

## **Biological Study**

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# **Bear Mountain Telecom Site**



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ENPLAN has completed a biological study addressing the proposed construction of a cell tower atop Bear Mountain, which is located approximately 10 miles northeast of the City of Redding in Shasta County. The project site is situated between approximately 1,100 and 2,600 feet in elevation above sea level. The proposed cell tower site is adjacent to an existing Forest Service lookout. As shown in Figure 1c, the study area is located in Township 33 North, Range 3 West, Section 7 (U.S. Geological Survey's Project City 7.5-minute quadrangle). A site plan is shown in Figure 2c.

### **Records Review**

Records reviewed for this evaluation consisted of California Natural Diversity Data Base (CNDDB) records, in-house biological records, soils records maintained by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, and National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) maps (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, no date). The CNDDB records search covered a 10-mile radius around the study area (consisting of portions of the Clough Gulch, Palo Cedro, Redding, Bohemotash Mountain, O'Brien, Minnesota Mountain, Devils Rock, Shasta Dam, Project City, Bella Vista, Oak Run, and Enterprise quadrangles. Soil records maintained by the Natural Resources Conservation Service were reviewed to determine the soil types in the study area and their potential to support wetlands. The NWI map for the Project City quadrangle was reviewed to determine if wetlands features have been previously mapped in the study area or surrounding vicinity.

### **Field Reconnaissance**

ENPLAN conducted a field evaluation of the study area on June 26 and July 24, 2009. Most of the special-status species potentially occurring in the study area would have been evident at the time the fieldwork was conducted. The potential presence of species not readily identifiable during the field studies was determined on the basis of observed habitat characteristics.

### **Plant Communities/Wildlife Habitats**

The project site occurs in a mixed coniferous forest. The canopy layer is composed predominantly of ponderosa pine, grey pine, Douglas-fir, canyon live oak, blue oak, California black oak, interior live oak, and big-leaved maple. Shrubs present include poison oak, snowberry, buckbrush, California buckeye, and deerbrush. The herbaceous layer is typically sparse, and includes various clovers, vetch, lupine, grasses and many other species.

### **Special-Status Species**

#### **Special-Status Plant Species**

Review of CNDDB records showed that no special-status plant species have been previously reported on the project site. As shown in Table 1, nine special-status plant species are known to occur in the project vicinity: Bellinger's meadowfoam, Henderson's bent grass, northern clarkia, oval-leaved viburnum, Shasta ageratina, Shasta clarkia, Shasta snow-wreath, silky cryptantha, and woolly meadowfoam. The potential for these species to utilize the tower and powerline sites is discussed in

Table 2. A checklist of vascular plant species observed during the botanical surveys is enclosed.

Potentially suitable habitat occurs on the site for northern clarkia, Shasta clarkia, and oval-leaved viburnum. Although these species would have been identifiable at the time the botanical surveys were conducted, none of these or other special-status plant species were observed on the project site during the botanical surveys, nor are they expected to be present. Project implementation would thus not affect special-status plant species.

#### Special-Status Wildlife Species

Review of CNDDDB records showed that no special-status animal species have been previously reported on the project site. As shown in Table 1, nine special-status wildlife species are known to occur in the project vicinity: American peregrine falcon, bald eagle, foothill yellow-legged frog, northwestern pond turtle, Pacific fisher, purple martin, Shasta salamander, silver-haired bat, and Townsend's big-eared bat. The CNDDDB records search also identified five non-status wildlife species in the search radius: Klamath sideband, kneecap lanx, Oregon shoulderband, Shasta sideband, and Yuma myotis. The potential for each of these species to utilize the project site is addressed in Table 2.

No special-status wildlife species were observed during the wildlife field surveys. However, based on habitat evaluation, two special-status bat species could potentially be present: silver-haired bat and Townsend's big-eared bat. The non-status Yuma myotis could also be present.

Silver-haired bats primarily roost in hollow trees, snags, rock crevices, caves, and under bark. Townsend's big-eared bats and Yuma myotis bats often roost in man-made structures, but also utilize caves and rock crevices. Tree removal could result in the minor loss of roosting habitat for silver-haired bats; no structures are proposed to be removed. Because of the vast amount of suitable roosting habitat for bats elsewhere in the immediate vicinity, the minor loss of bat habitat would have a minimal impact on bats.

Indirect impacts to special-status species which utilize aquatic habitats could occur if substantial quantities of sediment were to wash into downslope drainages. Implementation of Best Management Practices for erosion control and spill prevention would be required during project construction. Such measures may include limiting construction to the dry season; use of straw wattles, sediment fencing, and/or gravel berms to prevent sediments from entering downslope drainages; and revegetating disturbed sites upon completion of construction. Periodic monitoring of the erosion controls is required, and they must be maintained as needed. Given these existing requirements for erosion control, no indirect impacts on special-status species which utilize aquatic habitats are expected.



**Table 1. Rarefind (CNDDB) Report Summary****Rarefind (CNDDB) Report Summary (August 2009 Data)**

Listed Element	Quadrangle <sup>1</sup>									Status <sup>2</sup>
	BM	OB	MM	DR	PC	SD	BV	OR	EN	
<b>Animals</b>										
American peregrine falcon	•			•						FD, SE
Bald eagle		•	•	•	•		•			FD, SE
Foothill yellow-legged frog		•	•	•		•				SSC
Klamath sideband	•	•								None
Kneecap lanx		•								None
Northwestern pond turtle		•	•	•	•			•	•	SSC
Oregon shoulderband	•	•	•		•					None
Pacific fisher	•	•			•	•	•			FC, SSC
Purple martin			•	•			•			SSC
Shasta salamander	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			ST
Shasta sideband		•	•	•	•					None
Silver-haired bat		•							•	SSC
Townsend's big-eared bat			•	•						SSC
Yuma myotis	•	•								None
<b>Plants</b>										
Bellinger's meadowfoam								•		1B.2
Henderson's bent grass								•		3.2
Northern clarkia		•			•					1B.3
Oval-leaved viburnum							•			2.3
Shasta ageratina		•								1B.2
Shasta clarkia								•		1B.1
Shasta snow-wreath		•	•		•					1B.2
Silky cryptantha					•				•	1B.2
Woolly meadowfoam							•	•		4.2

Highlighting denotes the quadrangle in which the project site is located. No occurrences were reported inside the study radius in the Clough Gulch, Palo Cedro, and Redding quadrangles.

<sup>1</sup>Quadrangle Code

BM = Bohemotash Mountain

OB = O'Brien

MM = Minnesota Mountain

DR = Devils Rock

SD = Shasta Dam

PC = Project City

BV = Bella Vista

OR = Oak Run

EN = Enterprise

<sup>2</sup>Status Codes*Federal/State*

FE = Federally Listed – Endangered

FT = Federally Listed – Threatened

FC = Federal Candidate Species

California Native Plant Society

1B.1 = Plants Rare, Threatened or Endangered in California and Elsewhere; Seriously Threatened in California

1B.2 = Plants Rare, Threatened or Endangered in California and Elsewhere; Fairly Threatened in California

1B.3 = Plants Rare, Threatened, or Endangered in California and Elsewhere; Not Very Endangered in California

2.3 = Plants Rare, Threatened or Endangered in California Only; Not Very Threatened in California

3.2 = More Information is Needed; Fairly Threatened in California

4.2 = Plants of Limited Distribution – A Watch List; Fairly Threatened in California

FD = Federally Delisted

SE = State Listed – Endangered

ST = State Listed – Threatened

SSC = State Species of Concern (CDFG)

**Table 2.**  
**Evaluation of the Potential for Special-Status Species and Other Species Identified by the CNDDB to Occur on the Project Site (Bear Mountain)**

	Habitat Requirements	Potential to Occur on the Project Site
<b>Wildlife</b>		
American peregrine falcon <i>Falco peregrinus anatum</i>	American peregrine falcons frequent water bodies in open areas with cliffs and canyons nearby for nesting. This falcon feeds and breeds near water. In Shasta County, this raptor is reported in forested areas to the east and north of Lake Shasta.	No large water bodies occur on or adjacent to the project site. No American peregrine falcons or their nests were observed during the wildlife survey, nor is the species expected to nest on or adjacent to the project site.
Bald eagle <i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	The bald eagle requires large, old-growth trees or snags in mixed stands near open bodies of water. Adults tend to use the same breeding areas year after year and often use the same nest, though a breeding area may include one or more alternate nests. Bald eagles usually do not begin nesting if human disturbance is evident.	No large, permanent, fish-bearing water bodies occur in or adjacent to the project site (bald eagles are known to nest around the shore of Lake Shasta, two miles north of the project site). No bald eagles or their nests were observed during the wildlife survey, nor are bald eagles expected to nest in or adjacent to the project site.
Foothill yellow-legged frog <i>Rana boylei</i>	Foothill yellow-legged frogs are typically found in partly-shaded, shallow streams and riffles with a rocky substrate in a variety of aquatic habitats. This frog needs at least some cobble-sized substrate for egg-laying. Foothill yellow-legged frogs generally prefer low to moderate gradient streams, especially for breeding and egg-laying, although juvenile and adult frogs may utilize moderate- to steep-gradient streams during summer and early fall.	The project site lacks aquatic habitat. The foothill yellow-legged frog would thus not be present.
Klamath sideband <i>Monadenia churchi</i>	Klamath sideband is a terrestrial snail that generally inhabits talus slopes, but may also be found under forest debris in heavy shade on forested hillsides.	No talus slopes or suitable heavily shaded forested habitats occur in the project site. The Klamath sideband would thus not be present.
Kneecap lanx <i>Lanx petteloides</i>	The kneecap lanx is an aquatic snail, endemic to perennial streams and rivers in the upper Sacramento River drainage. This snail associates with fast, cold, well-oxygenated water in cobble and boulder substrates.	The project site lacks aquatic habitat. The kneecap lanx would thus not be present.
Northwestern pond turtle <i>Actinemys marmorata marmorata</i>	The northwestern pond turtle associates with permanent or nearly permanent water in a variety of habitats. This turtle is typically found in quiet water environments. Pond turtles require basking sites such as partially submerged logs, rocks, or open mud banks, and suitable (sandy banks or grassy open fields) upland habitat for egg-laying. In cold weather, pond turtles hibernate underwater in bottom mud.	The project site lacks aquatic habitat. The northwestern pond turtle would thus not be present.

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	<b>Habitat Requirements</b>	<b>Potential to Occur on the Project Site</b>
Oregon shoulderband <i>Helminthoglypta hertleini</i>	The Oregon shoulderband inhabits basaltic talus slopes in riparian areas.	The project site lacks basaltic talus slopes and riparian habitat. The Oregon shoulderband would thus not be present.
Pacific fisher <i>Martes pennanti pacificus</i>	In California, Pacific fishers primarily inhabit mixed conifer forests composed of Douglas-fir and associated conifers, although they also are encountered frequently in higher elevation fir and pine forests, and mixed evergreen/broadleaf forests. Suitable habitat for Pacific fishers consists of large areas of mature, dense forest stands with snags and greater than 50 percent canopy closure.	The project site occurs within a mixed coniferous forest and has suitable foraging habitat for Pacific fishers. However, no fishers or dens were observed on the project site, nor is the species expected to den on the site.
Purple martin <i>Progne subis</i>	Purple martins inhabit woodlands and low elevation coniferous forests of Douglas-fir, ponderosa pine, and Monterey pine. Purple martins nest in old woodpecker cavities or in man-made structures such as culverts, bridges, or nest boxes.	The on-site woodlands and an adjacent Forest Service lookout may provide suitable nesting habitat for the purple martin. However, no purple martins, or their nests were observed during the wildlife surveys. The purple martin is thus not expected to nest in the study site.
Shasta salamander <i>Hydromantes shastae</i>	The Shasta salamander is primarily restricted to limestone outcrops near Lake Shasta. Habitat consists of moist limestone fissures and caves, in volcanic or other rock outcroppings, and under woody debris on the surface during wet weather. Shasta salamanders may be found in all successional stages of valley foothill hardwood-conifer, ponderosa pine, and mixed conifer habitats.	Limestone-derived soils do not occur on the project site. The Shasta salamander would thus not be present.
Shasta sideband <i>Monadenia troglodytes troglodytes</i>	The Shasta sideband inhabits limestone-derived soils in Shasta County.	Limestone-derived soils do not occur on the project site. The Shasta sideband would thus not be present.
Silver-haired bat <i>Lasionycteris noctivagans</i>	Silver-haired bats occur in coastal and montane forests. Silver-haired bats roost in hollow trees, snags, rock crevices, caves, and under bark.	Although the silver-haired bat was not observed during the wildlife surveys, trees and shrubs on the project site provide suitable roosting habitat for the bat.
Townsend's big-eared bat <i>Corynorhinus townsendii pallescens</i>	Townsend's big-eared bat is found throughout California except in subalpine and alpine habitats, and may be found at any season throughout its range. The species is most abundant in mesic habitats. The bat requires caves, mines, tunnels, buildings, or other human-made structures for roosting.	The project site lacks suitable roosting habitat for Townsend's big-eared bat. However, an adjacent Forest Service lookout may provide suitable roosting habitat for the bat.

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	<b>Habitat Requirements</b>	<b>Potential to Occur on the Project Site</b>
Yuma myotis <i>Myotis yumanensis</i>	The Yuma myotis occurs in a variety of habitats from sea level to 13,000 feet. Preferred habitats include open forests and woodlands near a water source. The Yuma myotis roosts in buildings, mines, caves, or crevices.	The project site lacks suitable roosting habitat for the Yuma myotis. However, an adjacent Forest Service lookout may provide suitable roosting habitat for the bat.
<b>Plants</b>		
Bellingers' meadowfoam <i>Limnanthes floccosa</i> var. <i>bellingeriana</i>	Bellinger's meadowfoam occurs around meadows, seeps, and damp stony flats below 3,300 feet in elevation in Shasta County.	The project site lacks suitable habitat for Bellinger's meadowfoam. Bellinger's meadowfoam was not observed during the botanical surveys and is not expected to be present.
Henderson's bent grass <i>Agrostis hendersonii</i>	Henderson's bent grass occurs along the edges of vernal pools and swales, typically on thin soils overlying a hard pan. Henderson's bent-grass is usually found in sparsely vegetated habitats.	Vernal pool and swales do not occur on the project site. Henderson's bent grass was not observed during the botanical surveys and is not expected to be present.
Northern clarkia <i>Clarkia borealis</i> ssp. <i>borealis</i>	Northern clarkia inhabits chaparral, cis-montane woodland, and coniferous forests between 1,200 and 2,400 feet in elevation. The species often occurs in dry, rocky substrates along roads.	The project site has suitable habitat for northern clarkia. However, northern clarkia was not observed during the botanical surveys and is not expected to be present.
Oval-leaved viburnum <i>Viburnum ellipticum</i>	Oval-leaved viburnum inhabits chaparral, cismontane woodland, and lower montane coniferous forests. The species generally occurs on north-facing slopes covered with dense brush.	The project site has suitable habitat for oval-leaved viburnum. However, oval-leaved viburnum was not observed during the botanical surveys and is not expected to be present.
Shasta ageratina (Shasta eupatory) <i>Ageratina shastensis</i>	Shasta ageratina (Shasta eupatory) occurs on limestone outcrops within chaparral or lower montane coniferous forest around Shasta Lake.	Limestone outcrops do not occur on the project site. Shasta ageratina was not observed during the botanical surveys and is not expected to be present.
Shasta clarkia <i>Clarkia borealis</i> spp. <i>arida</i>	Shasta clarkia occurs in openings in gray pine and black oak woodlands on south and west-facing slopes in Shasta and Tehama counties, at elevations between 1,600 and 1,700 feet.	The project site has suitable habitat for Shasta clarkia. However, Shasta clarkia was not observed during the botanical surveys and is not expected to be present.
Shasta snow-wreath <i>Neviusia cliftonii</i>	The Shasta snow-wreath is generally limited to limestone-derived soils in shady stream canyons.	Limestone-derived soils do not occur on the project site. Shasta snow-wreath was not observed during the botanical surveys and is not expected to be present.

**Table 2.**  
**Evaluation of the Potential for Special-Status Species and Other Species Identified by the CNDDB to Occur on the Project Site (*Bear Mountain*)**

	<b>Habitat Requirements</b>	<b>Potential to Occur on the Project Site</b>
Silky cryptantha <i>Cryptantha crinita</i>	Silky cryptantha occurs along low-gradient seasonal streams with broad floodplains, usually on the valley floor, where it is found on gravelly or cobbly substrates. The species also occurs in sparsely vegetated, vernal moist uplands. Less frequently, it occurs along perennial streams, including the Sacramento River.	The project site lacks streams, vernal moist uplands, and other suitable habitat for silky cryptantha. Silky cryptantha was not observed during the botanical surveys and is not expected to be present.
Woolly meadowfoam <i>Limnanthes floccosa</i> ssp. <i>floccosa</i>	Woolly meadowfoam generally occurs in vernal pools, ditches, and ponds in valley foothill and grasslands, cismontane woodland, and chaparral.	The project site does not include any suitable vernal moist habitats for woolly meadowfoam. Woolly meadowfoam was not observed during the botanical surveys and is not expected to be present.

### **Sensitive Natural Communities**

CNDDDB records show that no sensitive natural communities have been reported in the study vicinity. As a result of the biological field survey, it was determined that no sensitive natural communities, including aquatic habitats and riparian habitats, occur on the subject site, nor would such habitats be impacted by project implementation.

### **Soils**

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, one soil unit, rockland, is present at the proposed cell tower site<sup>1</sup>. Five other soil units are present in the proposed powerline corridor: Millsholm family, 20-60% slopes; Holland family, deep-Holland family complex, 40-60% slopes; Marpa-Goulding families association, 40-60% slopes; Marpa gravelly loam, 30-50% slopes; Millsholm very rocky loam, 30-50% slopes, eroded. These soil units are not hydric, nor do they contain inclusions of hydric soils<sup>2</sup>.

### **Wetlands and Other Waters of the State/United States**

Review of the NWI map for the project City quadrangle found that no wetlands or other waters of the State/United States have been mapped on the project site. ENPLAN inspected the site to document the presence of wetlands or other waters of the subject to the jurisdiction of the State/United States. The field inspection found no wetlands or other waters on the project site. Project implementation would have no adverse effects on federally protected wetlands.

### **Resource-Agency Permit Requirements**

As the project site does not have wetlands or other waters subject to the jurisdiction of the State/United States, a Department of the Army permit from the Corps of Engineers, Water Quality Certification and/or a waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements from the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, and a Streambed Alteration Agreement from the California Department of Fish and Game are not required. As for all projects resulting in disturbance of more than one acre, a Notice of Intent/General Construction Activity Storm Water Permit (and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan) will be required prior to construction. Various other permits and approvals may also be required by other agencies.

### **Woodlands/Timberlands**

Project implementation would include the removal of oaks and conifers from within the proposed tower site and its access point, as well as along the cross-country portion of the planned powerline corridor. The remainder of the powerline corridor would be sited within the existing site access road; tree removal from this portion of the corridor is unlikely to be needed. Removal of native oaks is regulated by the Oak Woodland Conservation Act. Although the study area is not zoned as "timberland," the proposed project may be subject to the Forest Practice Act because conifers would be removed. Accordingly, a Timber Harvest Plan (or exemption) must be prepared by a Registered Professional Forester, and must be reviewed by and accepted by the California

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<sup>1</sup> 2007. Natural Resources Conservation Service, Web Soil Survey. <http://www.websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/>

<sup>2</sup> 2007. Natural Resources Conservation Service, Hydric Soil List. <http://www.soils.usda.gov/use/hydric/>

Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. Oak woodlands are generally defined as lands supporting native oaks, with the oaks providing at least ten percent canopy closure. Based on aerial photograph review and field inspection, at least portions of the study area appear to meet this canopy coverage threshold.

The loss of native oaks and conifers with a diameter at breast height (dbh) of five inches or greater shall be avoided to the extent feasible, as determined by a qualified botanist in consultation with the construction project manager. Measures may include minimizing the width of the construction corridor to avoid mature trees, installing temporary construction fencing to protect trees, limiting staging areas to lands that do not support mature trees, and other actions deemed appropriate during pre-construction field evaluation.

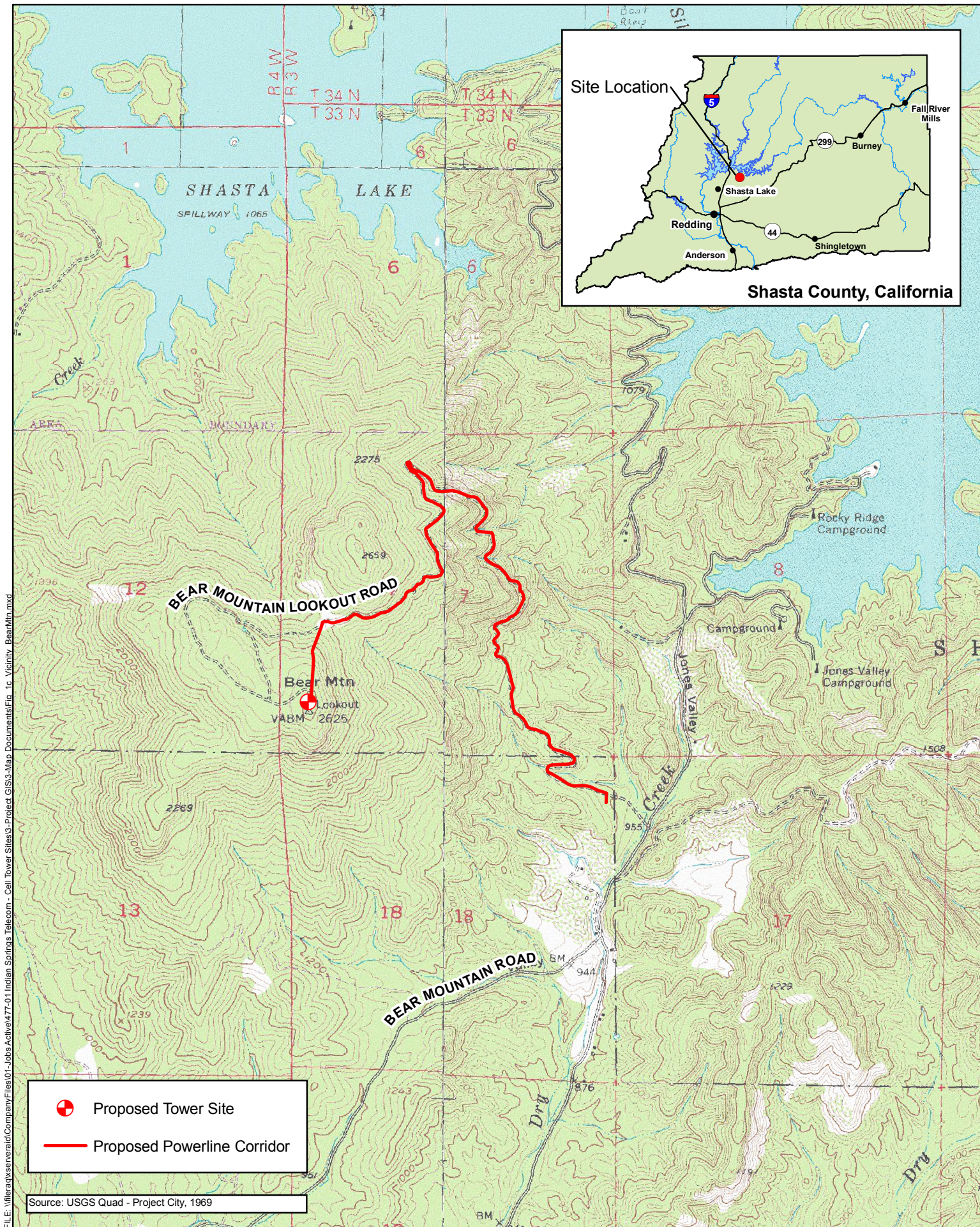
Given the small number of mature trees to be removed, the limited amount of permanent impact, and implementation of mitigation measures to avoid/minimize the loss of trees, the residual impact on oaks and conifers would not be less than significant.

### **Nesting Migratory Birds**

The project site has a moderate potential to support nesting by raptors and migratory birds. Potential nesting habitat for these birds occurs in trees and shrubs, which are abundant in the study area. If present, active nests could be lost during vegetation removal or could be disturbed by on-site construction activities, potentially resulting in nest abandonment and mortality of chicks and eggs. While no nests were observed during the field survey, they could be present in the future. To ensure that active nests of raptors and migratory birds are not disturbed, vegetation removal shall be avoided during the nesting season (generally March 1 to July 31), to the extent possible. If vegetation removal must occur during the nesting season, a focused survey shall be conducted by a qualified biologist to identify active nests in and adjacent to the project site. The survey shall be conducted no more than 30 days prior to the beginning of construction or tree removal. If nesting birds are found during the focused survey, the nest tree(s) shall not be removed until after the young have fledged. Further, to prevent nest abandonment and mortality of chicks and eggs, no construction shall occur within 500 feet of an active nest, unless a smaller buffer zone is authorized by the Department of Fish and Game (the size of the construction buffer zone may vary depending on the species of nesting birds present).

# Figures





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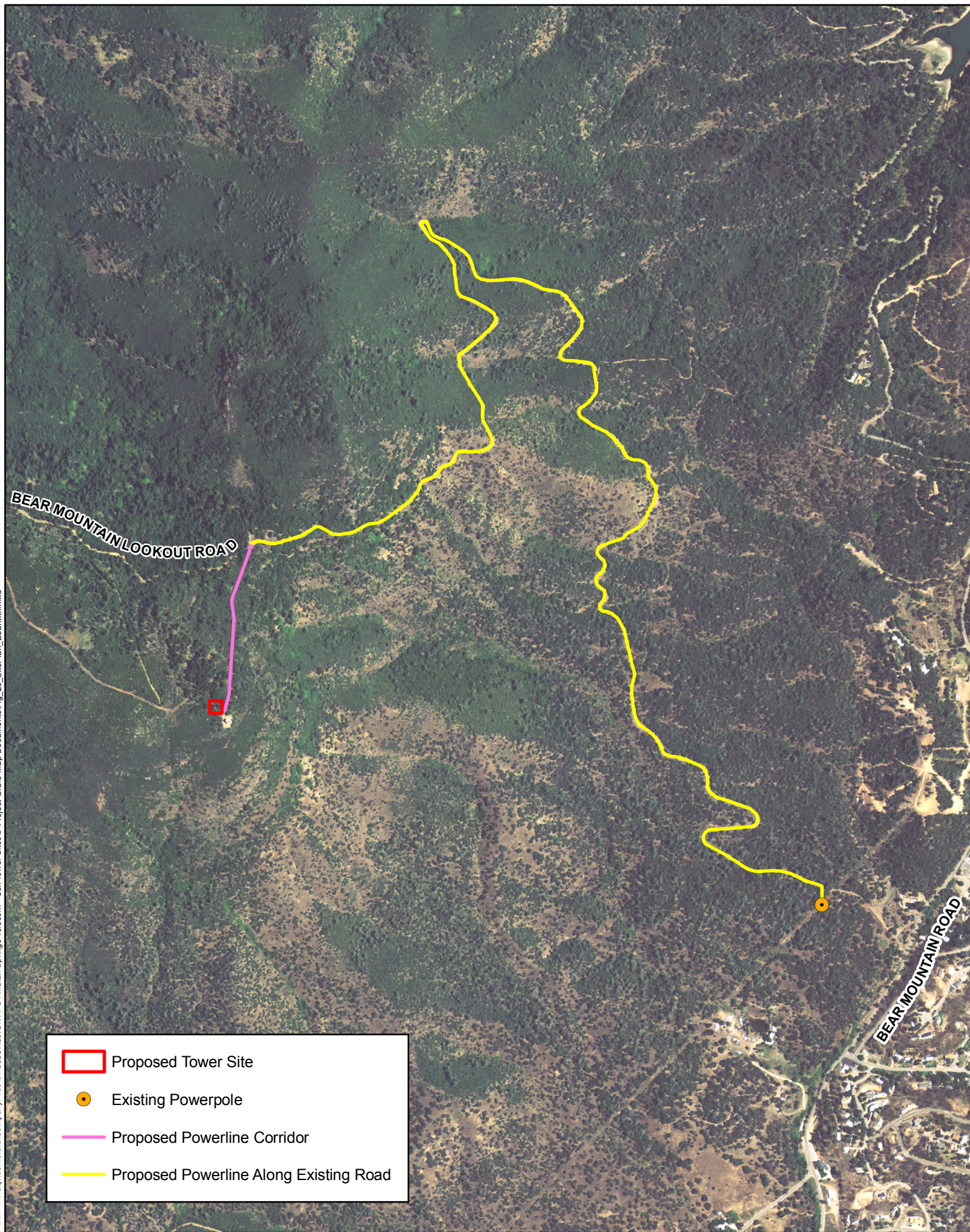


Figure 1c  
**Vicinity Map - Bear Mountain**





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Feature and boundary locations depicted are approximate only. 08.11.09

Figure 2c  
**Site Plan - Bear Mountain**





# Checklist of Vascular Plant Species Observed

# CHECKLIST OF VASCULAR PLANT SPECIES OBSERVED

Bear Mountain

June 26 and July 24, 2009

## Aceraceae

*Acer macrophyllum*

## Anacardiaceae

*Rhus trilobata*

*Toxicodendron diversilobum*

## Apiaceae

*Lomatium* spp.

*Perideridia* sp.

*Sanicula bipinnatifida*

*Torilis arvensis*

## Asteraceae

*Achillea millefolium*

*Agoseris grandiflora*

*Anaphalis margaritacea*

*Arnica discolor* (?)

*Brickellia californica*

*Calycadenia truncata*

*Centaurea solstitialis*

*Cirsium occidentale* var. *venustum*

*Eriophyllum lanatum*

*Grindelia hirsutula* var. *davyi*

*Helianthella californica*

*Hemizonia congesta* ssp. *luzulifolia*

*Hieraceum* sp.

*Lactuca* sp.

*Madia* spp.

*Stephanomeria virgata* ssp. *pleurocarpa*

*Tragopogon* sp.

*Wyethia glabra*

## Berberidaceae

*Berberis aquifolium* var. *dictyota*

## Boraginaceae

*Plagiobothrys fulvus*

## Calycanthaceae

*Calycanthus occidentalis*

## Caprifoliaceae

*Lonicera interrupta*

*Symphoricarpos* sp.

## Caryophyllaceae

*Petrorhagia dubia*

*Scleranthus annuus* ssp. *annuus*

*Silene* sp.

## Convolvulaceae

*Calystegia occidentalis*

## Cyperaceae

*Carex multicaulis*

## Datisceae

*Datisca glomerata*

## Maple Family

Big-leaved maple

## Sumac Family

Squaw bush

Poison-oak

## Carrot Family

Lomatium

Yampah

Purple sanicle

Field hedge-parsley

## Sunflower Family

Common yarrow

Large-flowered Agoseris

Western pearly everlasting

Rayless arnica

California brickellbush

Oregon western rosinweed

Yellow star thistle

Venus thistle

Woolly sunflower

Hairy gumweed

California helianthella

Hayfield tarweed

Hawkweed

Prickly lettuce

Tarweed

Wand wirelettuce

Goat's beard

Mule ears

## Barberry Family

Jepson's barberry

## Borage Family

Fulvous popcorn-flower

## Calycanthus Family

Western spicebush

## Honeysuckle Family

Chaparral honeysuckle

Snowberry

## Pink Family

Grass pink

German knotgrass

Pink

## Morning Glory Family

Western morning-glory

## Sedge Family

Many-stemmed sedge

## Datisca Family

Durango root

# CHECKLIST OF VASCULAR PLANT SPECIES OBSERVED

## Bear Mountain

### Dennstaedtiaceae

*Pteridium aquilinum* var. *pubescens*

### Ericaceae

*Arctostaphylos viscida* ssp. *viscida*

### Fabaceae

*Cercis occidentalis*  
*Lathyrus sulphureus*  
*Lotus* sp. (*nevadensis*?)  
*Lotus purshianus*  
*Lupinus albitrongs*  
*Lupinus bicolor*  
*Thermopsis macrophylla* var. *venosa*  
*Trifolium* sp.  
*Trifolium hirtum*  
*Trifolium willdenovii*  
*Vicia villosa*

### Fagaceae

*Quercus chrysolepis*  
*Quercus douglasii*  
*Quercus garryana* var. *fruticosa* (syn: var. *breweri*)  
*Quercus kelloggii*  
*Quercus wislizenii*

### Garryaceae

*Garrya fremontii*

### Gentianaceae

*Swertia albicaulis*

### Geraniaceae

*Erodium cicutarium*

### Grossulariaceae

*Ribes roezlii* var. *roezlii*

### Hippocastanaceae

*Aesculus californica*

### Hydrophyllaceae

*Eriodictyon californicum*  
*Phacelia* sp.

### Hypericaceae

*Hypericum concinnum*  
*Hypericum perforatum*

### Juncaceae

*Luzula comosa* var. *subsessilis*

### Lamiaceae

*Monardella* sp.  
*Scutellaria siphocampyloides*

### Lauraceae

*Umbellularia californica*

### Bracken Family

Bracken fern

### Heath Family

White-leaf manzanita

### Legume Family

Western redbud  
 Snub pea  
 Lotus  
 Spanish lotus  
 Silver bush lupine  
 Bicolored lupine  
 False-lupine  
 Clover  
 Rose clover  
 Tomcat clover  
 Winter vetch

### Oak Family

Canyon live oak  
 Blue oak  
 Oregon white oak (Brewer oak)  
 California black oak  
 Interior live oak

### Silk Tassel family

Bearbrush

### Gentian Family

White-stemmed swertia

### Geranium Family

Red-stemmed filaree

### Gooseberry Family

Sierra gooseberry

### Buckeye Family

California buckeye

### Waterleaf Family

Yerba santa  
 Phacelia

### St. John's-wort Family

Gold-wire  
 Klamath weed

### Rush Family

Hairy wood rush

### Mint Family

Monardella  
 Gray-leaved skullcap

### Laurel Family

California bay

# CHECKLIST OF VASCULAR PLANT SPECIES OBSERVED

## Bear Mountain

### Liliaceae

*Allium peninsulare* var. *peninsulare*  
*Calochortus tolmiei* (?)  
*Chlorogalum pomeridianum* var. *pomeridianum*  
*Dichelostemma* sp.

### Oleaceae

*Fraxinus dipetala*

### Philadelphaceae

*Philadelphus lewisii*

### Pinaceae

*Pinus ponderosa*  
*Pinus sabiniana*  
*Pseudotsuga menziesii* var. *menziesii*

### Plantaginaceae

*Plantago lanceolata*

### Poaceae

*Achnatherum lemmonii*  
*Aira caryophyllaea*  
*Avena* sp.  
*Briza maxima*  
*Bromus carinatus* var. *carinatus*  
*Bromus diandrus*  
*Bromus madritensis* ssp. *rubens*  
*Cynosurus echinatus*  
*Elymus glaucus* ssp. *glaucus*  
*Elymus multisetus*  
*Hordeum marinum* ssp. *gussoneanum*  
*Melica* sp.  
*Vulpia bromoides*  
*Vulpia microstachys* var. *pauciflora*  
*Vulpia myuros* var. *myuros*

### Polemoniaceae

*Gilia capitata*

### Polygalaceae

*Polygala californica*

### Polygonaceae

*Eriogonum nudum*  
*Polygonum arenastrum*  
*Rumex acetosella*  
*Rumex salicifolius*

### Polypodiaceae

*Polystichum imbricans* ssp. *imbricans*

### Primulaceae

*Dodecatheon hendersonii*  
*Trientalis latifolia*

### Pteridaceae

*Adiantum jordanii*  
*Pellaea mucronata*  
*Pentagramma triangularis* ssp. *triangularis*

### Ranunculaceae

*Clematis lasiantha*

### Lily Family

Mexican onion  
Pussy-ears  
Wavy-leaved soap plant  
Ookow

### Olive Family

California ash

### Mock Orange family

Wild mock orange

### Pine Family

Ponderosa pine  
Grey pine  
Douglas-fir

### Plantain Family

English plantain

### Grass Family

Lemmon's needlegrass  
Silver hairgrass  
Wild oats  
Big quaking grass  
California brome  
Ripgut grass  
Red brome  
Hedgehog dogtail  
Blue wild rye  
Big squirreltail  
Mediterranean barley  
Melic  
Six-weeks fescue  
Few-flowered fescue  
Rattail fescue

### Phlox Family

Blue-headed gilia

### Milkwort Family

California milkwort

### Buckwheat Family

Buckwheat  
Common knotweed  
Sheep sorrel  
Willow dock

### Fern Family

Narrowleaf swordfern

### Primrose Family

Henderson's shooting star  
Pacific starflower

### Brake Family

California maiden-hair  
Bird's-foot fern  
Goldback fern

### Buttercup Family

Pipestem

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Bear Mountain

**Rhamnaceae**

*Ceanothus cuneatus* var. *cuneatus*  
*Ceanothus integerrimus*  
*Ceanothus lemmonii*  
*Rhamnus tomentella* ssp. *tomentella*

**Rosaceae**

*Cercocarpus betuloides* var. *betuloides*

**Rubiaceae**

*Crucianella angustifolia*  
*Galium bolanderi*  
*Galium parisiense*  
*Galium porrigens* var. *tenue*

**Rutaceae**

*Ptelea crenulata*

**Scrophulariaceae**

*Keckiella breviflora*  
*Mimulus guttatus*  
*Penstemon azureus* var. *azureus*  
*Verbascum thapsus*

**Verbenaceae**

*Verbena lasiostachys*

**Violaceae**

*Viola* sp.

**Viscaceae**

*Arceuthobium campylopodium*  
*Phoradendron villosum*

**Vitaceae**

*Vitis californica*

**Buckthorn Family**

Buckbrush  
Deer brush  
Lemmon's ceanothus  
Hoary coffeeberry

**Rose Family**

Birch-leaved mountain-mahogany

**Madder Family**

Cross-wort  
Bolander's bedstraw  
Wall bedstraw  
Climbing bedstraw

**Rue Family**

Hoptree

**Snapdragon Family**

Short-flowered keckiella  
Common monkey-flower  
Azure penstemon  
Woolly mullein

**Vervain Family**

Western verbena

**Violet Family**

Violet

**Mistletoe Family**

Western dwarf-mistletoe  
Oak mistletoe

**Grape Family**

Wild grape