

Botanical Survey Results

Mayers Flat Farms (APN: 211-372-006)

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1. INTRODUCTION

This botanical survey was conducted at Mayers Flat Farms (APN: 211-372-006) to identify special status plants and plant communities that could be impacted by development on the parcel for cannabis cultivation. This report also addresses wetlands and invasive plants.

The project includes eleven greenhouses with a total cultivation area of 41,300 square feet in addition to a 3,900-square-foot propagation area and several structures related to drying and storage (Appendix A).

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1. Special Status Plants

Special status plants include those listed as rare, threatened, or endangered under the federal Endangered Species Act and/or the California Endangered Species Act. Additionally, impacts to taxa with California Rare Plant Ranks (CRPR) of 1A, 1B, 2A, and 2B must be analyzed in environmental documents related to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), or those considered functionally equivalent to CEQA. Impacts to plants with CRPRs of 3 and 4 should also be addressed. Protection measures for populations of these taxa may be warranted if they are determined to have local or biological significance.

2.2. Special Status Plant Communities

Special status plant communities are communities with limited distribution that may be vulnerable to environmental impacts. Updated information on California natural communities, including rarity rankings, is provided in *A Manual of California Vegetation Online Edition* (CNPS 2021). Natural communities with G or S ranks of 3 or lower are considered sensitive.

2.3. Wetlands

The Army Corps of Engineers defines wetlands as:

"...areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal conditions do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas."

2.4. Invasive Plants

Invasive species are non-native plants and animals whose introduction causes or is likely to cause environmental or economic damage or harm to human health. Invasive species can cause a decline of endangered species and native diversity through direct competition and by alteration of ecological processes. The California Invasive Plant Council (Cal-IPC) maintains a list of plants considered invasive in California (Cal-IPC 2021). For the purposes of this report only plants with Cal-IPC ratings of "High" were considered.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

3.1. Project Location

The parcel is located of Dyerville Loop Road near Myers Flat on the Myers Flat USGS quadrangle in Humboldt County (Figure 1).

3.2. Soil, Topography, Hydrology

There are no serpentine, volcanic, or other unique soil types on the parcel. The soil types mapped on the parcel are Yorknorth-Windynip complex and Sproulish-Canoecreek-Redwohly complex (United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation Service 2021) (Appendix B). The soils are derived from sandstone, mudstone, schist, and conglomerate parent material.

The project area ranges from a relatively flat ridge to an approximately 25% generally southwest-facing slope. The parcel includes wetlands and tributaries of Elk Creek, which drains into the South Fork Eel River.

3.3. Vegetation

The parcel includes coniferous forest, grasslands, and seasonal wetlands. Most of the proposed cultivation is on existing cultivation footprints or in previously graded areas.

The forest on the parcel includes a canopy of Douglas-fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*) and tanoak (*Notholithocarpus densiflorus* var. *densiflorus*). There are scatted Oregon white oak (*Quercus garryana*) trees around the forest/grassland edge. Other common trees include canyon live oak (*Quercus chrysolepis*) and California bay (*Umbellularia californica*).

The grasslands are generally dominated by non-native grasses including harding grass (*Phalaris aquatica*), wild oat (*Avena barbata*), soft chess (*Bromus hordeaceus*), Mediterranean barely (*Hordeum marinum*), six weeks grass (*Festuca myuros*), and dogtail grass (*Cynosurus echinatus*). There is a native grass component that includes California oatgrass (*Danthonia californica*) and blue wildrye (*Elymus glaucus* ssp. *glaucus*). Other native plants noted in the grasslands include California poppy (*Eschscholzia californica*) and miniature lupine (*Lupinus bicolor*).

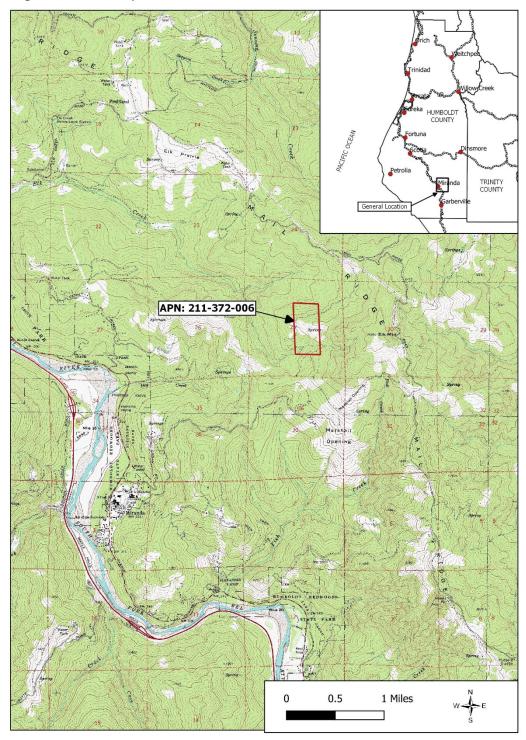
The wetlands are dominated by rushes (*Juncus patens* and *J. effusus*). Other plants in the wetlands include pennyroyal (*Mentha pelugium*), nut grass (*Cyperus eragrostis*), and green leaved sedge (*Carex feta*).

4. METHODS

4.1. Scoping

A list of special status plants that could potentially occur on the parcel was generated by consulting the *California Natural Diversity Database* (CDFW 2021) and the CNPS *Inventory of Rare and Endangered Plants* (CNPS 2021a). The scoping list includes special status plants with

Figure 1. Location Map.



documented occurrences on the Myers Flat USGS quadrangle or adjacent quadrangles (Table 1).

Special status natural communities that have potential to occur on the parcel include, but are not limited to, oak woodlands and special status native grassland communities. A full list of special status natural communities that occur in northwestern California queried from *A Manual of California Vegetation Online Edition* (CNPS 2021b) is provided in Appendix C.

4.2. Survey

The survey was conducted by Kyle Wear, M.A. Mr. Wear has over 25 years of experience conducting botanical surveys and other biological work in northern California. Mr. Wear is trained in wetland delineation by the Wetland Training Institute.

The survey was floristic and followed methods outlined in *Protocols for Surveying and Evaluating Impacts to Special Status Native Plant Populations and Natural Communities* (CDFW 2018). The project area was surveyed on April 15, May 28, and July 29, 2021. A survey coverage map is provided in Figure 2. All plants were identified to the taxonomic level necessary to determine whether they are special status. Plant taxonomy generally follows *The Jepson Manual Vascular Plants of California, Second Edition* (Baldwin et. al. 2012), however the plant list may include more recent name changes. Plant communities were classified according to *A Manual of California Vegetation Online Edition* (CNPS 2021b).

The surveys were conducted at the time of year when plants on the scoping list with potential to occur on the parcel would be recognizable and identifiable (generally, but not necessarily during the blooming period) and when other common plants would be identifiable so that a comprehensive plant list of the project area could be compiled.

5. RESULTS

5.1. Special Status Plants

No special status plants were encountered on the surveys. A list of all plants observed on the surveys is provided in Table 2.

5.2. Special Status Natural Communities

The forest on the parcel is consistent with Douglas fir – tanoak forest and woodland alliance, which has a rarity ranking of G3 S3 and is considered a special status natural community.

The grasslands on the parcel are generally dominated by non-native grasses as described in Section 3.3. California oatgrass (*Danthonia californica*) and blue wildrye (*Elymus glaucus*) are present in the grasslands at approximately 1-5% cover overall. However, there are areas that were noted outside the project footprint with higher cover (10-30+%). Cover of *Danthonia californica* would need to be 10% or higher to meet the criteria for Idaho fescue - California

Table 1. Special Status Plant Scoping List.

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Scientific Name Common Name	Listing Status	Blooming Period	Habitat	Potential to Occur in project area
			Broadleafed upland	High-along roads and
			forest, North Coast	disturbed areas,
			coniferous forest-	potential seed bank
Astragalus agnicidus			openings, disturbed	present
Humboldt County milk-	1B.1,		areas, sometimes	present
vetch	CE	Apr-Sep	roadsides	
vetcii	CL	Арт-Зер	Toausides	Unlikely-not
				•
County anata			Doggond fone Nouth	associated with upland
Carex arcta			Bogs and fens, North	grassland, more
northern clustered	25.0		Coast coniferous forest	potential in wetlands
sedge	2B.2	Jun-Sep	(mesic)	on parcel
			Coastal bluff scrub,	Moderate-in
			Coastal prairie, Coastal	grasslands
			scrub, Marshes and	
Castilleja ambigua var.			swamps, Valley and	
ambigua			foothill grassland,	
johnny-nip	4.2	Mar-Aug	Vernal pools margins	
			Meadows and seeps,	Unlikely-typically
		(Feb)Mar-	North Coast coniferous	occurs in riparian
Coptis laciniata		May(Sep-	forest (streambanks)-	habitat
Oregon goldthread	4.2	Nov)	Mesic	
				Unlikely-not
			Lower montane	associated with
			coniferous forest, North	grasslands, more
Cypripedium			Coast coniferous forest-	potential in forest and
fasciculatum			usually serpentinite	along streams on
clustered lady's-slipper	4.2	Mar-Aug	seeps and streambanks	parcel
Epilobium			Broadleafed upland	Unlikely- typical rocky
septentrionale			forest, North Coast	not habitat present
Humboldt County			coniferous forest-sandy	
fuchsia	4.3	Jul-Sep	or rocky	
raciisia	1.5	за: эер	Broadleafed upland	Unlikely-typical rocky
			forest, Cismontane	mesic habitat, maybe
			woodland, North Coast	more potential
Frigaran hiclattii			coniferous forest-rocky,	elsewhere on parcel
Erigeron biolettii	2	Jun-Oct		eisewiiere on parcei
streamside daisy	3	Juli-OCL	mesic	Liniikalu nat
			Lowermentens	Unlikely-not
			Lower montane	associated with upland
Fuinanaut			coniferous forest,	grassland, more
Erigeron robustior	4.2	line to t	Meadows and seeps-	potential in wetlands
robust daisy	4.3	Jun-Jul	sometimes serpentinite	on parcel
Erythronium oregonum	20.0	Mar-	Cismontane woodland,	Unlikely-typically not
giant fawn lily	2B.2	Jun(Jul)	Meadows and seeps-	associated with

Scientific Name	Listing	Blooming		Potential to Occur in
Common Name	Status	Period	Habitat	project area
			sometimes serpentinite,	grasslands, more
			rocky, openings	potential along
				streams and forest on
				parcel
				Unlikely-typically not
			Bogs and fens,	associated with
			Broadleafed upland	grasslands, more
			forest, North Coast	potential along
Erythronium revolutum		Mar-	coniferous forest-Mesic,	streams and forest on
coast fawn lily	2B.2	Jul(Aug)	streambanks	parcel
			Chaparral, Cismontane	Unlikely-not
			woodland, Lower	associated with
			montane coniferous	grasslands
Fritillaria purdyi			forest-usually	
Purdy's fritillary	4.3	Mar-Jun	serpentinite	
			Coastal bluff scrub,	High-in grasslands
Gilia capitata ssp.			Chaparral (openings),	
pacifica			Coastal prairie, Valley	
Pacific gilia	1B.2	Apr-Aug	and foothill grassland	
			Coastal prairie, Lower	High-in grasslands
			montane coniferous	
			forest, North Coast	
Hemizonia congesta			coniferous forest-	
ssp. tracyi	4.0		openings, sometimes	
Tracy's tarplant	4.3	May-Oct	serpentinite	Halibah, manad laaba
Howellia aquatilis	2B.2,	la	Marshes and swamps	Unlikely-parcel lacks
water howellia	FT	Jun	(freshwater)	marshes and swamps
				Unlikely-not
				associated with
Kansiansis haakari			North Coast coniforaus	grasslands, more
Kopsiopsis hookeri	20.2	A	North Coast coniferous	potential in forest
small groundcone	2B.3	Apr-Aug	forest	understory on parcel
Lathyrus glandulosus	12	Apr lup	Cicmontana woodland	Moderate-High-along
sticky pea	4.3	Apr-Jun	Chaparral Cismontane	roads
			Chaparral, Cismontane woodland, Coastal	High-in grasslands
Lantacinhan aciqularis			*	
Leptosiphon acicularis bristly leptosiphon	4.2	Apr-Jul	prairie, Valley and foothill grassland	
Leptosiphon latisectus	4.4	∠hi-iαi	Broadleafed upland	High-in grasslands
broad-lobed			forest, Cismontane	i iigii-iii gi assidilus
leptosiphon	4.3	Apr-Jun	woodland	
Lilium kelloggii	4.5	Apr-Juli	Lower montane	Moderate-along roads
Kellogg's lily	4.3	May-Aug	coniferous forest, North	iviouerate-aiong roaus
Kenogg 3 my	4.5	iviay-Aug	connerous iorest, north	

Scientific Name	Listing	Blooming		Potential to Occur in
Common Name	Status	Period	Habitat	project area
			Coast coniferous forest-	
			Openings, roadsides	
			Broadleafed upland	High-along roads
			forest, Chaparral, Lower	
			montane coniferous	
			forest, North Coast	
			coniferous forest, Upper montane coniferous	
			forest-Sometimes	
Lilium rubescens		Apr-	serpentinite, sometimes	
redwood lily	4.2	Aug(Sep)	roadsides	
Lilium	1.2	7 (ag(3cp)	Chaparral, Lower	Unlikely-not
washingtonianum ssp.			montane coniferous	associated with
purpurascens			forest, Upper montane	grasslands
purple-flowered			coniferous forest-often	0
Washington lily	4.3	Jun-Aug	serpentinite	
				Unlikely-not
			Bogs and fens, Lower	associated with
Listera cordata			montane coniferous	grasslands, more
heart-leaved			forest, North Coast	potential in forest
twayblade	4.2	Feb-Jul	coniferous forest	understory on parcel
			Lower montane	Unlikely-not
			coniferous forest	associated with
			(mesic), Marshes and	grasslands, typically
			swamps, North Coast coniferous forest	more mesic redwood
			(mesic)-	forest
Lycopodium clavatum		Jun-	often edges, openings,	
running-pine	4.1	Aug(Sep)	and roadsides	
running pine	7.1	//ug(Scp)	una rodusides	Unlikely-not
				associated with
				grasslands, more
Lycopus uniflorus			Bogs and fens, Marshes	potential in wetlands
northern bugleweed	4.3	Jul-Sep	and swamps	on parcle
			Bogs and fens,	Unlikely-not
			Meadows and seeps,	associated with
			Subalpine coniferous	grasslands, occurs in
Meesia triquetra			forest, Upper montane	higher elevation
three-ranked hump			coniferous forest	habitat.
moss	4.2	Jul	(mesic)-soil	
Add allows			Broadleafed upland	Unlikely-not
Mitellastra caulescens		(N 4 o m) A	forest, Lower montane	associated with
leafy-stemmed	4.2	(Mar)Apr-	coniferous forest,	grasslands
mitrewort	4.2	Oct	Meadows -and seeps,	

Scientific Name	Listing	Blooming		Potential to Occur in
Common Name	Status	Period	Habitat	project area
			North Coast coniferous	
			forest mesic, sometimes	
			roadsides	
			Meadows and seeps,	Moderate-along roads,
			North Coast coniferous	but site is mostly to0
Advision to the second		(Jan-	forest, Vernal pools-	dry
Montia howellii Howell's montia	2B.2	Feb)Mar-	vernally mesic, sometimes roadsides	
nowell's montia	ZB.Z	May	Cismontane woodland,	Unlikely-not
			Lower montane	associated with upland
			coniferous forest,	grassland, more
Navarretia			Meadows and seeps,	potential in wetlands
leucocephala ssp.			Valley and foothill	on parcel
bakeri			grassland, Vernal pools-	on parce.
Baker's navarretia	1B.1	Apr-Jul	Mesic	
Packera bolanderi var.		(Jan-	Coastal scrub, North	Moderate-along
bolanderi		Apr)May-	Coast coniferous forest-	roads/roadcuts
seacoast ragwort	2B.2	Jul(Aug)	Sometimes roadsides	
			Broadleafed upland	Unlikely-not
			forest, Lower montane	associated with
Piperia candida			coniferous forest, North	grasslands, more
white-flowered rein		(Mar)May-	Coast coniferous forest-	potential in forest
orchid	1B.2	Sep	sometimes serpentinite	understory on parcel
			Broadleafed upland	Unlikely-not
			forest, Lower montane	associated with
		/N/ar	coniferous forest, North Coast coniferous forest,	grasslands, more potential in forest
Pityopus californicus		(Mar- Apr)May-	Upper montane	understory on parcel
California pinefoot	4.2	Aprilitiay	coniferous forest-mesic	understory on parcer
Camornia pincioot	7.2	Aug	Lower montane	Unlikely-occurs in
			coniferous forest,	riparian habitat
			Meadows and seeps,	par.a
Pleuropogon refractus			North Coast coniferous	
nodding semaphore		(Mar)Apr-	forest, Riparian forest-	
grass	4.2	Aug	Mesic	
			Broadleafed upland	Moderate-along roads
			forest, Cismontane	and open areas
			woodland, Lower	
Ribes roezlii var.			montane coniferous	
amictum			forest, Upper montane	
hoary gooseberry	4.3	Mar-Apr	coniferous forest	
			Cismontane woodland,	Unlikely-maybe some
Sanicula tracyi	4.2	A 1. 1	Lower montane	potential in grasslands
Tracy's sanicle	4.2	Apr-Jul	coniferous forest, Upper	

Scientific Name Common Name	Listing Status	Blooming Period	Habitat	Potential to Occur in project area
			montane coniferous	
			forest-openings	
			Broadleafed upland	Moderate-in
			forest, Coastal prairie,	grasslands, along
			Coastal scrub, North	roads, edges
Sidalcea malachroides			Coast coniferous forest,	
maple-leaved		(Mar)Apr-	Riparian woodland-	
checkerbloom	4.2	Aug	Often in disturbed areas	
			Coastal bluff scrub,	High-in grasslands
Sidalcea malviflora ssp.			Coastal prairie, North	
patula		(Apr)May-	Coast coniferous forest-	
Siskiyou checkerbloom	1B.2	Aug	often roadcuts	
			Chaparral, Cismontane	High-in grasslands
Tracyina rostrata			woodland, Valley and	
beaked tracyina	1B.2	May-Jun	foothill grassland	
			Broadleafed upland	Unlikely-not
			forest, North Coast	associated with
			coniferous forest-On	grasslands, more
Usnea longissima			tree branches; usually	potential in conifer
Methuselah's beard			on old growth	and hardwood
lichen	4.2		hardwoods and conifers	branches on parcel
			Broadleafed upland	High-in grasslands
			forest, Coastal prairie,	
Wyethia longicaulis			Lower montane	
Humboldt County			coniferous forest-	
wyethia	4.3	May-Jul	sometimes roadsides	

SPECIAL STATUS PLANT LISTING STATUS

Endangered Species Act (ESA)

California Endangered Species Act (CESA)

FE: Federally Endangered
FT: Federally Threated
FR: Federally Rare

CE: California Endangered
CT: California Threated
CR: California Rare

California Rare Plant Ranks

- 1A: Plants Presumed Extirpated in California and Either Rare or Extinct Elsewhere
- $\textbf{1B} \colon \mathsf{Plants} \; \mathsf{Rare} \text{, Threatened, or Endangered in California and Elsewhere}$
- 2A: Plants Presumed Extirpated in California, But Common Elsewhere
- 2B: California Rare Plant Rank 2B: Plants Rare, Threatened, or Endangered in California, But More Common Elsewhere
- $\textbf{3.} \ \ \textbf{Review List: Plants about which more information is needed}.$
- 4. Watch List: Plants of limited distribution

Threat Ranks

0.1-Seriously threatened in California (over 80% of occurrences threatened / high degree and immediacy

of threat)

- 0.2-Moderately threatened in California (20-80% occurrences threatened / moderate degree and immediacy of threat)
- 0.3-Not very threatened in California (less than 20% of occurrences threatened / low degree and immediacy of threat or no current threats known)
- 0.3-Not very threatened in California (less than 20% of occurrences threatened / low degree and immediacy of threat or no current threats known)



Figure 2. Survey Coverage Map.

Table 2. Plant List.

Scientific Name	Common Name
Achillea millefolium	common yarrow
Acmispon americanus var. americanus	lotus
Acmispon parviflorus	lotus
Aira caryophyllea	European hairgrass
Anisocarpus madioides	woodland madia
Anthoxanthum odoratum	sweet vernal grass
Arbutus menziesii	Pacific madrone
Arrhenatherum elatius	tall oatgrass
Avena barbata	slender wild oat
Baccharis pilularis	coyote brush
Bellis perennis	English daisy
Briza maxima	rattlesnake grass
Bromus diandrus	ripgut grass
Bromus hordeaceus	soft chess
Calandrinia cilata	red maids
Calystegia sp.	morning glory
Cardamine californica	milk maids
Carduus pycnocephalus	Italian thistle
Carex feta	feta sedge
Carex gynodynama	Olney's hairy sedge
Centaurea solstitialis	yellow starthistle
Chamomilla suaveolens	pineapple weed
Chloroglaum pomeridianum	soaproot
Cirsium vulgare	bull thistle
Claytonia perfoliata	miner's lettuce
Convolvulus arvensis	field bindweed
Croton setigerus	dove weed
Cryptantha sp.	cryptantha
Cynoglossum grande	hound's-tongue
Cynosurus echinatus	dogtail grass
Cyperus eragrostis	nut-grass
Dactylis glomerata	orchard grass
Danthonia californica	California oatgrass
Daucus carota	Queen Anne's lace
Daucus pusillus	rattlesnake weed
Dichelostemma capitatum	blue dicks
Elymus glaucus ssp. glaucus	blue wildrye

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Scientific Name	Common Name
Epilobium brachycarpum	parched fireweed
Eriophyllum lanatum	woolly sunflower
Erodium botrys	long-beaked storksbill
Eschscholzia californica	California poppy
Festuca arundinacea	tall fescue
Festuca californica	California fescue
Festuca myuros	rattail sixweeks grass
Festuca perennis	rye grass
Fragaria vesca	wood strawberry
Galium aparine	goose grass
Galium sp.	bedstraw
Gastridium phleoides	nit grass
Geranium dissectum	cut-leaved geranium
Hemizonia congesta ssp. luzulaefolia	Hayfield tarweed
Hieracium albiflorum	white hawkweed
Holcus lanatus	common velvet grass
Hordeum marinum	Mediteranean barley
Hypericum perforatum	St. John's-wort
Hypochaeris radicata	hairy cat's-ear
Iris purdyi	Purdy's iris
Juncus bufonius	common toad rush
Juncus effusus	common rush
Juncus patens	spreading rush
Lasthenia californica ssp. californica	California Goldfields
Lathyrus vestitus	wood pea
Lepidium sp.	peppergrass or pepperwort
Leucanthemum vulgare	ox-eye daisy
Limnanthes douglasii	Douglas' meadowfoam
Linum bienne	western blue flax
Logfia gallica	narrow-leaved filago
Lonicera hispidula	hairy honeysuckle
Lupinus bicolor	miniature lupine
Luzula comosa	common wood rush
Lysimachia arvensis	scarlet pimpernel
Madia sativa	coast tarweed
Mentha pulegium	pennyroyal
Micropus californicus	slender cottonweed
Notholithocarpus densiflorus var. densiflorus	tanoak
Osmorhiza berteroi	sweet-cicely

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Scientific Name	Common Name
Triphysaria pusilla	dwarf orthocarpus
Triteleia hyacinthina	white hyacinth
Umbellularia californica	California-bay
Vaccinium ovatum	evergreen huckleberry
Vicia sativa	vetch
Viola glabella	stream violet
Whipplea modesta	modesty

oatgrass grassland and *Elymus glaucus* would need to be at least 30% to meet the membership criteria for California brome - blue wildrye prairie. Although vegetation classification does not have a scale, these areas are relatively small and likely below a practical mapping unit.

5.3. Wetlands

A wetland delineation was conducted on the parcel in December 2018. The seasonal wetland polygons and 100-foot setbacks are shown on the plot plan (Appendix A).

5.4. Invasive Plants

No highly invasive plants were noted on the parcel.

6. POTENTIAL FOR FALSE NEGATIVE SURVEYS

Potential factors that could result in lack of detection of special status plants include plants that have a seed bank on the site but currently no above ground individuals, grazing, disease, disturbance, and adverse climatic conditions.

Seeds of some species can persist for years or decades in the soil until suitable conditions occur for germination. Legumes such as Humboldt County milk-vetch (*Astragalus agnicidus*) can persist for years or decades in seed bank and emerge after logging or other environmental changes. Plants that grow from underground structures, such as bulbs and tubers, including white-flowered rein orchid (*Piperia candida*) and lilies (*Lilium* spp.), can remain dormant or suppressed under unfavorable conditions.

Plants can also be consumed by livestock, deer, or invertebrates or succumb to disease. These factors could damage identifying characters such as flowers and leaves or remove entire above ground portions of the plants resulting in negative detections.

The climatic conditions were relatively dry in the spring of 2021 with lower-than-normal rainfall accumulation. Temperature, which is the primary factor controlling plant phenology, was within normal ranges. Although the spring was dry, plant phenology in general did not seem to be affected, many species were at peak bloom during typical timing.

7. IMPACT ASSEMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Most of the project footprint is on already disturbed or developed areas. The additional grading will impact approximately 17,630 square feet (0.40 acre) of grassland (Figure 3). The grassland in these areas is dominated by harding grass and other non-native grasses with cover of California oatgrass and blue wildrye less than 5% cover and below cover criteria for special status grasslands.

The project will not impact Douglas fir – tanoak forest, oak trees, and is outside 100-foot wetland setbacks.

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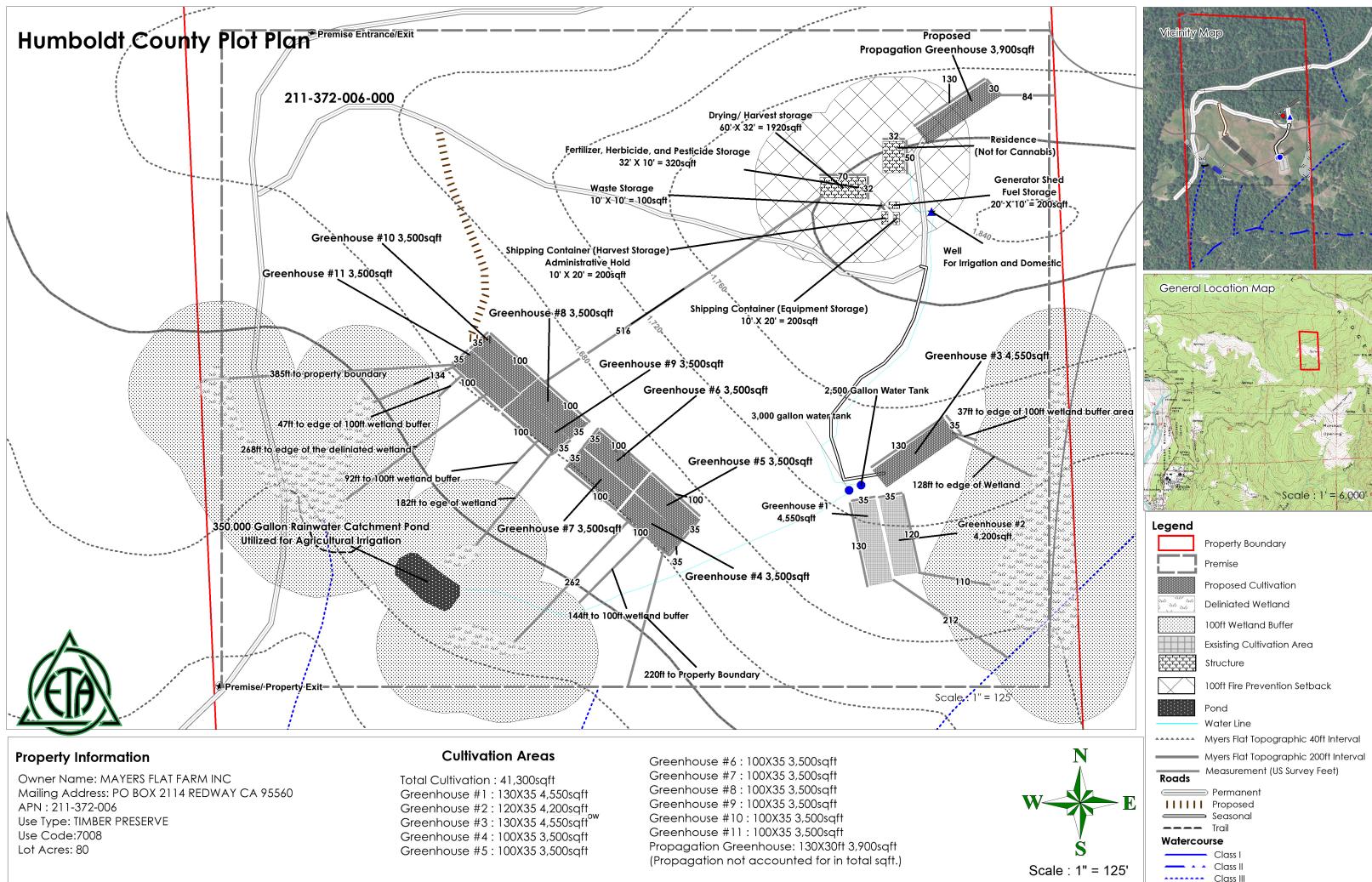
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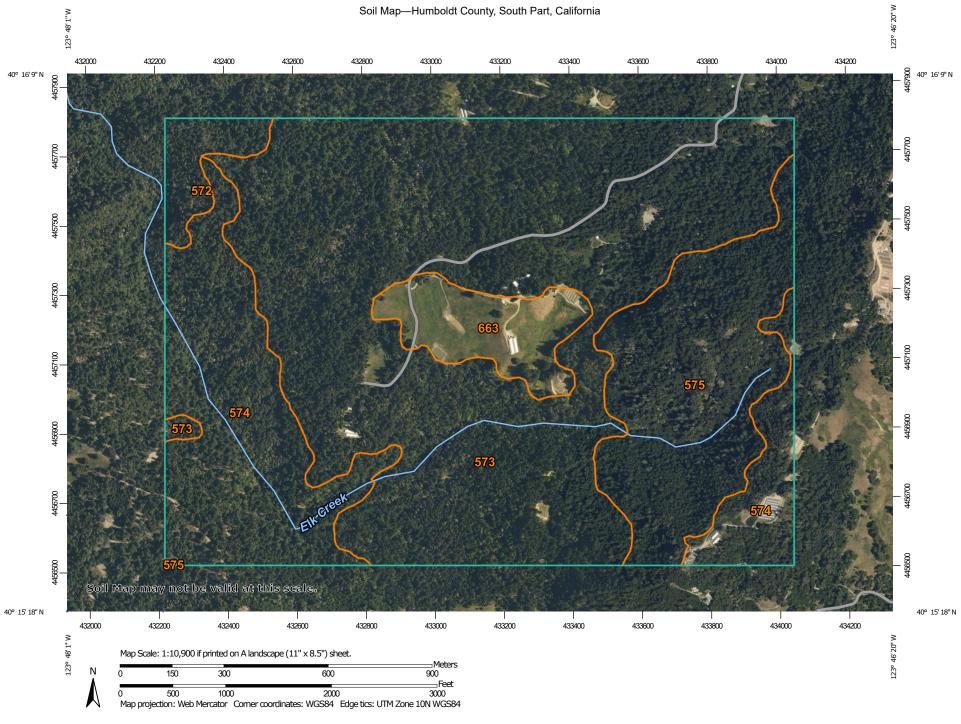


Figure 3. Vegetation Impact Map.









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Water Features

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Background

Spoil Area

Stony Spot

Wet Spot

Other

Rails

US Routes

Major Roads

Local Roads

Very Stony Spot

Special Line Features

Streams and Canals

Interstate Highways

Aerial Photography

Area of Interest (AOI)

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Soils

Soil Map Unit Polygons



Soil Map Unit Points

Special Point Features

Blowout

Borrow Pit

Clay Spot

Closed Depression

Gravel Pit

Gravelly Spot

Landfill

Lava Flow

Marsh or swamp

Mine or Quarry

Miscellaneous Water

Perennial Water

Rock Outcrop

Saline Spot

Sandy Spot

Severely Eroded Spot

Sinkhole

Slide or Slip

Sodic Spot

MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:24.000.

Warning: Soil Map may not be valid at this scale.

Enlargement of maps beyond the scale of mapping can cause misunderstanding of the detail of mapping and accuracy of soil line placement. The maps do not show the small areas of contrasting soils that could have been shown at a more detailed scale

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey URL:

Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate calculations of distance or area are required.

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Soil Survey Area: Humboldt County, South Part, California Survey Area Data: Version 10, Sep 6, 2021

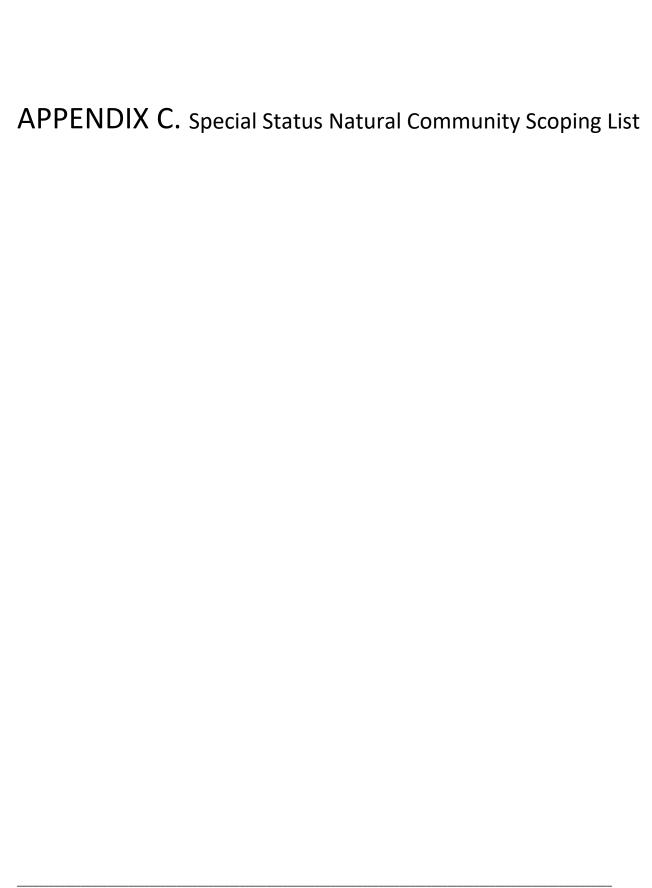
Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50.000 or larger.

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: May 8, 2019—Jun 21, 2019

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

Map Unit Legend

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
572	Canoecreek-Sproulish- Redwohly complex, 50 to 75 percent slopes	14.8	2.5%
573	Sproulish-Canoecreek- Redwohly complex, 15 to 30 percent slopes, warm	325.3	55.8%
574	Sproulish-Canoecreek- Redwohly complex, 30 to 50 percent slopes, warm	117.7	20.2%
575	Canoecreek-Sproulish- Redwohly complex, 50 to 75 percent slopes, warm	94.2	16.2%
663	Yorknorth-Windynip complex, 15 to 50 percent slopes	31.4	5.4%
Totals for Area of Interest		583.4	100.0%



		Global	State
Scientific Name	Common Name	rarity	rarity
Abies grandis	Grand fir forest	G4	S2.1
Abronia latifolia - Ambrosia	5	62	62
chamissonis	Dune mat	G3	S3
Acer macrophyllum	Bigleaf maple forest and woodland	G4	S3
Acer negundo	Box-elder forest and woodland	G5	S2.2
Aesculus californica	California buckeye groves	G3	S3
Alnus incana	Mountain alder thicket	G4	S3
Alnus viridis	Sitka alder thickets	G5	S3?
Alopecurus geniculatus	Water foxtail meadows	G3?	S3?
Arbutus menziesii	Madrone forest	G4	S3.2
Arctostaphylos bakeri	Stands of Baker manzanita	G1	S1.2
Arctostaphylos (canescens,	Hoary, common, and Stanford		
manzanita, stanfordiana)	manzanita chaparral	G3	S3
	Mount Tamalpais manzanita		
Arctostaphylos montana	chaparral	G2	S2
Arctostaphylos (nummularia,			
sensitiva)	Glossy leaf manzanita chaparral	G2	S2
Arctostaphylos patula -	Green leaf manzanita - Pinemat	0.5	60
Arctostaphylos nevadensis	manzanita chaparral	G5	S3
Argentina egedii	Pacific silverweed marshes	G4	S2
Bolboschoenus maritimus	Salt marsh bulrush marshes	G4	S3
	California brome - blue wildrye		
Bromus carinatus - Elymus glaucus	prairie	G3	S3
Calamagrostis nutkaensis	Pacific reed grass meadows	G4	S2
Calocedrus decurrens	Incense cedar forest and woodland	G4	S3.2
	Water sedge and lakeshore sedge	0.5	60
Carex (aquatilis, lenticularis)	meadows	G5	S3
Carex barbarae	White-root beds	G2?	S2?
Carex densa	Dense sedge marshes	G2?	S2?
Carex echinata	Star sedge fens	G4?	S3?
Carex integra	Small-fruited sedge meadows	G4?	S2?
Carex luzulina	Woodland sedge fens	G3	S2?
Carex nudata	Torrent sedge patches	G3	S3
Carex obnupta	Slough sedge swards	G4	S3
Carex (pansa, praegracilis)	Sand dune sedge swaths	G4?	S3?
Carex serratodens	Twotooth sedge seeps	G3	S3?
	Hairy leaf - woolly leaf ceanothus		
Ceanothus (oliganthus, tomentosus)	chaparral	G3	S3
Cephalanthus occidentalis	Button willow thickets	G5	S2
	Port Orford cedar forest and		
Chamaecyparis lawsoniana	woodland	G3	S3.1
Chrysolepis chrysophylla	Golden chinquapin thickets	G2	S2
Chrysolepis sempervirens	Bush chinquapin chaparral	G4	S3.3

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Corylus cornuta var. californica	Hazelnut scrub	G3	S2?
Darlingtonia californica	California pitcher plant fens	G4?	S3
Deschampsia cespitosa - Hordeum	Coastal tufted hair grass - Meadow		
brachyantherum - Danthonia	barley - California oatgrass wet		
californica	meadow	GNR	S3
	Field horsetail - scouringrush		
Equisetum (arvense, variegatum,	horsetail - variegated scouringrush		
hyemale)	wet meadow	GNR	S3
Eriophyllum staechadifolium -			
Erigeron glaucus - Eriogonum	Seaside woolly-sunflower - seaside	63	62
latifolium	daisy - buckwheat patches	G3	S3
Festuca idahoensis - Danthonia	Idaho fescue - California oatgrass	GNR	63
californica	grassland	GINK	S3
Frangula californica - Rhododendron occidentale - Salix breweri	California coffee berry - western azalea scrub - Brewer's willow	G3	S3
Frankenia salina	Alkali heath marsh	G4	S3
Fraxinus latifolia		G4	S3.2
	Oregon ash groves		
Garrya elliptica	Coastal silk tassel scrub	G3?	S3?
Glyceria ×occidentalis	Northwest manna grass marshes	G3?	S3?
Grindelia (camporum, stricta)	Gum plant patches	G2	S2
Hesperocyparis macnabiana	McNab cypress woodland and forest	G3	S3.2
Hesperocyparis pigmaea	Mendocino pygmy cypress woodland	G1	S1
Hesperocyparis sargentii	Sargent cypress woodland	G3	S3.2
Heterotheca (oregona, sessiliflora)	Goldenaster patches	G3	S3
Hydrocotyle (ranunculoides,			
umbellata)	Mats of floating pennywort	G4	S3?
Isoetes (bolanderi, echinospora,		63	622
howellii, nuttallii, occidentalis)	Quillwort beds	G3	S3?
Juglans hindsii and Hybrids	Hinds's walnut and related stands	G1	S1.1
Juncus lescurii	Salt rush swales	G3	S2?
Juncus (oxymeris, xiphioides)	Iris-leaf rush seeps	G2?	S2?
	Ashy ryegrass - creeping ryegrass	62	62
Leymus cinereus - Leymus triticoides	turfs	G3	S3
Leymus mollis	Sea lyme grass patches	G4	S2
Lupinus chamissonis - Ericameria ericoides	Silver dune lupine - mock heather	C3	ca
	scrub	G3	S3
Morella californica	Wax myrtle scrub	G3	S3
Nassella spp Melica spp.	Needle grass - Melic grass grassland	G3	S3
Notholithocarpus densiflorus	Tanoak forest	G4	S3.2
Nuphar lutea	Yellow pond-lily mats	G5	S3?
Oenanthe sarmentosa	Water-parsley marsh	G4	S2?
Picea sitchensis	Sitka spruce forest and woodland	G5	S2
Pinus balfouriana	Foxtail pine woodland	G3	S3

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Pinus contorta ssp. contorta	Beach pine forest and woodland	G5	S3
Bis and distance Bis and the control of	Bishop pine - Monterey pine forest	63	62.2
Pinus muricata - Pinus radiata	and woodland	G3	S3.2
Populus fremontii - Fraxinus velutina	Fremont cottonwood forest and	C4	C2 2
- Salix gooddingii	woodland Black cottonwood forest and	G4	S3.2
Populus trichocarpa	woodland	G5	S3
Pseudotsuga menziesii - Calocedrus	Douglas fir - incense cedar forest and	03	33
decurrens	woodland	G3	S3
Pseudotsuga menziesii -	Douglas fir - tanoak forest and	03	33
Notholithocarpus densiflorus	woodland	G3	S3
Trouvelle Carpas de l'elle l'as	Oregon white oak woodland and		
Quercus garryana (tree)	forest	G4	S3
Quercus lobata	Valley oak woodland and forest	G3	S3
Quercus parvula var. shrevei	Shreve oak forests	G2	S2
Quercus wislizeni - Quercus	Canyon live oak - Interior live oak	02	32
chrysolepis (shrub)	chaparral	G4	S3
Rhododendron columbianum	Western Labrador-tea thickets	G4	S2?
Rubus (parviflorus, spectabilis,	Trestern Educador ted timenets	<u> </u>	52.
ursinus)	Coastal brambles	G4	S3
Ruppia (cirrhosa, maritima)	Ditch-grass or widgeon-grass mats	G4?	S2
Tappia (cirricoa), mariama,	Goodding's willow - red willow	<u> </u>	
Salix gooddingii - Salix laevigata	riparian woodland and forest	G4	S3
Salix hookeriana	Coastal dune willow thickets	G4	S3
Salix lucida ssp. lasiandra	Shining willow groves	G4	S3.2
Salix sitchensis	Sitka willow thickets	G4	S3?
Sarcocornia pacifica (Salicornia		<u> </u>	
depressa)	Pickleweed mats	G4	S3
Schoenoplectus (acutus,	Hardstem and California bulrush		
californicus)	marshes	GNR	S3
Schoenoplectus americanus	American bulrush marsh	G5	S3.2
Scirpus microcarpus	Small-fruited bulrush marsh	G4	S2
Selaginella (bigelovii, wallacei)	Bushy spikemoss mats	G4	S3
Sequoia sempervirens	Redwood forest and woodland	G3	S3.2
Sparganium (angustifolium)	Mats of bur-reed leaves	G4	S3?
Spartina foliosa	California cordgrass marsh	G3	S3.2
Stuckenia (pectinata) - Potamogeton	Camornia Coragrass maism	0.5	JJ.2
spp.	Pondweed mats	G3	S3?
Torreyochloa pallida	Floating mats of weak manna grass	G3	S3?
Trifolium variegatum	White-tip clover swales	G3?	S3?
	Western hemlock forest	G5:	S2
Tsuga heterophylla Umbellularia californica			
	California bay forest and woodland	G4	S3
Vaccinium uliginosum	Bog blueberry wet meadows	G4	S3

Scientific Name	Common Name	Global rarity	State rarity
Vitis arizonica - Vitis girdiana	Wild grape shrubland	G3	S3
Zostera (marina, pacifica) Pacific			
Aquatic	Eelgrass beds	GNR	S3

Global (G) Rankings

- **G1** = Less than 6 viable element occurrences (EOs) OR less than 1,000 individuals OR less than 2,000 acres.
- **G2** = 6-20 EOs OR 1,000-3,000 individuals OR 2,000-10,000 acres.
- **G3** = 21-80 EOs OR 3,000-10,000 individuals OR 10,000-50,000 acres.
- **G4** = Apparently secure; this rank is clearly lower than G3 but factors exist to cause some concern; i.e., there is some threat, or somewhat narrow habitat.
- **G5** = Population or stand demonstrably secure to ineradicable due to being commonly found in the world

State (S) Rankings

- **S1** = Less than 6 EOs OR less than 1,000 individuals OR less than 2,000 acres
 - S1.1 = very threatened
 - S1.2 = threatened
 - S1.3 = no current threats known
- **S2** = 6-20 EOs OR 1,000-3,000 individuals OR 2,000-10,000 acres
 - S2.1 = very threatened
 - S2.2 = threatened
 - S2.3 = no current threats known
- **\$**3 = 21-80 EOs or 3,000-10,000 individuals OR 10,000-50,000 acres
 - S3.1 = very threatened
 - S3.2 = threatened
 - S3.3 = no current threats known
- **S4** = Apparently secure within California; this rank is clearly lower than S3 but factors exist to cause some concern; i.e. there is some threat, or somewhat narrow habitat.
- **S5** = Demonstrably secure to ineradicable in California.