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SISKIYOU RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT		02/26/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER	
SISKIYOU COUNTY	2025-47-009	
PROJECT TITLE		

PBCS/WCB ROOTS PROGRAM: WILDLIFE HABITAT AND COMMUNITY RESILIENCE ON WORKING LANDS (#141)

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
SISKIYOU RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT		
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE
P.O. BOX 268	ETNA	CA
		ZIP CODE
		96027

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☐ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☒ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$ 4,123.50 \$ _____
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$ 2,968.75 \$ _____
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$ 1,401.75 \$ _____

☒ Exempt from fee

☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$ 850.00 \$ _____
☒ County documentary handling fee \$ 50.00 \$ 50.00
☐ Other \$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☒ Check ☐ Other 1003

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE

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AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Dana Brooks Deputy Clerk

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL FEE FORM

On 2/26/25, Evan Senf filed an application
(Date) (Name)
for development with the Siskiyou RCD. Before the application
(Name of City)
is accepted as complete for processing, fees in the following amount(s) must be deposited with
the County Clerk.

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| ☒ | Clerk Processing Fee | \$50.00 |
| ☐ | Negative Declaration | \$2,968.75* |
| ☐ | EIR | \$4,123.50 |
| ☒ | Categorically Exempt | \$0.00 |
| ☐ | Statutorily Exempt | \$0.00 |
| ☐ | Fee Exemption issued by the DFG | \$0.00 |
| ☐ | Other _____ | \$ _____ |

No project shall be operative, vested or final until the required fee is paid. *Public Resources Code §21089 (b)*

On Feb. 26, 25, Siskiyou RCD deposited \$ 50.00,
(Date) (Name)

with the Siskiyou County Clerk ENDORSED-D. BROOKS
(Attest)

Application No. N/A Receipt # 2025003997/
(To be completed when application is received for processing) 47-02/26/2025-009

* If it is determined by Siskiyou County that the fee required for a Negative Declaration does not apply to your project a refund will be granted.

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: Siskiyou Resource Conservation District
P.O. Box 268
Etna, CA 96027

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LAURA BYNUM, CLERK
BY: ENDORSED-D. BROOKS
Deputy Clerk

Title: PBCS/WCB Roots Program: Wildlife Habitat and Community Resilience on Working Lands (#141)

Applicant: Siskiyou Resource Conservation District

Project Location: 42N, 9W Sec. 35, 36

City: Etna, CA

County: Siskiyou

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project consists of the removal of hazardous fencing, an upland tree/shrub planting, the installation of wildlife structures, and noxious weed abatement. The planting will consist of native upland trees and shrubs, irrigated by above-ground pipe, and protected from browsing by wire fencing. Wildlife structures will include raptor perches, wood duck boxes, songbird boxes, barn owl boxes, and bat boxes. These structures will be situated in locations that will enhance foraging and nesting opportunities for the target species. Noxious weed abatement will consist of the manual removal of dyers woad and starthistle from a specified area.

The overall goal of the project is to enhance habitat in a corridor that links the Scott River, the valley floor, and the uplands to the east.

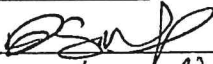
Public Agency Approving and Carrying Out Project: Siskiyou Resource Conservation District (approving), Point Blue Conservation Science (implementation).

Exempt Status:

- Class 4 CCR § 15304)
- Class 33: Small Habitat Restoration Projects (CCR § 15333)

Reasons Project is Exempt: Additional environmental analysis was conducted by PBCS Biologist/Project Specialist regarding proposed project effects on rare, threatened and endangered plants; threatened, endangered and special status wildlife species; and cultural resources. PBCS has reviewed these reports and determined that the project's implementation will result in multiple benefits, including habitat improvement for wildlife and pollinators, fuel reduction, and reduction in noxious invasive species. There will be no significant adverse impacts on endangered, rare, or threatened species or their habitats. There will be no significant adverse impacts to soils, hydrology, or water quality. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site. The project will avoid all archeological resource sites. The project will not result in cumulatively significant impacts. The project will have no significant adverse effect on the environment.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Evan Senf (530) 467-3975.

Signature: 

Title: Project Coordinator

Date: 2/26/2025



Point Blue Conservation Science Environmental Review Report for an Exempt Project

Note: This report form is intended for use by Point Blue Conservation Science (PBCS) staff to document a limited environmental impact analysis supporting the filing of a Notice of Exemption (NOE) document for a proposed PBCS Roots program project. Although the project appears to fit within the descriptions for allowable Categorical Exemptions, this report presents PBCS's review for possible "Exceptions" that would preclude finding the project to be categorically exempt as discussed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2. This report will be filed with the CEQA administrative record for this project to document the environmental impact analysis conducted by PBCS and in support of final CEQA determination by the lead filing agency.

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Project Name: **PBCS/WCB Roots Program: Wildlife Habitat and Community Resilience on Working Lands**

Project Number: **Roots 141**

Program Type: **Habitat enhancement and restoration**

County: **Siskiyou**

Legal Location: Township **42N** Range **9W** Section(s) **35, 36**

USGS 7.5' Quad: **McConaughy Gulch**

Attachment(s):

- ☒ Project Topographic Location Map
- ☒ Project Detail Map
- ☒ CDFW RareFind Report
- ☒ CNDDDB Map

- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Other: _____

Other Public Agency Review/Permit Required:

Would the project result in:

YES NO

Alterations to a watercourse (DFW - Lake and Stream Alteration Agreement)

☐ ☒

Conversion of timberland (CAL FIRE - Conversion Permit or Exemption)

☐ ☒

Demolition (Local Air District - Demolition Permit)

☐ ☒

Grading/excavating soil disturbance over 1 acre (RWQCB - SWPPP)

☐ ☒

Fill of possible wetlands (404 Permit - USACE)

☐ ☒

Discharge/placement of dredged/fill material into WOTUS (404 Permit - USACE and 401 Permit - WQCB)

☐ ☒

Discuss any above-listed topic item checked Yes and consultation with agencies:

Project Description and Environmental Setting (Describe the project activities, project site and its surroundings, its location, and the environmental setting):

Proposed Project Location

The proposed location is a ranch near Etna, in the Scott Valley of western Siskiyou County. The project site spans the valley bottom, from the east bank of the Scott River, up to an approximate elevation of 3,100'.

Existing Condition/Need for Proposed Project

Biodiversity conservation cannot be achieved through land preservation alone. Stewardship of California's working landscapes, which comprise 40% of California, for wildlife, fish, pollinator, and other biodiversity benefits is critical to stabilizing wildlife populations and preventing extinction. This project will improve wildlife habitat and contribute to the landscape goal of biodiversity conservation.

Proposed Action

Point Blue Conservation Science (PBCS) received a block grant from the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) for a collaborative project that will enable PBCS staff from across California to work with private landowners with the overall goal to co-create, manage, and implement projects that will maximize benefits of working landscapes to wildlife, fish, and pollinators.

The project consists of the removal of hazardous fencing, an upland tree/shrub planting, the installation of wildlife structures, and noxious weed abatement. The planting will consist of native upland trees and shrubs, irrigated by above-ground pipe, and protected from browsing by wire fencing. Wildlife structures will include raptor perches, wood duck boxes, songbird boxes, barn owl boxes, and bat boxes. These structures will be situated in locations that will enhance foraging and nesting opportunities for the target species. Noxious weed abatement will consist of the manual removal of dyers woad and starthistle from a specified area.

The overall goal of the project is to enhance habitat in a corridor that links the Scott River, the valley floor, and the uplands to the east.

Total project area: 16.73 acres.

Area of soil disturbance: 0.2 acres.

Proposed project activities include:

- Removing approximately 4,925 feet of hazardous fencing**
- Establishing 100 trees and 200 shrubs and plant protection to deter browsing**
- Installing 1,060 feet of irrigation line to irrigate planting**
- Installing 2 barn owl boxes on ranch buildings**
- Installing 2 free-standing raptor perches**
- Installing 5 free-standing small bird nest boxes**
- Installing 3 free-standing wood duck boxes**
- Installing 2 bat houses; one free-standing, one mounted to ranch building**
- Manual removal of dyers woad and yellow starthistle from 5.98 acres**

Environmental Impact Analysis

Provide detail only if saying yes.

Aesthetics

- ☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.
☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

The existing visual character of project sites and surroundings is expected to improve environmental conditions that favor native flora and fauna, creating better opportunities to view native plants and wildlife. PBCS has determined that the project will not cause adverse impacts to aesthetic values.

Agriculture and Forest Resources

- ☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.
☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

☐ Yes ☒ No Would any trees be felled? If yes, discuss protection of nesting birds and compliance with Forestry Practice Rules.

☐ Yes ☒ No Would the project convert any prime or unique farmland?

☐ Yes ☒ No Would the project result in the conversion of forest land or timberland to non-forest use?

This project will not convert any agriculture, rangeland, or forest resources or cause significant potential impacts to these resources. PBCS has determined that the project will not cause adverse impacts to agriculture, rangeland, or forest resources.

Project treatment is expected to benefit forest and rangeland by promoting native grasses and forbs and reducing non-native invasive plant species.

Project treatments are expected to benefit agricultural (crop) resources by promoting pollinators.

Air Quality

- ☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.
☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

PBCS has determined that, overall, the effect of the project on air quality will be less than significant.

The project will involve the use of equipment and will not include burning of vegetation/biomass. A minor amount of dust and fumes will be created by running equipment and power tools, and by accessing the project areas by vehicle.

Biological Resources

- ☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.
☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

- ☐ Yes ☒ No Will the project potentially affect biological resources?
☒ Yes ☐ No Was a current CNDDDB review completed? Results discussed below.
☐ Yes ☒ No Was a biological survey of the project area completed? Results discussed below.

An assessment of threatened, endangered, rare, and special-status wildlife species, plant species, and natural communities occurring or potentially occurring in the project area was conducted. This assessment included a records search for threatened, endangered, rare, and special status species and communities using the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDDB & Spotted Owl Observation Database - BIOS; CDFW 2023). These record searches covered a 3-mile buffer around the proposed project location.

The overall goal of the project is habitat enhancement and restoration in support of native pollinator and wildlife species. PBCS has determined that the project, as designed, will provide a net benefit for native pollinators, wildlife, plant species and natural communities and that there will be no significant adverse impacts of the project on these biological resources.

A number of special-status wildlife and plant species and the habitats that support them, and other special-status natural communities, have been detected within a 3-mile buffer of the proposed project and may occur or have the potential to occur in the project treatment areas (See Attachment A: Special Status Species Records Search Results). These species and the operational measures that will protect them from significant impacts are discussed below.

Wildlife

If any special-status wildlife species are detected prior to or during project implementation, the project biologist and/or CDFW will be consulted to determine an appropriate avoidance strategy. If any bird nests, bat roosting or nursery sites are located, they will be protected by a buffer to be determined in consultation with the project biologist. To the extent feasible, disturbance of potential dens of large or mis-sized mammals will be avoided. For any work near streams, wetlands, riparian areas, or vernal pools, BMPs will be employed to ensure no impacts to these resources.

Plants

If any rare plants are identified during project activities, they will be flagged and avoided. For any work implemented in or near streams, wetlands, riparian areas, or vernal pools, BMPs will be employed to avoid unintentionally importing non-native invasive species into project sites. Plantings and seeding will use only native species obtained from reputable native plant nurseries. Planting or seeding will not be implemented in any areas containing rare or special status plant species.

Natural Communities

The proposed project will be implemented in a manner that minimizes adverse effects and overall project effects are beneficial to designated critical habitat.

Cultural Resources

- ☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.
☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

☐ Yes ☒ No Was a current archaeological records check completed?

A current archaeological records check will not be performed prior to preparation of a CEQA Notice of Exemption. However, site-specific archaeological records check will be completed prior to implementation of any treatments with the potential for ground disturbance or other potential impacts to archaeological, historic, or cultural resources.

☐ Yes ☒ No Was a Staff or Contract Archaeologist consulted??

Based on results of site-specific archaeological records check, a contract Archaeologist will be consulted to ensure cultural resources and historic properties are appropriately considered in planning.

☐ Yes ☒ No Was an archaeological survey of the project area completed?

Based on results of site-specific archaeological records check, and in consultation with contract Archaeologist, a survey of the specific project sites prior to any ground-disturbing activities will be completed.

☐ Yes ☒ No Will the project affect any historic buildings or archaeological site?

If a cultural resource site is discovered within a project area during operations, the following applies: 1. Project activities within 100 feet of the newly discovered cultural resource should be immediately halted until the a contract Archaeologist can be contacted and ensure avoidance of the site. Project activities may continue outside this 100-foot perimeter during the identification and avoidance process. 2. If the newly discovered site has been negatively impacted by project operations, a contract Archaeologist will be notified to assist in development of protection

measures and any necessary remediation. 3. The contract Archaeologist will ensure the newly discovered site is recorded and its discovery and protection measures are documented in the project files. 4. If the newly discovered site is a Native American Archaeological or tribal cultural resource (defined in the Forest Practice Rules and CEQA), the contract Archaeologist will notify the appropriate Native American tribal group and the NAHC, if appropriate.

PBCS has determined that there will be no significant adverse impacts of the project on historic, archaeological, or cultural resources.

Geology and Soils

- ☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.
☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

Project implementation will avoid any unstable land features that are identified in the project area. Proposed treatments will not significantly impair soil quality. Field vehicles and equipment will not be used on soils when the moisture content is at/above field capacity, and will not be allowed within 50 feet of watercourses. This will enable existing buffer strips of vegetation to protect watercourses from soil erosion. PBCS has determined that there will be no significant adverse impacts of the project on geology or soils.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions

- ☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.
☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below

☐ Yes ☒ No Would the project generate significant greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions?

The project will generate a small amount of GHG emissions from the use of gas-powered equipment, which could include field vehicles, gas-powered hand tools, and larger speciality equipment. Local air quality regulations will be followed to minimize emissions. PBCS has determined that this project, as proposed, will have no significant adverse impact on the annual release of GHGs.

☐ Yes ☒ No Would these GHG emissions result in a significant impact on the environment?

No. See above.

☐ Yes ☒ No Would the project conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?

No, this project does not conflict with the State of California's plan to reduce atmospheric carbon or greenhouse gas emissions.

Hazards and Hazardous Materials

☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.
☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

Gasoline and diesel fuel will be used for vehicles, equipment and handheld equipment. Refueling of vehicles and equipment shall occur on existing roads to the extent feasible, and at least 100 feet from watercourses. PBCS has determined that project, if implemented as proposed, will not result in significant adverse impacts regarding hazards and hazardous materials.

Hydrology and Water Quality

☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.
☐ Yes ☒ No Will the project potentially affect any watercourse or body of water?
☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

Proposed treatments will not significantly impair hydrology or water quality. Vehicles and equipment will only be allowed on established roads to the extent feasible, and will not be used on soils when the moisture content is at/above field capacity, and will not be allowed within 50 feet of watercourses. All staging areas for vehicles and equipment shall avoid watercourses and wetland, riparian, and stream channel habitats. Refueling of vehicles and equipment shall occur on existing roads to the extent feasible, and at least 100 feet from watercourses. This will enable existing buffer strips of vegetation to protect watercourses from soil erosion. PBCS has determined that there will be no significant adverse impacts to hydrology or water quality.

Land Use and Planning

☒ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.

This project does not conflict with any land use or planning or change the land use designation for any parcel.

☐ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

Mineral Resources

☒ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.

There are no known or related mineral resources or extraction as part of this project, and the project does not restrict access for any future mineral extraction activities.

☐ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

Noise

☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.

☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

The project will include the operation of chainsaws, mechanized equipment, and vehicles which will produce noise that may be audible to landowners near the project areas. The additional noise will be limited to the period of project implementation, which will be of short duration. It is PBCS's determination that the projects will not cause significant adverse noise levels.

Population and Housing

☒ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.

This project has no applicability to population and housing issues for the project location.

☐ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

Public Services

☒ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.

☐ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

This project is intended to enhance and restore habitat for wildlife and pollinators, and will not affect public services.

Recreation

☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.

☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

The existing visual character of project sites and surroundings is expected to improve environmental conditions that favor native flora and fauna, creating better opportunities to view native plants and wildlife, and thus improving recreational experiences. PBCS has determined that the project will not cause adverse impacts to recreation.

Transportation/Traffic

☐ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.

☒ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

Minimal increases in traffic along adjacent public roads could occur as a result of project staff, equipment operators, and hand crews accessing project areas. This increase in traffic will be minor and insignificant as the regional roads have been designed to accommodate the anticipated level of traffic. As such, the project as proposed will not cause significant changes in current transportation traffic patterns and frequencies.

Utilities and Service Systems

☒ This topic does not apply to a project of this type and was not evaluated further.

☐ This topic could apply to a project of this type, and results of the assessment are provided below:

Project Design Features That Avoid Environmental Impacts:

Adverse environmental impacts have been avoided through careful review of site conditions prior to treatment method determination. Site soils, slope, habitat, and water resources were thoroughly examined during project design and layout. Equipment has been minimized on slopes over 35% and excluded from watercourses to provide for soil and water resource protection, as well as protection of sensitive habitats and organisms. All water features have been afforded protection from equipment operations through the establishment of watercourse protection zones. Sensitive plants and wildlife have been identified during the site-specific scoping process and the project as designed will not adversely affect them. Sensitive cultural resources will be surveyed for prior to implementation and the project has been designed to have no impact on them.

Mandatory Findings of Significance:

YES NO

(a) Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?

☐ YES ☒ NO

(b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)

☐ YES ☒ NO

(c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?

☐ YES ☒ NO

Justification for Use of a Categorical Exemption (discuss why the project is exempt, cite exemption number(s), and describe how the project fits the class): Based on no effects, negative, or cumulative impacts to natural resources, and a greenhouse gas benefit, this project fits within a Categorical Exemption.

☒ This review of the Class 4 exemption (CCR Section §15304) covers minor alterations to land. PBCS has determined that the objectives of enhancement and restoration of wildlife and pollinator habitat, and the implementation activities as designed for this project, will result in minor alterations to land and vegetation, and therefore fit within the CCR Section 15304 exemptions.

☒ This review of the Class 33 exemption (CCR Section §15333) covers small habitat restoration projects. PBCS has determined that the objectives of enhancement and restoration of wildlife and pollinator habitat, and the implementation activities as designed for this project, will result in the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants or wildlife not to exceed five acres in size.

Additional environmental analysis was conducted by PBCS Biologist/Project Specialist regarding proposed project effects on rare, threatened and endangered plants; threatened, endangered and special status wildlife species; and cultural resources. PBCS has reviewed these reports and determined that the project's implementation will result in multiple benefits, including habitat improvement for wildlife and pollinators, fuel reduction, and reduction in noxious invasive species. There will be no significant adverse impacts on endangered, rare, or threatened species or their habitats. There will be no significant adverse impacts to soils, hydrology, or water quality. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site. The project will avoid all archeological resource sites. The project will not result in cumulatively significant impacts. The project will have no significant adverse effect on the environment.

Conclusion:

☒ After assessing potential environmental impacts and evaluating the descriptions for the various classes of Categorical Exemptions to CEQA, PBCS has determined that the project fits within one or more of the exemption classes. PBCS has also determined that no exceptions exist which would preclude the use of this exemption, such as: (a) sensitive location, (b) cumulative impact, (c) significant effects on the environment, (d) impacts to scenic highways, (e) activities within a hazardous waste site, and (f) significant adverse change to the significance of any historical resource. A Notice of Exemption will be filed with the county Clerk-Recorder and with the State Clearinghouse.

☐ After assessing potential environmental impacts and evaluating the description for the various classes of Categorical Exemptions to CEQA, PBCS has determined that the project does not fit within the description for the various exemption classes or has found that exceptions exist at the project site which precludes the use of a Categorical Exemption for this project. Additional environmental review will be conducted and the appropriate CEQA document used may be a Negative Declaration or a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Signed: _____

Evan Senf

REFERENCES:

CDFW. 2023. Biogeographic Information and Observation System (BIOS). California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Accessed on 15-Jan-2025 from:
<http://map.dfg.ca.gov/rarefind/view/RareFind.aspx>.

NRCS. 2023. Web Soil Survey. Natural Resources Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture. Accessed on 2 March 2023: <https://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov/App/HomePage.htm>.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF

FISH and WILDLIFE **RareFind**

Query Summary:

BIOS Selection

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CNDDDB Element Query Results

Scientific Name	Common Name	Taxonomic Group	Element Code	Total Occs	Returned Occs	Federal Status	State Status	Global Rank	State Rank	CA Rare Plant Rank	Other Status	Habitats
<i>Falco mexicanus</i>	prairie falcon	Birds	ABNKD06090	451	1	None	None	G5	S4	null	CDFW_WL-Watch List, IUCN_LC-Least Concern	Great Basin grassland, Great Basin scrub, Mojavean desert scrub, Sonoran desert scrub, Valley & foothill grassland
<i>Riparia riparia</i>	bank swallow	Birds	ABPAU08010	299	2	None	Threatened	G5	S3	null	BLM_S-Sensitive, IUCN_LC-Least Concern	Riparian scrub, Riparian woodland
<i>Balsamorhiza lanata</i>	woolly balsamroot	Dicots	PDAST11047	44	1	None	None	G3	S3	1B.2	BLM_S-Sensitive, SB_CalBG/RSABG-California/Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden	Cismontane woodland
<i>Chaenactis suffrutescens</i>	Shasta chaenactis	Dicots	PDAST200H0	38	1	None	None	G2G3	S2S3	1B.3	BLM_S-Sensitive, SB_BerrySB-Berry Seed Bank, USFS_S-Sensitive	Lower montane coniferous forest, Ultramafic, Upper montane coniferous forest
<i>Eriogonum umbellatum</i> var. <i>lautum</i>	Scott Valley buckwheat	Dicots	PDPGN086UX	2	1	None	None	G5T1	S1	1B.1	SB_UCSC-UC Santa Cruz	Cismontane woodland, Lower montane coniferous forest
<i>Galium serpyllifolium</i> ssp. <i>scotticum</i>	Scott Mountain bedstraw	Dicots	PDRUB0N1Y6	52	1	None	None	G4G5T2	S2	1B.2	BLM_S-Sensitive, SB_CalBG/RSABG-California/Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden	Lower montane coniferous forest, Ultramafic
<i>Phacelia greenei</i>	Scott Valley phacelia	Dicots	PDHYD0C1V0	24	3	None	None	G2	S2	1B.2	BLM_S-Sensitive, USFS_S-Sensitive	Closed-cone coniferous forest, Lower montane coniferous forest, Subalpine coniferous forest, Ultramafic, Upper montane coniferous forest
<i>Sidalcea oregana</i> ssp. <i>eximia</i>	coast checkerbloom	Dicots	PDMAL110K9	19	1	None	None	G5T1	S1	1B.2	BLM_S-Sensitive	Lower montane coniferous forest, Meadow & seep, North coast coniferous forest, Wetland

Botrychium pinnatum	northwestern moonwort	Ferns	PPOPH010V0	8	1	None	None	G5	S1	2B.3	USFS_S-Sensitive	Lower montane coniferous forest, Meadow & seep, Upper montane coniferous forest
Bombus occidentalis	western bumble bee	Insects	IIHYM24252	306	1	None	Candidate Endangered	G3	S1	null	IUCN_VU-Vulnerable, USFS_S-Sensitive	null
Erethizon dorsatum	North American porcupine	Mammals	AMAFJ01010	523	2	None	None	G5	S3	null	IUCN_LC-Least Concern	Broadleaved upland forest, Cismontane woodland, Closed-cone coniferous forest, Lower montane coniferous forest, North coast coniferous forest, Upper montane coniferous forest
Pekania pennanti	Fisher	Mammals	AMAJF01020	555	1	None	None	G5	S2S3	null	BLM_S-Sensitive, CDFW_SSC-Species of Special Concern, IUCN_LC-Least Concern, USFS_S-Sensitive	North coast coniferous forest, Oldgrowth, Riparian forest

Project Detail Map

Project: Roots 141
USGS Quad: MCCONAUGHY GULCH
Location: T 42N R 9W Section 35, 36
County: Siskiyou

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Type

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| ☐ Barn Owl Box | Raptor Perch | Lower Planting |
| Bird Nest Box w/pole | Wood Duck Box w/pole | Noxious Weed Abatement |
| | Fence Removal | Irrigation Line |
| | Upper Planting | |

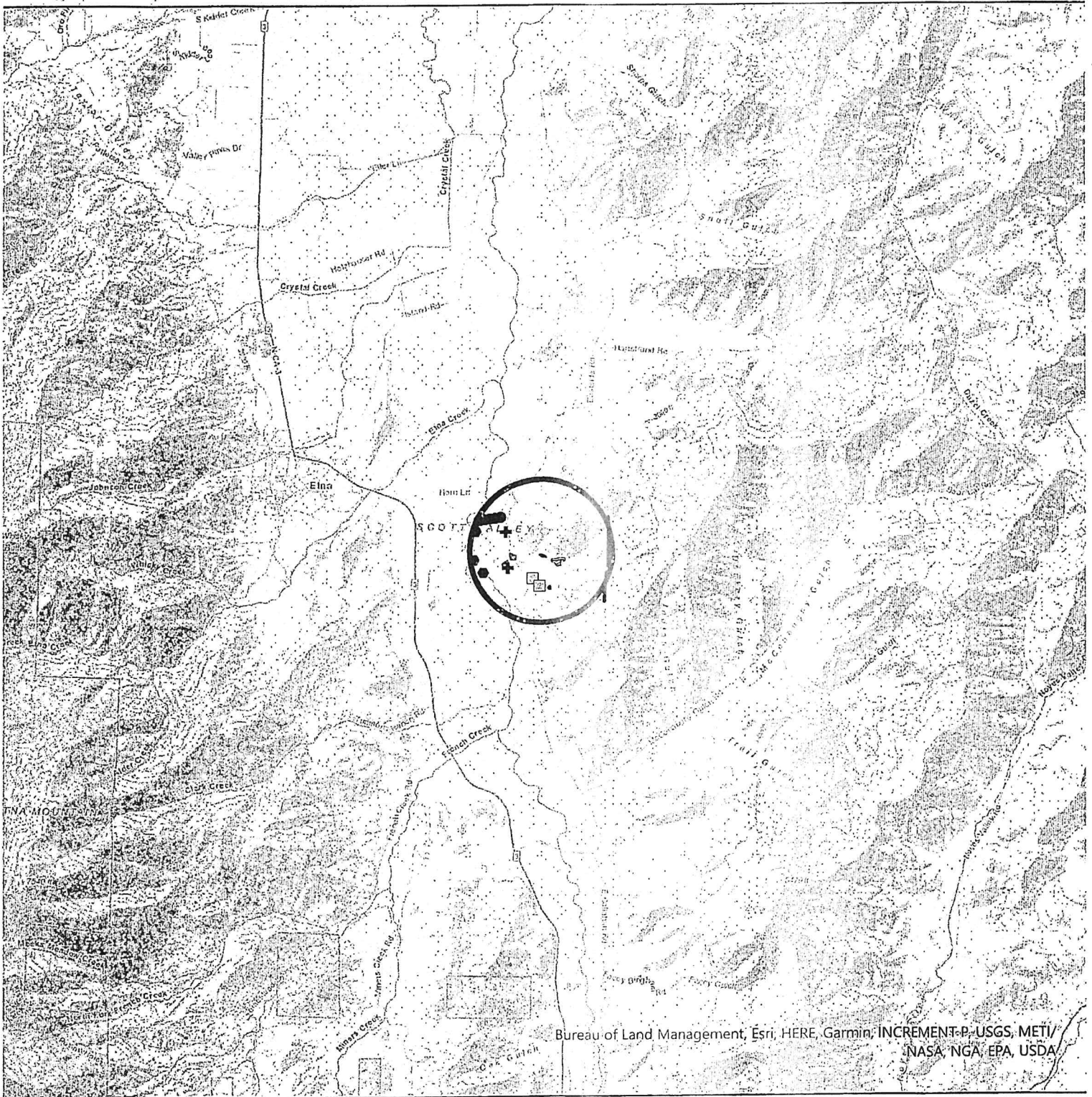
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Project Location Map

Project: Roots 141
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Location: T 42N R 9W Sections 35, 36
APN(s): 023-080-070, 023-080-260, 023-080-330
County: SISKIYOU

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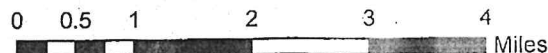
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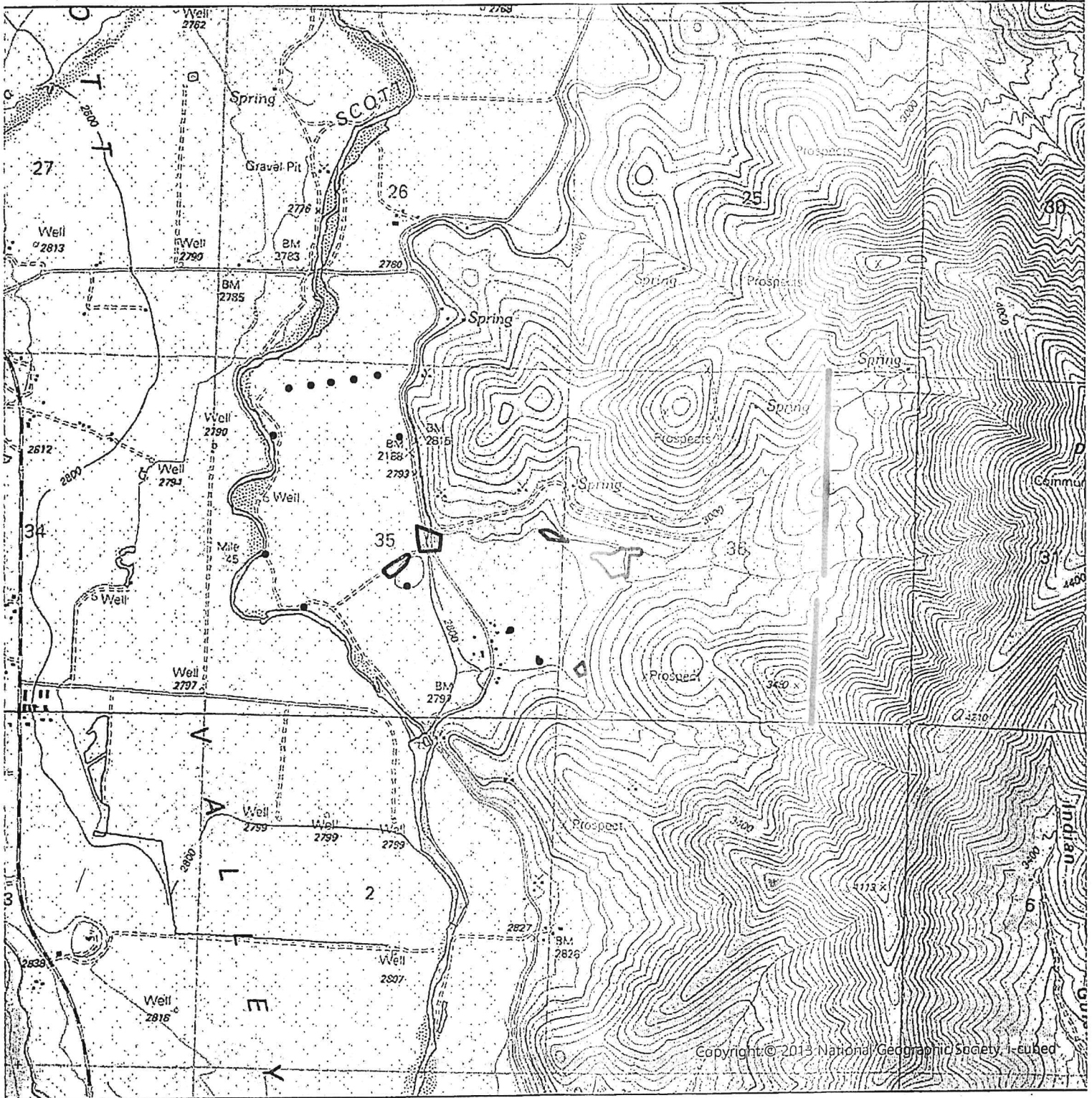
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Project Area Map for Cultural Resources Review

Project: Roots 141
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Location: T 42N R 9W Section 35, 36
County: Siskiyou

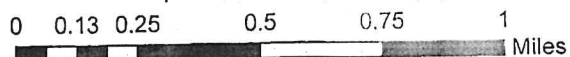
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Total Project Area Acres: 16.73

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CNDDDB Map

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Location: T 42N R 9W Section 35, 36
County: Siskiyou

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- 1 Barn Owl Box
- 1 Bird Nest Box w/pole
- 1 Raptor Perch
- 1 Wood Duck Box w/pole
- 1 Fence Removal

- Upper Planting
- Lower Planting
- Noxious Weed Abatement
- Irrigation Line

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CNAME

- Crotch bumble bee
- Fisher
- North American porcupine

- Scott Mountain bedstraw
- Scott Valley buckwheat
- Scott Valley phacelia
- Shasta chaenactis
- bank swallow

- coast checkerbloom
- northwestern moonwort
- prairie falcon
- western bumble bee
- woolly balsamroot

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