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Re: Addendum to Biological Resource Assessment for 1255 Tierra Redonda, APN 080-021-052, Bradley, San Luis Obispo County

Dear Mr. Dayspring:

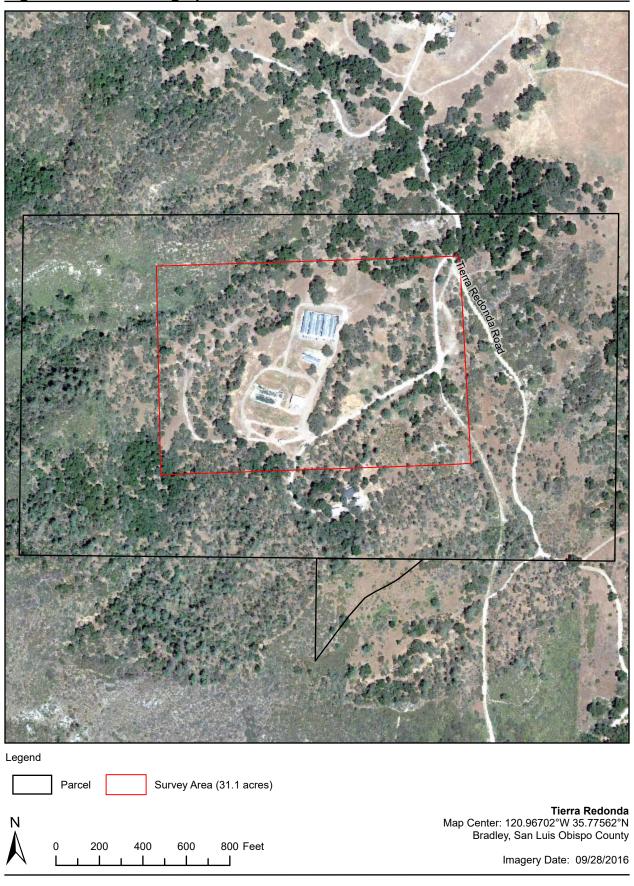
This report serves as an addendum to the *Biological Resource Assessment for 1255 Tierra Redonda, APN 080-021-052* (Althouse and Meade, Inc. 2018) and provides information regarding botanical resources associated with an approximately 31.1-acre Study Area located in the central portion of a 101.6-acre¹ property (Property; Figure 1). Approximate coordinates for the center of the Property are 35.777 N, 120.9689 W (WGS 84) in the Tierra Redonda Mountain USGS 7.5' topographic quadrangle in San Luis Obispo County, California. A spring floristic survey of the Study Area was conducted on May 9, 2019 in response to recommendations made in the original Biological Resource Assessment (BRA) submitted November 19, 2018. The May 2019 survey was appropriately timed to incorporate the blooming periods for the 20 special status plant species with potential to occur on the project site (refer to Table 1, Attachment D in BRA). This survey was conducted prior to the development of additional infrastructure by the proposed project (Project), a Cannabis Cultivation Minor Use Permit.

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¹ The Property size of 101.6 acres is a correction to the original BRA report that stated a 34-acre Property.

Figure 1. Aerial Photograph

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Methods

A focused survey of the Study Area for botanical resources was conducted on May 9, 2019 by Althouse and Meade, Inc. Botanist Kristen Andersen. The survey method was selected based on the known blooming periods of the 20 special status plant species reported from the region with potential to occur in the Study Area (refer to BRA, Attachment D, Table 1). The survey focused on the Project footprint as shown on the 2018 site plans that are included in the BRA (Althouse and Meade, Inc. 2018). The survey included meandering transects with an emphasis on searching for special status plant species and their preferred habitat. Transects were also utilized to compile a comprehensive list of plants occurring within the Study Area (Appendix B). Identification of botanical resources included field observations and laboratory analysis of collected material.

Botanical nomenclature used in this document follows the Jepson Flora Project (Regents of the University of California 2018).

Prior to the 2019 site visit, the California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDB; May 2019 data) and the California Native Plant Society (CNPS) On-line Inventory of Rare and Endangered Plants of California were reviewed for special status species known to occur in the nine USGS 7.5-minute quadrangles surrounding the site, including: Adelaida, Bradley, Bryson, Hames Valley, Lime Mountain, Pebblestone Shut-In, Tierra Redondo Mountain, Williams Hill, and Wunpost.

Results

Potential Special Status Plant Species

The CNDDB and CNPS On-line Inventory of Rare and Endangered Plants of California listed 68 special status plant species, subspecies, and varieties known to occur in the vicinity of the Study Area. The Study Area has potential to support 20 special status plants. Most of these were determined to have low potential to occur in the Study Area. Four species had moderate potential to occur and none were determined to have high potential to occur.

Botanical Survey Results

The May 2019 botanical survey identified 59 species and subspecies of vascular plants in the Study Area (Attachment B, Table 1) in addition to 60 plant species observed during August and October 2018 site surveys, for a total of 119 species identified in the Study Area. The May 2019 plant list includes 42 species native to California, and 17 introduced (naturalized or planted) species. A large variety of native wildflowers were identified on site, many of which are common species in the same genus as special status species. We identified two common species of *Camissoniopsis* (*C. micrantha* and *C. intermedia*) while searching for the rare *C. hardhamiae*. *C. hardhamiae* is identified through examination of pollen grains, where >70 percent of them will be 4--5-angled compared with 3-angled spores dominant (>95 percent) for *C. micrantha* (Figure 2 and Figure 3). Three common species of *Clarkia* were identified (*C. purpurea, C. affinis, C. bottae*) while searching for the rare *C. jolonensis*, which is not currently known from San Luis Obispo County but is nearby in Monterey County.

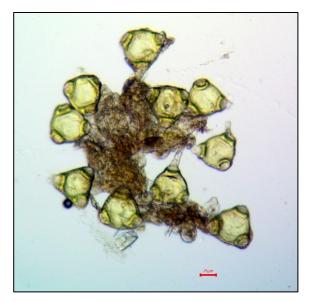


Figure 2. Microscopy photo of 3-angled pollen from miniature suncup (*Camissoniopsis micrantha*) collected from the Study Area.



Figure 3. Photo of *C. micrantha* observed in the Study Area in sandy soil. May 9, 2019.

Recommendations

Focused botanical surveys conducted in 2019 determined special status plants do not occur in the Study Area. No further surveys for special status plants are recommended.

Sincerely,

Jason Dart

Principal Biologist

Attachment A. References

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Attachment B. Plant List

TABLE 1. PLANT LIST. Fifty-nine taxa were identified in the Study Area in May 2019. Special Status Species were not present.

| Scientific Name | Special Status | Origin | Common Name |
|---|-------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| Shrubs - 2 Species | | | |
| Rhus aromatica | None | Native | Skunk bush |
| Sambucus nigra subsp. caerulea | None | Native | Blue elderberry |
| Forbs - 52 Species | | | |
| Achyrachaena mollis | None | Native | Soft blow wives |
| Agoseris heterophylla | None | Native | Mountain dandelion |
| Allium peninsulare var. peninsulare | None | Native | Mexicali onion |
| Amsinckia intermedia | None | Native | Common fiddleneck |
| Amsinckia menziesii | None | Native | Fiddleneck |
| Brassica nigra | None | Introduced | Black mustard |
| Brodiaea terrestris subsp. terrestris | None | Native | Dwarf brodiaea |
| Calochortus venustus | None | Native | Butterfly mariposa lily |
| Camissonia contorta | None | Native | Contorted sun cup |
| Camissoniopsis intermedia | None | Native | Intermediate sun cups |
| Camissoniopsis micrantha | None | Native | Spencer primrose |
| Castilleja attenuata | None | Native | Valley tassels |
| Castilleja exserta subsp. exserta | None | Native | Purple owl's clover |
| Clarkia affinis | None | Native | Chaparral clarkia |
| Clarkia bottae | None | Native | Punchbowl clarkia |
| Clarkia purpurea | None | Native | Winecup clarkia |
| Collinsia heterophylla var. heterophylla | None | Native | Chinese-houses |
| Daucus pusillus | None | Native | American wild carrot |
| Delphinium variegatum | None | Native | Royal larkspur |
| Diplacus aurantiacus | None | Native | Sticky monkeyflower |
| Erodium brachycarpum | None | Introduced | White stemmed filaree |
| Erodium cicutarium | None | Introduced | Redstem filaree |
| Erythranthe guttatus | None | Introduced | Yellow monkeflower |
| Geranium dissectum | None | Introduced | Wild geranium |
| Hypochaeris glabra | None | Introduced | Smooth cat's-ear |
| Hypochaeris radicata | None | Introduced | Rough cat's-ear |
| Lastarriaea coriacea | None | Native | Leather-spineflower |
| Layia glandulosa | None | Native | White layia |

| Scientific Name | Special Status | Origin | Common Name |
|--|-------------------|------------|------------------------|
| Lepidium strictum | None | Native | Peppergrass |
| Lupinus bicolor | None | Native | Miniature lupine |
| Lysimachia arvensis | None | Introduced | Scarlet pimpernel |
| Madia exigua | None | Native | Small tarweed |
| Madia gracilis | None | Native | Gumweed |
| Marrubium vulgare | None | Introduced | Horehound |
| Matricaria discoidea | None | Introduced | Pineapple weed |
| Medicago polymorpha | None | Introduced | California burclover |
| Microseris douglasii | None | Native | Douglas' microseris |
| Plagiobothrys canescens var. canescens | None | Native | Valley popcornflower |
| Pseudognaphalium californicum | None | Native | Ladies' tobacco |
| Psilocarphus tenellus | None | Native | Slender woolly-marbles |
| Ranunculus californicus | None | Native | Common buttercup |
| Sanicula bipinnata | None | Native | Poison sanicle |
| Sanicula bipinnatifida | None | Native | Purple sanicle |
| Silene gallica | None | Introduced | Small-flower catchfly |
| Sisymbrium orientale | None | Introduced | Oriental hedge mustard |
| Trifolium albopurpureum | None | Native | Indian clover |
| Trifolium ciliolatum | None | Native | Foothill clover |
| Trifolium microcephalum | None | Native | Small headed clover |
| Tropidocarpum gracile | None | Native | Dobie pod |
| Urtica dioica subsp. holosericea | None | Native | Hoary nettle |
| Vicia villosa subsp. villosa | None | Introduced | Hairy vetch |
| Zeltnera davyi | None | Native | Davy's centaury |
| Grasses - 5 Species | | | |
| Aira caryophyllea | None | Introduced | Shiver grass |
| Juncus bufonius | None | Native | Toad rush |
| Phalaris paradoxa | None | Introduced | Hood canary grass |
| Polypogon monspeliensis | None | Introduced | Annual beard grass |
| Stipa pulchra | None | Native | Purple needle grass |