

Level 4 Potential Conservation Area (PCA) Report

Name Durango West

Site Code S.USCOHP*24892

IDENTIFIERS

Site ID 2129 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 371909N
State Colorado Longitude 1075555W

Quad Code Quad Name

37107-C7 Durango East
37107-C8 Durango West
37108-C1 Hesperus

County

La Plata (CO)

Watershed Code Watershed Name

14080104 Animas

SITE DESCRIPTION

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

Site Description

This extremely large site encompasses six known nesting territories of Grace's Warbler, within a forest dominated by ponderosa pine and Gambel oak. The site includes most of the Perins Peak State Wildlife Area, as well as adjacent National Forest and private lands. Active nests of the Peregrine Falcon and Bald Eagle are also within the site, however, the site was designed specifically for the Grace's Warbler. See the Animas City Mountain and Coal Gulch sites for discussion of the falcon and eagle occurrences, respectively.

Key Environmental Factors

No Data

Climate Description

No Data

Land Use History

No Data

Cultural Features

No Data

SITE DESIGN

Site Map Y - Yes Mapped Date 03/01/2004

Designer Lyon, M.J.

Boundary Justification

The boundary is drawn to include the locations of singing male Grace's Warblers and adjacent areas mapped as ponderosa pine forest. Although the size of the local population is unknown, a sufficient area of suitable habitat in ponderosa pine forest has been included to support a viable population of Grace's Warblers.

Primary Area 17,491.29 Acres 7,078.50 Hectares

SITE SIGNIFICANCE

Biodiversity Significance Rank B5: General Biodiversity Interest

Biodiversity Significance Comments

The site supports at least six extant breeding territories of Grace's Warbler, a bird that is vulnerable in Colorado (G5/S3B).

Other Values Rank No Data

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Other Values Comments

No Data

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</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>
22571	<i>Dendroica graciae</i>	Grace's Warbler	G5	S3B	Yes
22571	<i>Dendroica graciae</i>	Grace's Warbler	G5	S3B	Yes
22571	<i>Dendroica graciae</i>	Grace's Warbler	G5	S3B	Yes

REFERENCES

<u>Reference ID</u>	<u>Full Citation</u>
184581	Lyon, P. 2003. Colorado Natural Heritage Program La Plata County Biological Assessment.

ADDITIONAL TOPICS

Additional Topics

No Data

VERSION

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