

Level 4 Potential Conservation Area (PCA) Report

Name Government Springs Road South

Site Code S.USCOHP*18711

IDENTIFIERS

Site ID 1918 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 381808N
State Colorado Longitude 1075230W

Quad Code Quad Name

38107-C7 Colona
38107-C8 Government Springs

County

Ouray (CO)

Watershed Code Watershed Name

14020006 Uncompahange

SITE DESCRIPTION

Minimum Elevation	7,150.00 Feet	2,179.00 Meters
Maximum Elevation	7,640.00 Feet	2,329.00 Meters

Site Description

Government Springs Road runs along a mesa between Dolores Canyon and Horsefly Creek Canyon on the east side of the Uncompahgre Plateau. The area is wooded with pinyon and juniper. *Lesquerella vicina* was found growing in red sandy soil along the roadside and under pinyon and juniper. Associated species included black sagebrush, mountain big sagebrush, Sandburg bluegrass, mat penstemon, Indian paintbrush and Drummond's rockcress. The area is popular with hunters, and there are several dirt roads in the area. The site is a combination of BLM and private land, and only the BLM portions were surveyed. It is expected that the bladderpod population may be found to be more extensive with further inventory, in which case the rank of this site may be raised.

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 12/15/1998
Designer Lyon, M.J.

Boundary Justification

The boundary encompasses two occurrences of *Lesquerella vicina*. The site could be expanded if the plants are found in the adjacent areas.

Primary Area 397.69 Acres 160.94 Hectares

SITE SIGNIFICANCE

Biodiversity Significance Rank B4: Moderate Biodiversity Significance

Biodiversity Significance Comments

This site contains poor (D-ranked) occurrences of a globally imperiled (G2/S2) plant, good-neighbor bladderpod (*Lesquerella vicina*).

Other Values Rank No Data

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Other Values Comments

Wildlife habitat.

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>
20366	<i>Lesquerella vicina</i>	good-neighbor bladderpod	G2	S2	Yes
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REFERENCES

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

ADDITIONAL TOPICS

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No Data

VERSION

Version Date	06/11/1999
Version Author	Lyon, M.J.

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