

# Special-Status Plant Survey Report

# Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of a special-status plant survey conducted for the approximately 180-acre Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Study Area (Study Area). The Study Area is an approximately eightmile-long corridor of varying widths, beginning in the City of Wheatland in the south and ending in the north in an area of unincorporated Yuba County. The Study Area is generally located through portions of the City of Wheatland (south on Malone Avenue to east of State Route 65) and unincorporated Yuba County (north on Jasper Lane, west through farmland, and north towards South Beale Road) (**Figure 1**). The Project is located within portions of Sections 24 and 25, Township 14 North, Range 4 East; and Sections 19 and 30, Township 14 North, Range 5 East (MDB&M) of the "Wheatland, California" 7.5-Minute Series USGS Topographic Quadrangle (USGS 2022).

## 2.0 METHODOLOGY

Madrone Ecological Consulting, LLC (Madrone) botanist Daria Snider and biologist Matt Shaffer conducted special-status plant surveys of the Study Area on 28, 29, and 30 June and 27 July 2021 and 2 May 2022. The special-status plant survey was conducted in accordance with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's *Guidelines for Conducting and Reporting Botanical Inventories for Federally Listed, Proposed and Candidate Plants* (USFWS 1996), California Department of Fish and Wildlife's *Protocols for Surveying and Evaluating Impacts to Special Status Native Plant Populations and Natural Communities* (CDFW 2018), and the *CNPS Botanical Survey Guidelines* (CNPS 2001).

A list of special-status plant species with potential to occur within the Study Area was developed by reviewing the following literature, and then refining the list based on habitats present within the Study Area:

- California Native Plant Society (CNPS) Rare and Endangered Plant Inventory (CNPS 2022) query of CRPR Lists 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, and 3 within the "Wheatland, California" USGS topo quadrangle and eight surrounding quadrangles;
- USFWS Information for Planning and Conservation (IPaC) (USFWS 2022) query for the Study Area; and
- the California Natural Diversity Database occurrences of special-status plant species within 5 miles of the Study Area (CNDDB 2022).

The target species for this survey were:

- Dwarf downingia (*Downingia pusilla*);
- Boggs Lake hedge hyssop (Gratiola heterosepala);
- Ahart's dwarf rush (Juncus leiospermus var. ahartii);
- Legenere (Legenere limosa);
- Pincushion navarretia (Navarretia myersii ssp. myersii);
- Sanford's arrowhead (Sagittaria sanfordii); and
- Brazilian watermeal (*Wolffia brasiliensis*)

Meandering pedestrian surveys were conducted throughout the Study Area. The surveys were floristic in nature, which means that all plant species observed on-site were identified to the taxonomic level necessary to determine rarity. Thus, if a special-status plant was present but not on the target list, it would have been detected and documented. Plant taxonomy was based on the nomenclature in the *Jepson eFlora* (Jepson Flora Project 2022). Terrestrial vegetation communities were classified according to the *Manual of California Vegetation, Second Edition* (Sawyer et al. 2009). Qualifications for the biologists that conducted the survey are included in **Attachment A**, a list of reference populations of target plants visited is included in **Attachment C**.

## 3.0 EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS

The Study Area is located within and to the north and northeast of the City of Wheatland. The southern portion of the Study Area primarily runs along 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Spenceville Road, and Jasper Lane between urban and rural residences and agricultural fields (**Figure 3**). In the northern portion of the Study Area, the alignment runs west along farm roads through orchards and other agricultural fields and incorporates annual brome grassland and irrigated pastures. Ruderal and disturbed areas occur along the edges of fields and roadways.

The bulk of the aquatic resources mapped within the Study Area are roadside ditches along the roads, and irrigation ditches that service the agricultural fields in the area. Seasonal wetlands and seasonal wetland swales are present in the annual brome grasslands and hay fields. The Study Area crosses two major intermittent drainages: Dry Creek on Jasper Lane, and Best Slough in the northern portion of the Study Area.

The Study Area is extremely flat, with lower elevations along the Best Slough and Dry Creek channels. Elevations range from about 80 feet above mean sea level at Pump Station 1 to a high of about 110 feet at the Spenceville Road/Jasper Lane intersection near Pump Station 2. From Pump Station 2, the elevation gradually drops to a low of about 75 feet at Best Slough.

Surrounding land uses are largely consistent with land uses within the Study Area (rural residential and agriculture).

## 3.1 Terrestrial Vegetation Communities

## 3.1.1 Annual Brome Grassland

The annual brome grasslands within the Study Area occur primarily in the northern portion of the Study Area. Dominant plant species in this community includes soft brome (*Bromus hordeaceus*), ripgut brome (*B. diandrus*), medusahead grass (*Elymus caput-medusae*), wild oat (*Avena fatua*), perennial ryegrass (*Festuca perennis*), brome fescue (*F. bromoides*), rattail fescue (*F. myuros*), filaree (*Erodium botrys*), rose clover (*Trifolium hirtum*), and hairy hawkbit (*Leontodon saxatilis*).

## 3.1.2 Hay Field

The hay fields are similar to the annual brome grasslands but are dominated by perennial ryegrass and are mowed regularly.

#### 3.1.3 Canarygrass Grassland

An extensive floodplain area south of Best Slough in the northern portion of the Study Area is a canarygrass grassland. This area supports approximately 70% cover of Harding grass (*Phalaris aquatica*). Perennial ryegrass and broad-leaved pepperweed (*Lepidium latifolium*) co-dominate this area, and coyote brush (*Baccharis pilularis*) is scattered throughout. The density of these perennial species appears to preclude almost any other vegetation from establishing in this area.

#### 3.1.4 Armenian Blackberry Bramble

The Armenian blackberry (*Rubus armeniacus*) brambles are monocultures of Armenian blackberry, as this species forms dense patches that shade out all other vegetation. These brambles occur primarily in the northern portion of the Study Area.

#### 3.1.5 Eucalyptus Woodland

A Eucalyptus woodland occurs along the eastern edge of an irrigation ditch in the northern portion of the Study Area. This woodland is a monoculture of red gum (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*), as these trees produce chemicals that have allelopathic effects on other plant species.

#### 3.1.6 Riparian Woodland

Riparian woodland occurs along the edges of portions of Best Slough and Dry Creek. This vegetation community is dominated by Oregon ash (*Fraxinus latifolia*), Fremont's cottonwood (*Populus fremontii*) and buttonwillow (*Cephalanthus occidentalis*). Other common plant species in this community are black willow (*Salix gooddingii*), poison-oak (*Toxicodendron diversilobum*), Armenian blackberry, and South American vervain (*Verbena bonariensis*). This community is considered a Sensitive Natural Community by CDFW (CDFW 2018).

#### 3.1.7 Sandbar Willow Riparian Scrub

Sandbar willow (*Salix exigua*) riparian scrub occurs along the edges of some of the irrigation ditches in the northern portion of the Study Area. This community is almost entirely a monoculture of sandbar willow, but other plants common in the adjacent ditches also occur, including tall nutsedge (*Cyperus eragrostis*) and slender willowherb (*Epilobium ciliatum*).

#### 3.1.8 Valley Oak Woodland

A few stands of Valley oak (*Quercus lobata*) woodland have been mapped within the Study Area. These occur both as narrow strips along the edges of roadways and as larger stands in more natural settings. This community is typically mature Valley oak trees with an annual brome grassland understory, with an occasional shrub layer and very little herbaceous vegetation. Common shrubs observed in the Valley oak woodland within the Study Area include California rose (*Rosa californica*), olive (*Olea europaea*), and Armenian blackberry (*Rubus armeniacus*). This community is considered a Sensitive Natural Community by CDFW (CDFW 2022).

#### 3.1.9 High Intensity Agriculture

A substantial portion of the Study Area is comprised of high intensity agricultural crops, including rice fields, irrigated field crops, orchards, and disced fields. Rice fields are primarily occupied by rice (*Oryza sativa*), but also support a number of marsh species such as broad-leaved arrowhead (*Sagittaria latifolia*) and blue mud plantain (*Heteranthera limosa*), especially around the edges. The irrigated field crops were freshly planted in grass that was unidentifiable at the time of the 2021 survey, and aerial photograph review indicates that these fields are regularly irrigated. They appear heavily maintained and likely support a monoculture of the crop plant. The orchards within the Study Areas support almost exclusively the tree crop being grown with very little herbaceous weedy vegetation in the understory. The predominant tree crop is European plum (*Prunus domestica*), but there are also some English walnut (*Juglans regia*) orchards. Quite a few fields in the northern portion of the Study Area were disced and being graded during the field survey. During a subsequent survey, it appeared that these fields were being prepared to be planted with a tree crop, but no planting had occurred. All of these high intensity agricultural crops are heavily maintained, and almost entirely comprised of cultivated non-native plants.

#### 3.1.10 Irrigated Pasture

Irrigated pastures are located in the northern portion of the Study Area. The irrigated pastures are fields grazed by horses and cattle that are comprised of a variety of facultative plant species, such as perennial ryegrass (*Festuca perennis*), Baltic rush (*Juncus balticus*), and reed fescue (*Festuca arundinacea*).

#### 3.1.11 Ruderal

Ruderal areas are areas dominated primarily by forbs that occur largely in the unmaintained areas adjacent to agricultural fields or roadways. Dominant plant species in the ruderal areas include Russian thistle (*Salsola tragus*), bristly ox-tongue (*Helminthotheca echioides*), cheese weed (*Malva neglecta*), toothpick weed (*Ammi visnaga*), panicled willow-herb (*Epilobium brachycarpum*), black mustard (*Brassica nigra*), wild radish (*Raphanus sativus*), prickly wild lettuce (*Lactuca serriola*), and grass species typical of the annual brome grasslands.

#### 3.1.12 Developed

Developed areas include areas mapped as Urban, Rural Residential, and Dirt Roads. These are areas of predominantly impermeable surfaces (pavement, buildings, etc.), regularly maintained dirt roadways, or areas of maintained landscaping adjacent to residential or commercial/industrial development.

#### 3.2 Aquatic Resources

The Study Area supports perennial creeks, seasonal marsh, seasonal wetland, seasonal wetland swale, vernal pool, and three types of ditches (drainage ditch, irrigation ditch, and roadside ditch) (Figure 2).

#### 3.2.1 Seasonal Marsh

Two areas of seasonal marsh are present in the Study Area. These features are dominated by perennial facultative wetland plant species such as Baltic rush and tall nutsedge.

#### 3.2.2 Seasonal Wetland

A number of depressional seasonal wetlands are present in the Study Area. The seasonal wetlands are shallow depressional wetlands that are dominated by facultative grasses and forbs characteristic of disturbed areas, including perennial ryegrass, Mediterranean barley (*Hordeum marinum*), toad rush (*Juncus bufonius*), hyssop loosestrife (*Lythrum hyssopifolium*), coyote-thistle (*Eryngium castrense*), and shining peppergrass (*Lepidium nitidum*).

#### 3.2.3 Seasonal Wetland Swale

Three seasonal wetland swales are present in the northern portion of the Study Area. These features are dominated by similar plant species as the depressional seasonal wetlands but are gently sloping wetlands as opposed to confined depressions.

#### 3.2.4 Vernal Pool

A number of vernal pools occur within the Study Area. Vernal pools are seasonal wetlands underlain by a hardpan that results in a perched water table. This perched water table extends the hydroperiod of vernal pools, which results in a unique flora that occupies these features. The vernal pools within the Study Area are dominated by wavy-stemmed popcorn flower (*Plagiobothrys undulatus*), smooth goldfields (*Lasthenia glabberima*), Great Valley coyote-thistle, and Mediterranean beard grass (*Polypogon maritimus*).

#### 3.2.5 Perennial Creek

Two perennial creeks pass through the Study Area. These include Best Slough near the northern end of the pipeline alignment (Sheet 1 of **Figure 2**) and Dry Creek where the creek crosses under Jasper Lane (Sheet 5

of **Figure 2**). The perennial creeks are primarily unvegetated within the channel due to the depth of the water, but aquatic species, such as parrot's feather (*Myriophyllum aquaticum*), pond weed (*Potamogeton* species), and water primrose (*Ludwigia peploides*) occur sporadically. The banks support a diverse suite of perennial hydrophytes, such as rice cutgrass (*Leersia oryzoides*), smartweed (*Persicaria* species), Australian rush (*Juncus usitatus*), Santa Barbara sedge (*Carex barbarae*), and dallisgrass (*Paspalum dilatatum*).

## 3.2.6 Ditches

Three types of ditches occur within the Study Area. These include several segments of drainage ditch that convey runoff from developed and agricultural areas, irrigation ditches that convey irrigation water to local farming operations, and roadside ditches that convey stormwater runoff along paved roadways. The roadside ditches are either unvegetated or occupied by weedy ruderal vegetation; these features are ephemeral and convey flow only during and immediately following rain events. The irrigation ditches are mostly unvegetated within the channel as there are either dry (when not conveying flow to fields) or full of several feet of water in the summer when they are conveying flow to the fields. The edges of the irrigation channels support weedy wetland vegetation, such as tall nutsedge, dallisgrass, willowherb (*Epilobium brachycarpum*), and smartweed. The drainage ditches drain both agricultural runoff and stormwater, and they are generally vegetated by marshy vegetation, such as creeping spikerush (*Eleocharis macrostachya*) and cattails (*Typha latifolia*), and bordered by Fremont's cottonwood, black willow (*Salix gooddingii*) and South American vervain (*Verbena bonariensis*).

#### 3.3 Soils

The Natural Resources Conservation Service identifies six soil mapping units within the Study Area (NRCS 2022) (**Figure 3**): Hollenbeck silty clay loam, 0 to 1 percent slopes (131); Conejo loam, 0 to 1 percent slopes, MLRA 17 (141); Conejo loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, MLRA 17 (142); Horst silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes (170); Redding gravelly loam, 0 to 8 percent slopes, MLRA 17 (208); and San Joaquin loam, 0 to 1 percent slopes (214). None of the soil mapping units are considered moderately or strongly alkaline; however, units (208) and (214) are somewhat acidic, and unit (131) has a high clay content. No soils derived from serpentine or gabbro occur within the Study Area.

## 4.0 SURVEY RESULTS

## 4.1 Dwarf Downingia

Dwarf downingia (*Downingia pusilla*) is not federally or state listed, but it is classified as a CRPR List 1B.2 plant. It is a diminutive annual herb that is strongly associated with vernal pools and other seasonally inundated features at elevations ranging from sea level to approximately 1,500 feet (CNPS 2022). Dwarf downingia is typically associated with areas that experience a moderate degree of disturbance, and it blooms from March to May.

The vernal pools, seasonal wetlands and seasonal wetland swales within the Study Area represent suitable habitat for this species. Field surveys conducted by a botanist during the summer of 2021 and spring of 2022 failed to detect this species.

## 4.2 Boggs Lake Hedge-Hyssop

Boggs Lake hedge-hyssop (*Gratiola heterosepala*) is not federally listed, but it is a California endangered species and a CRPR List 1B.2 plant. Boggs Lake hedge-hyssop grows in vernal pools and around the perimeter of lakes and ponds between 30 and 7,800 feet (CNPS 2022). This small annual herb favors clay soils, and blooms from April to August (CNPS 2022).

The vernal pools and seasonal wetlands within the Study Area represent suitable habitat for this species. Field surveys conducted by a botanist during the summer of 2021 and spring of 2022 failed to detect this species.

## 4.3 Ahart's Dwarf Rush

Ahart's dwarf rush (*Juncus leiospermus* var. *ahartii*) is not federally or state listed, but it is classified as a CRPR List 1B.2 plant. Ahart's dwarf rush grows along the edges of seasonal wet habitats such as vernal pools and swales within valley and foothill grasslands between elevations of approximately 100 feet and 750 feet (CNPS 2022). This annual herb blooms from March to May (CNPS 2022).

The vernal pools, seasonal wetlands and seasonal wetland swales within the Study Area represent suitable habitat for this species. Field surveys conducted by a botanist during the summer of 2021 and spring of 2022 failed to detect this species.

#### 4.4 Legenere

Legenere (*Legenere limosa*) is not federally or state listed, but it is classified as a CRPR List 1B.1 species. This annual herb is primarily associated with seasonal wetlands with a long hydroperiod, such as vernal pools and marsh and pond edges (CNPS 2022). Legenere occurs at elevations between sea level and 2,600 feet, and blooms from April to June (CNPS 2022).

The vernal pools, seasonal wetlands and seasonal marshes within the Study Area represent suitable habitat for this species. Field surveys conducted by a botanist during the summer of 2021 and spring of 2022 failed to detect this species.

## 4.5 Pincushion Navarretia

Pincushion navarretia (*Navarretia myersii* ssp. *myersii*) is not federally or state listed, but it is classified as a CRPR List 1B.1 plant. This species is found in vernal pools and other mesic areas in annual grasslands, often

on acidic soils (CNPS 2022). Pincushion navarretia is found between approximately 65 and 1,100 feet and blooms in April and May (CNPS 2022).

The vernal pools, seasonal wetlands and seasonal wetland swales within the Study Area represent suitable habitat for this species. Field surveys conducted by a botanist during the summer of 2021 and spring of 2022 failed to detect this species.

#### 4.6 Sanford's Arrowhead

Sanford's arrowhead (*Sagittaria sanfordii*) is not federally or state listed, but it is classified as a CRPR List 1B.2 plant. It generally occurs in shallow freshwater habitats associated with drainages, canals, and larger ditches that sustain inundation and/or slow moving water into early summer. This perennial rhizomatous species blooms from May to October, and occurs from sea level to approximately 2,000 feet (CNPS 2022).

The perennial creeks and ditches within the Study Area represent suitable habitat for Sanford's arrowhead. Field surveys conducted by a botanist during the summer of 2021 and spring of 2022 failed to detect this species.

## 4.7 Brazilian Watermeal

Brazilian watermeal (*Wolffia brasiliensis*) is not federally or state listed, but it is classified as a CRPR List 2B.3 plant. It is a very small, floating perennial herb that is found in a variety of perennial waterbodies. This species is identifiable throughout much of the year, and is found between approximately 65 and 330 feet (CNPS 2022).

The perennial creeks and ditches within the Study Area represent suitable habitat for Brazilian watermeal. Field surveys conducted by a botanist during the summer of 2021 and spring of 2022 failed to detect this species.

## 5.0 CONCLUSION

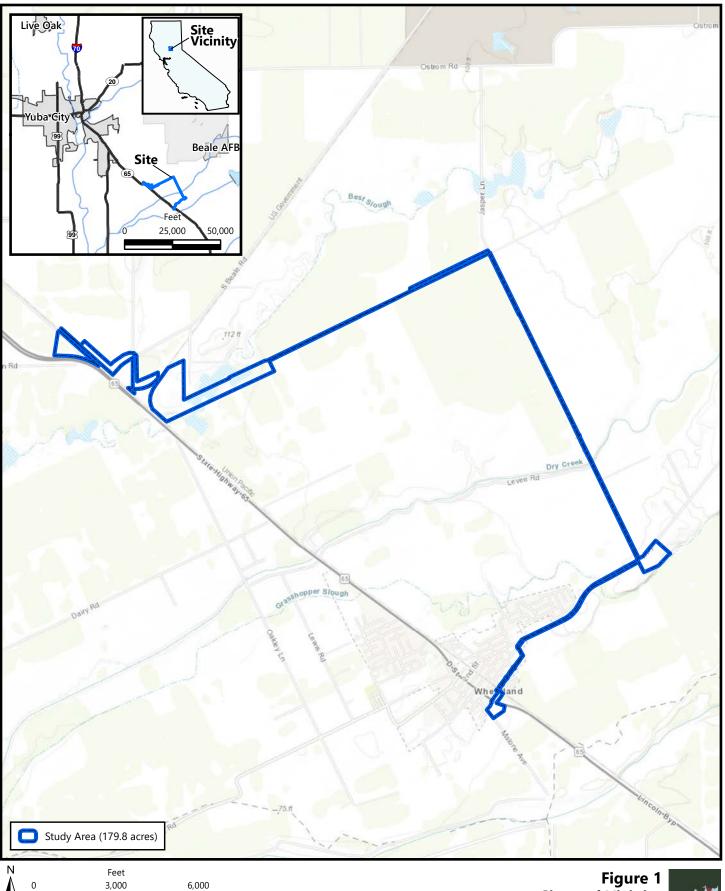
No special-status plant species were observed during the 2021 and 2022 protocol-level special-status plant survey of the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Study Area.

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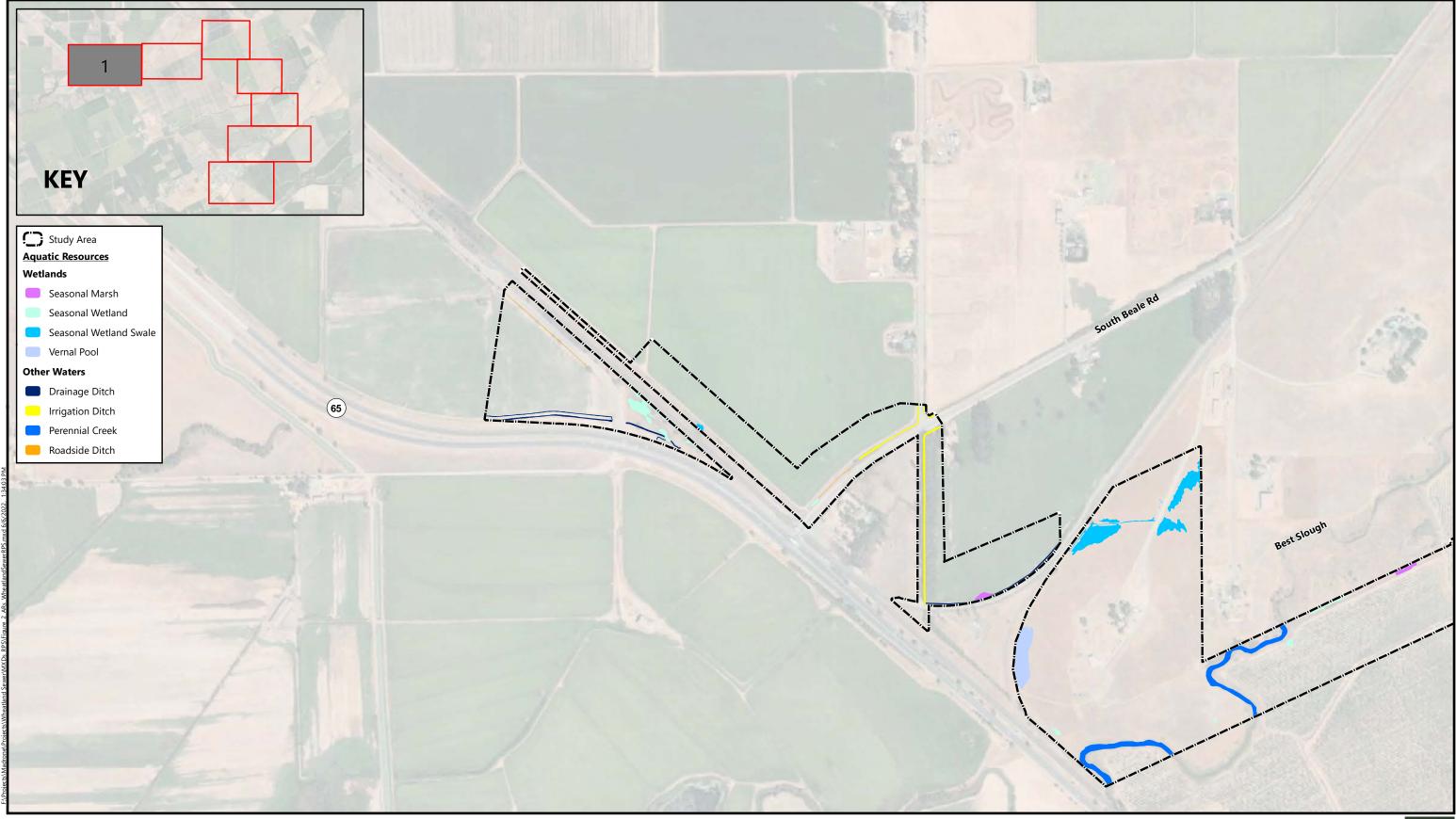
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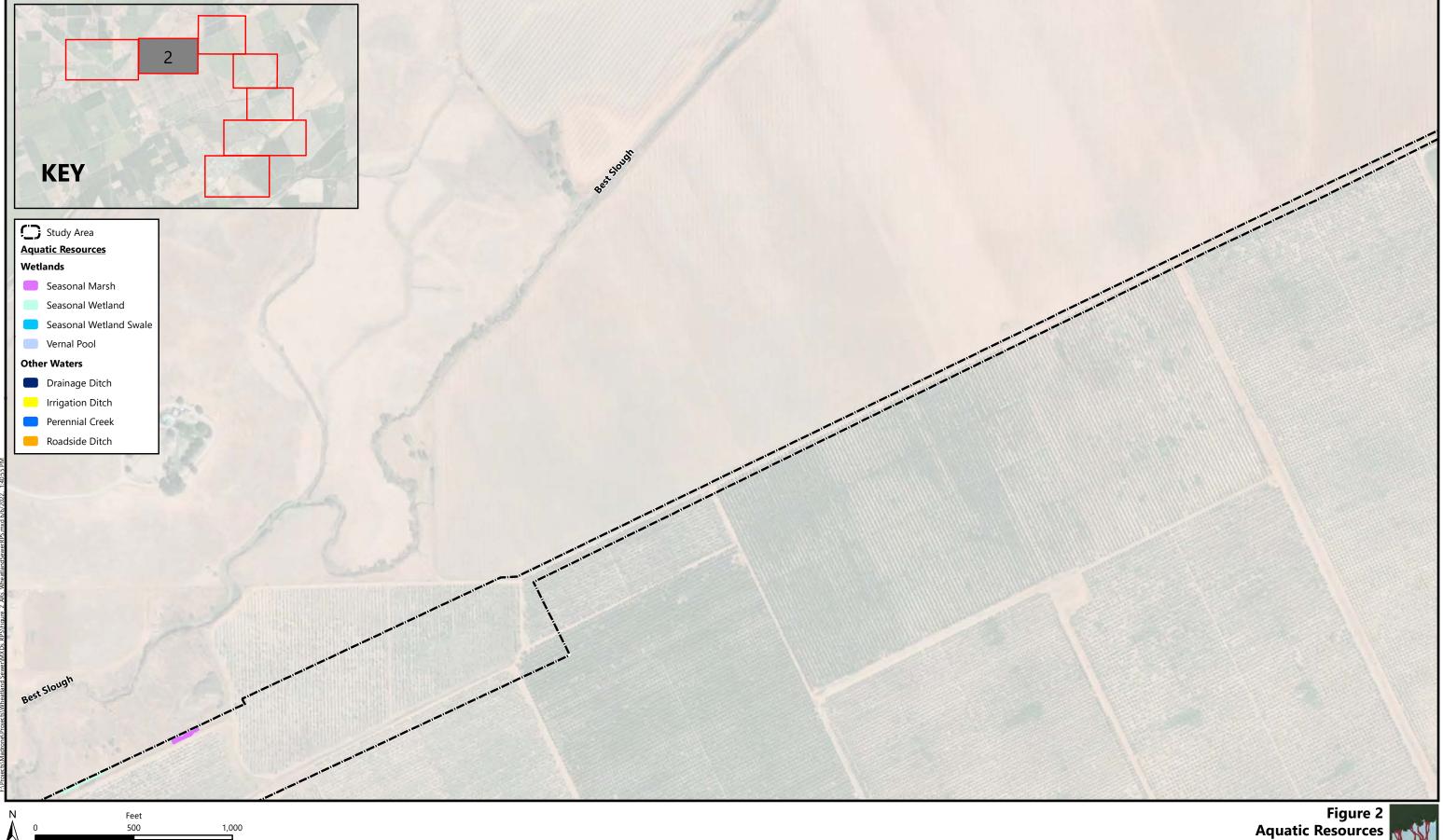
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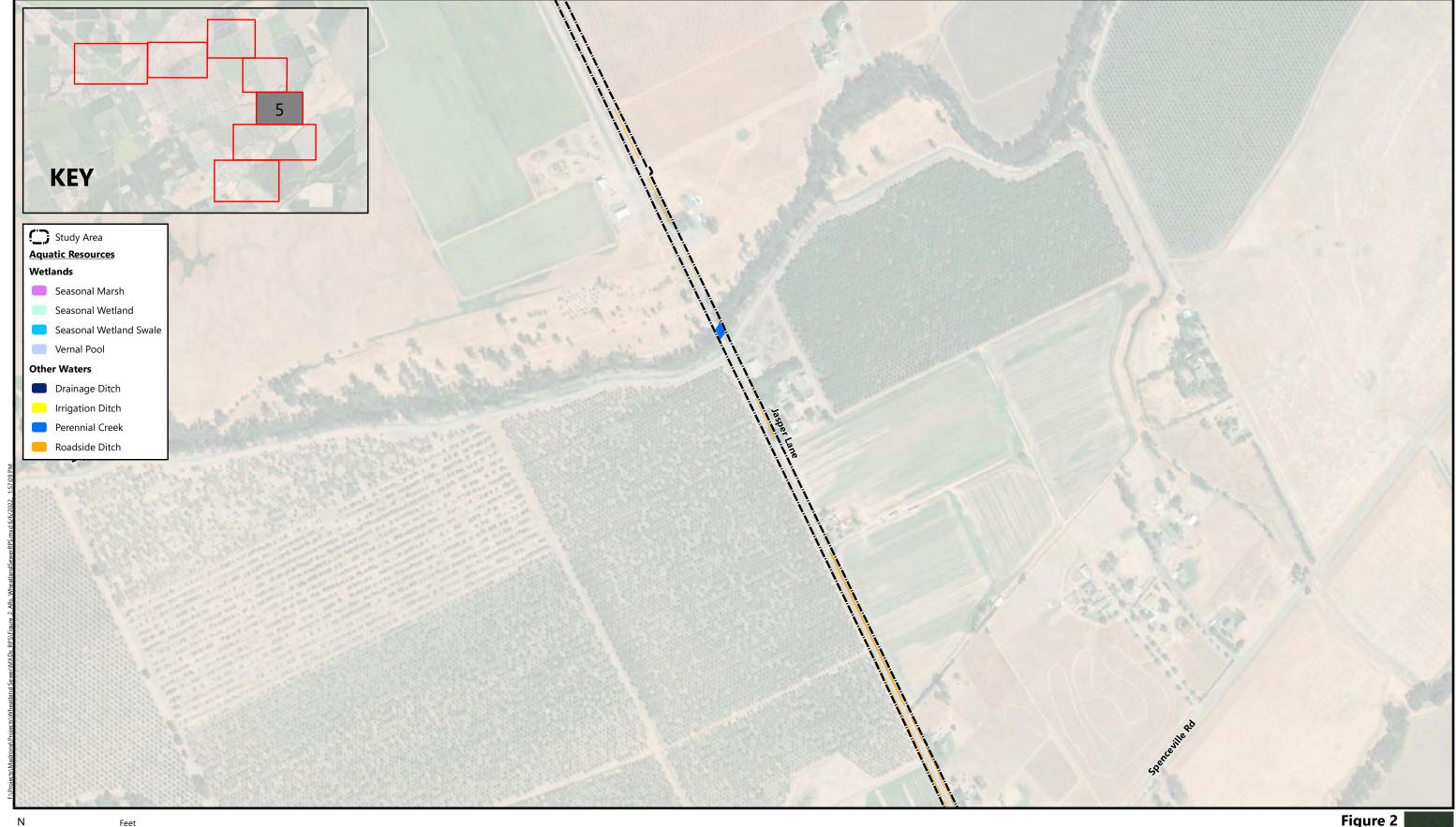






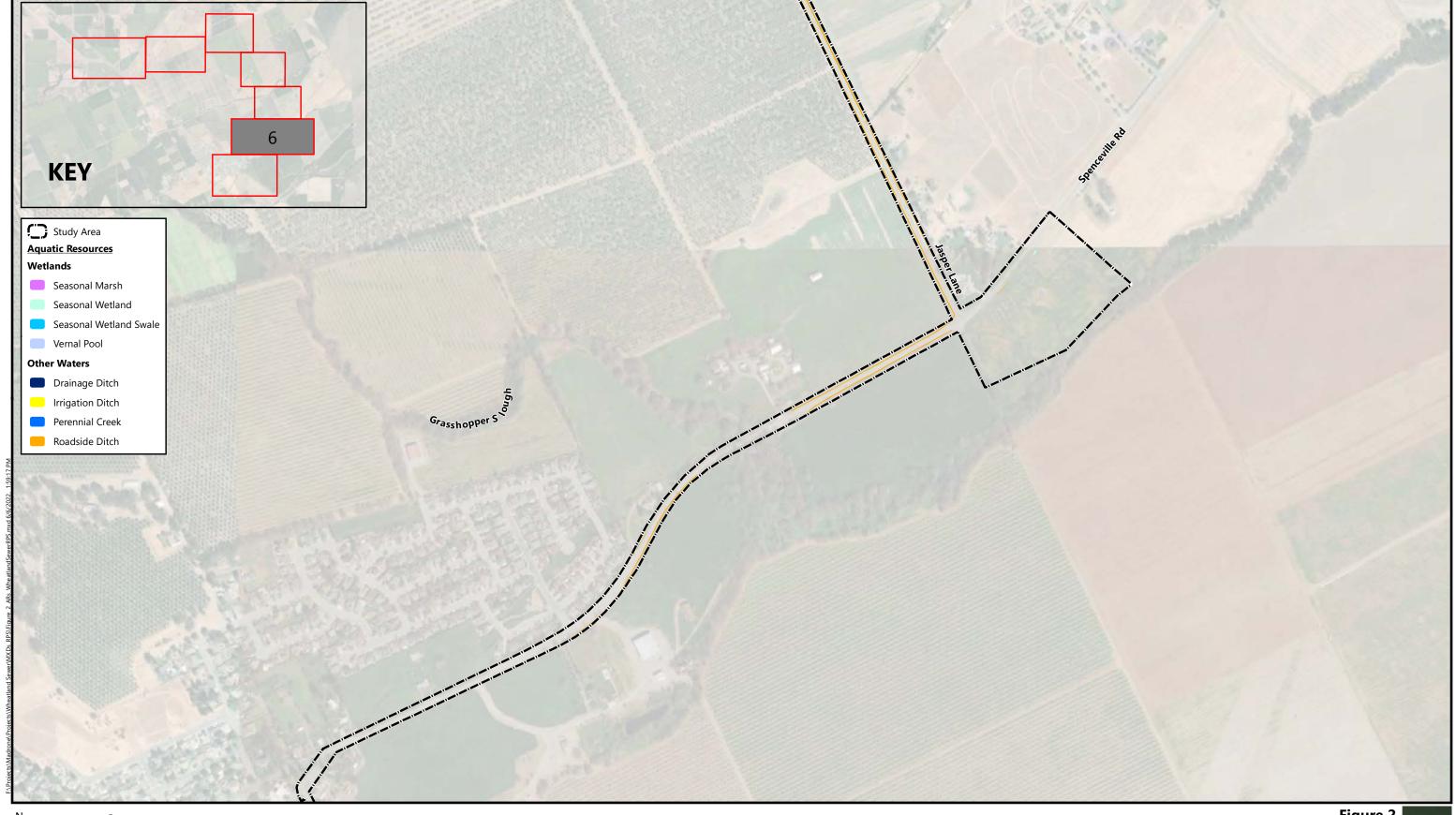






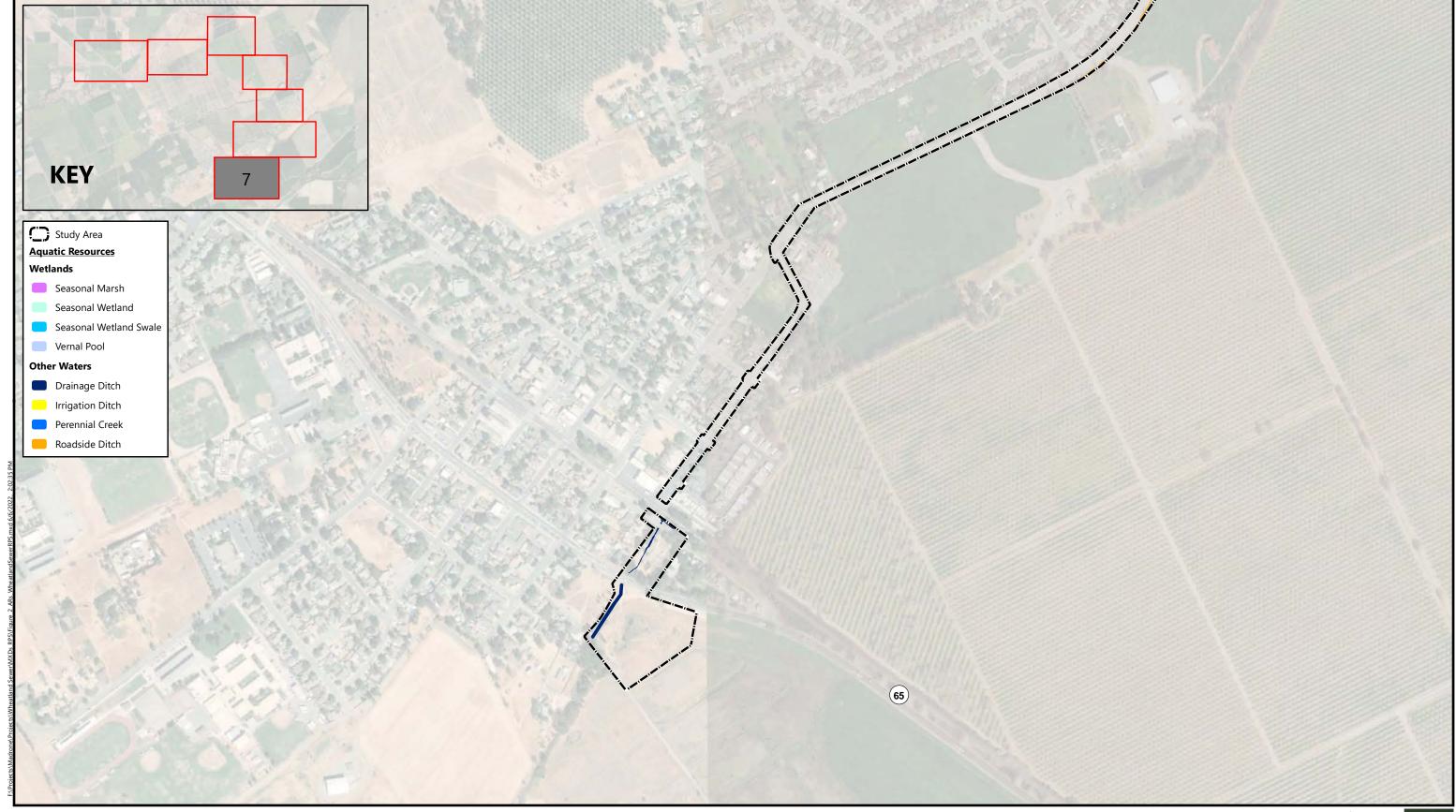


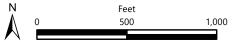




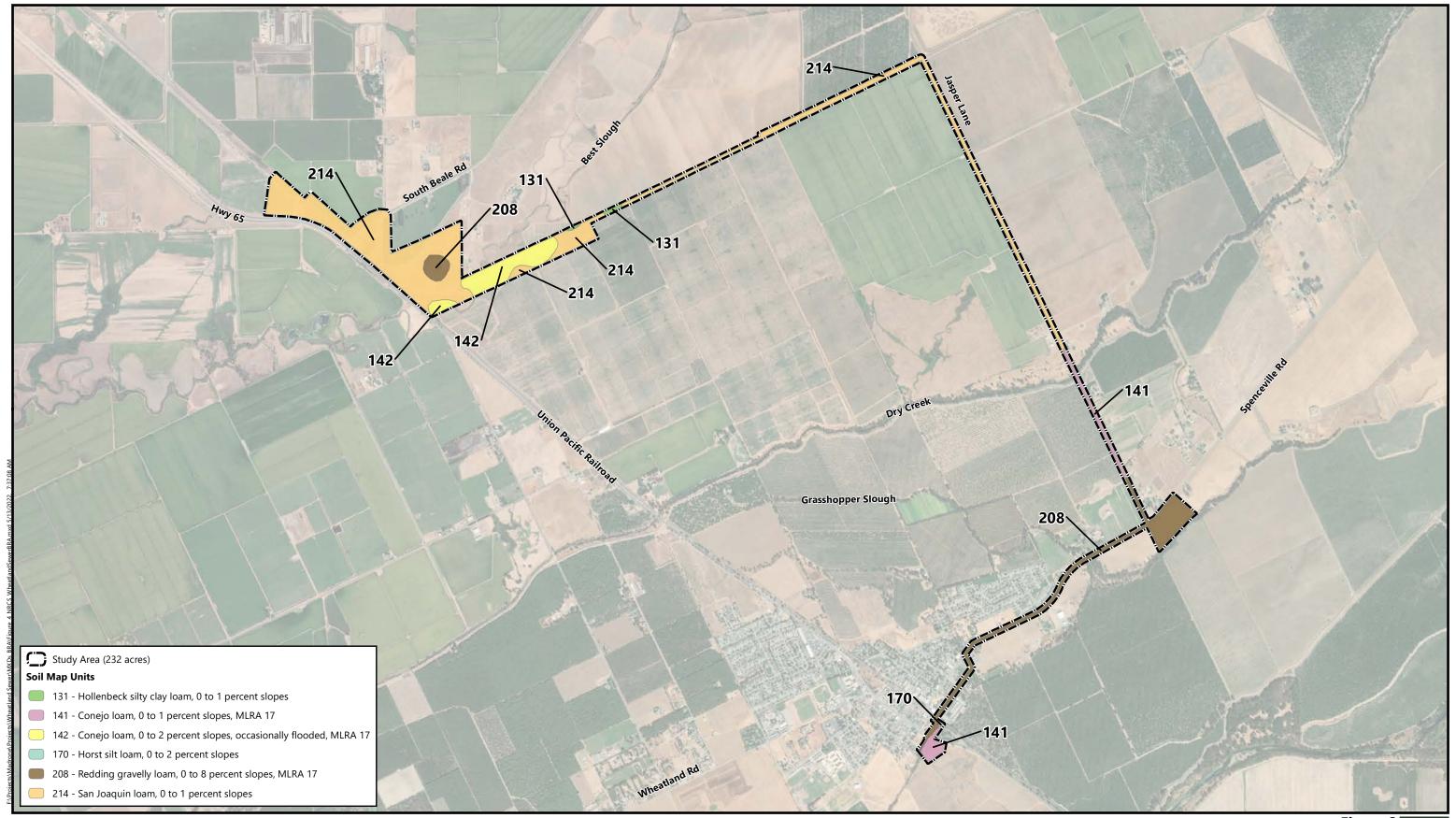












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Soil Survey Source: USDA, Soil Conservation Service. Aerial Source: Maxar, 22 October 2020 Figure 3 Natural Resources Conservation Service Soils



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## Attachment A

**Botanist Qualifications** 

## **Rare Plant Survey Botanist Qualifications**

#### **Daria Snider**

Ms. Snider has more than 17 years of experience conducting botanical inventories. As a senior biologist, she specializes in rare plant surveys, wetland delineations, and general biological resource inventories. In addition to rare plant surveys, her botanical experience includes general vegetation surveys, aerial and field vegetation mapping, Certified Arborist tree inventories, CRAM Assessments, floristic monitoring, and invasive species identification and mapping. Ms. Snider's experience includes a wide variety of habitat types, including vernal pools, annual grasslands, oak woodland, riparian communities, coastal sage scrub, chaparral, cismontane and montane forests, and desert. Her geographic expertise covers much of California, from Shasta County in the north to the Mojave Desert and San Gabriel Mountains in the south, and from Napa County in the west to the Sierra Nevada foothills and mountains in the east. Her primary focus is on the Sacramento Valley and the adjacent Sierra Nevada foothills.

**Target Plant Species Reference Population Information** 

#### Location of Phenology of Reference Date of Visit **Population/ Distinctive Plant Species** Reference Population Characteristics 2 March 2022 Most plants still vegetative with a Downingia pusilla Westpark Open Dwarf downingia Space Preserve few blooms. CNDDB Occurrence 16 March 2022 Population is in full bloom quite #142 early this year. Churchill Downs 2 March 2022 Gratiola heterosepala The pool containing this species is usually still inundated in early April. Bogg's Lake hedge-Wetland Preserve 10 March 2022 hyssop CNDDB Occurrence 1 April 2022 This year, the pool was dry on April 1, a number of annual vernal pool #35 plants were present in very low numbers (including the common *Gratiola ebracteata*), and the pool was quite bare. No Gratiola heterosepala were observed and it appears this plant did not emerge this year at all at this location. Other botanists reported similar results elsewhere in the region. Markham Ravine 29 March 2022 Numerous Gratiola heterosepala plants were observed growing in two Mitigation Site<sup>1</sup> pools. About a third of the plants were vegetative, a third in bloom, and a third in fruit; phenology depended on plant's moisture gradient in the pool. Juncus leiospermus Mather Regional Park 4 April 2022 The wetland in which we have var *ahartii* previously observed this species is Ahart's dwarf rush CNDDB Occurrence usually still quite wet at this time of #8 year with very early season floristics, but during this visit, the feature was entirely dried out, and no Juncus leiospermus var. ahartii was observed. This plant may not have emerged at all at this location this year.

#### Target Plant Species Reference Population Information for the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Special-Status Plant Survey

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Gratiola heterosepala-seed bearing soil was translocated to this site in the fall of 2020 under CDFW ITP 2081-2014-074-02.

Plant Species	Location of Reference Population	Date of Visit	Phenology of Reference Population/ Distinctive Characteristics
<i>Legenere limosa</i> Legenere	CNDDB Occurrence #27 (Sacramento County)	1 April 2022 15 April 2022	On April 1, plants were numerous and large in size. Most were in fruit but some were observed in flower. By April 15 all plants were in fruit with seeds beginning to disperse.
<i>Navarretia myersii</i> ssp. <i>myersii</i> Pincushion navarretia	Herbarium specimen at UC Davis Center for Plant Diversity Online Jepson Manual and Calflora	23 April 2019 March through May 2022	Pressed specimen. Corollas for this species are quite long (12-21 mm vs 4-10 mm for the similar but more common <i>Navarretia leucocephala</i> ssp. <i>leucocephala</i> ). In addition, the calyx lobes for this species are long- hairy as opposed to the generally glabrous calyx lobes for <i>N</i> . <i>leucocephala</i> ssp. <i>leucocephala</i> .
<i>Sagittaria sanfordii</i> Sanford's arrowhead	CNDDB Occurrence #146	21 June 2021	Hundreds of plants were present at this site. Approximately 50% of the plants were in bloom but all were vegetative and exhibited emergent leaves with the characteristic petiole with a triangular cross-section.
<i>Wolffia brasiliensis</i> Brazilian watermeal	N/A Online Jepson Manual and Calflora	2021 through 2022	This plant has been documented in only a few locations in California. It can be differentiated from other, similar very small floating aquatic plants as it has no roots, the plant bodies are almost spheric instead of flat, and the top of the plant has a conical bump near the center.

# Attachment C

Plant Species Observed within the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Study Area

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Family / Species Name	Common name	Native / Non-Native
ADOXACEAE		
Sambucus nigra subsp. caerulea	Blue elderberry	Native
AGAVACEAE		
Agave americana	Century plant	Non-Native
Chlorogalum pomeridianum var.	Common soap plant	Native
pomeridianum	Common soap plant	Native
ALISMATACEAE		
Alisma triviale	Northern water plantain	Native
Sagittaria latifolia	Broadleaf arrowhead	Native
ANACARDIACEAE		
Pistacia vera	Pistachio	Non-Native
Toxicodendron diversilobum	Western poison oak	Native
APIACEAE		
Ammi visnaga	Bisnaga	Non-Native
Eryngium castrense	Great valley coyote-thistle	Native
ΑΡΟϹΥΝΑϹΕΑΕ		
Asclepias fascicularis	Narrow-leaf milkweed	Native
Asclepias speciosa	Showy milkweed	Native
ASTERACEAE		
Anaphalis margaritacea	Pearly everlasting	Native
Anthemis cotula	Mayweed	Non-Native
Artemisia douglasiana	Mugwort	Native
Baccharis pilularis subsp. pilularis	Coyote brush	Native
Carduus pycnocephalus subsp. pycnocephalus	Italian thistle	Non-Native
Centaurea solstitialis	Yellow star-thistle	Non-Native
Centromadia fitchii	Fitch's spikeweed	Native
Cichorium intybus	Chicory	Non-Native
Dittrichia graveolens	Stinkwort	Non-Native
Erigeron canadensis	Horseweed	Native
Gnaphalium palustre	Western marsh cudweed	Native
Grindelia camporum	Great Valley gumplant	Native

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Helminthotheca echioides	Bristly ox-tongue	Non-Native
Holocarpha virgata subsp. virgata	Slender tarweed	Native
Hypochaeris glabra	Smooth cat's-ear	Non-Native
Lactuca serriola	Prickly lettuce	Non-Native
Lasthenia glaberrima	Smooth goldfields	Native
Leontodon saxatilis subsp. saxatilis	Hairy cat's ear	Non-Native
Logfia gallica	Daggerleaf cottonrose	Non-Native
Madia elegans	Common madia	Native
Matricaria discoidea	Pineapple weed	Native
Psilocarphus brevissimus var. brevissimus	Dwarf woollyheads	Native
Psilocarphus oregonus	Oregon woollyheads	Native
Silybum marianum	Milk thistle	Non-Native
Sonchus asper subsp. asper	Prickly sow thistle	Non-Native
Sonchus oleraceus	Common sow thistle	Non-Native
Tragopogon porrifolius	Salsify	Non-Native
Xanthium strumarium	Cocklebur	Native
BORAGINACEAE		
Amsinckia menziesii	Common fiddleneck	Native
Plagiobothrys bracteatus	Bracted popcornflower	Native
Plagiobothrys greenei	Greene's spiny-nut popcornflower	Native
Plagiobothrys stipitatus var. micranthus	Slender popcornflower	Native
Plagiobothrys undulatus	Wavy-stemmed popcornflower	Native
BRASSICACEAE		
Brassica nigra	Black mustard	Non-Native
Cardamine oligosperma	Little western bittercress	Native
Hirschfeldia incana	Shortpod mustard	Non-Native
Lepidium didymum	Lesser swine cress	Non-Native
Lepidium latifolium	Perennial pepperweed	Non-Native
Lepidium nitidum	Shining peppergrass	Native
Raphanus sativus	Radish	Non-Native
Rorippa curvisiliqua	Curvepod yellowcress	Native
CAMPANULACEAE		
Downingia ornatissima	Ornate downingia	Native

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CARYOPHYLLACEAE		
Silene gallica	Small-flower catchfly	Non-Native
Spergula arvensis	Corn spurrey	Non-Native
Spergularia rubra	Red sand-spurrey	Non-Native
CHENOPODIACEAE		
Dysphania ambrosioides	Mexican tea	Non-Native
Salsola tragus	Russian thistle	Non-Native
CONVOLVULACEAE		
Convolvulus arvensis	Bindweed	Non-Native
CRASSULACEAE		
Crassula aquatica	Water pygmyweed	Native
Crassula tillaea	Moss pygmyweed	Non-Native
CYPERACEAE		
Carex barbarae	Santa Barbara sedge	Native
Cyperus eragrostis	Tall nutsedge	Native
Eleocharis macrostachya	Creeping spikerush	Native
Eleocharis parishii	Parish's spikerush	Native
Schoenoplectus acutus var. occidentalis	Common tule	Native
EUPHORBIACEAE		
Croton setiger	Turkey-mullein	Native
Euphorbia maculata	Spotted spurge	Non-Native
Euphorbia serpillifolia	Thyme-leafed spurge	Native
FABACEAE		
Acmispon americanus var. americanus	Spanish lotus	Native
Lotus corniculatus	Bird's-foot trefoil	Non-Native
Lupinus bicolor	Miniature lupine	Native
Medicago lupulina	Black medick	Non-Native
Medicago polymorpha	California burclover	Non-Native
Medicago sativa	Alfalfa	Non-Native
Robinia pseudoacacia	Black locust	Non-Native
Trifolium dubium	Little hop clover	Non-Native
Trifolium fragiferum	Strawberry clover	Non-Native

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LIMNANTHACEAE		
Limnanthes alba subsp. alba	White meadowfoam	Native
LYTHRACEAE		
Lythrum hyssopifolia	Hyssop loosestrife	Non-Native
Lythrum tribracteatum	Threebract loosestrife	Non-Native
Lytinam thoracteatam		
MALVACEAE		
Abutilon theophrasti	Velvet-leaf	Non-Native
MARSILEACEAE		
Marsilea vestita subsp. vestita	Hairy water fern	Native
MORACEAE		
Ficus carica	Edible fig	Non-Native
Morus alba	White mulberry	Non-Native
MYRSINACEAE		
Lysimachia arvensis	Scarlet pimpernel	Non-Native
MYRTACEAE		
Eucalyptus camaldulensis	River red gum	Non-Native
Eucalyptus globulus	Blue gum	Non-Native
OLEACEAE		
Fraxinus latifolia	Oregon ash	Native
Ligustrum species	Privet	Non-Native
Olea europaea	Olive	Non-Native
ONAGRACEAE		
Epilobium brachycarpum	Willowherb	Native
Epilobium campestre	Smooth boisduvalia	Native
Epilobium ciliatum subsp. ciliatum	Slender willowherb	Native
Epilobium torreyi	Torrey's willowherb	Native
Ludwigia peploides	Water primrose	Non-Native
OROBANCHACEAE		
Castilleja attenuata	Valley tassels	Native

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OXALIDACEAE		
Oxalis micrantha	Dwarf wood-sorrel	Non-Native
PHYTOLACCACEAE		
Phytolacca americana var. americana	Pokeweed	Non-Native
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PLANTAGINACEAE		
Callitriche marginata	Winged water starwort	Native
Gratiola ebracteata	Bractless hedge-hyssop	Native
Kickxia elatine	Sharp-leaved fluellen	Non-Native
Plantago coronopus	Buck's-horn plantain	Non-Native
Plantago lanceolata	English plantain	Non-Native
Plantago major	Common plantain	Non-Native
PLATANACEAE		
Platanus racemosa	Western sycamore	Native
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POACEAE		
Agrostis avenacea	Pacific bent grass	Non-Native
Aira caryophyllea	Silver hair grass	Non-Native
Andropogon virginicus var. virginicus	Broomsedge bluestem	Non-Native
Arundo donax	Giant reed	Non-Native
Avena barbata	Slender wild oat	Non-Native
Avena fatua	Wild oat	Non-Native
Briza maxima	Rattlesnake grass	Non-Native
Briza minor	Annual quaking grass	Non-Native
Bromus diandrus	Ripgut grass	Non-Native
Bromus hordeaceus	Soft chess	Non-Native
Bromus sterilis	Sterile brome	Non-Native
Cynodon dactylon	Bermuda grass	Non-Native
Deschampsia danthonioides	Annual hair grass	Native
Digitaria sanguinalis	Hairy crab grass	Non-Native
Echinochloa crus-galli	Barnyard grass	Non-Native
Elymus caput-medusae	Medusa head	Non-Native
Elymus ponticus	Tall wheat grass	Non-Native
Elymus triticoides	Beardless wild-rye	Native
Festuca arundinacea	Tall fescue	Non-Native
Festuca bromoides	Brome fescue	Non-Native

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Festuca myuros	Rattail sixweeks grass	Non-Native
Festuca perennis	Rye grass	Non-Native
Glyceria declinata	Low manna grass	Non-Native
Hordeum marinum subsp. gussoneanum	Mediterranean barley	Non-Native
Hordeum murinum	Wall barley	Non-Native
Leptochloa fusca subsp. fascicularis	Bearded sprangletop	Native
Oryza sativa	Rice cutgrass	Non-Native
Paspalum dilatatum	Dallis grass	Non-Native
Paspalum distichum	Knot grass	Native
Phalaris aquatica	Harding grass	Non-Native
Phalaris lemmonii	Lemmon's canary grass	Native
Phalaris paradoxa	Hood canary grass	Non-Native
Poa annua	Annual blue grass	Non-Native
Poa pratensis subsp. pratensis	Kentucky blue grass	Non-Native
Polypogon maritimus	Mediterranean beard grass	Non-Native
Polypogon monspeliensis	Annual rabbitfoot grass	Non-Native
Sorghum halepense	Johnson grass	Non-Native
Stipa miliacea var. miliacea	Smilo grass	Non-Native
Stipa pulchra	Purple needle grass	Native
Triticum aestivum	Wheat	Non-Native
POLEMONIACEAE		
Navarretia intertexta	Needle-leaf navarretia	Native
Navarretia tagetina	Marigold navarretia	Native
POLYGONACEAE		
Persicaria lapathifolia	Willow weed	Native
Polygonum aviculare subsp. depressum	Prostrate knotweed	Non-Native
Rumex crispus	Curly dock	Non-Native
, Rumex pulcher	Fiddle dock	Non-Native
PORTULACACEAE		
Portulaca oleracea	Purslane	Non-Native
RANUNCULACEAE		
Ranunculus muricatus	Spiny-fruit buttercup	Non-Native

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ROSACEAE		
Prunus cerasifera	Cherry plum	Non-Native
Prunus dulcis	Almond	Non-Native
Prunus persica	Peach	Non-Native
Rosa setigera	Climbing rose	Non-Native
Rubus armeniacus	Armenian blackberry	Non-Native
RUBIACEAE		
Cephalanthus occidentalis	California button willow	Native
Galium aparine	Goose grass	Native
Galium parisiense	Wall bedstraw	Non-Native
SALICACEAE		
Populus fremontii subsp. fremontii	Fremont cottonwood	Native
Salix exigua	Sandbar willow	Native
Salix gooddingii	Goodding's black willow	Native
Salix laevigata	Red willow	Native
Salix lasiolepis	Arroyo willow	Native
SCROPHULARIACEAE		
Verbascum blattaria	Moth mullein	Non-Native
SIMAROUBACEAE		
Ailanthus altissima	Tree of heaven	Non-Native
SOLANACEAE		
Solanum elaeagnifolium	White horse-nettle	Non-Native
THEMIDACEAE		
Brodiaea elegans subsp. elegans	Harvest brodiaea	Native
Dichelostemma multiflorum	Wild hyacinth	Native
Dipterostemon capitatus subsp. capitatus	Blue dicks	Native
ТҮРНАСЕАЕ		
Typha angustifolia	Narrow-leaved cattail	Non-Native
Typha latifolia	Broad-leaved cattail	Native

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VERBENACEAE		
Phyla nodiflora	Frogfruit	Native
Verbena bonariensis	South American vervain	Non-Native
<b>VISCACEAE</b> Phoradendron leucarpum subsp. macrophyllum	Mistletoe	Native
<b>VITACEAE</b> Vitis californica	California wild grape	Native
<b>ZYGOPHYLLACEAE</b> Tribulus terrestris	Puncture vine	Non-Native