Level 4 Potential Conservation Area (PCA) Report

Name Hidden Valley Creek **Site Code** S.USCOHP*607

IDENTIFIERS

Site ID 1430 **Site Class** PCA

Site Alias None

Network of Conservation Areas (NCA)

NCA Site ID	NCA Site Code	NCA Site Name
-		No Data

LOCATORS

Nation United States **Latitude** 402333N

State Colorado **Longitude** 1053723W

Quad Code	Quad Name
40105-D5	Estes Park
40105-D6	Trail Ridge

County

Larimer (CO)

Watershed Code	Watershed Name
10190006	Big Thompson

SITE DESCRIPTION

Minimum Elevation - **Feet** - **Meters**

Maximum Elevation - **Feet** - **Meters**

Site Description

The site is a headwater tributary of the Big Thompson River in Rocky Mountain National Park. The area used to include a National Park endorsed ski lift, but the area has recently been reclaimed. High elevation stream; conifer riparian zone runs through old ski area, and is culverted under old lodge (now education center). Transition to mixed conifer/aspen upslope with moderately steep slopes; dense coniferous forest and meandering stream with saturated floodplain. Moderate to heavy use by ungulates. Floodplain primarily grasses. State Highway 36 runs along east side of site. Evidence of previous beaver use but no current activity.

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** 09/12/1994

Designer Pague, C.A.

Boundary Justification

Includes the element and a buffer into adjacent forested habitats believed to be supportive of the ecological processes necessary to protect the site integrity.

Primary Area 1,637.70 **Acres** 662.75 **Hectares**

SITE SIGNIFICANCE

Biodiversity Significance Rank B4: Moderate Biodiversity Significance

Biodiversity Significance Comments

Rank is based on an historical occurrence of a globally imperiled (G4T2T3/S2) subspecies.

Other Values Rank No Data

Other Values Comments

No Data

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LAND MANAGMENT 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

Element State ID	State Scientific Name	State Common Name	Global Rank	State Rank	Driving Site Rank
16680	*Oncorhynchus clarkii stomias*	Greenback Cutthroat Trout	G4T2T3	S2	Yes

REFERENCES

Reference ID	Full Citation
-	No Data

ADDITIONAL TOPICS

Additional Topics

No Data

VERSION

Version Date 09/12/1994

Version Author Pague, C.A.

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