

# Level 4 Potential Conservation Area (PCA) Report

Name Old Grand Mesa Road

Site Code S.USCOHP\*28154

## IDENTIFIERS

Site ID 2700 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 390056N  
State Colorado Longitude 1075631W

Quad Code Quad Name  
39107-A8 Grand Mesa

County  
Delta (CO)

Watershed Code Watershed Name  
14020005 Lower Gunnison

## SITE DESCRIPTION

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

### Site Description

The Old Grand Mesa Road, once the primary access to the south side of Grand Mesa, winds through rich aspen forest with a dense understory including snowberry (*Symphoricarpos rotundifolius*), lupine (*Lupinus argenteus*) and wild geranium (*Geranium richardsonii*). The rare Grand Mesa penstemon (*Penstemon mensarum*) blooms along the roadside, and some distance away from the road.

### 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 08/23/2010  
Designer Lyon, M.J.

### Boundary Justification

The site includes the occurrence of *Penstemon mensarum* and additional adjacent habitat that appears to be suitable for the species but has not been completely surveyed.

Primary Area 378.66 Acres 153.24 Hectares

## SITE SIGNIFICANCE

Biodiversity Significance Rank B3: High Biodiversity Significance

### Biodiversity Significance Comments

The site contains a good (B-ranked) occurrence of Grand Mesa penstemon (*Penstemon mensarum*), a globally vulnerable (G3/S3) species.

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>			
19689	<i>Penstemon mensarum</i>	Grand Mesa penstemon	G3	S3	Yes

## REFERENCES

<u>Reference ID</u>	<u>Full Citation</u>
198684	Lyon, P. and B. Kuhn. 2010. CNHP Final Report: Grand Mesa National Forest Rare Plant and Boreal Toad Survey 2010. Colorado Natural Heritage Program. Fort Collins, CO.

## ADDITIONAL TOPICS

### Additional Topics

No Data

## VERSION

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