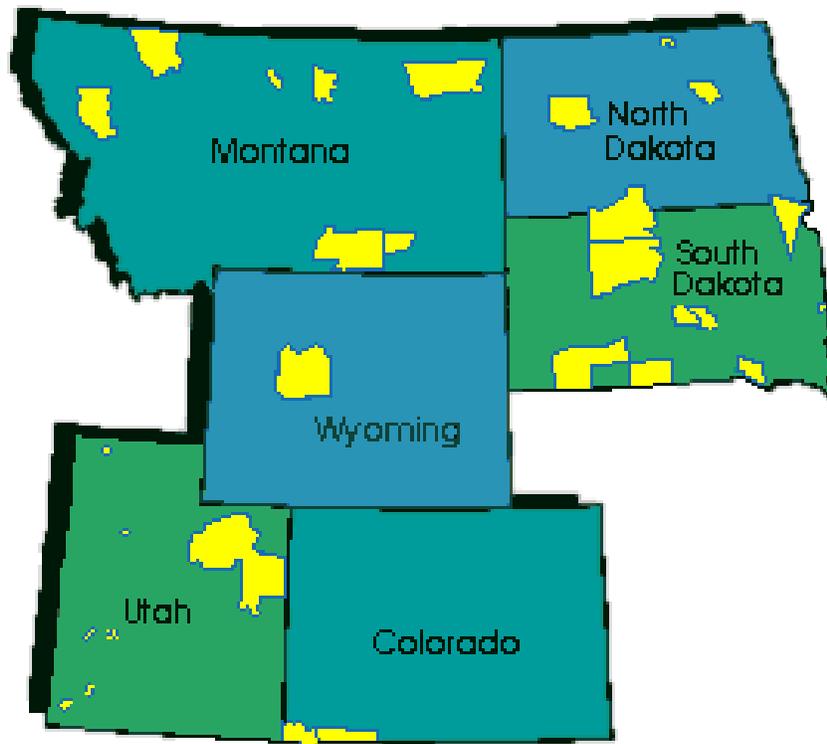


## Western Wetlands Monitoring and Assessment Workgroup

EPA Region 8 Western Wetlands Monitoring and Assessment Workgroup represents six states: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming. This workgroup also includes 27 Tribal governments located in on 26 Indian Reservations.



### Building Capacity: Western Wetlands Monitoring and Assessment Workgroup

Historically, there has been no formal mechanism to share knowledge and information among states and tribes as they implement programs to assess the wetland resource. In 2004, the EPA Region 8 Wetland Monitoring and Assessment Workgroup was formed in an effort to bridge the gap between states and tribes who have established wetland monitoring programs and those currently developing or those in the early stages of implementing wetlands monitoring. This workgroup, now referred to as the Western Wetlands Monitoring and Assessment Workgroup, provides an institutional framework for the sharing of wetland monitoring and assessment information and knowledge.

This website serves as a one-stop information source for Region 8 members, USEPA staff, academia, consultants, and others seeking information.

The International Water Institute will host a workshop April 29, 30, & May 1, 2008 to convene personnel from state and tribal water quality monitoring and natural resource agencies together with federal agencies, academia, and private wetland conservation groups. The workshop will serve as a medium to present results and lessons learned and a venue to discuss emerging concepts and issues.