda*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 143.4 | 2.25 | 0.0043** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 138.1 | 9.64 | 0.0023** |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 86.8 | 0.89 | 0.3491 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 120.9 | 6.69 | 0.0109** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 169.0 | 0.06 | 0.8003 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 151.7 | 0.04 | 0.8510 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 119.3 | 1.23 | 0.2687 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 150.8 | 0.01 | 0.9175 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 130.0 | 0.37 | 0.5433 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.8 | 1.37 | 0.2429 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.5 | 0.09 | 0.7653 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.7 | 0.88 | 0.3501 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 0.65 | 0.4195 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.20 | 0.6572 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.0 | 0.56 | 0.4568 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 138.9 | 0.20 | 0.6581 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 138.8 | 1.32 | 0.2526 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 144.4 | 5.02 | 0.0265 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 162.2 | 2.97 | 0.0867* |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 157.0 | 1.46 | 0.2291 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.3 | 2.36 | 0.1267 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 140.9 | 0.14 | 0.7107 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

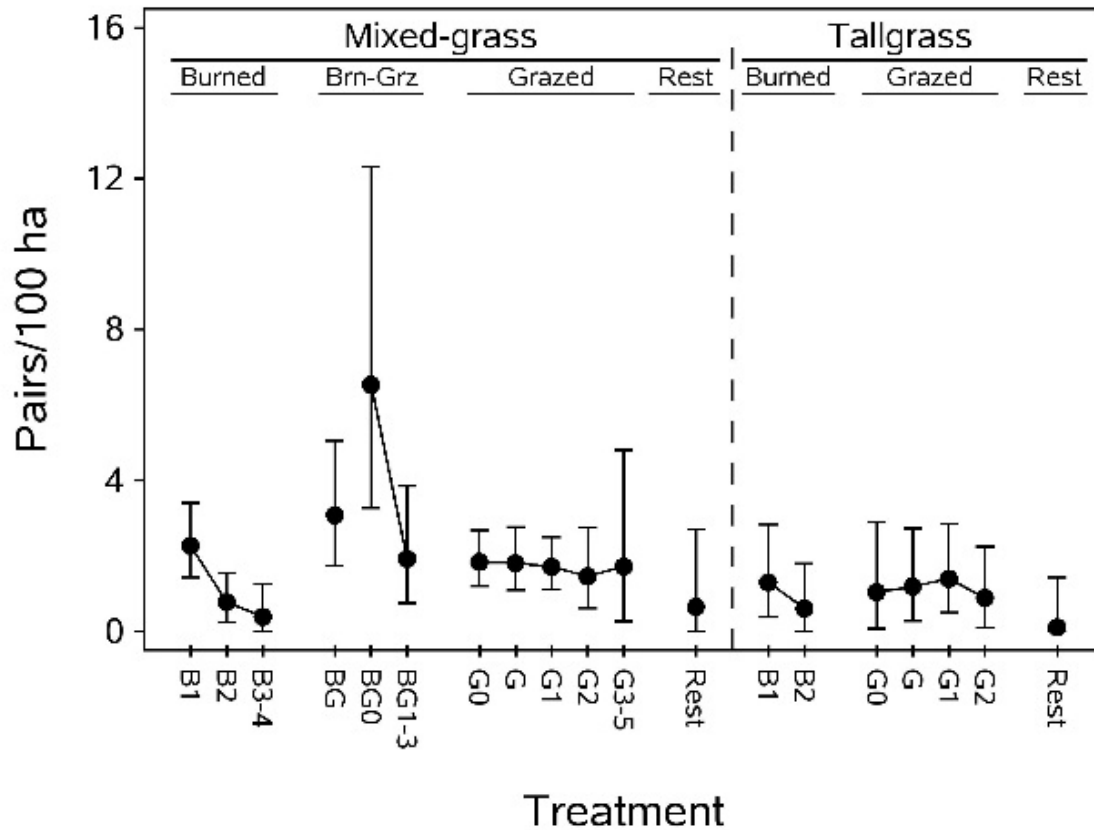
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.40. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of upland sandpipers (*Bartramia longicauda*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.18 | 0.15 | 2.27 | 1.43 | 3.40 |
| | B2 | 0.58 | 0.18 | 0.78 | 0.24 | 1.54 |
| | B3-4 | 0.33 | 0.25 | 0.39 | 0.00 | 1.26 |
| | BG | 1.41 | 0.20 | 3.08 | 1.75 | 5.05 |
| | BG0 | 2.02 | 0.29 | 6.54 | 3.27 | 12.32 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.07 | 0.26 | 1.92 | 0.75 | 3.85 |
| | G0 | 1.05 | 0.13 | 1.84 | 1.20 | 2.68 |
| | G | 1.03 | 0.15 | 1.81 | 1.10 | 2.77 |
| | G1 | 1.00 | 0.13 | 1.71 | 1.11 | 2.50 |
| | G2 | 0.90 | 0.22 | 1.46 | 0.61 | 2.75 |
| | G3-5 | 1.00 | 0.39 | 1.72 | 0.27 | 4.81 |
| Rest | 0.50 | 0.41 | 0.65 | 0.00 | 2.71 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.83 | 0.26 | 1.30 | 0.38 | 2.83 |
| | B2 | 0.48 | 0.28 | 0.61 | 0.00 | 1.80 |
| | G0 | 0.71 | 0.33 | 1.04 | 0.07 | 2.89 |
| | G | 0.78 | 0.27 | 1.19 | 0.28 | 2.73 |
| | G1 | 0.88 | 0.24 | 1.40 | 0.50 | 2.85 |
| | G2 | 0.64 | 0.28 | 0.89 | 0.10 | 2.25 |
| | Rest | 0.10 | 0.40 | 0.11 | 0.00 | 1.43 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.20. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of upland sandpipers (*Bartramia longicauda*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.39 and 6.40.

U. Killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*)

Table 6.41. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 158.0 | 0.76 | 0.7469 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 168.4 | 1.02 | 0.3143 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 117.2 | 0.15 | 0.7001 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 161.1 | 0.06 | 0.8034 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 165.8 | 0.21 | 0.6500 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 165.4 | 0.30 | 0.5829 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 152.8 | 1.78 | 0.1847 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 169.0 | 1.17 | 0.2811 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 151.9 | 0.89 | 0.3464 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.35 | 0.2470 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.00 | 0.9672 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.56 | 0.2130 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.63 | 0.4267 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.79 | 0.3746 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.32 | 0.5706 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 168.2 | 0.07 | 0.7884 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.6 | 0.16 | 0.6858 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.6 | 0.45 | 0.5054 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 139.4 | 0.18 | 0.6745 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 168.7 | 0.27 | 0.6032 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 0.30 | 0.5834 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 151.2 | 0.00 | 0.9544 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

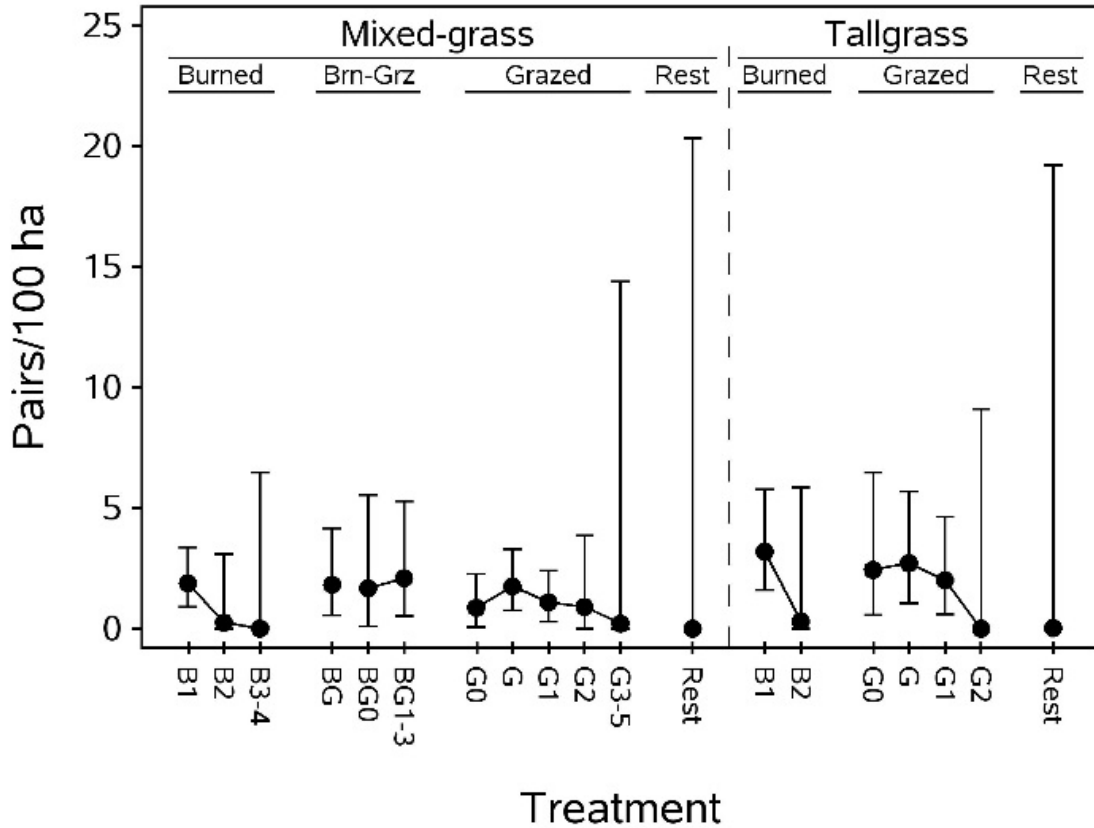
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.42. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 1.06 | 0.21 | 1.89 | 0.91 | 3.37 |
| | B2 | 0.23 | 0.60 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 3.09 |
| | B3-4 | 0.01 | 1.02 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 6.48 |
| | BG | 1.04 | 0.31 | 1.83 | 0.56 | 4.16 |
| | BG0 | 0.99 | 0.46 | 1.68 | 0.10 | 5.55 |
| | BG1-3 | 1.13 | 0.36 | 2.10 | 0.53 | 5.28 |
| | G0 | 0.62 | 0.29 | 0.87 | 0.07 | 2.27 |
| | G | 1.02 | 0.23 | 1.76 | 0.77 | 3.31 |
| | G1 | 0.74 | 0.25 | 1.10 | 0.29 | 2.42 |
| | G2 | 0.65 | 0.48 | 0.91 | 0.00 | 3.86 |
| | G3-5 | 0.19 | 1.30 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 14.40 |
| Rest | 0.00 | 1.56 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 20.33 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.44 | 0.24 | 3.20 | 1.60 | 5.78 |
| | B2 | 0.27 | 0.84 | 0.31 | 0.00 | 5.86 |
| | G0 | 1.24 | 0.40 | 2.44 | 0.58 | 6.48 |
| | G | 1.31 | 0.30 | 2.72 | 1.07 | 5.69 |
| | G1 | 1.10 | 0.32 | 2.01 | 0.61 | 4.63 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 1.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9.11 |
| | Rest | 0.03 | 1.52 | 0.03 | 0.00 | 19.21 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.21. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.41 and 6.42.

V. Tree Swallow (*Tachycineta bicolor*)

Table 6.43. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of tree swallows (*Tachycineta bicolor*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 157.0 | 1.21 | 0.2573 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 167.2 | 0.33 | 0.5693 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 102.9 | 0.94 | 0.3342 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 160.6 | 0.00 | 0.9545 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 160.9 | 0.26 | 0.6083 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 161.9 | 0.05 | 0.8180 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 117.2 | 4.03 | 0.0470 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 165.9 | 0.39 | 0.5326 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 148.2 | 3.06 | 0.0823 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 5.80 | 0.0171 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.11 | 0.7373 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.00 | 0.9855 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 2.98 | 0.0862 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 4.27 | 0.0403 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.51 | 0.4781 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 167.6 | 0.43 | 0.5144 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.3 | 0.30 | 0.5876 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.4 | 0.09 | 0.7697 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 121.3 | 0.09 | 0.7657 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.9 | 0.21 | 0.6483 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.9 | 0.09 | 0.7697 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 131.6 | 0.10 | 0.7486 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

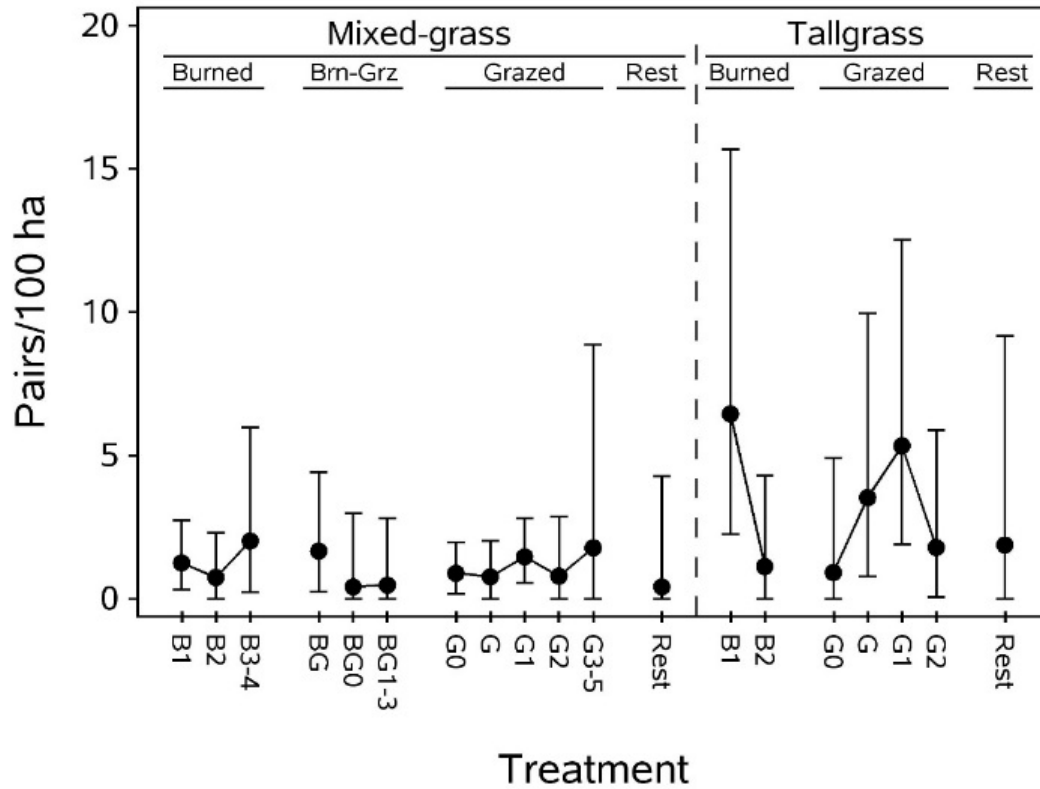
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.44. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of tree swallows (*Tachycineta bicolor*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.69 | 0.24 | 1.00 | 0.25 | 2.19 |
| | B2 | 0.46 | 0.30 | 0.59 | 0.00 | 1.84 |
| | B3-4 | 0.96 | 0.40 | 1.61 | 0.18 | 4.77 |
| | BG | 0.84 | 0.34 | 1.33 | 0.20 | 3.53 |
| | BG0 | 0.28 | 0.48 | 0.33 | 0.00 | 2.39 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.32 | 0.44 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 2.25 |
| | G0 | 0.54 | 0.21 | 0.71 | 0.14 | 1.58 |
| | G | 0.48 | 0.25 | 0.61 | 0.00 | 1.61 |
| | G1 | 0.78 | 0.21 | 1.17 | 0.45 | 2.25 |
| | G2 | 0.49 | 0.36 | 0.63 | 0.00 | 2.28 |
| | G3-5 | 0.88 | 0.62 | 1.42 | 0.00 | 7.09 |
| Rest | 0.29 | 0.61 | 0.33 | 0.00 | 3.42 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.82 | 0.40 | 5.16 | 1.80 | 12.54 |
| | B2 | 0.64 | 0.43 | 0.90 | 0.00 | 3.44 |
| | G0 | 0.55 | 0.53 | 0.73 | 0.00 | 3.93 |
| | G | 1.34 | 0.44 | 2.82 | 0.62 | 7.97 |
| | G1 | 1.66 | 0.38 | 4.27 | 1.52 | 10.02 |
| | G2 | 0.89 | 0.44 | 1.43 | 0.04 | 4.70 |
| | Rest | 0.92 | 0.61 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 7.33 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.22. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of tree swallows (*Tachycineta bicolor*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.43 and 6.44.

W. Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*)

Table 6.45. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of barn swallows (*Hirundo rustica*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 151.5 | 1.41 | 0.1358 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 155.5 | 0.41 | 0.5249 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 91.1 | 0.00 | 0.9985 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 140.2 | 2.00 | 0.1600 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 166.0 | 1.08 | 0.3006 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 157.3 | 0.15 | 0.6983 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 119.9 | 5.79 | 0.0176 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 159.4 | 6.06 | 0.0149 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 138.7 | 1.73 | 0.1909 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 5.46 | 0.0207 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 0.49 | 0.4829 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.3 | 7.02 | 0.0088 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.2 | 1.22 | 0.2717 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.89 | 0.3455 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 0.02 | 0.8906 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 155.9 | 1.60 | 0.2078 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 157.3 | 1.69 | 0.1955 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 158.2 | 1.74 | 0.1886 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 140.1 | 0.00 | 0.9633 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 161.0 | 0.08 | 0.7824 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.8 | 0.01 | 0.9156 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 135.8 | 0.10 | 0.7564 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

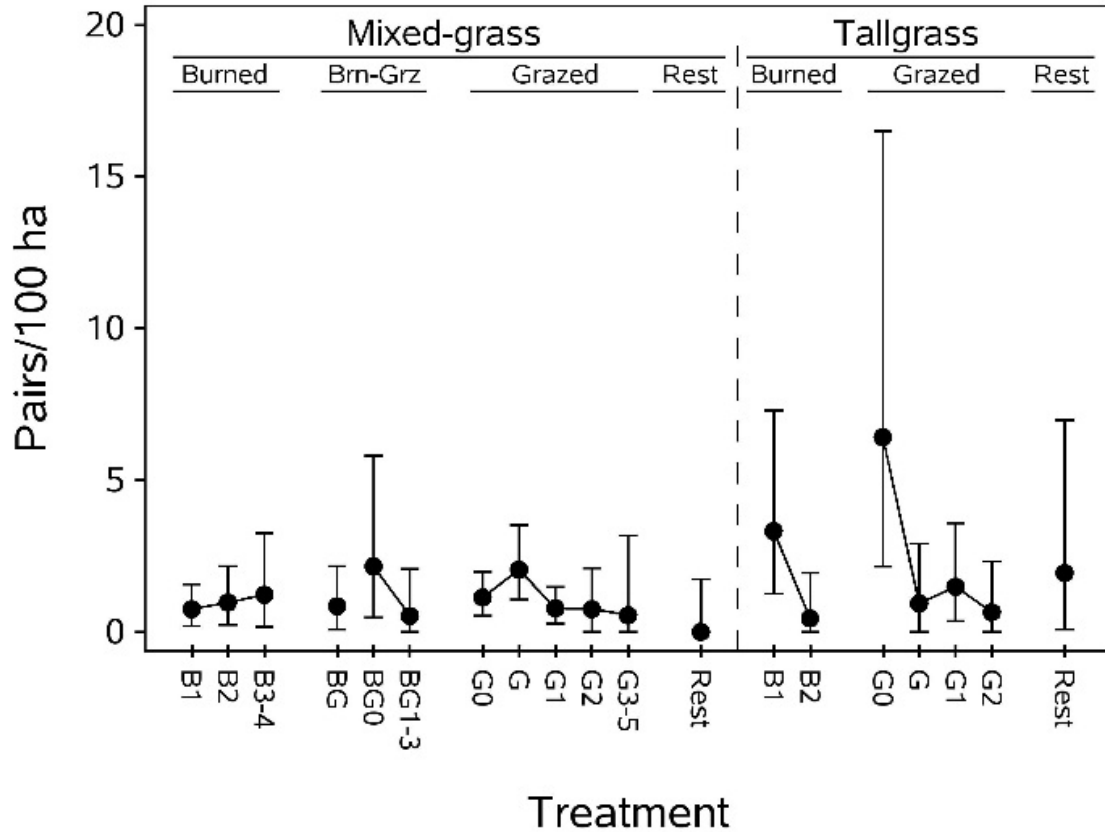
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.46. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of barn swallows (*Hirundo rustica*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.56 | 0.20 | 0.75 | 0.19 | 1.57 |
| | B2 | 0.68 | 0.24 | 0.97 | 0.23 | 2.17 |
| | B3-4 | 0.80 | 0.33 | 1.23 | 0.16 | 3.26 |
| | BG | 0.62 | 0.27 | 0.85 | 0.08 | 2.17 |
| | BG0 | 1.15 | 0.39 | 2.16 | 0.47 | 5.80 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.43 | 0.35 | 0.53 | 0.00 | 2.07 |
| | G0 | 0.76 | 0.17 | 1.14 | 0.53 | 1.99 |
| | G | 1.11 | 0.20 | 2.05 | 1.06 | 3.51 |
| | G1 | 0.58 | 0.17 | 0.78 | 0.28 | 1.48 |
| | G2 | 0.56 | 0.29 | 0.75 | 0.00 | 2.10 |
| | G3-5 | 0.44 | 0.51 | 0.55 | 0.00 | 3.18 |
| Rest | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.73 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.46 | 0.33 | 3.32 | 1.25 | 7.29 |
| | B2 | 0.37 | 0.36 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 1.95 |
| | G0 | 2.00 | 0.44 | 6.42 | 2.15 | 16.49 |
| | G | 0.66 | 0.36 | 0.94 | 0.00 | 2.91 |
| | G1 | 0.91 | 0.31 | 1.49 | 0.36 | 3.58 |
| | G2 | 0.50 | 0.36 | 0.65 | 0.00 | 2.32 |
| | Rest | 1.08 | 0.51 | 1.94 | 0.08 | 6.97 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.23. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of barn swallows (*Hirundo rustica*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.45 and 6.46.

X. Mourning Dove (*Zenaida macroura*)

Table 6.47. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of mourning doves (*Zenaida macroura*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 143.8 | 1.35 | 0.1638 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 142.5 | 0.04 | 0.8490 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 79.7 | 0.30 | 0.5838 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 123.0 | 2.39 | 0.1244 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.1 | 0.73 | 0.3944 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 151.8 | 0.14 | 0.7098 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 112.9 | 0.06 | 0.7998 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 152.3 | 4.52 | 0.0352 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 128.2 | 0.06 | 0.7992 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.7 | 0.07 | 0.7934 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.1 | 0.19 | 0.6643 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.2 | 0.34 | 0.5588 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.8 | 1.81 | 0.1804 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 2.25 | 0.1355 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.8 | 0.02 | 0.8947 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 143.1 | 0.08 | 0.7715 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 144.0 | 0.01 | 0.9402 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 148.1 | 0.00 | 0.9993 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 148.9 | 0.29 | 0.5928 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 156.4 | 1.66 | 0.2002 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 166.9 | 2.86 | 0.0927 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 132.9 | 0.27 | 0.6043 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

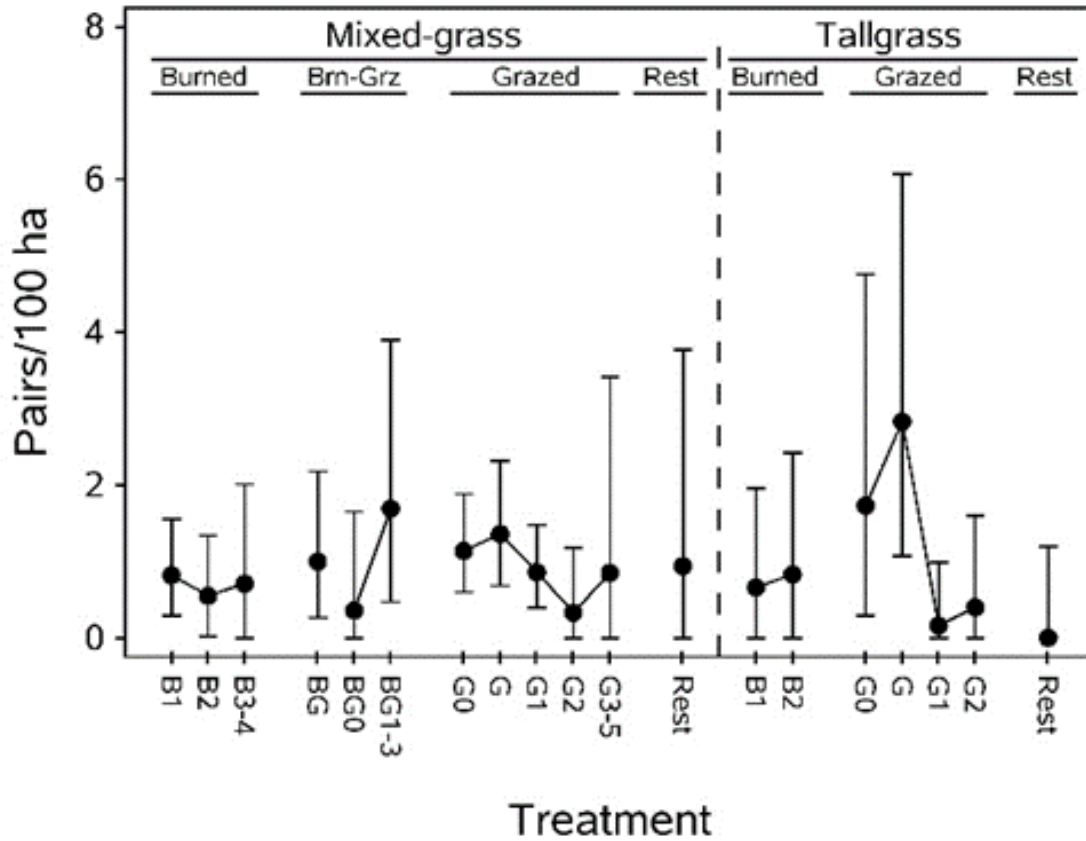
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.48. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of mourning doves (*Zenaida macroura*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.60 | 0.17 | 0.82 | 0.29 | 1.55 |
| | B2 | 0.44 | 0.21 | 0.55 | 0.02 | 1.34 |
| | B3-4 | 0.53 | 0.29 | 0.71 | 0.00 | 2.01 |
| | BG | 0.69 | 0.24 | 1.00 | 0.26 | 2.18 |
| | BG0 | 0.31 | 0.34 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 1.65 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.99 | 0.31 | 1.69 | 0.47 | 3.90 |
| | G0 | 0.76 | 0.15 | 1.14 | 0.60 | 1.88 |
| | G | 0.86 | 0.17 | 1.36 | 0.68 | 2.32 |
| | G1 | 0.62 | 0.15 | 0.86 | 0.39 | 1.48 |
| | G2 | 0.28 | 0.25 | 0.33 | 0.00 | 1.18 |
| | G3-5 | 0.61 | 0.45 | 0.85 | 0.00 | 3.42 |
| Rest | 0.66 | 0.46 | 0.94 | 0.00 | 3.77 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.51 | 0.29 | 0.66 | 0.00 | 1.96 |
| | B2 | 0.60 | 0.32 | 0.83 | 0.00 | 2.42 |
| | G0 | 1.00 | 0.38 | 1.73 | 0.29 | 4.76 |
| | G | 1.34 | 0.31 | 2.83 | 1.07 | 6.07 |
| | G1 | 0.15 | 0.27 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 0.99 |
| | G2 | 0.34 | 0.32 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 1.60 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.19 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.24. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of mourning doves (*Zenaida macroura*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.47 and 6.48.

Y. Ring-necked Pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*)

Table 6.49. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of ring-necked pheasants (*Phasianus colchicus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 152.8 | 1.35 | 0.1676 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 155.5 | 0.71 | 0.4018 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 94.1 | 0.18 | 0.6685 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 141.6 | 0.02 | 0.8974 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 164.3 | 0.19 | 0.6668 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 152.6 | 3.04 | 0.0832 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 148.4 | 2.31 | 0.1307 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 159.9 | 1.31 | 0.2549 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 142.9 | 1.79 | 0.1828 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.6 | 3.47 | 0.0643 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 0.19 | 0.6624 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.9 | 7.26 | 0.0078 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.2 | 3.71 | 0.0557 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.82 | 0.3664 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.1 | 3.15 | 0.0779 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 157.8 | 0.14 | 0.7039 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 158.6 | 0.15 | 0.6982 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 159.3 | 0.43 | 0.5142 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 137.7 | 0.00 | 0.9869 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.1 | 0.31 | 0.5759 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.2 | 1.37 | 0.2440 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 139.6 | 2.07 | 0.1521 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

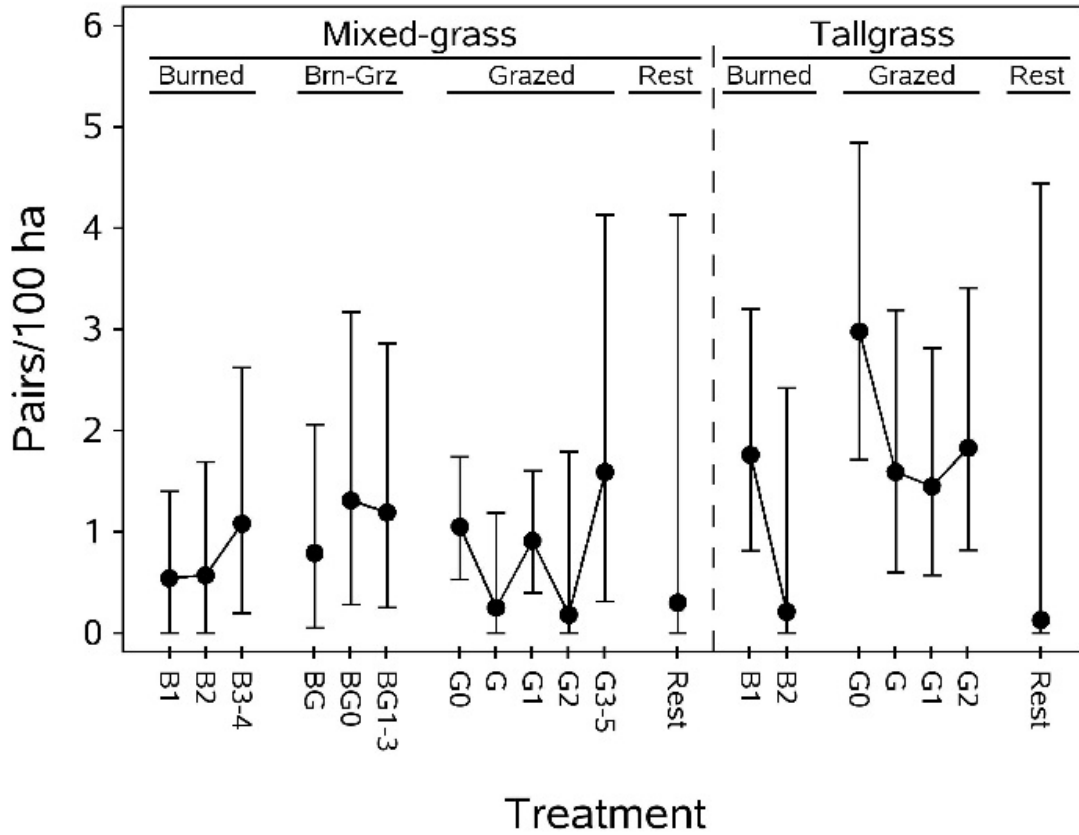
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.50. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of ring-necked pheasants (*Phasianus colchicus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.43 | 0.23 | 0.54 | 0.00 | 1.40 |
| | B2 | 0.45 | 0.27 | 0.57 | 0.00 | 1.69 |
| | B3-4 | 0.73 | 0.28 | 1.08 | 0.19 | 2.62 |
| | BG | 0.58 | 0.27 | 0.79 | 0.05 | 2.06 |
| | BG0 | 0.84 | 0.30 | 1.31 | 0.28 | 3.17 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.79 | 0.29 | 1.19 | 0.25 | 2.86 |
| | G0 | 0.72 | 0.15 | 1.05 | 0.53 | 1.74 |
| | G | 0.23 | 0.28 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 1.19 |
| | G1 | 0.65 | 0.16 | 0.91 | 0.40 | 1.60 |
| | G2 | 0.17 | 0.44 | 0.18 | 0.00 | 1.79 |
| | G3-5 | 0.95 | 0.35 | 1.59 | 0.31 | 4.13 |
| Rest | 0.27 | 0.70 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 4.13 | |
| Tall | B1 | 1.01 | 0.22 | 1.76 | 0.81 | 3.20 |
| | B2 | 0.19 | 0.53 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 2.42 |
| | G0 | 1.38 | 0.20 | 2.98 | 1.71 | 4.84 |
| | G | 0.95 | 0.25 | 1.59 | 0.60 | 3.19 |
| | G1 | 0.90 | 0.23 | 1.45 | 0.57 | 2.81 |
| | G2 | 1.04 | 0.23 | 1.83 | 0.82 | 3.41 |
| | Rest | 0.12 | 0.80 | 0.13 | 0.00 | 4.44 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.25. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of ring-necked pheasants (*Phasianus colchicus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.49 and 6.50.

Z. Baird's Sparrow (*Centronyx bairdii*)

Table 6.51. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a normal distribution with an identity link, $y = (y+0.0)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Baird's sparrows (*Centronyx bairdii*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 139.3 | 0.94 | 0.5301 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 129.7 | 0.00 | 0.9864 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 87.3 | 0.08 | 0.7767 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 114.2 | 0.01 | 0.9200 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 167.4 | 0.06 | 0.8086 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 148.0 | 0.09 | 0.7667 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 118.0 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 146.6 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 126.7 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.0 | 0.05 | 0.8191 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.3 | 0.13 | 0.7185 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.2 | 1.99 | 0.1605 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.14 | 0.7065 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.8 | 1.03 | 0.3127 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 1.87 | 0.1733 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 131.0 | 0.04 | 0.8440 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 129.8 | 0.50 | 0.4816 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 136.9 | 0.00 | 0.9934 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 168.5 | 1.65 | 0.2013 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 157.0 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.1 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 144.9 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

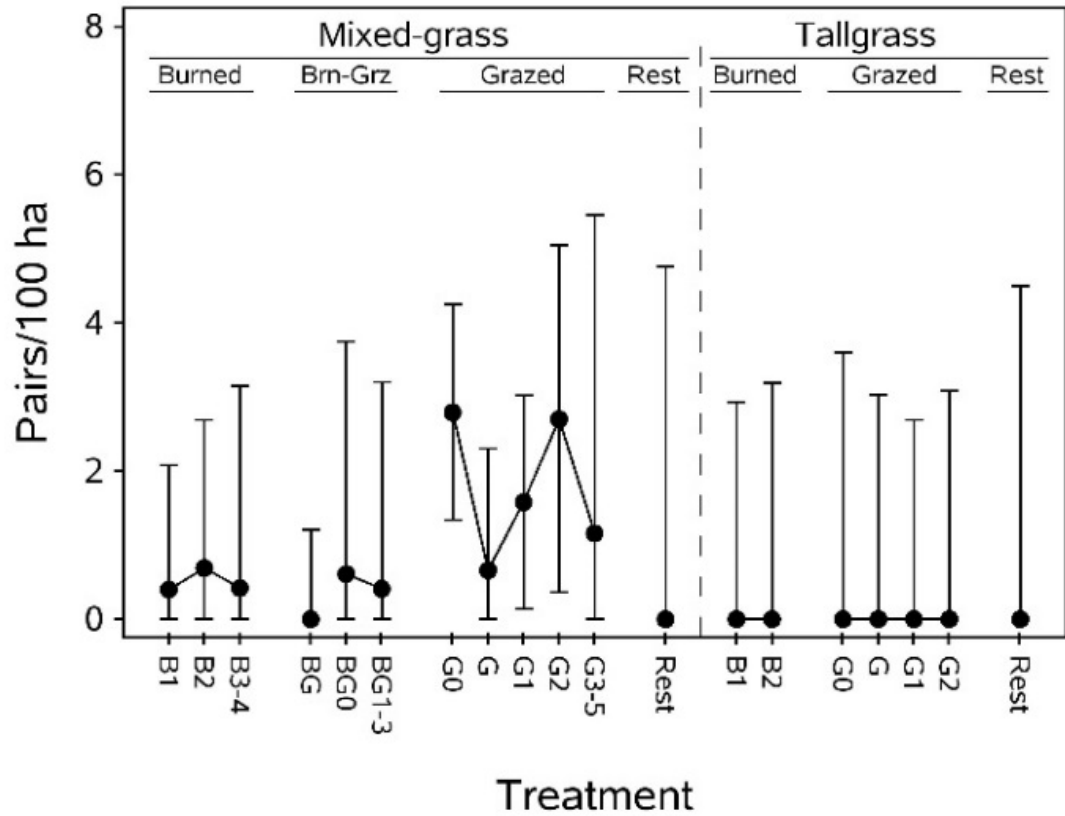
Table 6.52. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Baird's sparrows (*Centronyx bairdii*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean ² | SE | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
|-------|------------------------|---------------------|------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LCL | UCL |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.40 | 0.86 | 0.00 | 2.08 |
| | B2 | 0.69 | 1.02 | 0.00 | 2.69 |
| | B3-4 | 0.42 | 1.39 | 0.00 | 3.15 |
| | BG | 0.00 | 1.10 | 0.00 | 1.21 |
| | BG0 | 0.61 | 1.60 | 0.00 | 3.75 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.41 | 1.42 | 0.00 | 3.20 |
| | G0 | 2.79 | 0.74 | 1.34 | 4.25 |
| | G | 0.66 | 0.84 | 0.00 | 2.30 |
| | G1 | 1.58 | 0.73 | 0.14 | 3.02 |
| | G2 | 2.70 | 1.20 | 0.36 | 5.05 |
| | G3-5 | 1.16 | 2.19 | 0.00 | 5.45 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 2.43 | 0.00 | 4.76 |
| Tall | B1 | 0.00 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 2.93 |
| | B2 | 0.00 | 1.63 | 0.00 | 3.19 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 1.84 | 0.00 | 3.60 |
| | G | 0.00 | 1.55 | 0.00 | 3.03 |
| | G1 | 0.00 | 1.37 | 0.00 | 2.69 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 1.57 | 0.00 | 3.08 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 2.30 | 0.00 | 4.50 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

²Densities were not transformed.



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.26. Least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Baird's sparrows (*Centronyx bairdii*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.51 and 6.52.

AA. Sharp-tailed Grouse (*Tympanuchus phasianellus*)

Table 6.53. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sharp-tailed grouse (*Tympanuchus phasianellus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 159.9 | 1.35 | 0.1615 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 169.0 | 1.52 | 0.2193 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 120.7 | 0.00 | 0.9849 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 167.1 | 1.67 | 0.1984 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 161.2 | 0.57 | 0.4504 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 165.0 | 0.29 | 0.5881 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 124.8 | 0.08 | 0.7738 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 168.0 | 0.46 | 0.4990 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 156.0 | 0.03 | 0.8693 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.82 | 0.1787 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.11 | 0.7394 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 1.25 | 0.2643 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 0.82 | 0.3678 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.85 | 0.3588 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 1.97 | 0.1625 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 0.05 | 0.8295 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.9 | 0.02 | 0.8834 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.9 | 0.52 | 0.4738 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 125.0 | 0.03 | 0.8526 |
| Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 167.8 | 0.49 | 0.4871 | |
| Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 0.06 | 0.8010 | |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 137.3 | 0.71 | 0.4010 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

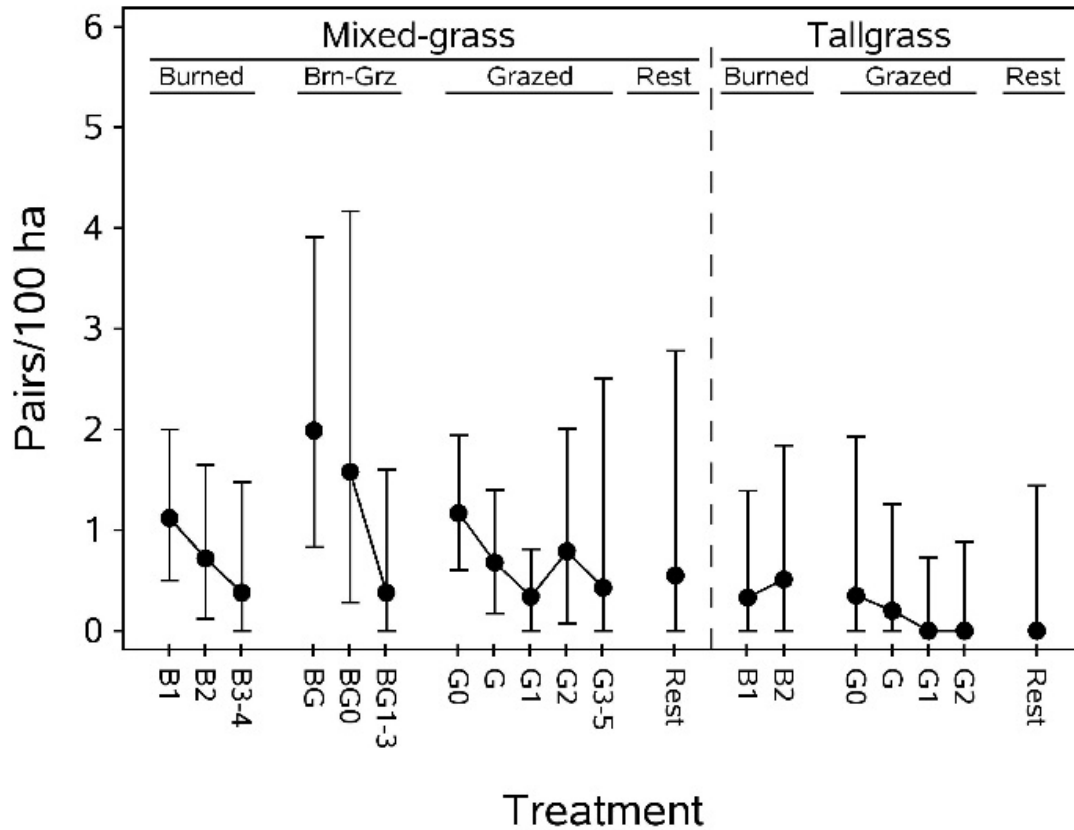
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.54. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sharp-tailed grouse (*Tympanuchus phasianellus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | LCL | UCL |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.75 | 0.18 | 1.12 | 0.50 | 2.00 |
| | B2 | 0.54 | 0.22 | 0.72 | 0.12 | 1.65 |
| | B3-4 | 0.32 | 0.30 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 1.48 |
| | BG | 1.10 | 0.25 | 1.99 | 0.83 | 3.91 |
| | BG0 | 0.95 | 0.36 | 1.58 | 0.28 | 4.17 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.32 | 0.33 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 1.60 |
| | G0 | 0.77 | 0.16 | 1.17 | 0.60 | 1.94 |
| | G | 0.52 | 0.18 | 0.68 | 0.17 | 1.40 |
| | G1 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.81 |
| | G2 | 0.58 | 0.27 | 0.79 | 0.07 | 2.01 |
| | G3-5 | 0.36 | 0.46 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 2.51 |
| | Rest | 0.44 | 0.46 | 0.55 | 0.00 | 2.78 |
| Tall | B1 | 0.28 | 0.30 | 0.33 | 0.00 | 1.39 |
| | B2 | 0.41 | 0.32 | 0.51 | 0.00 | 1.84 |
| | G0 | 0.30 | 0.40 | 0.35 | 0.00 | 1.93 |
| | G | 0.18 | 0.32 | 0.20 | 0.00 | 1.26 |
| | G1 | 0.00 | 0.28 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.73 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 0.32 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.88 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.46 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.44 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.27. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sharp-tailed grouse (*Tympanuchus phasianellus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.53 and 6.54.

BB. Nelson's Sparrow (*Ammospiza nelsoni*)

Table 6.55. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Nelson's sparrows (*Ammospiza nelsoni*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 143.5 | 2.49 | 0.0014** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 135.9 | 1.72 | 0.1925 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 93.2 | 6.66 | 0.0114** |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 121.0 | 0.39 | 0.5337 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 168.2 | 1.42 | 0.2350 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 151.5 | 0.01 | 0.9323 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 123.4 | 9.82 | 0.0022** |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 150.3 | 0.01 | 0.9432 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 131.9 | 0.00 | 0.9552 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.1 | 1.06 | 0.3044 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.9 | 1.17 | 0.2814 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.9 | 0.58 | 0.4473 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 0.36 | 0.5501 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 167.5 | 0.82 | 0.3665 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.3 | 0.19 | 0.6632 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 137.0 | 8.65 | 0.0038** |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 136.1 | 13.55 | 0.0003** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 142.3 | 6.26 | 0.0135** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 167.6 | 3.09 | 0.0807* |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 158.4 | 1.71 | 0.1934 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.0 | 0.00 | 0.9813 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 146.7 | 4.78 | 0.0303 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

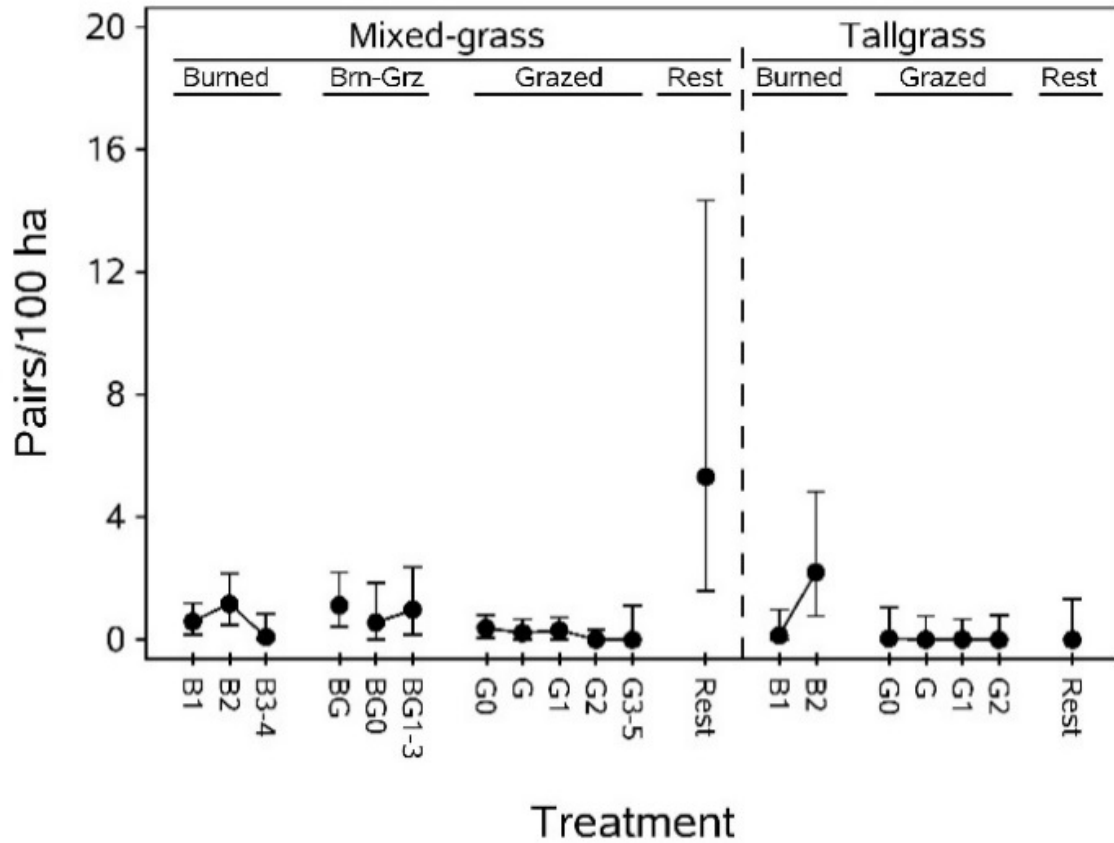
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.56. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Nelson's sparrows (*Ammospiza nelsoni*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.46 | 0.16 | 0.59 | 0.16 | 1.18 |
| | B2 | 0.77 | 0.19 | 1.17 | 0.48 | 2.16 |
| | B3-4 | 0.09 | 0.26 | 0.09 | 0.00 | 0.83 |
| | BG | 0.75 | 0.21 | 1.12 | 0.41 | 2.20 |
| | BG0 | 0.45 | 0.30 | 0.56 | 0.00 | 1.84 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.68 | 0.27 | 0.98 | 0.16 | 2.37 |
| | G0 | 0.32 | 0.14 | 0.38 | 0.05 | 0.81 |
| | G | 0.20 | 0.16 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.67 |
| | G1 | 0.27 | 0.14 | 0.31 | 0.00 | 0.72 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 0.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.33 |
| | G3-5 | 0.00 | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.10 |
| Rest | 1.84 | 0.45 | 5.32 | 1.60 | 14.35 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.13 | 0.28 | 0.14 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| | B2 | 1.16 | 0.31 | 2.20 | 0.76 | 4.83 |
| | G0 | 0.04 | 0.35 | 0.04 | 0.00 | 1.05 |
| | G | 0.00 | 0.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.77 |
| | G1 | 0.01 | 0.26 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.67 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.79 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.33 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.28. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Nelson's sparrows (*Ammodramus nelsoni*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.55 and 6.56.

CC. Marbled Godwit (*Limosa fedoa*)

Table 6.57. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of marbled godwit (*Limosa fedoa*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 135.5 | 2.13 | 0.0076** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 124.2 | 1.57 | 0.2128 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 82.3 | 5.63 | 0.0200** |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 108.3 | 6.94 | 0.0097** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 166.4 | 0.09 | 0.7584 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 144.7 | 0.01 | 0.9141 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 113.0 | 0.98 | 0.3239 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 143.1 | 0.28 | 0.5995 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 122.0 | 0.17 | 0.6810 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 162.9 | 3.10 | 0.0804* |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.6 | 0.57 | 0.4494 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 163.7 | 4.07 | 0.0453** |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 2.47 | 0.1177 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 166.2 | 3.90 | 0.0500** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.4 | 0.55 | 0.4610 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 125.6 | 1.01 | 0.3175 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 124.2 | 0.11 | 0.7453 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 131.8 | 0.21 | 0.6459 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 168.9 | 3.11 | 0.0795* |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 155.7 | 0.56 | 0.4561 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.1 | 0.03 | 0.8546 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 143.2 | 2.40 | 0.1234 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

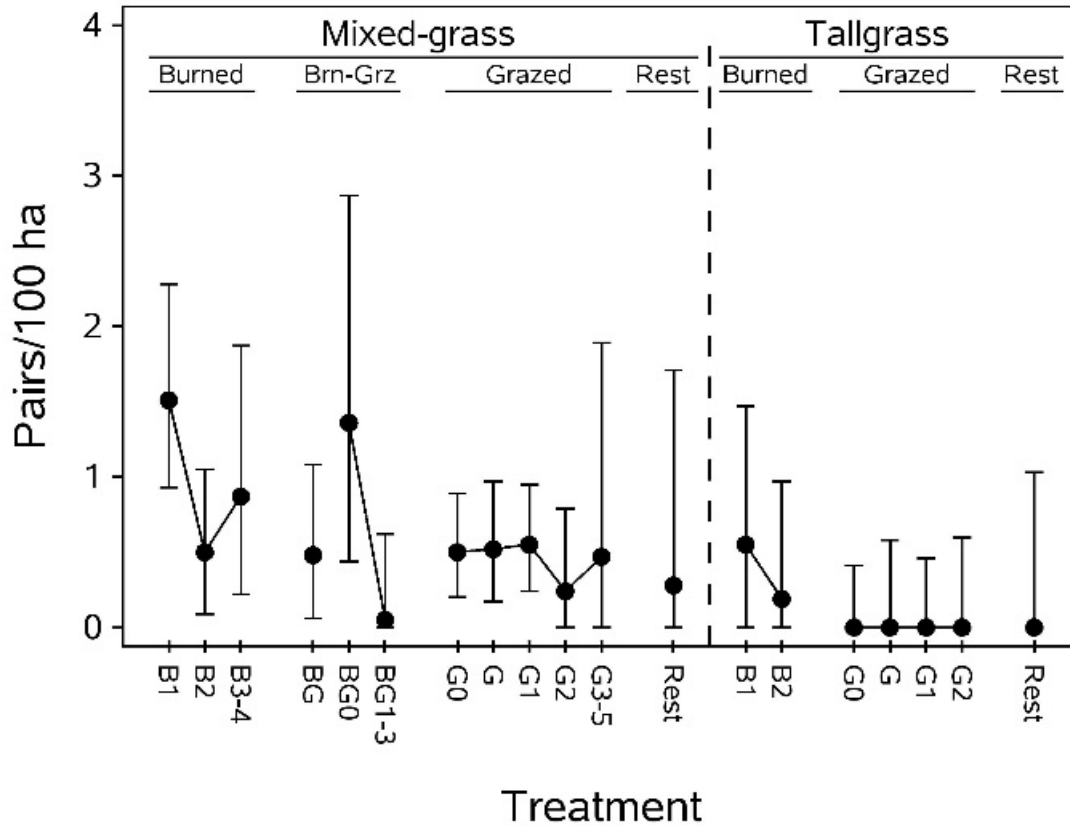
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.58. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of marbled godwits (*Limosa fedoa*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.92 | 0.14 | 1.51 | 0.93 | 2.28 |
| | B2 | 0.40 | 0.16 | 0.50 | 0.09 | 1.05 |
| | B3-4 | 0.63 | 0.22 | 0.87 | 0.22 | 1.87 |
| | BG | 0.39 | 0.17 | 0.48 | 0.06 | 1.08 |
| | BG0 | 0.86 | 0.25 | 1.36 | 0.44 | 2.87 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.05 | 0.22 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 0.62 |
| | G0 | 0.41 | 0.12 | 0.50 | 0.20 | 0.89 |
| | G | 0.42 | 0.13 | 0.52 | 0.17 | 0.97 |
| | G1 | 0.44 | 0.12 | 0.55 | 0.24 | 0.95 |
| | G2 | 0.21 | 0.19 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.79 |
| | G3-5 | 0.39 | 0.34 | 0.47 | 0.00 | 1.89 |
| Rest | 0.24 | 0.39 | 0.28 | 0.00 | 1.71 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.44 | 0.24 | 0.55 | 0.00 | 1.47 |
| | B2 | 0.17 | 0.26 | 0.19 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 0.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.41 |
| | G | 0.00 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.58 |
| | G1 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.46 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.60 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.03 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.29. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of marbled godwit (*Limosa fedoa*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.57 and 6.58.

DD. Vesper Sparrow (*Pooecetes gramineus*)

Table 6.59. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of vesper sparrows (*Pooecetes gramineus*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 158.9 | 1.81 | 0.0280** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 165.8 | 0.02 | 0.8860 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 111.9 | 0.56 | 0.4557 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 158.8 | 1.81 | 0.1802 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 164.3 | 0.35 | 0.5571 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 162.9 | 0.62 | 0.4315 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 129.6 | 0.10 | 0.7565 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 165.5 | 0.03 | 0.8585 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 151.4 | 0.10 | 0.7529 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 0.18 | 0.6683 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.07 | 0.7902 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 1.41 | 0.2366 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 6.46 | 0.0119** |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.12 | 0.7285 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 3.35 | 0.0691* |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 166.1 | 0.27 | 0.6051 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.0 | 1.83 | 0.1776 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 166.3 | 2.99 | 0.0854* |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 136.3 | 4.38 | 0.0382** |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 165.8 | 0.02 | 0.8833 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.8 | 0.01 | 0.9121 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 141.7 | 0.01 | 0.9403 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

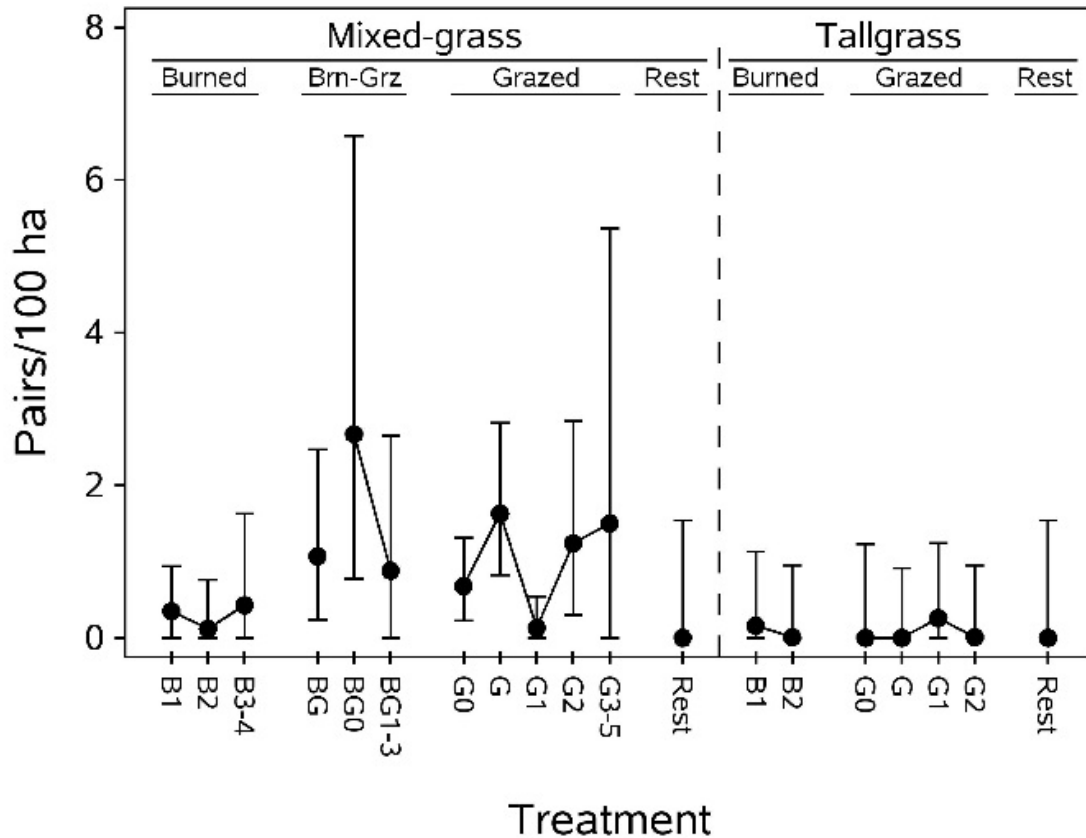
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.60. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of vesper sparrows (*Pooecetes gramineus*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.30 | 0.18 | 0.35 | 0.00 | 0.94 |
| | B2 | 0.12 | 0.23 | 0.12 | 0.00 | 0.76 |
| | B3-4 | 0.35 | 0.31 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 1.63 |
| | BG | 0.73 | 0.26 | 1.07 | 0.24 | 2.47 |
| | BG0 | 1.30 | 0.37 | 2.67 | 0.78 | 6.58 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.63 | 0.34 | 0.88 | 0.00 | 2.65 |
| | G0 | 0.52 | 0.16 | 0.68 | 0.23 | 1.31 |
| | G | 0.97 | 0.19 | 1.63 | 0.82 | 2.82 |
| | G1 | 0.12 | 0.16 | 0.13 | 0.00 | 0.54 |
| | G2 | 0.81 | 0.28 | 1.24 | 0.30 | 2.84 |
| | G3-5 | 0.92 | 0.48 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 5.37 |
| Rest | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.54 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.15 | 0.31 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 1.13 |
| | B2 | 0.01 | 0.34 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.95 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.23 |
| | G | 0.00 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.91 |
| | G1 | 0.23 | 0.29 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 1.24 |
| | G2 | 0.01 | 0.34 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.95 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.54 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.30. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of vesper sparrows (*Pooecetes gramineus*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.59 and 6.60.

EE. LeConte's Sparrow (*Ammospiza leconteii*)

Table 6.61. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of LeConte's sparrows (*Ammospiza leconteii*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[<, less than; *, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 158.2 | 3.81 | <0.0001** |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 168.0 | 0.13 | 0.7227 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 108.7 | 3.61 | 0.0600* |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 163.2 | 5.04 | 0.0261** |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 161.1 | 0.55 | 0.4581 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 163.0 | 1.04 | 0.3095 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 120.1 | 2.70 | 0.1029 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 166.7 | 1.56 | 0.2132 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 151.0 | 0.24 | 0.6283 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 3.82 | 0.0522* |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 4.25 | 0.0408** |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.00 | 0.9998 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.89 | 0.1707 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.26 | 0.6094 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.03 | 0.8520 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 168.3 | 18.30 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.8 | 23.09 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.1 | 18.10 | <0.0001** |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 122.8 | 1.56 | 0.2141 |
| Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 166.6 | 5.74 | 0.0177** | |
| Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 0.48 | 0.4886 | |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 133.8 | 10.06 | 0.0019** | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

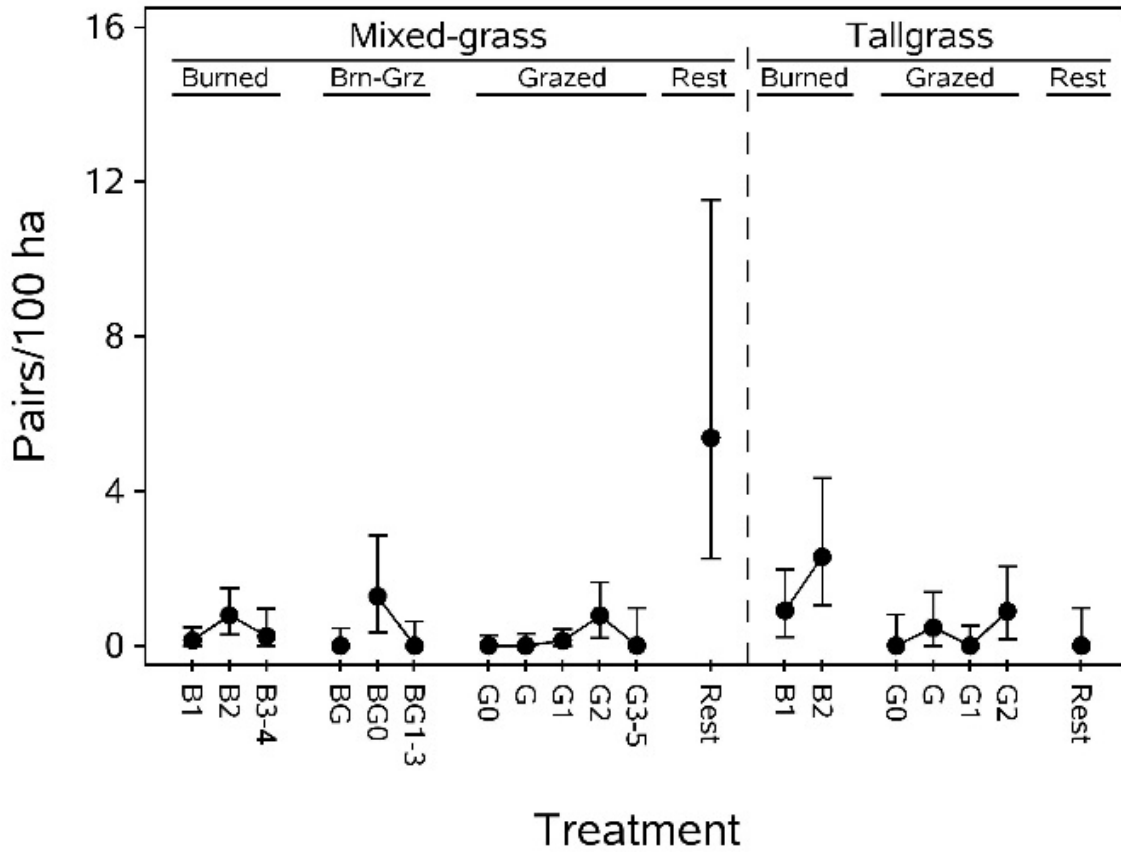
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.62. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of LeConte's sparrows (*Ammospiza leconteii*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.00 | 0.48 |
| | B2 | 0.58 | 0.17 | 0.79 | 0.29 | 1.49 |
| | B3-4 | 0.22 | 0.23 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.96 |
| | BG | 0.00 | 0.19 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.46 |
| | BG0 | 0.82 | 0.27 | 1.28 | 0.34 | 2.86 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.00 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.62 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.26 |
| | G | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.31 |
| | G1 | 0.12 | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.00 | 0.42 |
| | G2 | 0.57 | 0.20 | 0.78 | 0.20 | 1.64 |
| | G3-5 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| Rest | 1.85 | 0.34 | 5.38 | 2.25 | 11.53 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.65 | 0.23 | 0.91 | 0.22 | 1.97 |
| | B2 | 1.19 | 0.24 | 2.30 | 1.04 | 4.33 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.80 |
| | G | 0.39 | 0.25 | 0.47 | 0.00 | 1.39 |
| | G1 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.52 |
| | G2 | 0.63 | 0.25 | 0.89 | 0.17 | 2.05 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.97 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.31. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of LeConte's sparrows (*Ammospiza leconteii*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.61 and 6.62.

FF. Willet (*Tringa semipalmata*)

Table 6.63. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of willets (*Tringa semipalmata*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[*, evidence for moderate effect ($0.05 < p \leq 0.10$); **, evidence for strong effect ($p \leq 0.05$)]

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|----------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 160.4 | 1.55 | 0.0792* |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 168.0 | 1.85 | 0.1761 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 119.3 | 0.15 | 0.6971 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 164.0 | 0.07 | 0.7976 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 163.3 | 0.18 | 0.6697 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 164.4 | 4.20 | 0.0420** |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 130.5 | 0.70 | 0.4056 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 167.1 | 0.54 | 0.4627 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 155.0 | 0.34 | 0.5581 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 6.23 | 0.0135** |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.92 | 0.3395 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.73 | 0.3953 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.39 | 0.2406 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 7.46 | 0.0070** |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.64 | 0.4250 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 168.3 | 1.96 | 0.1634 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.7 | 1.04 | 0.3104 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.1 | 0.64 | 0.4244 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 133.4 | 1.04 | 0.3096 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 167.1 | 0.13 | 0.7208 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 0.04 | 0.8419 |
| | Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 142.0 | 0.09 | 0.7611 |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where Unit(Grass type) and Residual are random effects and Grass type × Treatment is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

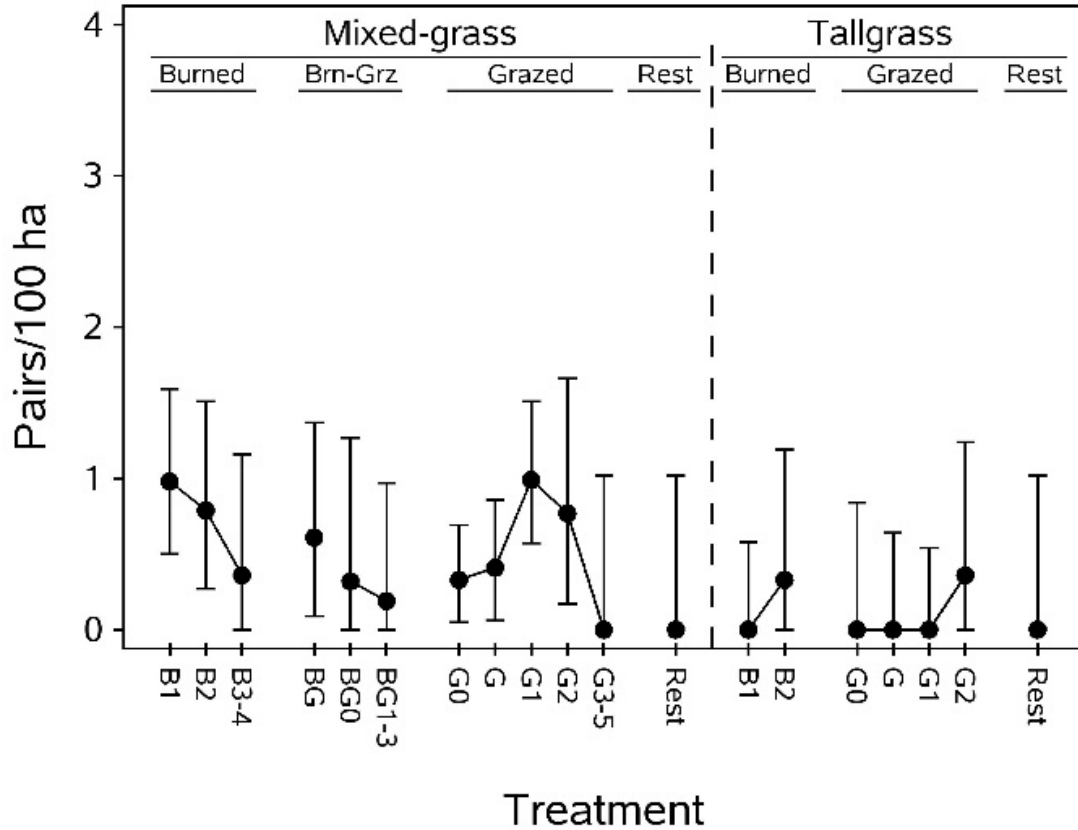
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.64. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of willets (*Tringa semipalmata*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.68 | 0.14 | 0.98 | 0.50 | 1.59 |
| | B2 | 0.58 | 0.17 | 0.79 | 0.27 | 1.51 |
| | B3-4 | 0.31 | 0.24 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 1.16 |
| | BG | 0.47 | 0.20 | 0.61 | 0.09 | 1.37 |
| | BG0 | 0.27 | 0.28 | 0.32 | 0.00 | 1.27 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.18 | 0.26 | 0.19 | 0.00 | 0.97 |
| | G0 | 0.29 | 0.12 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.69 |
| | G | 0.34 | 0.14 | 0.41 | 0.06 | 0.86 |
| | G1 | 0.69 | 0.12 | 0.99 | 0.57 | 1.51 |
| | G2 | 0.57 | 0.21 | 0.77 | 0.17 | 1.66 |
| | G3-5 | 0.00 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.02 |
| Rest | 0.00 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.02 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.00 | 0.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.58 |
| | B2 | 0.29 | 0.25 | 0.33 | 0.00 | 1.19 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 0.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.84 |
| | G | 0.00 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.64 |
| | G1 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.54 |
| | G2 | 0.31 | 0.25 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 1.24 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.02 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.32. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of willets (*Tringa semipalmata*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.63 and 6.64.

GG. Horned Lark (*Eremophila alpestris*)

Table 6.65. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of horned larks (*Eremophila alpestris*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 156.8 | 1.36 | 0.1591 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 163.3 | 2.95 | 0.0879 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 104.3 | 1.27 | 0.2627 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 153.5 | 0.61 | 0.4350 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 164.6 | 2.15 | 0.1440 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 161.2 | 0.35 | 0.5562 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 126.2 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 163.9 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 147.5 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.8 | 3.09 | 0.0806 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.9 | 0.00 | 0.9684 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.5 | 0.91 | 0.3426 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 3.84 | 0.0518 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.76 | 0.3838 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.7 | 0.04 | 0.8441 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 163.7 | 0.20 | 0.6544 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 164.8 | 0.38 | 0.5384 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 164.3 | 1.35 | 0.2465 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 136.4 | 0.16 | 0.6853 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 164.5 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.6 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 139.5 | 0.00 | 1.0000 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

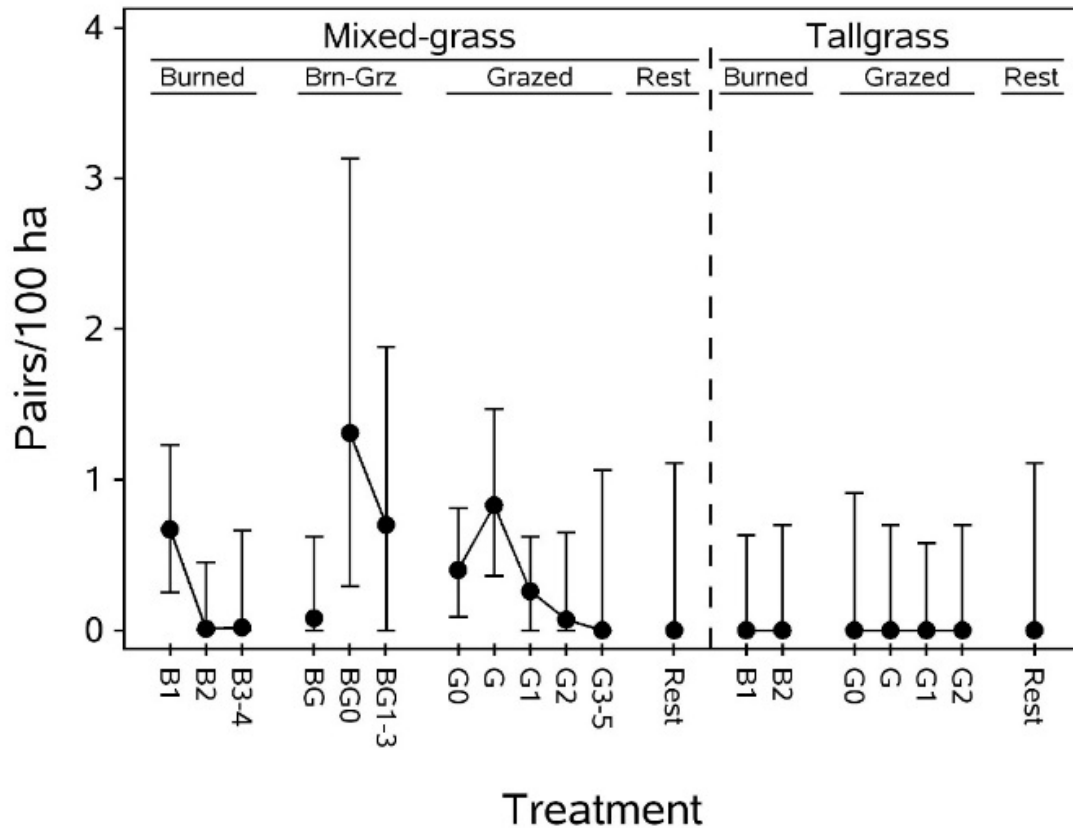
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.66. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of horned larks (*Eremophila alpestris*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.51 | 0.15 | 0.67 | 0.25 | 1.23 |
| | B2 | 0.01 | 0.18 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.45 |
| | B3-4 | 0.02 | 0.25 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.66 |
| | BG | 0.07 | 0.21 | 0.08 | 0.00 | 0.62 |
| | BG0 | 0.84 | 0.30 | 1.31 | 0.29 | 3.13 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.53 | 0.27 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 1.88 |
| | G0 | 0.34 | 0.13 | 0.40 | 0.09 | 0.81 |
| | G | 0.61 | 0.15 | 0.83 | 0.36 | 1.47 |
| | G1 | 0.23 | 0.13 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.62 |
| | G2 | 0.07 | 0.22 | 0.07 | 0.00 | 0.65 |
| | G3-5 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.06 |
| Rest | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.00 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.63 |
| | B2 | 0.00 | 0.27 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.70 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 0.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.91 |
| | G | 0.00 | 0.27 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.70 |
| | G1 | 0.00 | 0.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.58 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 0.27 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.70 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.11 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.33. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of horned larks (*Eremophila alpestris*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.65 and 6.66.

HH. Northern Harrier (*Circus hudsonius*)

Table 6.67. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of northern harriers (*Circus hudsonius*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 159.3 | 0.76 | 0.7394 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 167.5 | 2.03 | 0.1558 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 113.7 | 0.00 | 0.9889 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 162.5 | 0.72 | 0.3966 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 162.9 | 0.11 | 0.7399 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 163.6 | 0.43 | 0.5128 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 126.9 | 0.84 | 0.3605 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 166.6 | 1.63 | 0.2041 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 152.7 | 0.10 | 0.7567 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.95 | 0.3299 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.24 | 0.6244 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.29 | 0.2577 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.67 | 0.1985 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.40 | 0.5293 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 0.04 | 0.8515 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 167.8 | 0.00 | 0.9731 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.4 | 0.05 | 0.8289 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 167.7 | 0.49 | 0.4852 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 130.6 | 0.41 | 0.5224 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 166.6 | 0.15 | 0.6979 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 169.0 | 0.23 | 0.6354 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 139.3 | 0.01 | 0.9040 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

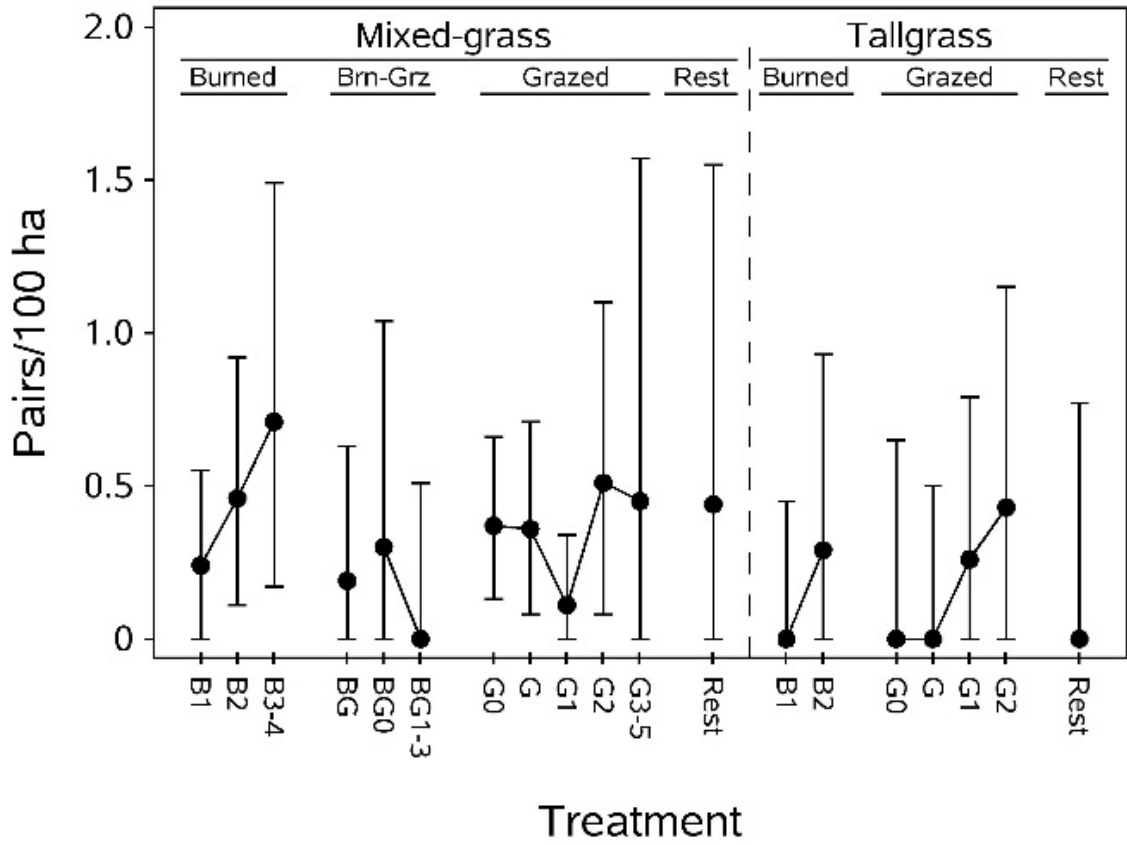
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.68. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of northern harriers (*Circus hudsonius*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.22 | 0.11 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.55 |
| | B2 | 0.38 | 0.14 | 0.46 | 0.11 | 0.92 |
| | B3-4 | 0.53 | 0.19 | 0.71 | 0.17 | 1.49 |
| | BG | 0.17 | 0.16 | 0.19 | 0.00 | 0.63 |
| | BG0 | 0.26 | 0.23 | 0.30 | 0.00 | 1.04 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.51 |
| | G0 | 0.31 | 0.10 | 0.37 | 0.13 | 0.66 |
| | G | 0.31 | 0.12 | 0.36 | 0.08 | 0.71 |
| | G1 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.00 | 0.34 |
| | G2 | 0.41 | 0.17 | 0.51 | 0.08 | 1.10 |
| | G3-5 | 0.37 | 0.29 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 1.57 |
| Rest | 0.37 | 0.29 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 1.55 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.00 | 0.19 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.45 |
| | B2 | 0.25 | 0.21 | 0.29 | 0.00 | 0.93 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.65 |
| | G | 0.00 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.50 |
| | G1 | 0.23 | 0.18 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.79 |
| | G2 | 0.36 | 0.21 | 0.43 | 0.00 | 1.15 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.77 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.34. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of northern harriers (*Circus hudsonius*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.67 and 6.68.

II. Sprague's Pipit (*Anthus spragueii*)

Table 6.69. Generalized linear mixed model, assuming a gamma distribution with a log link, $y = (y+1)$, testing the influence of post-management treatments on breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Sprague's pipit (*Anthus spragueii*) on two grass types (mixed-grass, tallgrass) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

| Effect | Sources of variation ¹ | Numerator degrees of freedom | Denominator degrees of freedom ² | F-statistic | p-value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| Overall | Grass type × treatment | 18 | 136.4 | 0.67 | 0.8349 |
| Contrasts: | Mixed: burned linear | 1 | 86.6 | 1.15 | 0.2870 |
| | Mixed: burned quadratic | 1 | 110.1 | 0.02 | 0.8980 |
| | Mixed: BG0 vs BG1-3 | 1 | 165.1 | 0.08 | 0.7727 |
| | Mixed: grazed linear | 1 | 144.9 | 0.21 | 0.6492 |
| | Mixed: grazed quadratic | 1 | 115.7 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: burned linear | 1 | 143.7 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed linear | 1 | 124.1 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed quadratic | 1 | 162.7 | 0.00 | 0.9952 |
| | B1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.3 | 0.03 | 0.8685 |
| | B2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 164.3 | 1.07 | 0.3028 |
| | G0: mixed versus tall | 1 | 169.0 | 1.28 | 0.2596 |
| | G: mixed versus tall | 1 | 165.7 | 2.92 | 0.0894 |
| | G1: mixed versus tall | 1 | 168.6 | 0.75 | 0.3862 |
| | G2: mixed versus tall | 1 | 126.0 | 0.02 | 0.8888 |
| | Mixed: burned versus rest | 1 | 124.3 | 0.58 | 0.4475 |
| | Mixed: grazed versus rest | 1 | 131.7 | 0.09 | 0.7623 |
| | Mixed: burned-grazed versus rest | 1 | 168.9 | 2.59 | 0.1093 |
| | Mixed: burned versus grazed | 1 | 157.4 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: burned versus rest | 1 | 168.6 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| | Tall: grazed versus rest | 1 | 146.9 | 0.00 | 1.0000 |
| Tall: burned versus grazed | 1 | 86.6 | 1.15 | 0.2870 | |

¹Sources of variation for the model: $Y = \text{Unit}(\text{Grass type}) + \text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment} + \text{Residual}$, where $\text{Unit}(\text{Grass type})$ and Residual are random effects and $\text{Grass type} \times \text{Treatment}$ is a fixed effect in a mixed-model framework. Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).

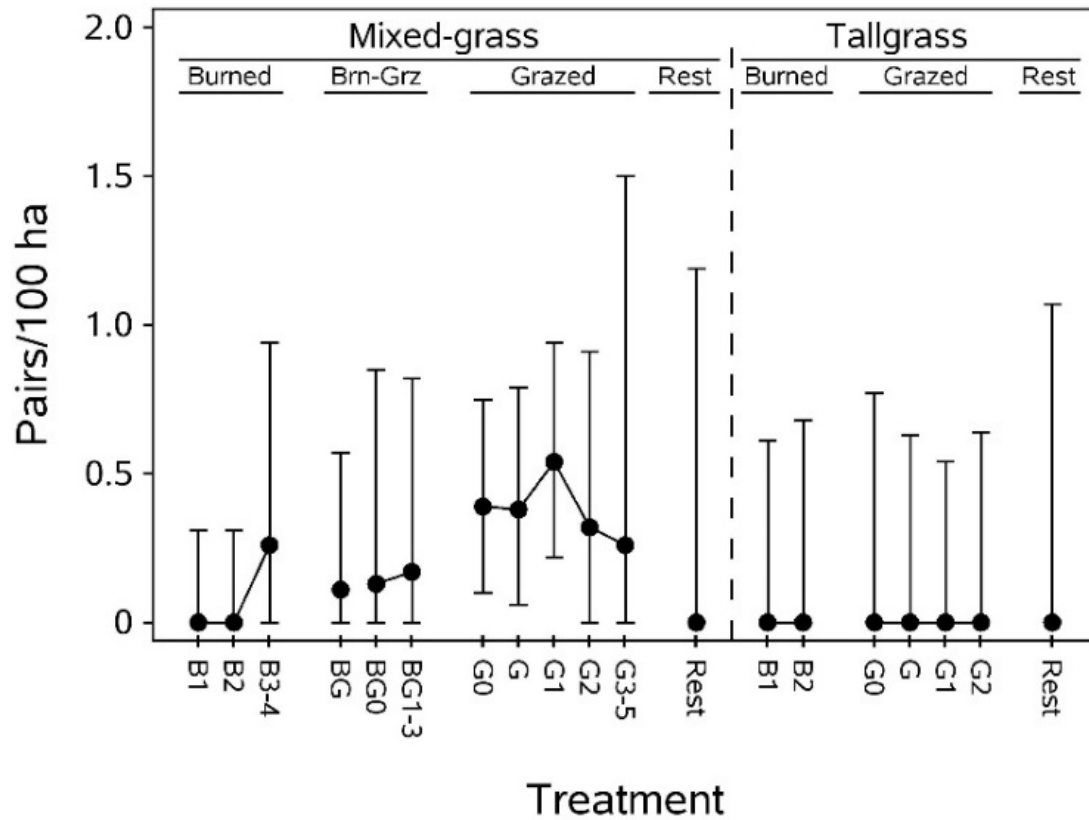
²Degrees of freedom are based on Kenward-Roger correction for repeated-measures models (Littell and others, 2006).

Table 6.70. Least squares mean (standard error) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) and back-transformed least squares mean (95-percent confidence intervals) densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Sprague's pipits (*Anthus spragueii*), by grassland type (mixed-grass, tallgrass) and post-management treatment, on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[LSMean, least squares mean; SE, standard error; LCL, lower confidence limit; UCL, upper confidence limit]

| Grass | Treatment ¹ | LSMean | SE | Back-transformed | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| | | | | LSMean | 95-percent confidence intervals | |
| | | | | LCL | UCL | |
| Mixed | B1 | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.31 |
| | B2 | 0.00 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.31 |
| | B3-4 | 0.23 | 0.22 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.94 |
| | BG | 0.11 | 0.17 | 0.11 | 0.00 | 0.57 |
| | BG0 | 0.12 | 0.25 | 0.13 | 0.00 | 0.85 |
| | BG1-3 | 0.16 | 0.22 | 0.17 | 0.00 | 0.82 |
| | G0 | 0.33 | 0.12 | 0.39 | 0.10 | 0.75 |
| | G | 0.32 | 0.13 | 0.38 | 0.06 | 0.79 |
| | G1 | 0.43 | 0.12 | 0.54 | 0.22 | 0.94 |
| | G2 | 0.28 | 0.19 | 0.32 | 0.00 | 0.91 |
| | G3-5 | 0.23 | 0.35 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 1.50 |
| Rest | 0.00 | 0.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.19 | |
| Tall | B1 | 0.00 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.61 |
| | B2 | 0.00 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.68 |
| | G0 | 0.00 | 0.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.77 |
| | G | 0.00 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.63 |
| | G1 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.54 |
| | G2 | 0.00 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.64 |
| | Rest | 0.00 | 0.37 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.07 |

¹Post-management treatments were generally defined by the number of growing seasons after the management treatment (for example, B1 = first growing season after burn; B3-4, three to four growing seasons after burning; G0 = grazed during growing season; BG3 = third growing season after burned-grazed; rest = no management treatment within previous 5 years).



[Brn-Grz, burned-grazed]

Figure 6.35. Back-transformed least squares mean densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Sprague's pipits (*Anthus spragueii*) in Native Prairie Adaptive Management (NPAM) units managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Bars represent 95-percent confidence limits. Treatments are defined in tables 6.69 and 6.70.

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Appendix 7. Model Selection Results for Candidate Sets of Models Relating Vegetation Structure and Vegetation Composition and Other Variables to Breeding Densities (Pairs per 100 Hectares) of 23 Common Breeding Bird Species and Grassland Species of Conservation Concern on Federal Lands Managed under an Adaptive-Management Framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13

A. Red-winged Blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*)

Table 7.1. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of red-winged blackbirds (*Agelaius phoeniceus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometer); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 674.96 | 0.00 | 0.9992 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 689.66 | 14.70 | 0.0006 |
| Year | 5 | 692.85 | 17.89 | 0.0001 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 701.12 | 26.16 | 0.0000 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 702.56 | 27.60 | 0.0000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 718.61 | 43.65 | 0.0000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 719.70 | 44.74 | 0.0000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 727.71 | 52.75 | 0.0000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 727.84 | 52.88 | 0.0000 |
| Null | 2 | 894.23 | 219.27 | 0.0000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 674.96 | 0.00 | 0.9980 |
| Year, VOR, DefIndex | 11 | 688.03 | 13.07 | 0.0015 |
| Year, VOR, Non/NativeForb | 11 | 690.07 | 15.11 | 0.0005 |
| Year, VOR, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 14 | 698.78 | 23.82 | 0.0000 |
| Year, VOR, NonNativeGrass | 11 | 700.28 | 25.32 | 0.0000 |
| Year, VOR, Northing | 11 | 704.75 | 29.79 | 0.0000 |
| Year, VOR, Easting | 11 | 706.37 | 31.41 | 0.0000 |
| Year, VOR, Area | 11 | 708.78 | 33.82 | 0.0000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.2. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.1) for red-winged blackbirds (*Agelaius phoeniceus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 2.46 | 0.28 | 0.16 |
| | Year | 2012 | 2.27 | 0.21 | 0.40 |
| | Year | 2013 | 1.44 | 0.24 | 0.47 |
| Slope | Year × VOR | 2011 | 0.17 | 0.12 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2012 | 0.27 | 0.07 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2013 | 0.40 | 0.09 | |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

B. Clay-colored Sparrow (*Spizella pallida*)

Table 7.3. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per s100 hectares) of clay-colored sparrow (*Spizella pallida*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 715.96 | 0.00 | 0.97565 |
| Year | 5 | 724.37 | 8.41 | 0.01456 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 725.17 | 9.21 | 0.00976 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 737.19 | 21.23 | 0.00002 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 739.66 | 23.70 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 739.99 | 24.03 | 0.00001 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 748.54 | 32.58 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 761.33 | 45.37 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 763.53 | 47.57 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 834.78 | 118.82 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 715.96 | 0.00 | 0.99773 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, DefIndex | 14 | 728.92 | 12.96 | 0.00153 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth NonNative/Native Forb | 14 | 730.53 | 14.57 | 0.00068 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Northing | 14 | 735.98 | 20.02 | 0.00004 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 17 | 740.38 | 24.42 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, NonNativeGrass | 14 | 743.16 | 27.20 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Area | 14 | 748.32 | 32.36 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Easting | 14 | 753.76 | 37.80 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.4. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.3) for clay-colored sparrows (*Spizella pallida*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters) ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.77 | 0.31 | 0.45 |
| | Year | 2012 | 1.77 | 0.23 | 0.29 |
| | Year | 2013 | 1.88 | 0.26 | 0.20 |
| Slope | Year × VOR | 2011 | 0.21 | 0.13 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2012 | 0.03 | 0.08 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2013 | 0.18 | 0.09 | |
| | Year × LitDepth | 2011 | 0.28 | 0.06 | |
| | Year × LitDepth | 2012 | 0.16 | 0.06 | |
| | Year × LitDepth | 2013 | 0.06 | 0.04 | |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

C. Bobolink (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*)

Table 7.5. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of bobolinks (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 686.68 | 0.00 | 0.99751 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 699.19 | 12.51 | 0.00192 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 701.85 | 15.17 | 0.00051 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 706.42 | 19.74 | 0.00005 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 709.11 | 22.43 | 0.00001 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 713.62 | 26.94 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 720.66 | 33.98 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 723.67 | 36.99 | 0.00000 |
| Year | 5 | 755.87 | 69.19 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 938.79 | 252.11 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 686.68 | 0.00 | 0.98717 |
| Year, VOR, NonNativeGrass | 11 | 696.42 | 9.74 | 0.00757 |
| Year, VOR, Non/NativeForb | 11 | 697.78 | 11.10 | 0.00384 |
| Year, VOR, DefIndex | 11 | 700.04 | 13.36 | 0.00124 |
| Year, VOR, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 14 | 703.91 | 17.23 | 0.00018 |
| Year, VOR, Area | 11 | 714.21 | 27.53 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, Northing | 11 | 715.36 | 28.68 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, Easting | 11 | 724.79 | 38.11 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.6. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.5) for bobolinks (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.78 | 0.29 | 0.57 |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.76 | 0.23 | 0.55 |
| | Year | 2013 | 1.23 | 0.25 | 0.52 |
| Slope | Year × VOR | 2011 | 0.67 | 0.14 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2012 | 0.56 | 0.08 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2013 | 0.55 | 0.09 | |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

D. Grasshopper Sparrow (*Ammodramus savannarum*)

Table 7.7. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of grasshopper sparrows (*Ammodramus savannarum*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models: | | | | |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 704.31 | 0.00 | 0.99856 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 718.71 | 14.40 | 0.00075 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 719.08 | 14.77 | 0.00062 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 723.44 | 19.13 | 0.00007 |
| Year | 5 | 741.29 | 36.98 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 751.37 | 47.06 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 758.44 | 54.13 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 760.23 | 55.92 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 763.97 | 59.66 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 881.89 | 177.58 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models: | | | | |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 704.31 | 0.00 | 0.98942 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround, DefIndex | 14 | 714.70 | 10.39 | 0.00549 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround, Non/NativeForb | 14 | 714.85 | 10.54 | 0.00509 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround, NonNativeGrass | 14 | 728.62 | 24.31 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround, Area | 14 | 730.48 | 26.17 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 17 | 733.42 | 29.11 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround, Easting | 14 | 736.76 | 32.45 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround, Northing | 14 | 745.20 | 40.89 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.8. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.7) for grasshopper sparrows (*Ammodramus savannarum*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|-------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 3.02 | 0.34 | 0.44 |
| | Year | 2012 | 3.79 | 0.26 | 0.53 |
| | Year | 2013 | 3.80 | 0.28 | 0.64 |
| Slope | Year × VOR | 2011 | -0.24 | 0.14 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2012 | -0.46 | 0.08 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2013 | -0.55 | 0.09 | |
| | Year × BareGround | 2011 | -0.04 | 0.01 | |
| | Year × BareGround | 2012 | -0.04 | 0.01 | |
| | Year × BareGround | 2013 | -0.03 | 0.01 | |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

E. Savannah Sparrow (*Passerculus sandwichensis*)

Table 7.9. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Savannah sparrows (*Passerculus sandwichensis*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 675.88 | 0.00 | 0.97276 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 683.04 | 7.16 | 0.02712 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 694.58 | 18.70 | 0.00008 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 696.50 | 20.62 | 0.00003 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 700.97 | 25.09 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 704.62 | 28.74 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 709.46 | 33.58 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 712.05 | 36.17 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 717.52 | 41.64 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 844.07 | 168.19 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 675.88 | 0.00 | 0.99852 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 689.69 | 13.81 | 0.00100 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 691.28 | 15.40 | 0.00045 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 697.43 | 21.55 | 0.00002 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 700.62 | 24.74 | 0.00000 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 703.15 | 27.27 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 707.91 | 32.03 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 709.82 | 33.94 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.10. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.9) for Savannah sparrows (*Passerculus sandwichensis*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 2.26 | 0.15 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 2.05 | 0.13 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 2.47 | 0.13 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

F. Western Meadowlark (*Sturnella neglecta*)

Table 7.11. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of western meadowlarks (*Sturnella neglecta*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 595.91 | 0.00 | 0.99075 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 605.26 | 9.35 | 0.00924 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 619.11 | 23.20 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 622.69 | 26.78 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 627.99 | 32.08 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 631.66 | 35.75 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 634.69 | 38.78 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 642.35 | 46.44 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 647.03 | 51.12 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 751.10 | 155.19 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 595.91 | 0.00 | 0.99698 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 607.69 | 11.78 | 0.00276 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 612.38 | 16.47 | 0.00026 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 624.76 | 28.85 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 626.39 | 30.48 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 631.05 | 35.14 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 632.59 | 36.68 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 638.63 | 42.72 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.12. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.11) for western meadowlarks (*Sturnella neglecta*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 2.03 | 0.13 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 1.99 | 0.11 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 2.10 | 0.11 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

G. Brown-headed Cowbird (*Molothrus ater*)

Table 7.13. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of brown-headed cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 587.62 | 0.00 | 0.99382 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 597.78 | 10.16 | 0.00618 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 615.72 | 28.10 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDept | 11 | 616.61 | 28.99 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 619.52 | 31.90 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 623.48 | 35.86 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 633.71 | 46.09 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 638.85 | 51.23 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 640.68 | 53.06 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 790.04 | 202.42 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 587.62 | 0.00 | 0.95842 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 594.02 | 6.40 | 0.03907 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 600.75 | 13.13 | 0.00135 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 602.32 | 14.70 | 0.00062 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 602.55 | 14.93 | 0.00055 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 620.06 | 32.44 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 622.11 | 34.49 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 624.73 | 37.11 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.14. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.13) for brown-headed cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model Parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 2.29 | 0.12 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 1.79 | 0.09 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 1.74 | 0.09 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

H. Sedge Wren (*Cistothorus platensis*)

Table 7.15. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of sedge wrens (*Cistothorus platensis*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 689.28 | 0.00 | 0.96575 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 695.96 | 6.68 | 0.03422 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 710.58 | 21.30 | 0.00002 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 714.59 | 25.31 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 716.47 | 27.19 | 0.00000 |
| Year | 5 | 727.79 | 38.51 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 735.49 | 46.21 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 752.44 | 63.16 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 752.72 | 63.44 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 795.96 | 106.68 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 689.28 | 0.00 | 0.93628 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, DefIndex | 14 | 694.71 | 5.43 | 0.06199 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Non/NativeForb | 14 | 701.86 | 12.58 | 0.00174 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, NonNativeGrass | 14 | 716.66 | 27.38 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 17 | 717.79 | 28.51 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Easting | 14 | 719.70 | 30.42 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Area | 14 | 723.27 | 33.99 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Northing | 14 | 731.91 | 42.63 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.16. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.15) for sedge wrens (*Cistothorus platensis*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.07 | 0.31 | 0.37 |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.16 | 0.22 | 0.56 |
| | Year | 2013 | −0.35 | 0.25 | 0.68 |
| Slope | Year × VOR | 2011 | 0.17 | 0.14 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2012 | 0.29 | 0.10 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2013 | 0.35 | 0.10 | |
| | Year × LitDepth | 2011 | 0.12 | 0.07 | |
| | Year × LitDepth | 2012 | 0.20 | 0.08 | |
| | Year × LitDepth | 2013 | 0.17 | 0.04 | |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

I. Common Yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*)

Table 7.17. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common yellowthroats (*Geothlypis trichas*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 560.69 | 0.00 | 0.97723 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 568.21 | 7.52 | 0.02275 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 583.30 | 22.61 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 589.45 | 28.76 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 618.33 | 57.64 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 618.60 | 57.91 | 0.00000 |
| Year | 5 | 629.26 | 68.57 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 642.70 | 82.01 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 647.23 | 86.54 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 709.80 | 149.11 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 560.69 | 0.00 | 0.61490 |
| Year, VOR, DefIndex | 11 | 561.63 | 0.94 | 0.38431 |
| Year, VOR, Non/NativeForb | 11 | 574.00 | 13.31 | 0.00079 |
| Year, VOR, NonNativeGrass | 11 | 592.78 | 32.09 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, Area | 11 | 593.02 | 32.33 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 14 | 594.55 | 33.86 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, Easting | 11 | 599.07 | 38.38 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, Northing | 11 | 599.32 | 38.63 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.18. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.17) for common yellowthroats (*Geothlypis trichas*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.10 | 0.22 | 0.54 |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.20 | 0.17 | 0.71 |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.13 | 0.19 | 0.66 |
| Slope | Year × VOR | 2011 | 0.44 | 0.10 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2012 | 0.42 | 0.06 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2013 | 0.52 | 0.07 | |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

J. Chestnut-collared Longspur (*Calcarius ornatus*)

Table 7.19. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of chestnut-collared longspurs (*Calcarius ornatus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 625.54 | 0.00 | 0.52490 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 625.76 | 0.22 | 0.47022 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 635.32 | 9.78 | 0.00395 |
| Null | 2 | 638.47 | 12.93 | 0.00082 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 643.09 | 17.55 | 0.00008 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 645.23 | 19.69 | 0.00003 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 648.49 | 22.95 | 0.00001 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 651.87 | 26.33 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 662.90 | 37.36 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 664.70 | 39.16 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 625.54 | 0.00 | 0.99609 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 637.68 | 12.14 | 0.00230 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 638.65 | 13.11 | 0.00142 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 642.73 | 17.19 | 0.00018 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 651.03 | 25.49 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 655.62 | 30.08 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 659.79 | 34.25 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 669.77 | 44.23 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.20. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.19) for chestnut-collared longspurs (*Calcarius ornatus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model Parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.70 | 0.14 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.64 | 0.13 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.57 | 0.13 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

K. Eastern Kingbird (*Tyrannus tyrannus*)

Table 7.21. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of eastern kingbirds (*Tyrannus tyrannus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 582.80 | 0.00 | 0.99868 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 596.06 | 13.26 | 0.00132 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 608.75 | 25.95 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 609.06 | 26.26 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 620.78 | 37.98 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 621.35 | 38.55 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 626.05 | 43.25 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 634.54 | 51.74 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 639.67 | 56.87 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 666.29 | 83.49 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 582.80 | 0.00 | 0.99870 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 597.01 | 14.21 | 0.00082 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 598.09 | 15.29 | 0.00048 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 612.60 | 29.80 | 0.00000 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 615.07 | 32.27 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 617.11 | 34.31 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 618.97 | 36.17 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 622.52 | 39.72 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.22. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.21) for eastern kingbirds (*Tyrannus tyrannus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 1.14 | 0.12 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 1.25 | 0.10 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 1.18 | 0.10 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

L. Yellow Warbler (*Setophaga petechia*)

Table 7.23. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow warblers (*Setophaga petechia*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 438.07 | 0.00 | 0.99992 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 457.05 | 18.98 | 0.00008 |
| Null | 2 | 463.96 | 25.89 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 474.40 | 36.33 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 478.45 | 40.38 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 486.22 | 48.15 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 487.24 | 49.17 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 495.86 | 57.79 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 503.32 | 65.25 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 504.99 | 66.92 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 438.07 | 0.00 | 0.99621 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 449.24 | 11.17 | 0.00374 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 457.99 | 19.92 | 0.00005 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 469.39 | 31.32 | 0.00000 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 469.52 | 31.45 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 475.56 | 37.49 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 480.18 | 42.11 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 484.19 | 46.12 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.24. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.23) for yellow warblers (*Setophaga petechia*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.53 | 0.12 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.49 | 0.12 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.68 | 0.12 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

M. Brewer's Blackbird (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*)

Table 7.25. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of Brewer's blackbird (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (ha)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 654.63 | 0.00 | 0.98213 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 662.74 | 8.11 | 0.01703 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 670.12 | 15.49 | 0.00043 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 670.15 | 15.52 | 0.00042 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 682.78 | 28.15 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 683.73 | 29.10 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 689.80 | 35.17 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 692.89 | 38.26 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 693.95 | 39.32 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 704.06 | 49.43 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 654.63 | 0.00 | 0.99535 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 665.72 | 11.09 | 0.00389 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 669.01 | 14.38 | 0.00075 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 678.25 | 23.62 | 0.00001 |
| Year, NonNativeGrasses | 8 | 679.34 | 24.71 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 681.63 | 27.00 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 684.65 | 30.02 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 689.16 | 34.53 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.26. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.25) for Brewer's blackbird (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.97 | 0.14 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.59 | 0.11 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.46 | 0.11 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

N. Common Grackle (*Quiscalus quiscula*)

Table 7.27. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of common grackle (*Quiscalus quiscula*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 660.48 | 0.00 | 0.99375 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 670.62 | 10.14 | 0.00624 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 683.50 | 23.02 | 0.00001 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 688.37 | 27.89 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 694.54 | 34.06 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 696.06 | 35.58 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 698.84 | 38.36 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 709.19 | 48.71 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 712.10 | 51.62 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 713.23 | 52.75 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 660.48 | 0.00 | 0.98705 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 669.86 | 9.38 | 0.00907 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 671.56 | 11.08 | 0.00388 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 685.48 | 25.00 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 689.63 | 29.15 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 693.70 | 33.22 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 697.50 | 37.02 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 704.30 | 43.82 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.28. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.27) for common grackles (*Quiscalus quiscula*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.47 | 0.13 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.81 | 0.11 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.68 | 0.11 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

O. Yellow-headed Blackbird (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*)

Table 7.29. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of yellow-headed blackbirds (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 612.56 | 0.00 | 0.98191 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 620.55 | 7.99 | 0.01807 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 635.62 | 23.06 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 637.70 | 25.14 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 642.96 | 30.40 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 645.79 | 33.23 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 653.06 | 40.50 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 658.93 | 46.37 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 661.64 | 49.08 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 667.69 | 55.13 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 612.56 | 0.00 | 0.99457 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 623.08 | 10.52 | 0.00517 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 629.22 | 16.66 | 0.00024 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 633.95 | 21.39 | 0.00002 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 639.54 | 26.98 | 0.00000 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 11 | 639.60 | 27.04 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 640.34 | 27.78 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 654.58 | 42.02 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.30. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.29) for yellow-headed blackbirds (*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.94 | 0.12 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.64 | 0.10 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.29 | 0.10 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

P. Song Sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*)

Table 7.31. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of song sparrows (*Melospiza melodia*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 542.53 | 0.00 | 0.98210 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 550.54 | 8.01 | 0.01790 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 569.94 | 27.41 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 570.95 | 28.42 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 574.06 | 31.53 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 579.81 | 37.28 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 581.95 | 39.42 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 590.18 | 47.65 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 594.65 | 52.12 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 601.30 | 58.77 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 542.53 | 0.00 | 0.99969 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 559.73 | 17.20 | 0.00018 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 560.53 | 18.00 | 0.00012 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 570.23 | 27.70 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 576.45 | 33.92 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 576.91 | 34.38 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 582.56 | 40.03 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 586.04 | 43.51 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.32. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.31) for song sparrows (*Melospiza melodia*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.47 | 0.11 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.76 | 0.09 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.57 | 0.09 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

Q. American Goldfinch (*Spinus tristis*)

Table 7.33. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of American goldfinches (*Spinus tristis*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 515.08 | 0.00 | 0.94514 |
| Year | 5 | 520.78 | 5.70 | 0.05467 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 532.72 | 17.64 | 0.00014 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 535.10 | 20.02 | 0.00004 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 538.38 | 23.30 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 545.25 | 30.17 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 551.97 | 36.89 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 555.46 | 40.38 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 562.33 | 47.25 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 574.10 | 59.02 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 515.08 | 0.00 | 0.99953 |
| Year, VOR, Non/NativeForb | 11 | 531.39 | 16.31 | 0.00029 |
| Year, VOR, DefIndex | 11 | 532.33 | 17.25 | 0.00018 |
| Year, VOR, NonNativeGrass | 11 | 539.23 | 24.15 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 14 | 544.98 | 29.90 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, Easting | 11 | 549.58 | 34.50 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, Area | 11 | 551.23 | 36.15 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, Northing | 11 | 561.04 | 45.96 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.34. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.33) for American goldfinches (*Spinus tristis*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.50 | 0.19 | 0.21 |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.54 | 0.15 | 0.30 |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.46 | 0.17 | -0.17 |
| Slope | Year × VOR | 2011 | 0.02 | 0.09 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2012 | 0.10 | 0.05 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2013 | -0.01 | 0.06 | |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

R. Upland Sandpiper (*Bartramia longicauda*)

Table 7.35. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of upland sandpipers (*Bartramia longicauda*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 509.47 | 0.00 | 0.83459 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 512.73 | 3.26 | 0.16352 |
| Year | 5 | 522.20 | 12.73 | 0.00144 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 524.75 | 15.28 | 0.00040 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 529.08 | 19.61 | 0.00005 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 532.56 | 23.09 | 0.00001 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 536.44 | 26.97 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 549.47 | 40.00 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 554.78 | 45.31 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 601.69 | 92.22 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 509.47 | 0.00 | 0.99958 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, NonNative/Native Forb | 14 | 525.87 | 16.40 | 0.00027 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, DefIndex | 14 | 527.23 | 17.76 | 0.00014 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, NonNativeGrass | 14 | 535.63 | 26.16 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Area | 14 | 543.61 | 34.14 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 17 | 544.16 | 34.69 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Northing | 14 | 547.79 | 38.32 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth, Easting | 14 | 553.88 | 44.41 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.36. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.35) for upland sandpipers (*Bartramia longicauda*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 1.13 | 0.20 | 0.31 |
| | Year | 2012 | 1.26 | 0.15 | 0.51 |
| | Year | 2013 | 1.12 | 0.16 | 0.36 |
| Slope | Year × VOR | 2011 | -0.13 | 0.09 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2012 | 0.01 | 0.07 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2013 | -0.22 | 0.06 | |
| | Year × LitDepth | 2011 | -0.09 | 0.04 | |
| | Year × LitDepth | 2012 | -0.23 | 0.05 | |
| | Year × LitDepth | 2013 | -0.01 | 0.03 | |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

S. Killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*)

Table 7.37. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 514.11 | 0.00 | 0.95679 |
| Year | 5 | 520.53 | 6.42 | 0.03861 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 525.03 | 10.92 | 0.00407 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 529.27 | 15.16 | 0.00049 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 534.18 | 20.07 | 0.00004 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 541.90 | 27.79 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 543.26 | 29.15 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 544.98 | 30.87 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 552.30 | 38.19 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 580.49 | 66.38 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 514.11 | 0.00 | 0.99958 |
| Year, VOR, Non/NativeForb | 11 | 530.61 | 16.50 | 0.00026 |
| Year, VOR DefIndex | 11 | 531.76 | 17.65 | 0.00015 |
| Year, VOR, NonNativeGrass | 11 | 536.49 | 22.38 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 14 | 541.30 | 27.19 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR Northing | 11 | 543.65 | 29.54 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR Area | 11 | 547.60 | 33.49 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR Easting | 11 | 552.66 | 38.55 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.38. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.37) for killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.85 | 0.20 | 0.26 |
| | Year | 2012 | 1.26 | 0.16 | 0.35 |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.43 | 0.17 | 0.15 |
| Slope | Year × VOR | 2011 | -0.20 | 0.09 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2012 | -0.22 | 0.05 | |
| | Year × VOR | 2013 | -0.10 | 0.06 | |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

T. Tree Swallow (*Tachycineta bicolor*)

Table 7.39. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of tree swallows (*Tachycineta bicolor*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 503.86 | 0.00 | 0.98803 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 512.69 | 8.83 | 0.01195 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 526.18 | 22.32 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 530.46 | 26.60 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 536.61 | 32.75 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 543.08 | 39.22 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 11 | 544.40 | 40.54 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 2 | 549.26 | 45.40 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 549.68 | 45.82 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 556.68 | 52.82 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 503.86 | 0.00 | 0.99903 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 518.20 | 14.34 | 0.00077 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 522.33 | 18.47 | 0.00010 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 535.94 | 32.08 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 8 | 537.30 | 33.44 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 539.14 | 35.28 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 11 | 539.81 | 35.95 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 543.68 | 39.82 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.40. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.39) for tree swallows (*Tachycineta bicolor*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.36 | 0.09 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.54 | 0.08 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.42 | 0.08 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

U. Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*)

Table 7.41. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of barn swallows (*Hirundo rustica*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 510.94 | 0.00 | 0.99459 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 521.37 | 10.43 | 0.00541 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 537.06 | 26.12 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 538.60 | 27.66 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 544.23 | 33.29 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 545.69 | 34.75 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 551.54 | 40.60 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 553.49 | 42.55 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 558.24 | 47.30 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 561.22 | 50.28 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 510.94 | 0.00 | 0.99964 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 527.83 | 16.89 | 0.00021 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 528.56 | 17.62 | 0.00015 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 542.07 | 31.13 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 543.13 | 32.19 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 545.31 | 34.37 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 549.79 | 38.85 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 553.43 | 42.49 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.42. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.41) for barn swallows (*Hirundo rustica*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.42 | 0.10 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.52 | 0.08 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.48 | 0.08 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

V. Mourning Dove (*Zenaida macroura*)

Table 7.43. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of mourning doves (*Zenaida macroura*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 446.90 | 0.00 | 0.85630 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 450.47 | 3.57 | 0.14369 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 470.68 | 23.78 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 471.11 | 24.21 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 476.68 | 29.78 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 480.56 | 33.66 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 481.73 | 34.83 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 491.28 | 44.38 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 496.72 | 49.82 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 499.66 | 52.76 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 446.90 | 0.00 | 0.99715 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 459.28 | 12.38 | 0.00204 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 461.14 | 14.24 | 0.00081 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 479.86 | 32.96 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 483.37 | 36.47 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 483.66 | 36.76 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 489.35 | 42.45 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 494.48 | 47.58 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.44. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.43) for mourning doves (*Zenaida macroura*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.46 | 0.08 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.37 | 0.07 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.43 | 0.07 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

W. Ring-necked Pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*)

Table 7.45. Model selection results for candidate sets of models relating vegetation structure and vegetation composition and other variables to breeding densities (pairs per 100 hectares) of ring-necked pheasants (*Phasianus colchicus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13. Vegetation structural models were evaluated first, and then vegetation composition and other variables were added to the vegetation structural model with the lowest AIC_c to see if they improved the model fit.

[k, number of parameters considered in the model; AIC_c, Akaike Information Criterion corrected for small samples; ΔAIC_c, difference between the model with the lowest AIC_c and each subsequent model; ω_i, Akaike weights indicating the relative likelihood of each model; VOR, vertical obstruction reading (decimeters); StandDead, cover of standing dead vegetation (percent); BareGround, cover of bare ground (percent); LitDepth, litter depth (centimeters); MaxHeight, maximum vegetation height (centimeters); DefIndex, Defoliation Index; NonNativeGrass, nonnative grass (percent); Non/NativeForb, ratio of nonnative to native forbs (percent); Brome/NativeGrass, ratio of smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*) to native grass (percent); KYBlue/NativeGrass, ratio of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) to native grass (percent); Easting, eastward-measured distance (kilometers); Northing, northward-measured distance (kilometers); Area, total area surveyed for breeding birds (hectares)]

| Variables ¹ | k | AIC _c | ΔAIC _c | ω _i |
|---|----|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Vegetation structural models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 440.92 | 0.00 | 0.61648 |
| Year, VOR | 8 | 441.87 | 0.95 | 0.38338 |
| Year, MaxHeight | 8 | 457.85 | 16.93 | 0.00013 |
| Year, VOR, LitDepth | 11 | 462.37 | 21.45 | 0.00001 |
| Year, VOR, StandDead | 11 | 466.15 | 25.23 | 0.00000 |
| Year, VOR, BareGround | 11 | 472.29 | 31.37 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, LitDepth | 11 | 478.46 | 37.54 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, StandDead | 11 | 482.43 | 41.51 | 0.00000 |
| Year, MaxHeight, BareGround | 11 | 488.49 | 47.57 | 0.00000 |
| Null | 2 | 490.21 | 49.29 | 0.00000 |
| Vegetation composition and other variable models | | | | |
| Year | 5 | 440.92 | 0.00 | 0.99976 |
| Year, Non/NativeForb | 8 | 458.48 | 17.56 | 0.00015 |
| Year, DefIndex | 8 | 460.88 | 19.96 | 0.00005 |
| Year, NonNativeGrass | 8 | 461.87 | 20.95 | 0.00003 |
| Year, Northing | 8 | 463.32 | 22.40 | 0.00001 |
| Year, Brome/NativeGrass, KYBlue/NativeGrass | 11 | 473.33 | 32.41 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Area | 8 | 478.12 | 37.20 | 0.00000 |
| Year, Easting | 8 | 481.81 | 40.89 | 0.00000 |

¹Explanatory variables included Year and the listed covariates. All covariates were included in the candidate models only as interaction terms with year.

Table 7.46. Maximum likelihood parameter estimates (intercepts and slopes for each year) from model with the lowest Akaike Information Criteria (AIC_c; table 7.45) for ring-necked pheasants (*Phasianus colchicus*) on Federal lands managed under an adaptive-management framework by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Gannon and others, 2013) in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana, 2011–13.

[SE, standard error; r, model fit; NC, not computable; ln, natural logarithm]

| Type | Model parameters | | | | Model fit ¹ |
|-----------|------------------|------|------------------------|------|------------------------|
| | Effect | Year | Parameter ² | SE | r |
| Intercept | Year | 2011 | 0.25 | 0.08 | NC |
| | Year | 2012 | 0.57 | 0.07 | NC |
| | Year | 2013 | 0.32 | 0.07 | NC |

¹Correlation between observed ln(pairs per 100 hectares) and predicted ln(pairs per 100 hectares) for each year. NC = Not computable because year is considered a discrete fixed effect.

²Parameter estimates are on a log-normal scale.

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