Botanical Survey Report Horseshoe Pond Restoration Project

Point Reyes National Seashore Marin County, California





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CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 REGULATORY BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to provide background information regarding botanical resources within the Horseshoe Pond Restoration Project area (Proposed Project Area). Point Reyes National Seashore (Seashore) is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Proposed Project. Background information in this report will be used to guide development and assess potential environmental impacts of the Proposed Project. As part of the EA, the Seashore must consider whether the Proposed Project could impact special status plant species, as well as special status wildlife species and other sensitive biological resources such as wetlands and riparian areas.

Special status plant species include those that are legally protected under the federal and California Endangered Species Acts (ESA) or other regulations and species that are considered rare by the scientific community. Special status species are defined as:

- plants that are listed or proposed for listing as threatened or endangered under the California ESA (Fish and Game Code §2050 *et seq.*; 14 CCR §670.1 *et seq.*) and/or the federal ESA (50 CFR 17.11 for animals; various notices in the Federal Register [FR] for proposed species);
- plants that are candidates for possible future listing as threatened or endangered under the federal ESA (61 FR 7506 February 28, 1996);
- plants that meet the definition of rare or endangered under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (14 CCR §15380) which includes species not found on state or federal endangered species lists;
- plants that are designated as "species of concern" (former category 2 candidates for listing) by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) or "species of special concern" by the California Department of Fish and Game (DFG);
- plants listed under the California Native Plant Protection Act (Fish and Game Code §1900 et seq.); and
- plant species that occur on California Native Plant Society (CNPS) lists.

To determine whether any of these special status plant species occur in the Proposed Project Area, a literature review was performed to assess 1) which species have potential to occur in the Proposed Project Area; and 2) which species have been previously observed in the area. Other resources were consulted, as well, including soil surveys and vegetation maps. After the literature review, a site reconnaissance was performed to determine whether habitat for any of the special status plant species with potential to occur were present in the Proposed Project Area. Focused surveys were then conducted in habitats or vegetation communities that might support special status plant species.

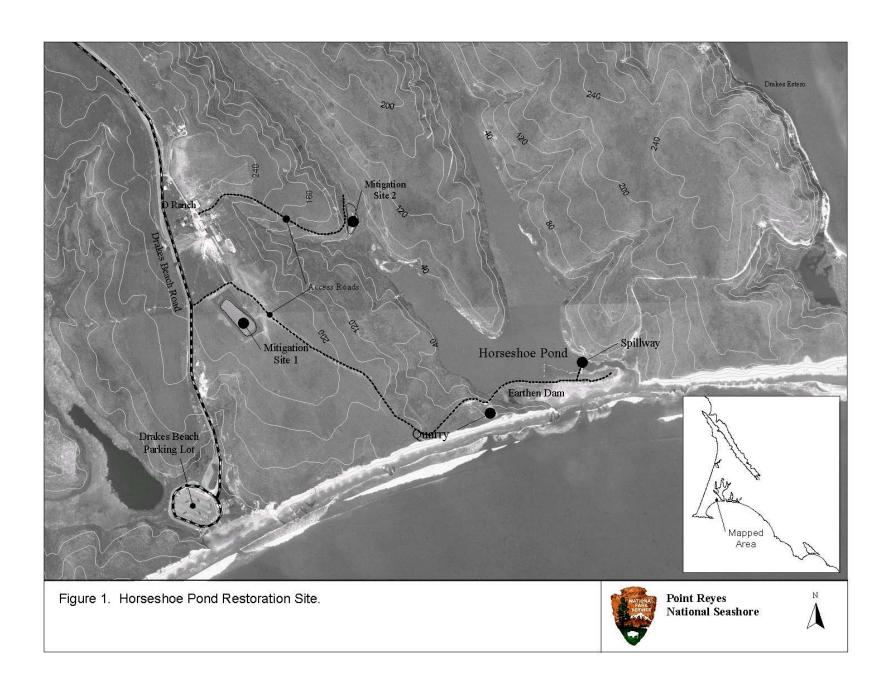
1.2 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Seashore is proposing to restore Horseshoe Pond to a coastal lagoon/tidal estuary. The project is scheduled for Fall 2002, and would include removal of the existing dam, development of mitigation sites, rehabilitation of associated stream habitats, and closeout of old ranch roads.

Horseshoe Pond was constructed for livestock watering between 1943 and 1952 at the now decommissioned D Ranch. Located just west of the mouth to Drakes Estero along Drakes Beach (Figure 1), this site is clearly marked as an estuary in the 1862 US Coast Survey topographic maps. A 350-meter long dam, however, consisting of a concrete spillway and earthen levee at the pond/beach interface, currently excludes most tidal flow, with the exception of overwash during extreme high tide and storm events.

Restoration of Horseshoe Pond would include complete or partial removal of all manmade features associated with the levee and spillway at the pond/beach interface. The levee and concrete spillway restricting the current outflow of the pond would be completely removed. Earthen fill blocking the historic outflow on the west side of the pond would also be removed. Historically, a natural dune barrier separated the pond from the beach along the central portion of the levee. Associated work within the project area would include rehabilitation of the still-scarred quarry site where fill for the dam was originally taken. Two sites have been identified as potential mitigation sites for the enhancement and creation of California red-legged frog habitat, pending issuance of a Biological Opinion by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (US FWS).

The Proposed Project Area (Figure 2) incorporates all of the various components of the Proposed Project, as well as construction access routes to the earthen dam and concrete spillway and the two potential red-legged frog mitigation ponds. As part of the project, the Seashore may elect at the end to decommission and restore these roads, which are severely eroded in many areas and in need of close-out.



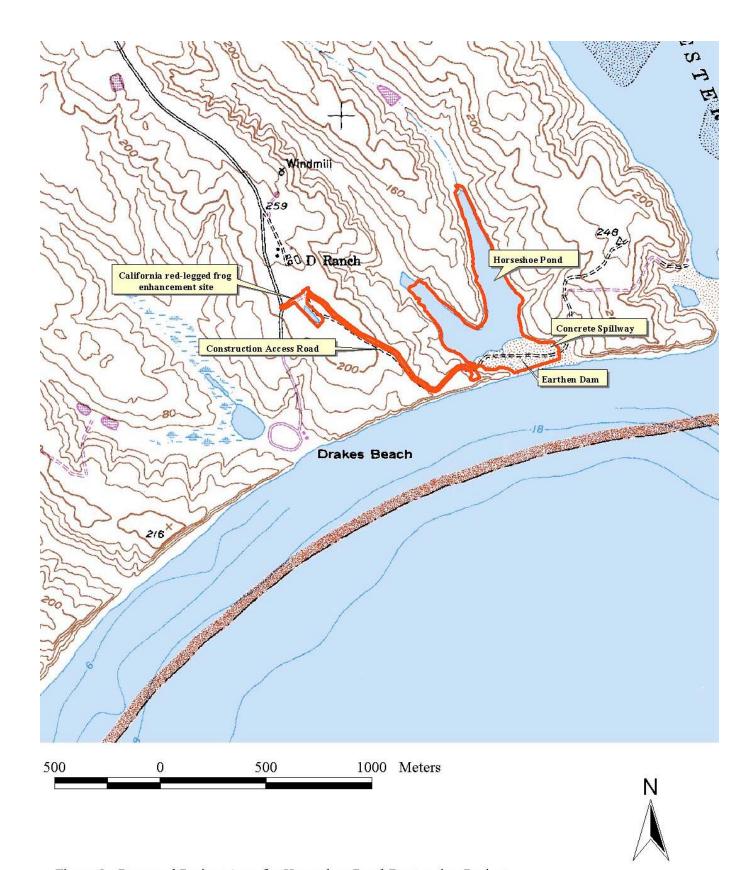


Figure 2. Proposed Project Area for Horseshoe Pond Restoration Project.

CHAPTER 2. METHODS

2.1 LITERATURE REVIEW

An assessment of botanical resources with potential to occur in the Proposed Project Area was conducted by performing a literature review. The literature review consisted of a search of the following:

- California Natural Diversity Data Base (NDDB) for occurrences of special status plant species and habitats in all 7.5 minute U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) quadrangles within the Seashore (NDDB 2001).
- US FWS Endangered and Threatened Species List (April 2001) for the Seashore and Marin County.
- Point Reyes National Seashore rare plant database (PORE 2001).
- California Native Plant Society's Inventory of rare and endangered vascular plants of California (August 2001).

In addition, the Soil Survey of Marin County, California (U.S. Soil Conservation Service, 1985) was reviewed to determine soil types and special geologic features (e.g. serpentine, seeps), respectively, within the Proposed Project Area. Maps showing vegetation communities identified within the Seashore were also consulted to determine whether habitat for special status plant species might be present. Lastly, as many special status plant species are annuals that are sensitive to rainfall totals and distribution, rainfall records (California Data Exchange Center, Lagunitas Lake station) were reviewed to determine precipitation patterns within the period when most species germinate, flower, and set seed.

2.2 FIELD SURVEYS

Botanical surveys for sensitive plant species were conducted in accordance with FWS (1996) and DFG (1997) guidelines. Lorraine Parsons, Michelle Coppoletta, and Shelly Benson of the Seashore conducted the botanical surveys. Botanical surveys were timed to coincide with both the documented (CNPS 2001) and observed flowering periods of sensitive species with potential to occur in habitats observed in the Proposed Project Area. Botanical surveys were conducted on the following dates: May 17, 2001; August 16, 2001; March 5, 2002; March 26, 2002; April 22, 2002; and May 14, 2002.

A determination of whether suitable habitat existed for special status plant species was made from a reconnaissance of the Proposed Project Area. During the reconnaissance, biologists also assessed whether any NDDB special habitats were present. The NDDB classifies its habitats using vegetation classification system developed in *Preliminary Descriptions of the Terrestrial Natural Communities of California* (Holland 1986). Holland modified an earlier system developed by Cheatham and Haller (1975), so that a uniform system for describing communities

in which sensitive plant and animal species are found could be developed for the NDDB. Subsequently, a new vegetation classification system has been introduced in *A Manual of California Vegetation* by Sawyer and Keeler-Wolf (1995). The Seashore has been mapping vegetation communities using a Seashore-specific version of the Sawyer and Keeler-Wolf system (Keeler-Wolf February 1999): communities were mapped primarily by interpretation of aerial photographs, combined with selective ground-truthing efforts. It should be noted that the vegetation map has not been finalized. As the NDDB relies on the Holland classification system to characterize special habitats, vegetation communities identified during the reconnaissance were described using both the Holland and Sawyer and Keeler-Wolf systems, when possible.

During field surveys, meandering transects were walked throughout the Proposed Project Area to ensure that all habitats present were surveyed. All plant species observed were identified to the level necessary to ensure that any special status species present would be detected. When necessary, specimens from herbariums in the San Francisco Bay area are examined to resolve any taxonomic ambiguities. While several taxonomic keys were used to identify plant species observed (e.g., Hickman 1993, Mason 1969, Howell 1970), scientific and common nomenclature followed *The Jepson Manual* (Hickman 1993).

CHAPTER 3. RESULTS

3.1 LITERATURE REVIEW

Special Status Plants

A list of 81 special status plant species with potential to occur in the Proposed Project Area is provided in Table 1. The table contains information on regulatory status, habitat, and flowering period derived from the NDDB (2001) and California Native Plant Society Rare Plant Inventory (2001). The plant species listed in Table 1 occur in a variety of habitats present in Marin County, including freshwater marshes, coastal salt marsh, coastal prairie, coastal dunes, coastal scrub, riparian scrub, chaparral, valley and foothill grassland, serpentinite areas, broadleaf upland forest, and closed-cone and coniferous forest (NDDB 2001). Certain sensitive plant species are highly associated with or even restricted to habitats that are associated with specific geologic formations and/or hydrologic regimes, such as serpentine grassland, granitic outcroppings, coastal salt marshes, freshwater marshes, or vernal pools.

Within Marin County, serpentine areas occur almost exclusively in the Franciscan Formation, which has pockets of serpentine within sandstone, graywacke, shale, some volcanic rock, and greenstone (U.S. Soil Conservation Service 1985). These serpentine pockets are strongly linked with the Henneke and Montara soil series (U.S. Soil Conservation Service 1985). The Franciscan Formation lies largely to the east of the San Andreas Fault, which borders the Seashore to the east (U.S. Soil Conservation Service 1985). West of the fault – and within most of the Seashore – granitic rock such as quartz-diorite and granodiorite dominate, forming the backbone of the Point Reves peninsula (U.S. Soil Conservation Service 1985). Overlying the granitic rock in most areas are shale, sandstone, porcelainite, and chert, but, in some areas, the dominant parent material is the Drakes Bay Formation, which dates to the Pliocene age and is comprised of mudstone, siltstone, and greenish sandstone (U.S. Soil Conservation Service 1985). The rounded and rolling topography of the area between Point Reyes, Abbotts Lagoon, and Limantour Beach results from the softness of the Drakes Bay Formation material (U.S. Soil Conservation Service 1985). Based on the soil and vegetation maps, the Proposed Project Area does not incorporate any major serpentine areas, but a small portion of the Proposed Project Area on the east side of the concrete spillway was mapped as the Tocaloma-McMullin complex, which incorporates "small areas of rock outcrops." Several of the special status plant species in Table 1 can potentially occur in granitic or rock outcroppings, including Arctostaphylos virgata (Marin manzanita), Erysimum franciscanum (San Francisco wallflower), and Fritillaria affinis var. tristulis (fritillary).

Approximately 19 of special status species with potential to occur in the Proposed Project Area are found in wetland features such as coastal salt marsh, brackish marsh, freshwater marsh, bogs and fens, and vernal pools. Vernal pools represent a unique type of wetland ecosystem within Mediterranean climates such as California. These depressional- or swale-type features occur in

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SCIENTIFIC NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME COMMON NAME STATUS HABITAT		Навітат	COMMENTS	FLOWERING	
Abronia umbellata ssp. brevifolia	pink sand-verbena	FSC; 1B	Disturbed sandy areas; coastal dunes and scrub; <100 m.	Yes Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001). Most occurrences have few plants (CNPS 2001).	June-Oct
Agrostis blasdalei	Blasdale's bent grass	FSC; 1B	Coastal dunes, prairie, bluffs, and scrub.	Yes	Known from fewer than 15 occurrences (CNPS 2001). Present in Park (PORE 2001).	May-July
Agrostis clivicola var. punta-reyesensis	Point Reyes bent grass	FSC	Coastal bluffs.	No	Present in Park (PORE 2001). Considered by CNPS for listing, but rejected, because species is a synonym of <i>A. densiflora</i> , a common species (CNPS 2001; Hickman 1993).	
Alopecurus aequalis var. sonomensis	Sonoma alopecurus	FE; 1B	Freshwater marshes and swamps; riparian scrub; wet meadows.	Yes	Known from fewer than five native occurrences (CNPS 2001). Present in coastal areas of Park. Jepson does not differentiate var. <i>sonomensis</i> (Hickman 1993).	May-July
Arabis blepharophylla	coast rock cress	4	Coastal prairie, bluffs, and scrub; broadleaved upland forest.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	Feb-May
Arctostaphylos hookeri ssp. montana	Tamalpais manzanita	FSC, 1B	Serpentinite areas in chaparral and valley and foothill grassland	No	Known from fewer than 20 occurrences (CNPS 2001).	
Arctostaphylos virgata	Marin manzanita	1B	Broadleafed upland forest; closed-cone coniferous forest; chaparral; North Coast coniferous forest; on sandstone or granitic soil.	No	Known from fewer than 20 occurrences (CNPS 2001). Mapped in Bishop pine forest near Mount Vision (NDDB 2001).	
Astragalus pycnostachyus var. pycnostachyus		1B	Coastal marshes or seeps; <30 m.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	April-Oct
Blennosperma nanum var. robustum	Point Reyes blennosperma	FSC; SR; 1B	Coastal prairie and scrub.	Yes	Known from fewer than 15 occurrences; some Pt. Reyes	Feb-April

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Blennosperma nanum var. robustum (cont.)					populations intermediate to <i>B.</i> var. <i>nanum</i> (CNPS 2001).	
Calamagrostis crassiglumis	Thurber's reed grass	FSC; 2	marshes. 10 occurrences (CNPS 2001). Present in Park (PORE 2001), but threatened by grazing (CNPS 2001 Jepson does not differentiate betwee <i>C. stricta</i> ssp. <i>inexpansa</i> (Hickman 1993).		Present in Park (PORE 2001), but threatened by grazing (CNPS 2001). Jepson does not differentiate between <i>C. stricta</i> ssp. <i>inexpansa</i> (Hickman	June-July
Calochortus tiburonensis	Tiburon mariposa lily	FT, ST; 1B	Serpentinite areas in valley and foothill grassland. No Known from only one occurrence at Ring Mountain (CNPS 2001).			
Calystegia purpurata ssp. saxicola	morning-glory	1B	Coastal dunes, coastal scrub; <100 m.	Yes	Not known from Park (PORE 2001).	May-Aug
Campanula californica	swamp harebell	FSC; 1B	Bogs and fens; closed-cone and North Coast coniferous forest; coastal prairie; meadows; freshwater marsh.	Yes	Mapped in several locations along the western side of Tomales Bay and Inverness Ridge (NDDB 2001).	June-Sept
Carex buxbaumii	sedge	4	Bogs and fens, meadows and seeps (mesic), marshes and swamps; < 3300 m.	Yes	Not known from Park (PORE 2001).	March-Aug
Carex leptalea	flaccid sedge	2	Bogs and fens; meadows; marshes and swamps.	Yes	Not known from Park (PORE 2001). Apparently extirpated from Marin County (CNPS 2001).	May-July
Castilleja affinis ssp. neglecta	Tiburon Indian paintbrush	FE; CT; 1B	Serpentinite areas in valley and foothill grassland.	No	Known from six occurrences (CNPS 2001). Not known from Park (PORE 2001).	
Castilleja ambigua ssp. humboldtiensis	Humboldt Bay owl's- clover	FSC; 1B	Coastal salt marsh.	Yes	Known only from Humboldt and Marin counties (NDDB 2001).	May-Aug
Ceanothus gloriosus var. exaltatus	glory brush	4	Shrubby slopes; ridges; chaparral; coniferous forest; <500 m.	No	Present in GGNRA (PORE 2001).	
Ceanothus gloriosus var. gloriosus	Point Reyes ceanothus	4	Sandy areas in coastal bluff scrub and scrub, coniferous forest, and coastal dunes.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	March-May

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Ceanothus gloriosus var. porrectus	Mount Vision ceanothus	FSC; 1B	Closed-cone coniferous forest; coastal prairie; coastal scrub; valley and foothill grassland.	iferous forest; coastal Yes Known from fewer than 1 occurrences in the Mount in the Park (CNPS 2001;		PERIOD March-May
Ceanothus masonii	Mason's ceanothus	FSC; SR; 1B	Serpentinite areas in chaparral.	No	Z001). Known from approximately five occurrences; may be a variety of <i>C. gloriosus</i> (CNPS 2001). Present in GGNRA (PORE 2001).	
Chorizanthe cuspidata var. cuspidata	spineflower	FSC; 1B	Sandy areas in coastal dunes, coastal prairie, and coastal scrub.	Yes	Not known from Park (PORE 2001). "Some plants from Point Reyes probably intermediate to var. <i>villosa</i> " (CNPS 2001). Jepson does not differentiate species into varieties (Hickman 1993).	April-Aug
Chorizanthe cuspidata var. villosa	spineflower	1B	Sandy areas in coastal dunes, coastal prairie, and coastal scrub.	Yes	Known from fewer than 10 occurrences (CNPS 2001). Not known from Park (PORE 2001). Jepson does not differentiate species into varieties (Hickman 1993).	May-Aug
Chorizanthe valida	Sonoma spineflower	FE; SE; 1B	Sandy areas in coastal prairie.	Yes	Thought extinct at one time; only known extant occurrence in Park (CNPS 2001; PORE 2001).	June-Aug
Cirsium andrewsii	Franciscan thistle	1B	Sometimes serpentinite areas in broadleafed upland forest and coastal bluff scrub.	No	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	
Cirsium hydrophilum var. vaseyi	Mount Tamalpais thistle	FSC; 1B	Serpentinite seeps in broadleafed upland forest and chaparral.	No	Known from fewer than 10 occurrences on Mount. Tamalpais (CNPS 2001).	
Clarkia concinna ssp. raichei	Raiche's red ribbons	FSC; 1B	Coastal bluff scrub.	No	Known from only one occurrence near Tomales (CNPS 2001).	

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Collinsia corymbosa	round-headed chinese houses	1B	Coastal dunes.	Yes	Not known from Park (PORE 2001).	April-June
Cordylanthus maritimus ssp. palustris	Point Reyes bird's- beak	FSC; 1B	Coastal salt marsh.	Yes	Present in several areas in Drakes Estero and Limantour Marsh (NDDB 2001, PORE 2001).	June-Oct
Cordylanthus mollis ssp. mollis	soft bird's beak	FE; SR; 1B	Coastal salt marsh. Yes Known from fewer than 20 occurrences (CNPS 2001). Species is located exclusively on San Francisco Bay and Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Has never been observed in marshes on west coast of Marin and Sonoma counties.		July-Sept	
Delphinium bakeri	Baker's larkspur	FE; SR; 1B	Coastal scrub. Yes Known from only one occurrence along Salmon Creek (CNPS 2001).		March-May	
Dirca occidentalis	western leatherwood	1B	Broadleafed upland forest; chaparral; closed-cone and North coast coniferous forest; cismontane woodland; riparian scrub; riparian woodland; on brushy, mesic slopes; mostly in mixed evergreen and foothill woodland communities.	Broadleafed upland forest; chaparral; losed-cone and North coast coniferous orest; cismontane woodland; riparian crub; riparian woodland; on brushy, mesic lopes; mostly in mixed evergreen and Yes Mapped along Nicasio Creek and Inverness Ridge (NDDB 2001).		Jan-April
Elymus californicus	California bottle-brush grass	4	North coast coniferous forest.	No	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	
Erigeron supplex	supple daisy	FSC; 1B	Coastal bluff scrub; coastal prairie.	Yes	Possibly extirpated from the area (USFWS April 2001).	May-July
Erysimum franciscanum	San Francisco wallflower	FSC; 4	Coastal dunes; coastal scrub; often serpentinite or granitic areas in valley and foothill grassland.	granitic areas in valley and		March-June
Fritillaria lanceolata var. tristulis	fritillary	1B	Coastal bluff scrub; coastal scrub; coastal prairie.	Yes	Endemic to Marin County. Known from fewer than 10 occurrences (CNPS 2001).	

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Fritillaria liliacea	fragrant fritillary	FSC; 1B	Often on serpentinite soils in coastal scrub, coastal prairie, and valley and foothill grassland.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001, NDDB 2001).	Feb-April
Gilia capitata ssp. chamissonis	dune gilia	1B	Coastal sandhills; <60 m.	No	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	
Gilia millefoliata		1B	Stabilized coastal dunes; <10 m.	Yes	Not known from Park (PORE 2001).	April-July
Grindelia hirsutula var. maritima	San Francisco gumplant	FSC; 1B	Sandy, serpentinite soils in coastal bluff scrub, coastal scrub, and valley and foothill grassland. Broadleafed upland forest; chaparral; Yes Present in Park (PORE 2001). Present in Park (PORE 2001). Present in Park (PORE 2001).		Aug-Sept	
Helianthella castanea	Diablo helianthella	FSC; 1B	Broadleafed upland forest; chaparral; cismontane woodland; coastal scrub; riparian woodland; valley and foothill grassland.	April-June		
Hemizonia congesta ssp. leucocephala	hayfield tarplant	3	Coastal scrub; valley and foothill grassland.			April-Oct
Hemizonia multicaulis ssp. multicaulis	seaside tarweed	FSC	Coastal grassland, sometimes serpentine; gen <300 m.	Yes	Considered but rejected by CNPS for listing because considered synonym of <i>H. congesta</i> ssp. <i>congesta</i> , a common species (CNPS 2001).	
Hemizonia multicaulis ssp. vernalis	Tiburon tarweed	FSC	Coastal grassland, sometimes serpentine; gen <300 m.	Yes	Considered but rejected by CNPS for listing because considered synonym of <i>H. congesta</i> ssp. <i>congesta</i> , a common species (CNPS 2001).	
Hesperevax sparsiflora var. brevifolia	short-leaved evax	2	Coastal bluff scrub; coastal dunes.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	March-June
Hesperolinon congestum	Marin dwarf flax	FT; ST; 1B	Serpentinite areas in chaparral and valley and foothill grassland.	No	Present in GGNRA (PORE 2001). Known from fewer than 20 occurrences (CNPS 2001).	

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Holocarpha macradenia	Santa Cruz tarplant	FT; SE; 1B	Often clay and sandy soils in coastal prairie, coastal scrub, and valley and foothill grassland.	Yes	Known from fewer than 15 occurrences. Last remaining natural population in San Francisco Bay extirpated in 1993 (CNPS 2001).	June-Oct
Horkelia cuneata ssp. sericea	Kellogg's horkelia	FSC; 1B	Old dunes; coastal sandhills; gen < 200 m.	No	Not known from Park (PORE 2001). Possibly extirpated from the area (USFWS April 2001). Occurrence from Mt. Bruno area probably last remaining one in San Francisco Bay (CNPS 2001).	
Horkelia marinensis	Point Reyes horkelia	FSC; 1B	Coastal dunes, prairie, and scrub.	yes Present in Park (PORE 2001). Known from fewer than 20 occurrences (CNPS 2001).		May-Sept
Lasthenia macrantha ssp. macrantha	goldfields	1B	Coastal bluff scrub, coastal dunes, coastal scrub, and grasslands along immediate coast; <500 m.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	Jan-Nov
Lathyrus jepsonii var. jepsonii	Delta tule pea	FSC; 1B	Freshwater and brackish marsh.	Yes	Species is located exclusively on San Francisco Bay and Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Has never been observed in marshes on west coast of Marin and Sonoma counties.	May-June
Layia carnosa	beach layia	FE; SE; 1B	Coastal dunes.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	March-July
Lessingia micradenia var. micradenia	Tamalpais lessingia	FSC; 1B	Usually serpentinite areas in chaparral and valley and foothill grassland; often along roadsides.	Yes	Known only from four occurrences near Mount Tamalpais (CNPS 2001).	June-Oct
Lilaeopsis masonii	Mason's lileaopsis	FSC; SR; 1B	Freshwater and brackish marshes; riparian scrub; in muddy or silty soil formed through river deposition.	Yes	Questionable identification of species in 1939; May have been <i>L. occidentalis</i> . Hydrology of site since altered (NDDB 2001).	April-Oct

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Lilium maritimum	coast lily	FSC; 1B	Broadleafed upland forest; closed-cone coniferous forest; coastal prairie; coastal scrub; and North coast coniferous forest.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	May-July
Limnanthes douglasii ssp. sulphurea	Point Reyes meadowfoam	FSC; SE; 1B	Coastal prairie; mesic areas in meadows; freshwater marsh; and vernal pools.	Yes	Known from approximately 10 occurrences (CNPS 2001). Present in Park (PORE 2001).	March-May
Limosella subulata	Delta mudwort	2	from PORE needs verification (CNPS 2001). Jepson classificative of eastern coast of North America and Europe (Hickman 1993).		occurrences in the Delta; occurrence from PORE needs verification (CNPS 2001). Jepson classifies as native of eastern coast of North America and Europe (Hickman	May-Aug
Linanthus grandiflorus	large-flower linanthus	4	Coastal bluff scrub; closed-cone coniferous forest; cismontane woodland; coastal dunes; coastal prairie; coastal scrub; and valley and foothill grassland.	Coastal bluff scrub; closed-cone coniferous forest; cismontane woodland; coastal dunes; coastal prairie; coastal scrub; and valley and		April-July
Linanthus rosaceus	rosy linanthus	1B	Coastal bluff scrub, coastal scrub.	Yes	Not known from Park (PORE 2001). Known from only one occurrence near Pacifica (CNPS 2001). Jepson does not recognize this species (Hickman 1993).	April-June
Lupinus tidestromii	Tidestrom's lupine	FE; SE; 1B	Coastal dunes.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	April-June
Microseris paludosa		1B	Closed-cone coniferous forest, cismontane woodland, coastal scrub, and valley and foothill grassland; < 300 m.		Not known from Park (PORE 2001).	April-June
Monardella undulata	curly-leaved monardella	4	Chaparral; coastal dunes; coastal scrub; ponderosa pine sandhills in lower montane coniferous forest.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	May-Sept

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SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	STATUS	HABITAT	HABITAT PRESENT	COMMENTS	FLOWERING PERIOD
Pentachaeta bellidiflora	white-rayed pentachaeta	FE; SE; 1B	Often serpentinite areas in valley and foothill grassland.	Yes	Known from only one extended occurrence near Highway 280 on San Francisco Peninsula (CNPS 2001).	March-May
Perideridia gairdneri ssp. gairdneri	Gairdner's yampah	FSC; 4	Mesic areas in broadleafed upland forest, chaparral, valley and foothill grassland, and vernal pools.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	June-Oct
Phacelia insularis var. continentis	northcoast phacelia	FSC; 1B	Coastal bluff scrub; coastal dunes. Yes Known from approximately seven occurrences (CNPS 2001). Present in Park (PORE 2001).		March-May	
Piperia elegans ssp. decurtata	Point Reyes rein orchid	1B	Generally dry, open sites; coastal bluff scrub; coniferous forest; < 500 m.	No	Present in Park (PORE 2001). Jepson does not recognize subspecies (Hickman 1993).	
Plagiobothrys diffusus	San Francisco popcorn-flower	FSC; SE; 1B	Coastal prairie; valley and foothill grassland	Yes	Known from fewer than 10 occurrences (CNPS 2001). Not known from Park (PORE 2001). Jepson characterized species as indistinct from <i>P. reticulatus</i> var. rossianorum (Hickman 1993).	April-June
Pleuropogon hooverianus	North Coast semaphore grass	FSC; SR; 1B	Mesic areas in broadleafed upland forest, meadows, North Coast coniferous forest, and vernal pools.	No	Known from fewer than 10 occurrences (CNPS 2001).	
Pleuropogon refractus	nodding semaphore grass	4	Mesic areas in lower montane coniferous forest, meadows, North Coast coniferous forest, and riparian forest.	No	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	
Polygonum marinense	Marin knotweed	FSC; 3	Coastal salt marshes and brackish marshes.	Yes	Known from fewer than 15 occurrences; taxonomic status uncertain (CNPS 2001). Present in several locations in the Park (PORE 2001).	June-Aug (CNPS) April-Oct (PORE)

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SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	STATUS	Навітат	HABITAT PRESENT	COMMENTS	FLOWERING PERIOD
Ranunculus lobbii	Lobb's aquatic buttercup	4	Mesic areas in cismontane woodland, North Coast coniferous forest, valley and foothill grassland, and vernal pools.	Yes	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	March-May
Rhynchospora californica	California beaked-rush	FSC; 1B	Bogs and fens; lower montane coniferous forest; seeps in meadows; freshwater marshes.	Yes	Known from fewer than 10 occurrences (CNPS 2001). Last seen in 1945 (NDDB 2001).	May-July
Sagittaria sanfordii	Sanford's arrowhead	FSC; 1B	Assorted shallow freshwater marshes and swamps.	Yes		
Sidalcea calycosa ssp. rhizomata	checkerbloom	1B	Marshes and swamps near coast. Yes Present in Park (PORE 2001).		April-Sept	
Sidalcea hickmanii ssp. viridis	Marin checkerbloom	FSC; 1B	Serpentinite areas in chaparral.	No	Not known from Park (PORE 2001).	
Stebbinsoseris decipiens	Santa Cruz microseris	FSC; 1B	Open areas, sometimes serpentinite, in broadleafed upland forest, closed-cone coniferous forest, chaparral, coastal prairie, and coastal scrub. Yes Known from fewer than 20 occurrences (CNPS 2001). Not known from Park (PORE 2001).		occurrences (CNPS 2001). Not	April-May
Stellaria littoralis	starwort	4	Bogs and fens, coastal bluff scrub, coastal dunes, coastal scrub, marshes and swamps < 40 m.	Yes	Considered common in Park (PORE 2001).	March-July
Streptanthus batrachopus	Tamalpais jewelflower	FSC; 1B	Serpentinite areas in closed-cone coniferous forest and chaparral.	No	Known from fewer than 10 occurrences in the Mount Tamalpais area (CNPS 2001).	
Streptanthus glandulosus ssp. pulchellus	Mount Tamalpais jewelflower	1B	Serpentinite areas in chaparral and valley and foothill grassland.	No	Endemic to the Mt. Tamalpais area. Present in GGNRA (PORE 2001).	
Streptanthus niger	Tiburon jewelflower	FE; SE; 1B	Serpentinite areas in valley and foothill grassland.	No	Known from only three occurrences on Tiburon peninsula (CNPS 2001).	
Trifolium amoenum	showy Indian clover	FE; 1B	Valley and foothill grassland; coastal bluff scrub; sometimes on serpentine soil; open, sunny areas; swales	Yes	Last recorded in Olema area in 1886. Thought extinct, but rediscovered twice since 1993: only one extant as of 1996 (CNPS 2001).	April-June

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SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	STATUS	HABITAT	Навітат	COMMENTS	FLOWERING
				PRESENT		PERIOD
Triphysaria floribunda	San Francisco owl's-	FSC;	Serpentinite areas in coastal prairie and	No	Present in Park (PORE 2001).	
	clover	1B	valley and foothill grassland.			

FEDERAL, STATE, AND CNPS STATUS CODES

FEDERAL LISTING

FE = Listed as endangered under federal Endangered Species Act.

FT = Listed as threatened under federal Endangered Species Act.

FPE = Proposed for listing as endangered under the federal Endangered Species Act.

FPT = Proposed for listing as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act.

FSC = A U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Species of Concern (formerly a category 2 candidate for listing).

STATE LISTING

SE = Listed as endangered under the California Endangered Species Act.

ST = Listed as threatened under the California Endangered Species Act.

SR = Listed as rare under the California Endangered Species Act.

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY (CNPS) LISTING

1A = Plants presumed extinct in California.

1B = Plants rare, threatened, or endangered in California.

2 = Plants rare, threatened, or endangered in California, but more common elsewhere.

3 = Plants about which we need more information – a review list.

4 = Plants of limited distribution – a watch list.

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areas where unique geologic or soil characteristics encourage prolonged seasonal ponding or soil saturation during spring months. Vernal pools, which are usually associated with clay soils that have extremely low permeability or soils with an impermeable claypan or cemented clay lens, typically support a distinctive flora and fauna. However, some of so-called vernal pool plant species may also grow in seasonal wetlands: the term "seasonal wetlands" is often used to characterize seasonally saturated or inundated depressional features that have neither the soils, geology, or characteristic flora and fauna associated with vernal pools.

The very nature of the Proposed Project Area suggests that potential for wetland-related special status species is high, as the Project Area runs along the southern edge of Horseshoe Pond. The soil map identified another constructed pond along the construction access road. In addition, the earthen dam that separates Horseshoe Pond from the Pacific Ocean was mapped as a hydric soil: Humaquepts, seeped. The Seashore vegetation map identified several communities that could potentially incorporate wetlands, including Pickleweed Alliance, Rush Alliance, and Saltgrass Alliance (Figure 3). The Pickleweed and Saltgrass Alliances were mapped on the north and southwestern sides of the earthen dam. Wetland delineations conducted using both a modified Cowardin (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 1985) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Environmental Laboratory1987) methodologies also identified the presence of wetlands along the earthen dam, concrete spillway, and within and adjacent to the two potential red-legged frog mitigation areas (Point Reyes National Seashore September 2001; Point Reyes National Seashore February 2002).

Perhaps the highest potential for special status species in the earthen dam area comes from the fact that coastal dunes have developed on the oceanward side. The vegetation map for the Seashore mapped the eastern portion of the dam as Dune Sagebrush – Goldenbush Alliance Complex. Approximately 14 of the special status plant species with potential to occur in the Proposed Project Area can occur in coastal dune habitats.

At least one species, *Abronia umbellata* ssp. *breviflora* (pink sand-verbena; 1B), has been historically documented in the Proposed Project Area. Virginia Norris from the Marin chapter of the California Native Plant Society first observed this species growing on a "coastal dune terrace" in 1994, but did not officially reports its presence until 1995, when she documented 20 individuals (PORE 2001; NDDB 2001). Another species, *Limnanthes* douglasii ssp. *sulphurea* (Point Reyes meadowfoam; SE; 1B) was found near – but not in – the Proposed Project Area in swales northwest of a large pond adjacent to the Drakes Beach parking lot (NDDB 2001).

Germination of most sensitive annual plant species is tied to rainfall, and below-average rainfall conditions can delay flowering or even inhibit germination, particularly in species with long-lived seed banks. Rainfall during the winter of 2000-2001 was below average, while that during the winter of 2001-2002 was slightly above average. Rainfall for the months of October through April totaled 83.43 cm (33.37 inches) for 2000-2001 and 134.05 cm (53.62 inches) for 2001-2002 (California Data Exchange Center, Lagunitas Lake station). The average rainfall for this period totals 118.43 cm (47.37 inches), so rainfall during the study period ranged from 70.5 (2001)- to 113 percent (2002) of "normal."

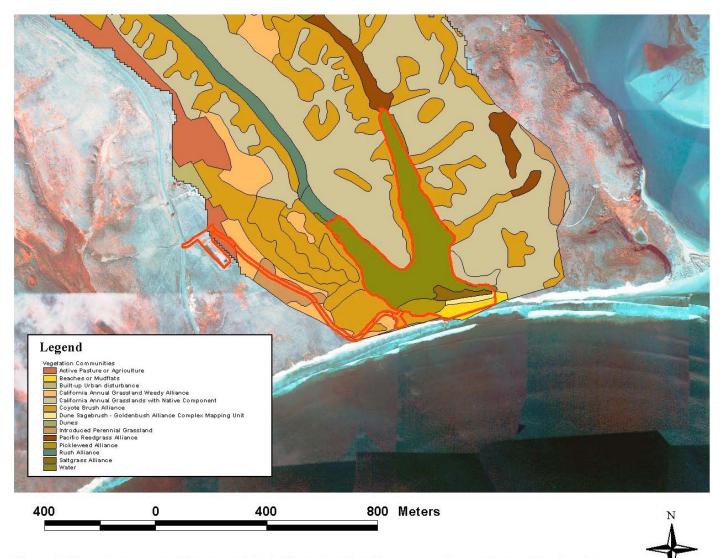


Figure 3. Vegetation communities mapped in the Horseshoe Pond Restoration Project Proposed Project Area using modified version of Sawyer and Keeler-Wolf (1996) classification system.

NDDB Special Habitats

The search of the NDDB identified six special habitats with potential to occur within the vicinity of the Proposed Project Area: central dune scrub, coastal and valley freshwater marsh, coastal terrace prairie, serpentine bunchgrass, northern coastal salt marsh, and northern maritime chaparral (NDDB 2001). Central dune scrub is documented from the Point Reyes Lighthouse and Abbotts Lagoon areas. Coastal freshwater marsh is documented from a 34-acre marsh immediately west of Drakes Beach. Northern coastal salt marsh is documented from the head of Tomales Bay. Northern maritime chaparral is documented from an area just south of Tomales Bay State Park. Occurrences of coastal terrace prairie and serpentine bunchgrass fell outside the Seashore and Golden Gate National Recreation Area, north district, boundaries. None of these documented locations are within the Proposed Project Area.

3.2 FIELD SURVEYS

The site reconnaissance identified quite a few habitats within the Proposed Project Area that had the potential to support special status plant species. Indeed, the number and variety of habitats observed largely accounts for the fact that, of the 81 special status species listed in Table 1, as many as 59 of them actually had some potential to occur in the Proposed Project Area based on the appropriate habitat being present. Habitats present included:

- coastal prairie (California annual grassland weedy alliance/California annual grassland with native component-California oatgrass alliance),
- coastal scrub (Coyote brush-California blackberry/weedy association),
- coastal dunes (Ammophila arenaria-Cardionema ramossisima assocation),
- northern coastal salt marsh (*Distichlis spicata-Frankenia salina-Jaumea carnosa* association),
- coastal brackish marsh (Spikerush alliance), and
- freshwater marsh/seasonal wetlands (California annual grassland weedy alliance and other communities not described by Sawyer and Keeler-Wolf).

At least two of these habitats could potentially qualify as a NDDB special habitat: northern coastal salt marsh and coastal brackish marsh. Northern coastal salt marsh occurred on the oceanward side of the concrete spillway channel that connects Horseshoe Pond, at least intermittently, to the Pacific Ocean. This section of northern coastal salt marsh is characterized by a typical high marsh assemblage that is dominated by *Distichlis spicata* (saltgrass), with *Frankenia salina* (alkali heath) and *Jaumea carnosa* also present. The high marsh is fringed by a rush community largely composed of *Juncus lesueurii* (rush). Another patch of northern coastal salt marsh occurs on the oceanward side of the earthen dam in the historic channel inlet area. Dominant species in this occurrence include salt grass, rush, *Scirpus pungens* (common threesquare), and *Cotula coronopifolia* (brass-buttons), with *Lotus corniculatus* (birdfoot trefoil) also present.

While not listed as being present in Proposed Project Area, coastal brackish marsh is another NDDB special habitat. Coastal brackish marsh occurs on the pondward side of the earthen dam

and concrete spillway. Periodic overwashing of tidal flow into Horseshoe Pond during high and storm tide events, probably coupled with groundwater exchange through the porous sandy material present in the earthen dam, has led to moderately saline conditions, particularly in the southern portion of the pond. Species present in the marsh fringe bordering the earthen dam and concrete spillway attest to the brackish conditions present in the pond, with dominant species being Eleocharis macrostachya (spikerush), rush, common threesquare, and Potentilla anserina ssp. pacifica (cinquefoil).

Freshwater marsh was observed in a small drainage near the D Ranch buildings. However, the high percent cover of the non-native grass *Lolium* spp. (ryegrass) in the feature, which was codominant with *Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum* (water cress), would argue against it being classified as a NDDB special habitat.

As noted earlier, coastal dunes have developed on the oceanward side of the earthen dam. The dunes are dominated by non-native species such as *Ammophila arenaria* (European beachgrass) and *Cakile maritima* (sea rocket), with *Bromus diandrus* (ripgut grass), *Bromus catharticus* (rescue grass), *Hypochaeris radicata* (rough cat's-ear), and *Plantago lanceolata* (English plantain) also common. Some of the native dune species present include *Cardionema ramosissimum*, *Abronia latifolia* (sand verbena), and *Camissonia cheiranthifolia* ssp. *cheiranthifolia* (beach evening primrose).

To some extent, the vegetation community occurring along the construction access road could be described as coastal prairie, although most of the habitat appears to be extremely disturbed, most likely as a result of historic grazing followed by cessation of grazing once the D Ranch operations were abandoned. Most of the grassland along the construction access road is dominated almost exclusively by non-native grasses and forbs such as *Lolium multiflorum* (Italian ryegrass), *Hordeum murinum* (barley), and *Medicago polymorpha* (California burclover). At the southern end of the construction access, a moderate shift in species occurs, with more native species characteristic of coastal prairie and coastal scrub beginning to appear. Among the native species observed were *Sisrinchyum bellum* (blue-eyed grass), *Iris douglasiana* (iris), *Danthonia californica* (California oatgrass), *Sidalcea malvaeflora* (checker mallow), *Achillea millefolium* (yarrow), *Deschampsia caespitosa* (tufted hairgrass), and *Wyethia glabra* (mules ears). Near the quarry, grassland begins to convert into coastal scrub dominated by *Baccharis pilularis* (coyote brush) and *Rubus ursinus* (California blackberry), at least on the northern portion of the road.

Freshwater marsh/seasonal wetlands were observed in several areas within the Proposed Project Area. The pond along the construction access road, which was developed to store manure waste from D Ranch, floods during the winter months, although herbaceous annuals such as Italian ryegrass and *Polypogon monspeliensis* (annual beard grass) colonize the pond bottom once waters have evaporated. Seasonally saturated and/or inundated swales and depressions along the construction access road near the constructed pond also principally support Italian ryegrass and annual beard grass, although *Atriplex triangularis* (spearscale) was also occasionally present. As noted earlier, ryegrass and the inundation-tolerant floating emergent, water-cress, have established in a drainage adjacent to D Ranch that appears to be fed by a perennial, or at least long-lived seasonal, seep.

The quarry site from which soils were taken to construct the earthen dam does not fall readily into any vegetation classification. For the most part, it is sparsely vegetated (<15 percent cover) and is dominated by an eclectic mixture of native and non-native species, including English plantain, *Lupinus nanus* (lupine), *Holcus lanatus* (velvet grass), *Toxicodendron diversilobum* (poison oak), and tufted hair-grass.

Focused surveys documented the presence of three (3) special status plant species in the Proposed Project Area (Figure 4). Two of the species were observed in the coastal dune area on the oceanward side of the earthen dam: *Abronia umbellata* ssp. *breviflora* (pink sand-verbena; FSC; 1B) and *Chorizanthe cuspidata* (spineflower; FSC; 1B. One was found in the coastal salt marsh near the concrete spillway: *Astragalus pycnostachyus* var. *pycnostachyus* (vetch; 1B). A list of all plant species observed during surveys is provided in Appendix A.

Abronia umbellata ssp. breviflora: Marin County is the southern extent of the range for pink sand-verbena, which stretches as far north as Oregon (CNPS 2001). Within the Seashore, there

are five occurrences of this species (PORE 2001). Most occurrences of this species have very few numbers, ranging from one or two individuals to 13 individuals in a season (CNPS 2001). These populations are very dynamic in nature and appear to be adapted to disturbance events, perhaps functioning almost like metapopulations. During one season, a few plants will appear in certain areas, particularly dunes that have been recently disturbed by overwash events, only to disappear the following season, with new occurrences then sighted in other locations. In fact, within the Seashore, the Horseshoe Pond population ranks



as the largest and most stable of the populations. This particular occurrence covers approximately 1,060 square meters of dune. As noted earlier, Virginia Norris first discovered this population in 1994 and documented 20 individuals in 1995. In 2001, as many as 65 plants were found by Michelle Coppoletta of PORE, 26 of which were in flower (PORE 2001). In 2002, 22 flowering plants were observed by Shelly Benson of PRNS (PRNS 2001). Based on taxonomy, it appears that these plants may be hybrids between *Abronia umbellata* ssp. *breviflora* and *Abronia latifolia* (coastal sand- verbena; M. Coppoletta, pers comm.). Throughout its range, this species has experienced a dramatic decrease in numbers due to impacts such as vehicles,

non-native plants, and foot traffic (CNPS 2001). This annual herb, which blooms from June through October, is distinguished by its distinctive magenta flowers.

Chorizanthe cuspidata: A population of *Chorizanthe cuspidata* was also found growing in



the dunes alongside *Abronia umbellata* ssp. *breviflora*. While considered rare throughout its range, this species is actually quite common within the Seashore (M. Coppoletta, pers comm.). Because of the significant difficulties discerning the different varieties of *C. cuspidata* – var. *cuspidata* and var. *villosa* – the Seashore simply lumps these two varieties together for purposes of monitoring (M. Coppoletta, pers comm.). Most of the existing populations of *Chorizanthe* are concentrated in and around the dunes at Abbotts Lagoon (PORE 2001).

Astragalus pycnostachyus var. pycnostachyus: Astragalus pycnostachyus var. pycnostachyus was observed growing in the strip of rushes bordering the high marsh near the concrete spillway (Figure 4). At least two large individuals were found. This species is a perennial herb with canescent or white-woolly herbage and cream to greenish white flowers (Hickman 1993). It is

closely related to another species, *Astragalus pycnostachyus* var. *lanosissiumus* (Ventura Marsh milkvetch; FPE, SE, 1B), which at one point was presumed extinct but was recently rediscovered near Oxnard, California, in 1997 (Hickman 1993; CNPS 2001). *Astragalus* historically ranged from Humboldt to San Mateo counties, but is believed to have been since extirpated from Humboldt county (CNPS 2001). CNPS (2001) characterized this species as having potentially fewer than 10 populations. However, there are at least 13 populations within the Seashore, most of which are in tidal fringe marshes bordering the various "bays" in Drakes Estero and Estero de Limantour (PORE



2001). Persistence of this species may possibly be threatened by "cattle trampling and erosion" (CNPS 2001). Declining numbers are apparently what prompted CNPS to include this species for the first time in its 2001 rare plant inventory as a List 1B species (Rare or endangered in California or elsewhere). The plant typically blooms from April through October.

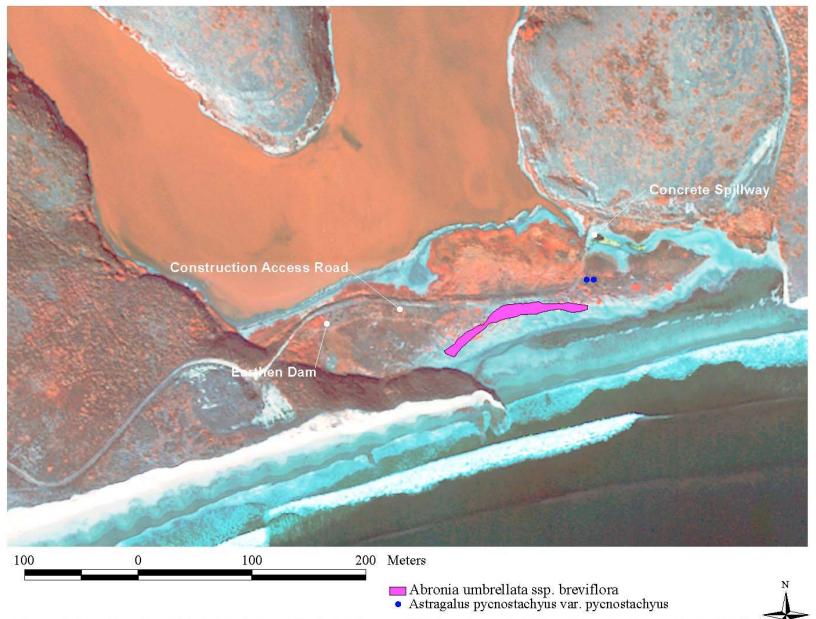


Figure 4. Location of special status plant species in the Proposed Project Area. Spineflower was not mapped specifically, but overlaps with pink sand-verbena. Mapped over infrared imagery - 2003

CHAPTER 4. DISCUSSION

Three special status plant species were observed in the Proposed Project Area: pink sand-verbena, spineflower, and vetch. Two of the species – pink sand-verbena and spineflower -- occurred in the coastal dunes that have developed on the oceanward side of the earthen dam, while the third was observed in a marsh area directly southwest of the concrete spillway. While construction equipment will need to travel across the earthen dam to remove the concrete spillway, it may be possible to avoid impacts to these species by carefully routing and flagging the construction access road so as to ensure that it bypasses these populations/occurrences.

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APPENDICES

Appendix A. List of Plant Species Observed

Table 1. Plant species observed in Horseshsoe Pond Restoration Project Area.

Family	Full Species Name	Common Name	Spillway	Dune	Historic Channel	Quarry	Road	Mitigation 1	Mitigation 2
Aizoaceae									
	Carpobrotus chilensis	sea fig		✓					
	Carpobrotus edulis	hottentot fig	✓	✓	✓				
	Carpobrotus sp.			✓					
Anacardiac	eae								
	Toxicodendron diversilobum	Pacific poison oak		✓		✓			\checkmark
Apiaceae									
1	Angelica hendersonii	Henderson's angelica							\checkmark
	Conium maculatum	poison hemlock			\checkmark		✓	\checkmark	\checkmark
	Eryngium armatum	coastal eryngo				✓	✓		
	Foeniculum vulgare	sweet fennel						\checkmark	
	Heracleum lanatum				✓	✓	~		
	Oenanthe sarmentosa	water parsely	✓		✓				\checkmark
Asteraceae									
	Achillea millefolium	common yarrow			✓	✓	~		\checkmark
	Ambrosia chamissonis	beach-bur		✓	✓				
	Anthemis cotula	stinking chamomile							\checkmark
	Aster chilensis								\checkmark
	Baccharis pilularis	coyotebrush	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Carduus pycnocephalus	Italian plumeless thistle	✓			✓	\checkmark		\checkmark
	Cirsium vulgare	bull thistle	\checkmark		✓		~	✓	\checkmark
	Cotula coronopifolia	common brassbuttons	✓		\checkmark				\checkmark
	Erechtites glomerata	cutleaf burnweed			\checkmark				
	Erechtites minima	coastal burnweed	✓		\checkmark				
	Eriophyllum staechadifolium	seaside woolly sunflower	✓		\checkmark				
	Gnaphalium canescens ssp. beneolens								\checkmark
	Gnaphalium palustre	western marsh cudweed			\checkmark				

Family	Full Species Name	Common Name	Spillway	Dune	Historic Channel	Quarry	Road	Mitigation 1	Mitigation 2
	Gnaphalium purpureum				\checkmark		✓		
	Gnaphalium sp.				✓				\checkmark
	Grindelia hirsutula	gumweed	✓	✓	✓				
	Grindelia sp.					✓	✓		✓
	Helenium puberulum	rosilla							✓
	Hypochaeris glabra	smooth catsear		✓					
	Hypochaeris radicata	hairy catsear	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Jaumea carnosa	marsh jaumea	✓		✓				
	Senecio vulgaris	old-man-in-the-Spring					✓		
	Silybum marianum	blessed milkthistle					✓		✓
	Sonchus asper	spiny sowthistle	✓		✓		✓		✓
	Sonchus oleraceus	common sowthistle			✓				
	Wyethia glabra	Coast Range mule-ears					✓		
Brassicacea	ae								
	Brassica nigra	black mustard					✓		
	Cakile maritima	European searocket	✓	✓	✓				
	Cardamine sp.	bittercress					✓		
	Raphanus raphanistrum	wild radish							✓
	Raphanus sativus	cultivated radish					✓	\checkmark	✓
	Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum	watercress							✓
Campanula	ceae								
	Campanula sp.	bellflower		✓					
Caryophyll	aceae								
J 1 J	Cardionema ramosissimum	sandcarpet	✓	✓					
	Cerastium fontanum ssp. vulgare	big chickweed					✓		
	Spergularia macrotheca var. macrotheca	sticky sandspurry	✓		\checkmark				
	Spergularia rubra	red sandspurry					✓		\checkmark
	Stellaria littoralis	beach starwort	✓		\checkmark				
	Stellaria media	common chickweed					✓		

Family	Full Species Name	Common Name	Spillway	Dune	Historic Channel	Quarry	Road	Mitigation 1	Mitigation 2
	Stellaria sp.		✓						
Chenopodi	iaceae								
	Atriplex leucophylla	beach saltbush			✓				
	Atriplex triangularis		✓		✓			\checkmark	✓
	Salicornia virginica	Virginia glasswort	✓						
Convolvula	aceae								
	Calystegia purpurata ssp. purpurata	Pacific false bindweed							\checkmark
	Calystegia soldanella	seashore false bindweed		✓					
	Convolvulus arvensis	field bindweed							✓
Crassulace	ae								
	Dudleya farinosa	powdery liveforever			✓				
Cucurbitac	reae								
	Marah fabaceus	California manroot			✓		✓		✓
Cyperaceae	e								
	Carex densa	dense sedge							✓
	Carex obnupta	slough sedge	✓						
	Carex sp.								✓
	Carex subbracteata	smallbract sedge			✓	✓	✓		
	Carex tumulicola	splitawn sedge			✓				
	Cyperus eragrostis	tall flatsedge							✓
	Eleocharis macrostachya		✓		✓			✓	✓
	Scirpus americanus		✓		\checkmark				
	Scirpus californicus		✓		✓				
	Scirpus maritimus				✓				
	Scirpus pungens		✓	✓	✓				\checkmark
Dennstaedt	tiaceae								
	Pteridium aquilinum var. pubescens	hairy brackenfern				✓	~		
Ericaceae									
	Gaultheria shallon	salal					✓		

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	Vaccinium ovatum	California huckleberry				✓	✓		
Fabaceae									
	Astragalus pycnostachyus var. pycnostachyus	marsh milkvetch	~						
	Lotus corniculatus	birdfoot deervetch	✓		\checkmark	~	\checkmark		\checkmark
	Lotus heermannii var. orbicularis	Heermann's bird's-foot trefo	~						
	Lupinus arboreus	yellow bush lupine		✓			\checkmark		
	Lupinus bicolor	miniature lupine							\checkmark
	Lupinus nanus	sky lupine				✓	\checkmark		
	Lupinus sp.		✓				\checkmark		
	Medicago polymorpha	burclover			\checkmark		\checkmark		✓
	Melilotus indica	annual yellow sweetclover							✓
	Trifolium dubium	suckling clover					~		
	Trifolium fragiferum	strawberry clover							✓
	Trifolium oliganthum	clover					~		✓
	Trifolium repens	white clover							✓
	Trifolium sp.	unknown clover			✓				
	Trifolium variegatum	whitetip clover				✓	✓		✓
	Vicia gigantea					✓	✓		
	Vicia sativa ssp. nigra	garden vetch				~	~		
	Vicia sativa ssp. sativa	garden vetch			✓	~	\checkmark		
	Vicia sp.	vetch							✓
Geraniaceae									
	Geranium carolinianum	Carolina geranium				✓	✓		
	Geranium dissectum	cutleaf geranium			✓	✓	\checkmark		
	Geranium sp.	geranium							✓
Iridaceae									
	Iris douglasiana	Douglas iris				✓	✓		✓
	Sisyrinchium bellum	western blue-eyed grass				✓	✓		✓
Juncaceae									

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	Juncus balticus	Baltic rush	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
	Juncus bufonius	toad rush				~			
	Juncus effusus	rush				✓			✓
	Juncus effusus var. brunneus	lamp rush	✓		✓				✓
	Juncus lesueurii	salt rush	✓	✓	~				✓
	Juncus mexicanus		✓		✓				
	Juncus occidentalis	western rush					✓		
	Juncus patens	spreading rush	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓
	Juncus sp.								✓
	Luzula comosa	Pacific woodrush				✓			
Juncaginace	ae								
	Triglochin concinna var. concinna	Utah arrowgrass	✓						
Lamiaceae									
	Stachys sp.	hedgenettle				✓	✓		
Lemnaceae									
	Stachys ajugoides	hedgenettle					✓		✓
Liliaceae									
	Chlorogalum pomeridianum var. divaricatum	wavyleaf soap plant					✓		✓
Lythraceae		7 11							
Lymaccac	Lythrum hyssopifolia	hyssop loosestrife							✓
Malvaceae			_		-	_		_	_
iviaivaceae	Malva parviflora	cheeseweed mallow						✓	
	Malva sp.	mallow					<u> </u>		✓
	Modiola caroliniana	Carolina bristlemallow				<u>✓</u>			
	Sidalcea malviflora ssp. malviflora	dwarf checkerbloom				✓	<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Myricaceae	zamova marryrora ssp. marryrora	aa.i enconcrototom				<u>۔۔۔</u>	ت]	ب
iviyiicaceae	Myrica californica	California wax myrtle							✓
Nyoto sina		Camorina wax myruc							.
Nyctaginace	cae								

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	Abronia latifolia	coastal sand verbena		✓	✓				
	Abronia umbellata	pink sand verbena		✓					
	Abronia umbellata ssp. breviflora	pink sand verbena			\checkmark				
Onagracea	e								
	Camissonia cheiranthifolia			✓					
	Camissonia ovata	goldeneggs							✓
	Epilobium ciliatum ssp. watsonii	fringed willowherb							✓
Oxalidacea	ae								
	Oxalis sp.	woodsorrel							✓
Papaverace	eae								
-	Eschscholzia californica	California poppy							✓
Plantagina	ceae								
	Plantago erecta	dotseed plantain				✓			✓
	Plantago lanceolata	narrowleaf plantain	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	Plantago major	common plantain			✓		✓		
	Plantago subnuda	tall coastal plantain	✓						
Poaceae									
	Agrostis pallens	seashore bentgrass	✓		✓				
	Aira caryophyllea	silver hairgrass	✓		✓		✓		
	Aira sp.					~			
	Ammophila arenaria	European beachgrass		✓	✓				
	Avena barbata	slender oat					✓		✓
	Avena sp.						✓		
	Bromus carinatus		✓	✓					✓
	Bromus catharticus	rescuegrass		✓	✓	✓	✓		\checkmark
	Bromus diandrus	ripgut brome		✓	\checkmark	✓	✓		✓
	Bromus hordeaceus	soft brome	✓		\checkmark	✓	✓		✓
	Cynosurus echinatus	bristly dogstail grass	✓		\checkmark		✓		
	Dactylis glomerata	orchardgrass							✓

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	Danthonia californica						✓		
	Deschampsia cespitosa	tufted hairgrass	✓				✓		
	Deschampsia sp.	hairgrass				~	✓		
	Digitaria sanguinalis	hairy crabgrass	\checkmark						
	Distichlis spicata	inland saltgrass	\checkmark	✓	✓		\checkmark		\checkmark
	Elymus glaucus	blue wildrye		✓					\checkmark
	Festuca arundinacea				✓	~	\checkmark		\checkmark
	Glyceria occidentalis	northwestern mannagrass						\checkmark	\checkmark
	Holcus lanatus	common velvetgrass	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark		\checkmark
	Hordeum brachyantherum	meadow barley	\checkmark		✓	✓	\checkmark		\checkmark
	Hordeum marinum ssp. gussonianum	Mediterranean barley					\checkmark		\checkmark
	Hordeum murinum	mouse barley		✓			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
	Leymus mollis ssp. mollis	American dunegrass			✓				
	Leymus triticoides	beardless wildrye	\checkmark	✓					
	Lolium multiflorum		\checkmark				✓	\checkmark	✓
	Lolium perenne	perennial ryegrass	\checkmark		✓	~		✓	\checkmark
	Nassella pulchra	purple tussockgrass							✓
	Paspalum dilatatum	dallisgrass	\checkmark		✓				
	Phalaris aquatica	bulbous canarygrass					✓		\checkmark
	Phalaris sp.	canarygrass							\checkmark
	Poa annua	annual bluegrass					✓		
	Polypogon monspeliensis	annual rabbitsfoot grass	\checkmark		✓			\checkmark	✓
	Vulpia bromoides	brome fescue			✓		✓		✓
	Vulpia sp.		\checkmark	✓	✓	~	\checkmark		
Polygonaco	eae								
	Chorizanthe cuspidata			✓					
	Eriogonum latifolium	seaside buckwheat			✓	✓	✓		
	Polygonum arenastrum	oval-leaf knotweed			\checkmark				
	Rumex acetosella	common sheep sorrel	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓

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	Rumex conglomeratus	clustered dock	✓		✓				✓
	Rumex crispus	curly dock	✓		✓		✓		✓
	Rumex occidentalis				✓				
	Rumex pulcher	fiddle dock	✓				✓		\checkmark
	Rumex salicifolius var. crassus	willow dock			\checkmark				
	Rumex sp.	dock							✓
Primulaceae									
	Anagallis arvensis	pimpernel	✓						
Ranunculace	eae								
	Ranunculus californicus	California buttercup				✓	✓		✓
	Ranunculus muricatus	spinyfruit buttercup					✓		
Rhamnaceae	e								
	Ceanothus thyrsiflorus	blueblossom					~		
Rosaceae									
	Fragaria chiloensis	beach strawberry					✓		
	Fragaria sp.	,				✓			
	Potentilla anserina ssp. pacifica		✓		✓		~		✓
	Rubus ursinus	California blackberry			✓	✓	✓		✓
Rubiaceae		·							
	Galium aparine	stickywilly			✓				
Ruppiaceae									
таррассис	Ruppia sp.	widgeonweed	✓		✓				
Scrophularia				<u> </u>	_	_	_	—	—
Scrophularia	Castilleja rubicundula ssp. lithospermoides	cream sacs					✓		
	Castilleja wightii	cream sues				<u>✓</u>			
	Veronica americana	American speedwell							<u> </u>
Typhaceae	. 2. 2. now which towns	opecanon]	_		
турнассас	Typha latifolia	broadleaf cattail			✓				
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Urticaceae									
	Urtica dioica								✓
Violaceae									
	Viola sp.	violet				\checkmark			