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Biological Studies

**Special-Status Plant Review
Darms Lane Winery
1150 Darms Lane
APN 034-190-034 and -035
Napa County**



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The project site is located at (APN 034-190-034, and 035) with access from Darms Lane. The property is within the USGS Napa Quadrangle. The findings presented are the result of field study conducted on March 28, 2017, by Kjeldsen Biological Consulting.

- The proposed project will be within existing disturbed areas, vineyards and Oak woodlands;
- No sensitive plant habitat, or special-status plant species were identified or would be expected within the footprint of the survey area. It is unlikely that the proposed project would impact any of the special-status plant species known for the Quadrangle or the region based on the habitat present and historic agricultural use;
- There are no known records in the CDFW CNDDDB for the project site or the immediate vicinity;
- The proposed project footprint will not significantly reduce the habitat for any State or Federally listed plants;
- The project will not impact any Sensitive Natural Communities regulated by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or listed by the County of Napa;
- The habitat associated with the proposed project site is such that there is no need for seasonal floristic surveys;
- The footprint of the project will not significantly contribute to habitat loss or habitat fragmentation; and
- The flora observed on and near the proposed project is included as an Appendix.

Based on our site visit and available information, no State or Federal permits are required and the project will be in compliance with the Federal Endangered Species Act (FESA) and the California Endangered Species Act (CESA).

Recommendations

There are no recommendations to reduce the projects impact on special-status plant species.

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PURPOSE

The purpose of our survey is to review the project site, with emphasis on potential habitat for special-status plants or unique plant populations associated with the proposed project.

Our study also addresses the presence of, or potential for sensitive plant communities listed by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), Napa County Base Line Data Report, Critical Habitat listed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), within or adjacent to the proposed project footprint.

This review provides general information on the potential presence of sensitive plant species and habitats. This is not an official protocol-level survey for listed species that may be required for project approval by local, state, or federal agencies. This assessment is based on information available at the time of the study and on site conditions that were observed on the date of the site visit.

METHODS

Our study was conducted by walking the site while recording field notes and photographing the existing conditions. Our fieldwork searched for potential habitat, which would support local or regional special-status species. Plants unidentifiable in the field were collected for identification with reference sources and a binocular microscope. Plant materials collected and identified in the laboratory are noted in the attached appendix. The open nature of the site, historic agricultural practices, on-going maintenance practices, and size of the project footprint facilitated our field studies.

Typically, blooming examples are required for identification however it is not the only method for identifying the presence of or excluding the possibility of rare plants. Vegetative morphology and dried flower or fruit morphology, which may persist long after the blooming period, may also be used. Skeletal remains from previous season's growth can also be used for identification. For some plants unique features such as the aromatic oils present are key indicator. For some trees and shrubs with unique vegetative characteristics flowering is not needed for proper identification. The vegetative evaluation as a function of field experience can be used to identify species outside of the blooming period to verify or exclude the possibility of special-status plants in a study area.

Habitat is also a key characteristic for consideration of special-status species in a study area. Many special-status species are rare in nature because of their specific and often very narrow habitat or environmental requirements. Their presence is limited by specific environmental conditions such as: hydrology, microclimate, soils, nutrients, interspecific and intraspecific competition, and aspect or exposure. In some situations special-status species particularly annuals may not be present each year and in this case one has to rely on skeletal material from previous years. A site evaluation based on habitat or environmental conditions is therefore a reliable method for including or excluding the possibility of special-status species in an area.

Special-status Species

Special-status organisms are plants that have been designated by Federal or State agencies as rare, endangered, or threatened. Section 15380 of the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA (September, 1983)] has a discussion regarding non-listed (State) taxa. This section states that a plant must be treated as Rare or Endangered even if it is not officially listed as such. If a person (or organization) provides information showing that a taxa meets the State's definitions and criteria, then the taxa should be treated as such.

Sensitive Communities

CDFW CNDDDB identifies environmentally sensitive plant communities that are rare or threatened in nature. Sensitive habitat is defined as any area which meets one of the following criteria: (1) habitats containing or supporting "rare and endangered" species as defined by the State Fish and Wildlife Commission, (2) all perennial and intermittent streams and their tributaries, (3) coastal tide lands and marshes, (4) coastal and offshore areas containing breeding or nesting sites and coastal areas used by migratory and resident water-associated birds for resting areas and feeding, (5) areas used for scientific study and research concerning fish and wildlife, (6) lakes and ponds and adjacent shore habitat, (7) existing game and wildlife refuges and reserves, and (8) sand dunes.

The Napa County Baseline Data Report as well as the California Department of Fish and Game Natural Diversity Data Base (DFG CNDDDB) lists recognized Sensitive Biotic Communities. The Napa County Baseline Data Report lists twenty-three communities which are considered sensitive by DFG due to their rarity, high biological diversity, and/or susceptibility to disturbance or destruction. The CNDDDB communities in Napa County are the following: Serpentine bunchgrass grassland, Wildflower field (located within native grassland), Creeping ryegrass grassland, Purple Needlegrass grassland, One-sided bluegrass grassland, Mixed serpentine chaparral, McNab cypress woodland, Oregon white oak woodland, California bay forests and woodlands, Fremont cottonwood riparian forests, Arroyo willow riparian forests, Black willow riparian forests, Pacific willow riparian forests, Red willow riparian forests, Narrow willow riparian forests, Mixed willow riparian forests, Sargent cypress woodland, Douglas fir-ponderosa pine forest (old-growth), Redwood forest, Coastal and valley freshwater marsh, Coastal brackish marsh, Northern coastal salt marsh, and Northern vernal pool.

Napa County biotic communities of limited distribution that are sensitive include: Native grassland; Tanbark oak alliance; Brewer willow alliance; Ponderosa pine alliance; Riverine, lacustrine, and tidal mudflats; and Wet meadow grasses super alliance.

Critical Habitat

Critical habitat is a specific geographic area(s) that contains features essential for the conservation of a threatened or endangered species and that may require special management and protection. Critical habitat may include an area that is not currently occupied by the species but that will be needed for its recovery.

The Endangered Species Act

The federal Endangered Species Act provides for the protection and conservation of various species of fish, wildlife, and plants that have been federally listed as threatened or endangered. Section 9 of the ESA prohibits the "take" of any fish or wildlife species that is listed as endangered under the ESA unless such take is otherwise specifically authorized pursuant to either Section 7 or Section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Act.

SCOPING

The scoping for the study area considered location and type of habitat and or vegetation types present on the property or associated with potential special-status plant species known for the Quadrangle, surrounding Quadrangles, the County or the region. Our scoping also considered records in the most recent version of the Department of Fish and Wildlife California Natural Diversity Data Base (CDFW CNDDDB Rare Find), and U.S. Fish and Wildlife species list for the property. "Target" special-status species are those listed by the State or Federal government as endangered or threatened in the region. Our scoping is also a function of our familiarity with the local flora and fauna as well as previous projects on other properties in the area.

FINDINGS

The property is located above the Napa Valley within the inner North Coast Range Mountains, a geographic subdivision of the larger California Floristic Province (Hickman, 1993). The property and surrounding region is strongly influenced by storms and fog from the Pacific Ocean. The region is in climate Zone 14 “Ocean influenced Northern and Central California” characterized as an inland area with ocean or cold air influence. The climate of the region is characterized by hot, dry summers and cool, wet winters, with precipitation that varies regionally from less than 30 to more than 60 inches per year. This climate regime is referred to as a “Mediterranean Climate.” The average annual temperature ranges from 45 to 90 degrees Fahrenheit. The variations of abiotic conditions including geology results in a high level of biological diversity per unit area in the region.

The project footprint will impact existing agricultural lands (vineyard) and a relatively small area of Oak Woodland.

Habitat

A portion of the proposed project is within a developed landscape (Vineyards, residence, and roads). Habitats to be impacted include ruderal habitat and Oak woodlands.

Ruderal vegetation within the footprint of the project can be termed weeds, aliens, exotics or invasive plants. The natural habitat impacted by the project includes the cave portals, and a portion of the footprint of is within fringing Oak Woodlands.

The Habitat Type for the project site would be considered Agricultural, and Oak Woodlands

Forest Alliance Mixed Oak Woodlands *Quercus (agrifolia, douglasii, garryana, kelloggii, lobata, wislizeni)* Forest Alliance Mixed Oak Forest; *Quercus agrifolia, Q. douglasii, Q. garryana, Q. kelloggii, Q. lobata* and/or *Q. wislizeni* are co-dominant in the tree canopy with *Aesculus californica, Arbutus menziesii, Pinus sabiniana, Pseudotsuga menziesii,* and *Umbellularia californica.* Trees > 30 m. The canopy is intermittent to continuous. Shrubs are infrequent or common, herbaceous layer is sparse or abundant, may be grassy. This Alliance is found in valley and on gentle to steep slopes. The membership rules require three or more *Quercus* species present at >30% constancy and they are co-dominant in the tree canopy.

The following photos illustrate existing conditions and habitat found on site.



Photo 1. View of the area proposed for offices, guest parking, and tasting room.



Photo 2. View the proposed winery site and caves.



Photo 3. View to the south of the proposed project site.

Special Status Species

A map from the CDFW CNDDDB Rare Find shows known special-status species in the proximity of the project as shown on Plate II. These taxa as well as Special-status Species known for the Quadrangle and Surrounding Quadrangles were considered and reviewed as part of our scoping for the project site and property. Reference sites were reviewed as part of our scoping for some of the species.

Table I below provides a list of species that are known to occur (CDFW CNDDDB Rare Find search). The table includes an analysis of habitat and potential for presence or absence on the project site.

Table I. Analysis of CDFW CNDDDB and USFWS special-status plant species from the region. Columns are arranged alphabetically by scientific name.

Scientific Name Common Name	Species Habitat Association or Plant Community	Habitat present on Project Site	Bloom Time	Obs. on or Near Site	Analysis of habitat on project site for presence or absence.
<i>Agrostis hendersonii</i> Henderson's Bent Grass	Vernal Pools	No	May- July	No	Lack of mesic habitat.

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<i>Amorpha californica</i> var. <i>napensis</i> Napa False Indigo	Cismontane Woodland	Yes	April- July	No	Known for areas east of project site.
<i>Allium peninsulare</i> var. <i>franciscanum</i> Franciscan Onion	Cismontane woodland, Valley and Foothill Grassland/Clay often Serpentinite	No	May- June	No	Absence of requisite edaphic conditions.
<i>Arctostaphylos</i> <i>stanfordiana</i> ssp. <i>decumbans</i> Rincon Manzanita	Chaparral, Lower Montane Coniferous Forest (openings), Rocky, often Serpentinite	No	Feb.- April	No	Absence of requisite habitat and vegetation associates on the site or in the immediate vicinity.
<i>Astragalus claranus</i> Clara Hunt's Milk- vetch	Chaparral, Cismontane Woodland, Valley and Foothill Grassland	Yes	March- May	No	Absence of requisite micro-habitat and vegetation associates.
<i>Astragalus tener</i> var. <i>tener</i> Alkali Milk-vetch	Valley and Foothill Grassland, Vernal Pools /Alkaline	No	March -June	No	Absence of requisite mesic habitat or substrate on project site precludes presence.
<i>Balsamorhiza</i> <i>macrolepis</i> var. <i>macrolepis</i> Big-scale Balsamroot	Chaparral, Cismontane Woodland, Valley and Foothill Grassland	No	March- June	No	Historic use of site precludes presence.
<i>Blennosperma bakeri</i> Sonoma Sunshine	Valley and Foothill Grassland, Vernal Pools	No	March- May	No	Absence of requisite mesic habitat.
<i>Brodiaea leptandra</i> (= <i>B. californica</i> var. <i>leptandra</i>) Narrow-anthered California Brodiaea	Open Cismontane Woodland, Mixed- evergreen Forest or Chaparral Gravely Soil	Yes	May- June	No	Absence of typical vegetation associates and soils.
<i>Castilleja ambigua</i> var. <i>meadii</i> Mead's Owls-clover	Vernally wet meadows with volcanic substrate	No	April- June	No	Lack of habitat.

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<i>Ceanothus confusus</i> Rincon Ridge Ceanothus	Closed Cone Conifer Forests, Chaparral	No	Feb.- April	No	Absence of typical habitat and vegetation associates.
<i>Ceanothus divergens</i> Calistoga Ceanothus	Chaparral, Serpentinite or Volcanic-Rocky.	No	May- Sep.	No	Lack of mesic habitat.
<i>Ceanothus purpureus</i> Holly-leaved Ceanothus	Chaparral	No	March- May	No	Absence of typical habitat and vegetation associates.
<i>Ceanothus sonomensis</i> Sonoma Ceanothus	Chaparral, Serpentinite or Rocky Volcanic.	No	Feb.- March	No	Absence of typical habitat and vegetation associates.
<i>Centromadia parryi</i> ssp. <i>parryi</i> Pappose Tarplant	Grassland salt or alkaline Marshes	No	March- June	No	Requisite mesic conditions absent.
<i>Downingia pusilla</i> Dwarf Downingia	Wetlands	No	March May	No	Requisite aquatic habitat absent on the site or in the immediate vicinity.
<i>Erigeron greenei</i> Green's Narrow-leaved Daisy	Chaparral, (Serpentinite)	No	May- Sept.	No	Absence of edaphic conditions required for presence.
<i>Eryngium jepsonii</i> Jepson's Coyote Thistle	Moist Clay Soils	No	April- Aug.	No	Absence of mesic conditions required for presence.
<i>Extriplex joaquiniana</i> (= <i>Atriplex</i>) San Joaquin Sparscale	Valley and Foothill Grassland, Alkali	No	April- Oct.	No	Absence of requisite edaphic habitat on the site or in the immediate vicinity precludes presence.
<i>Hemizonia congesta</i> ssp. <i>congesta</i> Congested Headed Tarplant	Coastal Grassland	No	April Oct.	No	Absence of requisite habitat.
<i>Hesperolinon breweri</i> Brewer's Western Flax	Cismontane Woodland, Valley and Foothill Serpentinite	No	May- July	No	Absence of requisite edaphic habitat on the site or in the immediate vicinity precludes presence.

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<i>Horkelia tenuiloba</i> Thin-lobed (=Santa Rosa) Horkelia	Broadleaved Upland Forest, Chaparral, Valley and Foothill Grassland	No	May- July	No	Absence of typical habitat and vegetation associates. Present on adjacent parcels.
<i>Isocoma arguta</i> Carquinez Goldenbush	Valley and Foothill Grassland, Alkali	No	Aug- Dec.	No	Absence of requisite edaphic habitat on the site or in the immediate vicinity precludes presence.
<i>Juglans hindsii</i> California Black Walnut	Riparian Woodland	No	April- May	No	Absence of requisite habitat or substrate on the project site
<i>Lasthenia conjugens</i> Contra Costa Goldfields	Wet Meadows, Vernal Pools	No	May- June	No	Lack of suitable mesic habitat.
<i>Leptosiphon jepsonii</i> Jepson's Leptosiphon	Chaparral, Cismontane Woodland, Valley and Foothill Grassland	Yes	April- May	No	Requisite habitat absent on the site or in the immediate vicinity.
<i>Limnanthes vincularis</i> Sebastopol Meadowfoam	Meadows and Seeps, Valley and Foothill Grassland, Vernal Pools	No	April- May	No	Requisite mesic habitat absent on the site or in the immediate vicinity.
<i>Lupinus sericatus</i> Cobb Mountain Lupine	Broadleaved Upland Forest, Chaparral, Cismontane Woodland	No	March -June	No	Absence of requisite vegetation associates as well as historical use of project site precludes presence.
<i>Navarretia leucocephala</i> ssp. <i>pauciflora</i> Few-flowered Navarretia	Vernal Pools	No	May- June	No	Absence of typical habitat and vegetation associates.
<i>Penstemon newberryi</i> var. <i>sonomensis</i> Sonoma Beardtongue	Cismontane Woodland	No	April- Aug.	No	Absence of typical habitat and vegetation associates.

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<i>Sidalcea keckii</i> Keck's Checkerbloom	Grassy Slopes	No	April May	No	Lack of habitat
<i>Streptanthus hisperidis</i> Green Jewel-flower	Rocky Chaparral, Grassland	No	April- July	No	Lack of edaphic habitat and historic use of project site precludes presence.
<i>Trichostema ruygtii</i> Napa Bluecurls, Vinegar Weed	Open areas with thin clay soils seasonally saturated	No	June- Oct.	No	Requisite habitat absent on the site.
<i>Trifolium amoenum</i> , Two-fork Clover	Coastal Bluff Scrub, Valley and Foothill Grassland (Sometimes Serpentine)	No	April- June	No	Historical use of the site precludes presence. This species is vulnerable to disturbance and livestock grazing.
<i>Trifolium hydrophilum</i> Saline Clover	Marshes and Swamps Grassland	No	April- June	No	Absence of mesic habitat required for presence.
<i>Viburnum ellipticum</i> Oval-leaved Viburnum	Chaparral, Cismontane Woodland, Lower Coniferous Forest	No	May- June	No	Requisite habitat absent on the site or in the immediate vicinity.

The historic use of the site and the absence of wetlands, vernal pools and serpentine reasonably preclude presence of any of the local or regional special-status species of plants.

Sensitive Communities

The sensitive habitat types in the region consist of vernal pools, fresh water marshes, serpentine, riparian corridors and native grasslands. There was no evidence within the proposed project footprint for the presence of any of these sensitive habitat types.

The grasslands within the footprint of the project do not consist of any of the sensitive grassland communities listed by the County Baseline Data Report.

There is no Critical Habitat associated with the project site.

Native Grassland

The grasslands within the footprint of the project do not consist of any of the sensitive grassland communities listed by the County Baseline Data Report or CDFW. Native grasses on the project site do not meet the definition of Native Grass Grassland and would not be considered a species with limited distribution or a sensitive natural plant communities for the following reasons: Lack of

typical native grassland species and diversity. The grasses present are within an understory and not associated with historic grasslands. The project will not impact any native grassland.

Unique Species that are Endemic, Rare or Atypical for the Area

Unique populations of organisms are associated with microclimates or specific habitats which are part of the diversity of the California landscape. This includes fringing populations of organisms at their limits geographically or associated with particular soils or geologic features. No unique or unusual populations of plants were present on the property or the project site.

POTENTIAL BOTANICAL IMPACTS

The project's effect to onsite or regional botanical resources is considered to be significant if the project results in:

- Alteration of unique characteristics of the area, such as sensitive plant communities and habitats (i.e. serpentine habitat, wetlands, riparian habitat);
- Adverse impacts to special-status plant species;
- Adverse impacts to important or vulnerable resources as determined by scientific opinion or resource agency concerns (i.e. sensitive biotic communities, special-status habitats);

The habitat impacted by the proposed project is such that there is little reason to expect impacts to special-status species. We found no evidence for the presence of any special-status species on or in the vicinity of the proposed project. The habitat present and historic use of the property reasonably precludes presence on or associated with the proposed project.

The CNDDDB five-mile search does not show any records of special-status species on the property. There is no reason to expect any negative impacts to special-status species or locally significant biological resources by the proposed project, provided Best Management are followed.

The sensitive botanical habitat types identified in the CDFW CNDDDB and known for the region are not present within the proposed project site.

Recommendations

There are no recommendations to reduce the projects impact on special-status plant species.

SUMMARY

This botanical review is provided as background information necessary for evaluating potential impacts on local botanical resources specifically special-status plant species that could be impacted by the proposed project.

The conditions on the project site, historical land use, lack of any findings during our studies, soils present, site topography, lack of any historical records for the site, and the habitat and plant associates present would reasonably preclude the presence of special-status species;

An analysis, based on our fieldwork, for each of the target species listed above and potential species associated with the habitat on the project site is presented and justification for concluding absence defined.

We find that it is unlikely that any of the “target” special-status species known for the Quadrangle and surrounding Quadrangles or region would occur on the site.

No sensitive habitat or unique plant populations were present.

All plant species observed during our seasonal surveys of the property are included in Appendix A.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at, (707) 544-3091, Fax (707) 575-8030, or by email at (kjeldsen@sonic.net).

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ATTACHMENTS

Plate I. Location Map

Plate II. CDFW CNDDDB Map

Plate III. Aerial Photo / Survey Area

APPENDIX A Plants Observed Associated With The Project Site

APPENDIX B CDFW CNDDDB Rare Find 5 State and Federal Listed Species for the
Quadrangle and Surrounding Quadrangles

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service IPaC Trust Resources
Federal Endangered and Threatened Species that Occur in or may be
Affected by the Project

Names of and Qualifications of Field Investigators

Daniel T. Kjeldsen, B.S., Natural Resource Management, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, California. He spent 1994 to 1996 in the Peace Corps managing natural resources in Honduras, Central America. His work for the Peace Corps in Central America focused on watershed inventory, mapping and the development and implementation of a protection plan. He has over fifteen years of experience in conducting Biological Assessments, CDFW Habitat Assessments, ACOE wetland delineations, wetland rehabilitation, and development of and implementation of mitigation projects and mitigation monitoring. He has received 3.2 continuing education units MCLE 27 hours in Determining Federal Wetlands Jurisdiction from the University of California Berkeley Extension. A full resume is available upon request.

Chris K. Kjeldsen, Ph.D., Botany, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon. He has over thirty-five years of professional experience in the study of California flora. He was a member of the Sonoma County Planning Commission and Board of Zoning (1972 to 1976). He has over thirty years of experience in managing and conducting environmental projects involving impact assessment and preparation of compliance documents, Biological Assessments, CDFW Habitat Assessments, CDFW SB 34 Mitigation projects, ACOE Mitigation projects and State Parks and Recreation Biological Resource Studies. Experience includes conducting special-status species surveys, jurisdictional wetland delineations, general biological surveys, 404 and 1600 permitting, and consulting on various projects. He taught Plant Taxonomy at Oregon State University (three years) and numerous botanical science and aquatic botany courses (thirty-five years) at Sonoma State University including sections on wetlands and wetland delineation techniques. He has supervised numerous graduate theses, NSF, DOE and local agency grants and served as a university administrator. A full resume is available upon request. He has a valid CDFW collecting permit.

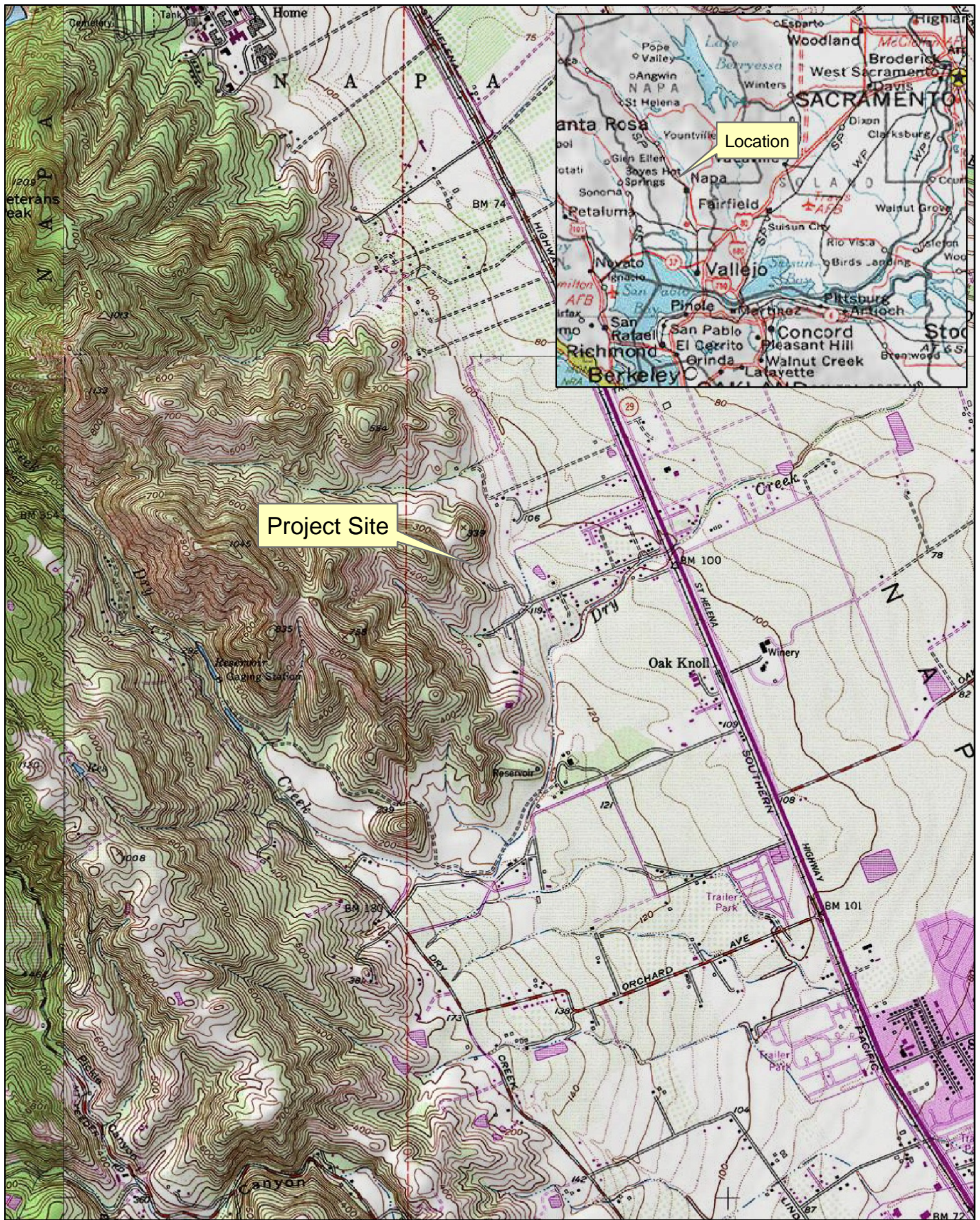


Plate I. Location and Site Map

(Napa USGS Quadrangle)

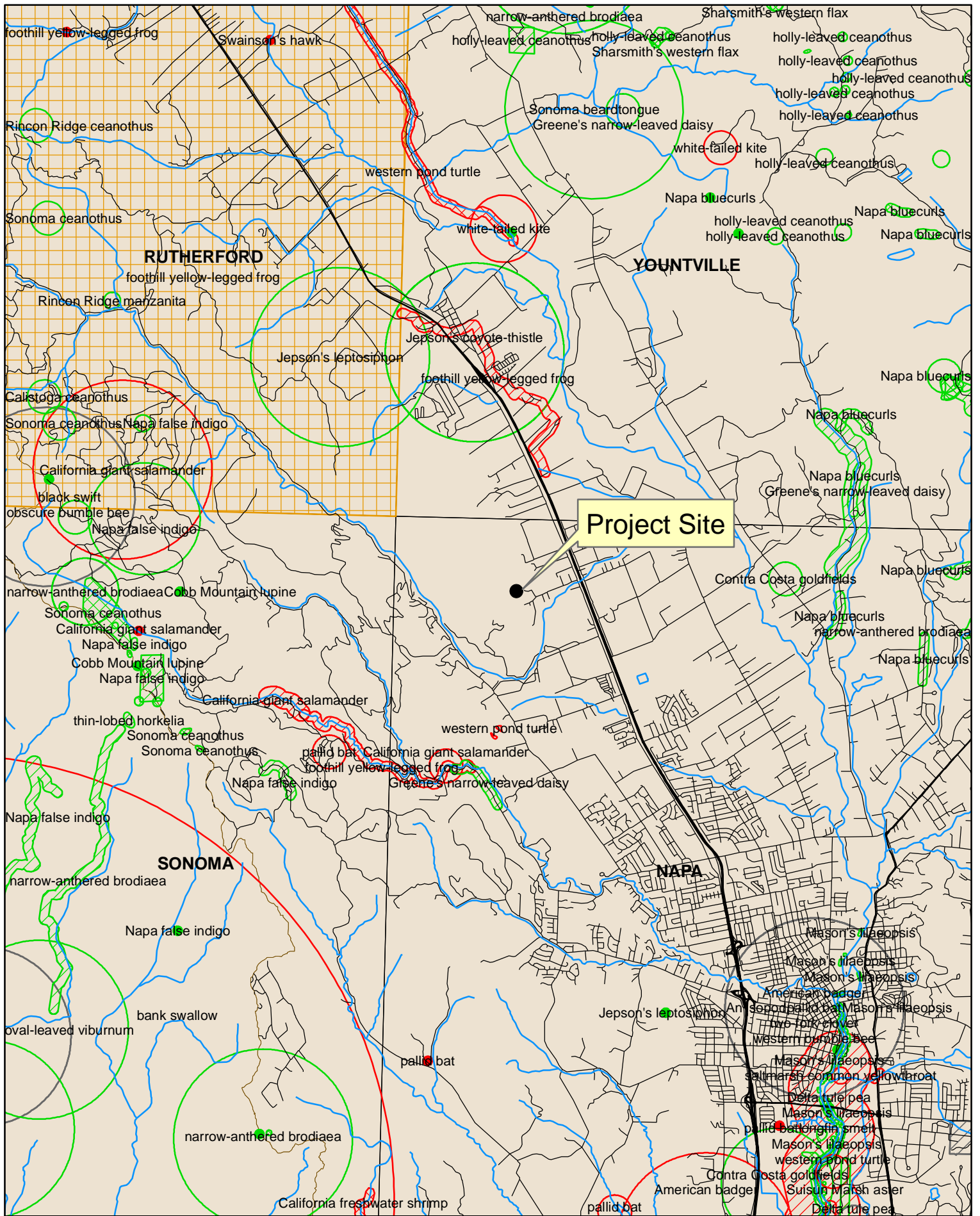


Plate II. CDFW CNDDDB Rare Find Data

(Data Date May 2017)



Plate III. Aerial Photo / Survey Area

APPENDIX A

Plants Observed Associated With The Project Site

PLANTS

The nomenclature for the list of plants found on the project site and the immediate vicinity follows: Brodo, Irwin M., Sylvia Duran Sharnoff and Stephen Sharnoff, 2001, for the lichens; Arora -1985, for the fungi; S Norris and Shevrock - 2004, for the mosses; and Baldwin, Goldman, Keil, Patterson, Rosati, and Wilkens, editors, 2012 - for the vascular plants. The plant list is organized by major plant group.

Habitat type indicates the general associated occurrence of the taxon on the project site or in nature. **Abundance** refers to the relative number of individuals on the project site or in the region.

<u>MAJOR PLANT GROUP</u>		
Family	Genus	Habitat Type
Common Name		
Abundance		

NCN = No Common Name, * = Non-native, @= Voucher Specimen

MOSSES

MINACEAE

<i>Dendroalsia abietina</i> (Hook.) Brit.	Woodlands	Common
NCN		
<i>Homalothecium nuttallii</i> (Wilson) Jaeger	Epiphytic on Trees Near Coast-Inland	Common
NCN		
<i>Orthotrichum lyellii</i> Hook & Tayl.	Woodlands, Upper Canopy	Common
NCN		
<i>Scleropodium touretii</i> (Brid.) L Koch.	Woodlands	Common
NCN		

LIVERWORTS: "COMPLEX THALLOID"

AYTONIACEAE

<i>Astellia californica</i> (Hampe)	Underw. On Soil or Cut Banks	Occasional
NCN		

LIVERWORTS: "LEAFY"

FOSOMBRONIACEAE

@ <i>Fossombronia longiseta</i> (Austin)	Austin On Soil of Hillsides quick to Dry	Occasional
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SPHEROCARPACEAE

@ <i>Sphaerocarpos texanus</i> Austin	On Bare Soil, Pioneer, Paths	Common
Bottle Liverwort		

MAJOR PLANT GROUP**Family**

Genus	Habitat Type	Abundance
Common Name		

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LICHENS**FOLIOSE**

<i>Flavoparmelia caperata</i> (L.) Hale	On Oaks	Common
Common Green Shield		
<i>Flavopunctilia flaventor</i> (Stirt.) Hale	On Oaks, Occasional on Rocks	Common
Speckled Green Shield		
<i>Parmelia sulcata</i> Taylor	On Bark	Common
Hamered Shield Lichen		
<i>Xanthoparmelia mexicana</i> (Gyeln.) Hale	On Rocks	Common
NCN		
<i>Xanthoria polycarpa</i> (Hoffm.) Rieber	On Oaks Young Twigs	Common
Pin-cushion Sunburst Lichen		

FRUTICOSE

<i>Evernia prunastri</i> (L.) Ach.	On Oaks	Common
NCN		
<i>Ramalina farinacea</i> (L.) Ach.	On Oaks	Common
NCN		
<i>Teloschistes chrysophthalmus</i> (L.) Th. Fr.	On Oaks	Common
NCN		
<i>Usnea intermedia</i> = <i>U. arizonica</i>	On Oaks	Common
NCN		

VASCULAR PLANTS DIVISION ANTHOPHYTA --ANGIOSPERMS**CLASS--DICOTYLEDONAE- TREES****EUDICOTS****ERICACEAE Heath Family**

<i>Arbutus menziesii</i> Pursh	Woodlands	Common
Madrone		

FAGACEAE Oak Family

<i>Quercus agrifolia</i> Nee	Woodlands	Common
Live Oak		
<i>Quercus lobata</i> Nee.	Valley Grasslands	Common
Valley Oak		

OLEACEAE Olive Family

* <i>Olea europaea</i> L.	Domestic Ruderal	Occasional
Olive		

SALICACEAE Willow Family

<i>Populus fremontii</i> S.Watson ssp. <i>fremontii</i>	Planted	Occasional
Fremont Cottonwood		

MAJOR PLANT GROUP**Family**

Genus	Habitat Type	Abundance
Common Name		

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VASCULAR PLANTS DIVISION ANTHOPHYTA --ANGIOSPERMS**CLASS--DICOTYLEDONAE-SHRUBS AND WOODY VINES****EUDICOTS**

ANACARDIACEAE Sumac Family

Toxicodendron diversilobum (Torry&Gray) E.Green Woodlands Common
Poison Oak

ASTERACEAE (Compositae) Sunflower Family

Baccharis pilularis deCandolle Woodlands, Grasslands Common
Coyote Brush

CACTACEAE Cactus Family

**Opuntia ficus-indica* (L.) Miller Escape Common
Mission Prickly-Pear, Indian-Fig Burbank's Spineless Prickly Pear

CAPRIFOLIACEAE Honeysuckle Family

Symphoricarpos albus (L.) SF Blake var. *laevigatus* Riparian, Shrub/Scrub Common
Snowberry Woodlands

ROSACEAE Rose Family

Heteromeles arbutifolia (Lind.) M. Rome. Shrub/Scrub Common
Christmas Berry, Toyon

VASCULAR PLANTS DIVISION ANTHOPHYTA --ANGIOSPERMS**CLASS--DICOTYLEDONAE-HERBS****EUDICOTS**

APIACEAE (Umbelliferae) Carrot Family

**Dacus carota* L. Ruderal Grasslands Common
Wild Carrot, Queen Anne's Lace

**Torilis arvensis* (Huds.) Link Grasslands Woodlands Common
Hedge-parsley

ASTERACEAE (Compositae) Sunflower Family

**Anthemis cotula* L. Ruderal Common
Mayweed, Stinkweed, Dog-fennel

**Calendula arvensis* L. Ruderal Occasional
Field Marigold

**Carduus pycnocephalus* L.subsp.*pycnocephalus* Woodlands Common
Italian Thistle

**Cichorium intybus* L. Ruderal Occasional
Chicory

**Cirsium vulgare* (Savi) Ten. Grasslands, Ruderal Common
Bull Thistle

**Erigeron canadensis* L. Ruderal Occasional

Horseweed (= *Conyza Canadensis*)

MAJOR PLANT GROUP		
Family		
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* <i>Helminthotheca echioides</i> (L.) Holub	Ruderal	Common
Ox-tongue (= <i>Picris echioides</i>)		
* <i>Lactuca serriola</i> L.	Ruderal	Occasional
Prickly Lettuce		
<i>Senecio aronicoides</i> DC.	Foothill Woodlands	Occasional
Rayless Ragwort, California Butterweed		
* <i>Senecio vulgaris</i> L.	Ruderal	Occasional
NCN		
* <i>Sonchus asper</i> (L.) Hill var. <i>asper</i>	Ruderal	Common
Prickly Sow Thistle		
* <i>Sonchus oleraceus</i> L.	Ruderal	Common
Common Sow Thistle)		
* <i>Taraxacum officinale</i> F.H.Wigg	Ruderal	Common
Dandelion		
<i>Wyethia glabra</i> A.Gray	Edge of Woodlands	Common
Coast Mules Ears		
BORAGINACEAE Borage or Waterleaf Family		
<i>Amsinckia menziesii</i> (Lehm) Nelson&Macbr.	Grasslands	Occasional
Rancher's Fireweed		
<i>Phacelia ciliata</i> Benth.	Grasslands	Occasional
NCN		
<i>Plagiobothrys nothofulvus</i> (A.Gray)A. Gray	Grasslands, Woodlands	Common
Popcorn Flower		
BRASSICACEAE Mustard Family		
* <i>Brassica rapa</i> L.	Grasslands, Ruderal	Common
Field Mustard		
* <i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i> L.	Ruderal	Common
Shepherd's Purse		
<i>Cardamine oligosperma</i> Nutt.	Ruderal	Common
Bitter-cress		
* <i>Lepidium virginicum</i> L. subsp <i>virginicum</i>	Ruderal	Common
Pepper-grass		
* <i>Raphanus sativus</i> L.	Ruderal	Common
Wild Radish		
CARYOPHYLLACEAE Pink Family		
* <i>Cerastium arvense</i> L. subsp <i>strictum</i>	Ruderal	Common
Spury, Stickey Sand-Spury		
* <i>Cerastium fontanum</i> Baumg. subsp. <i>vulgare</i>	Ruderal	Common
Mouse-ear-chickweed		

MAJOR PLANT GROUP**Family**

Genus	Habitat Type	Abundance
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FABACEAE (Leguminosae) Legume Family

* <i>Lotus corniculatus</i> L. Bird's-foot Trefoil	Grasslands, Ruderal	Common
<i>Lupinus nanus</i> Benth. Sky Lupine	Grasslands	Common
* <i>Medicago polymorpha</i> L. Bur Clover	Ruderal, Grasslands	Common
* <i>Trifolium hirtum</i> All. Rose Clover	Ruderal	Common
* <i>Trifolium repens</i> L. White Clover	Ruderal	Common
* <i>Vicia sativa</i> L. subsp. <i>nigra</i> Narrow Leaved-vetch	Grasslands, Ruderal	Common
* <i>Vicia villosa</i> Roth. subsp. <i>villosa</i> Hairy Vetch, Winter Vetch	Ruderal	Common

GERANIACEAE Geranium Family

* <i>Erodium botrys</i> (Cav.) Bertol. Broadleaf Filaree, Long-beaked Filaree	Grasslands	Common
* <i>Geranium dissectum</i> L. Common Geranium	Grasslands	Common
* <i>Geranium molle</i> L. Dove's Foot Geranium	Grasslands	Common
* <i>Geranium robertianum</i> L. Red Robin	Canyons Oak Woodland, Shady	Common

LAMIACEAE (Labiatae) Mint Family

<i>Stachys ajugoides</i> Benth. Hedge-nettle	Moist Open Places	Occasional
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MALVACEAE Mallow Family

* <i>Malva parviflora</i> L. Cheeseweed, Mallow	Ruderal	Common
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PLANTAGINACEAE Plantain Family

* <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> L. English Plantain	Ruderal	Common
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POLYGONACEAE Buckwheat Family

* <i>Rumex crispus</i> L. Curly Dock	Ruderal	Common
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RANUNCULACEAE Buttercup Family

* <i>Ranunculus muricatus</i> L. Pickle-fruited Buttercup	Grasslands, Ruderal	Occasional
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MAJOR PLANT GROUP**Family**

Genus	Habitat Type	Abundance
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RUBIACEAE Madder Family

<i>Galium aparine</i> L. Goose Grass	Woodlands, Riparian, Ruderal	Common
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VASCULAR PLANTS DIVISION ANTHOPHYTA --ANGIOSPERMS**CLASS--MONOCOTYLEDONAE-GRASSES**

POACEAE Grass Family

* <i>Avena barbata</i> Link. Slender Wild Oat	Grasslands	Common
* <i>Bromus diandrus</i> Roth Ripgut Grass	Ruderal, Grasslands	Common
* <i>Bromus hordeaceus</i> L. Soft Chess, Blando Brome (<i>B.mollis</i>)	Grasslands	Common
* <i>Cynosurus echinatus</i> L. Hedgehog, Dogtail	Ruderal	Common
<i>Festuca microstachys</i> Nutt. NCN (= <i>Vulpia microstachys</i>)	Grasslands, Ruderal	Common
* <i>Festuca myuros</i> L. Rattail Fescue, Zorro Annual Fescue (= <i>Vulpia myuros</i>)	Grasslands	Common
<i>Festuca occidentalis</i> Hook. Western Fescue	Open Forests, Woodlands	Occasional
* <i>Festuca perennis</i> (L.) Columubus & Sm. Perennial Rye Grass (= <i>Lolium multiflorum</i> , <i>L. perenne</i>)	Grasslands	Common
* <i>Poa annua</i> L. Annual Bluegrass	Grasslands	Common

VASCULAR PLANTS DIVISION ANTHOPHYTA --ANGIOSPERMS**CLASS--MONOCOTYLEDONAE-HERBS**

AGAVACEAE Centuray Plant Family

<i>Chlorogalum pomeridianum</i> (DC.) Kunth var. <i>pomeridianum</i> Soap Plant	Woodlands, Grasslands	Common
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IRIDACEAE Iris Family

<i>Sisyrinchium bellum</i> Watson Blue-eyed Grass	Grasslands	Common
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APPENDIX B

**CDFW CNDDDB Rare Find 5 State and Federal Listed Species for the
Quadrangle and Surrounding Quadrangles**

**U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service IPaC Trust Resources
Federal Endangered and Threatened Species that Occur in or may be
Affected by the Project**



Selected Elements by Scientific Name

California Department of Fish and Wildlife

California Natural Diversity Database



Query Criteria: Taxonomic Group IS OR (Ferns OR OR Gymnosperms OR OR Monocots OR OR Dicots OR OR Lichens OR OR Bryophytes)
 AND IS (Capell Valley (3812242) OR OR Cordelia (3812222) OR OR Cuttings Wharf (3812223) OR OR Mt. George (3812232) OR OR Napa (3812233) OR OR Rutherford (3812244) OR OR Sears Point (3812224) OR OR Sonoma (3812234) OR OR Yountville (3812243))
 AND IS (Cismontane woodland OR OR Valley & foothill grassland)

Species	Element Code	Federal Status	State Status	Global Rank	State Rank	Rare Plant Rank/CDFW SSC or FP
<i>Agrostis hendersonii</i> Henderson's bent grass	PMPOA040K0	None	None	G2Q	S2	3.2
<i>Allium peninsulare var. franciscanum</i> Franciscan onion	PMLIL021R1	None	None	G5T1	S1	1B.2
<i>Amorpha californica var. napensis</i> Napa false indigo	PDFAB08012	None	None	G4T2	S2	1B.2
<i>Arctostaphylos stanfordiana ssp. decumbens</i> Rincon Ridge manzanita	PDERI041G4	None	None	G3T1	S1	1B.1
<i>Astragalus claranus</i> Clara Hunt's milk-vetch	PDFAB0F240	Endangered	Threatened	G1	S1	1B.1
<i>Astragalus tener var. tener</i> alkali milk-vetch	PDFAB0F8R1	None	None	G2T2	S2	1B.2
<i>Balsamorhiza macrolepis</i> big-scale balsamroot	PDAST11061	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
<i>Blennosperma bakeri</i> Sonoma sunshine	PDAST1A010	Endangered	Endangered	G1	S1	1B.1
<i>Brodiaea leptandra</i> narrow-anthered brodiaea	PMLIL0C022	None	None	G3?	S3?	1B.2
<i>Castilleja affinis var. neglecta</i> Tiburon paintbrush	PDSCR0D013	Endangered	Threatened	G4G5T1T2	S1S2	1B.2
<i>Ceanothus confusus</i> Rincon Ridge ceanothus	PDRHA04220	None	None	G1	S1	1B.1
<i>Ceanothus divergens</i> Calistoga ceanothus	PDRHA04240	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
<i>Ceanothus purpureus</i> holly-leaved ceanothus	PDRHA04160	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
<i>Centromadia parryi ssp. parryi</i> pappose tarplant	PDAST4R0P2	None	None	G3T2	S2	1B.2
<i>Downingia pusilla</i> dwarf downingia	PDCAM060C0	None	None	GU	S2	2B.2
<i>Eryngium jepsonii</i> Jepson's coyote-thistle	PDAP10Z130	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
<i>Extriplex joaquinana</i> San Joaquin spearscale	PDCHE041F3	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
<i>Hemizonia congesta ssp. congesta</i> congested-headed hayfield tarplant	PDAST4R065	None	None	G5T1T2	S1S2	1B.2



Selected Elements by Scientific Name
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
California Natural Diversity Database



Species	Element Code	Federal Status	State Status	Global Rank	State Rank	Rare Plant Rank/CDFW SSC or FP
<i>Hesperolinon breweri</i> Brewer's western flax	PDLIN01030	None	None	G2?	S2?	1B.2
<i>Horkelia tenuiloba</i> thin-lobed horkelia	PDR0S0W0E0	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
<i>Isocoma arguta</i> Carquinez goldenbush	PDAST57050	None	None	G1	S1	1B.1
<i>Lasthenia conjugens</i> Contra Costa goldfields	PDAST5L040	Endangered	None	G1	S1	1B.1
<i>Leptosiphon jepsonii</i> Jepson's leptosiphon	PDPLM09140	None	None	G3	S3	1B.2
<i>Limnanthes vincularis</i> Sebastopol meadowfoam	PDLIM02090	Endangered	Endangered	G1	S1	1B.1
<i>Lupinus sericatus</i> Cobb Mountain lupine	PDFAB2B3J0	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
<i>Sidalcea keckii</i> Keck's checkerbloom	PDMAL110D0	Endangered	None	G2	S2	1B.1
<i>Streptanthus hesperidis</i> green jewelflower	PDBRA2G510	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
<i>Trichostema ruygtii</i> Napa bluecurls	PDLAM220H0	None	None	G1G2	S1S2	1B.2
<i>Trifolium amoenum</i> two-fork clover	PDFAB40040	Endangered	None	G1	S1	1B.1
<i>Trifolium hydrophilum</i> saline clover	PDFAB400R5	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2
<i>Viburnum ellipticum</i> oval-leaved viburnum	PDCPR07080	None	None	G4G5	S3?	2B.3

Record Count: 31

Query Summary:

Taxonomic Group **IS** (Ferns **OR** Gymnosperms **OR** Monocots **OR** Dicots **OR** Lichens **OR** Bryophytes)
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 Sonoma (3812234) **OR** Yountville (3812243))
AND Habitat **IS** (Cismontane woodland **OR** Valley & foothill grassland)

CNDDDB Element Query Results

Scientific Name	Common Name	Federal Status	State Status	State Rank	CA Rare Plant Rank	Habitats
<i>Agrostis hendersonii</i>	Henderson's bent grass	None	None	S2	3.2	Valley & foothill grassland, Vernal pool, Wetland
<i>Allium peninsulare</i> var. <i>franciscanum</i>	Franciscan onion	None	None	S1	1B.2	Cismontane woodland, Ultramafic, Valley & foothill grassland
<i>Amorpha californica</i> var. <i>napensis</i>	Napa false indigo	None	None	S2	1B.2	Broadleaved upland forest, Chaparral, Cismontane woodland
<i>Arctostaphylos stanfordiana</i> ssp. <i>decumbens</i>	Rincon Ridge manzanita	None	None	S1	1B.1	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland
<i>Astragalus claranus</i>	Clara Hunt's milk-vetch	Endangered	Threatened	S1	1B.1	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Valley & foothill grassland
<i>Astragalus tener</i> var. <i>tener</i>	alkali milk-vetch	None	None	S2	1B.2	Alkali playa, Valley & foothill grassland, Vernal pool, Wetland
<i>Balsamorhiza macrolepis</i>	big-scale balsamroot	None	None	S2	1B.2	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Ultramafic, Valley & foothill grassland
<i>Blennosperma bakeri</i>	Sonoma sunshine	Endangered	Endangered	S1	1B.1	Valley & foothill grassland, Vernal pool, Wetland
<i>Brodiaea leptandra</i>	narrow-anthered brodiaea	None	None	S3?	1B.2	Broadleaved upland forest, Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Lower montane coniferous forest, Valley & foothill grassland

Castilleja affinis var. neglecta	Tiburon paintbrush	Endangered	Threatened	S1S2	1B.2	Ultramafic, Valley & foothill grassland
Ceanothus confusus	Rincon Ridge ceanothus	None	None	S1	1B.1	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Closed-cone coniferous forest, Ultramafic
Ceanothus divergens	Calistoga ceanothus	None	None	S2	1B.2	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Ultramafic
Ceanothus purpureus	holly-leaved ceanothus	None	None	S2	1B.2	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland
Centromadia parryi ssp. parryi	pappose tarplant	None	None	S2	1B.2	Chaparral, Coastal prairie, Marsh & swamp, Meadow & seep, Valley & foothill grassland
Downingia pusilla	dwarf downingia	None	None	S2	2B.2	Valley & foothill grassland, Vernal pool, Wetland
Eryngium jepsonii	Jepson's coyote-thistle	None	None	S2	1B.2	Valley & foothill grassland, Vernal pool
Extriplex joaquinana	San Joaquin spearscale	None	None	S2	1B.2	Alkali playa, Chenopod scrub, Meadow & seep, Valley & foothill grassland
Hemizonia congesta ssp. congesta	congested-headed hayfield tarplant	None	None	S1S2	1B.2	Valley & foothill grassland
Hesperolinon breweri	Brewer's western flax	None	None	S2?	1B.2	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Ultramafic, Valley & foothill grassland
Horkelia tenuiloba	thin-lobed horkelia	None	None	S2	1B.2	Broadleaved upland forest, Chaparral, Valley & foothill grassland
Isocoma arguta	Carquinez goldenbush	None	None	S1	1B.1	Valley & foothill grassland
Lasthenia conjugens	Contra Costa goldfields	Endangered	None	S1	1B.1	Alkali playa, Cismontane woodland, Valley & foothill grassland, Vernal pool, Wetland
Leptosiphon jepsonii	Jepson's leptosiphon	None	None	S3	1B.2	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Ultramafic
Limnanthes vinculans	Sebastopol meadowfoam	Endangered	Endangered	S1	1B.1	Meadow & seep, Valley & foothill grassland, Vernal pool, Wetland
Lupinus sericatus	Cobb Mountain lupine	None	None	S2	1B.2	Broadleaved upland forest, Chaparral,

						Cismontane woodland, Lower montane coniferous forest, Ultramafic
<i>Sidalcea keckii</i>	Keck's checkerbloom	Endangered	None	S2	1B.1	Cismontane woodland, Ultramafic, Valley & foothill grassland
<i>Streptanthus hesperidis</i>	green jewelflower	None	None	S2	1B.2	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Ultramafic
<i>Trichostema ruygtii</i>	Napa bluecurls	None	None	S1S2	1B.2	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Lower montane coniferous forest, Valley & foothill grassland, Vernal pool, Wetland
<i>Trifolium amoenum</i>	two-fork clover	Endangered	None	S1	1B.1	Coastal bluff scrub, Ultramafic, Valley & foothill grassland
<i>Trifolium hydrophilum</i>	saline clover	None	None	S2	1B.2	Marsh & swamp, Valley & foothill grassland, Vernal pool, Wetland
<i>Viburnum ellipticum</i>	oval-leaved viburnum	None	None	S3?	2B.3	Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Lower montane coniferous forest

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U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

IPaC resource list

This report is an automatically generated list of species and other resources such as critical habitat (collectively referred to as *trust resources*) under the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) jurisdiction that are known or expected to be on or near the project area referenced below. The list may also include trust resources that occur outside of the project area, but that could potentially be directly or indirectly affected by activities in the project area. However, determining the likelihood and extent of effects a project may have on trust resources typically requires gathering additional site-specific (e.g., vegetation/species surveys) and project-specific (e.g., magnitude and timing of proposed activities) information.

Below is a summary of the project information you provided and contact information for the USFWS office(s) with jurisdiction in the defined project area. Please read the introduction to each section that follows (Endangered Species, Migratory Birds, USFWS Facilities, and NWI Wetlands) for additional information applicable to the trust resources addressed in that section.

Location

Napa County, California



Local office

Sacramento Fish And Wildlife Office

☎ (916) 414-6600

📠 (916) 414-6713

Federal Building

2800 Cottage Way, Room W-2605

Sacramento, CA 95825-1846

Endangered species

This resource list is for informational purposes only and does not constitute an analysis of project level impacts.

The primary information used to generate this list is the known or expected range of each species. Additional areas of influence (AOI) for species are also considered. An AOI includes areas outside of the species range if the species could be indirectly affected by activities in that area (e.g., placing a dam upstream of a fish population, even if that fish does not occur at the dam site, may indirectly impact the species by reducing or eliminating water flow downstream). Because species can move, and site conditions can change, the species on this list are not guaranteed to be found on or near the project area. To fully determine any potential effects to species, additional site-specific and project-specific information is often required.

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act requires Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of such proposed action" for any project that is conducted, permitted, funded, or licensed by any Federal agency. A letter from the local office and a species list which fulfills this requirement can only be obtained by requesting an official species list from either the Regulatory Review section in IPaC (see directions below) or from the local field office directly.

For project evaluations that require USFWS concurrence/review, please return to the IPaC website and request an official species list by doing the following:

1. Draw the project location and click CONTINUE.
2. Click DEFINE PROJECT.
3. Log in (if directed to do so).
4. Provide a name and description for your project.
5. Click REQUEST SPECIES LIST.

Listed species

¹ are managed by the [Endangered Species Program](#) of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

1. Species listed under the [Endangered Species Act](#) are threatened or endangered; IPaC also shows species that are candidates, or proposed, for listing. See the [listing status page](#) for more information.

The following species are potentially affected by activities in this location:

Amphibians

NAME	STATUS
California Red-legged Frog <i>Rana draytonii</i> There is a final critical habitat designated for this species. Your location is outside the designated critical habitat. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2891	Threatened

Birds

NAME	STATUS
California Least Tern <i>Sterna antillarum browni</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8104	Endangered
Northern Spotted Owl <i>Strix occidentalis caurina</i> There is a final critical habitat designated for this species. Your location is outside the designated critical habitat. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1123	Threatened

Crustaceans

NAME	STATUS
California Freshwater Shrimp <i>Syncaris pacifica</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7903	Endangered

Conservancy Fairy Shrimp *Branchinecta conservatio* Endangered
 There is a **final critical habitat** designated for this species.
 Your location is outside the designated critical habitat.
<https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8246>

Fishes

NAME	STATUS
Delta Smelt <i>Hypomesus transpacificus</i> There is a final critical habitat designated for this species. Your location is outside the designated critical habitat. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/321	Threatened
Steelhead <i>Oncorhynchus (=Salmo) mykiss</i> There is a final critical habitat designated for this species. Your location is outside the designated critical habitat. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1007	Threatened

Flowering Plants

NAME	STATUS
Contra Costa Goldfields <i>Lasthenia conjugens</i> There is a final critical habitat designated for this species. Your location is outside the designated critical habitat. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7058	Endangered
Showy Indian Clover <i>Trifolium amoenum</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6459	Endangered

Mammals

NAME	STATUS
Salt Marsh Harvest Mouse <i>Reithrodontomys raviventris</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/613	Endangered

Critical habitats

Potential effects to critical habitat(s) in this location must be analyzed along with the endangered species themselves.

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS AT THIS LOCATION.

Migratory birds

Certain birds are protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act

¹ and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act².

Any activity that results in the take (to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct) of migratory birds or eagles is prohibited unless authorized by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

³. There are no provisions for allowing the take of migratory birds that are unintentionally killed or injured.

Any person or organization who plans or conducts activities that may result in the take of migratory birds is responsible for complying with the appropriate regulations and implementing appropriate conservation measures.

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1. The [Migratory Birds Treaty Act](#) of 1918.
 2. The [Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act](#) of 1940.
 3. 50 C.F.R. Sec. 10.12 and 16 U.S.C. Sec. 668(a)

Additional information can be found using the following links:

- Birds of Conservation Concern <http://www.fws.gov/birds/management/managed-species/birds-of-conservation-concern.php>
- Conservation measures for birds <http://www.fws.gov/birds/management/project-assessment-tools-and-guidance/conservation-measures.php>
- Year-round bird occurrence data <http://www.birdscanada.org/birdmon/default/datasummaries.jsp>

The migratory birds species listed below are species of particular conservation concern (e.g. [Birds of Conservation Concern](#)) that may be potentially affected by activities in this location. It is not a list of every bird species you may find in this location, nor a guarantee that all of the bird species on this list will be found on or near this location. Although it is important to try to avoid and minimize impacts to all birds, special attention should be made to avoid and minimize impacts to birds of priority concern. To view available data on other bird species that may occur in your project area, please visit the [AKN Histogram Tools](#) and [Other Bird Data Resources](#). To fully determine any potential effects to species, additional site-specific and project-specific information is often required.

NAME	SEASON(S)
Allen's Hummingbird <i>Selasphorus sasin</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9637	Migrating
Bald Eagle <i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1626	Year-round
Bell's Sparrow <i>Amphispiza belli</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9303	Year-round
Black Oystercatcher <i>Haematopus bachmani</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9591	Year-round
Black Rail <i>Laterallus jamaicensis</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7717	Breeding
Burrowing Owl <i>Athene cunicularia</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9737	Year-round
Common Yellowthroat <i>Geothlypis trichas sinuosa</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2084	Breeding
Costa's Hummingbird <i>Calypte costae</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9470	Year-round
Fox Sparrow <i>Passerella iliaca</i>	Wintering

Least Bittern <i>Ixobrychus exilis</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6175	Breeding
Lesser Yellowlegs <i>Tringa flavipes</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9679	Wintering
Lewis's Woodpecker <i>Melanerpes lewis</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9408	Wintering
Long-billed Curlew <i>Numenius americanus</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5511	Wintering
Mountain Plover <i>Charadrius montanus</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3638	Wintering
Nuttall's Woodpecker <i>Picoides nuttallii</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9410	Year-round
Oak Titmouse <i>Baeolophus inornatus</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9656	Year-round
Olive-sided Flycatcher <i>Contopus cooperi</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3914	Breeding
Peregrine Falcon <i>Falco peregrinus</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8831	Year-round
Rufous Hummingbird <i>elasphorus rufus</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8002	Migrating
Short-billed Dowitcher <i>Limnodromus griseus</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9480	Wintering
Short-eared Owl <i>Asio flammeus</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9295	Wintering

Swainson's Hawk <i>Buteo swainsoni</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1098	Breeding
Tricolored Blackbird <i>Agelaius tricolor</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3910	Year-round
Western Grebe <i>aechmophorus occidentalis</i> https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6743	Year-round

What does IPaC use to generate the list of migratory bird species potentially occurring in my specified location?

Landbirds:

Migratory birds that are displayed on the IPaC species list are based on ranges in the latest edition of the National Geographic Guide, Birds of North America (6th Edition, 2011 by Jon L. Dunn, and Jonathan Alderfer). Although these ranges are coarse in nature, a number of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service migratory bird biologists agree that these maps are some of the best range maps to date. These ranges were clipped to a specific Bird Conservation Region (BCR) or USFWS Region/Regions, if it was indicated in the 2008 list of Birds of Conservation Concern (BCC) that a species was a BCC species only in a particular Region/Regions. Additional modifications have been made to some ranges based on more local or refined range information and/or information provided by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologists with species expertise. All migratory birds that show in areas on land in IPaC are those that appear in the 2008 Birds of Conservation Concern report.

Atlantic Seabirds:

Ranges in IPaC for birds off the Atlantic coast are derived from species distribution models developed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA) National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science (NCCOS) using the best available seabird survey data for the offshore Atlantic Coastal region to date. NOAA/NCCOS assisted USFWS in developing seasonal species ranges from their models for specific use in IPaC. Some of these birds are not BCC species but were of interest for inclusion because they may occur in high abundance off the coast at different times throughout the year, which potentially makes them more susceptible to certain types of development and activities taking place in that area. For more refined details about the abundance and richness of bird species within your project area off the Atlantic Coast, see the [Northeast Ocean Data Portal](#). The Portal also offers data and information about other types of taxa that may be helpful in your project review.

About the NOAA/NCCOS models: the models were developed as part of the NOAA/NCCOS project: [Integrative Statistical Modeling and Predictive Mapping of Marine Bird Distributions and Abundance on the Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf](#). The models resulting from this project are being used in a number of decision-support/mapping products in order to help guide decision-

making on activities off the Atlantic Coast with the goal of reducing impacts to migratory birds. One such product is the [Northeast Ocean Data Portal](#), which can be used to explore details about the relative occurrence and abundance of bird species in a particular area off the Atlantic Coast.

All migratory bird range maps within IPaC are continuously being updated as new and better information becomes available.

Can I get additional information about the levels of occurrence in my project area of specific birds or groups of birds listed in IPaC?

Landbirds:

The [Avian Knowledge Network \(AKN\)](#) provides a tool currently called the "Histogram Tool", which draws from the data within the AKN (latest, survey, point count, citizen science datasets) to create a view of relative abundance of species within a particular location over the course of the year. The results of the tool depict the frequency of detection of a species in survey events, averaged between multiple datasets within AKN in a particular week of the year. You may access the histogram tools through the [Migratory Bird Programs AKN Histogram Tools](#) webpage.

The tool is currently available for 4 regions (California, Northeast U.S., Southeast U.S. and Midwest), which encompasses the following 32 states: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

In the near future, there are plans to expand this tool nationwide within the AKN, and allow the graphs produced to appear with the list of trust resources generated by IPaC, providing you with an additional level of detail about the level of occurrence of the species of particular concern potentially occurring in your project area throughout the course of the year.

Atlantic Seabirds:

For additional details about the relative occurrence and abundance of both individual bird species and groups of bird species within your project area off the Atlantic Coast, please visit the [Northeast Ocean Data Portal](#). The Portal also offers data and information about other taxa besides birds that may be helpful to you in your project review. Alternately, you may download the bird model results files underlying the portal maps through the NOAAANCCOS [Integrative Statistical Modeling and Predictive Mapping of Marine Bird Distributions and Abundance on the Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf project](#) webpage.

Facilities

Wildlife refuges

Any activity proposed on [National Wildlife Refuge](#) lands must undergo a 'Compatibility Determination' conducted by the Refuge. Please contact the individual Refuges to discuss any questions or concerns.

THERE ARE NO REFUGES AT THIS LOCATION.

Fish hatcheries

THERE ARE NO FISH HATCHERIES AT THIS LOCATION.

Wetlands in the National Wetlands Inventory

Impacts to [NWI wetlands](#) and other aquatic habitats may be subject to regulation under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, or other State/Federal statutes.

For more information please contact the Regulatory Program of the local [U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District](#).

This location overlaps the following wetlands:

FRESHWATER EMERGENT WETLAND

[PEM1B](#)

RIVERINE

[R4SBAX](#)

A full description for each wetland code can be found at the National Wetlands Inventory website: <https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/wetlands/decoder>

Data limitations

The Service's objective of mapping wetlands and deepwater habitats is to produce reconnaissance level information on the location, type and size of these resources. The maps are prepared from the analysis of high altitude imagery. Wetlands are identified based on vegetation, visible

hydrology and geography. A margin of error is inherent in the use of imagery; thus, detailed on-the-ground inspection of any particular site may result in revision of the wetland boundaries or classification established through image analysis.

The accuracy of image interpretation depends on the quality of the imagery, the experience of the image analysts, the amount and quality of the collateral data and the amount of ground truth verification work conducted. Metadata should be consulted to determine the date of the source imagery used and any mapping problems.

Wetlands or other mapped features may have changed since the date of the imagery or field work. There may be occasional differences in polygon boundaries or classifications between the information depicted on the map and the actual conditions on site.

Data exclusions

Certain wetland habitats are excluded from the National mapping program because of the limitations of aerial imagery as the primary data source used to detect wetlands. These habitats include seagrasses or submerged aquatic vegetation that are found in the intertidal and subtidal zones of estuaries and nearshore coastal waters. Some deepwater reef communities (coral or tubercid worm reefs) have also been excluded from the inventory. These habitats, because of their depth, go undetected by aerial imagery.

Data precautions

Federal, state, and local regulatory agencies with jurisdiction over wetlands may define and describe wetlands in a different manner than that used in this inventory. There is no attempt, in either the design or products of this inventory, to define the limits of proprietary jurisdiction of any Federal, state, or local government or to establish the geographical scope of the regulatory programs of government agencies. Persons intending to engage in activities involving modifications within or adjacent to wetland areas should seek the advice of appropriate federal, state, or local agencies concerning specified agency regulatory programs and proprietary jurisdictions that may affect such activities.

Not for
consultation

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RE: Darms Lane Winery Permit
Section 18 T6N, R4W, MDB&M - Napa County

Scott,

This is an assessment for northern spotted owls (*strix occidentalis caurinia*), or NSOs, for the Darms Lane Winery Project located at 1150 Darms Lane, south of Yountville, California. The Project proposes to remove 1 or 2 hardwoods (oaks) and build a winery and tasting room. No conifer trees will be removed.

Known Northern Spotted Owl Territories:

On 21JAN16, I ran a California Department of Fish & Wildlife's spotted owl viewer for the above listed project (Attachment #1). An assessment area of 1.3 miles from the project area was used. The 1.3 mile assessment area was created by USFWS for a Take Avoidance of northern spotted owls within the California Interior (outside the redwood zone). Although Napa County does have redwoods, the environmental conditions in the area are hotter/drier than the coastal redwood zone and there are no redwoods on the property; therefore, the 1.3 mile assessment area was used for this Project (Attachment #2). A summary of the report includes:

Owls Sites Found:

- There are no known northern spotted owl territories within 1.3 miles of the Proposed Project. The closest known NSO territory is NAP016 and is located 1.4 miles southwest of the Proposed Project.

Northern Spotted Owl Habitat:

The attributes for northern spotted owl habitat includes a forest with:

- Dense, multi-layered canopy of several trees species.
- Trees of varying sizes and ages.
- Abundant logs, snags/cavity trees, and trees with broken tops or platform-like substrates (i.e. broken tops, mistletoe, debris piles, or old raptor/squirrel nests).
- Open spaces among lower branches to allow flight under the canopy.

USFWS more specifically defines northern spotted owl habitat within the California Interior as follows:

- High Quality Nesting/Roosting Habitat: Mixed tree species with basal area of 210+ ft² and ≥ 15 " quadratic mean diameter, and ≥ 8 trees per acre of trees ≥ 26 " in diameter at breast height, and $\geq 60\%$ canopy closure.
- Suitable Nesting/Roosting Habitat: Mixed tree species with basal area ranging from 150 - 180+ ft² and ≥ 15 " quadratic mean diameter, and ≥ 8 trees per acre of trees ≥ 26 " in diameter at breast height, and $\geq 60\%$ canopy closure.
- Suitable Foraging Habitat: Mixed tree species with basal area ranging from 120 - 180+ ft² and ≥ 13 " quadratic mean diameter, and ≥ 5 trees per acre of trees ≥ 26 " in diameter at breast height, and a mix of $\geq 40\%$ to 100% canopy closure.
- Low Quality Foraging Habitat: Mixed tree species with basal area ranging from 80 - 120+ ft² and ≥ 11 " quadratic mean diameter, and $\geq 40\%$ canopy closure.

Project Area:

The Project Area is within a larger agricultural area (vineyards, grass production, and open areas) (Attachment #3). The trees to be removed are hardwoods and the building construction will be close to existing vineyards and structures (Attachment #4).

The location of the Project Area is within unsuitable northern spotted owl habitat due to lack of mixed forest type, open landscape, agricultural production, and presence of actively-used structures. Potential suitable northern spotted owl habitat exists further than 1 mile from the Project Area.

Conclusions for Darms Lane Winery Project:

The closest known northern spotted owl territory is located 1.4 miles from the Project Area. The Project is located and surrounded by unsuitable NSO habitat due to lack of mixed forest, open areas, existing vineyards, and residential houses/businesses.

There will be no change in northern spotted owl habitat due to this project; therefore, no mitigation measures for northern spotted owls are proposed at this time for this Project.

This is a general assessment of northern spotted owls for the above listed project area. This is not a complete Biological Assessment for all listed species for an EIR/EIA, nor can it be used in place of USFWS Protocol Surveys.

If you have questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me.

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Consulting Wildlife Biologist

Attachments:

- 1: CA Fish & Wildlife Report #1 – NSO Database
- 2: Topographical Map of NSOs within 1.3 Miles of Darms Lane Winery Project (1 page)
- 3: Aerial Photo of Landscape around Darms Lane Winery Project (1 page)
- 4: Aerial Photo of Darms Lane Winery Project – Close up of area impacted (1 page)

References:

Protocol for Surveying Proposed Management Activities That May Impact Northern Spotted Owls. Endorsed by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. February 2, 2011 and Revised January 9, 2012.

Important Information for Timber Operations Proposed within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl. California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection. February 2008.

Northern Spotted Owl Viewer (BIOS CA Natural Diversity Database). Managed by California Department of Fish & Wildlife.

Data Version Date:
01/04/2016

Report Generation Date:
1/21/2016

Report #1 - Spotted Owl Sites Found
Known Spotted Owl sites having observations
within the search area.



Meridian, Township, Range, Section (MTRS) searched:

M_06N_04W Sections(04,05,06,07,08,09,16,17,18,19,20,21);

M_06N_05W Sections(01,02,11,12,13,14,23,24);

Masterowl	Subspecies	LatDD NAD83	LonDD NAD83	MTRS	AC Coordinate Source
NAP0016	NORTHERN	38.347983	-122.365383	M 06N 05W 24	Contributor
NAP0031	NORTHERN	38.377688	-122.398209	M 06N 05W 10	Contributor
NAP0038	NORTHERN	38.355946	-122.405716	M 06N 05W 22	Contributor

Project in Sec 18 - T6N, R4W

Distance to Project

NAP016 = 1.4 Miles

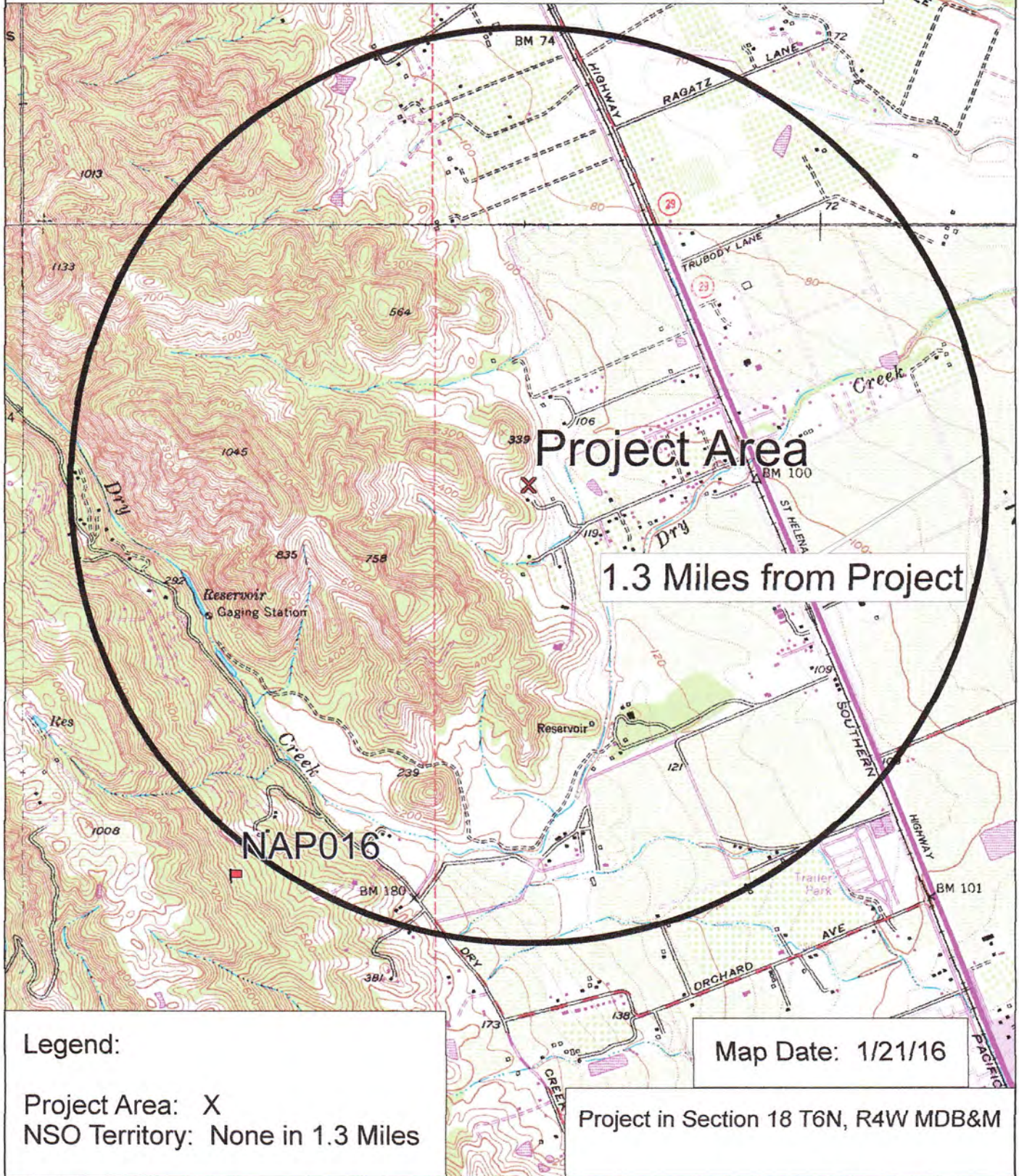
NAP031 = 2.79 Miles

NAP038 = 3.09 Miles

owls within
1.3 miles
 NONE

No Report on observations as no owls

Northern Spotted Owls within 1.3 Miles of Darms Lane Winery Permit

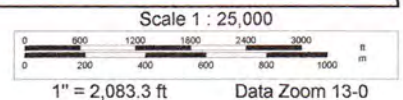
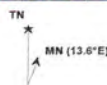


Legend:

Project Area: X
 NSO Territory: None in 1.3 Miles

Map Date: 1/21/16

Project in Section 18 T6N, R4W MDB&M




Darms Lane Winery Project

Section 18 T16N, R4W MDB&M

Attachment #3

Legend

 Darms Lane Winery Project



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3000 ft

PROPOSED
10,000 GALLON
DOMESTIC WATER
STORAGE TANK

PROPOSED
50,000 GALLON
IRRIGATION WATER
STORAGE TANK

PROPOSED
75,000 GALLON
FIRE WATER
STORAGE TANK



PROPOSED
WINE CAVES
(SEE CAVE PLANS FOR
LAYOUT AND DESIGN)

VINEYARD

985'±

880'±

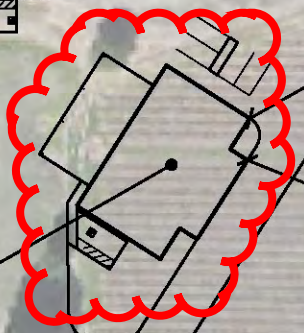
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PROPOSED
AB 2004
PICNIC AREA

VINEYARD

VINEYARD

PROPOSED
WINERY



BARN

PROPOSED
AB 2004
PICNIC AREA

VINEYARD

1030'±

980'±

950'±

PROPOSED
AB 2004
PICNIC AREA

PROPOSED
OFFICES AND
TASTING ROOM



1060'±

PROPERTY LINE

PROPOSED
HMA DRIVEWAY

APN
034-190-0

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PROPERTY LINE