

Level 4 Potential Conservation Area (PCA) Report

Name Comanche/Venable Lakes

Site Code S.USCOHP*4978

IDENTIFIERS

Site ID 1434 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>
1956	S.USCOHP*5778	Sangre de Cristo

LOCATORS

Nation United States Latitude 380423N
State Colorado Longitude 1053524W

Quad Code Quad Name

38105-A5 Horn Peak

County

Custer (CO)

<u>Watershed Code</u>	<u>Watershed Name</u>
11020001	Arkansas Headwaters

SITE DESCRIPTION

Minimum Elevation	9,390.00 Feet	2,862.07 Meters
Maximum Elevation	12,560.00 Feet	3,828.29 Meters

Site Description

This is a steep slope above a creek. Below the bristlecone pine (*Pinus aristata*) stand is a creek and a meadow area.

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 Kettler, S.M.

Boundary Justification

Boundary includes the occurrences of the bristlecone pine communities and similar habitat which should provide enough area to allow simulation of natural fires.

Primary Area 1,810.49 Acres 732.68 Hectares

SITE SIGNIFICANCE

Biodiversity Significance Rank B2: Very High Biodiversity Significance

Biodiversity Significance Comments

This site contains one excellent (A-ranked) occurrence of a globally imperiled (G2/S2) *Pinus aristata* / *Trifolium dasyphyllum* plant community, a poor (D-ranked) occurrence of the globally imperiled (G2/S2) Smith whitlow-grass (*Draba smithii*), an excellent (A-ranked) occurrence of a state rare (G4/S3) *Pinus aristata* / *Festuca arizonica* plant community and a good (B-ranked) occurrence of a state rare (G5/S2) *Pinus aristata* / *Festuca thurberi* plant community.

Other Values Rank No Data

Other Values Comments

No Data

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LAND MANAGEMENT ISSUES

Land Use Comments

No Data

Natural Hazard Comments

No Data

Exotics Comments

No Data

Offsite

No Data

Information Needs

No Data

ASSOCIATED ELEMENTS OF BIODIVERSITY

<u>Element</u>			<u>Global Rank</u>	<u>State Rank</u>	<u>Driving Site Rank</u>
<u>State ID</u>	<u>State Scientific Name</u>	<u>State Common Name</u>			
24588	<i>Pinus aristata</i> / <i>Festuca arizonica</i> Woodland	Montane Woodlands	G4	S3	No
24589	<i>Pinus aristata</i> / <i>Festuca thurberi</i> Woodland	Lower Montane Woodlands	G5	S2	No
24835	<i>Pinus aristata</i> / <i>Trifolium dasyphyllum</i> Woodland	Upper Montane Woodlands	G2	S2	Yes
21624	<i>Draba smithii</i>	Smith whitlow-grass	G2	S2	No

REFERENCES

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

ADDITIONAL TOPICS

Additional Topics

No Data

VERSION

Version Date	09/02/1997
Version Author	Fleming, C.C.

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