Schooner Cove at Fairwinds Detailed Biophysical Assessment

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Cascadia Biological Services was retained by the Developer to complete a biophysical inventory and assessment on the remaining developable lands referred to as the Schooner Cove Study Area ("Study Area") in Nanoose Bay, British Columbia. The Study Area encompasses approximately 15.5 acres and is identified as an urban growth area within the Regional District of Nanaimo's Regional Growth Strategy.

Located along the shores of the Strait of Georgia on the Nanoose Peninsula, the Study Area is primarily dominated by older second-generation Douglas-fir/Arbutus forests with smaller isolated ecosystem polygons consisting of Douglas fir, Garry Oak, as well as rocky outcrops and riparian areas. The Study Area is also home to several small and isolated/discontinuous coastal bluff polygons that are severely fragmented and too small to have been considered for inclusion into the provincial Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory (SEI)(<100 m²). At the time of our assessment in 2008, approximately 73% of the entire Study Area was classified as disturbed. These polygons consisted primarily of buildings, pavement and other manmade structures including tennis courts etc. The environmental assessment of the property was initiated in the fall of 2006 and ended in the spring of 2008. Overall, a total of 3 field days were dedicated to the project and involved completing vegetation assessments, wildlife assessments as well as biophysical mapping of environmentally significant attributes including nests sites, wildlife dens as well as all watercourses within the Study Area.

Our assessments resulted in the documentation/mapping of four distinct ecosystems and two small isolated 1st order watercourses. As well, numerous species of plants as well as over a dozen species of birds and mammals were observed. Further to these species observations, we have determined that there are several environmentally significant attributes on the property. These include three small Garry Oak meadows (less than 1500



 m^2 in area) as well as other sensitive ecosystems including two small (less than 1500 m^2 in area) riparian areas.

Overall, impacts to these environmentally significant areas is expected to be high as the area envisions more intensive development associated with a waterfront village program.

The proposed density in part reflects offsite mitigation in the form of a very large proposed park proposed by the Developer under the draft neighbourhood plan for the nearby Lakes District. The Lakes District park areas represent habitat that is both higher value and more interconnected than exists or would be possible within the Study Area. Other recommendations include having an environmental monitor on-site during road construction and site servicing when construction related activities occur adjacent to sensitive environmental attributes either within the Study Area and/or on neighbouring lands. It is recommended that new landscaping incorporate native vegetation where possible. As a result of the above recommendations, the proposed development is expected to have positive impacts both in relation to the Study Area and wildlife habitat in the broader ecosystem as large connected areas of land will be protected in perpetuity and managed to ensure long-term viability through access management and invasive species control.



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Developer tasked Cascadia Biological Services with conducting an environmental assessment (EA) to assist both planning for development of the Schooner Cover study area (the "Study Area") located at 3521 Dolphin Drive and adjacent properties in Nanoose Bay British Columbia and more particularly shown in the map appended as Figure 1. Pursuant to this we undertook to identify, map and evaluate environmentally sensitive attributes related to wildlife, vegetation and watercourses. The assessments evaluate these attributes based on their environmental significance both at a regional as well as at a local scale. Fieldwork for the project was initiated in the fall of 2006 and was completed in the spring of 2008 and involved over 3 days of data collection with both a Registered Professional Biologist (R.P.Bio) and a certified wildlife technician. Assessments completed during this time period included vegetation, wildlife as well as stream/fish habitat surveys and spanned all four seasons to ensure the area was thoroughly assessed.

This report therefore presents the findings of the EA activities and is organized into three main sections. Section 1 includes the introduction and summarizes the scope of work, project goals and objectives, general methods, and describes the Study Area and its environmental setting. Section 2 describes the results of the EA and further defines the methods used in each particular assessment. Section 3 details development considerations including a discussion and summary of the EA.

1.1 SCOPE OF WORK

The scope of this EA included conducting environmental assessments at two different scales. The first was a project specific property assessment and involved mapping/assessing species distribution as well as watercourse locations through the Study Area (property boundary). The second was to assess the potential occurrence of select



species listed by the BC Conservation Data Centre (BCBCD) in relation to habitat suitability within the Nanoose Peninsula.

1.2 OBJECTIVES OF THE WORK

The overall goal was to assess the land referred to as the Study Area (refer to Figure 1), an identified urban growth area within the Regional District of Nanaimo's Regional Growth Strategy, and document sensitive ecosystems and watercourses that meet the definition under the Riparian Areas Regulations (RAR) as well as locate other environmentally sensitive attributes including wildlife trees, dens, nest sites as well as other rare element occurrences. Specific objectives related to the goal included the following,

- Map all wildlife trees including nest sites;
- Map wildlife dens;
- Document rare plants and ecosystems through a detailed bio-inventory; and
- Map all waterbodies including RAR watercourses and collect biophysical data that would allow for the determination of the Streamside Protection and Enhancement Areas (SPEA) setback.

1.3 ENVIRONMENTAL AND GEOGRAPHIC SETTING

The Study Area measures 6.27 ha (15.49 acres) in area and is located primarily at 3521 Dolphin Drive in Nanoose B.C. Located on 1:20,000 TRIM Mapsheet #092F.030. The Study Area is bounded by Georgia Strait to the north, Dolphin Drive to the west and south and private residences to the east. Refer to figure 1 below outlining the Study Area.

1.4 PHYSIOGRAPHY, HYDROLOGY AND CLIMATE

Low relief topography and frequent rocky outcrops characterize the Nanoose Bay peninsula, in which the Study Area is located. Glacial till soils, often with a distinct



lower layer that is a mixture of sand and crushed rock (from glaciation), are the predominant upland soils. Marine deposits are not present, when the elevation is greater than 100m. The moisture deficit is approximately 330mm, but varies considerably with aspect, exposure, soils and ground cover.

Climate data for the Study Area are available from Environment Canada's Atmospheric Environment Service (AES) and Ministry of Environment (MoE). AES maintains a climate station at the Nanaimo Airport. The data recorded include temperature and precipitation. The following summarizes the weather data obtained from the AES climate station at Nanaimo Airport and is summarized below:

- The mean daily temperatures are above freezing throughout the year.
- Mean daily minimum temperatures below freezing can occur from October through March, although the long-term averages of daily minimum temperatures are at or above freezing.
- The mean daily temperature difference between the coldest winter month and the warmest summer month is approximately 16°C.

Precipitation data show the following patterns:

- Most of the precipitation (86%) falls from October through March.
- Snow can occur any time from October through April.
- The driest months are in the summer (July and August).



Figure 1. Site Overview





1.5 METHODOLOGY

1.5.1 Identification and Review of Environmental Data

Prior to actual on site investigations of vegetation, wildlife and aquatic communities within the delineated site, a detailed office based investigation on all three environmental components (aquatic resources, wildlife and vegetation) to be studied was undertaken. For the most part, this involved researching government databases, including the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) and the Ministry of the Environment (MoE), as well as related reports. Please find below a detailed lists of material used and interpreted for our assessments on vegetation, wildlife, and aquatic habitat.

- Aerial photos, reports and site boundaries (Fairwinds Real Estate Management Inc. and Koers Engineering Ltd.).
- Concept Sketch 5m contour Planning Map (Koers Engineering Ltd, 2008)
- BC Conservation Data Centre Rare Wildlife (Appendix A) and Vascular Plants (Appendix B) of the South Vancouver Island Forest District -<u>http://a100.gov.bc.ca/pub/eswp/</u>
- BC Conservation Data Centre Rare Plant Communities Tracking List of the South Vancouver Island Forest District - BC Conservation Data Centre -<u>http://a100.gov.bc.ca/pub/eswp/</u> (Appendix C)
- FISS (fish information summary system) databases
- FWSR (fish wizard stream report) databases.
- BC Conservation Data Center <u>http://srmwww.gov.bc.ca/cdc</u>
- Sensitive Habitat Inventory Mapping (SHIM) web site <u>http://www.shim.bc.ca/shim/main.htm</u>
- Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/sei/



1.6 FIELDWORK

Fieldwork related to the detailed biophysical assessment of the Study Area was conducted on various dates between October 15th 2006 and June 30th, 2008. For all aspects of our assessment including vegetation, aquatic habitat and wildlife, transects and delineated site boundaries were laid down over the Study Area to ensure maximum coverage (*Appendix D, Biophysical Assessment Map*). Upon completion, a total of 4 biophysical assessment transects measuring 25m in width were assessed thoroughly as well as a complete site walkthrough resulting in over 100% coverage of the Study Area. In addition, various biophysical assessments of the Study Area were conducted including but not limited to a vegetation survey, an amphibian survey, small mammal survey, large mammal survey, raptor and blue heron survey, fish and fish habitat survey, and bird inventory. Specific methods relevant to each survey including a breakdown of field equipment are discussed in greater detail in Section 2 of this report.



2.0 BIOPHYSICAL ASSESSMENT - METHODS & RESULTS

2.1 VEGETATION

2.1.1 Biogeoclimatic Zones

The subject property lies within the Moist Maritime subzone of the Coastal Douglas Fir zone (CDFmm), which occurs along a small portion of southeastern Vancouver Island, several islands in the Georgia Strait and a narrow strip of the adjacent mainland. Elevation limits of the CDFmm range from sea level to approximately 150m. The CDFmm experiences warm, dry summers and mild, wet winters. Forests on zonal sites are dominated Douglas-fir, accompanied frequently by western red cedar, grand fir, arbutus, Garry oak and red alder. Major understory species include salal, dull Oregongrape, ocean-spray, bracken fern, sword fern, trailing blackberry, western trumpet honeysuckle and Oregon beaked moss. Typical vegetation of CDFmm is presented in Table 1.

Table 1. Vegetation Typically Occurring Within the Moist Maritime CoastalDouglas-fir Subzone (CDFmm)

Douglas-fir	Pseudotsuga menziesii
Garry oak	Quercus garryana
Arbutus	Arbutus menziesii
Bigleaf maple	Acer macrophyllum
Western red cedar	Thuja plicata
Grand fir	Abies grandis
Western flowering dogwood	Cornus nuttallii
Shore pine	Pinus contorta var. contorta
Western yew	Taxus brevifolia
Salal	Gaultheria shallon
Dull Oregon-grape	Berberis nervosa



Baldhip rose	Rosa gymnocarpa
Ocean-spray	Holodiscus discolor
Western trumpet honeysuckle	Lonicera ciliosa
Snowberry	Symphoricarpos spp.
Hairy honeysuckle	Lonicera hispidula
Falsebox	Paxistima myrsinites
Labrador tea	Ledum groenlandicum
Indian-plum	Oemleria cerasiformis
Salmonberry	Rubus spectabilis
Red elderberry	Sambucus racemosa
Sword fern	Polystichum munitum
Bracken fern	Pteridium aquilinum
Alaska oniongrass	Melica subulata
Big-leaved sandwort	Moehringia macrophylla
Pacific sanicle	Sanicula crassicaulis
Purple peavine	Lathyrus nevadensis
Broad-leaved shootingstar	Dodecatheon hendersonii
Nodding trisetum	Trisetum cernuum
Vanilla leaf	Achlys triphylla
Three-leaved foamflower	Tiarella trifoliate
Lady fern	Athyrium filix-femina
Skunk cabbage	Lysichitum americanum
False lily-of-the-valley	Maianthemum dilatatum
Electrified cat's tail moss	Rhytidiadelphus triquetrus
Oregon beaked moss	Kindbergia oregana
Step moss	Hylocomium splendens
Lichen	Cladonia spp.
Palm tree moss	Leucolepis menziesii
Sphagnum moss	Sphagnum spp.



2.1.2 Vegetation Communities

The information required for the environmental inventory was obtained through a review of secondary source information and a 3-day field program. This information was used as the basis for assessing potential impacts and identifying appropriate mitigation measures.

2.1.2.1 Methodology

2.1.2.1.1 Office Study

The office study included a review of available maps and plans related to the site. This information was used to assist in aerial photograph interpretation of vegetation, drainages, landform and any other prominent features located on the property. The Study Area consisted of the proposed development area plus 10m on either side where feasible. This 10m area was assessed where feasible due to topographical constraints and focused primarily on mapping adjacent waterbodies that may be subject to the Riparian Assessment Regulations (RAR) as they pertain to projected buffer zones including the Streamside Protection and Enhancement Areas (SPEA) into the property. Maps and aerial photographs reviewed included:

- Air Photo Mosaic (Koers Engineering Ltd, 2008)
- 1:20,000 TRIM Mapsheet
- Concept Sketch 5m contour Planning Map (Koers Engineering Ltd, 2008)

In addition to map and aerial photograph interpretation, an Element Occurrence Report (EOR) was requested from the B.C. Conservation Data Centre, and a review of environmental databases from the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection (MWLAP). Internet addresses for these databases are as follows:



- Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, BC Conservation Data Center: www.env.gov.bc.ca/cdc/
- SHIM (Sensitive Habitat Inventory Mapping) <u>http://www.shim.bc.ca/shim/main.htm</u>
- BC Conservation Data Center: Rare Plant Community Tracking List; South Island Forest District (Appendix B). <u>http://a100.gov.bc.ca/pub/eswp/</u>
- BC Conservation Data Center: Rare Vascular Plant Tracking List; South Island Forest District <u>http://a100.gov.bc.ca/pub/eswp/</u>

2.1.2.1.2 Field program

Cascadia conducted field reconnaissance of the site in June 2008 during which time the following tasks were completed.

The vegetation of the site was examined by establishing 20 m x 20 m vegetation quadrats within each of the different plant communities. The placement of these quadrats was decided based on a general reconnaissance of the site while a global positioning unit (GPS) was used to accurately plot each quadrat on a map (*Appendix D – Biophysical Assessment Map*). The following information was recorded:

- Complete list of plant species within the quadrat
- Presence of rare and endangered species

Overall, a total of 4 distinct vegetation communities (fifth one identified on maps is a disturbed ecosystem and therefore not included in write up below) where assessed resulting in the following quadrats listed below:



Quadrat #1 – Coastal Bluff Quadrat #2 – Douglas fir/Arbutus Forest Quadrat #3 – Riparian Quadrat #4 – Garry Oak/Arbutus

These 4 ecosystem types above were delineated for further study based on overall size and importance within the Study Area.

2.1.3 Assessment Results

Vegetation communities within the delineated site consisted primarily of shrubs, coniferous and deciduous species in the young forest stage, several old growth vegetative polygons and flowers along rocky outcrops. Generally speaking, the vegetative composition of the Study Area can be summarized, by ecosystem type, as follows in Table 2 below:

Vegetation Community	% Area of Site
Douglas fir/Arbutus Ecosystem	19.2%
Garry Oak Ecosystem	3.9%
Riparian Ecosystem	2.9%
Coastal Bluff Ecosystem	0.8%
Disturbed Ecosystem	73.2%

Table 2. Ecosystem Summary Table

Of the species encountered, none were listed on the Conservation Data Centre: Rare Vascular Plant/Vegetative Communities Tracking List – South Island Forest District (Appendix C). Refer to Appendix D, Biophysical Map for quadrat locations. For a complete list of plants identified in the Study Area, refer to Tables 3-6 below. Please note that this list is a summary of plant species identified in our quadrat assessments and is indicative of the Study Area during late spring/early summer, and by no means represents the site as a whole due to seasonal variability in plant species. As areas of



special concern (rocky outcrops, woodland etc.) where often identified immediately outside of the established quadrats, plants species identified during these assessments have been included into the nearest quadrat location.



Slope- 25% Aspect- 12 degrees Canopy Closure- 8%		
Common Name	Scientific name	Percent cover %
Douglas fir	Psuedotsuga menziesii	13/8 (canopy)
Garry Oak	Quercus garryana	3
Arbutus	Arbutus Menziesii	15
Coastal reindeer lichen	Cladina portentosa	4
Common dandelion	Taraxacum officiniale	3
Hairy honeysuckle	Lonicera hispidula	2
Meadow death-camas	Zygadenus venenosus	Trace (Tr)
Oceanspray	Holodiscus discolor	4
Saskatoon berry	Maelanchier alnifolia	5
Scotch broom	Cytisus scoparius	15
Yarrow	Achilea millefolium	2
Moss all sp.	Total cover	7
Grasses al sp.	Total cover	55

Table 3. Quadrat #1 – Coastal Bluff (CB) - Rocky outcrop/ seashore bluff w. grassy





Plate #1 – Typical view of coastal bluff ecosystem

Above is a typical view of a coastal bluff polygon within the Study Area. Measuring approximately $689m^2$ in area, this ecosystem represents the smallest vegetative community in the Study Area. Although this area has not been disturbed directly by man, much of the area has seen wide spread distribution of Scotch broom. This is having an obvious and direct impact on the native vegetation.



Table 4. Quadrat #2 – Douglas fir/Arbutus Ecosystem (DF/AB) - Mixed woodland open canopy 50 years old

Slope- 35% Aspect- 360 degrees Canopy Closure- 35%		
Common Name	Scientific name	Percent cover %
Douglas fir	Psuedotsuga menziesii	22 (canopy)
Garry Oak	Quercus garryana	10 (understory)
Arbutus	Arbutus Menziesii	13 (canopy)/ 10(understory)
Big-leaf maple	Acer macrophyllum	5
American vetch	Vicia American	2
Baldhip rose	Rosa Gymnocarpa	1
Dull Oregon grape	Mahonia nervosa	4
Hairy honeysuckle	Lonicera hispidula	4
Maidenhair fern	Adiantum pedatum	1
Oceanspray	Holodiscus discolour	5
Prince's pine	Chimaphila umbellate	Trace
Salal	Gaultheria shallon	2
Scotch broom	Cytisus scoparius	5
Sword fern	Polystichum munitum	1
Trailing blackberry	Rubus ursinus	1
Twinflower	Linnaea borealis	1
Wall lettuce	Lactuca muralis	2
Yerba Buena	Satureja douglasii	2
Moss all sp.	Total cover	60
Grasses al sp.	Total cover	10





Plate #2 – Typical view of Douglas fir/Arbutus ecosystem

Above is a typical view of a Douglas fir/Arbutus vegetative community. This polygon makes up the largest ecosystem within the Study Area at approximately $16,474 \text{ m}^2$ and is home to a variety of plant and wildlife species. The ecosystem is typical of the Coastal Douglas Fir - moist maritime (CDFmm) biogeclimatic zone found on the eastern flanks of Vancouver Island.

Table 5. Quadrat #3 – Riparian ecosystem (RI)

Slope- 5% Aspect- 90 degrees Canopy Closure- 55%		
Common Name	Scientific name	Percent cover %
Red alder	Alnus rubra	35
Garry Oak	Psuedotsuga menziesii	10
Douglas fir	Quercus garryana	10
Pacific water-parsley	Oenanthe sarmentosa	3
Field mint	Mentha arvensis	4

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Trailing blackberry	Rubus ursinus	8
Wall lettuce	Lactuca muralis	3
Oceanspray	Holodiscus discolor	5
Grasses all sp.	Total cover	7
Moss all sp.	Total cover	25



Plate #3 – Typical view of Riparian ecosystem ground cover

Above is a typical view of the riparian ecosystem within the Study Area. With a total area measuring approximately 2450 m^2 , the polygon is comprised primarily of alder due to 2 small watercourses, which intercept water from opposite valley walls and maintain a saturated environment all year long.



Slope- 15%	Slope- 15% Aspect- 12 degrees Canopy Closure- 8%	
Common Name	Scientific name	Percent cover %
Douglas fir	Psuedotsuga menziesii	15 (canopy)/3 (understory)
Garry Oak	Quercus garryana	20
Arbutus	Arbutus Menziesii	10
Coastal reindeer lichen	Cladina portentosa	3
Common dandelion	Taraxacum officiniale	1
Freckle pelt	Peltigera Britannica	1
Hairy honeysuckle	Lonicera hispidula	2
Hymalayan blackberry	Rubus discolor	1
Scotch broom	Cytisus scoparius	5
Trailing blackberry	Rubus ursinus	1
Twinflower	Linnaea borealis	5
Wall lettuce	Lactuca muralis	Tr
Wood saxifrage	Saxifraga mertensiana	2
Yerba Buena	Satureja douglasii	6
Yarrow	Achilea millefolium	1
Grasses all sp.	Total cover	60
Moss all sp.	Total cover	20

Table 6. Quadrat #4 – Garry Oak/Arbutus Ecosystem (GO/AB)





Plate #4 – Typical view of Garry Oak/Arbutus ecosystem

Above is a typical view of the Garry Oak/Arbutus ecosystem within the Study Area. With a total area measuring approximately 2972 m², the polygon is comprised primarily of Garry Oak and Arbutus with a high diversity of wildflowers. This vegetative community is often favorable to many of Canada's as well as Vancouver Island's rare plants and animals species.

2.1.4 Rare and Endangered Vascular Plants and Plant Communities

2.1.4.1 Rare and Endangered Vascular Plants

The Conservation Data Centre (CDC) reports the occurrence of 164 taxa of rare and endangered vascular plants within the South Island Forest District; 86 blue-listed and 78 red-listed (*Appendix B*). Rare and endangered species are categorized into 'red' 'blue' and 'yellow' lists. Red listed species include species that are extirpated in British Columbia, in danger of becoming extirpated, or threatened. Blue listed species are



species that are sensitive or vulnerable to human activity or habitat encroachment. Yellow-listed taxa are those species or subspecies that are not red or blue listed. Based on site observations, no red/blue listed plant species were observed.

2.1.4.2 Rare and Endangered Plant Communities

The CDC reports the occurrence of 35 rare and endangered plant communities in the South Island Forest District within the CDFmm; 28 red-listed and 7 blue-listed (Appendix C). Based on site observations, three red listed communities were identified including Douglas fir/Arbutus, Garry Oak/ Arbutus on rocky outcrops and coastal bluff ecosystems. As most of the areas within the above ecosystems are not in a late successional stage of development, the overall ratings are lowered to moderately sensitive. Additionally, these communities are isolated and represent only small, fragmented patches of intact ecosystems. Refer to *Appendix D – Ecosystem Map* for polygon location.

2.1.4.3 Garry Oak Meadows Within the Fairwinds Schooner Cove Study Area

Located primarily within three distinct areas of the Study Area over three polygons (refer to Figure 2 below), the Garry Oak meadows cover an area of approximately 3372 square meters (0.83 acres). Consisting primarily of Garry Oak in the canopy layer often in association with lesser percentages of Arbutus, the shrub and herb layers often consists of Ocean-spray and common camas. A dense moss and lichen layer, consisting mainly of rock moss, is common. The Garry Oak ecosystem is generally characterized by sparseto-open mixed forest with herbaceous layer dominated by bryophytes (mosses) and a dense mixture of spring wildflowers and grasses. In association with the above, the Garry Oak meadows may have a multitude of small to large mammals and can be home to variety of bird species as well as various reptiles including the northern alligator lizard and both the northwestern and northern terrestrial garter snakes. Due to the relative small size and fragmentation of the Garry Oak polygons within the Study Area, their protection



would be of limited ecological value. Conservation of the larger Garry Oak polygons within the draft neighbourhood plan for the nearby Lakes District offers relatively high habitat values within an interconnected system that can be planned and managed more effectively to have a more significant positive impact upon the region's ecosystems.



Figure 2. Garry Oak Meadows Distribution Map





2.2 WILDLIFE

2.2.1 Survey Methodology

All wildlife surveys conducted on the Study Area were performed as much as possible according to Resource Inventory Committee and/or Canadian Wildlife Service standards. Secondary source information was collected using various government databases and internet searches.

2.2.1.1 Raptors and Breeding Bird Inventory

The raptor and breeding bird surveys used a two-part methodology:

- An office background information search; and
- A field study preparation with site inspections.

Presented below are the detailed methodologies used to assess the potential red/blue/yellow listed passerine and raptor habitat use of the delineated Study Area.

2.2.1.1.1 Office Study

The following office preparation was performed prior to the field surveys:

- Review of BC Ministry documents "Standard Inventory Methodologies for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity: Raptors" (Version 1.1);
- Review of "Inventory Dataforms for Raptors Standards for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity No. 11 [Forms]";
- Review of relevant mapping for the study site area (i.e. topographic mapping, aerial photography); and
- Review of target species including habitat use, feeding behaviour, breeding behavior, and species vocalizations.



2.2.1.1.2 Field Study

Sample Design

The study design followed the:

- Resource Inventory Committee's presence/not detected protocols of *"Standard Inventory Methodologies for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity: Raptors (Version 1.1) Sections 3.3.3, 3.3.4, 3.3.6 and 3.3.7;*
- Canadian Wildlife Service's (CWS) "Forest Bird Monitoring Program (FBMP)"; and
- Environment Canada's (Env. Can.) "Breeding Bird Survey (BBS)".

To ensure adequate detection of all species present, the Study Area was firstly, broken down into four separate transects which were equally spaced. (Appendix D, Biophysical Assessment Map). Transects were labelled from 1- 4 starting from the northwest to the southeast in an attempt to cross section the properties wide points. Further to the assessments along these transects, individual point count stations were set up at key locations along the transect ensuring that each section of the Study Area would be surveyed/inventoried from a different angle (location) and therefore, thoroughly covered using protocols of "standwatch" and roadside call playback methodology. It also sampled the different vegetational structure and their stages. Additionally, the methodology ensured that all areas of the Study Area would be thoroughly covered including possible building locations as well as future roads having the greatest potential impact on the target species.

Any passerine and raptor visual encounters along with auditory accounts (songs/calls) were recorded during each point count survey, roadside call playbacks as well as throughout the site inventory survey as incidental sightings.

Foot (transect) surveys followed the procedures outlined in "Standard Inventory Methodologies for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity: Raptors (Version 1.1)



Section 3.3.6. This method was used to supplement point count, roadside and call playback surveys in order to verify any presence/not detected (but possible) occurrence of breeding raptors, any heronry areas (nests) or significant passerine, and to identify any nests on the property.

Most survey effort to locate raptor (hawk, owl, eagle) and passerine nest presence was focused on areas in the woodlots. This included observing all tree tops of older second generation conifer trees found on site with a high powered and anchored spotting scope.

Stand Watch (Point Count) and Nocturnal Call Playback Surveys

"Stand Watch" (Point Counts) Methodology

Procedures used in the survey are outlined in "Standard Inventory Methodologies for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity: Raptors (Version 1.1) Section 3.3.7", CWS FBMP and Env. Can. BBS.

Point counts were spaced approximately 100m apart along transects and covered all portions of the Study Area where the proposed building footprints and roads are contemplated. Each involved a five-minute survey at their stop location using the following:

- standing and watching the surrounding area for bird species; followed by
- recording the number of all birds seen (visuals) and heard (song/call) within a radius of approximately 100 m.

Results of these surveys are presented in Tables 6-8

Nocturnal Roadside Call Playback Survey Methodology

The roadside call playback surveys for nocturnal raptors followed procedures outlined in "Standard Inventory Methodologies for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity: Raptors (Version 1.1) Section 3.3.3".



Calls and songs of five target species potentially occurring in the Study Area were played at Owl Calling Station (OCS) #1, (*Appendix D, Biophysical Map*). Call playbacks were played at the OCS using a tape recorder for a period of three minutes/target species for a total of fifteen minutes. Following the call/song vocalisations, the observer looked and listened for a visual and/or vocal response of that target species, both during and after each call and song was played. All call playback surveys were conducted by foot. Target species songs and calls used at the OCS station were as follows; each call/song was played in the following order ensuring that the smallest birds were first and the largest birds called last as per standards:

- 1) Northern Saw-whet Owl (NSWO);
- 2) Northern Pygmy Owl (NOPO) Blue-listed;
- 3) Western Screech Owl (WESO) Blue-listed;
- 4) Barred Owl (BDOW); and
- 5) Great-horned Owl (GHOW).

2.2.1.2 Amphibian Survey

The aim of this inventory was to sample the study site by conducting a herpetifaunal survey of reptiles and amphibians along any watercourse and/or wetland on the property. Additionally, areas of greatest impact (through wetlands) on herpetifauna by proposed building footprints and roads were surveyed with greater intensity.

This survey involved a two-part methodology:

- An office background information search; and
- A field study preparation with site visit.

Presented below are the details to the methodologies used to assess the presence/notdetected status potential of the red/blue-listed herpetifauna in the delineated Study Area.

Office Preparation



The following office preparation was performed prior to the field surveys:

- Review of the introductory manual, *Species Inventory Fundamentals* (*No. 1*);
- Review of 1:20,000 and 1:5,000 scale maps of the Study Area;
- Review of BC Ministry documents "Standard Inventory Methodologies for Snakes Standards for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity No. 38: Snakes" (Version 2.0);
- Review of BC Ministry documents Inventory Methods for Pondbreeding Amphibians and Painted Turtle Standards for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity No. 37 (Version 2.0);
- Relevant mapping for the study site area (i.e. topographic mapping, aerial photography); and
- Review of target species including habitat use, feeding behaviour, and breeding behaviour.

Field Study

Sample Design for Amphibians

The amphibian surveys focused on identifying the presence/not-detected status of any herpetifauna but special focus was on the blue listed species the red-legged frog. Although this blue listed species and its habitat identifications were of focus, all incidental amphibian sightings during the survey period were recorded. The presence/not-detected inventory status of herpetifuauna on the study site followed methodologies outlined in *"Inventory Methods for Pond-breeding Amphibians and Painted Turtle Standards for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity No. 37 (Version 2.0)."* Survey methodologies followed RIC protocol and included:

- Auditory surveys;
- Road/Transect Surveys;



- Time-constrained searches; and
- Systematic surveys.

Further, following the review of aerial photo interpretation amphibian survey habitat inventory locations were identified along the transect. These focused on areas of watercourses and ponded water habitat along riparian edges of all wetlands as well as on accessible roads with characteristic habitat for the target and other herpetifaunal species.

Auditory Surveys

Auditory surveys were only conducted during evening hours at dusk along with the nocturnal raptor survey. This method of survey involved listening for the calls of male frogs and toads along wetlands accessible during evening/night times. This survey followed the methodology outlined in Canadian Wildlife Service's "*North American Amphibian Monitoring Program (NAAMP)*". Surveys were conducted during the evening at all wetlands. The following methodology was used as part of the RIC protocols:

A stratified, randomized approach was used for all sites;

- Areas of systematic sampling along the roads accessing the property, roads or around any associated wetlands, the listening stations were set at regular intervals of approximately 100m apart and were incorporated as part of the nocturnal raptor survey;
- Each survey stop lasted fifteen minutes and followed NAAMP guidelines;
- Surveys were carried out after dark; approximately one hour after dusk; and
- All species heard were recorded.

Roadside Transect Surveys

The road surveys were conducted during the evening in conjunction with the nocturnal raptor surveys.

Survey structure was consistent with RIC protocols and was designed as follows:



All stations were incorporated periodically along the road's length (50m apart); Where possible, as a process of random stratified sampling, point count locations included areas of small potential breeding ponds and any encountered waterbody areas;

- Where accessible, all roadside ditches were checked during daylight and evening hours;
- Access for the surveys was foot;
- Access to each point was walked at slow speeds (approximately 2 km/h), using flashlights.
- Attention was paid to potential road kills and any herpetifauna/animal moving across or from the road.

Time-constrained searches

Time-constrained searches involved searching areas of the studStudy Area that are likely to contain the target species. Searches were performed primarily during the day, following the review of aerial photo interpretation. The amphibian survey was stratified based on their expected occurrence at selected locations. Search effort focused on areas where they were most likely to occur (wetted depressions, streams etc.).

Systematic Searches

Searches for salamanders' larvae and any adult forms were performed along all wetted drainages/ponds within the site. Randomly chosen sections of Watercourse #1 and Watercourse #2 were surveyed for any metamorphosed salamanders. As well, all potential rocks (hiding sites) were overturned where possible around the perimeter of all wetlands.

For the identification of any larval stage of salamander and/or red-legged frog along wetted areas, the following survey methodologies were employed:

• foot searches uncovering any woody debris or aquatic vegetation were performed and all vegetation was assessed for egg masses during the foot searches of the ponds;


- 2 MT sites for a period of 72 hrs, 10 Gee traps (minnow traps) baited with cat food were placed in all waterbodies and in depressions that where wet at the time of our survey and checked daily. Each trap was recovered and checked for the presence of any larval salamanders and/or tadpoles of the red-legged frog as well as for all other species of amphibians;
- any shallow pools and areas of warm water in the ponds and sections of ephemeral drainages were examined for tadpoles and salamanders; and
- all species seen or heard were recorded, together with any necessary habitat information.

2.2.1.3 Small Mammal Survey

This survey focused on the entire Study Area and followed the MWLAP Inventory Branch for the Terrestrial Ecosystems Task Force Resource Inventory Committee (RIC) protocols.

Office Procedures

The following office preparation was performed prior to the field surveys:

- Review of the "Inventory Methods for Small Mammals : Shrews, Voles, Mice & Rats", Standards for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity, No. 31 (1998);
- Review the introductory manual No. 1 Species Inventory Fundamentals;
- Determine species to be studied;
- Obtain maps for project and Study Area (1:20 000 TRIM maps, 1:5,000 planning maps);
- Determine approximate location of the targeted examination area(s) within this Study Area;
- Stratify examination areas based on habitats; and
- Determine sampling area dimensions, trap spacing, trapping intervals.



Field Sampling Procedures

Sample Design

This study involved determining the presence/non-detected status of species by establishing randomly located traps sites along a transect (index lines) within the Study Area (Small Mammal Trap 7 locations – SMT1 -7). The number of traps along the transect was dependent on the potential species, estimated population levels and also informed by the objectives of the study (to find presence/non-detected status of small mammals). Live traps were used to provide a means of live-capturing individuals whereas snap traps result in the permanent removal of captured individuals. The following methodology was used during the survey:

- All traps were placed in areas where rodents and small to medium sized mammals were expected to occur in the project Study Area;
- Five small traps (mice, shrews etc.) and two larger traps (used at one location for weasels, raccoons, cats etc.) were used;
- Each type of vegetation unit on the study site was sampled using this methodology and traps were placed in homogeneous habitat (Appendix D, Biophysical Assessment Map);
- Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM), units were taken for each trap location;
- All traps were flagged with flagging tape at capture stations;
- Traps were placed >2m apart in microclimate sites that would attract shrews and mice etc. These included positions along or under woody debris or rocks, under bushes, along travel trails;
- Each trap was baited with peanut butter (mice, shrews) and sardines (larger traps);
- Traps were set in the late afternoon and checked the following afternoon to minimize mortalities and trap stress;
- Captured individuals were identified to species;
- Trapping sessions occurred over a period of 72 hrs.; and



• On completion of the study, all traps were removed.

2.2.1.4 Large Mammal Survey

The purpose of the large mammal ground survey was to:

- Assess the presence/not detected (possible) status of any mammals in habitat identified through topographic mapping;
- Identify areas for potential habitat use; and
- Record observations of any mammal presence (incidental sightings).

The following ground-based survey protocol was conducted for this phase of the large mammal survey:

Office Procedure

- Review of BC Ministry documents Section 2 "Conducting Wildlife Inventory" in the introductory manual, *Species Inventory Fundamentals (No.1).;*
- Review of mapping for the area (i.e. air photo, 1:5,000 scale and topographic mapping, 1:20,000 scale TRIM mapping);
- Identify potential habitat based; and
- Identify all transects to be performed for field study.

Sample Design

This survey involved the assessment of large mammals using presence/not-detected surveys. There were two goals of using this inventory methodology:

- To make a species list for the Study Area; and
- to determine species/habitat associations.

This was made based on the identification of the following:

• Scat sign;



- Track sign;
- Forage/browse sign;
- Scrapings;
- Historical information compilation; and
- Direct field observation.

The method of ground-based sampling used for the survey was structured using *Transect Methodology (Encounter Transects)*. Protocol for this ground-based survey followed the procedures as outlined in *Species Inventory Fundamentals Standards for Components of British Columbia's Biodiversity No.1*. The ground-based surveys were performed during the day and evening (during the nocturnal raptor survey). During the day, ground surveys commenced as soon as it was light enough to classify animals on the ground (0630 hrs.). Using binoculars, transects were also walked as well as along the existing trails and roads.

Species Ratings and Accounts

Background

Attached in Appendix A, is a list of BC Conservation Data Centre's Rare Vertebrate Animal Tracking List for the South Island Forest District (2008). Red and Blue rated vertebrates potentially occurring within this Forest District are listed.

The COSEWIC and British Columbia's Red, Blue and Yellow rating status definition for each species identified are presented below.

COSEWIC ratings for species have been defined the following ways:

Extinct - A species that no longer exists.

Extirpated - A species that no longer exists in the wild in Canada, but occurring

elsewhere (for example, in captivity or in the wild in the United States).

Endangered - A species facing imminent extirpation or extinction.

Threatened - A species likely to become endangered if limiting factors are not reversed.



Vulnerable - A species of special concern because of characteristics that make it particularly sensitive to human activities or natural events.

Not At Risk - A species that has been evaluated and found to be not at risk.

Indeterminate - A species for which there is insufficient scientific information to support status designation.

Red, Blue and Yellow status as defined by the B.C. Conservation Data Centre's Red, Blue and Yellow definitions are as follows:

Red list:

Includes any indigenous species or subspecies (taxa) considered to be Extirpated, Endangered, or Threatened in British Columbia. Extirpated taxa no longer exist in the wild in British Columbia, but do occur elsewhere. Endangered taxa are facing imminent extirpation or extinction. Threatened taxa are likely to become endangered if limiting factors are not reversed. Red-listed taxa include those that have been, or are being, evaluated for these designations.

Blue List:

Includes any indigenous species or subspecies (taxa) considered to be Vulnerable in British Columbia. Vulnerable taxa are of special concern because of characteristics that make them particularly sensitive to human activities or natural events. Blue-listed taxa are at risk, but are not Extirpated, Endangered or Threatened.

Yellow list:

Any indigenous species or subspecies (taxa), which is not at risk in British Columbia. The CDC tracks some Yellow listed taxa, which are vulnerable during times of seasonal concentration (eg. breeding colonies).

Raptors listed in BC Conservation Data Centre's Rare Vertebrate Animal Tracking List South Island Forest District (2008) and their COSEWIC status are presented in a species evaluation below. Presented as well, are the "target species" (defined by "*") – raptors that have the potential to occur in the Study Area. Evaluating the habitat necessary to sustain the raptor and comparing these requirements to the Study Area's attributes have selected the target species. Study Area attributes have been taken from vegetation analysis during the fieldwork exercise and a review of BEC zone inventory data, forest



cover mapping by the evaluation of the study sites general vegetative structure, and field surveys.

Select Accounts of Red/Blue/Yellow Raptor Species Potentially Occurring on the Study Area.

Presented below is a short summary that describes the habitat requirements and the potential for occurrence of each targeted Red/Blue or Yellow Listed animal in the South Island Forest District.

Order Falconiformes

Family Accipitridae

Bald Eagle (Haliaetus leucocephalus), BAEA - Yellow Listed

The bald eagle is listed Yellow by the CDC in the South Island Forest District (January 2009) and is not listed with COSEWIC.

The habitat in the Study Area is well suitable for breeding or foraging for this species. The bald eagle is primarily associated with aquatic habitats including seashores, lakes, rivers, sloughs, and marshes (Campbell *et. al.* 1990, Bent 1937 and Palmer, 1988). Most nests of this species along the coast have been no further than 100 m from the shore of a large water body (Campbell *et. al.* 1990).

Bald eagles are not likely to nest on the subject property, however have been observed on-site.

Northern Goshawk (Accipiter gentilis), NOGO – Red-listed

Two subspecies of the northern goshawk occur in British Columbia: *A. g. atricapillus* and *A. g. laingi*. *A. g. laingi* is RED-listed because the population is sparse, restricted to coastal forest, and heavily reliant on mature-to-old forest. It is designated as vulnerable in Canada by COSEWIC. *A. g. atricapillus* is considered to be regionally important. It is considered a species of conservation concern because it is associated with habitats that are becoming rare, and it is a species for which B.C. has a global responsibility because



adjacent jurisdictions have listed it at risk. The northern goshawk (*Accipiter gentilis atricapillus*) is designated as "not at risk" by COSEWIC for all provinces and territories in Canada as of 1995.

For the northern goshawk major prey are usually associated with old-growth forests or forest edges. The "nest area", may contain several nest sites, is approximately 12 ha, and characterized by several stands of large, old trees with dense canopy cover (Crocker-Bedford 1990, Palmer 1988). Northern goshawk foraging area occupies about 2,400 ha including the post-fledging area (Austin 1994). It may include a diversity of landforms and forest cover types, but areas with greater canopy cover, greater basal area, and more trees per hectare are used more frequently in some parts of the species range within mature forest and old forest interspersed with low and tall shrubs (Bright-Smith 1994, Crocker-Bedford 1990, Palmer 1988).

Northern goshawk nest area is situated in stands of large trees, with dense canopies and relatively open understories. Nesting habitat is typically on gentle slopes, usually less than 30% slope, and always less than 60%. Post-fledging habitat contains numerous feeding perches (stumps, downed snags, large horizontal limbs below the canopy) and their relatively open understorey is thought to facilitate the pursuit and capture of prey (Graham *et. al.* 1994 Austin 1994)

Post-fledging habitat should provide abundant hunting opportunities to young, while maintaining higher than average cover from predators. This post-fledging area is characterized by a mosaic of structural stages, and coarse woody debris throughout the habitat, these provide extensive and varied habitat for the prey base of the Northern goshawk (Graham *et. al.* 1994).

Northern goshawks are not expected on-site.

American Peregrine Falcon (Falco peregrinus anatum), PEFA - Red Listed

This species has been designated by COSEWIC as threatened in BC. There are three sub species/races reported in North America. Of the three, the anatum (F. p. anatum) and Peale's race (F. p. pealei), are both located in BC. The tundrius peregrine (F. p. tundrius) is considered a transient through the province (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). Two of the PEFA



sub species are considered at risk; the anatum and the tundrius are the only races officially listed as threatened (downlisted from endangered in 1999 USFWS) in the U.S. The tundrius has been recently changed to "Endangered" for Canada (COSEWIC) and the Peale's population is considered stable in BC.

The American peregrine falcon in BC breeds along the outer and inner coasts but tends to be centralized along sea bird colonies (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). With the exception of eyries in the Fraser lowlands (Campbell *et. al.* 1990), there are no known coastal mainland breeding sites (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). The American peregrine falcon prefer nest sites close to water (Palmer 1998), niches in open terraces of cliffs and valleys in the province, not too high in elevation. Forage areas are favored when adjacent to lakes and large waterbodies (Bent 1937, Palmer 1998). Habitat in the study site is not considered suitable for breeding and/or foraging for this species.

Order Strigiformes

Family Tytonidae

Barn Owl (Tyto alba), BNOW - Blue Listed

This species is Blue listed by the CDC in the South Island Forest District (April 2005). It is designated as vulnerable by COSEWIC in western Canada and endangered in eastern Canada since 1999.

The Barn owl breeds throughout the year in BC with its range restricted to the Fraser Lowlands, southern Vancouver Island and the odd occurrence in the Okanagan Valley (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). It prefers open country within agricultural systems, nesting in cavities, cliff crevices. Eggs and rears young year round (Bent 1937, Campbell *et. al.* 1990).

The Barn owl is common and most abundant in all of Canada in the Lower Mainland of BC (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). Highest concentrations and densities of this owl are along the coast (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). Although it is one of the most abundant owls in the Fraser Lower Mainland it is unlikely to occur on the Study Area because of the absence



of foraging habitat. The family Tytonidae are evolutionarily a tropical owl and require larger than normal owl food requirements (VanTyne and Berger 1971). The Barn owl prefers open country associated with agricultural areas, but also frequents grasslands river bottom meadows, and, infrequently cities, and residential areas (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). In the Fraser Lowlands the population is predominately resident where it breeds in old building structures adjacent to fields necessary for foraging. Barn owls are not considered likely to occur in the Study Area.

Family Strigidae

*Western Screech-Owl (Otus kennicottii macfarlanei), WESO – Blue-listed

This species is currently indeterminate by COSEWIC in BC and listed as Blue in the South Island Forest District (April 2001). It is a target species for the survey. The western screech owl is an occupant of riparian deciduous areas roosting in cavities, nest boxes, trees vines and crevices (Campbell *et. al.* 1990, Bent 1937). It does not have a good chance of occurring in the Study Area as old growth deciduous trees are limited. Being quite adaptive in nature in urban and residential areas it frequents orchards, parks and gardens. Nesting of this species is likely found at elevations above 540 metres (Campbell *et. al.* 1990).

As a result, these owls are not expected in the Study Area.

*Great-horned Owl (Bubo virginianus saturatus), GHOW

The CDC does not list this species as Red, Blue or Yellow, nor is it listed with COSEWIC as a bird of concern in Canada. This bird is a target species for the Study Area.

The Great-horned owl is very common in BC being very versatile and occupying a number of habitats, quite commonly timberland areas. It frequents lakeshores, river valleys, agricultural and residential areas, swamps, fresh and brackish marine marshes, and estuaries (Campbell *et. al.* 1990) nesting in densities of one pair/8.2 km² (Kirley and Springer 1980).



Non-migratory, the Great-horned owl stays on the lower mainland year-round. It breeds throughout the province almost anywhere there are groups of small trees and it may be found in dense forests, open woodlots bordering lakes and streams. Nests have been discovered from sea level to approximately 1,220 m (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). Great-horned owls might used the Study Area for foraging, however, their presence may only occur periodically as more suitable habitat is available nearby.

*Northern Pygmy Owl (Glaucidium gnoma), NOPO – Blue-listed

This species has been designated as "not at risk" by COSEWIC in BC and is listed as a Blue species of concern by the CDC in the South Island Forest District (April 2001). This is a target species.

The northern pygmy owl is an uncommon resident across the province of BC and most abundant across the northwest and southern part of the province. Resident populations are restricted to the southern portions of the province (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). This owl occupies the edges of open coniferous forests or mixed woodlands of riparian thickets, damp and dry meadows, vacant city lots, parks, cemeteries and residential areas. Primarily a cavity nester, historically, all nests discovered in BC have been in old woodpecker holes of coniferous trees including Douglas-fir, western hemlock, and western larch. It has a low potential of occurring on-site due to the absence of suitably sized trees.

*Barred Owl (Strix varia), BDOW

This species has been designated as "not at risk" by COSEWIC in BC and is not listed a species of concern by the CDC in the South Island Forest District (2003). The Barred owl is a target species.

The Barred owl is a resident across BC and a widespread breeder along the southern and eastern end of the province. Despite being primarily a bird of deep forests, preferring mixed coniferous woodlands (spruce, sub-alpine fir, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, western red cedar), it occurs less commonly in deciduous woodlots (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). The BDOW has been seen in areas such as farmlands, cities, and residential areas,



it has been seen in riparian thicket, on railroad bridges, house awnings, ornamental trees, fence rows, television aerials, apartment balconies and trees in parks, school yards, and along busy streets to an elevation of approximately 1,250 m (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). Summer accounts in the coastal area of BC have been in Surrey, Vancouver, and on Mount Seymour.

Barred owls are expected in the Study Area.

Short-Eared Owl (Asio flammeus) – Blue Listed

This species has been designated as vulnerable by COSEWIC in BC since 1994 and Blue listed by the CDC in the South Island Forest District (2003). The Short-eared owl prefers large open fields for breeding and foraging. Short-eared owls are not expected in the Study Area.

*Northen Saw-whet Owl (Aegolius acadicus), NSWO

This owl species is designated as "not at risk" by COSEWIC in BC and is not listed a species of concern by the CDC in the South Vancouver Island Forest District (2003). The Northern saw-whet owl is a target species.

The Northern saw-whet owl is found primarily in forested habitats of mixed coniferous/deciduous stands to elevations from sea level to approximately 2,200 m (Campbell *et. al.* 1990). Species have been recorded on the coast in spring and summer in New Westminster and Surrey (Campbell *et. al.* 1990).

Northern saw-whet owls nest in old snags that have been excavated by woodpeckers (secondary cavity nesters). It has a low potential of occurring on-site due to the absence of suitably sized trees.

Select Accounts of Red/Blue/Yellow Amphibian Species Potentially Occurring on the Study Area

Red-legged Frog (Rana aurora), Blue-listed

This species has been designated as vulnerable by COSEWIC in BC and Blue listed by the CDC in the South Island Forest District (2003).



Outside of the breeding season, these frogs are highly terrestrial and can be found in forests far from standing water. They can occasionally be found inside decayed logs. Breeding takes place early in the spring in shallow water in permanent ponds and swamps. This frog calls underwater and the calls are weak so it is difficult to hear above water. Eggs, which are layed in a large (20 to 30 cm) loose gelatinous clusters tend to deteriorate toward the end of embryonic development. The embryos develop and hatch after about four weeks of development, and the tadpoles transform after four or five This small mammal prefers dense, moist coniferous forests, on beaches, and in marshes, in heavily wooded, wet areas, on the banks of sluggish streams, in beach debris, and during winter rainy season may be found well away from water. It is found primarily near estuaries, wetlands, lakes, streams, and in agricultural areas and riparian forests. It is insectivorous with foods including soft-bodied arthropods and terrestrial and aquatic invertebrates; insect larvae, slugs and snails, Ephemeroptera naiads, earthworms and unidentified invertebrates, primarily aquatic.

It has some potential of occurring in the Study Area but is not expected because of an absence of suitable habitat.

Vancouver Island Ermine (Mustella ermina anguinae), Red-listed

While COSEWIC in BC has rated the sub species *M. e. haidarum* as vulnerable this sub species is not recognized by COSEWIC and it has been Red listed by the CDC in the South Island Forest District (2003).

The ermine, or short-tailed weasel is intermediate in size between the long-tailed weasel and the least weasel. It inhabits a variety of habitats. In North America, it is most abundant in boreal, montane, and Pacific Coast coniferous forests. Ermines avoid dense forests and settle in successional or forest-edge habitats, wet meadows, marshes, ditches, riparian woodlands, or riverbanks with high densities of small mammals. Ermine exhibit a decided preference for early successional communities and avoided forested habitats and male ermine are more often associated with shrubs than were females. Males generally occupy a wider range of habitats than females and both male and female ermines occupy more habitat types during spring and summer than during fall and winter.



This species has a low potential of occurring in our Study Area due to habitat requirements.

2.2.2 Assessment Results

2.2.2.1 Bird Inventory

The bird survey was conducted on various dates in June 2008. The night/nocturnal surveys were completed on the evening of January 15th 2007. A total of 18 bird species (passerines and raptors) were encountered on the Study Area during the transect survey and as incidental sightings. As point count stations/owl calling stations were aligned along designated transects, the summary table below incorporates all birds identified to the nearest transect location and number. The following is a result of the transect/point count and roadside call playback surveys performed on the delineated Study Area in June 2008. Refer to Table 7 below.

Transect #	Date	Total Species Encountered Along Each Transect	Red/Blue Species Encountered
1	May -	3	0
	October		
	2008		
2	May -	4	0
	October		
	2008		
3	May -	6	0
	October		
	2008		
4	May -	9	0
	October		

Table 7. Summary Table of Passerine Bird Survey



	2008		
TOTAL		22	0

Detailed information on species observed is presented below in Table 8 and 9.



Table 8. Species Abundance and Diversity Along Each Transect

Transect	No. of Individuals Observed at Each Station
1	7
2	5
3	10
4	14
Grand Total	36

Table 9 Avian Species List

Common name	Scientific Name
Bald Eagle	Haliaeetus leucocephalus
Red-tailed Hawk	Buteo jamaicensis
American robin	Turdus Migratorius
Brown creeper	Certhia Americana
Chestnut-backed chickadee	Poecile sclateri
Dark-eyed junco	Junco hyemalis
Downy woodpecker	Picoides pubescens
Great blue heron	Ardea herodias
House Wren	Troglodytes aedon
Northwestern Crow	Corvus caurinus
Winter Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes
Turkey Vulture	Cathartes aura
Great Horned Owl	Bubo virginianus
Varied Thrush	Ixoreus naevius
Unidentified Gulls	N/a
Stellars' Jay	Cyanocitta stelleri



Northern Flicker	Colaptes auratus
Common Nighthawk	Chordeiles minor

Diurnal Stand Watch/Point Counts

The greatest number of individuals and species diversity was observed along transect 4 and the lowest was along transect 1. No heronry/rookery attributes were noted within the Study Area during the survey despite meticulous searching with a high powered/anchored spotting scope. The site does however have the potential to provide low-moderate foraging opportunities as well as good resting/perching opportunities for diurnal raptors.

Nocturnal Stand Watch/Point Counts

The nocturnal raptors (owls) survey was conducted the evening of January 15th 2007 at one raptor/owl calling station (OCS #1) which had been established at what was assumed to be an excellent calling location (Appendix D, Biophysical Assessment Map). The site proved to be successful in luring in a Great Horned-Owl. The arrival of the owl from the west (approximately 20 minutes after the initiation of calls) indicates that they are likely nesting outside of the Study Area.

2.2.2.2 Amphibian Survey

The amphibian survey was conducted on various dates in June 2008.

A total of 2 roughskin newts and numerous pacific tree frogs were encountered during the survey period. Transects were the same as the bird inventory transects. All wetlands and adjacent riparian areas as well as woodland trails were surveyed for species. In total, approximately 4 hrs. of survey time was spent searching the following locations

and habitats throughout the Study Area:

• All ephemeral drainages and wetted depressions

Auditory Survey Results



One night was spent performing the auditory surveys (January 15th 2007). This was performed in part during the nocturnal raptor survey. Any visual and auditory accounts were recorded.

No red listed species of amphibians were heard or located during the survey period. The only recorded calls came from hundreds of breeding Pacific Tree Frogs (*Hyla regalis*) in various locations throughout the Study Area.

Time Constraint and Systematic Search Results

This survey methodology was the most productive for amphibian encounters. A total of 12 individuals were found during the survey. A majority of effort was spent in the riparian ecosystem as well as along watercourses labelled 1 and 2. Here the survey focused on frogs and salamanders.

The Pacific tree frogs as well as the roughskin newt were the only species encountered during our survey and was located in both the stream as well as in the isolated wetted depression. Species assessed are presented in *Table 10 below:*



Table 10.	Amphibians	Encountered	During	Time	Constraint	and	Systematic
Searches							

			Total	
Species	No.	Method	Time	Location
Roughskin	1	Minnow	72hrs	Minnow tran #1
newt	1	trap	72113.	Williow dup #1
Pacific Tree	3	Minnow	72hrs	Minnow tran #1
Frog	5	trap	72113.	Williow dup #1
Pacific Tree	3	Minnow	72hrs	Minnow tran #2
Frog	5	trap	/21115.	Winnow dup #2

Each G-trap trap was checked after the 24 hour period ensuring minimal mortalities.

2.2.2.3 Small Mammal Survey

Six (Havahart) traps (Small Mammal Traps – SMT 1 - 6) were set at various homogeneous vegetative areas along the proposed site (*Appendix D, Biophysical Assessment Map*) and each habitat type was sampled where possible. As well, 2 larger traps (MMT1) (Appendix D, Biophysical Assessment Map) was set at one location along the center of the Study Area. The traps were recovered after a period of 48 hrs. (checked every 24 hr. period). Out of all the traps, one raccoon and 4 deer mice were caught. Please refer to Table 11 below:

Table 11. Result	s of Live Small and	d Medium Mammal	Trapping
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Trap Site Number	Species Captured
SMT #1	1 deer mouse
SMT #2	1 deer mouse
SMT #3	0



Trap Site Number	Species Captured
SMT #4	1 deer mouse
SMT #5	0
SMT #6	1 deer mouse
MMT #1	1 raccoon

2.2.2.4 Large Mammal Survey

The Study Area was walked numerous times during the course of evaluation and each time it was searched for large mammal signs. As well, a more detailed assessment involving 4 transects was performed in conjunction with the bird survey. *Table 12* presents an overview of incidental wildlife sightings.

Table 12. Incidental Wildlife Sightings

Species	Evidence	Location
Blacktail Deer	Visual	Various
Turkey Vulture	Visual	Various
Grey Squirrel	Visual	End of Transect #1
Red Squirrel	Visual	Т3
Bald Eagle	Visual	Various
Red-tailed Hawk	Visual	Various
Eastern Cottontail	Carcass	Transect #2
Bald Eagle	Visual	Various
Raccoon	Visual	Midway T4
American robin	Visual	T1
Brown creeper	Visual	T4
Chestnut-backed chickadee	Visual	T4
Dark-eyed junco	Visual	T1, T4
Downy woodpecker	Visual	T4
Great blue heron	Visual	T2
House Wren	Visual	T3, T4
Northwestern Crow	Visual	Various
Winter Wren	Visual	T3, T4



2.3 AQUATIC RESOURCES

2.3.1 Watercourses

There are two small first order watercourses within the Study Area that do not meet the definition of a stream as described in the Fish/Stream Identification Guidebook (1998). In both cases, the watercourses have minimal scour and mineral alluvium however; do not meet the minimum lengths of 100m of continuous channel. Further, the final 50m of flow prior to entering the ocean, appears to be underground and therefore is considered a barrier to upstream fish migration from the ocean. The two watercourses are therefore considered non fish bearing and are not subject to the Riparian Areas Regulations (RAR) legislation. That being said, the two watercourses do provide riparian and ecological functions due to tree composition and structure. Refer to Appendix F map for watercourse locations.

2.3.2 Fisheries Resources

2.3.2.1 Background

No fisheries data info exists for any of the watercourses within our delineated Study Area (FISS 2008).

2.3.2.2 Surface Water Use

Site, information on water quality and water licenses is non-existent and therefore not included in this report.



2.3.3 Survey Methodology

2.3.3.1 Office Study

A review of the following environmental databases was undertaken. Internet addresses for these databases are as follows:

Ministry of Environment Fisheries Data Warehouse Fish Information Summary System (FISS) <u>http://www.shim.bc.ca</u>

2.3.3.2 Field Survey

Stream Biophysical Survey:

A biophysical habitat survey was conducted using parameters outlined in the Ministry of Environment/Department of Fisheries and Oceans Stream Survey forms, which allowed information to be collected on the following:

- Channel characteristics including floodplain description;
- Description of watercourse length, average channel width, average wetted width, average maximum depth and banks;
- Barriers to fish passage including debris jams, culverts, weirs, beaver dams etc.;
- Substrate characteristics including estimated percentages of materials;
- Description and percentage of pools, runs, and riffles;
- Location and description of bridges, culverts, water control, water intake and storm water discharge structures;
- Vegetation detailed riparian overstorey, understorey, and herb layer characteristics including a species list;
- Threatened, rare and endangered species estimated use and a detailed species list; and



• Potential salmonid spawning and rearing habitat rating (low, medium or high) with rational for rating described.

2.3.4 Stream Biophysical Results

Waterbodies within the Study Area boundaries include two first order watercourses located at opposite toes of slope within a disturbed area and which eventually meet at the eastern edge of the Study Area. Both watercourses were constructed in order to provide drainage to the adjacent flat excavated area. The locations of these waterbodies are presented in Appendix F, Waterbodies Map, and discussed below in further detail.

2.3.4.1 Watercourse #1 (W#1)

Watercourse #1 originates from ground water at the base of Dolphin Drive immediately southeast of the existing tennis court. With a total length of 113m, the watercourse travels west to east before going underground and eventually into the ocean. With a bankfull width (Wb) of 0.46m and an average gradient of 4%, the watercourse exhibits riffle-pool morphology. Flows at the time of survey were minimal with 100% wetted connectivity through its length with an average wetted depth of 0.05cm. The instream substrate consisted primarily of fines with a lesser extent of gravel. Canopy closure at the time of survey was approximately 55% with alder in the pole sapling stage of development dominating the overstory. Please refer to Plates #5 and #6 below for typical photographs of Watercourse #1.





Plate #5 – Watercourse #1-Upstream view of substrate composition





Plate #6 – Watercourse #1 - Upstream view of channel

2.3.4.2 Watercourse #2 (W#2)

Watercourse #2 originates from ground water 17m east of the northeast corner of the existing tennis courts located at 3521 Dolphin Drive. With a total length of 131m, the watercourse travels west to east before turning south and joining watercourse #1 along the southeastern corner of the Study Area. With a bankfull width (Wb) of 0.23m and an average gradient of 3%, the watercourse exhibits riffle-pool morphology. Flows at the time of survey were minimal with 100% wetted connectivity through its length with an average wetted depth of 0.05cm. The instream substrate consisted primarily of fines with a lesser extent of gravel. Canopy closure at the time of survey was approximately 75% with alder in the pole sapling stage of development dominating the overstory. Please refer to Plate #7 below for typical photograph of Watercourse #2.





Plate #7 - Watercourse #2-Upstream view of channel and substrate composition

2.3.5 Minnow Trap Assessment Summary

Ten minnow traps baited with cat food and set in 2 separate locations (five traps at each location) (Appendix D, Biophysical Assessment Map) were monitored over the course of three days (checked once a day). The results of our assessment are presented below in Table 13.



Minnow Trap #.	Total Time	Location	Results
1	72hrs.	Watercourse #1	3 Rough skinned newt (RSN) 3 Pacific tree frogs
2	72hrs.	Watercourse #2	3 Pacific tree frogs

Table 13.	Minnow	Trap	Sampling	Summary	Table
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2.4 MARINE ENVIRONMENT

At the time of writing of this report, a nearshore marine biology study is being undertaken by Archipelago Marine Research Ltd., which includes coastal portions of the Study Area including the complete length of the breakwater. Once complete, the report will be added as an addendum to this report.

2.5 CULTURALLY MODIFIED TREES

During our overall assessment of the Study Area, a concentrated effort was made in to identify culturally modified trees within the delineated boundaries. Our effort focused primarily on larger trees including red cedar, which were customarily used by indigenous peoples for various items including baskets etc. Our assessment resulted in no culturally modified trees being observed.



3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS & MITIGATION MEASURES

3.1 AQUATIC RESOURCES

The following represents a list of potential impacts to aquatic life and aquatic habitat within the Study Area. Of the waterbodies identified, both watercourse #1 and #2 are considered non fish bearing and therefore do not have fisheries values either instream and/or in downstream habitat. As the watercourses are isolated, instream habitat is limited to aquatic animals such as frogs, salamanders and newts. Where disturbance occurs, similar habitat will be created in and around the Study Area in consultation with the Ministry of Environment (MoE) if stream segments need to be reconfigured. Please refer to the Impact Summary Table below (Table 14) for a complete list of impacts and mitigation solutions.

3.2 WILDLIFE

Wildlife issues within the Study Area includes a loss of habitat for various animals presently utilizing this parcel of land. They include deer, rabbits, raccoons, squirrels, numerous birds and various raptors identified in our assessment, which utilize this parcel of land primarily for foraging. Of particular importance however, are the locations of several Garry Oak polygons within the proposed eastern boundary of the Study Area identified in *Appendix E, Ecosystems Map*. The polygons provide habitat for a variety of animals including several species of reptiles and have a high propensity for wildflowers. As well, special attention should also be given to the riparian ecosystem identified on the ecosystems map as they provide water to numerous bird and animal species during the dry summer months. This area appears to be the only freshwater source within a 500m radius of the Study Area. In summary, although construction activities will undoubtedly affect and remove present habitat within select areas, the overall percentage of disturbed land within the Study Area and the Lakes District included collectively is expected to be low and therefore, minimal risk is expected to the species identified in our assessments or of those species listed as having the potential to occur by the BC CDC (British Columbia



Conservation Data Centre). Please refer to the Impact Summary Table below (Table 14) for a complete list of impacts and mitigation solutions.

3.3 VEGETATION

Our assessment in June 2008 resulted in the identification of >30 plant species in 4 different vegetative communities. Of the four identified, the greatest diversity of plants was along the Douglas Fir/Arbutus community quadrat. Our assessment within this quadrat resulted in the identification of numerous flowering plants (non identified by the BC CDC as red/blue listed) forming part of a larger distinct ecosystem within a Douglas fir dominated stand of conifers. As is evident by the topography of the Study Area, this area will undoubtedly be affected by construction activities as it has by far the best building site within the lot as well as being the most practical. As a result, it is recommended that areas outside of those required for a building, be further disturbed as little as possible. This includes adding high visibility snow fencing to reduce construction related impacts as well as educating future homeowners/business owners on areas of concern including invasive species introduction and Scottish Broom management. The management of introduced species will have an overall positive effect on the natural areas that remain post construction. Direct impacts related to the construction in the Study Area will result in the removal of most species along building footprints and driveway/road locations. Due to the impacts associated with the removal of present vegetative communities, it is proposed that as a mitigative measure, areas outside of those needed for the building footprint and associated areas dedicated to construction be disturbed as little as possible and that native trees and shrubs be used for landscape planting. Please refer to the Impact Summary table below (Table 14) for a complete list of impacts and mitigation solutions.



Table 14. Impact Summary Table

Environmental	Potential Impacts	Mitigative Measures	Residual Impacts	
Parameter				
Vegetation	Loss of natural vegetation currently existing on site along proposed development footprints	Riparian removal will be limited to the fullest extent possible. If required to be removed/reconfigured, areas equal in size and characteristics will be created an/or set aside nearby as protected areas. Garry Oak ecosystems removal will be limited where feasible.	Loss of vegetation in the area immediately required to accommodate the development footprint Loss of small isolated Garry Oak polygons	
		Reclamation of unpaved disturbed areas with native trees and shrubs. Removal of Scottish Broom in areas not proposed for development	Positive impacts resulting from revegetation with native species as well as invasive species control.	
Aquatic Life and Habitat	Loss of riparian buffers along low-moderate value habitat associated with the proposed development	Retain stormwater in ponds as drinking source for wildlife	Increase in stormwater runoff and instream flows	
Wildlife	Loss of habitat resulting from vegetation clearing.	Construction of nesting boxes with old growth attributes to accommodate the loss of older second generation forest	Loss of habitat for some species where vegetation is permanently removed to accommodate building footprints	
	Changes in wildlife movements.	Ensure some connectivity through wildlife corridors No potentially sensitive	Minimal changes to wildlife movements	



Sensory disturbance to sensitive species (BC CDC).	species found to breed within 30 m of the proposed road, driveway or building sites.	Potential disturbance to wildlife	
Stress to wildlife caused by increases in human encounters including foot and road traffic	None	Minimal stress associated with increases in traffic	

3.4 MONITORING

All construction activities within areas identified as sensitive are to be monitored by a Professional Biologist. These include works alongside the Garry Oak ecosystem, coastal bluff ecosystems and riparian polygons. As well, it is recommended that a detailed sediment control plan be implemented prior to fall/winter rains.

3.5 SITE CONSTRAINTS

As part of a Development Impact Assessment, a site constraints map was developed to help identify areas of particular concern related to topography, hydrology, sensitive ecosystems and associated buffers. The overall goal of this exercise was to develop a working map on which developers, interested parties, construction managers etc. could allow for changes to the development plan during the initial phases of the project when sensitive components were identified during the biophysical assessment stage of the project. As a result, options have been explored in regards to building footprint placement, road placement that provide for alternative layout/design structures that adapt to the need for habitat protection. From this map, it is mandatory that all future works within identified sensitive habitats be assessed by a professional biologist prior to permits



being granted. Please refer to Appendix G, Environmental Constraints Map for a detailed site map identifying all environmentally sensitive polygons within the Study Area. Works within these polygons, if required, should be discussed with the project biologist so that overall negative impacts are reduced.



3.6 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS SUMMARY

Overall, disturbances associated with the development of the Study Area are anticipated to be minimal regionally as extensive areas adjacent in the nearby Lakes District including riparian and sensitive ecosystems are to be protected as park/covenant areas through a larger scale comprehensive development plan. This dedication, along with sound environmental practices during construction activities as well as the proposed mitigation, will undoubtedly reduce the overall environmental impacts associated with the development of the Study Area.



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Appendix A

Scientific Name	English Name	RISC Code	Global Rank	Prov Rank	Prov Rank Review Date	Prov Rank Change Date
Accipiter gentilis laingi	Northern Goshawk, laingi subspecies	B-NOGO-LA	G5T2	S2B	November 29,2005	June 16,1997
Aechmophorus occidentalis Allogona townsendiana	Western Grebe Oregon Forestsnail	B-WEGR IM-ALLTOW	G5 G3G4	S1B,S2N S1S2	November 29,2005 December 31,2002	November 29,2005 December 31,2002
Ardea herodias fannini	Great Blue Heron, fannini subspecies	B-GBHE-FA	G5T4	S3B,S4N	November 29,2005	April 24,2002
Asio flammeus	Short-eared Owl	B-SEOW	G5	S3B,S2N	November 29,2005	June 01,1996
Botaurus lentiginosus	American Bittern	B-AMBI	G4	S3B	November 29,2005	June 30,1998
Brachyramphus marmoratus	Marbled Murrelet	B-MAMU	G3G4	S2B,S4N	November 29,2005	June 30,1998
Branta canadensis occidentalis	Canada Goose, occidentalis subspecies	B-CAGO-OC	G5T2T3	S1N	November 29,2005	
Butorides virescens	Green Heron	B-GRHE	G5	S3S4B	November 29,2005	June 30,1998
Callophrys eryphon sheltonensis Callophrys johnsoni Callophrys mossii mossii	Western Pine Elfin, <i>sheitonensis</i> subspecies Johnson's Hairstreak Moss' Elfin, <i>mossii</i> subspecies	IL-CALERY-SH IL-CALJOH IL-CALMOS-MO	G5TNR G3G4 G4T4	S3 S1S2 S2S3	November 20,2006 November 20,2006 November 20,2006	January 15,2007 October 18,2001 January 15,2007
Carychium occidentale	Western Thorn	IM-CAROCC	G3G4	S2S3		
Cercyonis pegala incana	Common Wood-nymph, incana subspecies	IL-CERPEG-IN	G5T4T5	S2	November 20,2006	January 15,2007
Cervus canadensis roosevelti	Roosevelt Elk	M-CECA-RO	G5T4	S3	December 08,2006	January 15,2007
Chrysemys picta pop. 1	Population	R-CHPI	G5TNR	S2	December 03,2007	January 15,2007
Coccyzus americanus Coenonympha tullia insulana Contia tenuis Copablepharon fuscum	Yellow-billed cuckoo Common Ringlet, <i>insulana</i> subspecies Sharp-tailed Snake Sand-verbena Moth	B-YBCU IL-COETUL-IN R-COTE IL-COPFUS	G5 G5T3T4 G5 G1G2	SXB S1 S1 S1	November 29,2005 November 20,2006 December 03,2007 April 07,2006	June 01,1996 January 15,2007 June 30,1998 April 07,2006
Corynorhinus townsendii Cryptomastix devia Dermochelys coriacea	Townsend's Big-eared Bat Puget Oregonian Leatherback	M-COTO IM-CRYDEV R-DECO	G4 G3 G2	S3 SX S1S2N	December 08,2006 December 31,2002 December 03,2007	January 15,2007 December 31,2002 January 31,1992
Enallagma hageni Epitheca canis Eremophila alpestris strigata Erynnis propertius	Hagen's Bluet Beaverpond Baskettail Horned Lark, <i>strigata</i> subspecies Propertius Duskywing	IO-ENAHAG IO-EPICAN B-HOLA-ST IL-ERYPRO	G5 G5 G5T2 G5	S3S4 S3 SX S2S3	January 04,2004 January 04,2004 November 29,2005 November 20,2006	October 04,2001 July 02,2003 January 15,2007
Erythemis collocata Euchloe ausonides insulanus Eumetopias jubatus Euphydryas editha taylori Euphyes vestris	Western Pondhawk Large Marble, <i>insulanus</i> subspecies Steller Sea Lion Edith's Checkerspot, <i>taylori</i> subspecies Dun Skipper	IO-ERYCOL IL-EUCAUS-IN M-EUJU IL-EUPEDI-TA IL-EUPVES	G5 G5T1 G3 G5T1 G5	S3 SX S2S3B,S3N S1 S3	January 04,2004 November 20,2006 December 08,2006 November 20,2006 November 20,2006	October 16,2000 December 06,1999 January 15,2007 January 15,2007 October 04,2001
Falco peregrinus anatum	Peregrine Falcon, anatum subspecies	B-PEFA-AN	G4T4	S2B	November 29,2005	June 30,1998
Falco peregrinus pealei Fossaria vancouverensis	Peregrine Falcon, <i>pealei</i> subspecies	B-PEFA-PE IM-FOSVAN	G4T3 GHQ	S3B SH	November 29,2005 January 01,2000	June 30,1998 January 01,2000
Fratercula cirrhata Gasterosteus sp. 2 Gasterosteus sp. 3 Glaucidium gnoma swarthi Gulo gulo vancouverensis Hemphillia dromedarius Hemphillia glandulosa	Tufted Puffin Enos Lake Limnetic Stickleback Enos Lake Benthic Stickleback Northern Pygmy-Owl, <i>swarthi</i> subspecies Wolverine, <i>vancouverensis</i> subspecies Dromedary Jumping-slug Warty Jumping-slug	B-TUPU B-NPOW-SW M-GUGU-VA IM-HEMDRO IM-HEMGLA	G5 G1 G5T3Q G4T1Q G3G4 G3G4 G3G4	S3B,S4N S1 S1 S3 SH S2 S2S3	November 29,2005 January 12,2004 January 12,2004 November 29,2005 December 08,2006	June 01,1996 January 31,1992 January 31,1992 June 01,1996 September 17,2001
Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow White-tailed Ptarminan savatilis	B-BASW	G5	S3S4B	November 29,2005	November 29,2005
Lagopus leucura saxatilis Lampetra macrostoma Marmota vancouverensis	Subspecies Cowichan Lake Lamprey Vancouver Island Marmot	B-WTPT-SA F-LAMA M-MAVA	G5T3 G1 G1	S3 S1 S1	November 29,2005 January 12,2004 December 08,2006	June 01,1996 May 17,1985 June 30,1998

	Western Screech-Owl kennicottii					
Megascops kennicottii kennicottii	subspecies	B-WSOW-KE	G5T4	S3	November 29,2005	February 21,2003
Melanerpes lewis	Lewis's Woodpecker	B-LEWO	G4	S2B	November 29,2005	November 29,2005
Melanerpes lewis pop. 1	Lewis's Woodpecker (Georgia Depression population)	B-LEWO	G5TXQ	SXB	November 29,2005	December 05,2000
Monadenia fidelis Mustela erminea anguinae	Pacific Sideband Ermine, <i>anguinae</i> subspecies	IM-MONFID M-MUER-AN	G4G5 G5T3	S3S4 S3	March 15,2005 December 08,2006	March 15,2005 November 30,1995
<i>Myotis keenii</i> <i>Nearctula</i> sp. 1	Keen's Myotis Threaded Vertigo	M-MYKE IM-NEASP1	G2G3 G3G5	S1S3 S2	December 08,2006 March 15,2005	January 15,2007 March 15,2005
Oncorhynchus clarkii clarkii	Cutthroat Trout, <i>clarkii</i> subspecies	F-ONCL-CL	G4T4	S3S4	January 12,2004	March 06,2000
Pachydiplax longipennis	Blue Dasher	IO-PACLON	G5	S3S4	January 04,2004	March 10,2004
Parnassius smintheus olympiannus	subspecies	IL-PARSMI-OL	G5T4	S2S3	November 20,2006	January 15,2007
Patagioenas fasciata	Band-tailed Pigeon	B-BTPI	G4	S3S4B	November 29,2005	October 06,2000
Phalacrocorax auritus Phalacrocorax penicillatus Physella heterostropha Physella integra Pinicola enucleator carlottae Pituophis catenifer catenifer Plebejus icarioides blackmorei Plebejus saepiolus insulanus Pooecetes gramineus affinis Pristiloma johnsoni Progne subis Promenetus umbilicatellus Prophysaon coeruleum	Double-crested Cormorant Brandt's Cormorant Pewter Physa Ashy Physa Pine Grosbeak, <i>carlottae</i> subspecies Gopher Snake, <i>catenifer</i> subspecies Boisduval's Blue, <i>blackmorei</i> subspecies Greenish Blue, <i>insulanus</i> subspecies Vesper Sparrow, <i>affinis</i> subspecies Broadwhorl Tightcoil Purple Martin Umbilicate Sprite Blue-grey Taildropper	B-DCCO B-BRCO IM-PHYHET IM-PHYINT B-PIGR-CA R-PICA-CA IL-PLEICA-BL IL-PLESAE-IN B-VESP-AF IM-PRIJOH B-PUMA IM-PROUMB IM-PROUMB	G5 G5 G5Q G5T3 G5T5 G5T3 G5T4 G2G3 G5 G4 G3G4 C4	S3B S1B,S4N S1S3 S1S3 S3B SX S3 SH S1B S2S3 S2S3B S3S4 S1 S3S4	November 29,2005 November 29,2005 April 20,2004 January 01,2000 November 29,2005 December 03,2007 November 20,2006 November 20,2006 November 29,2005	November 29,2005 June 01,1996 April 20,2004 January 01,2000 June 30,1998 June 30,1998 April 26,2001 December 06,1999 June 30,1998 November 29,2005
Ptychoromobulo algutique			04	6364 62620 64N	Nevember 20, 2005	Ostobor 06 2000
		B-CAAU	G4	5253B,54N	November 29,2005	
Rana aurora	Red-legged Frog	A-RAAU	G4	\$3\$4	December 03,2007	January 12,1994
Rana pipiens	Northern Leopard Frog	A-RAPI	G5	S1	December 03,2007	June 01,1996
Salvelinus malma	Dolly Varden	F-SAMA	G5	S3S4	January 12,2004	March 06,2000
Sialia mexicana pop. 1	population) American Water Shrew, brooksi	B-WEBL	G5TNRQ	SHB	November 29,2005	December 05,2000
Sorex palustris brooksi Speyeria zerene bremnerii	subspecies Zerene Fritillary, <i>bremnerii</i> subspecies Western Meadowlark (Georgia Depression	M-SOPA-BR IL-SPEZER-BR	G5T2 G5T3T4	S2 S2	December 08,2006 November 20,2006	October 13,2000 January 15,2007
Sturnella neglecta pop. 1 Stygobromus quatsinensis	population) Quatsino Cave Amphipod	B-WEME	G5TNRQ G2G3	SXB S2S3	November 29,2005 April 27,2001	December 05,2000 April 27,2001
Sympetrum vicinum Tramea lacerata	Autumn Meadowhawk Black Saddlebags	IO-SYMVIC IO-TRALAC	G5 G5	S3S4 S1	January 04,2004 December 08,2006	January 15,2007
Tyto alba Uria aalge Vertigo andrusiana	Barn Owl Common Murre Pacific Vertigo	B-BNOW B-COMU IM-VALAND	G5 G5 G2G3	S3 S2B,S4N S2	November 29,2005 November 29,2005	June 01,1996 June 01,1996
Zonitoides nitidus	Black Gloss	IM-ZONNIT	G5	S3S4	March 15,2005	March 15,2005
Appendix B

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Abronia latifolia	vellow sand-verbena	ABROLAT	G5	S3	March 15.2002	March 07.2001	
Abronia umbellata var. breviflora	pink sand-verbena	ABROUMB1	G4G5TNR	S1	January 31,2005	May 20,2004	E (May 20
Acaulon muticum var. rufescens		ACAUMUT1	G4G5T4	S1	March 28,1997	March 28,1997	
			0.405	00	N	0 1 1 17 0001	
Agrostis pallens	dune bentgrass		G4G5 G4	S3 S3	November 28,2005	October 17,2001 March 07 2001	
Allium crenulatum		ALLIANF	G4 G4	55 S2	April 09,2001 December 29 2000	April 05 2000	
		/ LEIOI LE	01	02	2000111301 20,2000	, pril 00,2000	
Allium geyeri var. tenerum	Geyer's onion	ALLIGEY2	G4G5T3T5	S2S3	October 13,2005	November 24,2005	
Alopecurus carolinianus	Carolina meadow-foxtail	ALOPCAR	G5	S2	December 29,2000	April 05,2000	
Anagollia minima			05	0000	Da a a mh a m 00, 0000		
Anaganis minima Anemone drummondii var drummondii			G5 G4T4	5253 5253	December 29,2000	April 30, 1996	
Asplenium adulterinum	corrupt spleenwort	ASPI ADU	G3?	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 05 2000	
Aster curtus	white-top aster	ASTECUR	G3	S3	September 10,2007	October 30,2007	T (May 20
Aster paucicapitatus	Olympic mountain aster	ASTEPAU	G3?	S3	October 18,2006	October 18,2006	
Aster radulinus	rough-leaved aster	ASTERAD	G4G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Balsamorhiza deltoidea	deltoid balsamroot	BALSDEL	G5	S1	January 15,2005	May 14,2001	E (May 20
Bartramia stricta	apple moss	BARTSTR	GU	S1	December 01,2000	December 01,1996	E (May 20
Ridons amplissima	Vapaguer Island baggarticka		C2	62	April 00 2001	March 07 2001	SC (Nov 3
Bolhoschoenus fluviatilis	river bulrush		G5	S1S2	November 28 2005	November 28 2005	3C (INOV 2
		DOLDI LO	00	0102	100011001 20,2000	101011001 20,2000	
Botrychium simplex	least moonwort	BOTRSIM	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	January 21,1999	
Bulbostylis capillaris	densetuft hairsedge	BULBCAP	G5	S1	October 30,2006	October 30,2006	
			0.575	0000	D	4	
Callitriche lengineduneulete	two-edged water-starwort	CALLIETZ	G515	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
		CALLEON	GZG3	SI 6162	lonuoru 21,2007	October 23,2001	
Camiassia quantasti ssp. azurea	contorted_pod_evening_primrose	CAMICON	G51214	S133 S1	December 29 2000	January 31,2007 Δpril 30 1006	E (Apr 20)
Cardamine angulata	angled bitter-cress	CARDANG	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30, 1996	
Cardamine parviflora var. arenicola	small-flowered bitter-cress	CARDPAR1	G5T5	S1	December 29.2000	April 11.2000	
Cardionema ramosissima	sandmat	CARDRAM	G5?	S1	October 26,2007	October 30,2007	
Carex feta	green-sheathed sedge	CAREFET	G5	S2	November 25,2002	November 25,2002	
Carex amelinii	Gmelin's sedge	CAREGME	G4G5	S2S3	December 29.2000	April 30,1996	
Carex interrupta	green-fruited sedge	CAREINE	G4	S2	December 29,2000	November 26,2004	
Carex pansa	sand-dune sedge	CAREPAN	G4	S2S3	December 29,2000	January 21,1999	
Carex scoparia	pointed broom sedge	CARESCO	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Carex tumulicola	foothill sedge	CARETUM	G4	S2	August 08,2007	November 28,2005	E (Mar 20
Castilleja ambigua ssp. ambigua	paintbrush owl-clover	CASTAMB1	G4T3T4	S2S3	September 10,2007	October 30,2007	
Castilleja levisecta	golden paintbrush	CASTLEV	G1	S1	August 07,2007	April 30,1996	E (May 20
Castilleja victoriae	Victoria owl-clover	CASTVIC	G1	S1	August 29,2007	January 26,2007	
Centaurium muehlenbergii	Muhlenberg's centaury	CENTMUH	G5?	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (Mar 20
Cephalanthera austiniae	phantom orchid	CEPHAUS	G4	S2	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	T (May 20
Ceratophyllum echinatum	spring hornwort	CERAECH	G4?	S3	July 09 2002	July 09 2002	
	opring horimore	OLIVILOII	01.	00	00ly 00,2002	00ly 00,2002	
Chamaesyce serpyllifolia ssp. serpyllifolia	thyme-leaved spurge	CHAMSER1	G5T5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Clarkia amoena var. caurina	farewell-to-spring	CLARAMO1	G5T5?	S3	April 09,2001	March 07,2001	
Clarkia amoena var. lindleyi	farewell-to-spring	CLARAMO2	G5T5	S3	April 09,2001	March 07,2001	
Clarkia purpurea ssp. quadrivulnera	small-flowered godetia	CLARPUR2	G5T5	S1	December 29,2000	October 31,2001	
Claytonia washingtoniana	Washington springbeauty	CLAYWAS	G2G4	S2	December 29,2000	January 12,1999	
Convolvulus soldanella	Secular's convidelia	CORVSOL	G5	53 5254	January 09,2003	January 09,2003	
Crassula aquatica	scouler's corydalls	CRASAOU	G4 G5	0304 02		November 30,2004	INAR (INOV
Crassula connata var. connata	erect pygmyweed	CRASCON1	G5 G5TNR	53 S2	December 29 2000	April 30 1996	
			05	0000	December 20,2000		
Cuscula campesins	tiela aodaer	CUSCPEN	Go	5253	December 29,2000	April 30, 1996	
Cyperus squarrosus	awned cyperus	CYPESQU	G5	S3	October 03,2001	October 03,2001	
Draba lonchocarpa var. vestita	lance-fruited draba	DRABLON3	G5T3	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Dryopteris arguta	coastal wood fern	DRYOARG	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	SC (Nov 2
Elatine brachysperma	short-seeded waterwort	ELATBRA	G5	S1S2	October 30,2006	October 30,2006	
Elatine rubella	three-flowered waterwort	ELATRUB	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Eleocharis parvula	small spike-rush	ELEOPAR	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Eleocharis rostellata	beaked spike-rush	ELEOROS	G5	S2S3	December 29 2000	April 05.2000	
Entosthodon fascicularis	banded cord-moss	ENTOFAS	G4G5	S2S3	September 10,2007	October 30,2007	SC (May 2
Epilobium ciliatum ssp. watsonii	purple-leaved willowherb	EPILCIL3	G5T3T5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	

Epilobium densiflorum	dense spike-primrose	EPILDEN	G5	S1	February 07,2005	January 27,2004	E (May 20
Epilobium glaberrimum ssp. fastigiatum	smooth willowherb	EPILGLA1	G5T4T5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Epilobium halleanum	Hall's willowherb	EPILHAL	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Failabium Iantagamum	ana a 11 far ika at u illau da ada		05	0000	D	Azzil 20.4000	
Epilobium regonense	Oregon willowherb	EPILLEP EPIL ORE	G5 G5	5253 S2S3	November 29,2000	April 30, 1996 November 28 2001	
Epilobium torrevi	brook spike-primrose	EPILTOR	G5	SX	August 30.2004	August 30.2004	E (Apr 20)
Erysimum arenicola var. torulosum	sand-dwelling wallflower	ERYSARE1	G4G5T3T5	S3	October 18,2006	October 18,2006	V I -
Erythronium montanum	white glacier lily	ERYTMON	G4	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Fraxinus latifolia	Oregon ash	FRAXLAT	G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Githopsis specularioides Glehnia littoralis ssp. leiocarpa	common bluecup American glehnia	GITHSPE GLEHLIT1	G5 G5T5	S2S3 S3	December 29,2000 January 09,2003	November 25,1999 January 09,2003	
Glyceria leptostachya	slender-spiked mannagrass	GLYCLEP	G3	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Hedysarum occidentale	western hedysarum	HEDYOCC	G5	S3	October 18,2006	October 18,2006	
Helenium autumnale var. grandiflorum	mountain sneezeweed	HELEAUT1	G5T3T5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Heterocodon rariflorum	heterocodon	HETERAR	G5	S3	March 15,2002	March 07,2001	F / • • • •
Heterodermia sitchensis	seaside centipede	HETESIT	G2G3	S1	August 15,2007	August 15,2007	E (Apr 20)
	Tour-leaved mare S-tail	HIFFICI	65	3233	November 20,2001	November 20,2001	
Hutchinsia procumbens	hutchinsia	HUTCPRO	G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Hydrocotyle ranunculoides	floating water pennywort	HYDRRAN	G5	SH	October 24,2007	October 30,2007	
Hydrophyllum tenuipes	Pacific waterleaf	HYDRTEN	G4G5	S2	September 10,2007	October 30,2007	
Hypericum scouleri ssp. nortoniae	western St. John's-wort	HYPESCO1	G5T3T5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Hypogymnia heterophylla	Seaside Bone	HYPOHET	G3	S1			T (Mar 20
Idahoa scapigera	scalepod	IDAHSCA	G5	S2	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Isoetes nuttallii	Nuttall's quillwort		G4?	S3	April 09,2001	March 07,2001	
Juncus kellogaii	Kellogo's rush	JAUNCKEI	G4G5 G3?	5255 S1	December 29,2000	April 30, 1996	F (May 20
Juncus occidentalis	western rush	JUNCOCC	G5	S2S3	November 28,2005	November 28,2005	
Juncus oxymeris	pointed rush	JUNCOXY	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (14 - 00
Lasthenia glaberrima Lasthenia maritima	smooth goldfields hairy goldfields	LASTGLA LASTMAR	G5 G4	S1 S2S3	August 01,2003 December 29,2000	August 01,2003 April 30,1996	E (Mar 20
Lathvrus littoralis	grev beach peavine	LATHLIT	G5	S2	December 11.2003	December 11.2003	
Lepidium oxycarpum	sharp-pod peppergrass	LEPIOXY	G4	SX	October 24,2006	October 24,2006	
Lewisia columbiana var. columbiana	Columbia lewisia	LEWICOL1	G4T4	S2S3	November 28,2005	November 28,2005	
Leymus triticoides	creeping wildrye	LEYMTRI	G4G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Lilaea scilloides	flowering quillwort	LILASCI	G5?	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	T (N) 00
Limnantnes macounii	Macoun's meadow-toam		G2 G5T4T5	S2	August 07,2007	November 28,2005	I (INOV 20
Lomatium dissectum var. dissectum	fern-leaved desert-parslev	LINACANT	G31413 G4T4	S1	October 29 2001	October 29 2001	
Lomatium grayi	Gray's desert-parsley	LOMAGRA	G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Lotus formosissimus	seaside birds-foot trefoil	LOTUFOR	G4	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (May 20
Lotus pinnatus	bog bird's-foot trefoil	LOTUPIN	G4G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (May 20
Lotus unifoliolatus var. unifoliolatus	Spanish-clover	LOTUUNI1	G5T5	S3	September 10,2007	October 30,2007	
Lupinus densitiorus var. densitiorus Lupinus lepidus	uense-nowered lupine		G514 G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 01,1998 April 30 1996	E (May 20
Lupinus regions var. kincaidii	Kincaid's lupine		G5T2	SX	December 29,2000	December 30 2000	L (Way 20
Lupinus rivularis	streambank lupine	LUPIRIV	G2G4	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (Nov 20
Madia minima	small-headed tarweed	MADIMIN	G4	S1	December 29,2000	September 14,1999	X
Malaxis brachypoda	white adder's-mouth orchid	MALABRA	G4Q	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Marah oreganus	manroot	MARAORE	G5	S1	September 10,2007	February 20,2003	
Meconella oregana	white meconella	MECOORE	G2G3	S1	January 15,2005	November 25,2004	E (May 2(
Megalodonta beckii var. beckii	water marigold	MEGABEC1	G4G5T4T5	S3	April 09,2001	March 07,2001	
Melica hariordu Microseris bigelovii	Harford's melic coast microseris	MELIHAR MICRBIG	G5 G4	S2S3 S1	October 30,2006 December 29,2000	October 30,2006 October 06,2000	E (Apr 20)
Microseris lindleyi	Lindley's microseris	MICRLIN	G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (Mar 20
Mimulus dontatus	tooth looved menters floure		C.F.	60		August 40,0000	
Minuartia pusilla	dwarf sandwort	MINUPUS	G5	52 S1	December 29 2000	April 30 1996	F (May 20
Mitella caulescens	leafy mitrewort	MITECAU	G5	S2S3	November 28,2001	November 28,2001	_ (
Montia chamissoi	Chamisso's montia	MONTCHA	G5	S2S3	November 28,2001	November 28,2001	

Montia diffusa	branching montia	MONTDIF	G4	S1	August 28,2001	August 28,2001	
Myrica californica	California wax-myrtle	MYRICAL	G5	S3	March 03,2003	March 03,2003	
Myriophyllum quitense	waterwort water-milfoil	MYRIQUI	G4?	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Myriophyllum ussuriense	Ussurian water-milfoil	MYRIUSS	G3	S3	January 15,2002	March 07,2001	
Navarretia intertexta	needle-leaved navarretia	NAVAINT	G5	S2	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
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Ophioglossum pusillum	northern adder's-tongue	OPHIPUS	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	October 06,2000	
Orobanche pinorum	pine broomrape	OROBPIN	G4	S1	September 24,2001	December 30,2000	
	rosy owi-clover	ORTHBRA	G3?	51	December 29,2000	October 06,2000	E (May 20
Orthocarpus imbricatus	mountain owl-clover	ORTHIMB	G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Oxalis oregana	redwood sorrel	OXALORE	G5	S2S3	October 30,2006	December 02,1999	
Piperia candida	white-lip rein orchid	PIPECAN	G3G4	S2	December 15,2001	October 11,2000	
Plagiobothrys figuratus ssp. figuratus	fragrant popcornflower	PLAGFIG1	G4T4	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (Mar 20
Plagiobothrys tenellus	slender popcornflower	PLAGTEN	G4G5	S2	December 29,2000	April 05,2000	
Pleuricospora fimbriolata	fringed pinesap	PLEUFIM	G4	SH	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Disuranagan refractua			0.4	00	Operatorships 45,0004	A = -1 40 0004	
Pleuropogon refractus	nodding semaphoregrass	PLEUREF	G4	\$3	September 15,2001	April 12,2001	
Polygonum nyaropiperoides	water-pepper	POLYHYR	G5	5253	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Polygonum paronycnia	black knotweed	POLYPAR	G5	\$3	November 28,2005	January 09,2003	
Potamogeton oakesianus	Oakes' pondweed	POTAOAK	G4	S2S3	November 28,2001	November 28,2001	
Potentilla gracilis var. gracilis	graceful cinquefoil	POTEGRA3	G515	S2S3	October 30,2006	October 30,2006	
Prosartes smithii	Smith's fairybells	PROSSMI	G5	S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Pseudocyphellaria rainierensis	Oldgrowth Specklebelly	PSEURAI	G3G4	S1			SC (May
Psilocarphus elatior	tall woolly-heads	PSILELA	G4Q	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (May 20
Psilocarphus tenellus var. tenellus	slender woolly-heads	PSILTEN1	G4T4	S3	October 30,2006	October 30,2006	NAR (May
Pyrola elliptica	white wintergreen	PYROELL	G5	S2S3	December 29,2000	January 21,1999	
Ranunculus alismitolius var. alismitolius	water-plantain buttercup	RANUALI1	G5T5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (May 20
Ranunculus californicus	California buttercup	RANUCAL	G5	S1	February 20,2003	February 20,2003	
Ranunculus lobbii	Lobb's water-buttercup	RANULOB	G4	SH	October 30,2006	April 30,1996	
Public Jasiococcus	dworf bromblo		C.F.	6060	December 20 2000	April 20 1006	
Rubus lasiococcus	dwari bramble	RUBULAS	Go	5253	December 29,2000	April 30, 1996	
Rubus nivalis	snow bramble	RUBUNIV	G4?	S2	December 29.2000	December 02,1999	
Rupertia physodes	California-tea	RUPEPHY	G4	S3	October 03 2001	October 03 2001	
Salix lemmonii	Lemmon's willow	SALILEM	G5	S1	December 29.2000	April 30, 1996	
		O/ LILLIN	00	01	2000111001 20,2000	, ipin 66, 1666	
Salix sessilifolia	soft-leaved willow	SALISES	G4	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Sanguisorba menziesii	Menzies' burnet	SANGMEN	G3G4	S2S3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Sanicula arctopoides	snake-root sanicle	SANIARC	G5	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (May 20
Sanicula bipinnatifida	purple sanicle	SANIBIP	G5	S2	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	T (May 20
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Schoenopiectus americanus	Olney's buirush	SCHOAME	G5	51	December 29,2000	November 07,2000	
Selaginella oregana	Oregon selaginella	SELAORE	G4	S1S3	November 28,2005	November 28,2005	
Senecio macounii	Macoun's groundsel	SENEMAC	G5	S3	April 09,2001	March 07,2001	
Sidalcea hendersonii	Henderson's checker-mallow	SIDAHEN	G3	S3	April 09,2001	March 07,2001	
Silene scouleri ssp. grandis	Scouler's catchfly	SILESCO1	G5TNR	S1	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	E (May 20
Sparganium fluctuans	water bur read	SDADELLI	C.5	6263	December 20 2000	January 21 1000	
Sparganium nucluans	twisted ook moon		G5 CNP	5255	September 10 2007	Octobor 20, 1999	SC (May)
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	Nevada marsh tem	THELINEV	G4	51		April 30, 1996	
Trysanocarpus curvipes	sand lacepod	THYSCUR	G4G5	53	September 10,2007	October 30,2007	E (NL 00
	small-flowered tonella	IONETEN	G5	S1	February 22,2005	December 27,2001	E (Nov 20
loxicodenaron alversilobum	poison oak	TOXIDIV	G5	\$2\$3	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
Trifolium cvathiferum	cup clover	TRIECYA	G4	S1	December 29 2000	April 30 1996	
Trifolium depauperatum var			04	01	D000111001 23,2000	April 60, 1850	
denauneratum	poverty clover		G5T52	63	May 08 2002	May 08 2002	
Trifolium dichotomum	Mooroo'o olover		C 42	5252	September 10 2007	Octobor 20 2007	
Trialochin concinna	graceful arrow grass	TRICCON	G4 ! G5	S233 S2	December 20 2000	April 05 2000	
Trillium ovatum var, hibborsonii	dworf trillium		GJ CET1O	52 S1	December 29,2000	April 03,2000	
Triphyseria versionar sen versionar	boardod owl clover		CETE	Q1	May 14 2001	May 14 2001	
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		UTRIOCH	G4?	5253	September 10,2007	October 30,2007	
venueria riastata Var. scapi'a		VERBHAS1	6515	52	December 29,2000	repruary 11,2000	
		VIOLHOW	G4	5253	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
viola praemorsa ssp. praemorsa	yellow montane violet	VIOLPRA1	651315	52	February 28,2005	April 30,1996	⊨ (Nov 20
vvoima columpiana	Columbian water-meal	WOLFCOL	G5	51	December 29,2000	April 30,1996	
woodwardia fimbriata	giant chain tern	WOODFIM	G5	S3	April 09,2001	March 07,2001	
rapea microcarpa	Calitornia hedge-parsley	YABEMIC	G5?	S2	September 10,2007	October 30,2007	

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Abies amabilis - Picea sitchensis / Oplopanax horridus	amabilis fir - Sitka spruce / devil's club	GNR	S3	March 31,2001	March 31,2001	Blue
spectabilis Moist Maritime 1	salmonberry Moist Maritime 1	G3G4	S1S2	March 31,2001	June 16,1992	Red
Abies amabilis - Thuja plicata / Rubus spectabilis Moist Maritime 2	salmonberry Moist Maritime 2	G3G4	S2S3	July 11,2002	July 11,2002	Blue
Abies amabilis - Thuja plicata / Rubus spectabilis Very Wet Maritime Abies amabilis - Thuja plicata / Tiarella trifoliata Moist Maritime 1	amabilis fir - western redcedar / salmonberry Very Wet Maritime	GNR	S4	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Yellow
	leaved foamflower Moist Maritime 1	G2	S2	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Abies amabilis - Thuja plicata / Tiarella trifoliata Very Wet Maritime	amabilis fir - western redcedar / three- leaved foamflower Very Wet Maritime G amabilis fir - mountain hemlock / oak fern Moist Maritime 1 G	G3G4	S3S4	March 31,2001	September 29,1994	Yellow
Ables amabilis - I suga mertensiana / Gymnocarpium dryopteris Moist Maritime 1		G4G5	S4		March 31,2001	Yellow
Abies amabilis - Tsuga mertensiana / Streptopus lanceolatus	amabilis fir - mountain hemlock / rosy twistedstalk	G4G5	S4		September 29,1994	Yellow
Abies grandis / Mahonia nervosa	grand fir / dull Oregon-grape	G1	S1	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Abies grandis / Tiarella trifoliata	grand fir / three-leaved foamflower	G1	S1	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Alhus rubra / Carex obnupta [Populus balsamifera ssp. trichocarpa]	red alder / slough sedge [black cottonwood]	G1	S1	June 22,2004	October 29,1991	Red
Alnus rubra / Lysichiton americanus	red alder / skunk cabbage	GNR	S2S3	June 22,2004	October 30,1991	Blue
Alnus rubra / Rubus spectabilis / Equisetum arvense	red Alder / salmonberry / common horsetail	GNR	S3	March 31,2001	March 31,2001	Blue
Anaphalis margaritacea - Aster foliaceous	pearly everlasting - leafy aster	G2	S2	July 11,2002	July 11,2002	Red
Arbutus menziesii / Arctostaphylos columbiana	arbutus / hairy manzanita	G2	S2		July 26,2002	Red
Artemisia campestris - Festuca rubra / Racomitrium canescens	northern wormwood - red fescue / grey rock-moss	GNR	S1			Red
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Calamagrostis purpurascens Herbaceous Vegetation	purple reedgrass Herbaceous Vegetation	G2	S2		June 15,2000	Red
Carex lasiocarpa - Rhynchospora alba	slender sedge - white beak-rush	G2	S2			Red
Carex lyngbyei Herbaceous Vegetation	Lyngbye's sedge herbaceous vegetation large-headed sedge Herbaceous Vegetation	GNR	S3			Blue
Vegetation		G1G2	S1S2		July 26,2002	Red
Carex sitchensis - Oenanthe sarmentosa	Sitka sedge - Pacific water-parsley	G3	S3			Blue
Carex sitchensis / Sphagnum spp.	Sitka sedge / peat-mosses	G2	S2			Red
Chamaecyparis nootkatensis / Sphagnum spp.	yellow-cedar / peat-mosses	GNR	S4?	April 02,1993	April 02,1993	Yellow
Chamaecyparis nootkatensis - Tsuga mertensiana / Lysichiton americanus	yellow-cedar - mountain hemlock / skunk cabbage	G4	S4	June 23,2004	June 23,2004	Yellow
Chamaecyparis nootkatensis - Tsuga mertensiana / Veratrum viride	yellow-cedar - mountain hemlock / Indian hellebore	GNR	S4	June 23,2004	June 23,2004	Yellow
Deschampsia cespitosa - Sidalcea hendersonii	tutted hairgrass - Henderson's checker- mallow	G2	S1S2	May 26,1992	September 20,1991	Red
Deschampsia cespitosa ssp. beringensis - Aster subspicatus	tufted hairgrass - Douglas' aster	G3	S3			Blue

Deschampsia cespitosa ssp. beringensis - Hordeum brachyantherum Distichlis spicata var. spicata Herbaceous	tufted hairgrass - meadow barley	G3	S3			Blue
Vegetation	seashore saltgrass Herbaceous Vegetation	G5	S1S2			Red
Dulichium arundinaceum Herbaceous Vegetation	three-way sedge	GNR	S2			Red
<i>Eleocharis palustris</i> Herbaceous Vegetation	common spike-rush	GNR	S3			Blue
Eriophorum angustifolium / Sphagnum spp.	narrow-leaved cotton-grass / peat-mosses	G3G4	S3S4			Yellow
Koeleria macrantha	Roemer's fescue - junegrass	G1	S1	April 29,1993	June 15,2000	Red
Juncus arcticus - Plantago macrocarpa	arctic rush - Alaska plantain	GNR	S1			Red
Ledum groenlandicum / Kalmia microphylla / Sphagnum spp.	Labrador tea / western bog-laurel / peat-mosses	G4	S3			Blue
Leymus mollis ssp. mollis - Lathyrus japonicus	dune wildrye - beach pea	GNR	S1S2			Red
Manyanthaa trifaliata Caray Jaajaaanaa	husthaan alandar aadaa	63	60		hite 24 2002	Dhue
Myosurus minimus - Montia spp	tiny mousetail - montias - Macoun's	63	55		July 31,2002	Blue
Limnanthes macounii	meadow-toam	G2	S1		June 15,2000	Red
Myrica gale / Carex sitchensis	sweet gale / Sitka sedge	G3	S2			Red
Phlox diffusa - Selaginella wallacei	spreading phlox - Wallace's selaginella	GNR	S2		July 11,2002	Red
Picea sitchensis / Calamagrostis nutkaensis	Sitka spruce / Pacific reedgrass	G3G5	S3	July 11,2002	July 11,2002	Blue
Picea sitchensis / Carex obnupta	Sitka spruce / slough sedge	G2G3	S2S3	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Blue
Picea sitchensis / Eurhynchium oreganum	Sitka spruce / Oregon beaked-moss	GNR	S3	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Blue
Picea sitchensis / Gaultheria shallon Picea sitchensis / Maianthemum dilatatum	Sitka spruce / salal	GNR	S4	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Yellow
Very Wet Hypermaritime 1	Wet Hypermaritime 1	G1G2	S1S2	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Red
Picea sitchensis / Malus fusca	Sitka spruce / Pacific crab apple	GNR	S3		June 15,2000	Blue
Picea sitchensis / Polystichum munitum	Sitka spruce / sword fern	G3	S3	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Blue
Dry Maritime	Maritime	G3	S2	June 26,1992	June 26,1992	Red
Picea sitchensis / Rubus spectabilis Very Wet Maritime	Sitka spruce / salmonberry Very Wet Maritime	G3	S2	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Red
Picea sitchensis / Trisetum canescens	Sitka spruce / tall trisetum	G1G2	S1S2	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Pinus contorta - Chamaecyparis nootkatensis / Racomitrium lanuginosum	lodgepole pine - yellow-cedar / hoary rock-moss	G4	S4	June 15,2000	March 22,2007	Yellow
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Pinus contorta / Spnagnum spp.	iougepoie pine / peat-mosses	GINK	5455	November 17,1993	January 05,1993	r ellow
Pinus contorta / Sphagnum spp. CDFmm Pinus contorta / Sphagnum spp. Very Dry	lodgepole pine / peat-mosses CDFmm lodgepole pine / peat-mosses Very Dry	GNR	51	May 12,1992	May 12,1992	Red
Maritime	Maritime	GNR	S3	June 17,2000	June 15,2000	Blue

Pinus contorta var. contorta - Chamaecyparis nootkatensis / Trichophorum cespitosum	shore pine - yellow-cedar / tufted clubrush	GNR	S5	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Yellow
Plantago maritima - Puccinellia pumila Poa macrantha Herbaceous Vegetation	sea plantain - dwarf alkaligrass dune bluegrass Herbaceous Vegetation	G2 GNR	S2 S1			Red Red
Populus balsamifera ssp. trichocarpa - Alnus rubra / Rubus spectabilis Populus balsamifera ssp. trichocarpa /	black cottonwood - red alder / salmonberry	GNR	S3	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Blue
Salix sitchensis	black cottonwood / Sitka willow	GNR	S2S3	July 11,2002	July 11,2002	Blue
obnupta	slough sedge	G1G2	S1S2		July 26,2002	Red
menziesii	Douglas-fir - arbutus	GNR	S2	July 31,2002	July 31,2002	Red
Pseudotsuga menziesii / Mahonia nervosa	a Douglas-fir / dull Oregon-grape	G2	S2	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Pseudotsuga menziesii / Melica subulata	Douglas-fir / Alaska oniongrass	G1	S1	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Pseudotsuga menziesii - Pinus contorta / Cladina spp.	Douglas-fir - lodgepole pine / reindeer lichens	GNR	S2	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Pseudotsuga menziesii - Pinus contorta / Racomitrium canescens	Douglas-fir - lodgepole pine / grey rock-moss	GNR	S2	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Pseudotsuga menziesii / Polystichum munitum	Douglas-fir / sword fern	G2G4	S2	June 18,1992	June 18,1992	Red
Pseudotsuga menziesii - Tsuga heterophylla / Gaultheria shallon Dry Maritime	Douglas-fir - western hemlock / salal Dry Maritime	G3G4	\$2\$3	June 15 1992	June 15 1992	Blue
Pseudotsuga menziesii - Tsuga	Deurlas fir	0001	0200	00110 10, 1002		Bido
Maritime	Maritime	GNR	S3	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Blue
Quercus garryana - Arbutus menziesii	Garry oak - arbutus	G1	S1	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Quercus garryana / Bromus carinatus	Garry oak / California brome	G1	S1	July 03,1992	July 03,1992	Red
Quercus garryana / Holodiscus discolor	Garry oak / oceanspray	G1	S1	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Ruppia maritima Herbaceous Vegetation	beaked ditch-grass Herbaceous Vegetatior	I GNR	S2			Red
Salicornia virginiana - Glaux maritima	American glasswort - sea-milkwort	G3G4	S2			Red
Salix reticulata Community	net-veined willow Community	GNR	SNR			Yellow
Salix sitchensis / Carex sitchensis	Sitka willow / Sitka sedge	G3	S3			Blue
Salix sitchensis - Salix lucida ssp. Iasiandra / Lysichiton americanus	Sitka willow - Pacific willow / skunk cabbage	G2	S2			Red
Sidalcea hendersonii Tidal Marsh	Henderson's checker-mallow Tidal Marsh	G1	S1	July 10,2000	July 10,2000	Red
Spiraea douglasii / Carex sitchensis	hardhack / Sitka sedge	G4	S4			Yellow
Thuja plicata / Achlys triphylla	western redcedar / vanilla leaf	G1	S1	July 15,2002	July 15,2002	Red
Thuja plicata / Carex obnupta	western redcedar / slough sedge	GNR	S2S3	June 26,1992	June 26,1992	Blue
Thuja plicata - Chamaecyparis nootkatensis / Coptis aspleniifolia	western redcedar - yellow-cedar / spleenwort-leaved goldthread	G4G5	S4S5	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Yellow

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Thuja plicata - Chamaecyparis nootkatensis / Coptis aspleniifolia Moist Maritime 2	western redcedar - yellow-cedar / spleenwort-leaved goldthread Moist Maritime 2	G4G5	S2S3	July 16,2002	July 16,2002	Blue
Thuja plicata - Chamaecyparis nootkatensis / Lysichiton americanus	western redcedar - yellow-cedar / skunk cabbage	GNR	S3S4	July 08,2004	March 31,2001	Yellow
Thuja plicata / Lonicera involucrata	western redcedar / black twinberry	GNR	S2	June 26,1992	June 26,1992	Red
Thuja plicata / Oemleria cerasiformis	western redcedar / Indian-plum	G1	S1	July 15,2002	July 11,2002	Red
Thuja plicata - Picea sitchensis / Lysichiton americanus Thuja plicata - Picea sitchensis /	western redcedar - Sitka spruce / skunk cabbage	G3?	S3?	September 29,1994	July 16,2002	Blue
Oplopanax horridus Very Wet Hypermaritime 1	western redcedar - Sitka spruce / devil's club Very Wet Hypermaritime 1	G1G3	S1S3	March 31,2005	March 31,2005	Yellow
Thuja plicata - Picea sitchensis / Polystichum munitum	western redcedar - Sitka spruce / sword fern	G3?	S2S3	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Blue
Thuja plicata - Picea sitchensis / Tiarella trifoliata Thuja plicata / Polystichum munitum Very	western redcedar - Sitka spruce / three- leaved foamflower	GNR	S4	July 08,2004	July 08,2004	Yellow
Dry Maritime	Maritime	GNR	S2S3	June 25,1992	June 25,1992	Blue
Eurhynchium oreganum	beaked-moss	GNR	S1	July 15,2002	July 15,2002	Red
Thuja plicata / Rubus spectabilis	western redcedar / salmonberry	GNR	S1S2	June 25,1992	June 26,1992	Red
Thuja plicata / Symphoricarpos albus Thuja plicata / Tiarella trifoliata Very Dry	western redcedar / common snowberry western redcedar / three-leaved	GNR	S1	May 26,1992	June 15,1992	Red
Maritime	toamflower Very Dry Maritime	G3	S2	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Thuja plicata - Tsuga heterophylla / Gaultheria shallon	western redcedar - western hemlock / sala	IGNR	S4	September 29,1994	March 31,2001	Yellow
Thuja plicata - Tsuga heterophylla / Polystichum munitum	western redcedar - western hemlock / sword fern	GNR	S3?	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Blue
Trichophorum alpinum / Scorpidium revolvens	Hudson Bay clubrush / rusty hook-moss	G2	S2			Red
Tsuga heterophylla - Abies amabilis / Blechnum spicant Tsuga heterophylla - Abies amabilis /	western hemlock - amabilis fir / deer fern western hemlock - amabilis fir / deer fern	GNR	S5	March 31,2001	March 31,2001	Yellow
Blechnum spicant Moist Maritime	Moist Maritime	G2G4	S2	July 22,2002	July 22,2002	Red
Rhytidiopsis robusta	moss	G3	S3	November 16,1993	June 16,1992	Blue
Tsuga heterophylla - Abies amabilis / Vaccinium alaskaense Tsuga heterophylla - Chamaecynaris	western hemlock - amabilis fir / Alaskan blueberry	GNR	S4?	June 17,1992	April 01,1993	Yellow
nootkatensis / Gaultheria shallon Very Wet Hypermaritime 1	t western hemlock - yellow-cedar / salal Very Wet Hypermaritime 1	GNR	S4	September 29,1994	September 29,1994	Yellow
Tsuga heterophylla - Picea sitchensis / Rhytidiadelphus loreus	western hemlock - Sitka spruce / lanky moss	GNR	S3	September 29,1994	March 31,2001	Blue
Tsuga heterophylla - Pinus contorta / Cladina rangiferina Tsuga heterophylla - Bouvletouga	western hemlock - lodgepole pine / grey reindeer lichen	G3G5	S3S5	June 15,2000	March 22,2007	Yellow
menziesii / Eurhynchium oreganum	beaked-moss	G3G4	S2	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Tsuga heterophylla - Thuja plicata / Blechnum spicant	western hemlock - western redcedar / deer fern	G2G3	S2	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Tsuga heterophylla - Thuja plicata / Gaultheria shallon Moist Maritime 1	western hemlock - western redcedar / sala Moist Maritime 1	l G3G4	S2	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Red
Tsuga heterophylla - Thuja plicata / Gaultheria shallon Moist Maritime 2	western hemlock - western redcedar / sala Moist Maritime 2	G3	S3	June 15,2000	June 15,2000	Blue
Tsuga heterophylla - Thuja plicata / Gaultheria shallon Very Wet Maritime	western hemlock - western redcedar / sala Very Wet Maritime	l G3	S3	February 15,2006	March 28,2006	Blue

Tsuga mertensiana - Abies amabilis / Phyllodoce empetriformis Moist Maritime *	mountain hemlock - amabilis fir / pink I mountain-heather Moist Maritime 1	G5	S4		September 29,1994	Yellow
Tsuga mertensiana - Abies amabilis / Rubus pedatus	mountain hemlock - amabilis fir / five-leaved bramble	d G4G5	S4S5		September 29,1994	Yellow
Tsuga mertensiana - Abies amabilis / Vaccinium alaskaense	mountain hemlock - amabilis fir / Alaskan blueberry	G4G5	S3S4	July 22,2002	July 22,2002	Yellow
Tsuga mertensiana - Chamaecyparis nootkatensis / Blechnum spicant	mountain hemlock - yellow-cedar / deer fern	GNR	S4	March 25,1993	March 31,2001	Yellow
Tsuga mertensiana - Chamaecyparis nootkatensis / Sphagnum capillifolium	mountain hemlock - yellow-cedar / commor red peat-moss	GNR	S5		March 25,1993	Yellow
Typha latifolia Marsh	common cattail Marsh	G5	S3			Blue

Appendix D



Appendix E



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Appendix G

