

Level 4 Potential Conservation Area (PCA) Report

Name East Fork Dallas Creek

Site Code S.USCOHP*18357

IDENTIFIERS

Site ID 272 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> |
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| - | | No Data |

LOCATORS

Nation United States Latitude 380221N
State Colorado Longitude 1074814W

Quad Code Quad Name
38107-A7 Mount Sneffels

County
Ouray (CO)

Watershed Code Watershed Name
14020006 Uncompahange

SITE DESCRIPTION

| | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|------|----------|--------|
| Minimum Elevation | 9,000.00 | Feet | 2,743.00 | Meters |
| Maximum Elevation | 10,000.00 | Feet | 3,048.00 | Meters |

Site Description

East Dallas Creek flows north from the Blue Lakes in the high San Juans. As the terrain flattens, it creates large wetlands dominated by tall willows, which are enhanced by beavers. Camping, hiking, hunting and fishing are popular in the National Forest. The site is an access point for the Blue Lakes and Dallas trails. The area has been grazed, and contains introduced pasture grasses such as Kentucky bluegrass and smooth brome, as well as native sedges and rushes. The surrounding area has been impacted by logging and grazing.

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 12/12/1998
Designer Lyon, M.J.

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the two occurrences, the area between, and a buffer to the 10,000 foot contour line.

Primary Area 1,073.50 Acres 434.43 Hectares

SITE SIGNIFICANCE

Biodiversity Significance Rank B4: Moderate Biodiversity Significance

Biodiversity Significance Comments

This site contains an excellent (A-ranked) occurrence of a beaked sedge (*Carex utriculata*) wet meadow which is demonstrably secure on a global scale (G5/S4) and a fair (C-ranked) occurrence of a globally vulnerable (G3/S3) *Salix drummondiana* / *Calamagrostis canadensis* lower montane willow carr.

Other Values Rank No Data

Other Values Comments

Recreation, hunting, fishing.

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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> | | | |
| 18795 | <i>Carex utriculata</i> Herbaceous Vegetation | Beaked Sedge Montane Wet Meadows | G5 | S4 | Yes |
| 24473 | <i>Salix drummondiana</i> / <i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i> Shrubland | Lower Montane Willow Carrs | G3 | S3 | Yes |

REFERENCES

| <u>Reference ID</u> | <u>Full Citation</u> |
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ADDITIONAL TOPICS

Additional Topics

No Data

VERSION

Version Date 05/13/1999

Version Author Lyon, M.J.

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