

Level 4 Potential Conservation Area (PCA) Report

Name Chicago Lakes

Site Code S.USCOHP*5023

IDENTIFIERS

Site ID 1848 Site Class PCA
Site Alias None

Network of Conservation Areas (NCA)

<u>NCA Site ID</u>	<u>NCA Site Code</u>	<u>NCA Site Name</u>
-		No Data

LOCATORS

Nation United States Latitude 393707N
State Colorado Longitude 1053810W

Quad Code Quad Name
39105-E6 Mount Evans

County
Clear Creek (CO)

Watershed Code Watershed Name
10190004 Clear

SITE DESCRIPTION

Minimum Elevation - Feet - Meters
Maximum Elevation - Feet - Meters

Site Description

The site includes large, rocky boulders above Lower Chicago Lake and is dominated mostly by willows and scattered bristlecone pines (*Pinus aristata*). Very large pines, as well as seedlings were noted. Shrubs include common juniper (*Juniperus communis*) and short-fruit willow (*Salix brachycarpa*). Forbs and graminoids include whip-root clover (*Trifolium dasyphyllum*), curly bluegrass (*Poa secunda*) and dry-spike sedge (*Carex foenea*).

Key Environmental Factors

No Data

Climate Description

No Data

Land Use History

No Data

Cultural Features

No Data

SITE DESIGN

Site Map P - Partial Mapped Date 05/01/1996

Designer Ranne, B.

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the element and a small buffer.

Primary Area 102.63 Acres 41.53 Hectares

SITE SIGNIFICANCE

Biodiversity Significance Rank B2: Very High Biodiversity Significance

Biodiversity Significance Comments

The site supports an excellent (A-ranked) occurrence of a globally imperiled (G2/S2) upper montane woodland community, *Pinus aristata* / *Trifolium dasyphyllum*.

Other Values Rank No Data

Other Values Comments

No Data

LAND MANAGEMENT ISSUES

Land Use Comments

No Data

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Natural Hazard Comments

No Data

Exotics Comments

No Data

Offsite

Off-site considerations include nearby recreational use, a wilderness trail and grazing.

Information Needs

No Data

ASSOCIATED ELEMENTS OF BIODIVERSITY

<u>Element</u>			<u>Global</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Driving</u>
<u>State ID</u>	<u>State Scientific Name</u>	<u>State Common Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Site Rank</u>
24835	<i>Pinus aristata</i> / <i>Trifolium dasyphyllum</i> Woodland	Upper Montane Woodlands	G2	S2	Yes

REFERENCES

<u>Reference ID</u>	<u>Full Citation</u>
-	No Data

ADDITIONAL TOPICS

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No Data

VERSION

Version Date 05/01/1996

Version Author Ranne, B.

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