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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| 2022 Annual Report | 2022 Habitat Restoration Annual Report |
| Army | US Department of the Army |
| AMP | Adaptive Management Plan |
| BRAC | Base Realignment and Closure |
| Burleson | Burleson Consulting Inc., A Terracon Company |
| BMP | Best Management Practice |
| CDFA | California Department of Food and Agriculture |
| Kemron | Kemron Environmental Services, Inc. |
| HA | Historic Area |
| HA 27A North | Northern polygons located at HA 27A |
| HA 27A South | Southern polygon located at HA 27A |
| HMP | Habitat Management Plan |
| HRP | Habitat Restoration Plan |
| lb | Pound |
| Monitoring Protocol | Protocol for Conducting Vegetation Monitoring in Compliance with the Installation-Wide Multispecies Habitat Management Plan at Former Fort Ord |
| NA | Not Applicable |
| NF | Native Forb (Annual Herbs/Forbs) |
| NNF | Non-Native Forb |
| NNP | Non-Native Perennial (Shrubs and Perennial Herbs/Forbs) |
| NP | Native Perennial |
| Propagation Protocol | Site 39 Plant Material Collection, Storage, and Propagation Protocols |
| PWS | Performance Work Statement |
| Site 39 | Site 39 Inland Ranges |
| SSRP | Site Specific Restoration Plan |
| USACE | US Army Corps of Engineers |
| USFWS | US Fish and Wildlife Service |
| UXO | Unexploded Ordnance |
| °F | Degrees Fahrenheit |

SPECIES LIST AND CODES

| Scientific Name | Common Name | Code | Category |
|--|----------------------------|-------|----------|
| <i>Acacia sp.</i> | acacia | AC | NNP |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> | common yarrow | ACMI | NP |
| <i>Acmispon americanus var. americanus</i> | Spanish clover | ACAMA | NF |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> | deerweed | ACGL | NP |
| <i>Acmispon heermannii var. orbicularis</i> | Heermann's lotus | ACHEO | NP |
| <i>Acmispon parviflorus</i> | hill lotus | ACPA | NF |
| <i>Acmispon strigosus</i> | Bishop's lotus | ACST | NF |
| <i>Acmispon wrangelianus</i> | Chile lotus | ACWR | NF |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculatum</i> | chamise | ADFA | NP |
| <i>Agoseris apargioides</i> | coast dandelion | AGAP | NP |
| <i>Agoseris grandiflora</i> | large-flowered agoseris | AGGR | NP |
| <i>Agoseris heterophylla var. cryptopleura</i> | California annual agoseris | AGHEC | NF |
| <i>Agoseris sp.</i> | agoseris | AG | |
| <i>Agrostis avenacea</i> | Pacific bent grass | AGAV | NNP |
| <i>Agrostis exarata</i> | spike bent grass | AGEX | NP |
| <i>Agrostis hallii</i> | Hall's bent grass | AGHA | NP |
| <i>Agrostis pallens</i> | leafy bent grass | AGPA | NP |
| <i>Aira caryophyllea</i> | silver hair grass | AICA | NNF |
| <i>Amsinckia intermedia</i> | common fiddleneck | AMIN | NF |
| <i>Amsinckia spectabilis var. spectabilis</i> | Seaside fiddleneck | AMSPS | NF |
| <i>Anaphalis margaritacea</i> | pearly everlasting | ANMA | NP |
| <i>Aphanes occidentalis</i> | Western lady's mantle | APOC | NF |
| <i>Aphyllon sp.</i> | broomrape | AP | NP |
| <i>Arbutus menziesii</i> | Pacific madrone | ARME | NP |
| <i>Arctostaphylos hookeri*</i> | Hooker's manzanita | ARHO | NP |
| <i>Arctostaphylos montereyensis*</i> | Monterey manzanita | ARMO | NP |
| <i>Arctostaphylos pumila*</i> | sandmat manzanita | ARPU | NP |
| <i>Arctostaphylos tomentosa</i> | shaggy-bark manzanita | ARTO | NP |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> | California sagebrush | ARCA | NP |
| <i>Artemisia douglasiana</i> | mugwort | ARDO | NP |
| <i>Artemisia pycnocephala</i> | coastal sagewort | ARPY | NP |
| <i>Asteraceae sp.</i> | daisy species | AS | |
| <i>Atriplex semibaccata</i> | Australian saltbush | ATSE | NNP |
| <i>Avena barbata</i> | slender wild oat | AVBA | NNF |
| <i>Avena fatua</i> | wild oat | AVFA | NNF |
| <i>Avena sp.</i> | wild oat | AV | NNF |
| <i>Baccharis glutinosa</i> | salt marsh baccharis | BAGL | NP |
| <i>Baccharis pilularis</i> | coyote brush | BAPI | NP |
| <i>Baccharis salicifolia</i> | mule fat | BASA4 | NP |
| <i>Bowlesia incana</i> | hoary bowlesia | BOIN3 | NF |

| Scientific Name | Common Name | Code | Category |
|--|----------------------------|--------|----------|
| <i>Brassica nigra</i> | black mustard | BRNI | NNF |
| <i>Briza maxima</i> | rattlesnake grass | BRMA | NNF |
| <i>Briza minor</i> | small quaking grass | BRMI | NNF |
| <i>Brodiaea terrestris</i> ssp. <i>terrestris</i> | dwarf brodiaea | BRTET | NP |
| <i>Bromus carinatus</i> | California brome | BRCA | NF |
| <i>Bromus diandrus</i> | ripgut brome | BRDI | NNF |
| <i>Bromus hordeaceus</i> | soft chess | BRHO | NNF |
| <i>Bromus madritensis</i> ssp. <i>rubens</i> | foxtail chess | BRMAR | NNF |
| <i>Calandrinia breweri</i> | Brewer's redmaids | CABR3 | NF |
| <i>Calandrinia menziesii</i> | red maids | CAME | NF |
| <i>Callitriche heterophylla</i> | water starwort | CAHE3 | NP |
| <i>Calochortus albus</i> | white globe lily | CAAL | NP |
| <i>Calyptridium monandrum</i> | common pussypaws | CAMO | NF |
| <i>Camissonia contorta</i> | contorted primrose | CACO | NF |
| <i>Camissonia strigulosa</i> | sandysoil suncup | CAST20 | NF |
| <i>Camissoniopsis cheiranthifolia</i> | beach evening primrose | CACH | NP |
| <i>Camissoniopsis micrantha</i> | small primrose | CAMI | NF |
| <i>Cardionema ramosissimum</i> | sand mat | CARA | NP |
| <i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i> ssp. <i>pycnocephalus</i> | Italian thistle | CAPYP | NNF |
| <i>Carex barbarae</i> | Santa Barbara sedge | CABA | NP |
| <i>Carex brevicaulis</i> | short stem sedge | CABR8 | NP |
| <i>Carex globosa</i> | round-fruited sedge | CAGL | NP |
| <i>Carex praegracilis</i> | clustered field sedge | CAPR | NP |
| <i>Carex</i> sp. | sedge | CA | NP |
| <i>Carex tumulicola</i> | foothill sedge | CATU | NP |
| <i>Carpobrotus edulis</i> | hottentot fig | CAED | NNP |
| <i>Castilleja affinis</i> | coast paint-brush | CAAF | NP |
| <i>Castilleja ambigua</i> ssp. <i>ambigua</i> | Johnny nip | CAAMA3 | NF |
| <i>Castilleja attenuata</i> | narrow leaved owl's clover | CAAT | NF |
| <i>Castilleja densiflora</i> | owl's clover | CADE | NF |
| <i>Castilleja exserta</i> ssp. <i>exserta</i> | purple owl's-clover | CAEX | NF |
| <i>Castilleja foliolosa</i> | woolly indian paintbrush | CAFO2 | NP |
| <i>Ceanothus dentatus</i> | dwarf ceanothus | CEDE | NP |
| <i>Ceanothus rigidus</i> * | Monterey ceanothus | CERI | NP |
| <i>Ceanothus thyrsiflorus</i> | blueblossom | CETH | NP |
| <i>Ceanothus thyrsiflorus</i> var. <i>griseus</i> | Carmel ceanothus | CETHG | NP |
| <i>Centaurea melitensis</i> | tocalote | CEME | NNF |
| <i>Cerastium glomeratum</i> | sticky mouse-ear chickweed | CEGL | NNF |
| <i>Chenopodium californicum</i> | California goosefoot | CHCA | NP |
| <i>Chlorogalum pomeridianum</i> | wavyleaf soap plant | CHPO | NP |
| <i>Chorizanthe diffusa</i> | diffuse spineflower | CHDI | NF |
| <i>Chorizanthe douglasii</i> | Douglas's spineflower | CHDO | NF |

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|--|-------------------------------|-------|----------|
| <i>Chorizanthe pungens</i> var. <i>pungens</i> * | Monterey spineflower | CHPUP | NF |
| <i>Cirsium occidentale</i> | cobwebby thistle | CIOC | NP |
| <i>Cirsium occidentale</i> var. <i>candidissimum</i> | snowy thistle | CIOCC | NP |
| <i>Cirsium</i> sp. | thistle | CI | |
| <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> | bull thistle | CIVU | NNP |
| <i>Cistus incanus</i> | rock-rose | CIIN | NNP |
| <i>Clarkia lewisii</i> | Lewis' clarkia | CLLE | NF |
| <i>Clarkia purpurea</i> ssp. <i>quadrivulnera</i> | winecup clarkia | CLPUQ | NF |
| <i>Clarkia</i> sp. | clarkia | CL | NF |
| <i>Clarkia unguiculata</i> | elegant clarkia | CLUN | NF |
| <i>Claytonia parviflora</i> | narrow leaved miner's lettuce | CLPA | NF |
| <i>Claytonia perfoliata</i> | miner's lettuce | CLPE | NF |
| <i>Clinopodium douglasii</i> | yerba buena | CLDO | NP |
| <i>Collinsia heterophylla</i> var. <i>heterophylla</i> | Chinese-houses | COHEH | NF |
| <i>Conicosia pugioniformis</i> | narrowleaf iceplant | COPU | NNP |
| <i>Conium maculatum</i> | poison hemlock | COMA | NNP |
| <i>Cordylanthus rigidus</i> ssp. <i>littoralis</i> * | seaside bird's-beak | CORIL | NF |
| <i>Corethrogyne filaginifolia</i> | common sandaster | COFI | NP |
| <i>Cortaderia jubata</i> | jubata grass | COJU | NNP |
| <i>Crassula aquatica</i> | water pygmy-weed | CRAQ | NF |
| <i>Crassula connata</i> | pygmy-weed | CRCO | NF |
| <i>Crassula tillaea</i> | moss pygmy-weed | CRTI | NNF |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> | peak rush-rose | CRSC | NP |
| <i>Croton californicus</i> | California croton | CRCA | NP |
| <i>Cryptantha clevelandii</i> | Cleveland's cryptantha | CRCL | NF |
| <i>Cryptantha intermedia</i> | common cryptantha | CRIN | NF |
| <i>Cryptantha intermedia</i> var. <i>intermedia</i> | common cryptantha | CRINI | NF |
| <i>Cryptantha micromeres</i> | minute-flowered cryptantha | CRMI | NF |
| <i>Cryptantha</i> sp. | cryptantha | CR | NF |
| <i>Cyperus eragrostis</i> | tall cyperus | CYER | NP |
| <i>Danthonia californica</i> | California oat grass | DACA | NP |
| <i>Daucus pusillus</i> | wild carrot | DAPU | NF |
| <i>Deinandra corymbosa</i> | coastal tarweed | DECO | NF |
| <i>Deschampsia danthonioides</i> | annual hairgrass | DEDA | NF |
| <i>Delphinium hutchinsoniae</i> | Hutchinson's larkspur | DEHU | NP |
| <i>Dichelostemma capitatum</i> | blue dicks | DICA | NP |
| <i>Diplacus aurantiacus</i> | sticky monkeyflower | DIAU | NP |
| <i>Distichlis spicata</i> | salt grass | DISP | NP |
| <i>Dittrichia graveolens</i> | stinkwort | DIGR3 | NNF |
| <i>Drymocallis glandulosa</i> var. <i>wrangelliana</i> | sticky cinquefoil | DRGLW | NP |
| <i>Dudleya farinosa</i> | bluff lettuce | DUFA | NP |
| <i>Elatine californica</i> | California waterwort | ELCA | NF |

| Scientific Name | Common Name | Code | Category |
|---|--------------------------|--------|----------|
| <i>Eleocharis acicularis</i> | needle spikerush | ELAC | NP |
| <i>Eleocharis macrostachya</i> | spike rush | ELMA | NP |
| <i>Elymus condensatus</i> | giant wild-rye | ELCO | NP |
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> | blue wild-rye | ELGL | NP |
| <i>Elymus triticoides</i> | beardless wild rye | ELTR | NP |
| <i>Epilobium ciliatum</i> | fringed willowherb | EPCI | NF |
| <i>Eriastrum virgatum</i> | virgate eriastrum | ERVI | NF |
| <i>Ericameria ericoides</i> | mock heather | ERER | NP |
| <i>Ericameria fasciculata</i> * | Eastwood's goldenbush | ERFA | NP |
| <i>Erigeron canadensis</i> | horseweed | ERCA | NF |
| <i>Eriodictyon californicum</i> | yerba santa | ERCA6 | NP |
| <i>Eriogonum nudum</i> | naked buckwheat | ERNU | NP |
| <i>Eriophyllum confertiflorum</i> | golden yarrow | ERCO | NP |
| <i>Erodium botrys</i> | long-beaked filaree | ERBO | NNF |
| <i>Erodium cicutarium</i> | red-stemmed filaree | ERCI | NNF |
| <i>Erysimum ammophilum</i> * | coast wallflower | ERAM | NP |
| <i>Eschscholzia californica</i> | California poppy | ESCA | NF |
| <i>Eurybia radulina</i> | roughleaf aster | EURA | NP |
| <i>Euthamia occidentalis</i> | western goldenrod | EUOC | NP |
| <i>Festuca bromoides</i> | brome fescue | FEBR | NNF |
| <i>Festuca myuros</i> | rattail sixweeks grass | FEMY | NNF |
| <i>Festuca octoflora</i> | sixweeks grass | FEOC | NF |
| <i>Festuca perennis</i> | Italian rye grass | FEPE | NNF |
| <i>Frangula californica</i> | California coffeeberry | FRCA | NP |
| <i>Fritillaria affinis</i> | checker lily | FRAF2 | NF |
| <i>Galium andrewsii</i> | phlox-leaved bedstraw | GAAN | NP |
| <i>Galium angustifolium</i> | narrowly leaved bedstraw | GAAN2 | NP |
| <i>Galium aparine</i> | goose grass | GAAP | NF |
| <i>Galium californicum</i> | California bedstraw | GACA | NP |
| <i>Galium porrigens</i> | climbing bedstraw | GAPO | NF |
| <i>Galium porrigens</i> var. <i>porrigens</i> | climbing bedstraw | GAPOP | NP |
| <i>Gallium nuttallii</i> | climbing bedstraw | GANU | NP |
| <i>Gamochaeta ustulata</i> | purple cudweed | GAUS | NP |
| <i>Garrya elliptica</i> | coast silk tassel | GAEL | NP |
| <i>Gastridium phleoides</i> | nit grass | GAPH | NNF |
| <i>Genista monspessulana</i> | French broom | GEMO | NNP |
| <i>Geranium dissectum</i> | cut-leaved geranium | GEDI | NNF |
| <i>Gilia tenuiflora</i> ssp. <i>arenaria</i> * | sand gilia | GITEA | NF |
| <i>Githopsis specularioides</i> | common bluecup | GISP | NF |
| <i>Gnaphalium palustre</i> | lowland cudweed | GNPA | NF |
| <i>Heliotropium curassavicum</i> var. <i>oculatum</i> | seaside heliotrope | HECUO | NP |
| <i>Hesperocyparis macrocarpa</i> | Monterey cypress | HEMA22 | NP |

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|--|-------------------------|-----------|----------|
| <i>Heteromeles arbutifolia</i> | toyon | HEAR | NP |
| <i>Heterotheca grandiflora</i> | telegraph weed | HEGR | NF |
| <i>Hordeum brachyantherum</i> | meadow barley | HOBR | NP |
| <i>Hordeum sp.</i> | sterile barley | HO | NNF |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> | wedge-leaved horkelia | HOCU | NP |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata var. cuneata</i> | wedge-leaved horkelia | HOCUC | NP |
| <i>Hypochaeris glabra</i> | smooth cat's ear | HYGL | NNF |
| <i>Hypochaeris radicata</i> | rough cat's ear | HYRA | NNP |
| <i>Iris douglasiana</i> | douglas iris | IRDO | NF |
| <i>Isocoma menziesii var. vernonioides</i> | Menzies' goldenbush | ISMEV | NP |
| <i>Isoetes howellii</i> | Howell's quillwort | ISHO | NF |
| <i>Juncus balticus ssp. ater</i> | baltic rush | JUBAA | NP |
| <i>Juncus bufonius</i> | toad rush | JUBU | NF |
| <i>Juncus bufonius var. bufonius</i> | common toad rush | JUBUB | NF |
| <i>Juncus bufonius var. congestus</i> | clustered toad rush | JUBUC2 | NF |
| <i>Juncus bufonius var. occidentalis</i> | western toad rush | JUBUO | NP |
| <i>Juncus capitatus</i> | Dwarf rush | JUCA | NNF |
| <i>Juncus occidentalis</i> | western rush | JUOC | NP |
| <i>Juncus patens</i> | spreading rush | JUPA | NP |
| <i>Juncus phaeocephalus</i> | brown-headed rush | JUPH | NP |
| <i>Juncus sp.</i> | rush | JU | |
| <i>Koeleria macrantha</i> | june grass | KOMA | NP |
| <i>Lastarriaea coriacea</i> | leather spineflower | LACO | NF |
| <i>Lasthenia glaberrima</i> | smooth goldfields | LAGL3 | NF |
| <i>Lasthenia gracilis</i> | common goldfields | LAGR | NF |
| <i>Lathyrus angulatus</i> | angled pea vine | LAAN | NNP |
| <i>Layia platyglossa</i> | tidy-tips | LAPL | NF |
| <i>Lepechinia calycina</i> | pitcher sage | LECA | NP |
| <i>Lessingia pectinata</i> | common lessingia | LEPE | NF |
| <i>Logfia filaginoides</i> | California cottonrose | LOFI | NF |
| <i>Logfia gallica</i> | daggerleaf cottonrose | LOGA | NNF |
| <i>Logfia sp.</i> | cottonrose | LO | |
| <i>Lomatium parvifolium</i> | coastal biscuitroot | LOPA | NP |
| <i>Lupinus arboreus</i> | yellow bush lupine | LUAR | NP |
| <i>Lupinus bicolor</i> | miniature lupine | LUBI | NF |
| <i>Lupinus chamissonis/albifrons</i> | silver bush lupine | LUCH/LUAL | NP |
| <i>Lupinus concinnus</i> | bajada lupine | LUCO | NF |
| <i>Lupinus nanus</i> | sky lupine | LUNA | NF |
| <i>Lupinus truncatus</i> | Nuttall's annual lupine | LUTR | NF |
| <i>Luzula comosa var. comosa</i> | Pacific wood rush | LUCOC | NP |
| <i>Lysimachia arvensis</i> | scarlet pimpernel | LYAR | NNF |
| <i>Lysimachia minima</i> | chaffweed | LYMI | NF |

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|---|-------------------------|-------|----------|
| <i>Lysimachia monelli</i> | flaxleaf pimpernel | LYMO | NNP |
| <i>Lythrum hyssopifolia</i> | grass poly | LYHY | NNF |
| <i>Madia elegans</i> | common madia | MAEL | NF |
| <i>Madia exigua</i> | little tarweed | MAEX | NF |
| <i>Madia gracilis</i> | slender tarweed | MAGR | NF |
| <i>Madia sativa</i> | coast tarweed | MASA | NF |
| <i>Madia sp.</i> | tarweed | MA | NF |
| <i>Marah fabacea</i> | wild cucumber | MAFA | NP |
| <i>Matricaria discoidea</i> | pineapple weed | MADI6 | NF |
| <i>Medicago polymorpha</i> | California burclover | MEPO | NNF |
| <i>Medicago sativa</i> | alfalfa | MESA | NNP |
| <i>Melica imperfecta</i> | coast range melic | MEIM | NP |
| <i>Melica sp.</i> | melic | ME | NP |
| <i>Melica torreyana</i> | Torrey's melic | METO | NP |
| <i>Melilotus albus</i> | white sweetclover | MEAL | NNF |
| <i>Melilotus indicus</i> | yellow sweetclover | MEIN | NNF |
| <i>Microseris paludosa</i> | Marsh microseris | MIPA | NP |
| <i>Minuartia californica</i> | sandwort | MICA | NF |
| <i>Monardella sinuata ssp. nigrescens</i> | curly-leaved monardella | MOSIN | NF |
| <i>Morella californica</i> | wax myrtle | MOCA6 | NP |
| <i>Navarretia atractyloides</i> | Holly-leaf navarretia | NAAT | NF |
| <i>Navarretia hamata</i> | hooked navarretia | NAHA | NF |
| <i>Navarretia hamata ssp. parviloba</i> | hooked navarretia | NAHAP | NF |
| <i>Navarretia mellita</i> | skunk navarretia | NAME | NF |
| <i>Navarretia sp.</i> | navarretia | NA | NF |
| <i>Navarretia squarrosa</i> | skunkweed | NASQ | NF |
| <i>Nemophila menziesii</i> | baby blue eyes | NEME | NF |
| <i>Nuttallanthus texanus</i> | blue toadflax | NUTE | NF |
| <i>Orobanche californica ssp. californica</i> | broomrape | ORCAC | NP |
| <i>Pectocarya sp.</i> | combseed | PE | NF |
| <i>Pennisetum clandestinum</i> | Kikuyu grass | PECL | NNP |
| <i>Pentagramma triangularis</i> | gold back fern | PETR | NP |
| <i>Persicaria lapathifolia</i> | willow weed | PELA | NF |
| <i>Petrorhagia dubia</i> | hairypink | PEDU | NNF |
| <i>Petrorhagia prolifera</i> | pink grass | PEPR | NNF |
| <i>Phacelia douglasii</i> | Douglas phacelia | PHDO | NF |
| <i>Phacelia malvifolia</i> | stinging phacelia | PHMA | NF |
| <i>Phalaris lemmonii</i> | Lemmon's canarygrass | PHLE | NF |
| <i>Phalaris sp.</i> | canary grass | PH | |
| <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> | reed canarygrass | PHAR | NP |
| <i>Pinus radiata</i> | Monterey pine | PIRA | NP |
| <i>Piperia michaelii</i> | Michael's rein orchid | PIMI6 | NP |

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|--|-----------------------------|-------|----------|
| <i>Piperia sp.</i> | rein orchid | PI | NP |
| <i>Plagiobothrys chorisianus var. hickmanii</i> | Hickman's popcornflower | PLCHH | NF |
| <i>Plagiobothrys sp.</i> | popcorn flower | PL | NF |
| <i>Plantago coronopus</i> | cut-leaved plantain | PLCO | NNF |
| <i>Plantago erecta</i> | California plantain | PLER | NF |
| <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> | English plantain | PLLA | NNF |
| <i>Plantago major</i> | common plantain | PLMA | NNP |
| <i>Platystemon californicus</i> | cream cups | PLCA | NF |
| <i>Poa annua</i> | annual bluegrass | POAN | NNF |
| <i>Poa pratensis</i> | Kentucky bluegrass | POPR | NNP |
| <i>Poaceae sp.</i> | Unknown grass | PO | |
| <i>Polycarpon tetraphyllum var. tetraphyllum</i> | four-leaved allseed | POTET | NNF |
| <i>Polygala californica</i> | California milkwort | POCA | NP |
| <i>Polypogon monspeliensis</i> | rabbitsfoot grass | POMO | NNF |
| <i>Populus trichocarpa</i> | black cottonwood | POTR | NP |
| <i>Prunus sp.</i> | unknown cherry | PR | |
| <i>Primula clevelandii</i> | padre's shootingstar | PRCL | NF |
| <i>Pseudognaphalium beneolens</i> | fragrant everlasting | PSBE | NP |
| <i>Pseudognaphalium californicum</i> | California everlasting | PSCA | NP |
| <i>Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum</i> | weedy cudweed | PSLU | NNF |
| <i>Pseudognaphalium ramosissimum</i> | pink everlasting | PSRA | NP |
| <i>Pseudognaphalium sp.</i> | cudweed | PS | |
| <i>Pseudognaphalium stramineum</i> | cotton-batting plant | PSST | NP |
| <i>Psilocarphus tenellus</i> | slender woolly-marbles | PSTE | NF |
| <i>Pteridium aquilinum var. pubescens</i> | western bracken fern | PTAQP | NP |
| <i>Pterostegia drymarioides</i> | woodland threadstem | PTDR | NF |
| <i>Quercus agrifolia</i> | coast live oak | QUAG | NP |
| <i>Ranunculus californicus var. californicus</i> | common buttercup | RACAC | NP |
| <i>Ribes malvaceum</i> | chaparral currant | RIMA | NP |
| <i>Ribes speciosum</i> | fuchsia-flowered gooseberry | RISP | NP |
| <i>Rubus ursinus</i> | California blackberry | RUUR | NP |
| <i>Rumex acetosella</i> | sheep sorrel | RUAC | NNP |
| <i>Rumex crassus</i> | willow leaved dock | RUCR4 | NP |
| <i>Rumex crispus</i> | curly dock | RUCR | NNP |
| <i>Rumex salicifolius</i> | willow leaved dock | RUSA | NP |
| <i>Rumex sp.</i> | dock | RU | |
| <i>Sagina decumbens ssp. occidentalis</i> | Western pearlwort | SADEO | NF |
| <i>Salix laevigata</i> | red willow | SALA3 | NP |
| <i>Salix lasiolepis</i> | arroyo willow | SALA6 | NP |
| <i>Salix sp.</i> | willow | SA | NP |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> | black sage | SAME | NP |
| <i>Sanicula crassicaulis</i> | Pacific sanicle | SACR | NP |

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|--|--------------------------|-------|----------|
| <i>Sanicula laciniata</i> | coast sanicle | SALA7 | NP |
| <i>Schismus barbatus</i> | old han schismus | SCBA | NNF |
| <i>Senecio glomeratus</i> | cutleaf burnweed | SEGL | NNF |
| <i>Senecio sylvaticus</i> | woodland groundsel | SESY | NNF |
| <i>Senecio vulgaris</i> | common groundsel | SEVU | NNF |
| <i>Silene gallica</i> | small-flower catchfly | SIGA | NNF |
| <i>Sisyrinchium bellum</i> | western blue-eyed grass | SIBE | NP |
| <i>Solanum umbelliferum</i> | blue witch | SOUM | NP |
| <i>Solidago velutina ssp. californica</i> | California goldenrod | SOVEC | NP |
| <i>Sonchus asper</i> | prickly sow thistle | SOAS | NNF |
| <i>Sonchus oleraceus</i> | common sow thistle | SOOL | NNF |
| <i>Sonchus sp.</i> | sow thistle | SO | NNF |
| <i>Spergula arvensis</i> | corn spurry | SPAR | NNF |
| <i>Spergularia rubra</i> | red sand-spurrey | SPRU | NNF |
| <i>Spergularia sp.</i> | sand-spurrey | SP | |
| <i>Spergularia villosa</i> | hairy sand-spurrey | SPVI | NNP |
| <i>Stachys ajugoides</i> | bugle hedge-nettle | STAJ | NP |
| <i>Stachys bullata</i> | wood mint | STBU | NP |
| <i>Stipa cernua</i> | nodding needle grass | STCE | NP |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> | purple needle grass | STPU | NP |
| <i>Stipa sp.</i> | needle grass | ST | NP |
| <i>Stylocline gnaphaloides</i> | everlasting neststraw | STGN | NF |
| <i>Symphoricarpos albus var. laevigatus</i> | common snowberry | SYALL | NP |
| <i>Taraxia ovata</i> | sun cup | TAOV | NP |
| <i>Thysanocarpus laciniatus</i> | narrow leaved fringe pod | THLA | NF |
| <i>Toxicodendron diversilobum</i> | poison oak | TODI | NP |
| <i>Toxicoscordion fremontii</i> | Fremont's deathcamas | TOFR | NP |
| <i>Tribolium obliterum</i> | Capetown grass | TROB | NNF |
| <i>Trifolium albopurpureum</i> | rancheria clover | TRAL | NF |
| <i>Trifolium angustifolium</i> | narrow-leaved clover | TRAN | NNF |
| <i>Trifolium campestre</i> | hop clover | TRCA | NNF |
| <i>Trifolium ciliolatum</i> | foothill clover | TRCI | NF |
| <i>Trifolium depauperatum var. truncatum</i> | truncate sack clover | TRDET | NF |
| <i>Trifolium dubium</i> | little hop clover | TRDU | NNF |
| <i>Trifolium gracilentum</i> | pinpoint clover | TRGR | NF |
| <i>Trifolium hirtum</i> | rose clover | TRHI | NNF |
| <i>Trifolium macraei</i> | Macrae's clover | TRMA | NF |
| <i>Trifolium microcephalum</i> | small-head clover | TRMI | NF |
| <i>Trifolium sp.</i> | clover | TR | |
| <i>Trifolium willdenovii</i> | tomcat clover | TRWI | NF |
| <i>Triglochin scilloides</i> | flowering-quillwort | TRSC | NF |
| <i>Triphysaria pusilla</i> | dwarf owl's clover | TRPU | NF |

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|---|---------------------|-------|----------|
| <i>Triteleia ixioides</i> | pretty face | TRIX | NP |
| <i>Triteleia sp.</i> | Triteleia | TRI | |
| <i>Uropappus lindleyi</i> | silver puffs | URLI | NF |
| <i>Verbena bracteata</i> | bracted verbena | VEBR | NP |
| <i>Verbena lasiostachys var. lasiostachys</i> | western vervain | VELAL | NP |
| <i>Vicia americana ssp. americana</i> | American vetch | VIAMA | NP |
| <i>Vicia benghalensis</i> | purple vetch | VIBE | NNF |
| <i>Vicia hassei</i> | slender vetch | VIHA | NF |
| <i>Vicia ludoviciana ssp. ludoviciana</i> | slender vetch | VILUL | NF |
| <i>Vicia sativa</i> | spring vetch | VISA | NNF |
| <i>Vicia sativa ssp. nigra</i> | narrow-leaved vetch | VISAN | NNF |
| <i>Vicia sativa ssp. sativa</i> | spring vetch | VISAS | NNF |
| <i>Vicia sp.</i> | vetch | VI | |
| <i>Xanthium strumarium</i> | rough cocklebur | XAST | NF |
| <i>Zeltnera davyi</i> | Davy's centaury | ZEDA | NF |
| | bare ground | BG | BG |
| | thatch | TH | TH |

* HMP species

NP = Native Perennial (Shrubs and Perennial Herbs/Forbs)

NF = Native Forb (Annual Herbs/Forbs)

NNP = Non-Native Perennial

NNF = Non-Native Forb

1. INTRODUCTION

Harris Environmental Group was issued ID/IQ Contract Number W91238-23-D-0009 by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to continue habitat restoration at Site 39 Remedial Action Areas at former Fort Ord, Monterey, California with teaming partner Terracon Consultants, Inc. making up the Harris-Terracon team. This annual report summarizes habitat restoration completed from January 2024 through December 31, 2024, a progress summary for each Historic Area (HA), and the likelihood if the HA will meet its success criteria by monitoring year 13.

1.1 Purpose

Former military ranges underwent soil remediation and subsequent habitat restoration in areas that ranged in size from 0.05 to 14 acres and were scattered around the perimeter of the Site 39 Inland Ranges area (Site 39) of former Fort Ord. Approximately 62 acres of soil remediation area needed restoration at HAs 18, 19, 22, 23, 26, 27, 27A, 28, 29, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39/40, 43, 44, 48, and Austin Road Stockpile. Harris-Terracon's objective was to provide seed/plant material collection, propagation, planting, and minor erosion control repairs necessary to restore the area to the requirements of the *Site 39 Habitat Restoration Plan* (HRP) (Shaw, 2009b). The restoration areas contain primarily rare central maritime chaparral habitat with smaller inclusions of coastal sage scrub, oak woodland, grassland, and vernal pool habitats.

Burleson developed Site Specific Restoration Plans (SSRP) for HAs 18, 19, 22, 23, 26, 27, 27A, 28, 29, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39/40, 43, 44, 48, and Austin Road Stockpile which provide detailed information (site conditions, baseline vegetation, targets, and collection/propagation requirements) for each HA (Burleson, 2013). In 2010, Burleson prepared the *Plant Material, Collection, Storage, and Propagation Protocols for Site Restoration at Site 39* (Propagation Protocol) (Burleson, 2010). These documents provide necessary information and guidance to conduct restoration activities at Site 39. This annual report details tasks involved with the execution of habitat restoration on Site 39 in 2024, a progress summary for each HA, and recommendations.

Work performed in 2024 consisted of:

- Storage of previously collected plant material
- Passive restoration activities (seed broadcast)
- Invasive species removal as part of Caretaker of Previous HA task
- Monitoring restoration sites to evaluate vegetative establishment
- HMP annual species monitoring
- Photo point documentation
- Erosion control activities

1.2 General Site Conditions

Site 39 is dominated by maritime chaparral; a regionally rare, fire-dependent plant community found within the coastal fog zone on sandy to rocky soils. Chaparral habitats are dominated by drought-deciduous or evergreen sclerophyllous shrubs. This unique species-rich plant community changes in species composition from the western edges of Site 39, which are frequently foggy and cool, to the eastern edges which are less foggy, warmer, and drier.

1.3 Site 39 Restoration Progress

Site Specific Restoration Plans were developed for 18 HAs and one stockpile area requiring habitat restoration for 61.71 acres. The 19 SSRPs prescribed passive restoration (seeding) for 61.71 acres and active restoration (planting) for 29.84 acres. Active restoration requires installation of approximately 52,000 plants. Figure 1-1 presents the status of restoration sites within Site 39.

Both active and passive restoration activities began in 2011. Approximately 61.26 acres were seeded (passive restoration) and 68,732 plants were installed (active restoration) since 2011. Of the 19 restoration sites, 18 received their full SSRP restoration prescription and are in a monitoring phase (see Figure 1-1). Austin Road Stockpile is the only site that is not complete and has not received any restoration to date. Additional passive restoration activities are ongoing while active restoration activities were complete as of February 3, 2023.

In 2024, no HAs were in a benchmark monitoring year (Year 5, 8, or 13).

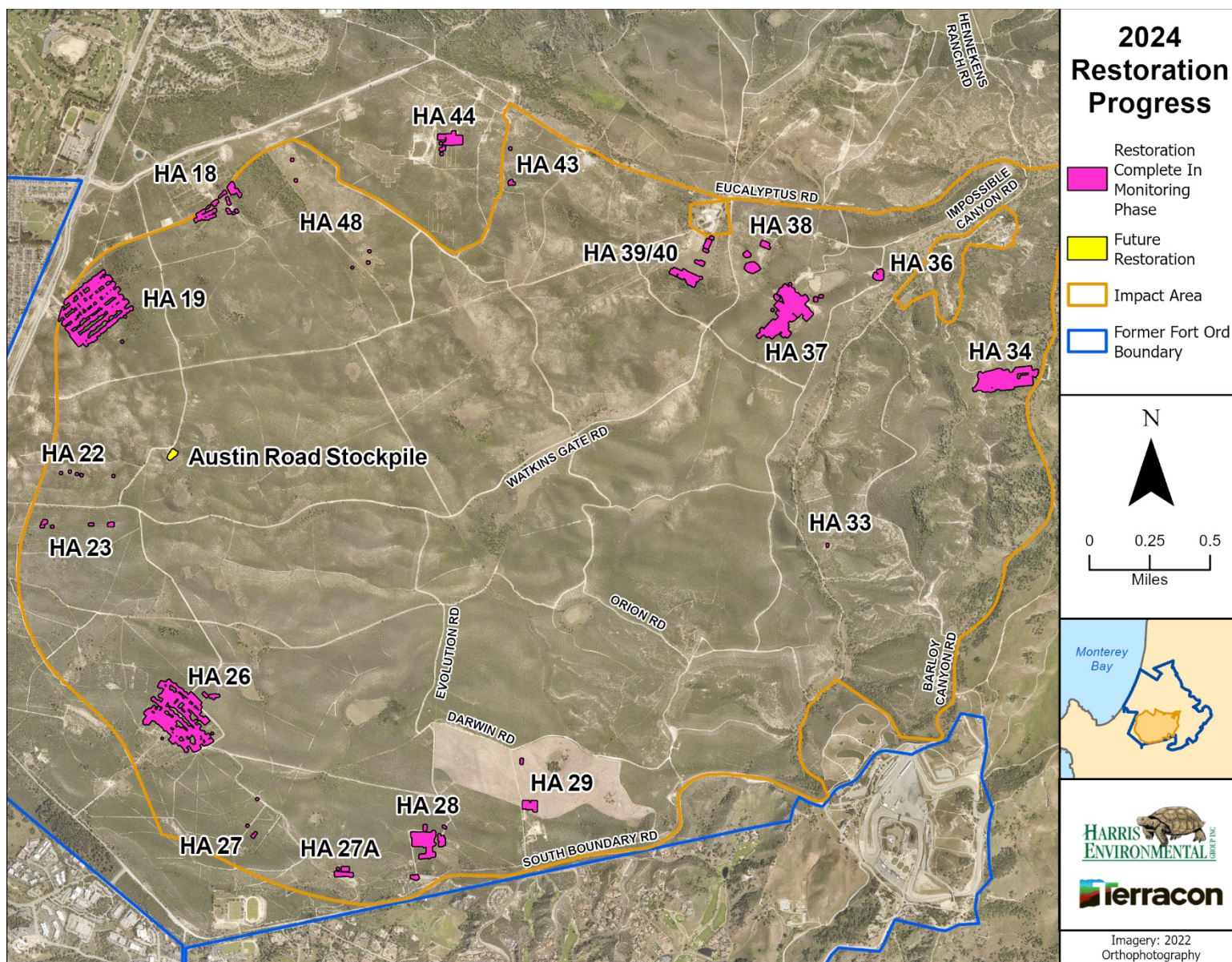


Figure 1-1. Restoration Progress Map

2. RESTORATION PROTOCOLS AND SITE-SPECIFIC RESTORATION PLANS

The protocols developed by Harris-Terracon detail quantities, types of plant material to be collected, and specific salvage techniques to be followed by field crews for former Fort Ord (Burleson, 2010; Burleson, 2013). There were no active restoration activities in 2024, however these protocols guide the restoration effort in past years and are relevant for any future restoration prescriptions.

In accordance with the protocol (Burleson, 2010), field crews collect Habitat Management Plan (HMP) species within a 1-kilometer radius centered on each HA. Common species are collected within a 10-mile radius of each HA. Collected seeds are processed manually to remove residual hulls, stems, leaves, and chaff, as much as possible. Seed weight totals are entered into the plant inventory database after seed processing is completed.

The plant material collected is dried and processed at Terracon's native plant nursery in Carmel Valley. The plant material is stored in a cool, dry environment until ready to be broadcast. Labeling and tracking of all plant material follows the storage protocol (Burleson, 2010). The Harris-Terracon team maintains a spreadsheet database that is regularly updated so that plant and seed inventories are readily available. The database contains the following information:

- Scientific name and common name
- Container size (if applicable)
- Quantity (in nursery)
- Quantity (delivered)
- Seed/cutting origin
- Client
- Batch name and date sown
- Experimental treatments used during propagation (when applicable)

3. PRODUCTION SEED STORAGE

In 2024, Harris-Terracon continued to store native Fort Ord production seed for current and future broadcast activities. Production seed refers to native Fort Ord seed that was previously cultivated and harvested by contract growers S&S Seeds and Hedgerow Farms to support Fort Ord restoration efforts. The seed is currently stored in a facility that maintains a cool, dry, and dark environment, ideal for long-term seed viability. Table 3-1 provides an inventory of production seed as of December 31, 2024.

Table 3-1. Production Seed Inventory as of December 31, 2024

| Scientific Name | Common Name | Inventory (lb) |
|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> | blue wildrye | 164.82 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> | purple needlegrass | 786.92 |
| TOTAL | | 951.74 |

4. RESTORATION ACTIVITIES

The objective of restoration activities is to return areas impacted by remediation treatment to a natural landscape that resembles adjacent habitat in accordance with each SSRP. Restoration activities completed in 2024 included passive restoration at HAs 19, 26, 27, 27A, 34, 36, 37, 39/40, and 44 with production seed broadcast, as well as production seed broadcast in areas of erosion repair at HAs. There was no active restoration activities completed in 2024.

4.1 Passive Restoration

Generally, passive restoration activities occur annually in the wet season between October and February. HAs 19, 26, 27, 27A, 34, 36, 37, 39/40, 43, and 44 received passive restoration during the 2024 calendar year.

Table 4-1. 2024 Seed Broadcast Acreage by HA

| Month | HA 19 | HA 26 | HA 27 | HA 27A | HA 33 | HA 34 | HA 36 | HA 37 | HA 39/40 | HA 43 | HA 44 | Total / Month |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| January | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | | 0.123 | | 0.002 | 0.009 | 0.047 | | 0.034 | 0.143 | 0.072 | | 0.429 |
| March | | | | | | 2.074 | | | | | | 2.074 |
| April | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| May | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| July | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| August | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| September | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | | | | | | 0.011 | | 0.186 | | | | 0.197 |
| November | 0.397 | 0.311 | 0.023 | 0.139 | | | 0.071 | | 0.193 | | | 1.134 |
| December | 0.286 | | | | | 2.642 | | 0.007 | | | 0.424 | 3.358 |
| Annual Total | 0.682 | 0.434 | 0.023 | 0.141 | 0.009 | 4.774 | 0.071 | 0.226 | 0.336 | 0.072 | 0.424 | 7.194 |

5. CARETAKER OF PREVIOUS HA

Harris-Terracon completed several activities under the Caretaker of Previous HA (Caretaker) task in 2024, including invasive species removal, herbicide spray, and seed collection.

Invasive species removal took place at HAs 19, 26, 27A, 34, 36, and 37. Tree removal work targeted mostly Monterey pine (*Pinus radiata*), as well as a few isolated occurrences of Monterey cypress (*Hesperocyparis macrocarpa*), and golden wattle (*Acacia longifolia*). Smaller saplings were removed by hand or with the aid of a shovel when feasible. Shovel work only occurred within the footprint of remediated areas where subsurface munitions removal was completed. Larger trees, up to ten inches in diameter at breast height, were felled with an electric chainsaw; and herbicide was applied to cut stumps. Opportunistic hand pulling efforts focused on species including pampas grass (*Cortaderia* sp.), iceplant (*Carpobrotus* sp.), French broom (*Genista monspessulana*), and sparse occurrences of hairy rockrose (*Cistus incanus*). Locations of small individuals removed by hand were not documented with GPS, however all individuals that required a chainsaw and herbicide application were mapped.

All trees removed, particularly the Monterey pines, were encroaching on maritime chaparral habitat within or bordering open areas within the boundary of Site 39's HAs. These trees can shade out open sandy areas where HMP annual species could germinate (Steers et al., 2013). Additionally, resin acids in pine needles can be allelopathic and inhibit the germination and growth of annual plants (Hisashi Kato-Noguchi et al., 2017). Safety protocols in line with OSHA chainsaw safety guidelines (OSHA, 2013) were implemented and all appropriate PPE, including wearing safety goggles, cut-resistant gloves, and chainsaw chaps, were donned. The tree removal process consisted of cutting a wedge on one side of the trunk, followed by a secondary cut on the opposite side to fell it. After felling a tree, Harris-Terracon biologists removed the remaining trunk by cutting as low to the ground as possible and applying a 20% glyphosate solution to the remaining stump.

Herbicide spray was mixed safely at the Monterey Terracon office and transported in the bed of the work vehicle within an enclosed spill free storage container. Mark It Blue® dye was added to the herbicide solution to easily trace the application. This dye dissipates with exposure to sunlight. In 2024, 56 fluid ounces of a 20% concentration of glyphosate solution was prepared. This solution was applied to cut tree stumps, as well as any other invasive species deemed too large for manual removal. Seed collection of native early successional species was conducted during the summer and fall of 2024. All collected seed was incorporated into the erosion control seed mixes, which previously contained only grass seed, and was broadcast during erosion control repairs. For details on erosion control seed mixes, see Appendix B.

Table 5-1 shows the numbers of trees removed (by chainsaw) by HA and Figure 5-1 shows these HAs on a map. See Appendix C (photographs C-7 through C-17) for various Caretaker activities that occurred in 2024.

Seed collection of native early successional species was conducted during the summer and fall of 2024. All collected seed was incorporated into the erosion control seed mixes, which previously contained only grass seed, and was broadcast during erosion control repairs. For details on erosion control seed mixes, see Appendix B.

Table 5-1. 2024 Caretaker Tree Removal by HA

| HA | Individual Trees Removed |
|-------|-----------------------------|
| 19 | 232 |
| 26 | 1 |
| 27A | 35 |
| 34 | 1 |
| 36 | 2 |
| 37 | 1 |
| ARS | 2 |
| Total | 274 |

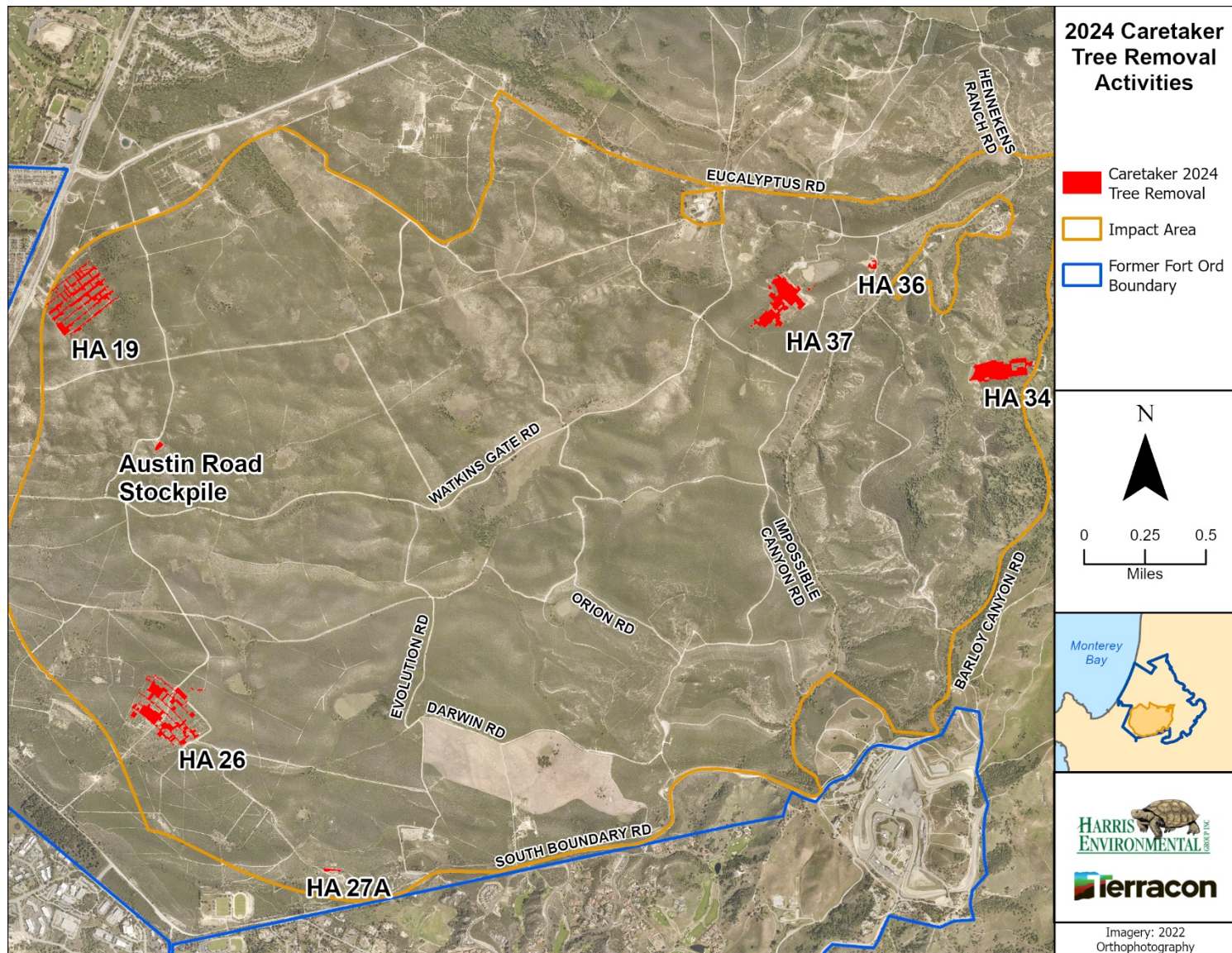


Figure 5-1. 2024 Caretaker Tree Removal Locations

6. MONITORING

Harris-Terracon conducted photo point documentation, HMP annual density, species richness, vegetative cover, and plant survivorship surveys at relevant HAs in 2024. Monitoring activities were guided by the HRP and the *Protocol for Conducting Vegetation Monitoring in Compliance with the Installation-Wide Multispecies Habitat Management Plan at Former Fort Ord* (Monitoring Protocol) (Shaw, 2009b; Burleson, 2009). Monitoring activities conducted in 2024 are summarized in Table 6-1 by HA. Section 5.1 describes monitoring methodology. Monitoring results for 2024 are presented in Section 7 on a site-by-site basis. Photographs C-18 through C-22 in Appendix C illustrate various monitoring tasks.

Table 6-1. 2024 Summary of Monitoring Activities by HA

| HA | Photo Point | HMP Annual Density | Species Richness | Vegetative Cover | Plant Survivorship |
|-------------------------|-------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 18 | ● | | | | |
| 19 | ● | | | | |
| 22 | ● | | | | |
| 23 | ● | | | | |
| 26 | ● | | | | ● |
| 27 | ● | | | | |
| 27A | ● | | | | |
| 28 | ● | | | | |
| 29 | ● | | | | |
| 33 | ● | | | | |
| 34 | ● | | | | ● |
| 36 | ● | | | | |
| 37 | ● | | | | ● |
| 38 | ● | ● | | | |
| 39/40 | ● | | | | |
| 43 | ● | | | | |
| 44 | ● | | | | |
| 48 | ● | | | | |
| Austin Rd. Stockpile | ● | ● | ● | ● | |

Vegetative monitoring data, including species richness, vegetative cover, and HMP annual density, were compared to the success criteria associated with each objective outlined in the SSRPs (Burleson, 2013). Success criteria are summarized in Table 6-2.

Table 6-2. Success Criteria

| Success Criterion | Category | Data Used for Comparison |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | Meandering transect survey and 10-foot on either side of line-intercept transect |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | Line-intercept transect percent cover |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | Line-intercept transect percent cover |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Line-intercept transect percent cover |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | Line-intercept transect percent cover |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | HMP annual plot density surveys and meandering transect survey to map discrete patches of HMP annuals outside of HMP annual restoration plots |

6.1 Monitoring Methodology

6.1.1 Photo Points and Photo Documentation

Multiple permanent photo points were established at each restoration site to document progress. Photos were taken annually in the spring at every photo point and again in the fall at select photo points. Additionally, photo documentation of restoration activities occurred throughout the year. See Appendix C for a photo log of 2024 activities, Appendix D for photo point comparisons for all sites, and Appendix E for photos illustrating restoration progress of HAs in year 8 of monitoring in 2024.

6.1.2 HMP Annual Density Surveys at Restoration Plots and Across the Historic Area

Plot density surveys for HMP annuals (Monterey spineflower [*Chorizanthe pungens* var. *pungens*], sand gilia [*Gilia tenuiflora* ssp. *arenaria*], and seaside bird's beak [*Cordylanthus rigidus* ssp. *littoralis*]) are performed at restoration sites in years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8 during peak bloom for each species according to the HRP (Shaw, 2009b). Any additional monitoring beyond the required years is conducted on a voluntary and opportunistic basis when required monitoring is already being conducted at the same HA. HMP annual density was obtained by counting every individual within an HMP annual restoration plot and calculating the number of plants per 100 square feet. Density classes were derived from the HRP (see Table 6-3).

Table 6-3. HMP Annual Density Classes

| Density Class | Plants Counted per 100 Square Feet |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| Not Present | 0 |
| Low | 1-50 |
| Medium | 51-100 |
| High | 101-500 |
| Very High | >500 |

Discrete patches of HMP annuals within the HA but outside of HMP annual restoration plots were mapped during meandering transect surveys using a Trimble® Juno® T41/5B Series GPS unit with an external Trimble® R1 GNSS receiver. Discrete patches were assigned a density class or population count dependent on feasibility. If the HMP annual occupied area was larger than one acre in size, density would be obtained by sub-sampling the population with circle plot surveys as described in the Monitoring Protocol (Burleson, 2009). In 2024, there were no HMP annuals that occupied an area larger

than one acre in size and therefore no circle plot surveys were conducted. HMP annual restoration plot and discrete patch densities were evaluated together to compare to the Objective 3 success criterion. For a given year, the combination of plots and discrete patches monitored that year were compared to baseline density requirements. The success criterion was met if plots and discrete patches combined indicated that the site maintained or exceeded baseline densities for each applicable HMP annual species. It was not necessary for HMP annuals to meet baseline density in all plots if discrete patches were present. At year 8, data for all monitoring years is evaluated together to determine whether the site met the success criterion.

The method used to measure HMP annual cover for Objective 3 was changed in 2017 from what was described in the SSRPs to a more appropriate evaluation method. Prior to 2017, the success criterion for monitoring HMP annuals required greater than or equal to 1% transect cover for Monterey spineflower, sand gilia, and/or seaside bird's beak. However, transects were designed to measure shrub and perennial plants with cover greater than 0.1 meters. HMP annual cover was underrepresented by transect surveys because patches of HMP annuals are often less than 0.1 meter across and have variable peak bloom times. In August 2017, the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) approved the abandonment of transect percent cover as a measure of HMP annual cover and the associated success criterion (USFWS, 2017). Instead of using transect surveys to assess HMP annuals, USFWS approved comparing HMP annual seeded plot densities and discrete patches to the success criterion as recommended in the 2016 Habitat Restoration Annual Report (Burlison, 2017).

6.1.3 Plant Survivorship Monitoring

Annual plant survivorship surveys were completed for three years after plant installation. A random sample of at least 10% of each shrub species were tagged and monitored annually. Survivorship monitoring events occurred in the fall at the end of the dry season when plant mortality rates were highest. During monitoring events, all tagged plants were counted as alive or dead to calculate survivorship percentages. All plants monitored were evergreens that should have live leaves year-round. Plants with live leaves were recorded as alive. Plants with no leaves or leaves that appeared dead were recorded as dead. Plant survivorship data are not compared to success criteria. Plant survivorship classifications are presented in Table 6-4.

Table 6-4. Plant Survivorship Classifications

| Plant Survivorship | Percent Alive |
|--------------------|---------------|
| High | 80-100% |
| Moderate | 50-79% |
| Low | ≤49% |

In reports preceding 2018, plants in poor condition or plants not found were considered dead. From 2018 onward, plant survivorship for all years was recalculated to consider plants in poor condition as alive, and plants not found were excluded from the percent alive calculation.

6.1.4 Vegetative Cover

Vegetative cover is monitored in years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, and 13 following restoration, typically from May to July. Prior to 2016, sites were visually assessed for cover. Beginning in 2016, cover of vegetation, thatch, and bare ground were measured using line-intercept transect surveys, as described in the Monitoring Protocol (Burlison, 2009). In 2016, HAs 22, 23, 27, 33, and 43 were surveyed using randomly placed quadrats to provide a preliminary idea of vegetative cover with a limited amount of effort. From 2017

onward, line-intercept transect surveys were completed for compatibility with SSRP objectives. Fifty-meter transects were placed randomly throughout each HA at a rate of one transect per acre; transects were not placed across roads or berms. For HAs that were less than 1 acre, shortened transects were placed diagonally through each plot. The corners of each plot were numbered 1-4, and the start point was determined using a random number generator. Quadrat sampling along transects was completed when annual herbaceous cover on the transect line was 10% or greater.

Vegetative cover was calculated to compare to the success criteria outlined in each SSRP. For all transects, the vegetative cover was calculated by summing the distance along the transect for each species and dividing by the length of the transect. Percent cover for all transects was then averaged to calculate average site cover by species, native shrubs and perennials, and other categories (Shaw, 2009b). To calculate the site average, the distance along transects was summed for each species and divided by the total transect length.

For each HA, native vegetative cover, non-native vegetative cover, total HMP shrub cover, and HMP shrub cover by species were evaluated against baseline objectives specified in the SSRPs. Results were compared to previous years to discern trends over time. Native vegetative cover was calculated by summing the percent cover of all species listed in Table 2 of the SSRPs for each site. The success criteria for native vegetative cover and HMP shrub cover were met if percent cover met or exceeded baseline percent cover (Objectives 1 and 3). For non-native vegetative cover, the success criterion was met if percent cover was less than the acceptable limit (Objective 2). In addition, the five species with the greatest percent cover for each HA were compared graphically across monitoring years.

At HAs 37, 38, 39/40, 44, and 48, silver bush lupine was identified as *Lupinus chamissonis* in Table 2 of the SSRPs. However, according to the Jepson Manual, Calflora, and *The Plants of Monterey County*, silver bush lupine is identified as *Lupinus albifrons* var. *albifrons* (Baldwin *et al.*, 2012; CalFlora, 2017; Matthews and Mitchell, 2015). Both species are present on Fort Ord and are difficult to identify unless flowers are present. Silver beach lupine (*Lupinus chamissonis*) can be differentiated from silver bush lupine (*Lupinus albifrons* var. *albifrons*) by the absence of hairs on the upper keel margin; silver bush lupine has hairs on the upper keel margin. For analysis of transect data and comparison to the success criteria, silver beach lupine and silver bush lupine data were combined.

6.1.5 Species Richness

A species list for each HA is developed by conducting meandering transects in years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, and 13 and by recording all species observed within 10 feet on either side of line-intercept transects, if applicable. Species richness was evaluated by comparing the quantities of native shrubs and perennials, native annual and herbaceous species, and non-native species observed to the quantities observed in previous years. The success criterion for species richness was met if all species listed in Table 3 of the SSRPs were present on site (Objective 1). In 2024 species richness monitoring was recorded at Austin Road Stockpile, as this was the only restoration area to receive transect monitoring this year.

7. EROSION CONTROL ACTIVITIES

During the 2024 calendar year, Harris-Terracon conducted erosion control repairs at HAs 26, 27A, 28, 34, and 37. Production seed was broadcast in areas where erosion repairs occurred and in barren areas of each site. Areas where HMP annual species were historically present outside of HMP restoration plots were avoided. Erosion control/production seed mix details can be found in Appendix B. Photographs C-23 through C-33 in Appendix C document erosion control field activities. The following work was performed in 2024:

HA 26:

- February 2024
 - Installed 50 linear feet of straw wattles
 - Collapsed approximately 120 linear feet of rill erosion
- November 2024
 - Collapsed approximately 40 linear feet of rill erosion

HA 27A:

- February 2024
 - Installed 25 linear feet of straw wattles
- April 2024
 - Installed 25 linear feet of straw wattles
 - Collapsed approximately 50 linear feet of rill erosion

HA 28:

- April 2024
 - Installed 25 linear feet of straw wattles
 - Collapsed approximately 50 linear feet of rill erosion

HA 34:

- January 2024
 - Installed 245 square feet of coir fabric
 - Installed 30 linear feet of coir logs
- February 2024
 - Installed 300 linear feet of straw wattles
 - Installed 1,115 square feet of coir fabric
- April 2024
 - Installed 75 linear feet of straw wattle
 - Installed 10 linear feet of coir logs
- October 2024
 - Installed 25 linear feet of straw wattle
 - Collapsed approximately 40 linear feet of rill erosion
- December 2024
 - Installed 150 linear feet of straw wattle
 - Collapsed approximately 30 linear feet of rill erosion

HA 37:

- January 2024
 - Installed 75 linear feet of straw wattle
- February 2024
 - Installed 75 linear feet of straw wattle
 - Collapsed approximately 50 linear feet of rill erosion
 - Installed 210 square feet of coir fabric
 - Installed 30 linear feet of coir logs
- October 2024
 - Installed 50 linear feet of straw wattle
 - Collapsed approximately 50 linear feet of rill erosion
- December 2024
 - Installed 100 linear feet of straw wattle

8. RESTORATION SUMMARY AND MONITORING RESULTS BY HA

To understand restoration progress and discuss future efforts for each HA, it was important to compare the current status of each HA to its specific success criteria. This section is an overview of all restoration efforts through December 31, 2024: including monitoring results, comparison to the success criteria, and recommendations for each HA in a benchmark monitoring year.

8.1 HA 18

HA 18 was used by the US Department of the Army (Army) as a long-distance small-arms firing range that consisted of seven target lanes approximately 165 feet apart. Soil remediation was completed in 2010 and resulted in 2,750 cubic yards of lead-contaminated soil being excavated from 1.4 acres (Shaw, 2008). HA 18 rests within unprotected maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F (Fahrenheit) and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 18 is relatively flat with northwest and west aspects. Adjacent lands are high quality habitat with intact native vegetation that may promote natural recruitment within restoration areas.

HA 18 is located on the northwestern portion of Site 39, occurring within the sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at HA 18 consisted of hand broadcast of a non-irrigated seed mix and annual weed management. HA 18 is relatively flat with little potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 18 occurred in 2011, 2012, 2019, 2020, and 2022 and quantitative monitoring began in 2013. The HA was monitored for 14 years by photo documentation and site visits, seven years for HMP annual density in plots, and four years for HMP annual density across the HA, species richness, and vegetative cover (see Table 8-1). Figure 8-1 shows the passive restoration area, photo documentation locations, and transect monitoring locations. Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Success criteria for HA 18 are summarized in Table 8-2.

Table 8-1. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 18

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Active, Passive, and Erosion Control | • | • | | | | | | | • | • | | • | | | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | • |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | • |

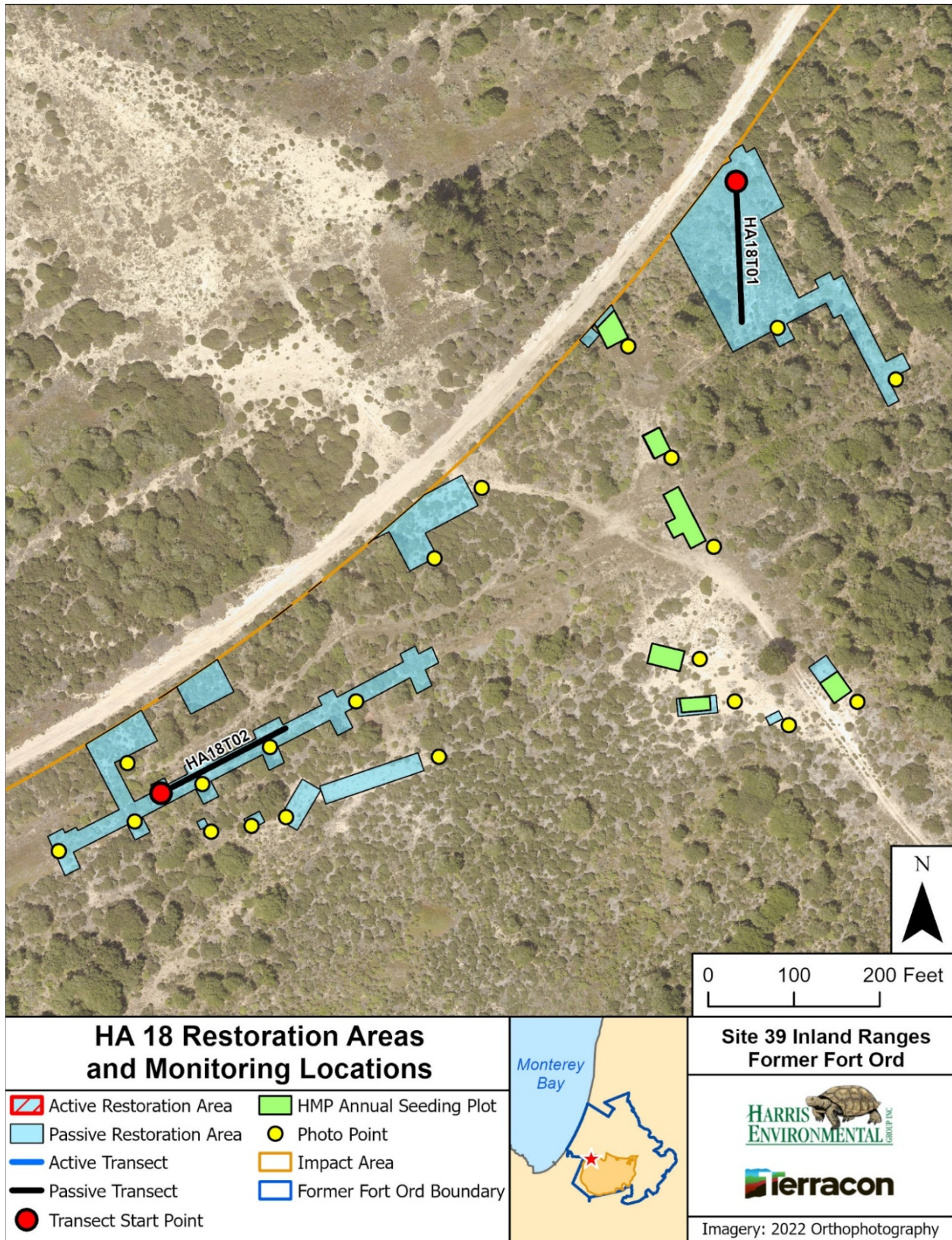


Figure 8-1. HA 18 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-2. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 18

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | chamise shaggy-bark manzanita California sage brush coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† dwarf ceanothus mock heather Eastwood's goldenbush† golden yarrow peak rush-rose deerweed sticky monkeyflower coast live oak black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data did not indicate non-native target weed species. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 2 (1-5% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal to or greater than 4. |
| | | | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 1 percent is acceptable. |
| | | | Eastwood's goldenbush percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 1 percent is acceptable. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.1.1 Restoration Activities

No restoration activities occurred at HA 18 in 2024.

8.1.2 Monitoring Results

HA 18 was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-1).

8.1.3 Discussion**8.1.3.1 HA 18 Status**

There are no updates to the HA 18 status discussion; see Table 8-3 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-1).

Table 8-3. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 18

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limit | Year 5 (2017) Met | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 14 required species: ACGL, ADFA, ARCA, ARTO, BAPI, CERI, CEDE, CRSC, DIAU, ERER, ERFA, ERCO, QUAG, SAME | No | No | HIGH | Year 5: ADFA absent Year 8: CEDE absent (ADFA planted in 2018/2019, CEDE planted in 2022/2023)** |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 45.34% Year 8: 52.59% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.80% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 2: 1-5% | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.69% Year 8: 4.13% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | CERI ≥ 4%, ARPU = present ERFA = present | No | No | LOW for CERI HIGH for ARPU HIGH for ERFA | Year 5: CERI 0.00% ARPU 0.56% ERFA 0.13% Year 8: CERI 0.10% ARPU 3.27% ERFA 0.76% (CERI, ARPU, ERFA planted in 2019/2020. CERI planted in 2022/2023)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP | Yes | Yes | NA | Year 5: met Year 8: met (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.2 HA 19

HA 19 was used by the Army as a small-arms firing range. Soil remediation was completed in 2010 and resulted in the excavation of 23,000 cubic yards of lead-contaminated soil from approximately 14 acres (Shaw, 2008). HA 19 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 19 is relatively flat with a western aspect. Adjacent lands are high quality habitat with intact native vegetation that may promote natural recruitment within restoration areas.

HA 19 is located on the western portion of Site 39, occurring within the sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. The vegetative habitat at HA 19 prior to remediation was predominantly very high-quality maritime chaparral. The HA 19 SSRP includes a detailed list of the typical vegetation identified at the HA.

The SSRP restoration procedure for HA 19 included both passive and active restoration consisting of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed mix and installing container-grown plants. Areas within HA 19 which were less than 1.0 acre, or larger than 1.0 acre but less than 100 feet wide, were restored passively using broadcast seed. Areas larger than 1.0 acre and greater than 100 feet across received both active and passive restoration efforts.

Restoration at HA 19 occurred in 2012 through 2016, 2019, and 2020 and quantitative monitoring began in 2013. The site was monitored for 13 years by photo documentation and site visits, eight years for HMP annual density in plots, six years for HMP annual density across the HA, four years for species richness, vegetative cover, and plant survivorship (see Table 8-4). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-2 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, active restoration area, and transect monitoring locations. The success criteria for HA 19 are summarized in Table 8-5.

Table 8-4. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 19

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 13 |
| | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2026 |
| Restoration: Active and Passive | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | ● | | | | ● | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | ● | | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | | |
| Sand Gilia Plots | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | ● | ● | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | | ● |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | | ● |
| Plant Survivorship | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | | | | | | | |

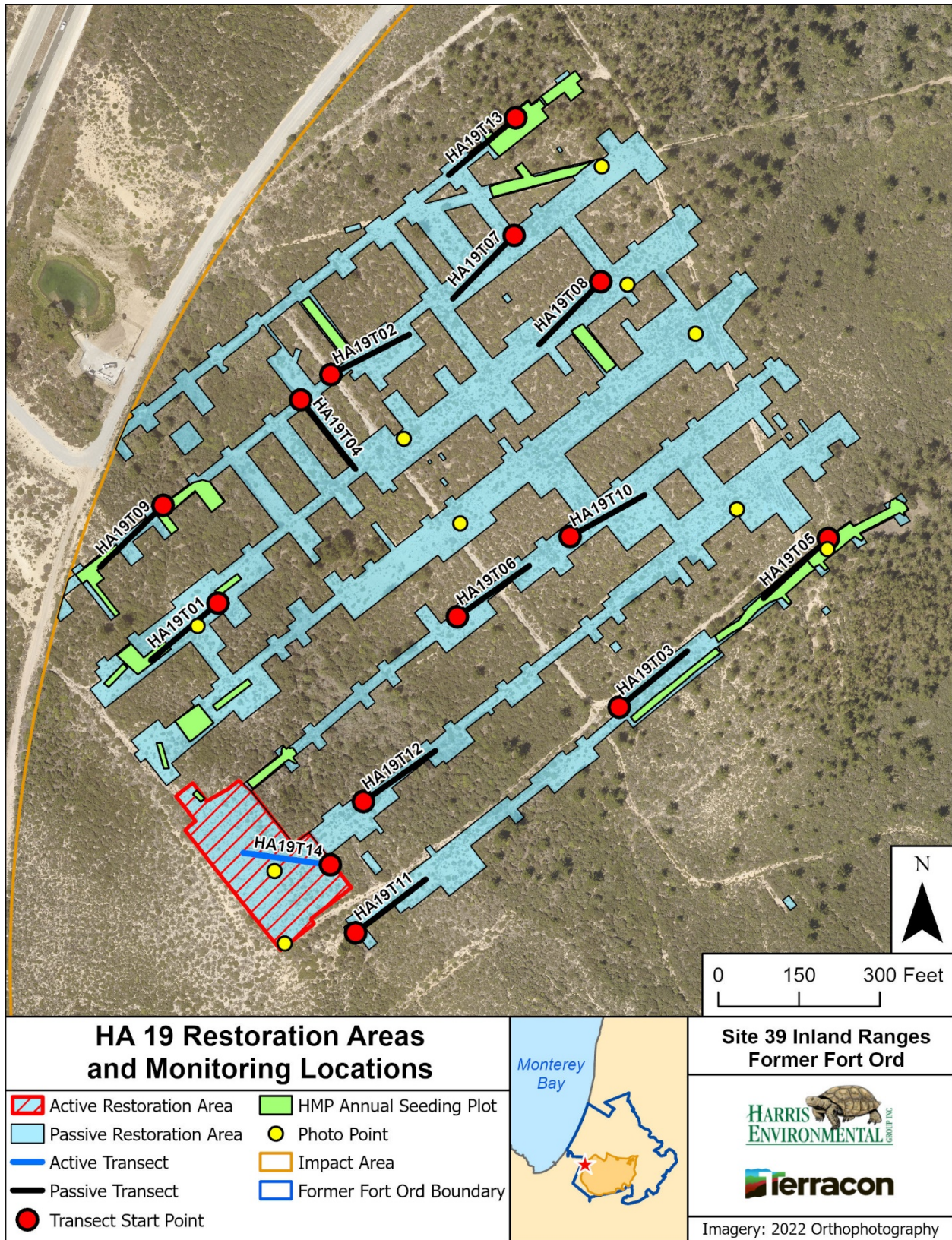


Figure 8-2. HA 19 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-5. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 19

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: chamise sandmat manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita California sagebrush coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† mock heather Eastwood's goldenbush† golden yarrow pitcher sage deerweed sticky monkeyflower coast live oak black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40% for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data did not indicate non-native target weed species. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 16. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 1 percent is acceptable. |
| | | | Eastwood's goldenbush percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 1 percent is acceptable. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low Sand gilia density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.2.1 Restoration Activities

Harris-Terracon performed passive restoration at HA 19 in 2024. Passive restoration activities have occurred from 2012 to 2016, 2019, 2020, and 2024.

In 2024, 15.98 pounds of seed were broadcast over 0.682 acres, see Table B-1 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 437.75 lbs compared to the 517.00 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Total seed broadcast is less than SSRP prescription because the site is recovering well and will likely not need the full prescription to meet the success criteria. Photograph C-1 in Appendix C shows passive restoration efforts at HA 19.

No active restoration activities were conducted at HA 19 in 2024.

8.2.2 Monitoring Results

HA 19 was in year 11 of monitoring in 2024. Year 11 does not require quantitative monitoring; only visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-2).

8.2.3 Caretaker of Previous HA

Monterey pine removal and herbicide application of cut stumps occurred throughout HA 19 in 2024. Two hundred and thirty-two trees were felled in total, all of which were Monterey pines. Tree removal locations are shown in Figure 8-3. Photographs C-7 through C-17 in Appendix C show Caretaker activities that occurred in 2024.

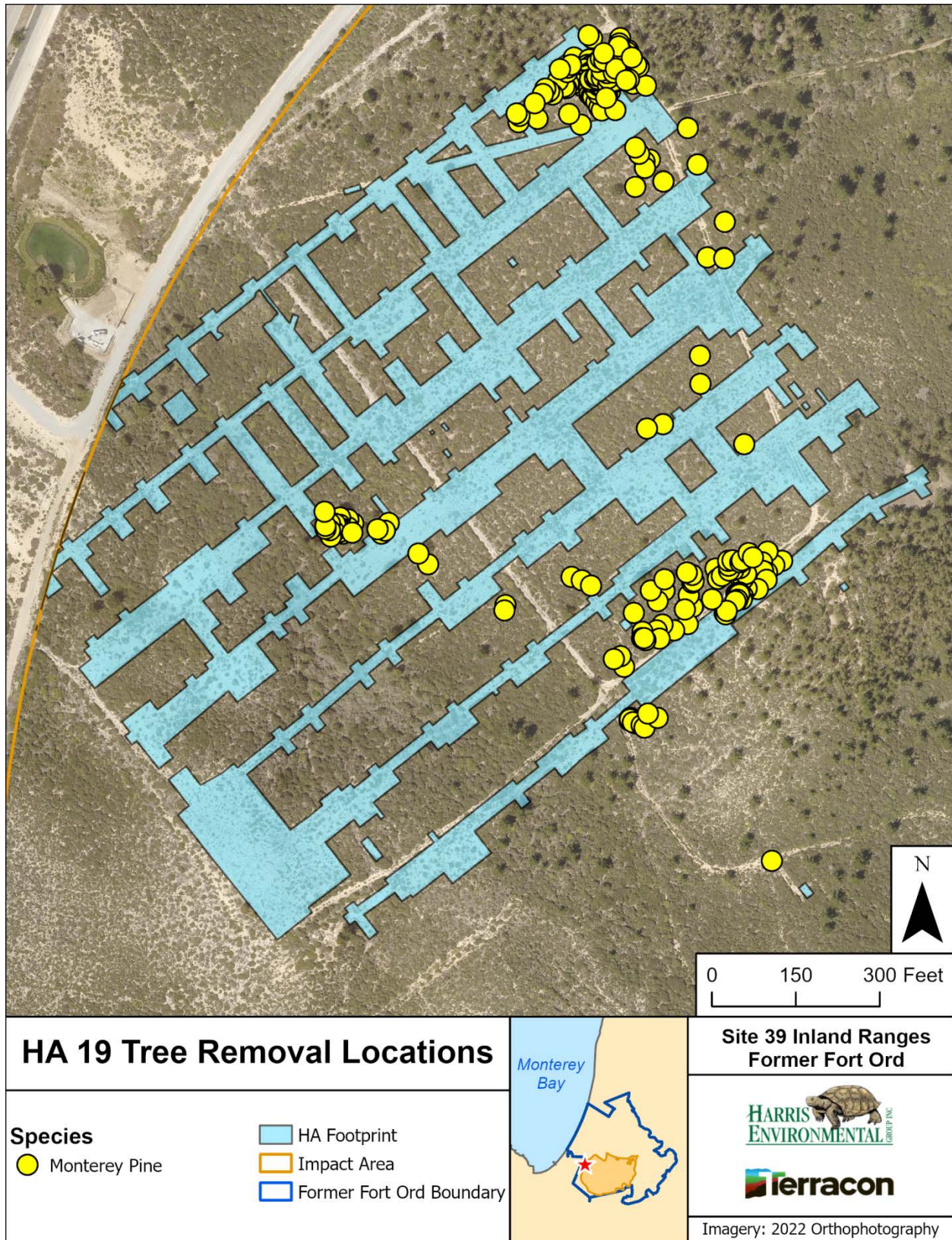


Figure 8-3. 2024 Tree Removal Locations at HA 19

8.2.4 Discussion

8.2.4.1 HA 19 Status

There are no updates to the HA 19 status discussion; see Table 8-6 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in year 13, 2026 (see Table 8-4).

Table 8-6. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 19

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limit | Year 5 (2018) Met | Year 8 (2021) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2026) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 14 required species: ADFA, ARTO, ARCA, BAPI, CERI, ERER, ERFA, ERCO, LECA, ACGL, DIAU, QUAG, SAME | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: LECA absent Year 8: met (LECA planted in 2018/2019)** |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | HIGH | Year 5: 34.98% Year 8: 36.29% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 10.91% Year 8: 18.86% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 16% CERI present ERFA present | No | Yes | HIGH for ARPU HIGH for CERI HIGH for ERFA | Year 5: ARPU 10.59% CERI 0.08% ERFA 0.25% Year 8: ARPU 18.09% CERI 0.34% ERFA 0.43% (ARPU planted in 2019/2020)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHUPUP and GITEA | Yes | Yes | NA | Year 5: met Year 8: met (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.3 HA 22

HA 22 was used by the Army as a long-distance small-arms firing range with targets and no berm. Soil remediation was completed in 2010; 100 cubic yards of lead-contaminated soil were excavated from 0.05 acre (Shaw, 2008). HA 22 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 22 is relatively flat with northwest and west aspects. Adjacent lands were not developed and contain intact native vegetation that may promote natural recruitment within restoration areas.

HA 22 is located on the western portion of Site 39 within sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at HA 22 consisted of hand-broadcast non-irrigated seed and annual weed management activities. HA 22 is relatively flat with little potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 22 occurred in 2011, 2012, 2019, and 2022 and quantitative monitoring began in 2013. The site was monitored for 14 years by photo documentation and site visits, seven years for HMP annual density in plots, and four years for HMP annual density across the HA, species richness, and vegetative cover (see Table 8-7). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-4 shows the historic area footprint, passive restoration area and transect monitoring locations. Success criteria for HA 22 are summarized in Table 8-8.

Table 8-7. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 22

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Active and Passive | • | • | | | | | | | • | | | • | | | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | • |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | •† | • | • | | • | | | | | • |

† Vegetative cover was monitored using quadrats in 2016

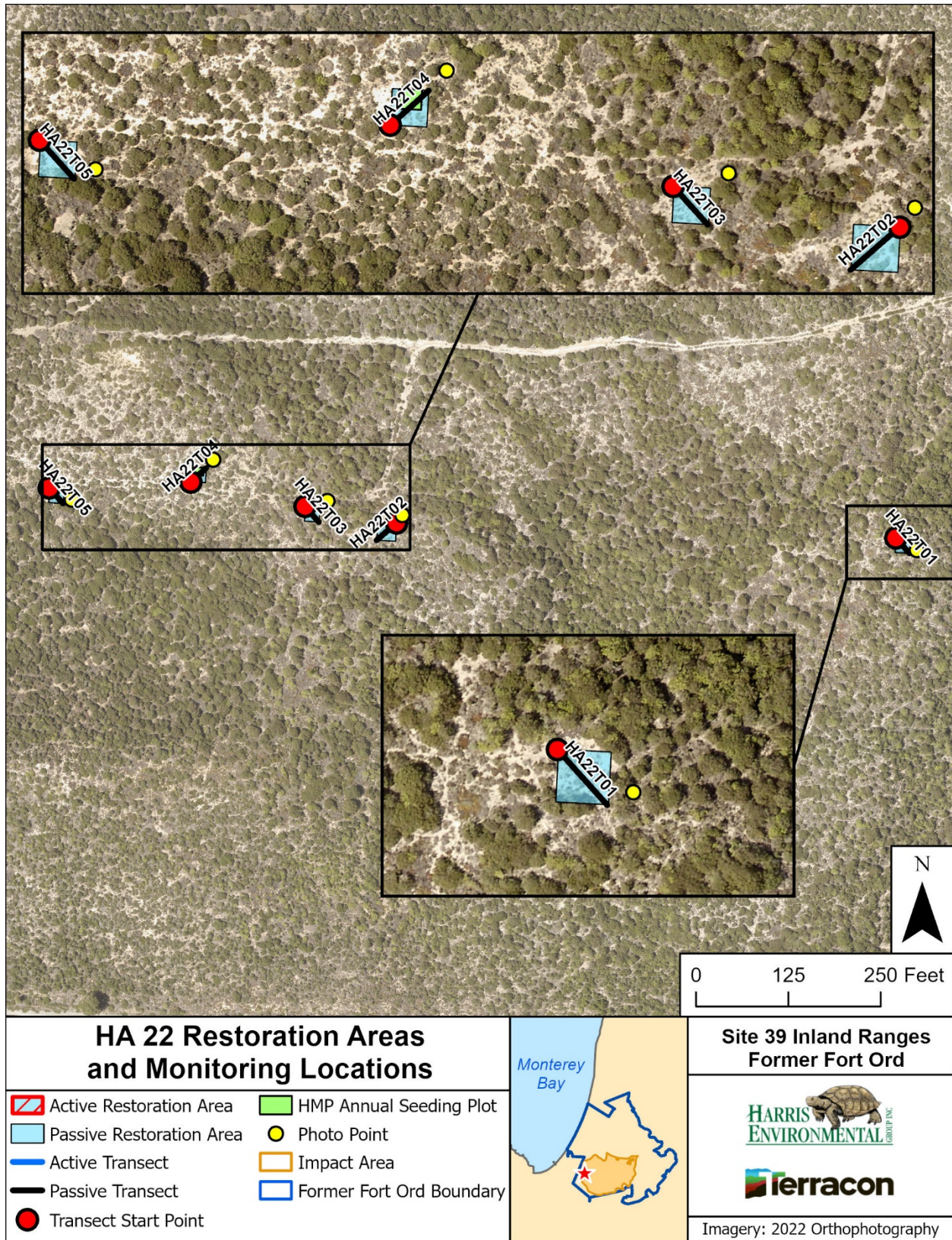


Figure 8-4. HA 22 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-8. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 22

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: chamise shaggy-bark manzanita sandmat manzanita† coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† dwarf ceanothus Monterey spineflower† mock heather Eastwood's goldenbush† golden yarrow peak rush-rose deerweed sticky monkeyflower black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data did not indicate non-native target weed species. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25%) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 20. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 4. |
| | | | Eastwood's goldenbush percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.3.1 Restoration Activities

No restoration activities occurred at HA 22 in 2024.

8.3.2 Monitoring Results

HA 22 was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 121 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-3).

8.3.3 Discussion**8.3.3.1 HA 22 Status**

There are no updates to the HA 22 status discussion; see Table 8-9 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-7).

Table 8-9. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 22

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 14 required species: ADFA, ARTO, ARPU, BAPI, CERI, CEDE, CHPUP, ERER, ERFA, ERCO, CRSC, ACGL, DIAU, SAME | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 5 required species absent Year 8: met (Planted absent species in 2018/2019)** |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 43.49% Year 8: 48.40% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | No | No | MODERATE | Year 5: 1.16% Year 8: 2.65% (AMP planting in 2019 and 2022) |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 20% CERI ≥ 4% ERFA ≥ 1% | No | No | LOW for ARPU LOW for CERI LOW for ERFA | Year 5: ARPU 1.16%, CERI 0.00%, ERFA 0.00% Year 8: ARPU 2.65% CERI 0.00% ERFA 0.00% (Planted ARPU, CERI, and ERFA in 2018/2019 and 2022/2023)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP | Yes | Yes | NA | Year 5: met Year 8: met (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.4 HA 23

HA 23 was used by the Army as a small-arms firing range. Soil remediation was completed in 2010; 450 cubic yards of lead-contaminated soil were excavated from 0.3 acres (Shaw, 2008). HA 23 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 23 is relatively flat with a west aspect. Adjacent lands were not developed and contain intact native vegetation that may promote natural recruitment within restoration areas.

HA 23 is located on the western portion of Site 39, occurring within sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at HA 23 consisted of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed and annual weed management activities. HA 23 is relatively flat with little potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 23 occurred in 2011, 2012, 2019, 2020, and 2023 and quantitative monitoring began in 2014. The HA was monitored for 14 years by photo documentation and site visits, six years for HMP annual density in plots, and four years for HMP annual density across the HA, species richness, and vegetative cover (see Table 8-10). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-5 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, and transect monitoring locations. Success criteria for HA 23 are summarized in Table 8-11.

Table 8-10. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 23

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Active and Passive | ● | ● | | | | | | | ● | ● | | | ● | | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | † | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | ● | | | | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | | | ● | ● | ● | | ● | | | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | | | ● | ● | ● | | ● | | | | | ● |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | ●‡ | ● | ● | | ● | | | | | ● |

† Monterey spineflower was not monitored in year 1 (2013) because of UXO presence and mastication activities

‡ Vegetative cover was monitored using quadrats in 2016

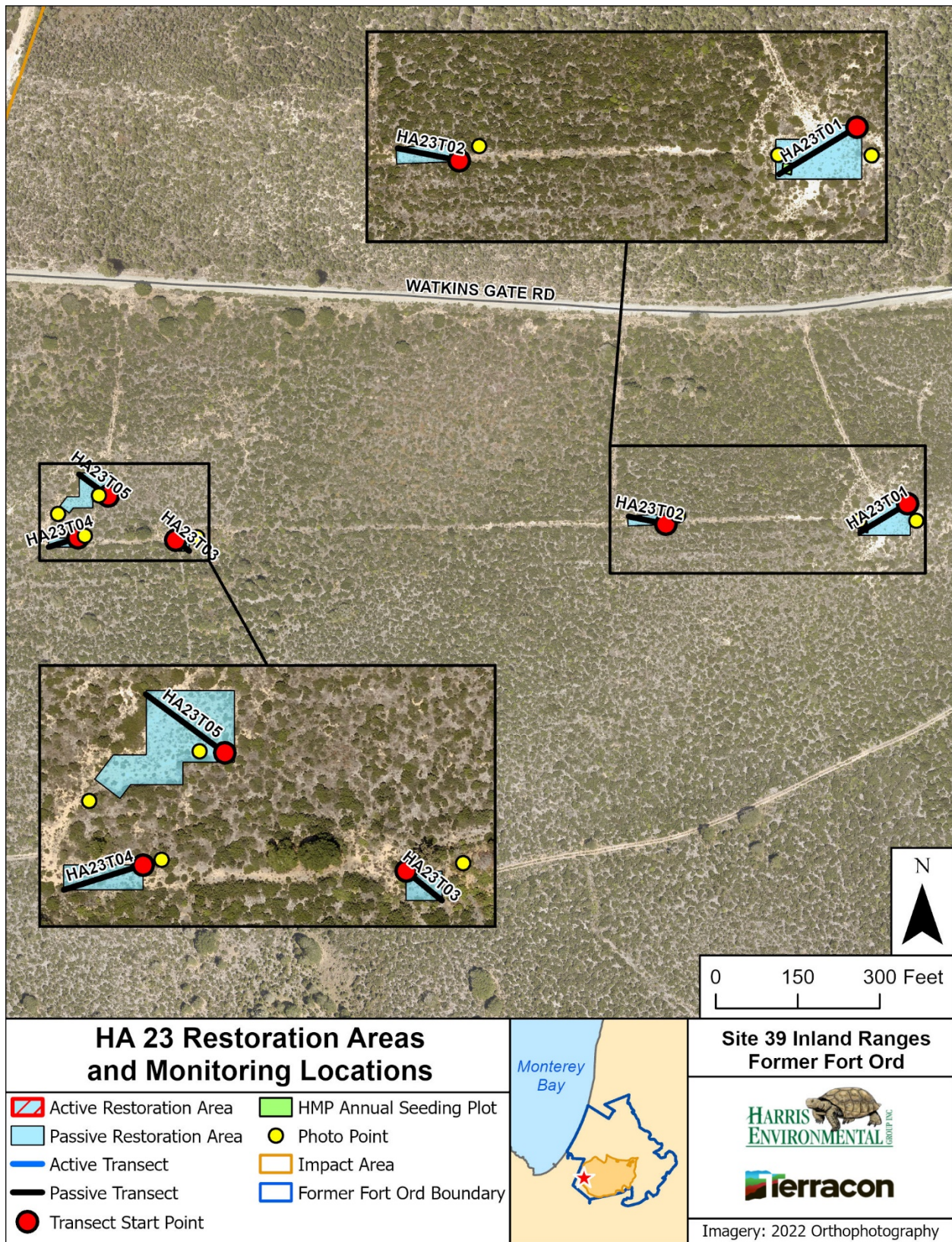


Figure 8-5. HA 23 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-11. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 23

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: chamise shaggy-bark manzanita sandmat manzanita† coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† dwarf ceanothus Monterey spineflower† mock heather Eastwood's goldenbush† golden yarrow peak rush-rose deerweed sticky monkeyflower black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data did not indicate non-native target weed species. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 20. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 4. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Eastwood's goldenbush percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. Monterey spineflower density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.4.1 Restoration Activities

No restoration activities occurred at HA 23 in 2024.

8.4.2 Monitoring Results

HA 23 was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-4).

8.4.3 Discussion**8.4.3.1 HA 23 Status**

There are no updates to the HA 23 status discussion; see Table 8-12 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-10).

Table 8-12. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 23

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|--|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 14 required species: ADFA, ARTO, ARPU, BAPI, CERI, CEDE, CHPUP, ERER, ERFA, ERCO, CRSC, ACGL, DIAU, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | HIGH | Year 5: 22.99% Year 8: 30.66% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 7.46% Year 8: 16.34% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 20% CERI ≥ 4% ERFA ≥ 1% | No | No | HIGH for ARPU MODERATE for CERI LOW for ERFA | Year 5: ARPU 7.04% CERI 0.42% ERFA 0.00% Year 8: ARPU 15.19% CERI 1.14% ERFA 0.00% (CERI and ERFA planted in 2018/2019 and 2022/2023)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP | Yes | Yes | NA | Year 5: met Year 8: met (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.5 HA 26

HA 26 was used by the Army as an intermittent machine gun range, a dry fire movement course, and later as a squad automatic weapon range. An estimated total of 22,400 cubic yards of soil was excavated over approximately 14 acres. Much of the site was dominated by invasive species. The excavation removed many areas of invasive species and possibly aided in the revegetation effort for this range (Mactec, 2008). HA 26 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 26 is relatively flat with a northeast aspect and contains low to medium quality habitat.

HA 26 is located on the western portion of Site 39, within the sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP restoration procedure for HA 26 included both passive and active restoration consisting of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed, annual weed management activities, container-grown plant installation, and irrigation.

In 2018, Burleson installed a 6,000-gallon capacity irrigation system to enhance the survivorship of installed plants at HA 26. Water was sourced from the OU2 Groundwater Treatment Plant (OU-2 GWTP) and Salas Brothers Water Trucking. From 2018 to 2022, approximately 296,000 gallons of water were supplied to the site to irrigate around 3,000 plants during the dry seasons. Following the final irrigation event in February 2022, the system was dismantled, except for the two 3,000-gallon water tanks, which remain on-site to support the Army's Fort Ord Prescribed Burn Program. For details on the irrigation system's impact on plant survivorship, see Appendix G of the 2022 Annual Habitat Restoration Report.

Restoration at HA 26 occurred from 2016 through 2024 and quantitative monitoring began in 2016. The HA was monitored for eleven years by photo documentation and site visits; six years for HMP annual density in plots, HMP annual density across the HA, species richness, and plant survivorship; and five years for vegetative cover (see Table 8-13). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-6 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, and active restoration area. Success criteria for HA 26 are summarized in Table 8-14.

Table 8-13. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 26

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 13 |
| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2028 |
| Restoration: Active, Passive, Erosion Control, and Irrigation | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | | | • | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | • | • | • | • | • | | | • | | |
| Species Richness | | | • | • | • | • | • | | | • | | • |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | • | • | • | • | | | • | | • |
| Plant Survivorship | | | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | | |

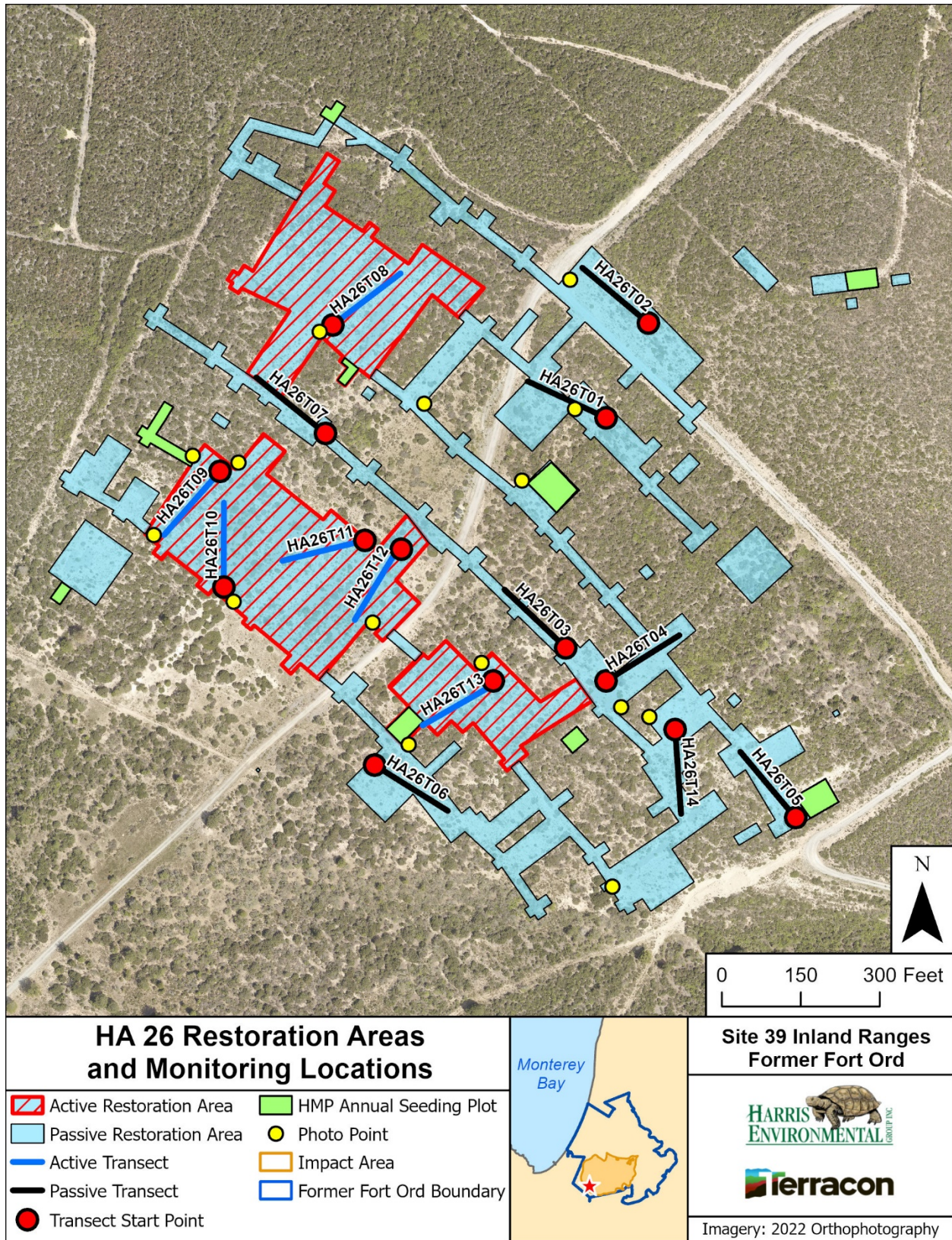


Figure 8-6. HA 26 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-14. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 26

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|--|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: chamise sandmat manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita Monterey ceanothus† Eastwood's goldenbush† sticky monkeyflower black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 20 percent for native species‡ | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 20 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP‡. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data did indicate presence of non-native target weed species jubata grass. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 2. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 1 percent is acceptable. |
| | | | Eastwood's goldenbush percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 1 percent is acceptable. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

‡ 20 percent cover of native species is the original success criterion due to the degraded conditions of the site prior to remediation – low quality habitat. However, the same restoration methods will be used and results will likely be similar to all restored areas.

8.5.1 Restoration Activities

Harris-Terracon performed passive restoration at HA 26 in 2024. Passive restoration activities have occurred each year from 2016 to 2024.

In 2024, 8.7 pounds of seed were broadcast over 0.434 acres, see Tables B-2 and B-3 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 761.92 lbs compared to the 303.10 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Total seed broadcast exceeded the SSRP prescription because additional seed was applied for erosion control activities and to increase vegetative cover in bare areas. Photograph C-2 in Appendix C shows passive restoration efforts at HA 26.

No active restoration activities were conducted at HA 26 in 2024.

8.5.2 Monitoring Results

HA 26 was in year 9 of monitoring in 2024. Site visits, plant survivorship surveys, and photo documentation were completed in 2024 at HA 26 (see Appendix D, page D-5).

8.5.2.1 Plant Survivorship

Plant survivorship monitoring was conducted at HA 26 for plants installed in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022. Some plants installed between 2018 and 2021 received irrigation, while none of the plants installed in 2020 and 2022 were irrigated. A total of eight shrub species and 711 individual plants were monitored for survivorship. By year 3 of monitoring, survivorship was 73% for the 2018 planting, 70% for the 2019 planting, 56% for the 2020 planting, 70% for the 2021 planting, and 64% for the 2022 planting. Table 8-15 through Table 8-19 present results by species.

Table 8-15. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2018 Plantings at HA 26

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2018) | Year Two (2019) | Year Three (2020) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 723 | 72 | 94 | 91 | 90 |
| ARPU* | 955 | 92 | 96 | 95 | 96 |
| ARTO | 457 | 46 | 96 | 91 | 91 |
| BAPI | 202 | 18 | 83 | 83 | 84 |
| CERI* | 414 | 41 | 34 | 30 | 25 |
| ERFA* | 475 | 45 | 42 | 41 | 40 |
| SAME | 368 | 34 | 76 | 56 | 47 |
| Total | 3,594 | 348 | 79 | 74 | 73 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-16. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2019 Plantings at HA 26

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2019) | Year Two (2020) | Year Three (2021) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 67 | 10 | 90 | 89 | 89 |
| ARPU* | 88 | 10 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| ARTO | 69 | 10 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| BAPI | 31 | 10 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| CERI | 92 | 10 | 70 | 70 | 60 |
| ERFA* | 65 | 10 | 40 | 40 | 33 |
| LUAR | 15 | 9 | 22 | 0 | 0 |
| SAME | 63 | 10 | 100 | 90 | 90 |
| Total | 490 | 79 | 78 | 74 | 70 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-17. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2020 Plantings at HA 26

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2020) | Year Two (2021) | Year Three (2022) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 134 | 13 | 92 | 92 | 91 |
| ARPU* | 125 | 13 | 100 | 92 | 91 |
| ARTO | 138 | 14 | 100 | 86 | 83 |
| BAPI | 61 | 10 | 100 | 70 | 60 |
| CERI* | 125 | 13 | 46 | 33 | 17 |
| ERFA* | 100 | 10 | 40 | 30 | 30 |
| LUAR | 15 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SAME | 125 | 13 | 92 | 77 | 69 |
| Total | 823 | 96 | 74 | 63 | 56 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-18. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2021 Plantings at HA 26

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2021) | Year Two (2022) | Year Three (2023) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 123 | 11 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| ARPU* | 151 | 12 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| ARTO | 138 | 12 | 93 | 93 | 92 |
| BAPI | 61 | 10 | 90 | 80 | 80 |
| CERI* | 130 | 13 | 77 | 58 | 54 |
| ERFA* | 150 | 9 | 40 | 40 | 33 |
| LUAR | 15 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SAME | 125 | 9 | 90 | 89 | 89 |
| Total | 893 | 94 | 77 | 73 | 70 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-19. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2022 Plantings at HA 26

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2022) | Year Two (2023) | Year Three (2024) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 135 | 14 | 86 | 86 | 85 |
| ARPU* | 128 | 13 | 92 | 92 | 100 |
| ARTO | 139 | 14 | 93 | 86 | 70 |
| BAPI | 62 | 10 | 56 | 60 | 50 |
| CERI* | 126 | 10 | 92 | 80 | 42 |
| ERFA* | 101 | 10 | 80 | 70 | 38 |
| LUAR | 15 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SAME | 126 | 10 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Total | 832 | 94 | 79 | 74 | 64 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

8.5.3 Caretaker of Previous HA

Tree removal and herbicide application of cut stumps occurred at HA 26 in 2024. One Monterey pine was felled at HA 26. Tree removal locations are shown in Figure 8-7. Photographs C-7 through C-17 in Appendix C show Caretaker activities that occurred in 2024.

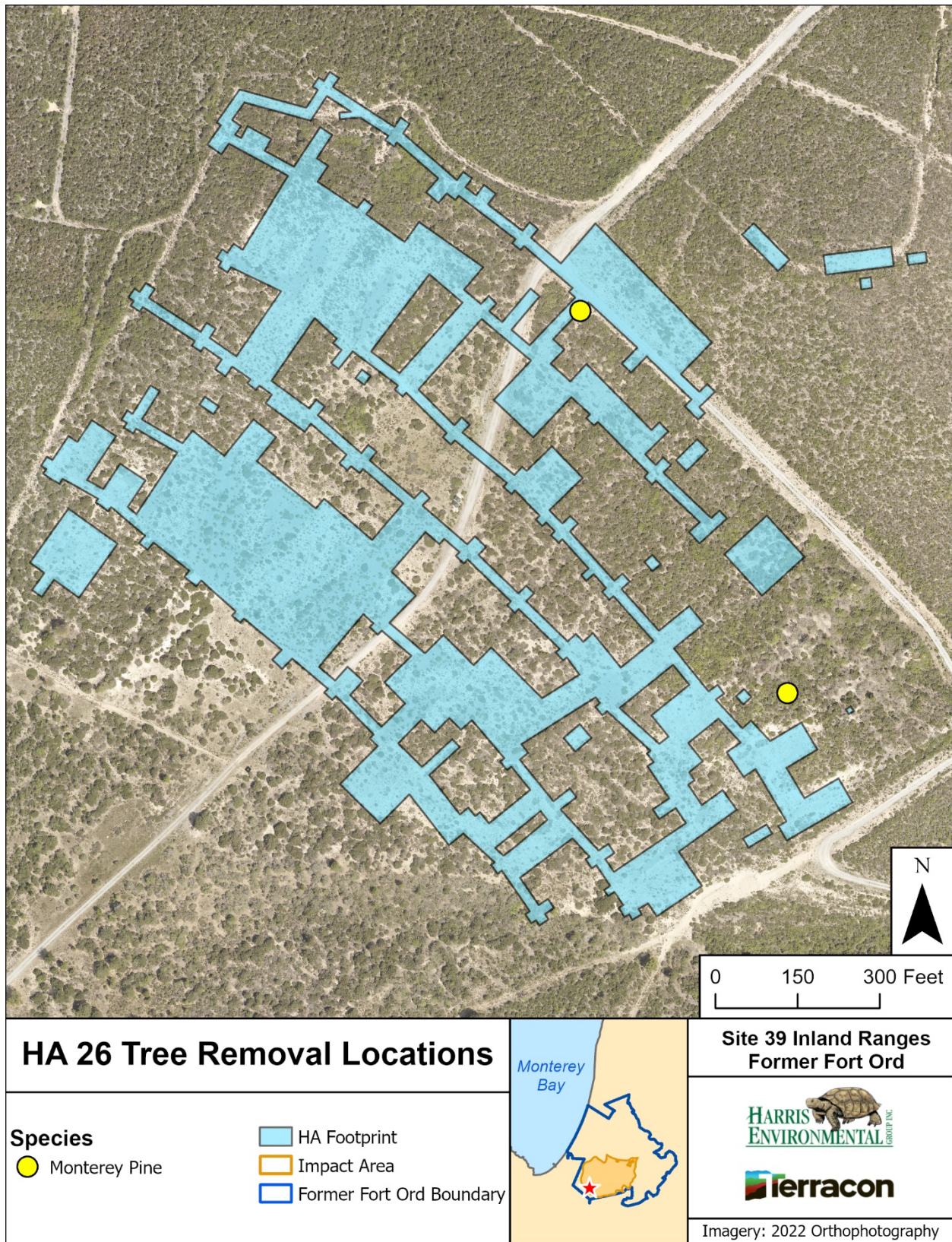


Figure 8-7. 2024 Tree Removal Locations at HA 26

8.5.4 Discussion

8.5.4.1 Plant Survivorship

Overall, plant survivorship at HA 26 has been moderate across all planting years from 2018 to 2022. The final year 3 monitoring for 2022 plantings had a total of 64% survivorship. The 2022 planting year showed similar trends to previous years with moderate to high survivorship of chamise, manzanita species, and black sage, and low survivorship of yellow bush lupine, Eastwood's golden fleece, and Monterey ceanothus. For plant survivorship classifications of each species by planting year, see Table 8-20. Low survivorship for yellow bush lupine (*Lupinus arboreus*) and Monterey ceanothus (*Ceanothus rigidus*) has been seen at multiple sites where plant survivorship monitoring occurred. HA 26 lacks topsoil and has fine, silty soil which contributes to sheet flow and inhibits water infiltration. Several areas at HA 26 were mulched which prevented erosion and helped with water retention (Kemron, 2018). 2024 was the final year of survivorship monitoring for all planting at HA 26.

Table 8-20. Plant Survivorship Classifications for All Planting Years at HA 26

| Species | Planting Year | | | | |
|--------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| ADFA | high | high | high | high | high |
| ARPU* | high | high | high | high | high |
| ARTO | high | high | high | high | moderate |
| BAPI | high | high | moderate | high | moderate |
| CERI* | low | moderate | low | moderate | low |
| ERFA* | low | low | low | low | low |
| LUAR | - | low | low | low | low |
| SAME | low | high | moderate | high | high |
| Overall Site | moderate | moderate | moderate | moderate | moderate |

* HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

8.5.4.2 HA 26 Status

HA 26 was in year 9 of monitoring in 2024 and there are no updates to success criteria metrics. In 2020, year 5 of monitoring, the site met three of six success criteria (see Table 8-21). In 2023, year 8 of monitoring, the site met six of six success criteria.

Per previous recommendations, an irrigation system was installed in 2018 and there was a focused effort to irrigate HMP shrubs to improve survivorship and HMP shrub cover (Burlison, 2019). The Army has no further recommendations at this time. A qualitative overview was documented by photo points (see Appendix D, page D-5).

Table 8-21. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 26

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2020) Met | Year 8 (2023) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2027) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 7 required species: ADFA, ARPU, ARTO, CERI, ERFA, DIAU, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 20% | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 17.88% Year 8: 32.84% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.15% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 2.16% Year 8: 6.93% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 2% CERI = present ERFA = present | No | Yes | HIGH for ARPU, CERI, and ERFA | Year 5: ARPU 1.54% CERI 0.56% ERFA 0.06% Year 8: ARPU 5.21% CERI 1.47% ERFA 0.25% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP | Yes | Yes | NA | (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

8.6 HA 27

HA 27 was used by the Army as a small-arms firing range. Soil remediation was completed in 2010; 100 cubic yards of lead-contaminated soil was excavated from 0.06 acre (Shaw, 2008). HA 27 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 27 is relatively flat and sits on exposed bedrock with surface water runoff in its western portion. Adjacent lands were not developed and contain intact native vegetation that may promote natural recruitment within restoration areas.

HA 27 is located on the southern portion of Site 39, occurring within Aromas formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at HA 27 consisted of hand-broadcast non-irrigated seed and annual weed management activities.

Restoration at HA 27 occurred in 2011, 2012, 2019, 2020, 2022, 2023, and 2024 and quantitative monitoring began in 2016. HA 27 was monitored for 14 years by photo documentation and site visits and four years for species richness and vegetative cover (see **Error! Reference source not found.**). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-8 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, and transect monitoring locations. Success criteria for HA 27 are summarized in Table 8-23.

Table 8-22. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 27

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Active and Passive | ● | ● | | | | | | | ● | ● | | ● | ● | ● | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Species Richness | | | | | | ● | ● | ● | | ● | | | | | ● |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | ●† | ● | ● | | ● | | | | | ● |

† Vegetative cover was monitored using quadrats in 2016

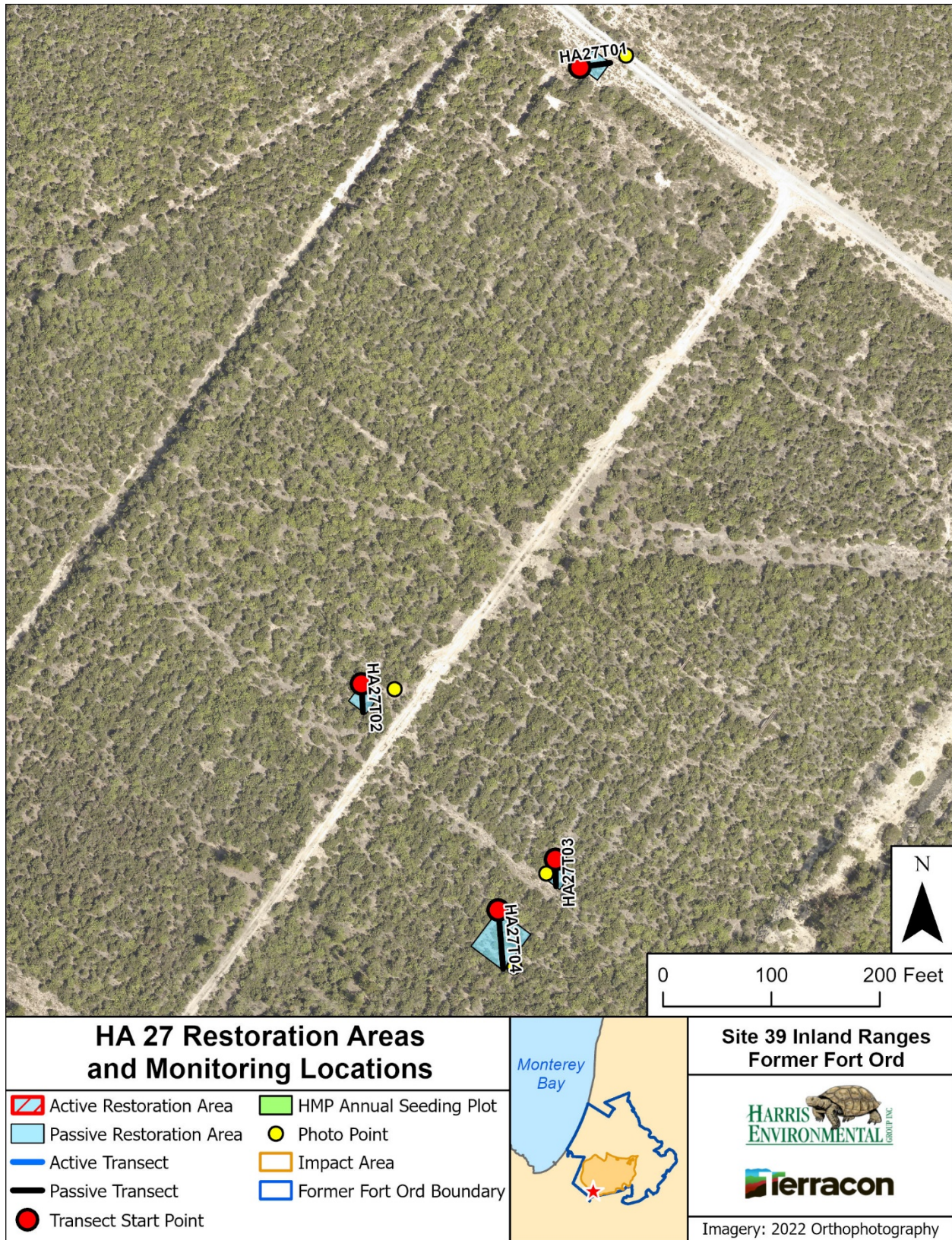


Figure 8-8. HA 27 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-23. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 27

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|--|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: Monterey manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita sandmat manzanita† coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† golden yarrow peak rush-rose wedge-leaved horkelia deerweed sticky monkeyflower black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data indicated the non-native target weed species jubata grass at 50 percent cover. Therefore, the non-native target weed may be present at less than or equal to 5 percent. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 4 (26-50% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 25. |
| | | | Monterey manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 2. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| 4 | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Density class: Not applicable |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.6.1 Restoration Activities

Harris-Terracon performed passive restoration at HA 27 in 2024. Passive restoration activities have occurred in 2011, 2012, 2019, 2020, 2022, 2023, and 2024.

In 2024, 0.5 pounds of seed were broadcast over 0.023 acres, see Table B-4 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 3.94 lbs compared to the 1.27 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Total seed broadcast exceeded the SSRP prescription because additional seed was applied for erosion control activities and to increase vegetative cover in bare areas.

No active restoration activities were conducted at HA 27 in 2024.

8.6.2 Monitoring Results

HA 27 was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-6).

8.6.3 Discussion

8.6.3.1 HA 27 Status

There are no updates to the HA 27 status discussion; see Table 8-24 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2025 (see **Error! Reference source not found.**).

Table 8-24. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 27

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 11 Required species: ARMO, ARTO, ARPU, BAPI, CERI, ERCO, CRSC, HOCU, ACGL, DIAU, SAME | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: ERCO absent Year 8: met (ERCO planted in 2018/2019)** |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | HIGH | Year 5: 32.69% Year 8: 34.48% (AMP planting occurred in 2018/2019, 2021/2022, and 2022/2023) |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 1.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 4: 26-50% | No | No | LOW | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 6.60% (AMP planting occurred in 2018/2019, 2021/2022, and 2022/2023) |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 25% ARMO ≥ 2% CERI ≥ 1% | No | No | LOW for ARPU HIGH for ARMO HIGH for CERI | Year 5: ARPU 0.00% ARMO 0.00% CERI 0.00% Year 8: ARPU 0.00% ARMO 2.19% CERI 4.40% (ARMO planted in 2018/2019, ARPU planted in 2021/2022 and 2022/2023)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | NA | NA | NA | NA | No HMP annuals in baseline data |

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8.7 HA 27A

HA 27A was used by the Army as a small-arms firing range. Soil remediation was completed in 2010; 1,100 cubic yards of lead-contaminated soil were excavated from 0.6 acres (Shaw, 2008). HA 27A rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 27A is relatively flat with a west aspect. Adjacent lands were not developed and contain intact native vegetation that may promote natural recruitment within restoration areas.

HA 27A is made up of three distinct polygons that are located on the southern portion of Site 39, occurring within Aromas formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In the southern most polygon, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at HA 27A consisted of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed and annual weed management activities. The southern polygon at HA 27A lacks topsoil, has exposed hardpan sandstone, and ongoing erosion issues. This area is a transitional vegetative zone between maritime chaparral and grassland.

In 2019, the success criteria for HA 27A was revised due to the marginal response to restoration efforts. Under the revised success criteria, the southern polygon (HA 27A South) will resemble the early successional stages of a maritime chaparral habitat and the existing success criteria will continue to be applied to the two northern polygons (HA 27A North) (USFWS, 2019). HA 27A North and South are now evaluated separately for the species richness and non-native target weed cover success criteria. HA 27A North is the only area of the site to be evaluated for native vegetation cover, HMP shrub cover, and HMP shrub cover by species criteria.

Restoration at HA 27A occurred in 2011, 2012, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022 and quantitative monitoring began in 2016. HA 27A was monitored for 14 years by photo documentation and site visits and four years for species richness and vegetative cover (see Table 8-25). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-9 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, and transect locations. Success criteria for HA 27A are summarized in Table 8-26 and Table 8-27.

Table 8-25. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 27A

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Passive and Erosion Control | • | • | | | | • | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| Species Richness | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | • |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | • |

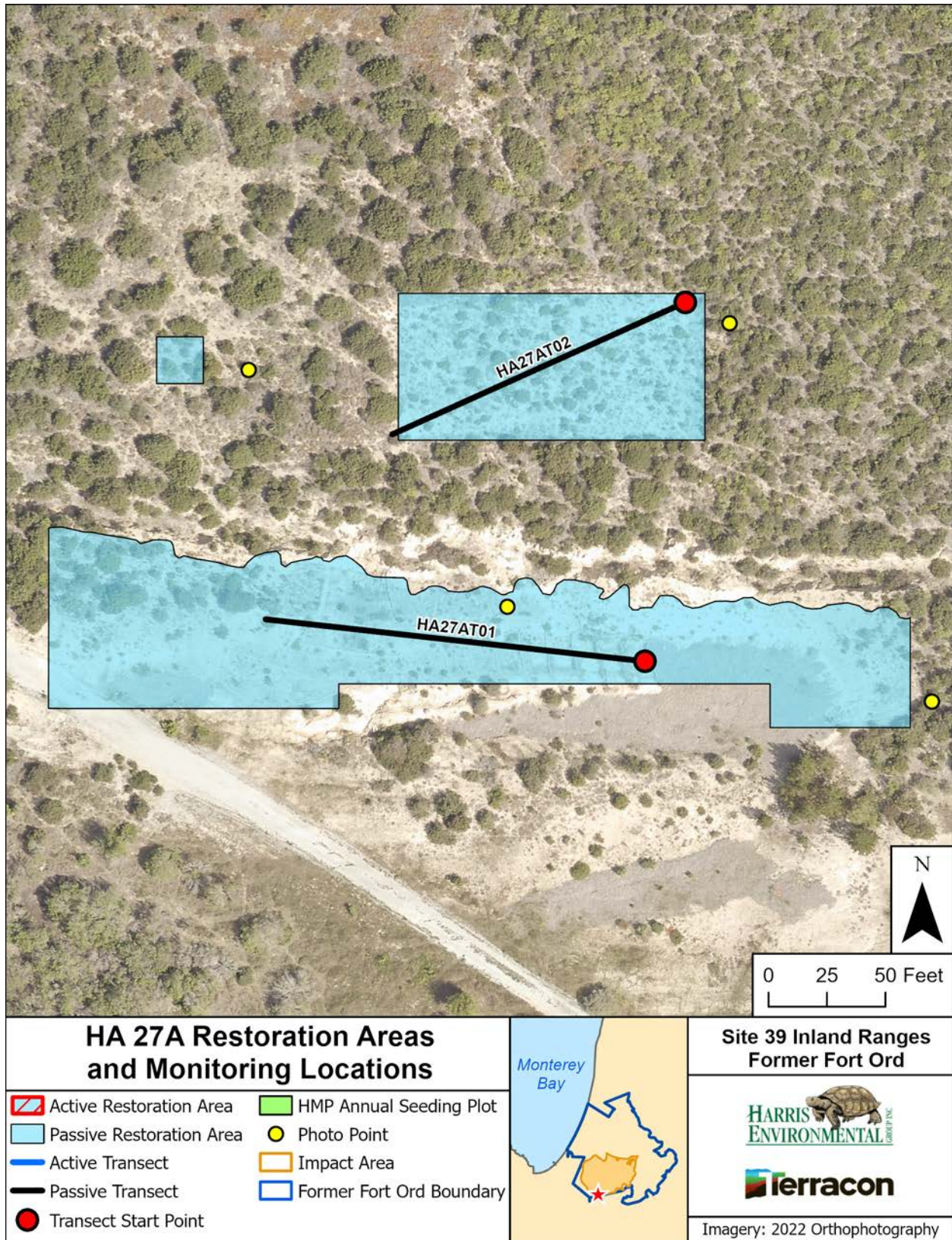


Figure 8-9. HA 27A Restoration Areas and Monitoring Location Map

Table 8-26. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 27A North

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | chamise Monterey manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita sandmat manzanita† coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† golden yarrow peak rush-rose wedge-leaved horkelia deerweed sticky monkeyflower black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data indicated the non-native target weed species jubata grass at 10 percent cover. Therefore, the non-native target weed may be present at less than or equal to 5 percent. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 4 (26-50% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 25. |
| | | | Monterey manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 2. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Density class: Not applicable |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

Table 8-27. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 27A South†

| Table 3 LTA Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HX LTA South | | | |
|--|---|--|---|
| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
| | Objective 1* | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | coyote brush peak rush-rose wedge-leaved horkelia deerweed sticky monkeyflower |
| | Objective 2* | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data indicated the non-native target weed species jubata grass at 10 percent cover. Therefore, the non-native target weed may be present at less than or equal to 5 percent. |
| | Objective 3* | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity (North only) | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: Not applicable |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Not applicable |
| 4 | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Density class: Not applicable |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† Success criteria for HA 27A South updated in consultation with USFWS (USFWS, 2019)

8.7.1 Restoration Activities

Passive restoration was conducted in 2011, 2012, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022, 2023, and 2024 throughout HA 27A North and South.

In 2024, 5.95 pounds of seed were broadcast over 0.141 acres, see Tables B-5 and B-6 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 80.286 lbs compared to 13.530 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Total seed broadcast exceeded the SSRP prescription because additional seed was applied for erosion control activities and to vegetate bare areas.

No active restoration activities occurred at HA 27A in 2024.

8.7.2 HA 27A North Monitoring Results

HA 27A North was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-7).

8.7.3 HA 27A South Monitoring Results

HA 27A South was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-8).

8.7.4 Caretaker of Previous HA

Monterey pine removal and herbicide application of cut stumps occurred at HA 27A South in 2024. Thirty-six Monterey pine trees were felled at HA 27A South, all of which were grouped very close together in an isolated stand near the edge of the HA footprint. Tree removal locations are shown in Figure 8-10. Photographs C-7 through C-17 in Appendix C show Caretaker activities that occurred in 2024.

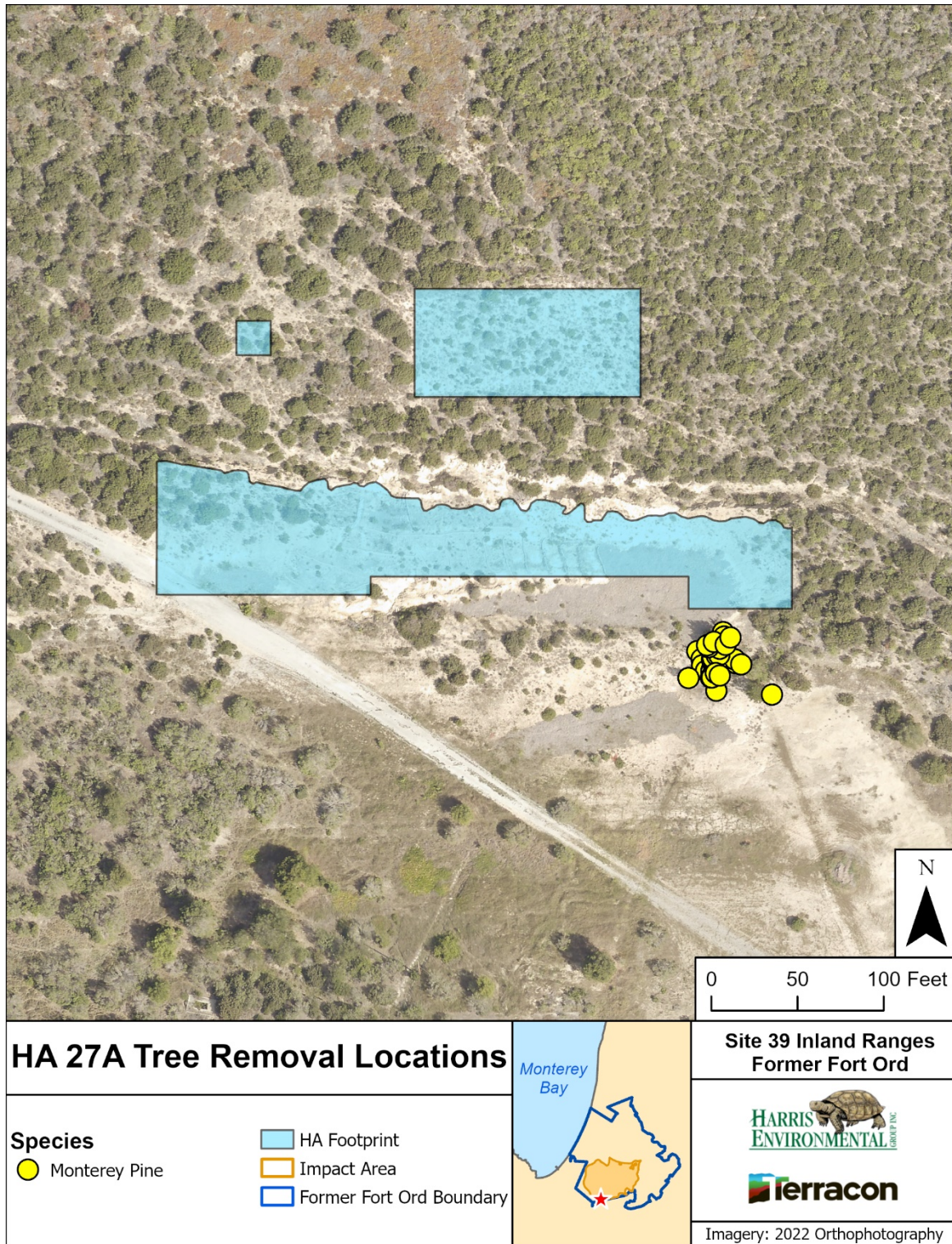


Figure 8-10. 2024 Tree Removal Locations at HA 27A

8.7.5 Discussion

8.7.5.1 HA 27A North Status

There are no updates to the HA 27A status discussion; see Table 8-28 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-25).

Table 8-28. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 27A North

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met* | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 12 Required species: ADFA, ARMO, ARTO, ARPU, BAPI, CERI, ERCO, CRSC, HOCU, ACGL, DIAU, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | High | Year 5: 23.34%, Year 8: 33.18% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | High | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 4: 26-50% | No | No | LOW | Year 5: 0.62% Year 8: 2.80% (ARPU and CERI planted in 2020/2021, ARMO planted in 2021/2022)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 25% ARMO ≥ 2% CERI ≥ 1% | No | No | LOW for ARPU LOW for ARMO LOW for CERI | Year 5: ARPU 0.62% ARMO 0.00% CERI 0.00% Year 8: ARPU 2.20% ARMO 0.59% CERI 0.00% (ARPU and CERI planted in 2020/2021, ARMO planted in 2021/2022)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

*Prior to HA 27A being split into distinct North and South sections for monitoring purposes

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8.7.5.2 HA 27A South Status

In 2017, year 5 of monitoring, HA 27A met two of five success criteria before it was split into two sites. In year 8, HA 27A South met both relevant success criteria. The site is on trajectory to continue meeting both success criteria by year 13 of monitoring, 2025 (see Table 8-29).

Per recommendations in the 2017 Annual Report, the Army implemented two actions to support HA 27A South in achieving success criteria in future years: 1) continue erosion control efforts, including the use of mulch (Kemron applied mulch to the eastern portion of the polygon in 2018) and 2) manage the site in two distinct areas and reevaluate the success criteria for the southern polygon (Burleson, 2018). HA 27A South is now evaluated only for species richness and non-native target weed cover with the goal of resembling the early successional stages of a maritime chaparral habitat. The Army planted deerweed, coyote brush (*Baccharis pilularis*), and purple needlegrass in the 2020/2021 season to support these goals. The updated success criteria are reflected in Table 8-26 and Table 8-27. The Army has no further recommendations at this time. A qualitative overview was documented by photo points (see Appendix D, page D-8).

The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-25).

Table 8-29. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 27A South

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met* | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|--------------------|-------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 12 Required species: ADFA, ARMO, ARTO, ARPU, BAPI, CERI, ERCO, CRSC, HOCU, ACGL, DIAU, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | YES | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

*Prior to HA 27A being split into distinct North and South sections for monitoring purposes

8.8 HA 28

HA 28 was used by the Army as a range for automatic rifles. Soil was excavated over 4.3 acres. A vernal pool comprised ponds 30A, 30B, and 30C and partially extends into HA 28. California tiger salamander (*Ambystoma californiense*) and other aquatic species have been documented within the vernal pool. HA 28 rests within unprotected maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 28 is surrounded by medium to very high-quality habitat.

HA 28 is located on the southern portion of Site 39, within the sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for HA 28 included both passive and active restoration consisting of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed, annual weed management activities, and installing native container-grown plants. HA 28 is moderately sloped with some potential for erosion.

Restoration activities at HA 28 occurred from 2013 to 2020 and quantitative monitoring began in 2015. The HA was monitored for 12 years by photo documentation and site visits; six years for HMP annual density in plots; seven years for plant survivorship; and five years for HMP annual density across the HA, species richness, and vegetative cover (see Table 8-30). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-11 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, active restoration area, and transect monitoring locations. Success criteria for HA 28 are summarized in Table 8-31.

Table 8-30. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 28

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 13 |
| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2027 |
| Restoration: Active, Passive, and Erosion Control | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | | | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | ● |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | ● |
| Plant Survivorship | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | | |

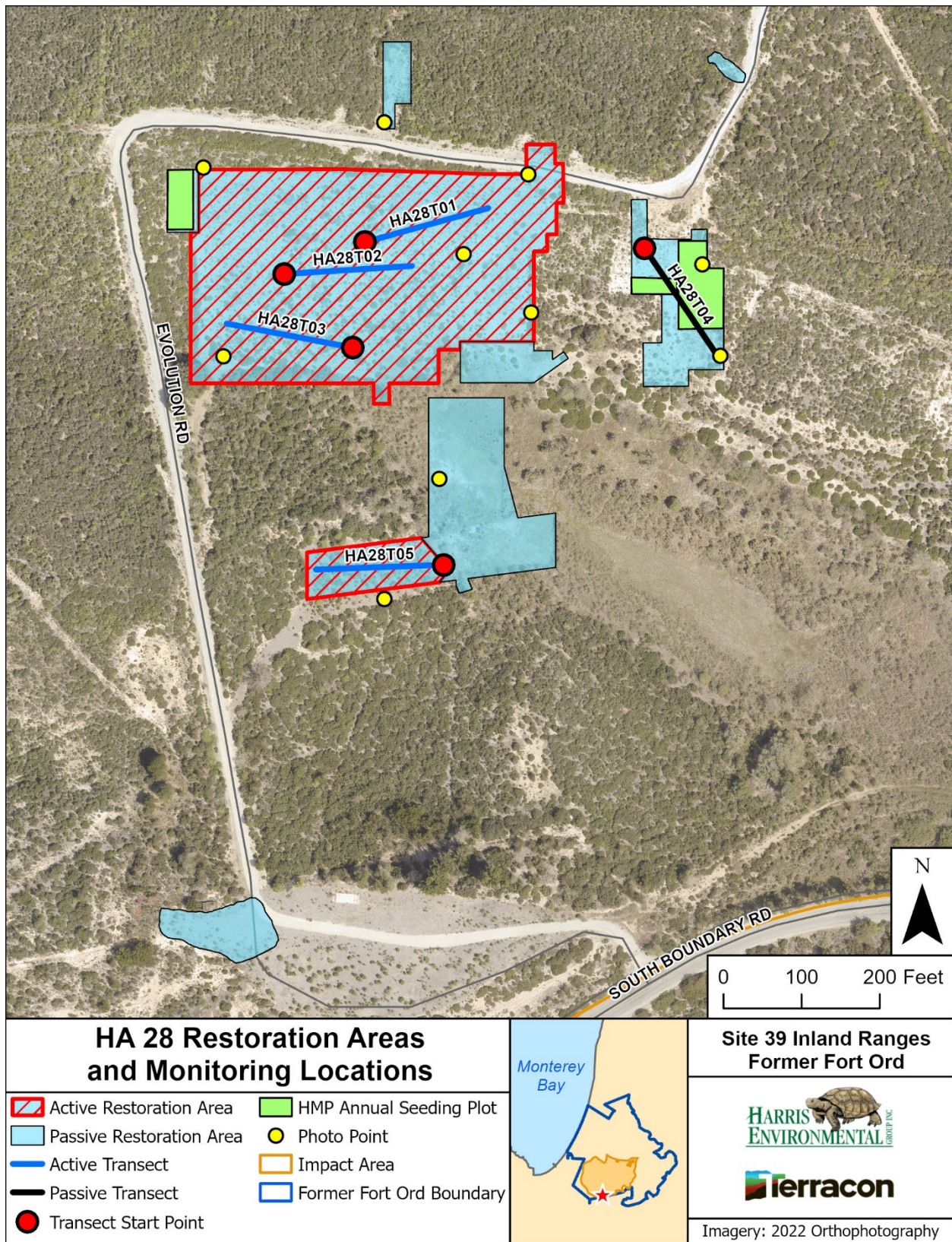


Figure 8-11. HA 28 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-31. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 28

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|--|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | chamise Monterey manzanita† sandmat manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita Monterey ceanothus† wedge-leaved horkelia black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data indicated presence of non-native target weed species jubata grass. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 35. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 1 percent is acceptable. |
| | | | Monterey manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 2 percent is acceptable. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.8.1 Restoration Activities

No restoration activities occurred at HA 28 in 2024

8.8.2 Monitoring Results

HA 28 was in year 10 of monitoring in 2024. Year 10 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-9).

8.8.3 Discussion

8.8.3.1 HA 28 Status

There are no updates to the HA 28 status discussion; see Table 8-32 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burlison, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in year 13, 2027 (see Table 8-30).

Table 8-32. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 28

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2019) Met | Year 8 (2022) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2027) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 7 required species: ADFA, ARMO, ARPU, ARTO, CERI, HOCU, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 29.01% Year 8: 40.82% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 9.66% Year 8: 17.38% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 35% ARMO = present CERI = present | No | No | LOW for ARPU HIGH for ARMO HIGH for CERI | Year 5: ARPU 6.51% ARMO 0.67% CERI 2.49% Year 8: ARPU 11.96% ARMO 2.38% CERI 3.03% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP | Yes | Yes | NA | (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

8.9 HA 29

HA 29 was used by the Army as a small-arms firing range. Soil remediation was completed in 2010; 1,700 cubic yards of soil were excavated from 1.0 acre (Shaw, 2008). HA 29 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 29 varies in elevation with a west aspect. Adjacent lands were not developed and contain substantial amounts of intact native vegetation that may promote natural recruitment in restoration areas. HA 29 was heavily disturbed and covered with jubata grass (*Cortaderia jubata*) prior to soil remediation. Approximately half of HA 29 has compacted soil.

HA 29 is located on the southern portion of Site 39 within Aromas formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for HA 29 included both passive and active restoration consisting of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed, annual weed management activities, and installing native container-grown plants, cuttings, and burls. Areas within HA 29 which are less than 1.0 acre or larger than 1.0 acre but less than 100 feet wide were restored passively using broadcast seed only. Areas larger than 1.0 acre and greater than 100 feet across received both active and passive restoration efforts. The potential for erosion at HA 29 exists along slopes surrounding excavated areas.

Restoration at HA 29 occurred from 2011 to 2013 and quantitative monitoring began in 2013. Additional seed was broadcast in 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2022 and additional plants were installed in 2019 and 2021. The HA was monitored for 14 years by photo documentation and site visits, three years for plant survivorship, and four years for species richness and vegetative cover (see Table 8-33). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-12 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, active restoration area, and transect monitoring locations. Success criteria for HA 29 are summarized in Table 8-34.

Table 8-33. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 29

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Active, Passive, Erosion Control, and Corrective Measures | • | • | • | | | • | | • | • | • | • | • | | | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| Species Richness | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | • |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | • |
| Plant Survivorship | | | • | • | • | | | | | | | | | | |

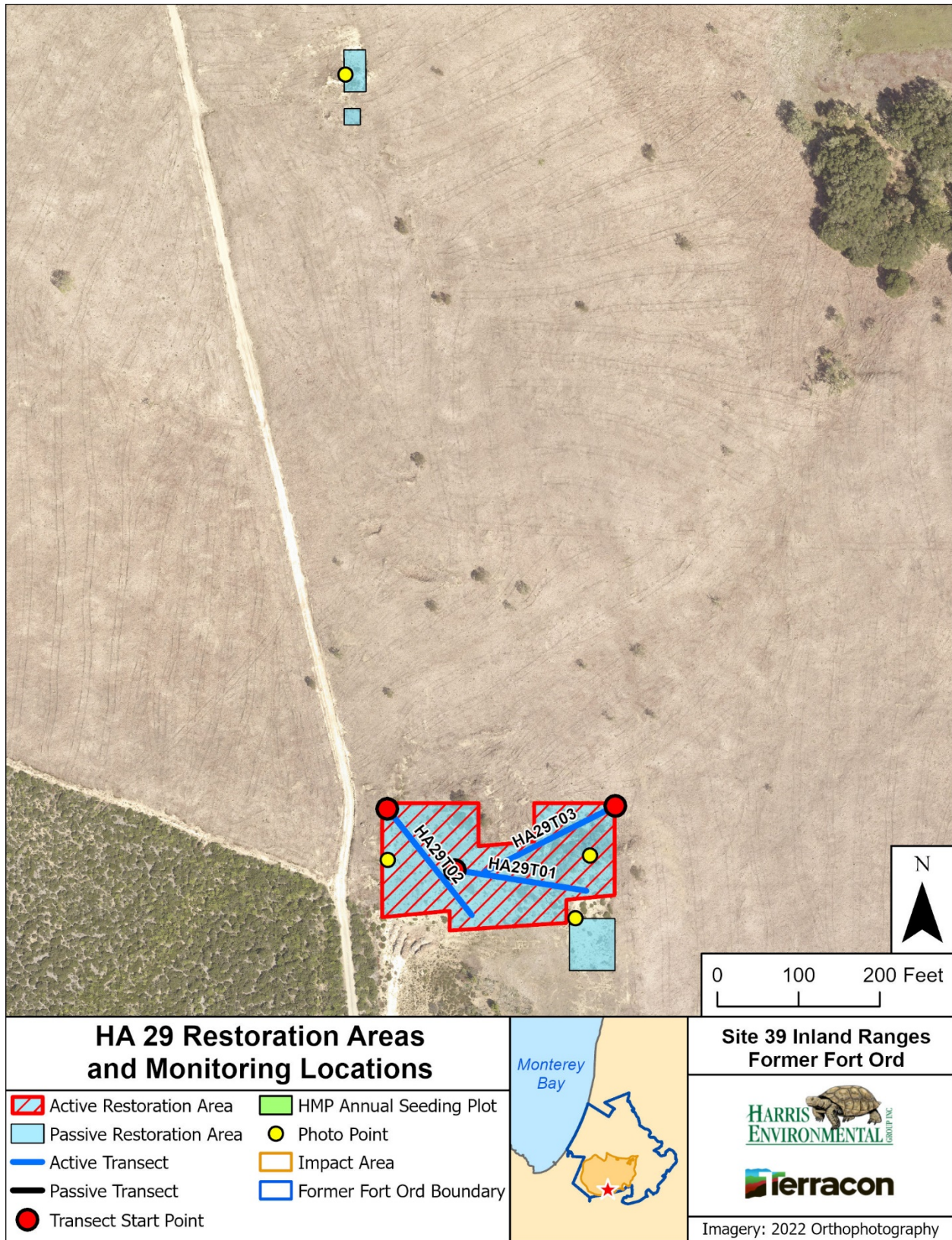


Figure 8-12. HA 29 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-34. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 29

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|--|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: chamise Hooker's manzanita† Monterey manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita sandmat manzanita† coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† Eastwood's goldenbush† golden yarrow toyon peak rush-rose wedge-leaved horkelia deerweed sticky monkeyflower black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data indicated that jubata grass was present at 11%. Therefore, no more than 5% non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 4 (26-50% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Hooker's manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 2. |
| | | | Monterey manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 7. |
| | | | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 27. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | | | Eastwood gold fleece percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or |

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|-----|---|---|-------------------------------|
| | | | greater than 2. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Density class: Not applicable |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.9.1 Restoration Activities

No restoration activities occurred at HA 29 in 2024.

8.9.2 Monitoring Results

HA 29 was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-10).

8.9.3 Discussion

8.9.3.1 HA 29 Status

There are no updates to the HA 29 status discussion; see Table 8-35 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-33).

Table 8-35. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 29

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 15 required species: ADFA, ARHO, ARMO, ARTO, ARPU, BAPI, CERI, ERFA, ERCO, HEAR, CRSC, HOCU, ACGL, DIAU, SAME | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: HEAR absent Year 8: met (AMP planting occurred in 2018/2019) |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | HIGH | Year 5: 12.32% Year 8: 29.87% (AMP planting occurred in 2021) |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.70% Year 8: 0.21% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 4: 26-50% | No | No | LOW | Year 5: 0.62% Year 8: 8.35% (AMP planting occurred in 2021) |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 27% ARMO ≥ 7% ARHO ≥ 2% CERI ≥ 1% ERFA ≥ 2% | No | No | LOW for ARPU LOW for ARMO LOW for ARHO HIGH for CERI LOW for ERFA | Year 5: ARPU 3.14% ARMO 0.00% ARHO 0.00% CERI 0.00% ERFA 0.00% Year 8: ARPU 6.83% ARMO 0.96% ARHO 0.00% CERI 0.56% ERFA 0.00% (ARPU, ARMO, CERI, and ERFA were planted in 2021)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.10 HA 33

HA 33 was used by the Army as a demolitions range. Soil remediation was completed in 2010; 20 cubic yards of soil were excavated from 0.01 acre (Shaw, 2008). HA 33 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 33 is relatively flat with southwest and west aspects. Adjacent lands are heavily dominated by hottentot fig (*Carpobrotus edulis*) and other non-native species and disturbed central maritime chaparral.

HA 33 is located on the eastern portion of Site 39, occurring within Aromas formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at HA 33 consisted of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed and annual weed management activities. HA 33 is relatively flat with little potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 33 occurred in 2011, 2012, 2016, 2019, and 2020 and quantitative monitoring began in 2013. The HA was monitored for 14 years by photo documentation and site visits; seven years for HMP annual density in plots; and four years for HMP annual density across the HA, species richness, and vegetative cover (see Table 8-36). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-13 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, and transect survey locations. Success criteria for HA 33 are summarized in Table 8-37.

Table 8-36. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 33

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Active and Passive | • | • | | | | • | | | • | • | | | | • | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | | | | | • |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | •† | • | • | | • | | | | | • |

† Vegetative cover was monitored using quadrats in 2016

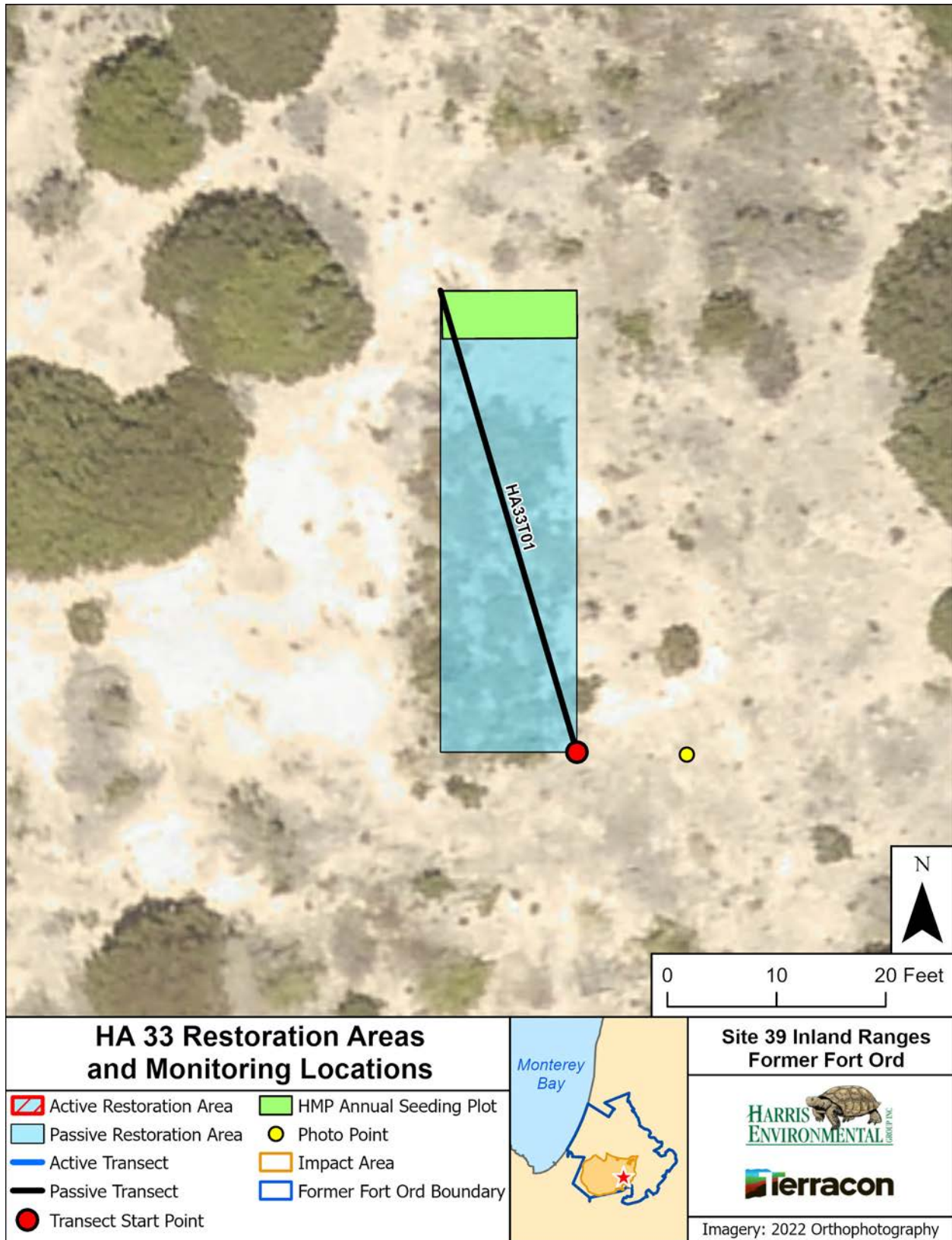


Figure 8-13. HA 33 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-37. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 33

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | common yarrow Monterey manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† dwarf ceanothus golden yarrow toyon peak rush-rose wedge-leaved horkelia deerweed sticky monkeyflower black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline surveys indicated that ice plant was present at HA-33 but was not available in transect data‡. Therefore, no more than 5% non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 4 (26-50% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Monterey manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 30. Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 5. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

‡ Source: Shaw 2009a

8.10.1 Restoration Activities

Harris-Terracon performed passive restoration at HA 33 in 2011, 2012, 2016, 2019, 2020, and 2024.

In 2024, 0.5 pounds of seed were broadcast over 0.009 acres, see Table B-7 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 4.287 lbs compared to the 0.2382 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Total seed broadcast exceeded the SSRP prescription because additional seed was applied for erosion control activities and to increase vegetative cover in bare areas.

No active restoration activities occurred at HA 33 in 2024.

8.10.2 Monitoring Results

HA 33 was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-11).

8.10.3 Discussion

8.10.3.1 HA 33 Status

There are no updates to the HA 33 status discussion; see Table 8-38 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-36).

Table 8-38. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 33

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 13 Required species: ACMI, ARMO, ARTO, BAPI, CERI, CEDE, ERCO, HEAR, CRSC, HOCU, ACGL, DIAU, SAME | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: DIAU, ERCO, HEAR, and SAME absent Year 8: met (AMP planting occurred in 2018/2019 and 2019/2020) |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | MODERATE | Year 5: 4.92% Year 8: 12.25% (AMP planting occurred in 2018/2019, 2019/2020) |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 4: 26-50% | No | No | LOW | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% (ARMO and CERI planted in 2018/2019 and 2019/2020)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARMO ≥ 30% CERI ≥ 5% | No | No | LOW | Year 5: ARMO 0.00% CERI 0.00% Year 8: ARMO 0.00% CERI 0.00% (ARMO and CERI planted in 2018/2019 and 2019/2020)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP | Yes | Yes | NA | Year 5: met Year 8: met (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.11 HA 34

HA 34 was used by the Army as a multi-use range that included a closed combat course, machine gun assault course, and mortar range. An estimated total of 26,300 cubic yards of soil were excavated, including erosion control activities, over approximately 9.7 acres. HA 34 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). The lower portion of HA 34 is moderately sloped and oriented east-west with a ridge in the center of the range. The upper portion of HA 34 is steep and highly susceptible to erosion. Adjacent lands range from low to very high-quality habitat.

HA 34 is located on the northeastern portion of Site 39, within the Aromas formation containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for HA 34 included both passive and active restoration consisting of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed, annual weed management activities, and installing native container-grown plants. In 2020, the success criteria for HA 34 were revised due to the marginal response to restoration efforts. Under the revised success criteria: HMP shrub cover class was reduced from three to two and HMP shrub cover by species was reduced for Monterey manzanita, Monterey ceanothus, and Hooker's manzanita (*Arctostaphylos hookeri*) from 31%, 7%, and 4% respectively, to equal or greater than 1 percent for each species (USFWS, 2020).

Restoration at HA 34 occurred from 2012 to 2024 and quantitative monitoring began in 2016. HA 34 was monitored for 13 years by photo documentation and site visits, nine years for plant survivorship, and five years for species richness and vegetative cover (see Table 8-39). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-14 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, active restoration area, and transect survey locations. Success criteria for HA 34 are summarized in Table 8-40.

Table 8-39. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 34

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 13 |
| | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2027 |
| Restoration: Active, Passive, and Erosion Control | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Species Richness | | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | ● |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | ● |
| Plant Survivorship | | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | |

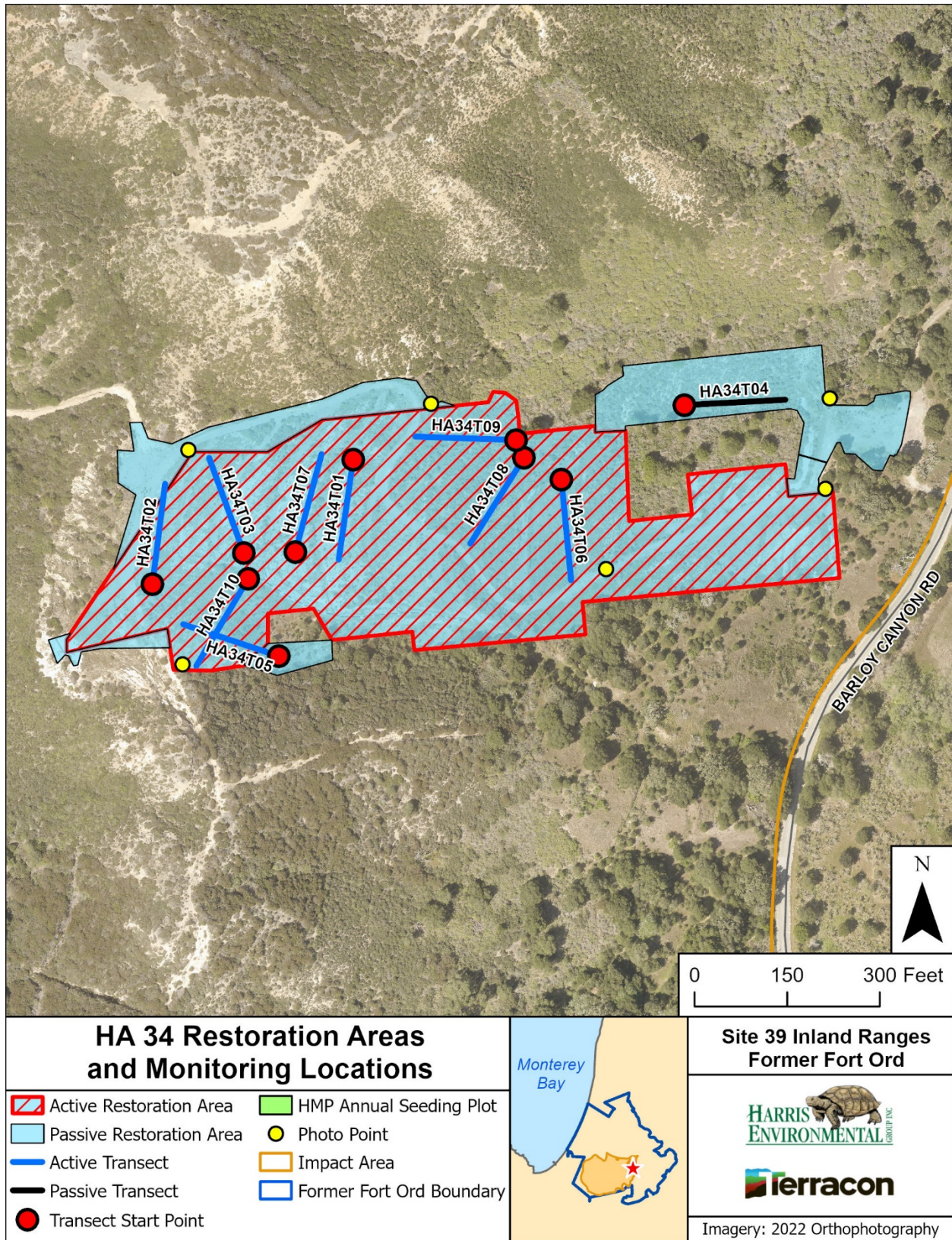


Figure 8-14. HA 34 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-40. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 34

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | chamise Monterey manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita Hooker's manzanita† Monterey ceanothus† sticky monkeyflower black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data indicated the non-native target weed species iceplant. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 2‡ (1-5% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Monterey manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1‡. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1‡. |
| | | | Hooker's manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1‡. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Density class: Not applicable |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

‡ Updated success criteria approved by USFWS (USFWS, 2020)

8.11.1 Restoration Activities

Passive restoration activities were performed at HA 34 each year from 2012 to 2024.

In 2024, 62.7 lbs of seed were broadcast over 4.77 acres, see Table B-7 and B-8 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 1,465.34 lbs compared to the 320.41 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Due to high erosion rates on the site, we conducted multiple years of additional seeding that eventually more than tripled the SSRP prescription. After an initial broadcast of approximately 400 lbs of seed in 2012, heavy erosion events occurred that warranted regrading of the site. This nullified the original application of seed and an additional broadcast of approximately 400 additional pounds was applied. In the years following, additional seed was broadcast when subsequent erosion repair activities were performed, as well as in barren areas to improve vegetative cover and prevent erosion where container plant installation was less successful. Photograph C-3 in Appendix C shows passive restoration efforts at HA 34.

No active restoration activities occurred at HA 34 in 2024.

8.11.2 Monitoring Results

HA 34 was in year 10 of monitoring in 2024. Plant survivorship monitoring was conducted in addition to photo points and site visits.

8.11.2.1 Plant Survivorship

Plant survivorship monitoring was conducted at HA 34 for plants installed in 2016, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2022, and 2023. A total of 13 shrub species and 963 individual plants were monitored for survivorship. By year 3 of monitoring, survivorship was 60% for the 2016 planting, 23% for the 2017 planting, 16% for the 2019 planting, 14% for the 2021 planting, and 14% for the 2022 planting. There are two instances of increases in survivorship from year 2 to year 3 for 2022 plantings (ADFA, BAPI, and CERI) due to more individual plants being found in 2024 monitoring surveys than in 2023. In 2024, the 2023 planting was in year 2 of survivorship monitoring and survivorship was 42%. Tables Table 8-41 through Table 8-46 present results by species.

Table 8-41. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2016 Plantings at HA 34

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2016) | Year Two (2017) | Year Three (2018) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 158 | 16 | 100 | 94 | 94 |
| ARCA | 135 | 14 | 86 | 92 | 79 |
| ARHO* | 76 | 8 | 62 | 62 | 62 |
| ARMO* | 76 | 8 | 75 | 75 | 62 |
| ARTO | 76 | 8 | 75 | 38 | 38 |
| BAPI | 95 | 10 | 90 | 90 | 90 |
| CERI* | 132 | 13 | 38 | 25 | 15 |
| LUAR | 95 | 10 | 60 | 10 | 0 |
| SAME | 45 | 5 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Total | 888 | 92 | 76 | 66 | 60 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-42. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2017 Plantings at HA 34

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2017) | Year Two (2018) | Year Three (2019) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 372 | 37 | 22 | 20 | 18 |
| ARCA | 208 | 22 | 55 | 38 | 32 |
| ARHO* | 286 | 32 | 50 | 38 | 33 |
| ARMO* | 277 | 28 | 36 | 25 | 19 |
| ARTO | 118 | 12 | 33 | 20 | 12 |
| BAPI | 270 | 28 | 86 | 86 | 81 |
| CERI* | 556 | 56 | 27 | 12 | 9 |
| LUAL | 108 | 11 | 18 | 0 | 0 |
| LUAR | 236 | 24 | 21 | 4 | 0 |
| SAME | 330 | 34 | 24 | 18 | 16 |
| Total | 2,761 | 284 | 37 | 27 | 23 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-43. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2019 Plantings at HA 34

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2019) | Year Two (2020) | Year Three (2021) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 223 | 21 | 48 | 19 | 19 |
| ARCA | 210 | 21 | 57 | 14 | 19 |
| ARHO* | 272 | 18 | 56 | 28 | 22 |
| ARMO* | 148 | 15 | 33 | 20 | 13 |
| ARTO | 199 | 20 | 40 | 5 | 0 |
| BAPI | 248 | 24 | 75 | 52 | 42 |
| CERI* | 266 | 22 | 64 | 36 | 23 |
| FRCA | 10 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| GAEL | 9 | 8 | 38 | 0 | 0 |
| LECA | 25 | 10 | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| LUAR | 185 | 19 | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| SAME | 324 | 32 | 38 | 16 | 16 |
| Total | 2,119 | 220 | 43 | 19 | 16 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-44. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2021 Plantings at HA 34

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2021) | Year Two (2022) | Year Three (2023) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 74 | 9 | 30 | 12 | 22 |
| ARCA | 92 | 10 | 70 | 70 | 60 |
| ARHO* | 237 | 24 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| ARMO * | 171 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ARTO | 94 | 9 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| BAPI | 92 | 9 | 80 | 50 | 33 |
| CERI* | 227 | 22 | 26 | 14 | 14 |
| LUAR | 92 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SAME | 147 | 15 | 27 | 20 | 20 |
| Total | 1,226 | 128 | 23 | 16 | 14 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-45. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2022 Plantings at HA 34

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2022) | Year Two (2023) | Year Three (2024) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 48 | 8 | 78 | 50 | 62 |
| ARCA | 60 | 10 | 33 | 40 | 25 |
| ARHO* | 48 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ARMO * | 48 | 10 | 22 | 10 | 0 |
| ARTO | 48 | 10 | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| BAPI | 60 | 8 | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| CERI* | 60 | 10 | 20 | 20 | 25 |
| LUAR | 60 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SAME | 94 | 9 | 40 | 11 | 11 |
| Total | 526 | 85 | 26 | 14 | 14 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-46. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2023 Plantings at HA 34

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2023) | Year Two (2024) | Year Three (2025) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 156 | 10 | 70 | 70 | |
| ARCA | 70 | 9 | 44 | 40 | |
| ARHO* | 114 | 10 | 100 | 30 | |
| ARMO * | 89 | 10 | 100 | 30 | |
| ARTO | 66 | 9 | 100 | 0 | |
| BAPI | 60 | 9 | 100 | 70 | |
| CERI* | 119 | 10 | 70 | 40 | |
| CRSC | 213 | 17 | 71 | 67 | |
| DIAU | 118 | 12 | 67 | 42 | |
| ERCO | 104 | 10 | 70 | 20 | |
| HOCU | 189 | 18 | 83 | 76 | |
| LUAR | 65 | 16 | 12 | 0 | |
| SAME | 193 | 14 | 79 | 50 | |
| Total | 1,556 | 154 | 72 | 42 | |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

8.11.3 Caretaker of Previous HA

Monterey cypress removal and herbicide application of cut stumps occurred at HA 34 in 2024. One Monterey cypress tree was felled at HA 34. Tree removal locations are shown in Figure 8-15.

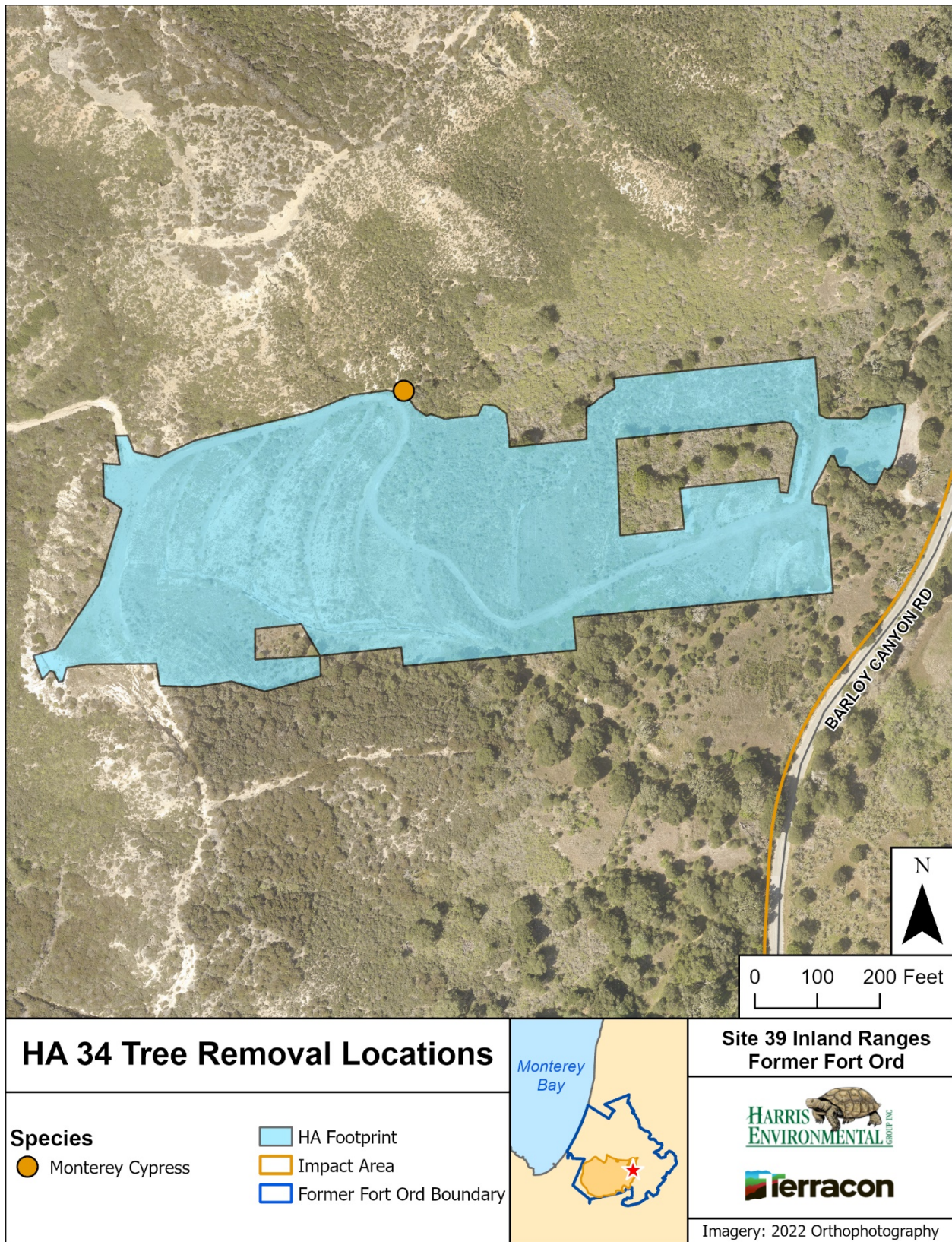


Figure 8-15. 2024 Tree Removal at HA 34

8.11.4 Discussion

8.11.4.1 Plant Survivorship

Plant survivorship was low for the 2017, 2019, 2021, 2022, and 2023 planting events and moderate for the 2016 planting event at HA 34. The year 2 monitoring of 2023 plantings had a total of 42 percent survivorship. For plant survivorship classifications of each species by planting year, see Table 8-47. Low survivorship for lupine species has been seen at other sites where plant survivorship monitoring occurred; however, there are species (i.e., chamise and black sage) that had low survivorship at HA 34 but had high survivorship elsewhere. The trend of low plant survivorship at HA 34 is likely due to site conditions that are not conducive to plant growth. HA 34 lacks topsoil and is highly compacted; these factors contribute to sheet flow and inhibit water infiltration. Several areas at HA 34 were mulched which should prevent erosion and help with water retention (Kemron, 2018). The 2022 planting was in its last year of monitoring. The 2023 planting will be monitored for one more year.

Table 8-47. Plant Survivorship Classifications for All Planting Years at HA 34

| Species | Planting Year | | | | | |
|--------------|---------------|------|------|----------|----------|----------|
| | 2016 | 2017 | 2019 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023** |
| ADFA | high | low | low | low | moderate | moderate |
| ARCA | moderate | low | low | moderate | low | low |
| ARHO* | moderate | low | low | low | low | low |
| ARMO* | moderate | low | low | low | low | low |
| ARTO | low | low | low | low | low | low |
| BAPI | high | high | low | low | low | moderate |
| CERI* | low | low | low | low | low | low |
| CRSC | - | - | - | - | - | moderate |
| DIAU | - | - | - | - | - | low |
| ERCO | - | - | - | - | - | low |
| FRCA | - | - | low | - | - | - |
| GAEL | - | - | low | - | - | - |
| HOCU | - | - | - | - | - | moderate |
| LECA | - | - | low | - | - | - |
| LUAL | - | low | - | - | - | - |
| LUAR | low | low | low | low | low | low |
| SAME | high | low | low | low | low | moderate |
| Overall Site | moderate | low | low | low | low | low |

*HMP Species

**The 2023 planting has only two years of plant survivorship data, and the classification was based on that.

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 94%, and Low ≤ 50%

8.11.4.2 HA 34 Status

There are no updates to the HA 34 status discussion; see Table 8-48 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2027 (see Table 8-39).

Table 8-48. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 34

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2019) Met | Year 8 (2022) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2027) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 7 required species: ADFA, ARMO, ARTO, ARHO, CERI, DIAU, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 55.17% Year 8: 56.04% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover† | Cover class 2: 1-5% | No | No | LOW | Year 5: 0.11% Year 8: 0.10% (ARMO, CERI, and ARHO were planted in 2020/2021, 2021/2022, and 2022/2023)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species† | ARMO ≥ 1% CERI ≥ 1% ARHO ≥ 1% | No | No | LOW for ARMO LOW for CERI LOW for ARHO | Year 5: ARMO 0.04% CERI 0.00% ARHO 0.07% Year 8: ARMO 0.00% CERI 0.00% ARHO 0.10% (ARMO, CERI, and ARHO were planted in 2020/2021, 2021/2022, and 2022/2023)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

† Success criteria modified in consultation with USFWS (USFWS, 2020)

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.12 HA 36

HA 36 was used by the Army as a grenade and explosive ordnance disposal range. Soil remediation was completed in 2010; 2,750 cubic yards of soil were excavated from 0.5 acres (Shaw, 2008). HA 36 rests within unprotected maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 36 is relatively flat with an east aspect. Adjacent lands are disturbed central maritime chaparral.

HA 36 is located on the northeastern portion of Site 39, occurring within the Aromas formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at HA 36 consisted of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed and annual weed management activities. HA 36 has some potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 36 occurred in 2011, 2012, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022, and 2023. Quantitative monitoring began in 2016. HA 36 was monitored for 14 years by photo documentation and site visits and four years for species richness and vegetative cover (see Table 8-49). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-16 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, and transect monitoring locations. Success criteria for HA 36 are summarized in Table 8-50.

Table 8-49. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 36

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Active, Passive, and Erosion Control | ● | ● | | | | ● | | ● | ● | ● | | ● | ● | ● | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Species Richness | | | | | | ● | ● | ● | | ● | | | | | ● |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | ● | ● | ● | | ● | | | | | ● |

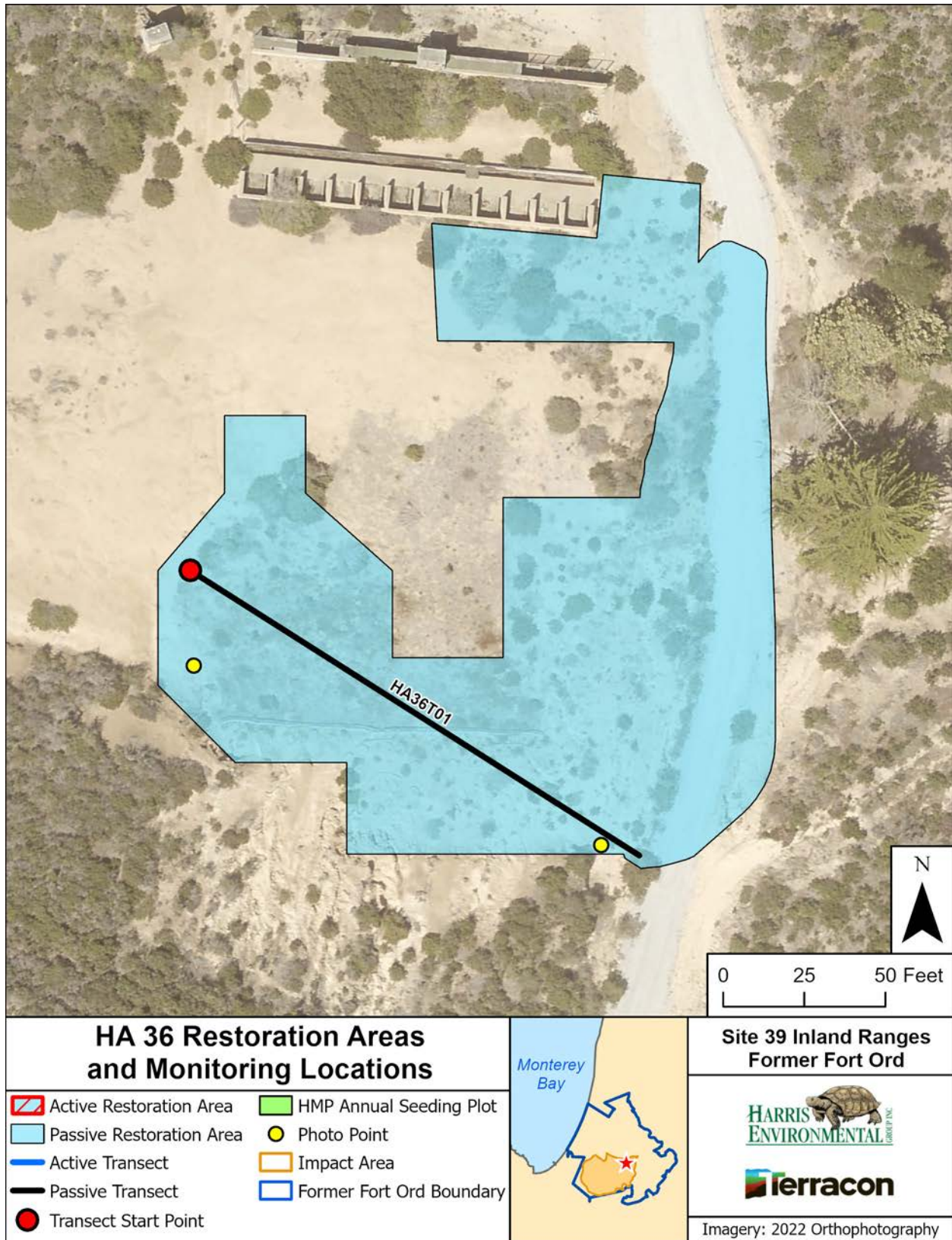


Figure 8-16. HA 36 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-50. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 36

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|--|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: chamise sandmat manzanita† Monterey manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† golden yarrow peak rush-rose wedge-leaved horkelia deerweed black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data did not indicate non-native target weed species. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 2. |
| | | | Monterey manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 9. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 12. |
| | | | Hooker's manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Eastwood's goldenbush percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. Density class: Not applicable |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.12.1 Restoration Activities

Passive restoration was performed at HA 36 in 2012, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022, 2023, and 2024.

In 2024, 2.0 lbs of seed were broadcast over 0.071 acres, see Table B-10 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 75.648 lbs compared to the 12.775 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Total seed broadcast exceeded the SSRP prescription because additional seed was applied for erosion control activities and to increase native vegetative cover. In 2017, Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) also broadcast approximately 5 lb of production seed and completed some minor erosion control repairs.

No active restoration activities occurred at HA 36 in 2024.

8.12.2 Monitoring Results

HA 36 was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-13).

8.12.3 Caretaker of Previous HA

Monterey pine removal and herbicide application of cut stumps occurred at HA 36 in 2024. One Monterey pine and one golden wattle were felled at HA 36. Tree removal locations are shown in Figure 8-17.

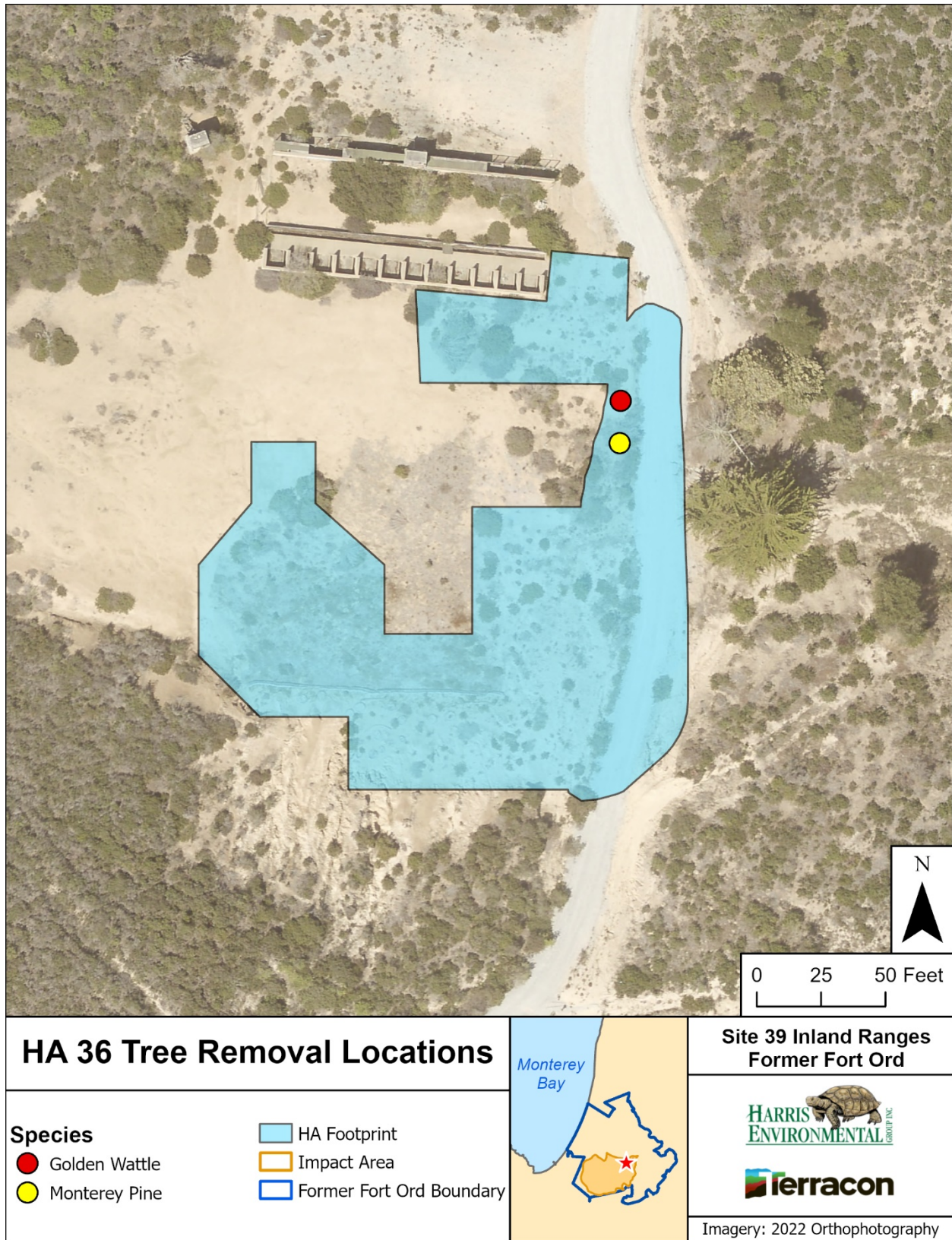


Figure 8-17. Tree removal at HA 36

8.12.4 Discussion

8.12.4.1 HA 36 Status

There are no updates to the HA 36 status discussion; see Table 8-51 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-49).

Table 8-51. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 36

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 11 required species: ADFA, ARPU, ARMO, ARTO, BAPI, CERI, ERCO, CRSC, HOCU, ACGL, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | LOW | Year 5: 16.08% Year 8: 5.98% (ACGL cover decreased by 10.62% from 2017 to 2020) |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 5.42% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | No | No | MODERATE | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 2.82% (AMP planting occurred in 2021/22 and 2022/23) |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 2% ARMO ≥ 9% CERI ≥ 12% ARHO ≥ 1% ERFA ≥ 1% | No | No | LOW for ARPU LOW for ARMO LOW for CERI HIGH for ARHO LOW for ERFA | Year 5: ARPU 0.00% ARMO 0.00% CERI 0.00% ARHO 0.00% ERFA 0.00% Year 8: ARPU 0.00% ARMO 0.00% CERI 0.00% ARHO 2.82% ERFA 0.00% (AMP planting occurred in 2021/22 and 2022/23) |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

8.13 HA 37

HA 37 was used by the Army as a short distance firing range, bazooka range, and rifle grenade range. An estimated total of 19,500 cubic yards of soil were excavated over approximately 11.2 acres. HA 37 rests within unprotected maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 37 is relatively flat and surrounded by low to very high-quality habitat with documented occurrences of California tiger salamander on the range.

HA 37 is located on the northeastern portion of Site 39, within the Aromas formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for HA 37 included both passive and active restoration consisting of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed, annual weed management activities, and installing native container-grown plants. HA 37 has some potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 37 occurred from 2013 to 2022 and quantitative monitoring began in 2014. HA 37 was monitored for 12 years by photo documentation and site visits; seven years for HMP annual density in plots; six years for HMP annual density across the HA; five years for species richness and vegetative cover; and eleven years for plant survivorship (see Table 8-52). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-18 shows the HA footprint, restoration areas, and transect survey locations. Success criteria for HA 37 are summarized in Table 8-53.

Table 8-52. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 37

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 13 |
| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2027 |
| Restoration: Active, Passive, and Erosion Control | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | ● | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | ● | | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | ● | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | ● |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | | ● |
| Plant Survivorship | | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | |

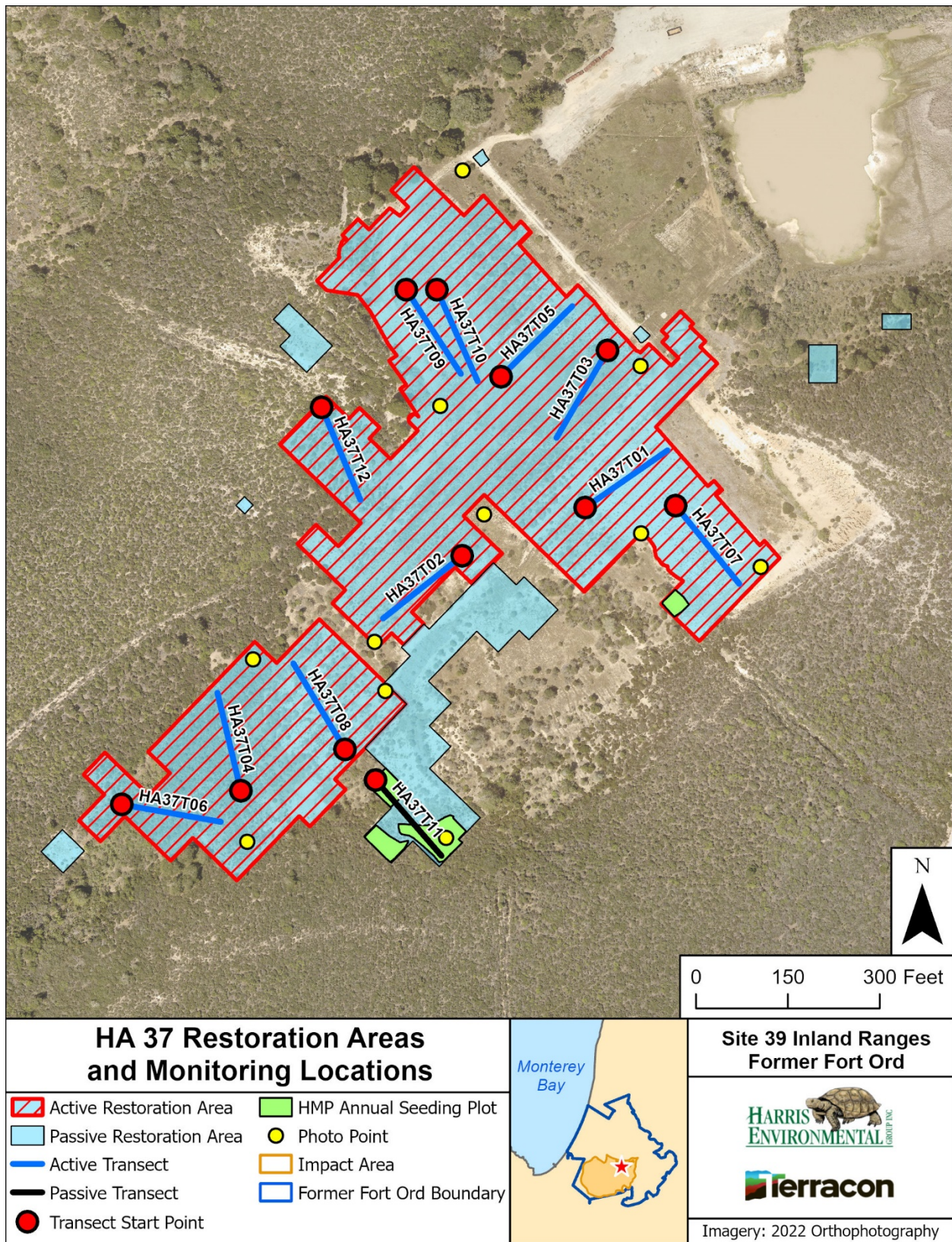


Figure 8-18. HA 37 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-53. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 37

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|--|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: shaggy-bark manzanita chamise black sage coast silk tassel Monterey manzanita† Monterey ceanothus† sandmat manzanita† coyote brush Hooker's manzanita† |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data indicates presence of non-native target weed species jubata grass, broom (<i>Genista</i> sp.), and ice plant. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Monterey manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 4. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 2. |
| | | | Hooker's manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | | | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 2. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.13.1 Restoration Activities

Passive restoration was performed at HA 37 each year from 2014 to 2024.

In 2024, 5.0 lbs of seed were broadcast over 0.226 acres, see Table B-11 and B-12 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 989.48 lb compared to 247.00 lb prescribed in the SSRP. Total seed broadcast exceeded the SSRP prescription because additional seed was applied for erosion control activities and to increase vegetative cover in bare areas. Photographs C-4 and C-5 in Appendix C shows passive restoration efforts at HA 37.

No active restoration activities occurred at HA 37 in 2024.

8.13.2 Monitoring Results

8.13.2.1 Plant Survivorship

Plant survivorship monitoring was conducted at HA 37 for plants installed in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2020, 2021, and 2022. A total of 13 shrub species and 1,462 individual plants were monitored for survivorship. By year 3 of monitoring, survivorship was 67% for the 2014 planting, 38% for the 2015 planting, 45% for the 2016 planting, 50% for the 2017 planting, 46% for 2020 planting, 51% for the 2021 planting, and 30% for the 2022 planting.

Table 8-54 through Table 8-60 present results by species.

Table 8-54. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2014 Plantings at HA 37

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2014) | Year Two (2015) | Year Three (2016) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 636 | 61 | 97 | 93 | 90 |
| ARHO* | 234 | 23 | 87 | 70 | 65 |
| ARMO* | 389 | 39 | 82 | 62 | 56 |
| ARTO | 621 | 62 | 74 | 68 | 65 |
| BAPI | 234 | 24 | 100 | 100 | 83 |
| CERI* | 315 | 32 | 56 | 44 | 38 |
| LUAR | 208 | 16 | 81 | 31 | 31 |
| SAME | 362 | 25 | 100 | 100 | 84 |
| Total | 2,999 | 282 | 84 | 73 | 67 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-55. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2015 Plantings at HA 37

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2015) | Year Two (2016) | Year Three (2017) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 363 | 36 | 97 | 88 | 81 |
| ARHO* | 325 | 33 | 67 | 61 | 58 |
| ARMO* | 370 | 37 | 51 | 27 | 27 |
| ARTO | 554 | 54 | 48 | 35 | 33 |
| BAPI | 284 | 28 | 82 | 64 | 50 |
| CERI* | 652 | 65 | 40 | 18 | 20 |
| LUCH/ LUAL | 165 | 17 | 71 | 47 | 24 |
| LUAR | 243 | 24 | 38 | 17 | 4 |
| SAME | 250 | 25 | 92 | 52 | 52 |
| Total | 3,206 | 319 | 61 | 42 | 38 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-56. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2016 Plantings at HA 37

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2016) | Year Two (2017) | Year Three (2018) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 316 | 30 | 93 | 93 | 90 |
| ARHO* | 270 | 26 | 73 | 72 | 72 |
| ARMO* | 141 | 14 | 64 | 64 | 43 |
| ARPU* | 220 | 23 | 70 | 64 | 58 |
| ARTO | 497 | 49 | 57 | 53 | 49 |
| BAPI | 431 | 41 | 46 | 41 | 34 |
| CERI* | 239 | 20 | 30 | 20 | 15 |
| GAEL | 17 | 4 | 25 | 25 | 25 |
| LUCH/LUAL | 146 | 15 | 67 | 20 | 0 |
| LUAR | 175 | 18 | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| SAME | 15 | 2 | 50 | 50 | 0 |
| Total | 2,467 | 242 | 57 | 51 | 45 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-57. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2017 Plantings at HA 37

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2017) | Year Two (2018) | Year Three (2019) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 140 | 14 | 36 | 29 | 29 |
| ARCA | 155 | 16 | 56 | 88 | 76 |
| ARHO* | 157 | 16 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| ARMO* | 206 | 21 | 76 | 70 | 74 |
| ARPU* | 237 | 24 | 75 | 48 | 45 |
| ARTO | 356 | 36 | 94 | 77 | 77 |
| BAPI | 329 | 33 | 52 | 50 | 41 |
| CERI* | 140 | 14 | 36 | 14 | 14 |
| GAEL | 2 | 2 | 50 | 100 | 50 |
| LUCH/LUAL | 242 | 24 | 25 | 29 | 21 |
| LUAR | 262 | 26 | 35 | 12 | 0 |
| SAME | 258 | 26 | 73 | 77 | 77 |
| Total | 2,484 | 252 | 62 | 55 | 50 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-58. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2020 Plantings at HA 37

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2020) | Year Two (2021) | Year Three (2022) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 118 | 10 | 70 | 60 | 70 |
| ARHO* | 19 | 10 | 70 | 56 | 50 |
| ARMO* | 33 | 10 | 80 | 60 | 50 |
| ARPU* | 25 | 10 | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| ARTO | 95 | 10 | 90 | 80 | 70 |
| BAPI | 71 | 10 | 100 | 80 | 50 |
| CERI* | 32 | 10 | 60 | 70 | 50 |
| GAEL | 25 | 10 | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| LUAR | 33 | 10 | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| LUCH/LUAL | 33 | 10 | 30 | 20 | 11 |
| SAME | 40 | 10 | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| Total | 524 | 110 | 62 | 52 | 46 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-59. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2021 Plantings at HA 37

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2021) | Year Two (2022) | Year Three (2023) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 100 | 9 | 90 | 80 | 67 |
| ARHO* | 71 | 10 | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| ARMO* | 161 | 16 | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| ARPU* | 129 | 12 | 42 | 27 | 33 |
| ARTO | 279 | 25 | 63 | 62 | 60 |
| BAPI | 80 | 8 | 89 | 78 | 62 |
| CERI* | 128 | 12 | 77 | 77 | 67 |
| GAEL | 80 | 10 | 60 | 60 | 50 |
| LUAR | 100 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LUCH/LUAL | 100 | 10 | 40 | 33 | 30 |
| SAME | 120 | 12 | 91 | 83 | 75 |
| Total | 1,348 | 138 | 59 | 56 | 51 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

Table 8-60. Plant Survivorship Monitoring Summary for 2022 Plantings at HA 37

| Species | Planted (# ind.) | Monitored (# ind.) | Year One (2022) | Year Two (2023) | Year Three (2024) |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Alive (%) | Alive (%) | Alive (%) |
| ADFA | 40 | 10 | 90 | 80 | 89 |
| ARHO* | 11 | 10 | 40 | 40 | 33 |
| ARMO* | 19 | 10 | 80 | 40 | 50 |
| ARPU* | 15 | 10 | 50 | 10 | 11 |
| ARTO | 52 | 9 | 56 | 11 | 12 |
| BAPI | 25 | 9 | 70 | 56 | 50 |
| CERI* | 19 | 7 | 80 | 43 | 43 |
| FRCA | 10 | 10 | 60 | 40 | 33 |
| GAEL | 15 | 10 | 70 | 30 | 20 |
| LUCH/LUAL | 19 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LUAR | 26 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SAME | 23 | 9 | 70 | 33 | 29 |
| Total | 274 | 119 | 55 | 32 | 30 |

*HMP Species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

8.13.3 Caretaker of Previous HA

Monterey cypress removal and herbicide application of cut stumps occurred at HA 37 in 2024. One Monterey cypress was felled at HA 37. Tree removal location is shown in Figure 8-19.

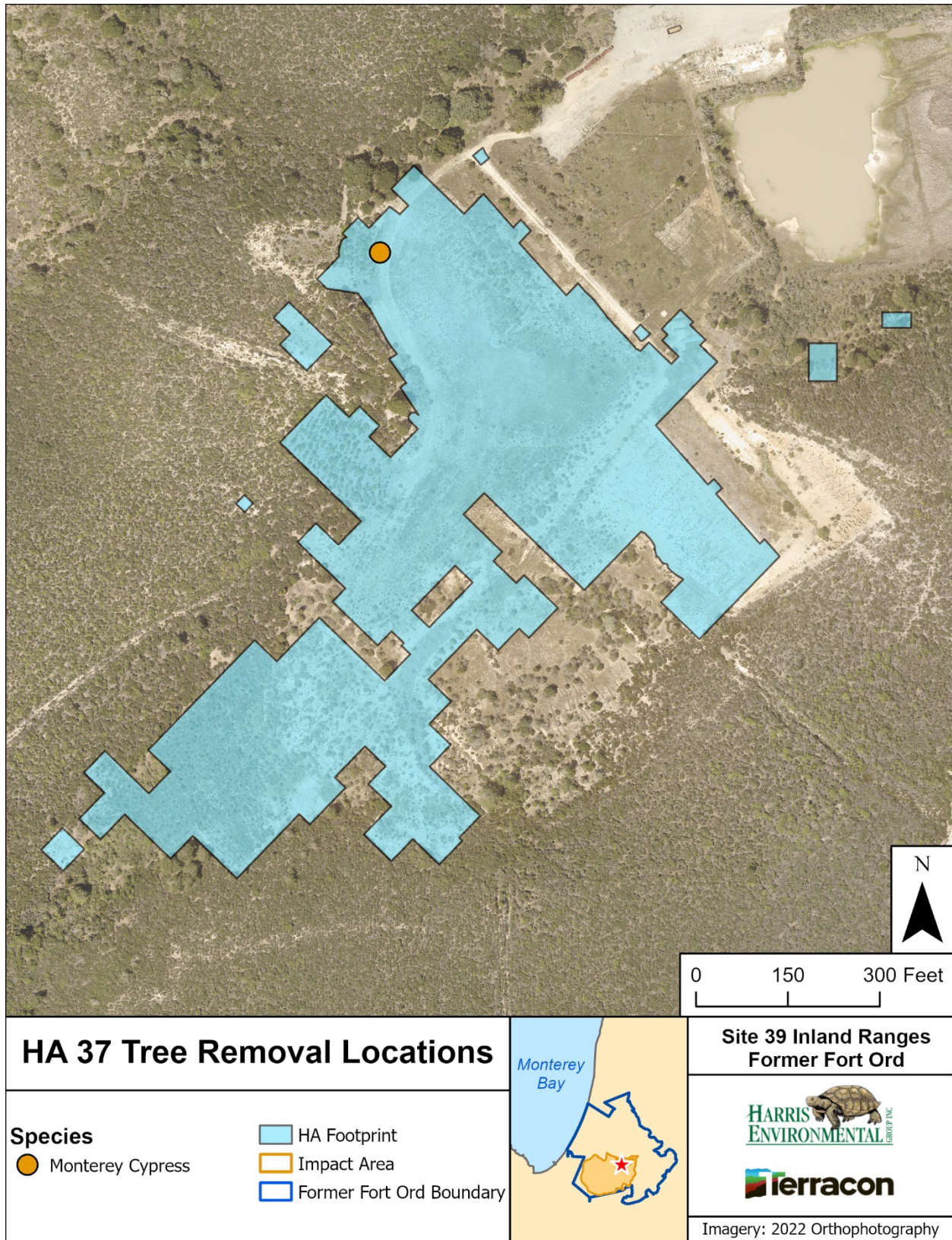


Figure 8-19. Tree removal locations at HA 37

8.13.4 Discussion

8.13.4.1 Plant Survivorship

Plant survivorship was moderate for the 2014, 2017, and 2021 planting events and low for the 2015, 2016, 2020 and 2022 planting events at HA 37. For plant survivorship classifications of each species by planting year, see Table 8-61. Low survivorship for Monterey ceanothus, coast silk tassel (*Garrya elliptica*), silver bush lupine (*Lupinus chamissonis/albifrons*), and yellow bush lupine has been seen at other sites where plant survivorship monitoring occurred.

Table 8-61. Plant Survivorship Classifications for All Planting Years at HA 37

| Species | Planting Year | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| ADFA | high | high | high | low | moderate | moderate | high |
| ARCA | - | - | - | moderate | - | - | - |
| ARHO* | moderate | moderate | moderate | high | moderate | moderate | low |
| ARMO* | moderate | low | low | moderate | moderate | moderate | moderate |
| ARPU* | - | - | moderate | low | moderate | low | low |
| ARTO | moderate | low | low | moderate | moderate | moderate | low |
| BAPI | high | moderate | low | low | moderate | moderate | moderate |
| CERI* | low | low | low | low | moderate | moderate | low |
| FRCA | - | - | - | - | - | - | low |
| GAEL | - | - | low | low | low | moderate | low |
| LUCH/LUAL | - | - | low | low | - | low | low |
| LUAR | low | low | low | low | low | low | low |
| SAME | high | moderate | low | moderate | moderate | moderate | low |
| Overall Site | moderate | low | low | moderate | low | moderate | low |

* HMP species

High ≥ 80%, Moderate = 50 - 79%, and Low ≤ 50%

8.13.4.2 HMP Annual Density

Monterey spineflower density was within the acceptable limit for HMP annual density at HA 37. The SSRP baseline density class for Monterey spineflower was low. Year 8 and Year 9 Monterey spineflower restoration plot results show that the density met the success criterion under Objective 3 for all four plots. In addition, Monterey spineflower was present outside the restoration plots. Discrete observations, with density that met or exceeded the success criterion, covered 0.026 acre of HA 37.

8.13.4.3 HA 37 Status

HA 37 was in year 10 of monitoring in 2024. HMP annual density and survivorship monitoring were conducted in addition to site visits and photo documentation (See Appendix D, page D-14).

The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in year 13, 2027 (see Table 8-52). Table 8-62 summarizes the status of HA 37 including which success criteria were met and projections for meeting criteria at year 13 of monitoring.

Table 8-62. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 37

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2019) Met | Year 8 (2022) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2027) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------|-------------------|--|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 9 Required species: ADFA, ARHO, ARMO, ARPU, ARTO, BAPI, CERI, GAEL, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | HIGH | Year 5: 27.01% Year 8: 36.60% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 3.56% Year 8: 6.55% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 2% ARMO ≥ 4% CERI ≥ 2% ARHO ≥ 1% | No | No | MODERATE for ARPU HIGH for ARMO HIGH for CERI HIGH for ARHO | Year 5: ARPU 0.31% ARMO 0.88% CERI 1.73% ARHO 0.64% Year 8: ARPU 0.85% ARMO 2.18% CERI 2.29% ARHO 1.24% (ARPU, ARMO, CERI, and ARHO planted in 2021/2022)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP | Yes | Yes | NA | (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.14 HA 38

HA 38 was used by the Army as a firing range. Soil was excavated over 1.01 acres. HA 38 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 38 is moderately sloped and surrounded by low to very high-quality habitat.

HA 38 is located on the northeastern portion of Site 39, occurring within the Aromas formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for HA 38 included both passive and active restoration consisting of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed, annual weed management activities, and installing native container-grown plants. HA 38 is moderately sloped and has little potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 38 occurred between 2013 and 2017 and quantitative monitoring began in 2014. Additional seed was broadcast in 2020 and 2021 and additional plants were installed in 2021. HA 38 was monitored for 12 years by photo documentation and site visits, eight years for HMP annual density in plots, seven years for HMP annual density across the HA, four years for plant survivorship, and five years for species richness and vegetative cover (see Table 8-63). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-20 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, active restoration area, and transect survey locations. Success criteria for HA 38 are summarized in Table 8-64.

Table 8-63. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 38

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 13 |
| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2027 |
| Restoration: Active and Passive | • | • | • | | • | | | • | • | | | | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | |
| Sand Gilia Plots | | | | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | |
| Seaside Bird's Beak Plot | | | | | | | | | • | • | • | • | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | • | • | • | • | | | • | • | | • |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | • | • | • | • | | | • | | | • |
| Plant Survivorship | | • | • | • | • | | | | | | | | |

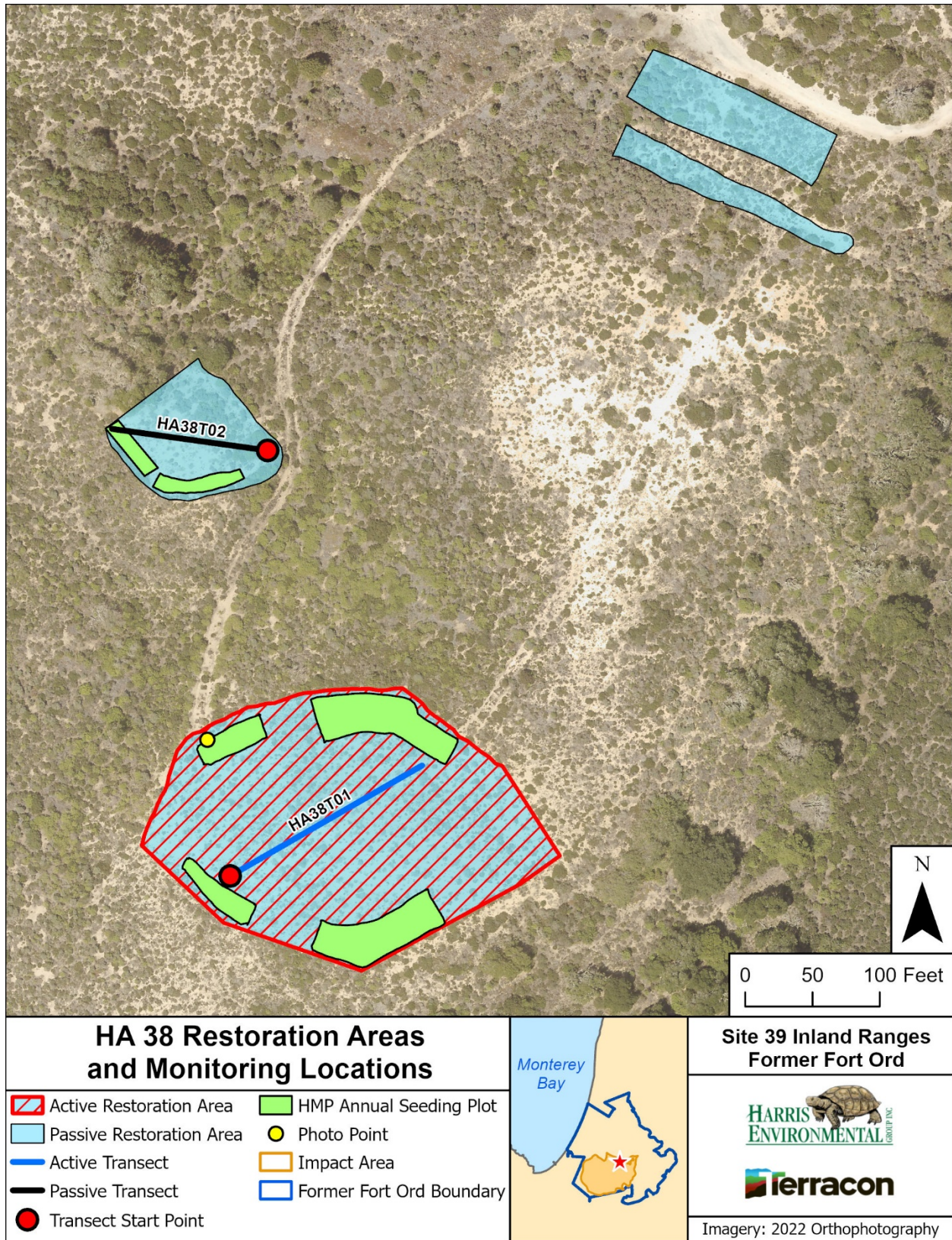


Figure 8-20. HA 38 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-64. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 38

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | shaggy-bark manzanita chamise coyote brush deerweed black sage Monterey manzanita† Monterey ceanothus† sandmat manzanita† Hooker's manzanita† |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 20 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data indicates presence of non-native target weed species <i>Carpobrotus edulis</i> (ice plant). No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 2 (1-5% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Monterey manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | | | Hooker's manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | | | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 4. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low Sand gilia density class: Low Seaside bird's beak density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.14.1 Restoration Activities

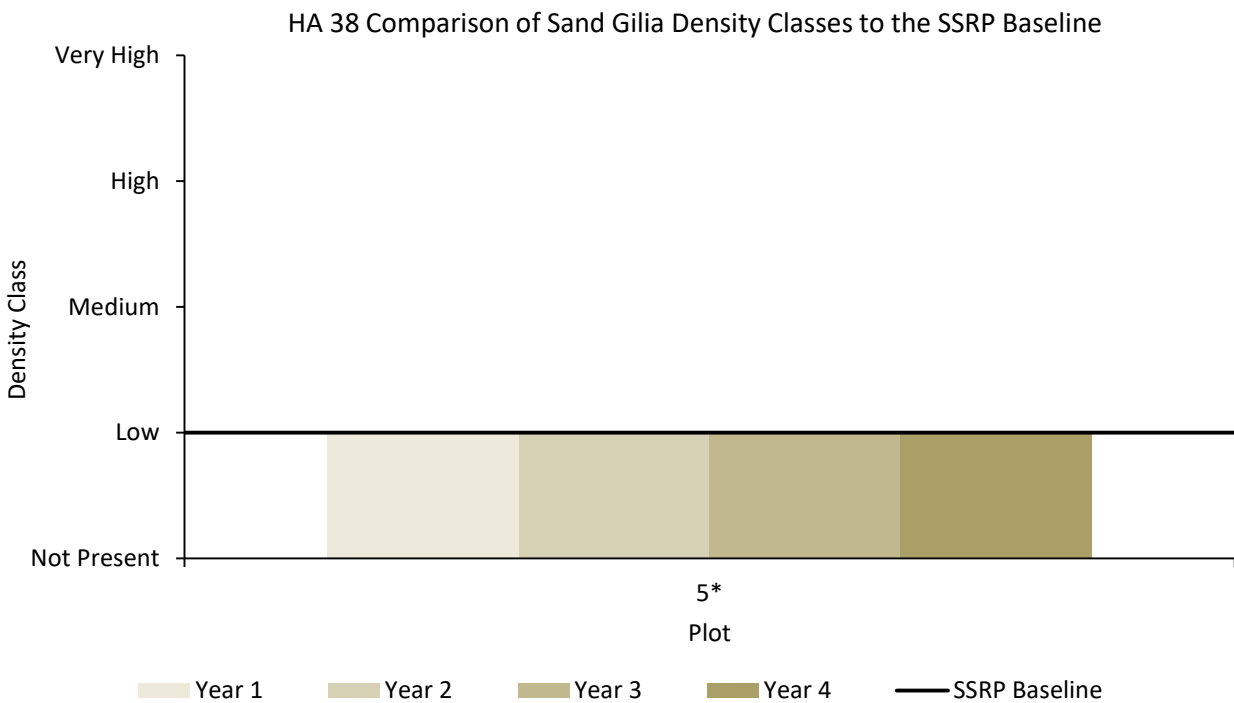
No passive or active restoration activities were conducted at HA 38 in 2024.

8.14.2 Monitoring Results

8.14.2.1 HMP Annual Density

Sand gilia and seaside bird's beak restoration plots were monitored for density at HA 38 in 2024.

There are five sand gilia restoration plots at HA 38 and are numbered 1-5. Plots 1-4 were seeded in 2017 while plot 5 was seeded in 2020. Plot 5 was monitored for year 4 in 2024, while plots 1-4 were not monitored since they did not fall on a monitoring year. Plot 5 is in a standalone area just northwest of the main restoration area, which contains plots 1-4 (Figure 8-22). Sand gilia density was low at plot 5 in 2024 (Figure 8-21).



* Plot 5 was established in 2020 and has only been monitored for years 1-4

Figure 8-21. HA 38 Comparison of Sand Gilia Density Classes to the SSRP Baseline for Plot 5

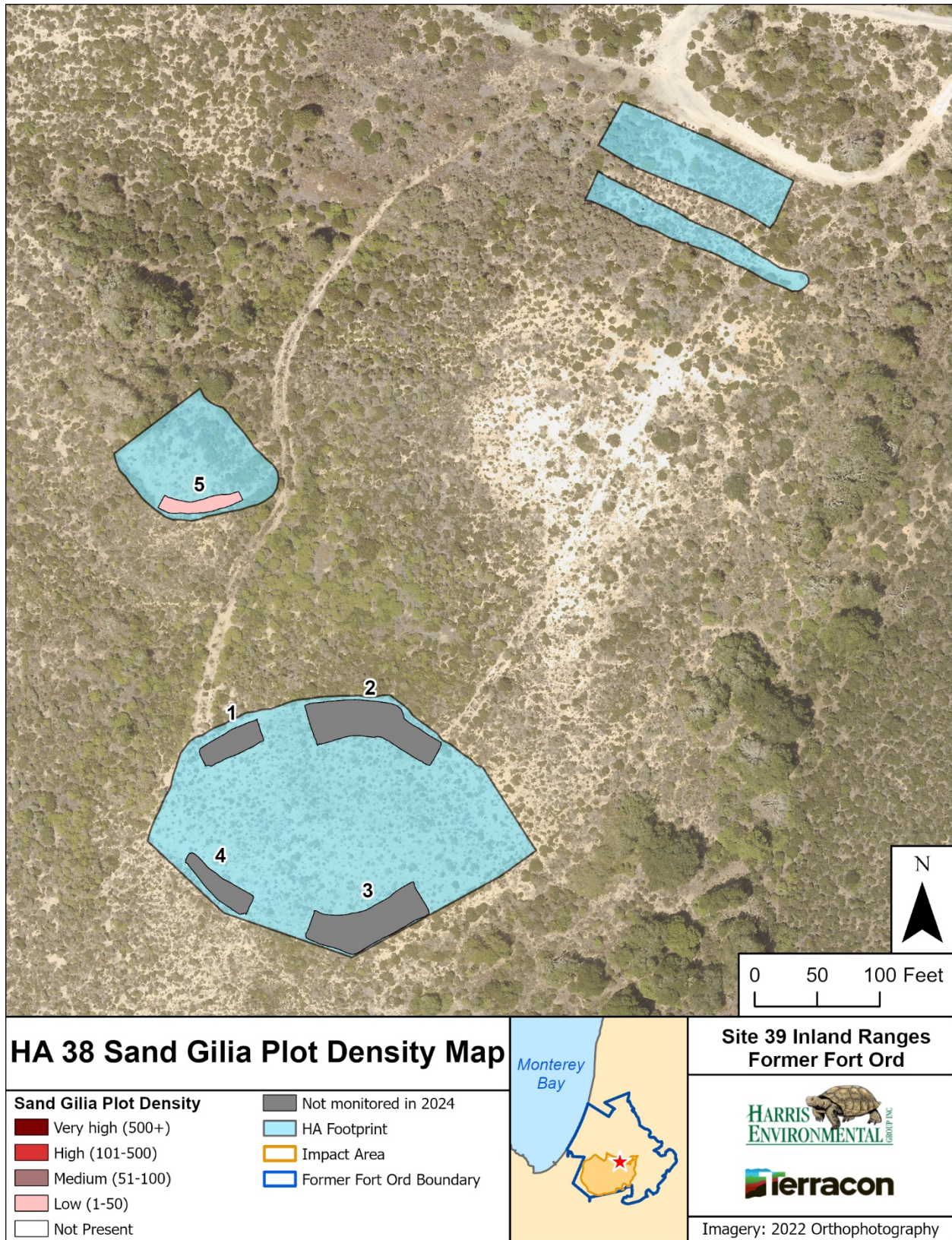


Figure 8-22. HA 38 Year 4 (Plot 5) and non-monitored plots (Plots 1-4) Sand Gilia Plot Density Map.

One seaside bird's beak restoration plot was monitored for year 4 density at HA 38 in 2024. The plot is numbered 1 on Figure 8-24 and is located in the southern part of the site. Seaside bird's beak density was low at Plot 1. Figure 8-23 presents seaside bird's beak restoration plot densities for HA 38.

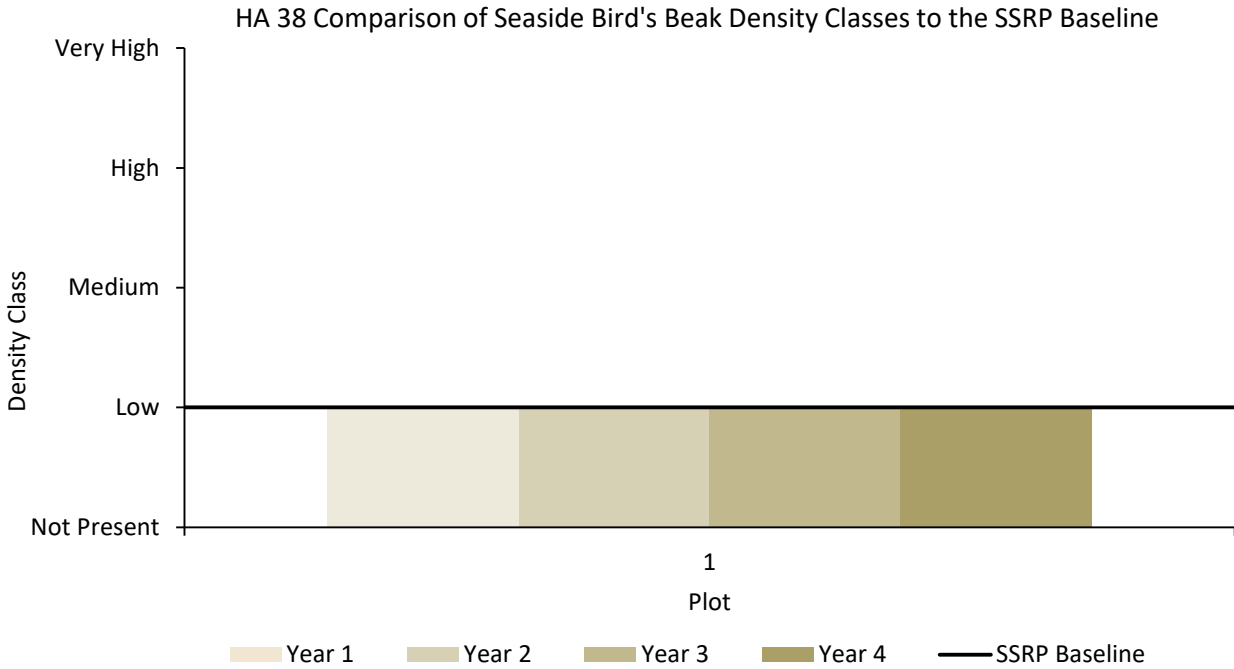


Figure 8-23. HA 38 Comparison of Seaside Bird's Beak Density Classes to the SSRP Baseline for Plot 1

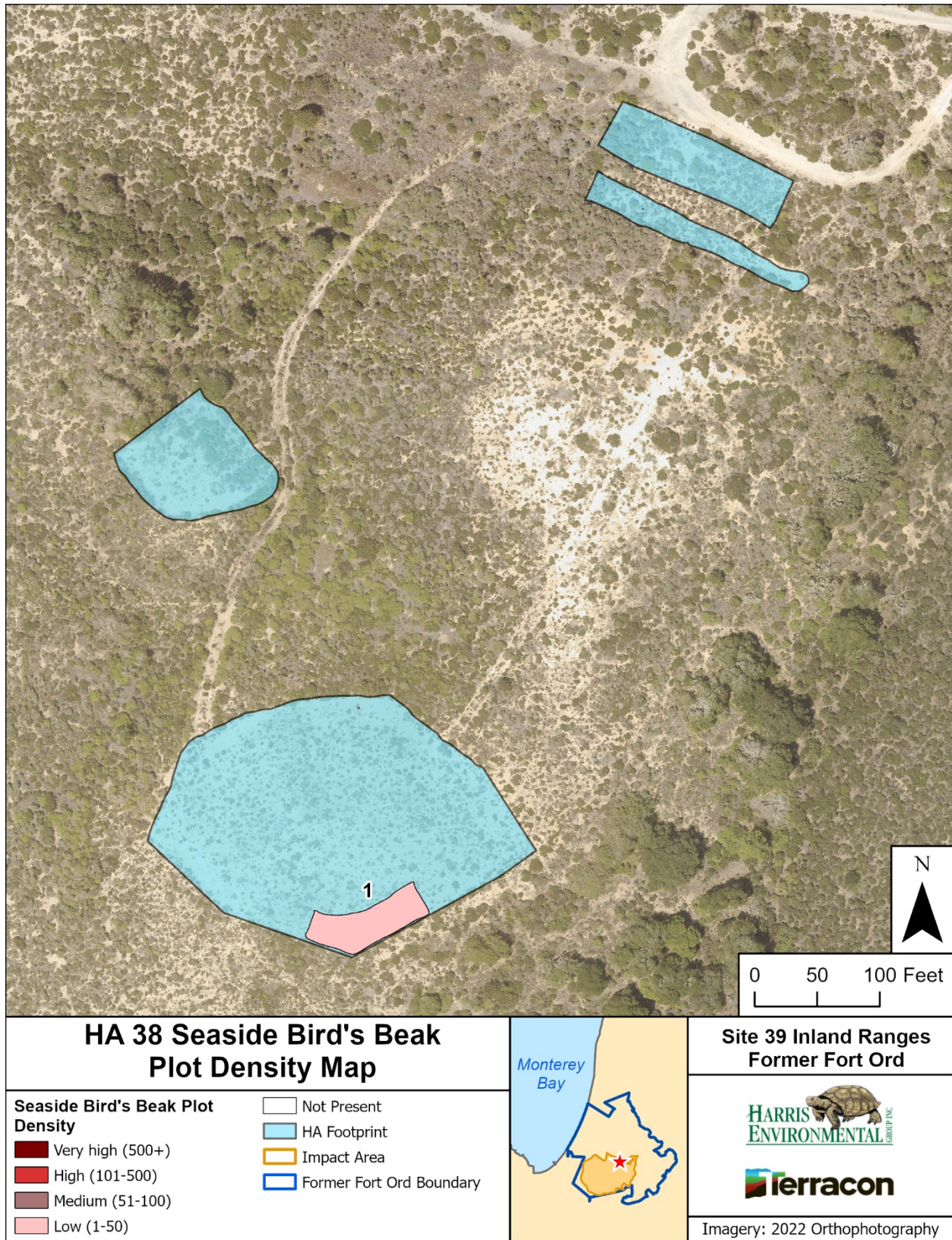


Figure 8-24. HA 38 Year 4 Seaside Bird's Beak Density Map

HMP annual mapping of discrete patches outside of the HMP annuals restoration areas was not conducted at HA 38. However, 8 sand gilia were encountered just outside the HA 38 footprint.

Monterey spineflower was not monitored during meandering transects since species was not in a monitoring year at HA 38 in 2024. The next monitoring year for Monterey spineflower will be Year 13 in 2027.

Seaside bird's beak was not observed outside of the restoration plot at HA 38 in 2024 which is consistent with previous monitoring years.

8.14.3 Discussion

8.14.3.1 HMP Annual Density

Sand gilia density was within the acceptable limit for HMP annual density at HA 38 in plot 5. The SSRP baseline density class for sand gilia was low. Year 4 sand gilia restoration plot results show that the density met the success criterion for plot 5 under Objective 3 for the one plot monitored in 2024. There were no meandering transects conducted for sand gilia outside of plot 5 in 2024.

Seaside bird's beak was within the acceptable limit for HMP annual density at HA 38. The SSRP baseline density class for seaside bird's beak was low. Year 4 seaside bird's beak restoration plot results show that the density met the success criterion under Objective 3. Seaside bird's beak was not observed outside of the restoration plot.

Sand gilia and seaside bird's beak restoration plot results indicated that all HMP species met the success criterion in 2024.

8.14.3.2 HA 38 Status

HA 38 was in year 10 of monitoring in 2024. Year 10 does not normally require monitoring, but since HMP annual seeded plots were established in several different years, some plots were in a monitoring year and HMP annual density monitoring was conducted for sand gilia and seaside bird's beak plots that were in a monitoring year. Site visits and photo documentation were also completed (See Appendix D, page D-15).

For a comprehensive review of site progress towards success criteria and past recommendations, see the 2022 Annual Report (Burlison, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2027 (see Table 8-63). Table 8-65 summarizes the status of the HA including which success criteria were met and likelihood of meeting criteria by year 13.

Table 8-65. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 38

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2019) Met | Year 8 (2022) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2027) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|--|-------------------|--|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 9 Required species: AGL, ADFA, ARHO, ARMO, ARPU, ARTO, BAPI, CERI, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 20% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 43.47% Year 8: 27.71% (LUCH/LUAL cover decreased by 19.74% between years 5 and 8) |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 2: 1-5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 2.29% Year 8: 4.07% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARMO ≥ 1% CERI ≥ 1% ARHO ≥ 1% ARPU ≥ 4% | No | No | HIGH for ARMO LOW for CERI LOW for ARHO MODERATE for ARPU | Year 5: ARMO 0.61% CERI 0.00% ARHO 0.00% ARPU 1.68% Year 8: ARMO 1.88% CERI 0.00% ARHO 0.00% ARPU 2.19% (CERI planted in 2020/2021)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP, GITEA, and CORIL | Yes for GITEA Yes for CHPUP No for CORIL | Yes | NA | (CORIL plot established in 2020/2021. Monitoring will occur in 2025 and 2028) |

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.15 HA 39/40

HA 39/40 was used by the Army as a small-arms firing range. Soil remediation was completed in 2010; approximately 6,500 cubic yards of soil were excavated from 2.4 acres (Shaw, 2008). HA 39/40 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 39/40 is broken up into four distinct areas. Plots 1-4 are located in the upland zone of a vernal pool with surface water runoff from the south draining towards the north into the vernal pool. Plot 1 is grassland habitat, Plot 2 is a combination of grassland and wet meadow, Plot 3 is wet meadow which can be submerged depending on the water-year, and Plot 4 is a combination of coastal scrub and grassland which includes the active restoration area.

The SSRP plant palettes for this site were based on baseline data from transects within the footprint as well as supplemental species appropriate for each plot (Shaw, 2009a). Baseline transects were established in Plots 1, 3, and 4. In baseline, native species cover for Plot 1 was 24.1%, Plot 3 was 22.7%, and Plot 4 was 10.3%. Plot 1 had four native species present and was dominated by clustered field sedge (*Carex praegracilis*) and rattail sixweeks grass (*Festuca myuros*). Plot 3 had one native species present and was dominated by clustered field sedge and ripgut brome (*Bromus diandrus*). Plot 4 had 16 native species present across three transects and was dominated by ripgut brome with a mixture of non-native grasses and common yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*) and an average of approximately 1% or less of all other native species. Both ripgut brome and rattail sixweeks grass are non-native species.

HA 39/40 is located on the northeastern portion of Site 39, occurring within the Aromas formation containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for HA 39/40 included both passive and active restoration consisting of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed and installing native container-grown plants. HA 39/40 is relatively flat to moderately sloped and has some potential for erosion; special care should be taken to prevent runoff from entering the vernal pool.

Restoration at HA 39/40 initially occurred between 2011 and 2013. Quantitative monitoring began in 2013, additional seed was broadcast in 2020, and additional plants were installed in 2021. HA 39/40 was monitored for thirteen years by photo documentation and site visits, eight years for HMP annual density in plots, five years for HMP annual density across the HA, and four years for species richness and vegetative cover (see Table 8-66). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-25 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, active restoration area, and transect survey locations. Success criteria for HA 39/40 are summarized in Table 8-67.

Table 8-66. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 39/40

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Active, Passive, Erosion Control | • | • | • | | | | | | • | • | | | • | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | | | |
| Sand Gilia Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | | |
| Seaside Bird's Beak Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | | | | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | | | • | • | • | • | • | | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | | | • | • | • | • | | | | | • |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | • | • | • | • | | | | | • |

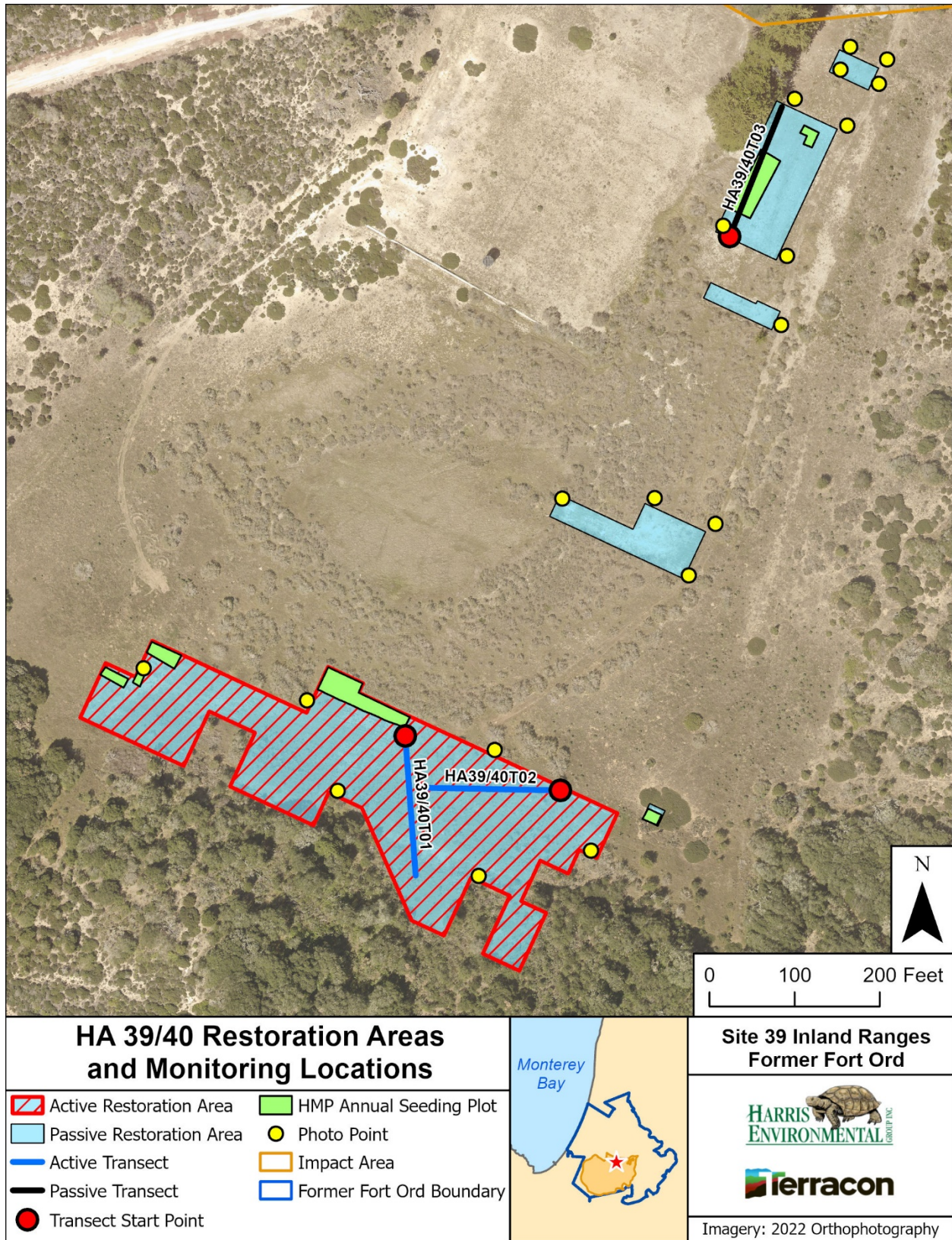


Figure 8-25. HA 39/40 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-67. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 39/40

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|--|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: common yarrow coyote brush sedge saltgrass blue wild-rye California poppy rush wedge-leaved horkelia yellow bush lupine silver bush lupine deerweed sticky monkeyflower |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP†. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline surveys indicate that non-native weeds were present in lands adjacent to HA-39/40. Therefore, no more than 5% non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 1 (0% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Baseline data indicated no HMP shrubs. Therefore, no HMP shrubs need to be present at this restoration site. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low Sand gilia density class: Low Seaside bird's beak density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† Each habitat zone (P1-P4) will be evaluated separately based on its unique plant palette

8.15.1 Restoration Activities

Passive restoration was performed at HA 39/40 in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2020, 2021, and 2024.

In 2024, 5.5 lbs of seed were broadcast over 0.336 acres, see Table B-13 and B-14 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 149.03 lbs compared to 77.27 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Photograph C-6 in Appendix C shows passive restoration efforts at HA 39/40.

No active restoration activities occurred at HA 39/40 in 2024.

8.15.2 Monitoring Results

HA 39/40 was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-16).

8.15.3 Discussion

8.15.3.1 HA 39/40 Status

There are no updates to the HA 39/40 status discussion; see Table 8-68 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burlison, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-66). Reevaluation of the success criteria may be considered at that time.

Table 8-68. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 39/40

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 12 required species: ACMI, BAPI, Carex sp., DISP, ELGL, ESCA, Juncus sp., HOCU, LUAR, LUCH/LUAL, AGCL, DIAU | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met Year 8: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | LOW | Year 5: 7.98% Year 8: 17.10% (AMP planting occurred in 2021) |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 1: 0% | NA | NA | NA | NA, no HMP shrubs at baseline |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA, no HMP shrubs at baseline |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP, GITEA, and CORIL | Yes | Yes | NA | (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

8.16 HA 43

HA 43 was used by the Army as a long-distance small-arms firing range. Munitions removal and soil remediation were completed in 2010; 150 cubic yards of lead-contaminated soil were excavated from 0.09 acre. HA 43 rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 43 is relatively flat with surface water runoff draining to the west. Adjacent lands are high quality habitat areas which contain intact native vegetation that may promote natural recruitment within restoration areas.

HA 43 is located on the north central portion of Site 39, occurring within the sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at HA 43 consisted of hand broadcasting non-irrigated seed and annual weed management activities. HA 43 is relatively flat with little potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 43 occurred in 2011, 2012, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022. Quantitative monitoring began in 2013. HA 43 was monitored for 14 years by photo documentation and site visits; nine years for HMP annual density in plots; six years for HMP annual density across the HA; and five years for species richness and vegetative cover (see Table 8-69). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-26 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration area, and transect monitoring locations. Success criteria for HA 43 are summarized in Table 8-70.

Table 8-69. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 43

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Restoration: Active and Passive | • | • | | | | | | | • | • | • | • | | • | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| Monterey Spineflower Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| Sand Gilia Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | | • | • | • | | | |
| Seaside Bird's Beak Plots | | | • | • | • | • | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | | | | | | • | • | • | | • | • | • | | | |
| Species Richness | | | | | | • | • | • | • | • | | | | | • |
| Vegetative Cover | | | | | | •† | • | • | • | • | | | | | • |

† Vegetative cover was monitored using quadrats in 2016

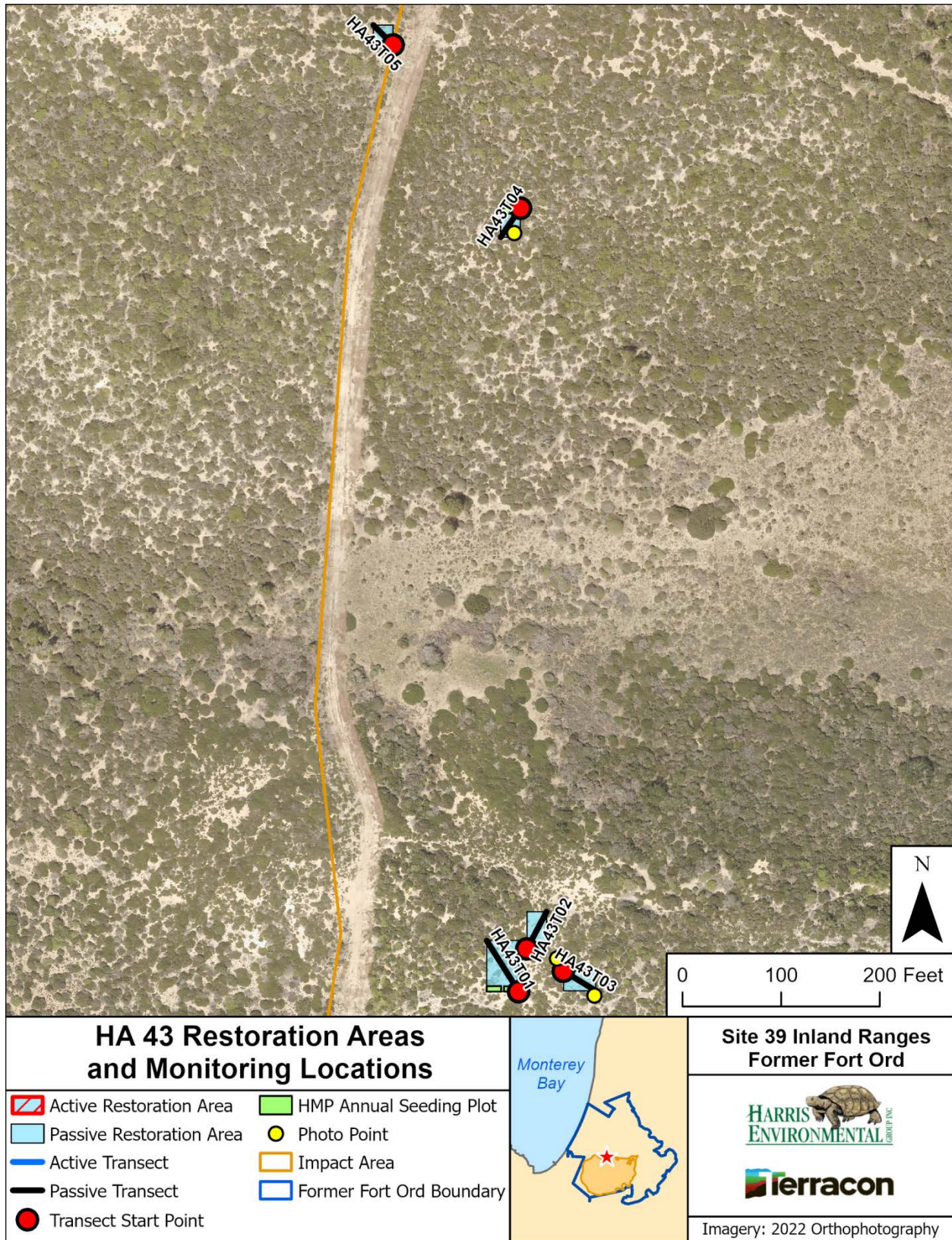


Figure 8-26. HA 43 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-70. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 43

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|--|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: chamise sandmat manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† dwarf ceanothus mock heather golden yarrow peak rush-rose wedge-leaved horkelia deerweed sticky monkeyflower coffeeberry black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data did not indicate non-native target weed species. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 6. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 15. |
| | | | Eastwood's goldenbush percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Medium Sand gilia density class: Medium Seaside bird's beak density class: Medium |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.16.1 Restoration Activities

Passive restoration was performed at HA 43 in 2011, 2012, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2024.

In 2024, 0.5 lbs of seed were broadcast over 0.072 acres, see Table B-15 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 6.44 lbs compared to 1.943 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Total seed broadcast exceeded the SSRP prescription because additional seed was applied for erosion control activities and to increase vegetative cover in bare areas.

No active restoration activities occurred at HA 43 in 2024.

8.16.2 Monitoring Results

HA 43 was in year 12 of monitoring in 2024. Year 12 does not require monitoring, only photo documentation, and site visits were completed. (See Appendix D, page D-17).

8.16.3 Discussion

8.16.3.1 HA 43 Status

There are no updates to the HA 43 status discussion; see Table 8-71 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in year 13, 2025 (see Table 8-69).

Table 8-71. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 43

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2017) Met | Year 8 (2020) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2025) | Notes |
|------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 14 required species: ADFA, ARPU, ARTO, BAPI, CERI, CEDE, ERER, ERCO, CRSC, HOCU, ACGL, DIAU, FRCA, SAME | No | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: DIAU absent Year 8: met (AMP planting occurred in 2018/19) |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | MODERATE | Year 5: 25.38% Year 8: 30.31% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 10.60% Year 8: 20.14% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | CERI ≥ 15% ARPU ≥ 6% ERFA ≥ 1% | No for CERI Yes for ARPU No for ERFA | No for CERI Yes for ARPU No for ERFA | LOW for CERI HIGH for ARPU MODERATE for ERFA | Year 5: CERI 2.50% ARPU 8.10% ERFA 0.00% Year 8: CERI 3.45% ARPU 16.69% ERFA 0.00% (ERFA planted in early 2022)** |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Medium density for CHPUP, GITEA, and CORIL | Yes for CHPUP Yes for CORIL No for GITEA | Yes for CHPUP Yes for CORIL No for GITEA | NA | Year 5: not met Year 8: not met (GITEA was also monitored in 2022 and did not meet criterion) (Year 13 monitoring not required) |

**Planted as part of Adaptive Management Plan

8.17 HA 44

HA 44 was used by the Army as a range for anti-tank weapons and other explosive munitions. Approximately 2,900 cubic yards of soil was excavated over 1.8 acres. HA 44 rests within unprotected maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58° F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 44 is relatively flat with a southwest aspect and is surrounded by very high-quality habitat.

HA 44 is located on the northern portion of Site 39, within the sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for HA 44 included both passive and active restoration consisting of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed, annual weed management activities, and installing native container-grown plants. HA 44 is relatively flat with little potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 44 occurred in 2017, 2018, and 2020 and quantitative monitoring began in 2016. The initial monitoring in 2016 was to assess the level of natural recruitment occurring at that site. HA 44 was monitored for nine years by photo documentation and site visits, HMP annual density across the HA, species richness, and vegetative cover, and three years for plant survivorship (see Table 8-72). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-27 shows the HA footprint, restoration areas, and transect monitoring locations. The success criteria for HA 44 are summarized in Table 8-73.

Table 8-72. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 44

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 13 |
| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2030 |
| Restoration: Active and Passive | | ● | ● | | ● | | | | ● | | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | |
| Species Richness | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | ● |
| Vegetative Cover | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | ● |
| Plant Survivorship | | | ● | ● | ● | | | | | | |

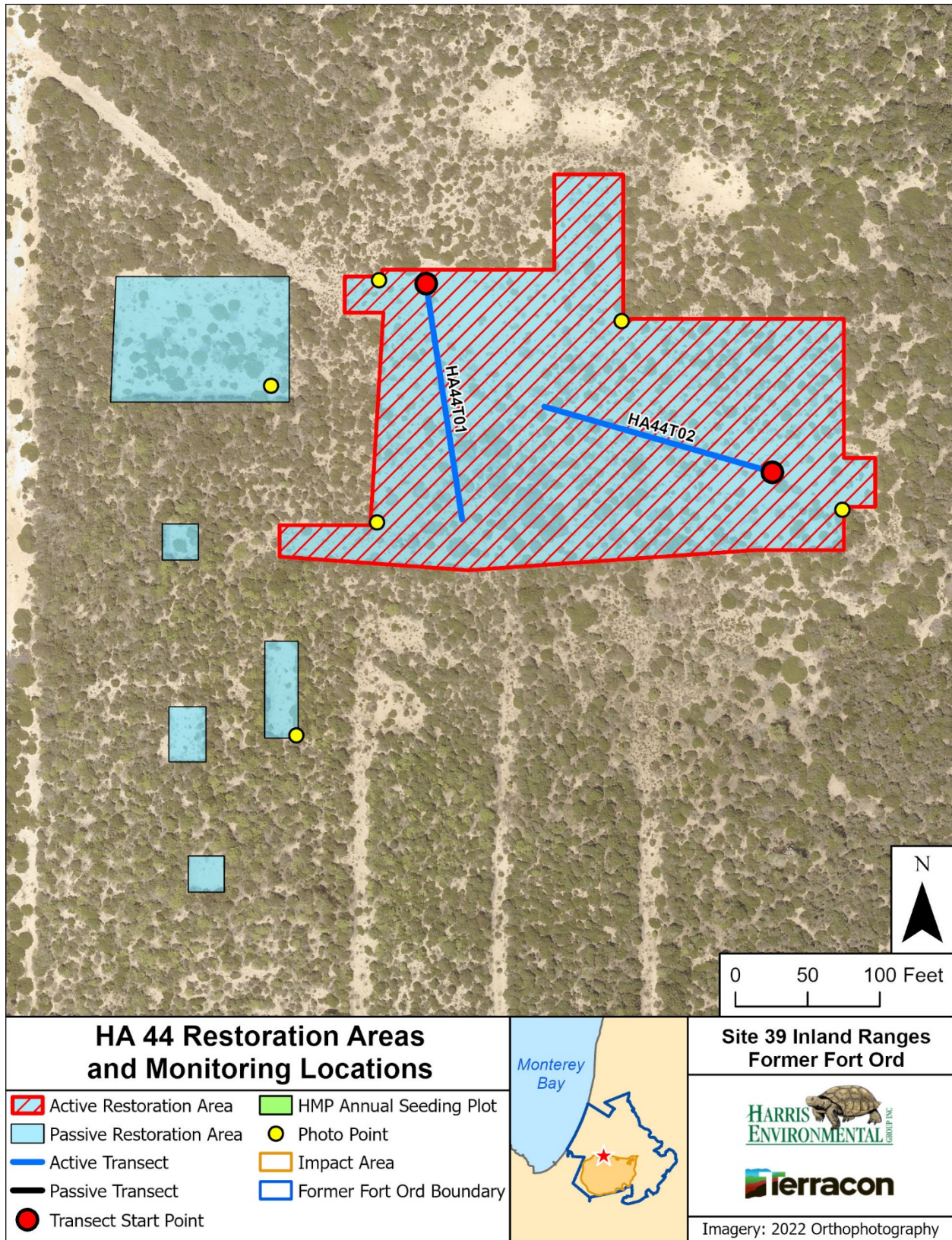


Figure 8-27. HA 44 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-73. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 44

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | chamise sandmat manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita Monterey ceanothus† California coffeeberry |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data indicated absence of non-native target weed species. In the event of their establishment, no more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 2. Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 10 percent is acceptable. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low Sand gilia density class: Low Seaside bird's beak density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.17.1 Restoration Activities

Passive restoration was performed at HA 44 in 2017, 2018, 2020, and 2024.

In 2024, 0.5 lbs of seed were broadcast over 0.424 acres, see Table B-15 in Appendix B for details. The total amount of seed broadcast on site was 73.87 lbs compared to 42.70 lbs prescribed in the SSRP. Total seed broadcast exceeded the SSRP prescription because additional seed was applied for erosion control activities and to increase vegetative cover in bare areas.

No active restoration activities occurred at HA 44 in 2024.

8.17.2 Monitoring Results

HA 44 was in year 7 of monitoring in 2024. Year 7 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (See Appendix D, page D-18).

8.17.3 Discussion

8.17.3.1 HA 44 Status

There are no updates to the HA 44 status discussion since the site is not at Year 8, a benchmark year; see Table 8-74 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burleson, 2023). The site will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, HMP annual density surveys, species richness meandering transects, vegetative cover line-intercept transects, and plant survivorship in monitoring year 8, 2025 (see Table 8-72).

Table 8-74. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 44

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2022) Met | Recommendation | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------|--|---|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 5 required species: ADFA, ARPU, ARTO, CERI, FRCA | Yes | None | Year 5: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | None, reassess at year 8 | Year 5: 27.01% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | None | Year 5: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | Yes | None | Year 5: 20.08% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 2% CERI = present | Yes | None | Year 5: ARPU 18.72% CERI 1.36% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP, GITEA, and CORIL | Yes | Establishment of restoration plots not necessary | Year 5: met |

8.18 HA 48

HA 48 was used by the Army as a range for mortars, weapons demonstrations, sniper training, anti-tank weapons, and various other weapons. Approximately 150 cubic yards of soil were excavated over 0.05 acre. HA 48 is within unprotected maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). HA 48 is relatively flat with a southeast aspect and is surrounded by very high-quality habitat.

HA 48 is located on the northern portion of Site 39, within the sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at HA 48 consisted of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed and annual weed management activities. HA 48 has little potential for erosion.

Restoration at HA 48 occurred in 2019 and quantitative monitoring began in 2016. HA 48 was monitored for eight years by photo documentation and site visits, six years for HMP annual density across the HA and species richness, and five years for vegetative cover (see Table 8-75). Monitoring years are counted from a year when at least 50% of SSRP prescription has been applied to a site. Figure 8-28 shows the HA footprint, passive restoration areas, and photo point monitoring locations. Success criteria for HA 48 are summarized in Table 8-76.

Table 8-75. Historic Summary of Restoration and Monitoring Activities at HA 48

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 13 |
| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2028 |
| Restoration: Active and Passive | | | | ● | | | | | | |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | |
| Species Richness | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | ● |
| Vegetative Cover | | ● | ● | ● | ● | | | ● | | ● |

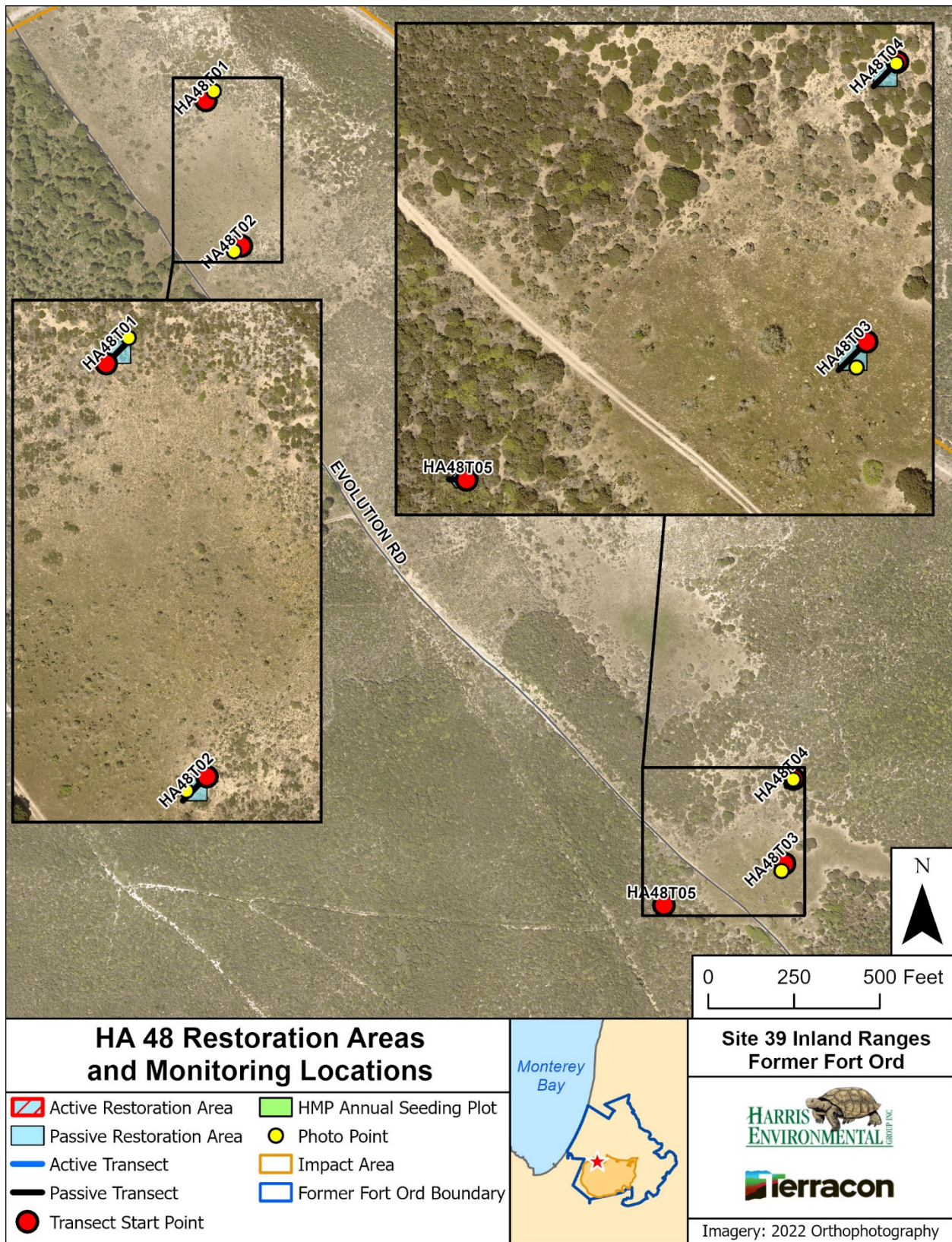


Figure 8-28. HA 48 Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-76. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of HA 48

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | chamise sandmat manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita Monterey ceanothus† wedge-leaved horkelia black sage silver bush lupine peak rush-rose |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data did not indicate presence of non-native target weed species. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or less than 1 percent. Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be present however, less than 4 percent is acceptable. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low Sand gilia density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.18.1 Restoration Activities

No passive or active restoration activities were conducted at HA 48 in 2024.

8.18.2 Monitoring Results

HA 48 was in year 9 of monitoring in 2024. Year 9 does not require monitoring and only site visits and photo documentation were completed (see Appendix D, page D-19).

8.18.2.1 HA 48 Status

There are no updates to the HA 48 status discussion; see Table 8-77 for a summary of the most recent HA status and likelihood of achieving success criteria. An in-depth discussion of past trends and recommendations is available in the 2022 Annual Report (Burlison, 2023).

HA 48 will continue to be monitored by photo documentation, species richness meandering transects, and vegetative cover line-intercept transects in monitoring year 13, 2028 (Table 8-75).

Table 8-77. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at HA 48

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Year 5 (2020) Met | Year 8 (2023) Met | Likelihood of Achieving Success by Year 13 (2028) | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|----------------------|----------------------|---|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 8 required species: ADFA, ARPU, ARTO, CERI, CRSC, HOCU, LUCH/LUAL, SAME | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: met |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | No | LOW | Year 5: 28.38% Year 8: 29.74% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 0.00% Year 8: 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | Yes | Yes | HIGH | Year 5: 20.75% Year 8: 17.46% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 1% CERI = present | Yes | No | MODERATE | Year 5: ARPU 20.12% CERI 0.64% Year 8: ARPU 17.46% CERI 0.00% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP and GITEA | Yes | Yes | NA | Year 5: met Year 8: met |

8.19 Austin Road Stockpile

Austin Road Stockpile encompasses approximately 0.45 acres and was used by the Army as a stockpile for soil remediation and by the Presidio of Monterey Fire Department to provide water to helicopters. The top six inches of soil at the Austin Road Stockpile were removed. The Austin Road Stockpile rests within maritime chaparral with mean annual temperatures ranging between 56° and 58°F and regular fog typical of maritime climates (USFS, 2007). The Austin Road Stockpile is relatively flat. Adjacent lands were not developed and contain intact native vegetation that may promote natural recruitment within restoration areas.

The Austin Road Stockpile is located on the western portion of Site 39, occurring within sand hill formation maritime chaparral containing the Baywood soils series based on previous baseline data (USACE, 1992). Baywood soils consist of very deep, somewhat excessively drained soils on old sand dunes and narrow valleys. Typically, the surface layer is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and 17 inches thick. The underlying material to a depth of 61 inches is brown, slightly acid loamy sand, and sand. In a few areas, the surface layer is fine sand (USFS, 2007).

The SSRP prescription for passive restoration at the Austin Road Stockpile consists of hand broadcast non-irrigated seed and annual weed management activities. Austin Road Stockpile is relatively flat with little potential for erosion.

Restoration activities have not occurred at Austin Road Stockpile. Quantitative monitoring began in 2016. Austin Road Stockpile was monitored for nine years by photo documentation, site visits and HMP annual density across the HA, and eight years for species richness (see Table 8-78). Figure 8-29 shows the site footprint, passive restoration area, and photo point monitoring locations. Success criteria for Austin Road Stockpile are summarized in Table 8-79.

Table 8-78. Historic Summary of Monitoring Activities at Austin Road Stockpile

| Activity | Monitoring Years | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
| Photo Points and Site Visit | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| HMP Annual Density across HA | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | |
| Species Richness | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● | | ● | |
| Vegetation Cover | | | | | | | | | ● | |

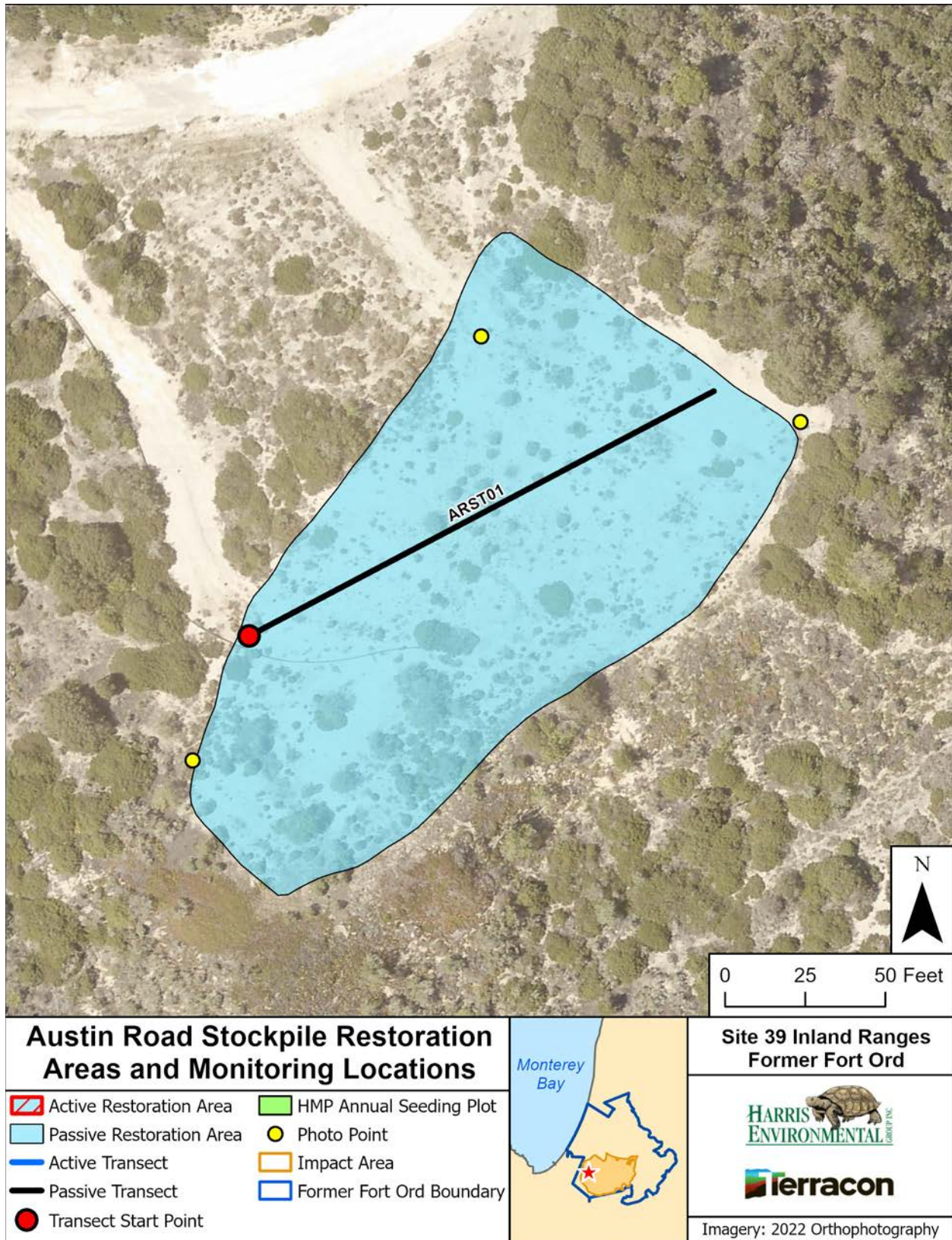


Figure 8-29. Austin Road Stockpile Restoration Areas and Monitoring Locations Map

Table 8-79. Success Criteria and Acceptable Limits for Restoration of Austin Road Stockpile

| No. | Success Element | Decision Rule | Acceptable Limits |
|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Objective 1* | | | |
| 1 | Restoration demonstrates native species richness | Equivalent native species richness equal to baseline data. | Native species that must be present to demonstrate richness: |
| | | | common yarrow chamise Hooker's manzanita† shaggy-bark manzanita sandmat manzanita† coyote brush Monterey ceanothus† Monterey spineflower† mock heather golden yarrow peak rush-rose wedge-leaved horkelia deerweed silver bush lupine sticky monkeyflower black sage |
| 2 | Percent cover of native species | Percent cover equals 40 percent for native species | For the restoration area, percent cover monitoring data must meet or exceed 40 percent for native species listed as part of the plant palette in Table 2 of the SSRP. |
| Objective 2* | | | |
| 3 | Percent cover of non-native target weeds | Percent cover of non-native target weeds must be equal or less than baseline data or equal or less than 5 percent [whichever is lower] | Baseline data did not indicate non-native target weed species. No more than 5 percent non-native target weeds may be present at this restoration site. |
| Objective 3* | | | |
| 4 | HMP shrubs percent cover, density, and diversity | HMP shrub cover class must meet or exceed baseline data | Cover class: 3 (6-25% of absolute cover) |
| | | No net-loss of HMP shrubs, percent cover, density, diversity must equal baseline HMP data | Sandmat manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 25. |
| | | | Monterey ceanothus percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 4. |
| | | | Hooker's manzanita percent cover, as an average of transect data, must be equal or greater than 1. |
| | HMP annuals percent cover and abundance [density class] | HMP annuals density class must meet or exceed baseline data | Monterey spineflower density class: Low |

* Objectives presented in HRP (Shaw, 2009b)

† HMP Species

8.19.1 Restoration Activities

No passive or active restoration activities occurred at Austin Road Stockpile in 2024.

8.19.2 Monitoring Results

8.19.2.1 HMP Annual Density

No restoration plots were established for HMP annuals at Austin Road Stockpile. However, HMP annuals were mapped as a part of the meandering transect survey. This survey was completed for Monterey spineflower and sand gilia at Austin Road Stockpile.

Four individual plants and two discrete patches of Monterey spineflower were mapped and individuals counted within each patch (see Figure 8-30). Densities were all very high and the total acreage of Monterey spineflower patches with a density at or above the SSRP baseline density class of low was 0.044 acre. One patch and one Monterey spineflower individual recorded in the field were later found to be just outside of the site footprint, they were included in the meandering transect map for later reference. From 2023 to 2024, the density range increased and the acreage above the SSRP baseline decreased.

Sand gilia was not observed at Austin Road Stockpile in 2024 which is consistent with 2023. However, sand gilia was previously observed on site in 2017.

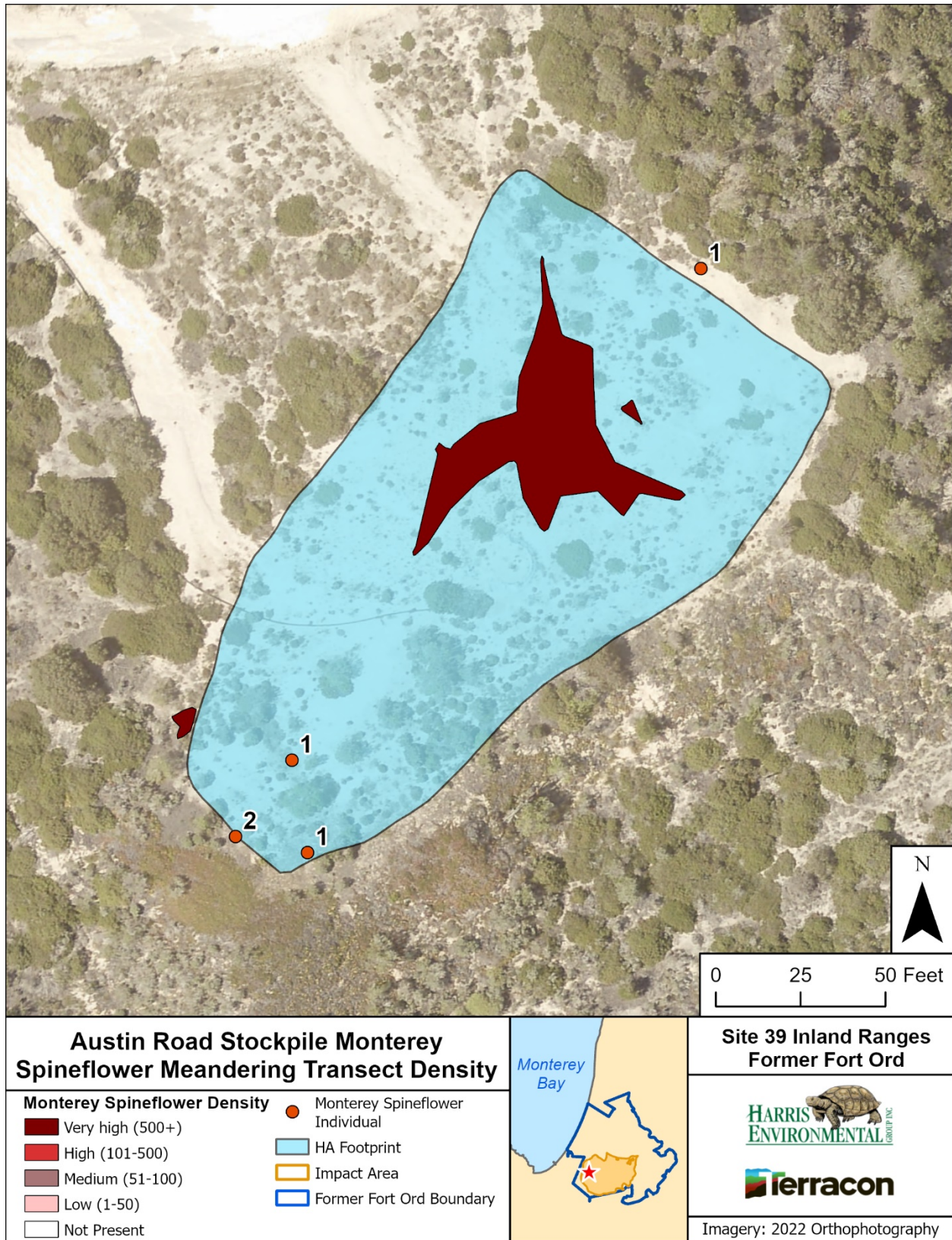


Figure 8-30. Austin Road Stockpile Monterey Spineflower Meandering Transect Density Map

8.19.2.2 Vegetative Cover

Harris-Terracon established and surveyed one 50-meter transect at Austin Road Stockpile. Transect placement was randomized. The transect survey results indicated that the mean vegetative cover by native shrubs and perennials was 25.72%.

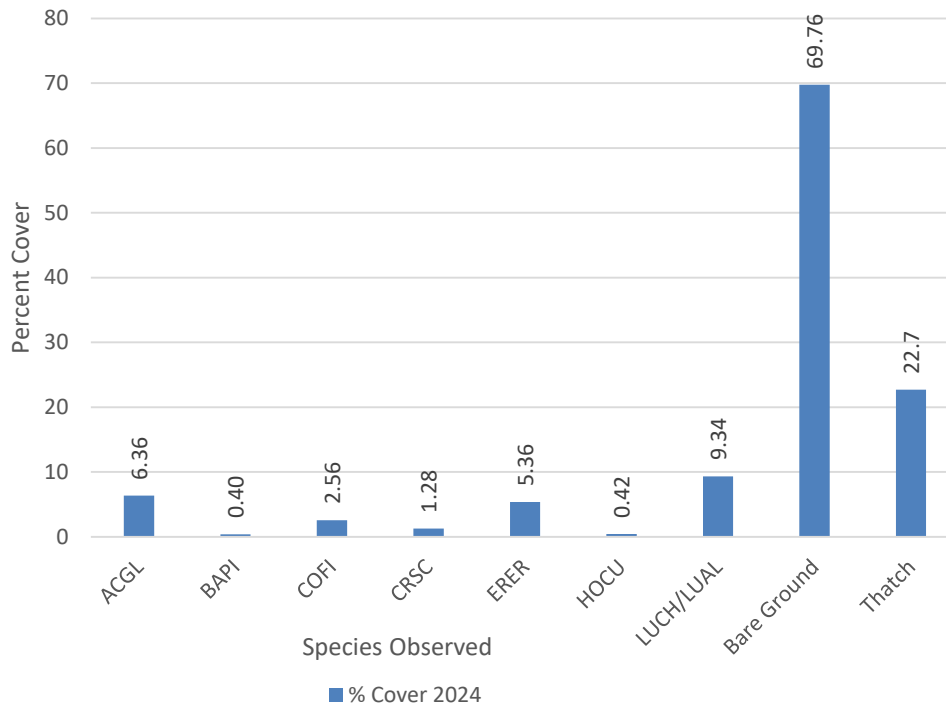


Figure 8-31. Percent cover of dominant species at Austin Road Stockpile in 2024

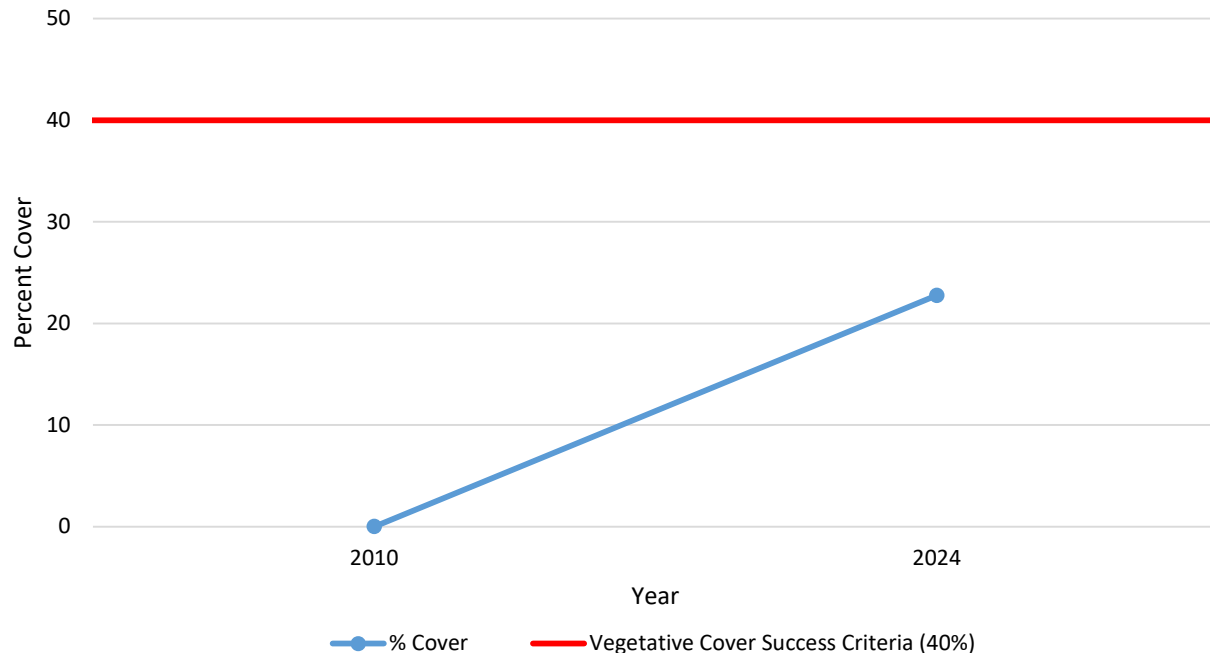


Figure 8-32. Native vegetation cover compared to success criteria at Austin Road Stockpile

8.19.2.3 Species Richness

Forty-eight species were observed at Austin Road Stockpile in 2024. Of those, 23 were native shrubs or perennials, five were native annual herbaceous species, and 17 were non-native species (see Table 8-80). Species richness increased by twelve species since 2023. Native shrub and perennial species richness increased by three, native herbaceous species richness decreased by four, non-native species richness decreased by eight, and uncategorized species richness did not change. Due to subtle differences between *Lupinus albifrons* var. *albifrons* and *Lupinus chamissonis* and the timing of surveys, the two species were combined for analysis of species richness and comparison to the success criteria (see section 6.1.4).

Table 8-80. Species Observed on Austin Road Stockpile, 2024

| Scientific Name | Common Name | Code | Category |
|--|-----------------------|-------|----------|
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> | deerweed | ACGL | NP |
| <i>Acmispon heermannii</i> var. <i>orbicularis</i> | Heermann's lotus | ACHEO | NP |
| <i>Acmispon strigosus</i> | Bishop's lotus | ACST | NF |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculatum</i> | chamise | ADFA | NP |
| <i>Aira caryophyllea</i> | silver hair grass | AICA | NNF |
| <i>Arctostaphylos pumila</i> * | sandmat manzanita | ARPU | NP |
| <i>Arctostaphylos tomentosa</i> | shaggy-bark manzanita | ARTO | NP |
| <i>Avena barbata</i> | slender wild oat | AVBA | NNF |
| <i>Baccharis pilularis</i> | coyote brush | BAPI | NP |
| <i>Bowlesia incana</i> | hoary bowlesia | BOIN3 | NF |
| <i>Briza maxima</i> | rattlesnake grass | BRMA | NNF |
| <i>Bromus madritensis</i> ssp. <i>rubens</i> | foxtail chess | BRMAR | NNF |
| <i>Cardionema ramosissimum</i> | sand mat | CARA | NP |
| <i>Carex</i> sp. | sedge | CA | NP |

| Scientific Name | Common Name | Code | Category |
|---|-------------------------|-----------|----------|
| <i>Carpobrotus edulis</i> | hottentot fig | CAED | NNP |
| <i>Ceanothus dentatus</i> | dwarf ceanothus | CEDE | NP |
| <i>Ceanothus rigidus</i> * | Monterey ceanothus | CERI | NP |
| <i>Centaurea melitensis</i> | totalote | CEME | NNF |
| <i>Chorizanthe diffusa</i> | diffuse spineflower | CHDI | NF |
| <i>Chorizanthe pungens</i> var. <i>pungens</i> * | Monterey spineflower | CHPUP | NF |
| <i>Corethrogyne filaginifolia</i> | common sandaster | COFI | NP |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> | peak rush-rose | CRSC | NP |
| <i>Diplacus aurantiacus</i> | sticky monkeyflower | DIAU | NP |
| <i>Dudleya farinosa</i> | bluff lettuce | DUFA | NP |
| <i>Ericameria ericoides</i> | mock heather | ERER | NP |
| <i>Eriophyllum confertiflorum</i> | golden yarrow | ERCO | NP |
| <i>Erodium botrys</i> | long-beaked filaree | ERBO | NNF |
| <i>Erodium cicutarium</i> | red-stemmed filaree | ERCI | NNF |
| <i>Festuca bromoides</i> | brome fescue | FEBR | NNF |
| <i>Festuca myuros</i> | rattail sixweeks grass | FEMY | NNF |
| <i>Gamochaeta ustulata</i> | purple cudweed | GAUS | NP |
| <i>Heterotheca grandiflora</i> | telegraph weed | HEGR | NF |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> | wedge-leaved horkelia | HOCU | NP |
| <i>Hypochaeris glabra</i> | smooth cat's ear | HYGL | NNF |
| <i>Hypochaeris radicata</i> | rough cat's ear | HYRA | NNP |
| <i>Logfia gallica</i> | daggerleaf cottonrose | LOGA | NNF |
| <i>Lupinus chamissonis/albifrons</i> | silver bush lupine | LUCH/LUAL | NP |
| <i>Lupinus bicolor</i> | miniature lupine | LUBI | NF |
| <i>Lupinus truncatus</i> | Nuttall's annual lupine | LUTR | NF |
| <i>Lysimachia arvensis</i> | scarlet pimpernel | LYAR | NNF |
| <i>Navarretia hamata</i> ssp. <i>parviloba</i> | hooked navarretia | NAHAP | NF |
| <i>Plantago erecta</i> | California plantain | PLER | NF |
| <i>Polycarpon tetraphyllum</i> var. <i>tetraphyllum</i> | four-leaved allseed | POTET | NNF |
| <i>Pseudognaphalium ramosissimum</i> | pink everlasting | PSRA | NP |
| <i>Pseudognaphalium stramineum</i> | cotton-batting plant | PSST | NP |
| <i>Rumex acetosella</i> | sheep sorrel | RUAC | NNP |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> | black sage | SAME | NP |
| <i>Silene gallica</i> | small-flower catchfly | SIGA | NNF |

*HMP Species

8.19.3 Caretaker of Previous HA

Tree removal and herbicide application of cut stumps occurred at ARS in 2024. One Monterey pine and one golden wattle were felled at ARS. Tree removal locations are shown in Figure 8-33.

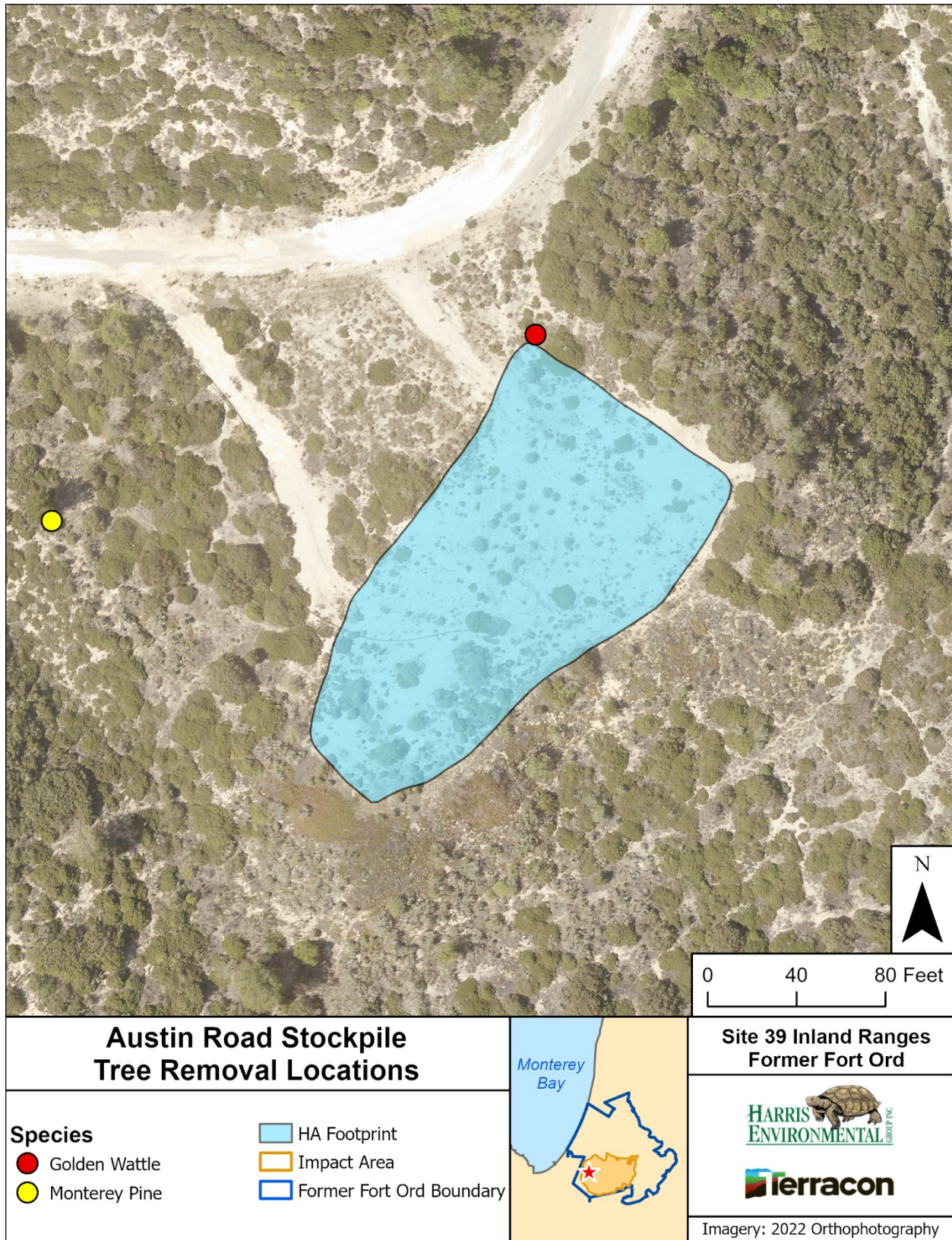


Figure 8-33. Tree removal locations at Austin Road Stockpile

8.19.4 Discussion

8.19.4.1 HMP Annual Density

No restoration plots were established for HMP annuals at Austin Road Stockpile. However, HMP annuals were mapped as a part of the meandering transect survey. Monterey spineflower met the density success criterion.

8.19.4.2 Species Richness

Deerweed, chamise, sandmat manzanita, shaggy-bark manzanita, coyote brush, Monterey ceanothus, Monterey spineflower, peak rush-rose, golden yarrow (*Eriophyllum confertiflorum*), mock heather (*Ericameria ericoides*), wedge-leaved horkelia, silver bush lupine, sticky monkeyflower, and black sage were present. Common yarrow, and Hooker's manzanita were not present. Austin Road Stockpile included 31 native shrub and perennial species; however, the site did not meet the success criterion for Objective 1.

8.19.4.3 Austin Road Stockpile Status

Austin Road Stockpile did not receive any SSRP prescription activities by 2024. The site is used by the Presidio of Monterey Fire Department to supply water to helicopters for the Army's Fort Ord Prescribed Burn Program and will not be restored until those activities are complete. A qualitative overview was documented by photo points (see Appendix D, page D-20). Restoration activities may occur in the future at the site.

Austin Road Stockpile will be monitored in 2025 by photo documentation and site visits. Table 8-81 summarizes the current status of Austin Road Stockpile including which success criteria were met based on 2024 monitoring and recommendations.

Table 8-81. Status for Achieving Success Criteria at Austin Road Stockpile

| Success Criterion | Category | Acceptable Limits | Met in 2024 | Recommendation | Notes |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------|--|--|
| Objective 1 – No. 1 | Species richness | 16 required species: ACGL, ACMI, ADFA, ARHO, ARTO, ARPU, BAPI, CERI, CHPUP, DIAU, ERER, ERCO, CRSC, HOCU, LUCH/LUAL, SAME | No | Wait for restoration to begin | ACMI and ARHO absent in 2024 |
| Objective 1 – No. 2 | Native vegetation cover | ≥ 40% | No | One 50m transect installed in 2024 | 2024: 22.76% |
| Objective 2 – No. 3 | Non-native target weed cover | ≤ 5% | Yes | One 50m transect installed in 2024 | 2024: 0% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover | Cover class 3: 6-25% | No | One 50m transect installed in 2024 | 2024: 0% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP shrub cover by species | ARPU ≥ 25% CERI ≥ 4% ARHO ≥ 1% | No | One 50m transect installed in 2024 | 2024: ARPU: 0% CERI: 0% ARHO: 0% |
| Objective 3 – No. 4 | HMP annual density | Low density for CHPUP | Yes | Establishment of restoration plots not necessary | |

8.20 Summary of Former Fort Ord Inland Ranges Site 39

As of 2024, there are 19 restoration sites within Former Fort Ord Site 39 Inland Ranges. Eighteen of these sites have received their SSRP restoration prescriptions and are in various stages of monitoring. Austin Road Stockpile remains the only site that has not undergone restoration to date; however, some monitoring has been conducted to assess site conditions.

Based on when the restoration effort took place, HAs range from year 7 to year 12 for monitoring. According to the HRP, each site undergoes a five-year review to determine whether substantial corrective measures should be undertaken to put the site on target to meet success criteria in year 13 (Shaw, 2009b). Additionally, monitoring for HMP annuals is reviewed after year 8 to determine whether the sites have met that success criterion (Shaw, 2009b). In 2024 none of the HAs were in a benchmark monitoring year (years 5, 8, and 13), thus comprehensive review was not conducted for any of the sites.

In 2019, the total number of restoration areas increased to 20, due to HA 27A being split between the northern and southern areas with separate success criteria. Of the 20 restoration areas, only HA 26 and HA 27A South have met all of their success criteria. Eighteen areas met the species richness criterion, while six met the native vegetation cover criterion. The non-native target weed cover criterion was achieved in all 20 areas, whereas ten areas met the HMP shrub cover class criterion and three met the HMP shrub cover by species criterion. Among the 14 areas with HMP annual criteria, 13 met the HMP annual density criterion. Table 8-82 provides a summary of the status of the 20 restoration areas relative to their success criteria.

The Army recommends the following changes to SSRPs, monitoring, and the success criteria:

- HA 19 – Continue removal of Monterey pines encroaching on the footprint of the HA and apply 20 percent glyphosate herbicide solution to cut stumps.
- HA 36 – Install an additional transect to better assess the site (recommendation from 2021 annual report). Installation planned for early Spring 2025, prior to year 13 monitoring activities.
- HA 39/40 – Install an additional transect in Plot 3 to better assess restoration progress, broadcast production seed to address native vegetative cover criterion (recommendation repeated from previous years). Installation planned for early Spring 2025, prior to year 13 monitoring activities.
- Broadcast mulch, if available, prioritizing HAs where native vegetative cover criteria are not being met or in field-identified areas that would benefit from mulch. If mulch is unavailable, continue to collect seed of common early successional species for broadcast with coverage of straw at these sites in late fall and early winter prior to the onset of major precipitation events.

Table 8-82. 2024 Status for Achieving Success Criteria at Historic Areas in Former Fort Ord Inland Ranges Site 39

| HA | Monitoring Year (2024) | Success Criteria | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | | Species Richness | Native Vegetation Cover | Non-native Target Weed Cover | HMP Shrub Cover Class | HMP Shrub Cover by Species | HMP Annual Density |
| 18 | 12 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| 19 | 11 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 22 | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes |
| 23 | 12 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| 26 | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 27 | 12 | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | NA |
| 27A North | 12 | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | NA |
| 27A South | 12 | Yes | NA | Yes | NA | NA | NA |
| 28 | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| 29 | 12 | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | NA |
| 33 | 12 | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | Yes |
| 34 | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | NA |
| 36 | 12 | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | NA |
| 37 | 10 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| 38 | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| 39/40 | 12 | Yes | No | Yes | NA | NA | Yes |
| 43 | 12 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| 44 | 7 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 48 | 9 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Austin Rd Stockpile | 0* | No | No | Yes | No | No | Yes |

HAs in years 1-5, 8, and 13 are in monitoring years and the status of each success criterion is based on current data. For sites not in these monitoring years, the status of each success criterion may be from past monitoring years.

* Austin Rd Stockpile has not yet received restoration, so a monitoring year clock has not started. Austin Rd Stockpile will remain in year "0" until restoration is performed. Therefore no post-restoration data is available.

NA - the success criterion does not apply.

For HAs in year 8 of monitoring or beyond, the likelihood for meeting success criteria by year 13 was projected based on the trajectory of monitoring data collected at years 5 and 8 compared to success criteria (Table 8-83). Implications for low, moderate, and high likelihood projections are described below.

- Low: There is a low likelihood that the success criterion will be met by year 13. The site may or may not be trending toward meeting the success criterion and is unlikely to meet it by year 13 at the current trajectory. It is also not likely that the success criterion will be met within five years of year 13 at the current trajectory.
- Moderate: There is a moderate likelihood that the success criterion will be met by year 13. The site is trending toward meeting the success criterion and is very likely to meet it within five years of year 13.
- High: There is a high likelihood that the success criterion will be met by year 13. The site is trending toward meeting the success criterion and is highly likely to meet it by year 13.

Table 8-83. Projected Likelihood for Achieving Success Criteria by Year 13 at Historic Areas in Former Fort Ord Inland Ranges Site 39

| HA | Current Monitoring Year (2024) | Monitoring Year 13 | Success Criteria | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | | | Species Richness | Native Vegetation Cover | Non-native Target Weed Cover | HMP Shrub Cover Class | HMP Shrub Cover by Species | HMP Annual Density |
| 18 | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | Met |
| 19 | 11 | 2026 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | Met |
| 22 | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | MODERATE | LOW | Met |
| 23 | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | LOW | Met |
| 26 | 9 | 2028 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | Met |
| 27 | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | LOW | LOW | NA |
| 27A North | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | LOW | LOW | NA |
| 27A South | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | NA | HIGH | NA | NA | NA |
| 28 | 10 | 2027 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | LOW | Met |
| 29 | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | LOW | LOW | NA |
| 33 | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | MODERATE | HIGH | LOW | LOW | Met |
| 34 | 10 | 2027 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | LOW | LOW | NA |
| 36 | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | MODERATE | LOW | NA |
| 37 | 10 | 2027 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | MODERATE | Met |
| 38 | 10 | 2027 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | LOW | HIGH* |
| 39/40 | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | NA | NA | Met |
| 43 | 12 | 2025 | HIGH | MODERATE | HIGH | HIGH | LOW | Not Met |
| 44 | 7 | 2030 | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH | HIGH |
| 48 | 9 | 2028 | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | HIGH | MODERATE | Met |
| Austin Rd Stockpile | 0** | TBD*** | Cannot assess | Cannot assess | Cannot assess | Cannot assess | Cannot assess | Cannot assess |

HAs in years 1-5, 8, and 13 are in monitoring years and the status of each success criterion is based on current data. For sites not in these monitoring years, the status of each success criterion may be from past monitoring years.

* HA 38 is currently meeting the success criterion for HMP annuals in all plots established. However, monitoring will continue until 2028, when all plots reach their final required year.

** Austin Rd Stockpile has not received any restoration, so monitoring remains in year "0" until restoration occurs. Likelihood for achieving success criteria at Austin Rd Stockpile will be determined when it reaches year 5 of monitoring.

***TBD - To Be Determined.

NA - the success criterion does not apply.

9. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT WORKSHOP / OPEN HOUSE BUS TOUR

In addition to general restoration activities, Terracon developed a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the restoration progress at various HAs over time with an audio voiceover for the former Fort Ord Clean-Up Virtual Open House held in February 2024. The Harris-Terracon team also participated in the former Fort Ord Clean-Up Open House at the Kemron Building and the Bus Tour of Site 39 Inland Range on July 13, 2024. Photograph C-34 in Appendix C shows the Harris-Terracon table at the July open house event.

10. ANNUAL SITE 39 HABITAT RESTORATION MEETING

In accordance with the HRP, annual meetings were held with regulatory agencies and USACE to review and discuss restoration site data, restoration activities, annual monitoring results, and proposed adaptive management strategies for improving restoration success. These meetings also evaluated weed management, sampling protocols, passive versus active restoration approaches, the need to implement corrective measures, and assessment of the 13-year monitoring end point proposed in the HRP.

The Twelfth Annual Site 39 Habitat Restoration and Habitat Monitoring Meeting was held on April 19, 2024. Participants included, USFWS, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, US Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Toxic Substances Control, BRAC, USACE, Bureau of Land Management, UC Santa Cruz Natural Reserves, Chenega Reliable Services, JBW Federal, Denise Duffy and Associates, Ahtna, Terracon, and Harris.

Terracon presented details on Site 39 habitat restoration activities for the 2023 calendar year and the overall status of restoration progress.

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APPENDIX A

Seed Inventory

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Table A-1. Production Seed Inventory (as of December 31, 2024)

| Scientific Name | Common Name | HA | Inventory (lb)* |
|-----------------------|--------------------|----|-----------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> | blue wildrye | - | 164.82 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> | purple needlegrass | - | 786.92 |
| TOTAL | | | 951.74 |

Table A-2. Collected Seed Inventory (as of December 31, 2024)

| Scientific Name | Common Name | Inventory (lb)* |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> | yarrow | 0.13 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> | deerweed | 0.66 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> | chamise | 0.001 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> | california sagebrush | 0.396 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> | peak rushrose | 0.001 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> | horkelia | 0.185 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> | black sage | 0.172 |
| TOTAL | | 1.548 |

All collected seed will be used in remaining erosion control work between January and April 2025.

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APPENDIX B

Restoration Activities

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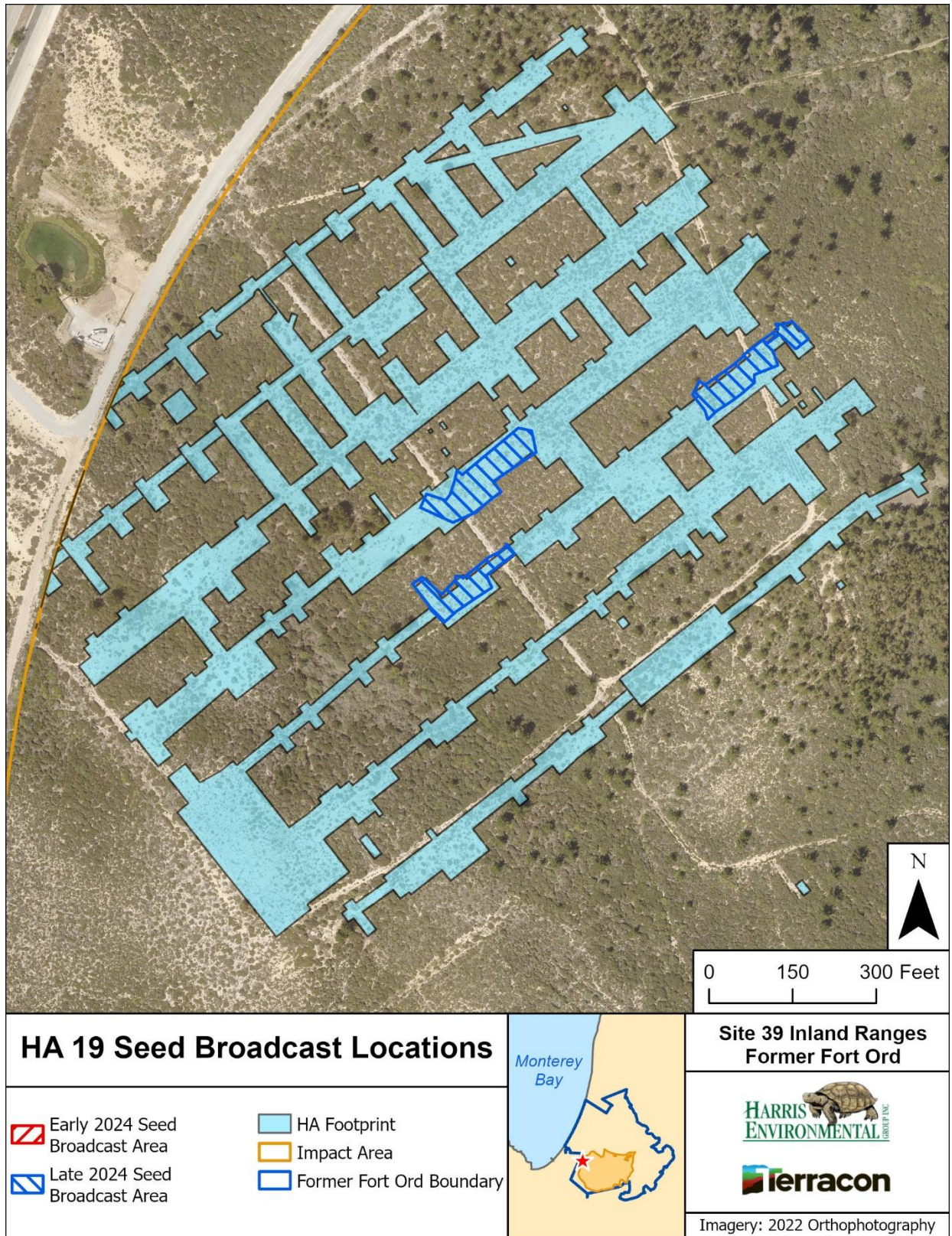


Figure B-1. HA 19 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord

Table B-1. HA 19 Production Seed Mix (Late 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 6.8 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 6.8 |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | <0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 1.0 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> (California sagebrush) | 0.6 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> (chamise) | 0.2 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> (black sage) | 0.3 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> (horkelia) | 0.3 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> (peak rushrose) | <0.1 |
| TOTAL | 15.9 |

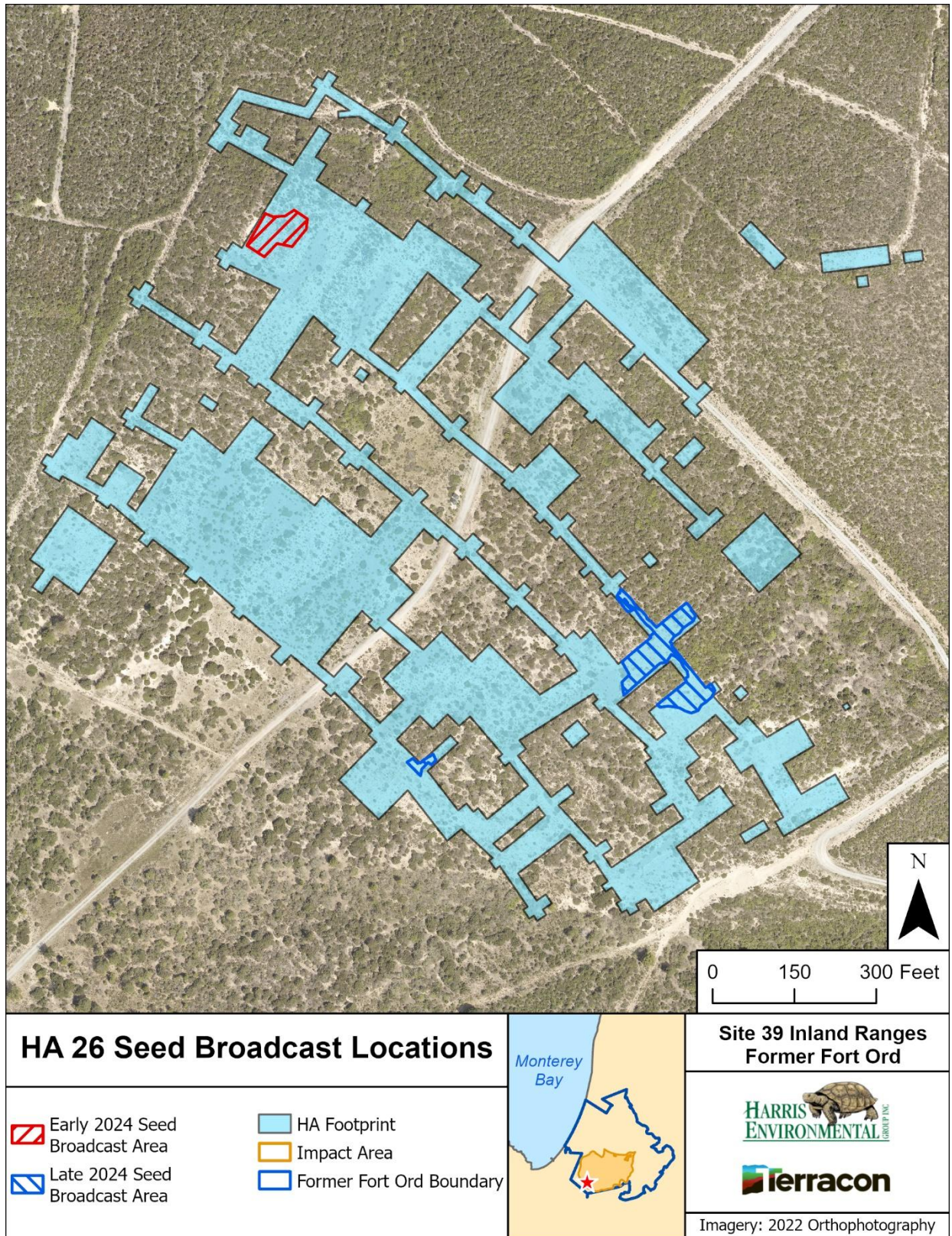


Figure B-2. HA 26 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord

Table B-2. HA 26 Production Seed Mix (Early 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | 0.05 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.05 |
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 0.2 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 0.2 |
| TOTAL | 0.5 |

Table B-3. HA 26 Production Seed Mix (Late 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 3.1 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 3.1 |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | <0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.5 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> (California sagebrush) | 0.3 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> (chamise) | <0.1 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> (black sage) | 0.1 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> (horkelia) | 0.1 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> (peak rushrose) | <0.1 |
| TOTAL | 7.3 |

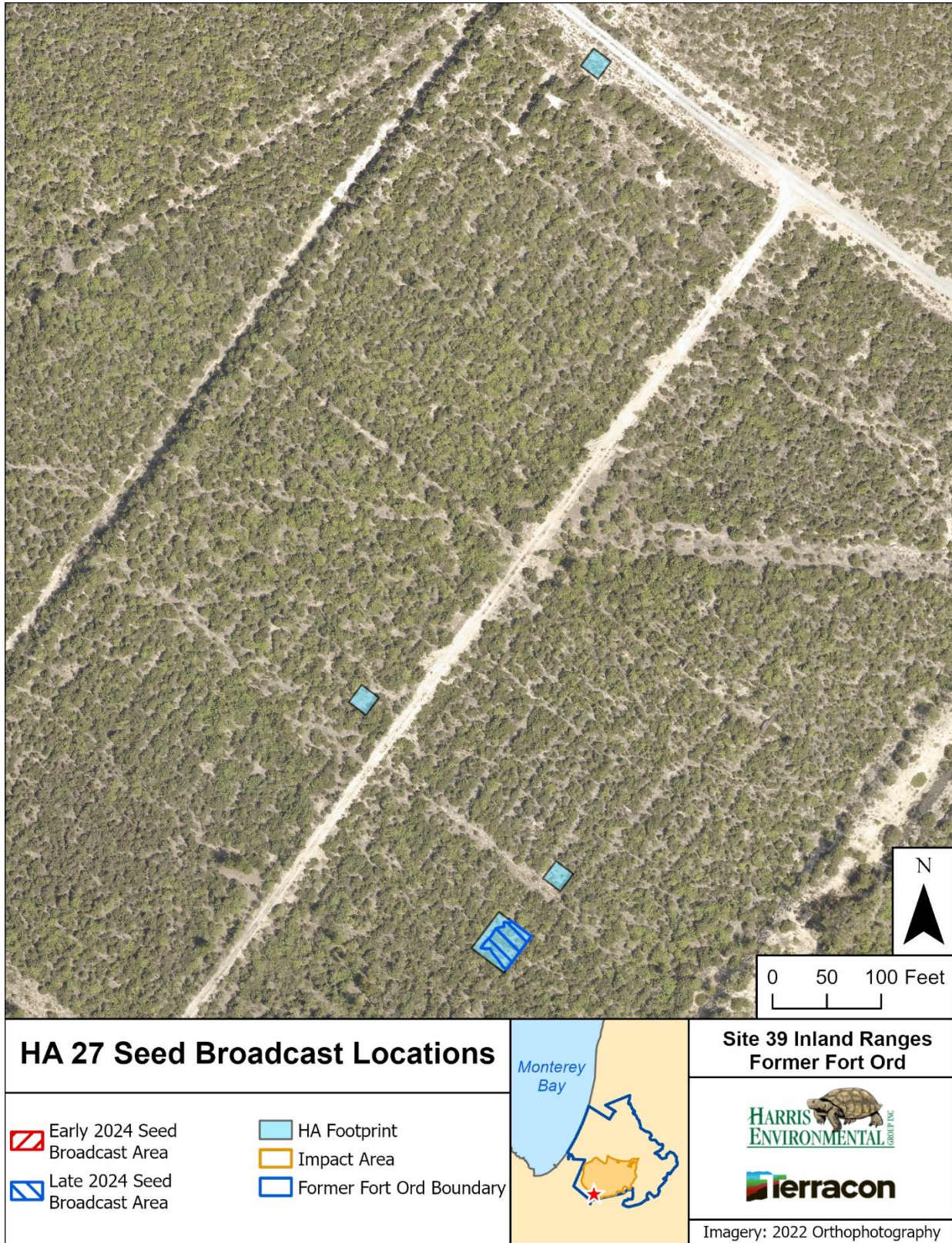


Figure B-3. HA 27 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord

Table B-4. HA 27 Production Seed Mix (Late 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 0.2 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 0.2 |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | <0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | <0.1 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> (California sagebrush) | <0.1 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> (chamise) | <0.1 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> (black sage) | <0.1 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> (horkelia) | <0.1 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> (peak rushrose) | <0.1 |
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | <0.1 |
| TOTAL | 0.5 |

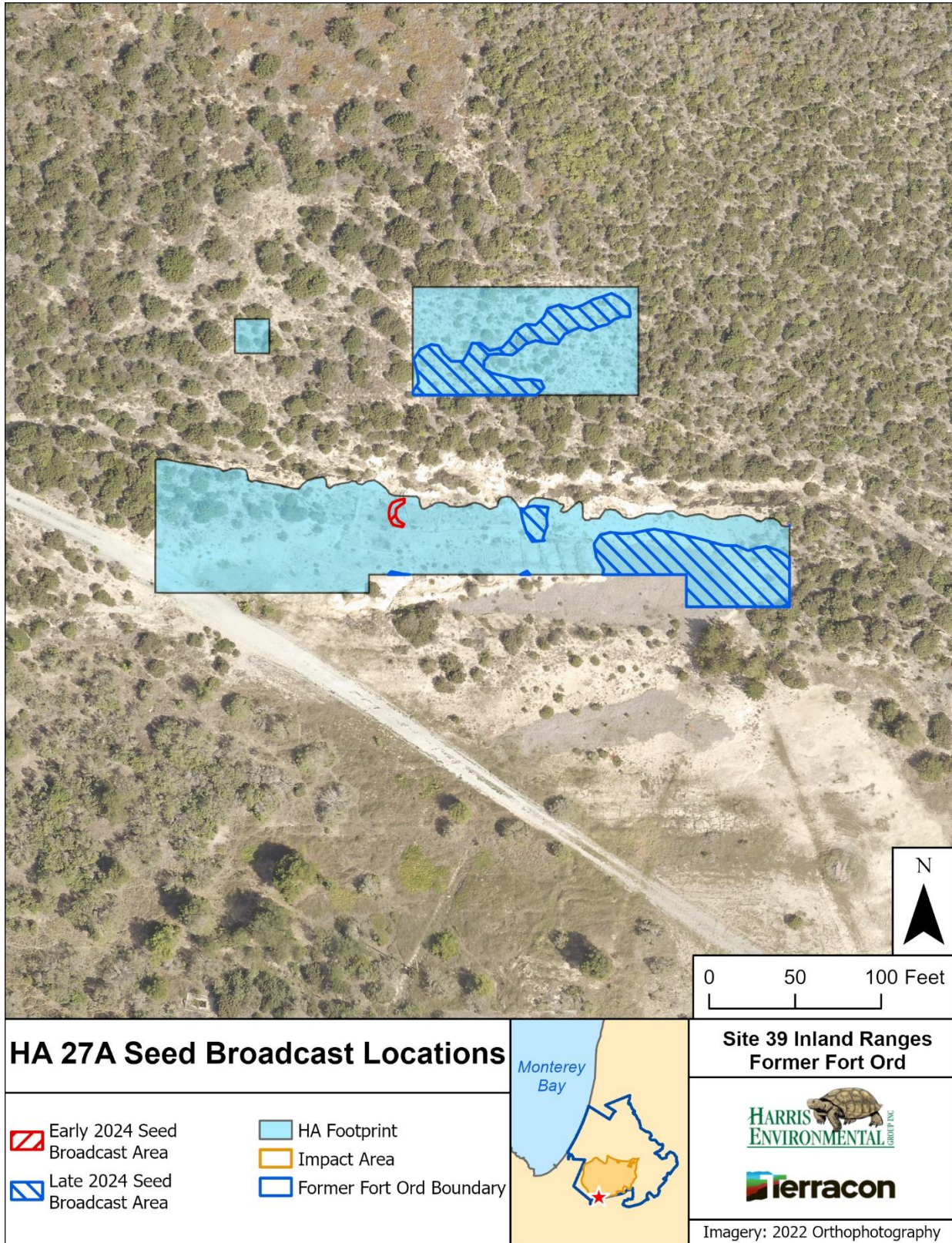


Figure B-4. HA 27A Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord

Table B-5. HA 27A Production Seed Mix (Early 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | 0.025 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.025 |
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 0.1 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 0.1 |
| TOTAL | 0.25 |

Table B-6. HA 27A Production Seed Mix (Late 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 1.4 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 1.4 |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | <0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.2 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> (California sagebrush) | 0.1 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> (chamise) | <0.1 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> (black sage) | <0.1 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> (horkelia) | <0.1 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> (peak rushrose) | <0.1 |
| TOTAL | 3.26 |

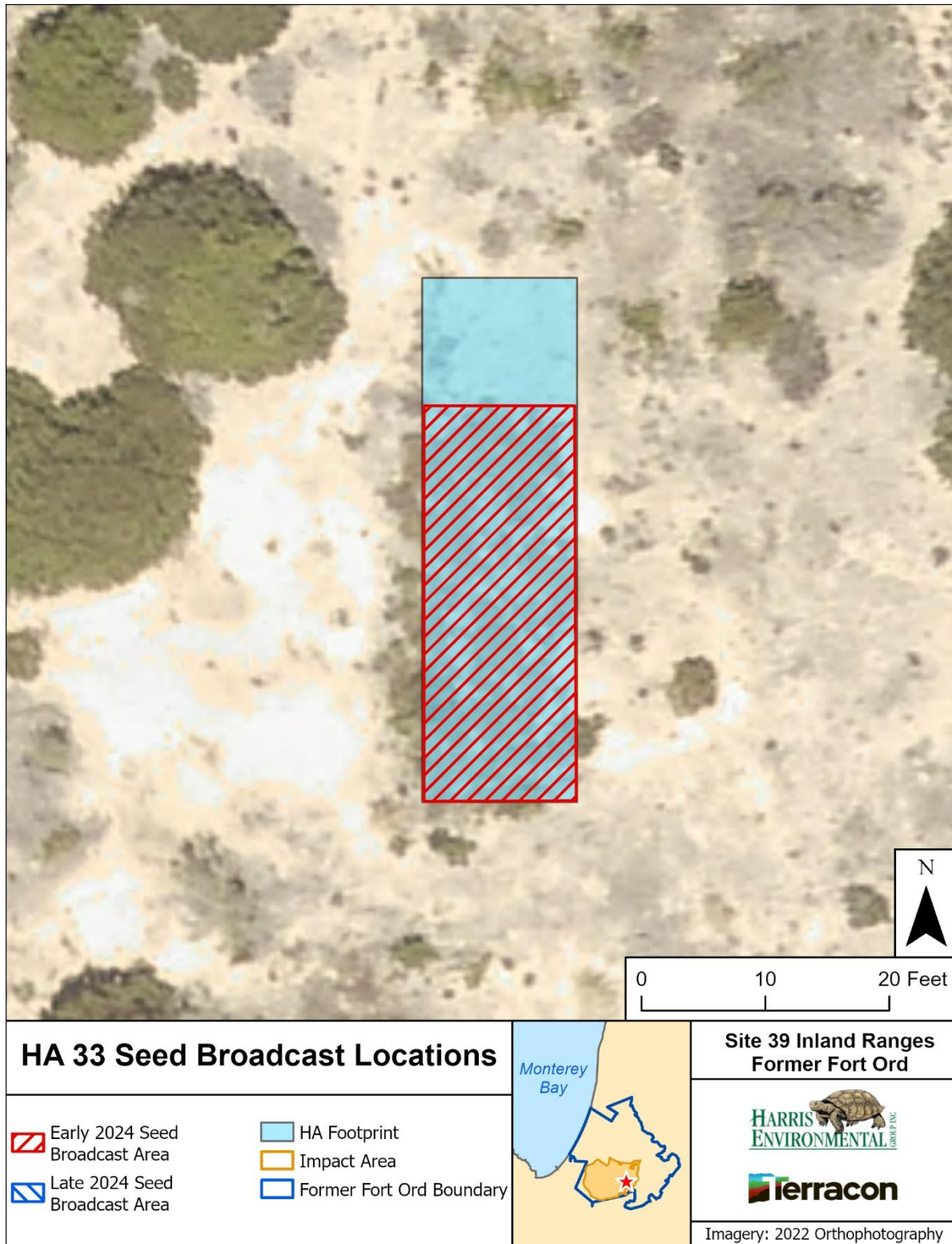


Figure B-5. HA 33 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord

Table B-7. HA 33 Production Seed Mix (Early 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | 0.05 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.05 |
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 0.2 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 0.2 |
| TOTAL | 0.5 |

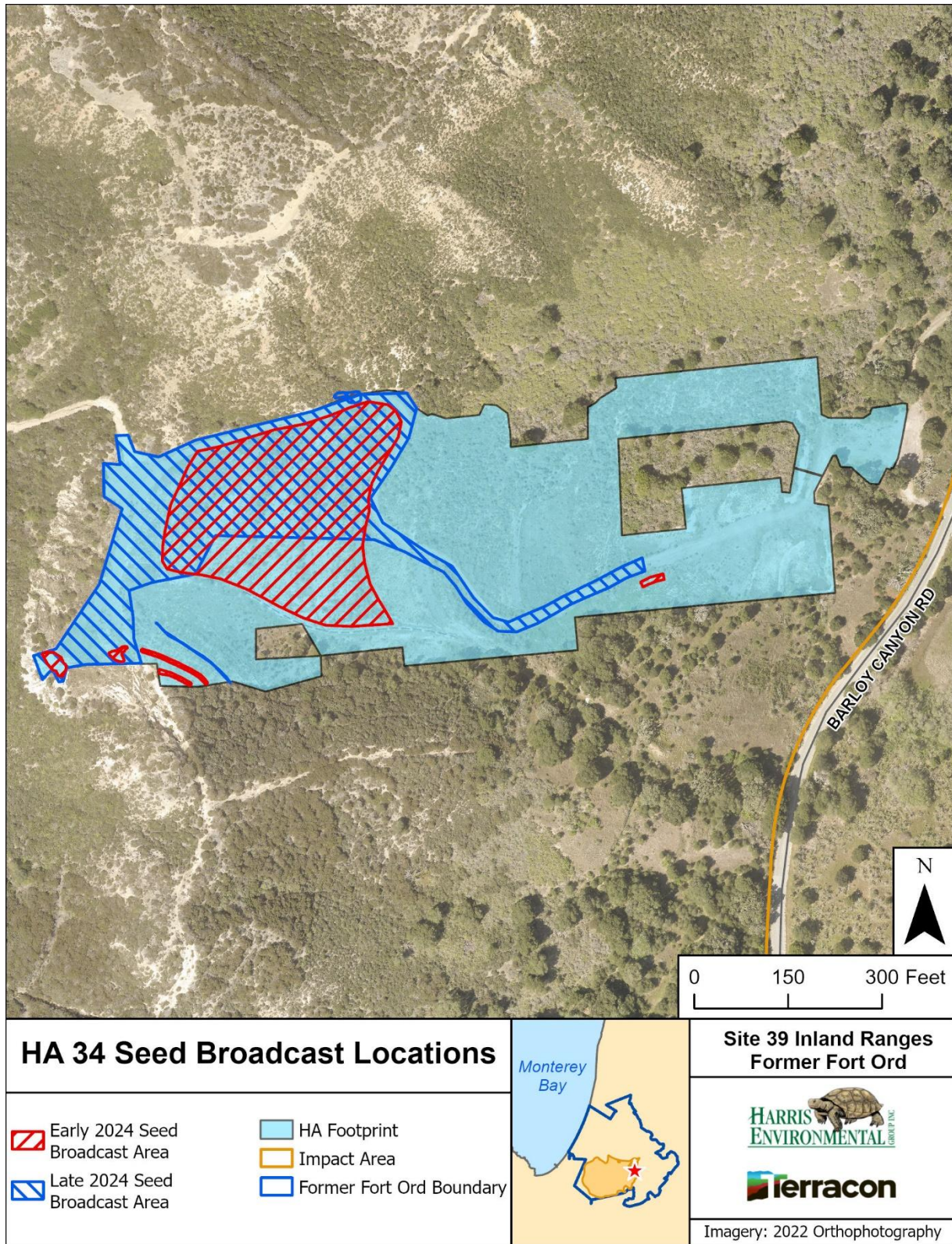


Figure B-6. HA 34 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord

Table B-8. HA 34 Production Seed Mix (Early 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | 0.25 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.25 |
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 1.0 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 1.0 |
| TOTAL | 2.5 |

Table B-9. HA 34 Production Seed Mix (Late 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 26.5 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 26.5 |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | <0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 3.8 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> (California sagebrush) | 2.3 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> (chamise) | 0.8 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> (black sage) | 1.0 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> (horkelia) | 1.1 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> (peak rushrose) | <0.1 |
| TOTAL | 62.1 |

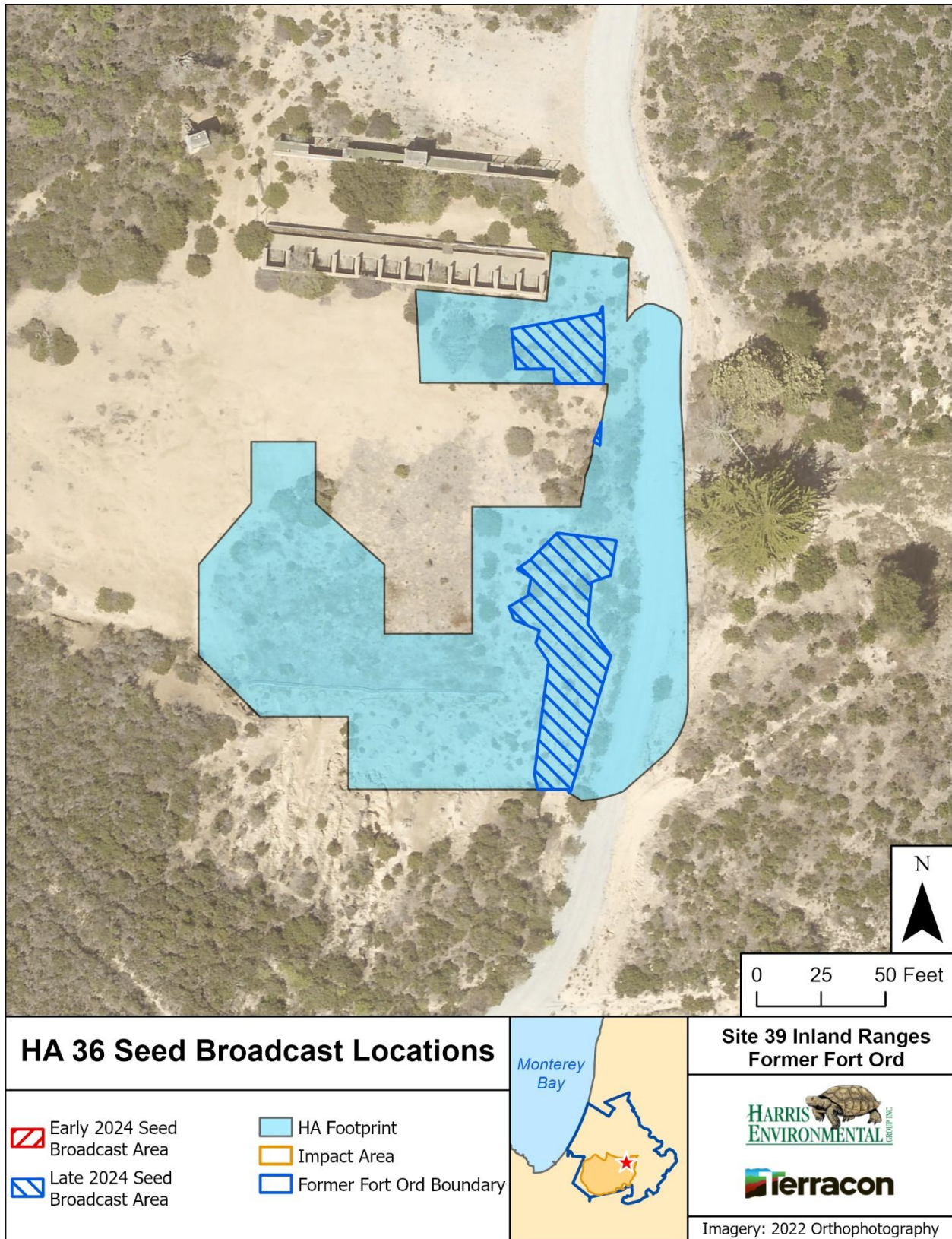


Figure B-7. HA 36 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord

Table B-10. HA 36 Production Seed Mix (Late 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 0.7 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 0.7 |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | <0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.1 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> (California sagebrush) | <0.1 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> (chamise) | <0.1 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> (black sage) | <0.1 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> (horkelia) | <0.1 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> (peak rushrose) | <0.1 |
| TOTAL | 1.65 |

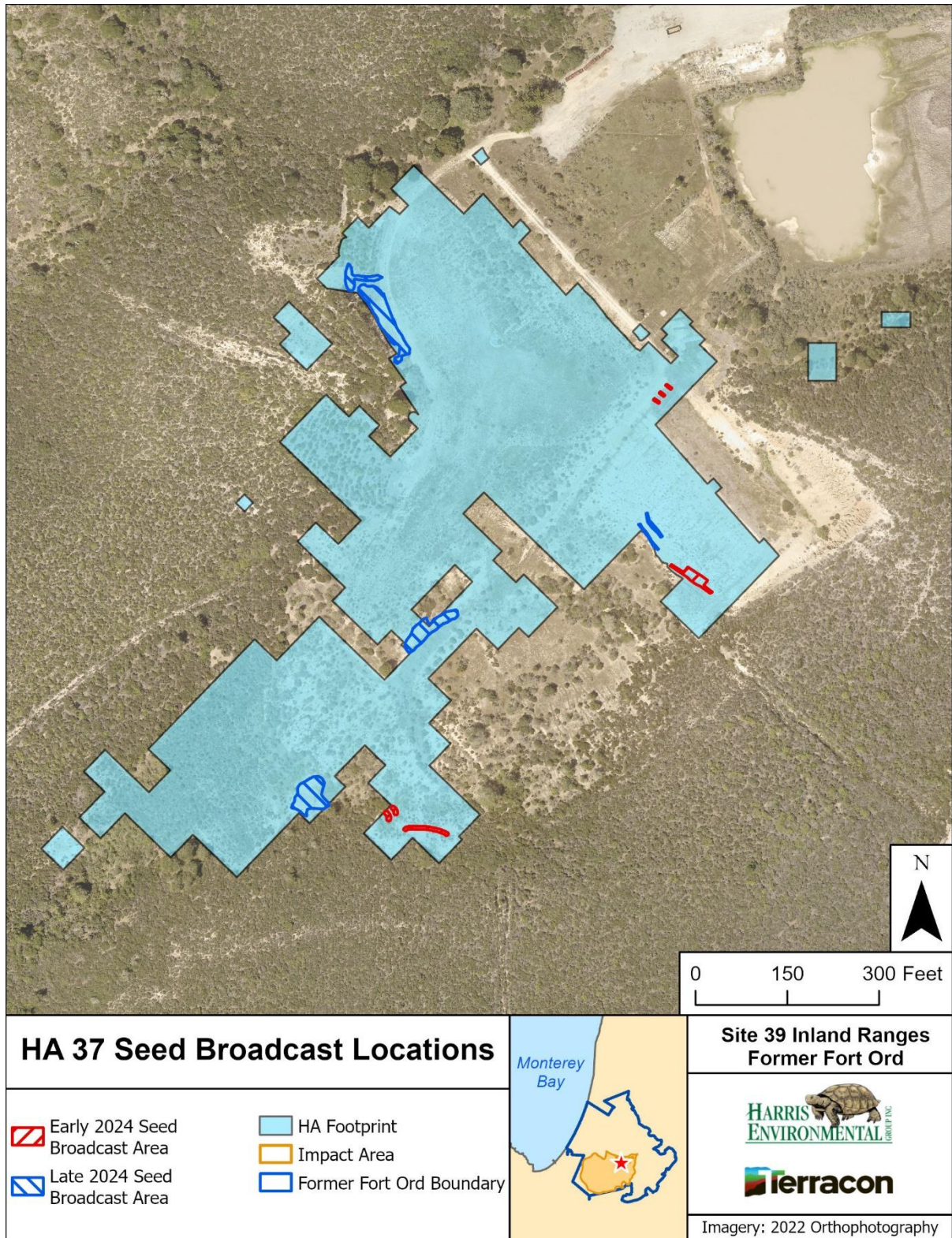


Figure B-8. HA 37 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord.

Table B-11. HA 37 Production Seed Mix (Early 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | 0.05 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.05 |
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 0.2 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 0.2 |
| TOTAL | 0.5 |

Table B-12. HA 37 Production Seed Mix (Late 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 1.9 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 1.9 |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | <0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.3 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> (California sagebrush) | 0.2 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> (chamise) | 0.1 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> (black sage) | 0.1 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> (horkelia) | 0.1 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> (peak rushrose) | <0.1 |
| TOTAL | 4.5 |

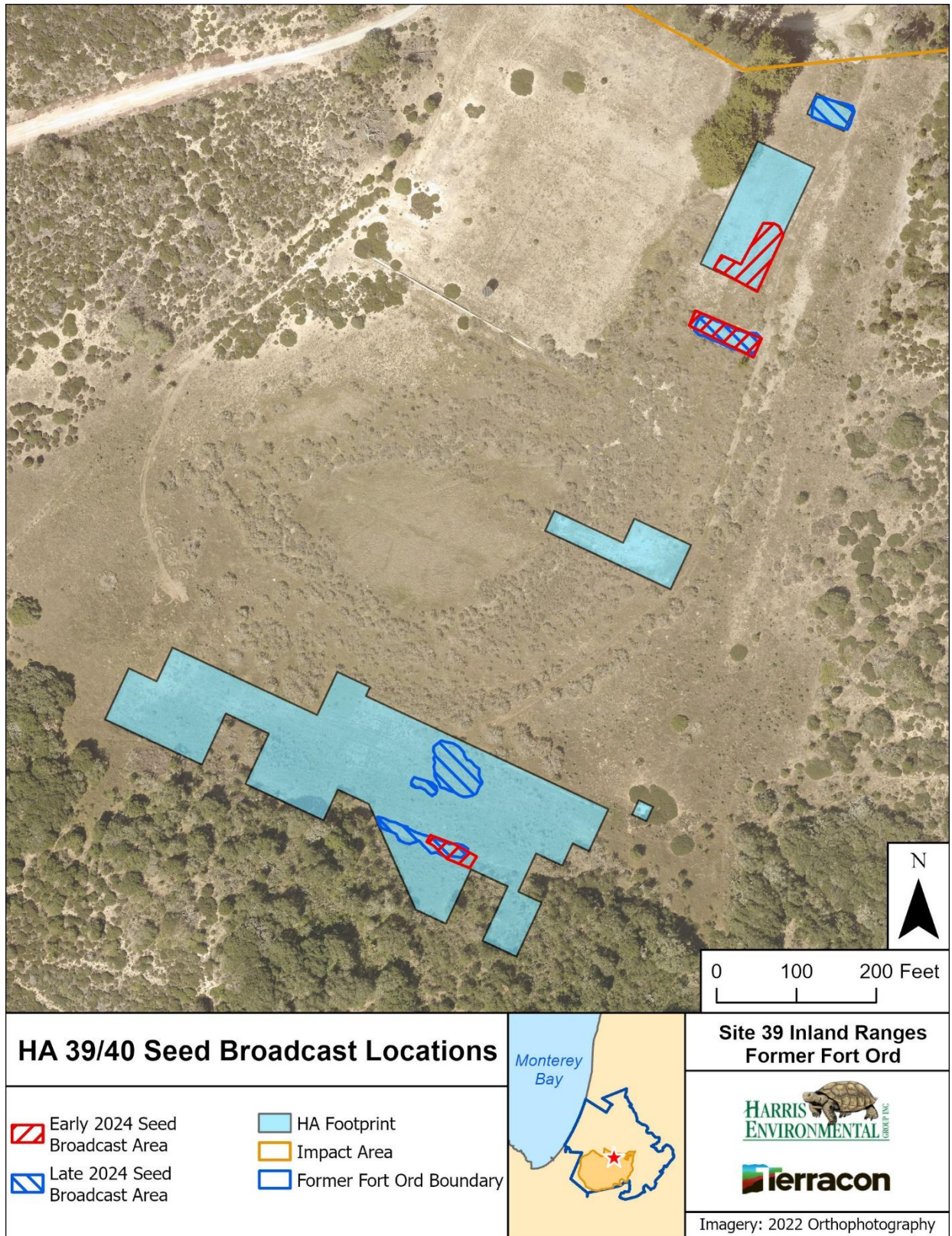


Figure B-9. HA 39/40 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord

Table B-13. HA 39/40 Production Seed Mix (Early 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | 0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.1 |
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 0.4 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 0.4 |
| TOTAL | 1.0 |

Table B-14. HA 39/40 Production Seed Mix (Late 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 1.9 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 1.9 |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | <0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.3 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> (California sagebrush) | 0.2 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> (chamise) | 0.1 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> (black sage) | 0.1 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> (horkelia) | 0.1 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> (peak rushrose) | <0.1 |
| TOTAL | 4.5 |

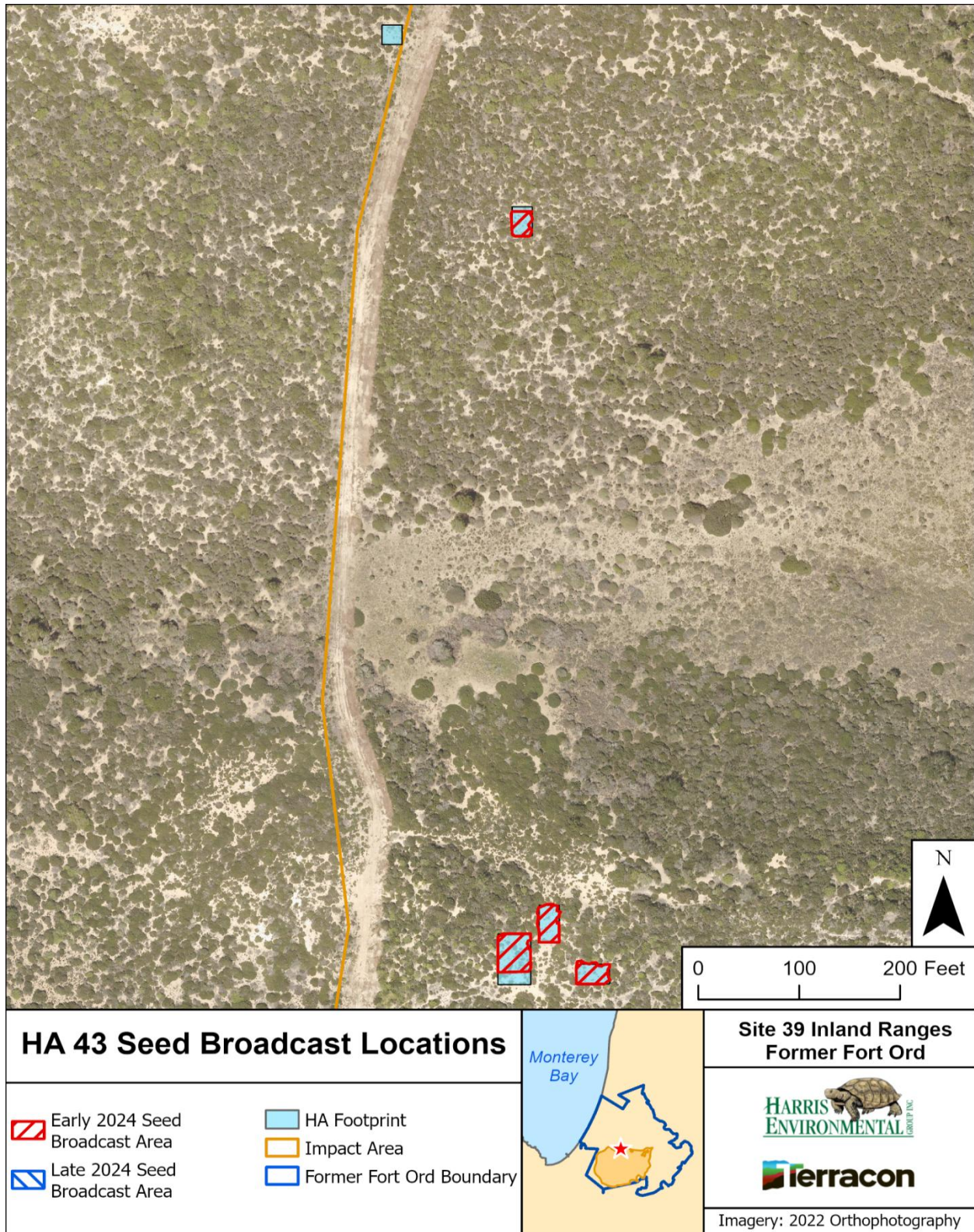


Figure B-10. HA 43 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord

Table B-15. HA 43 Production Seed Mix (Early 2024)

| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | 0.05 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.05 |
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 0.2 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 0.2 |
| TOTAL | 0.5 |

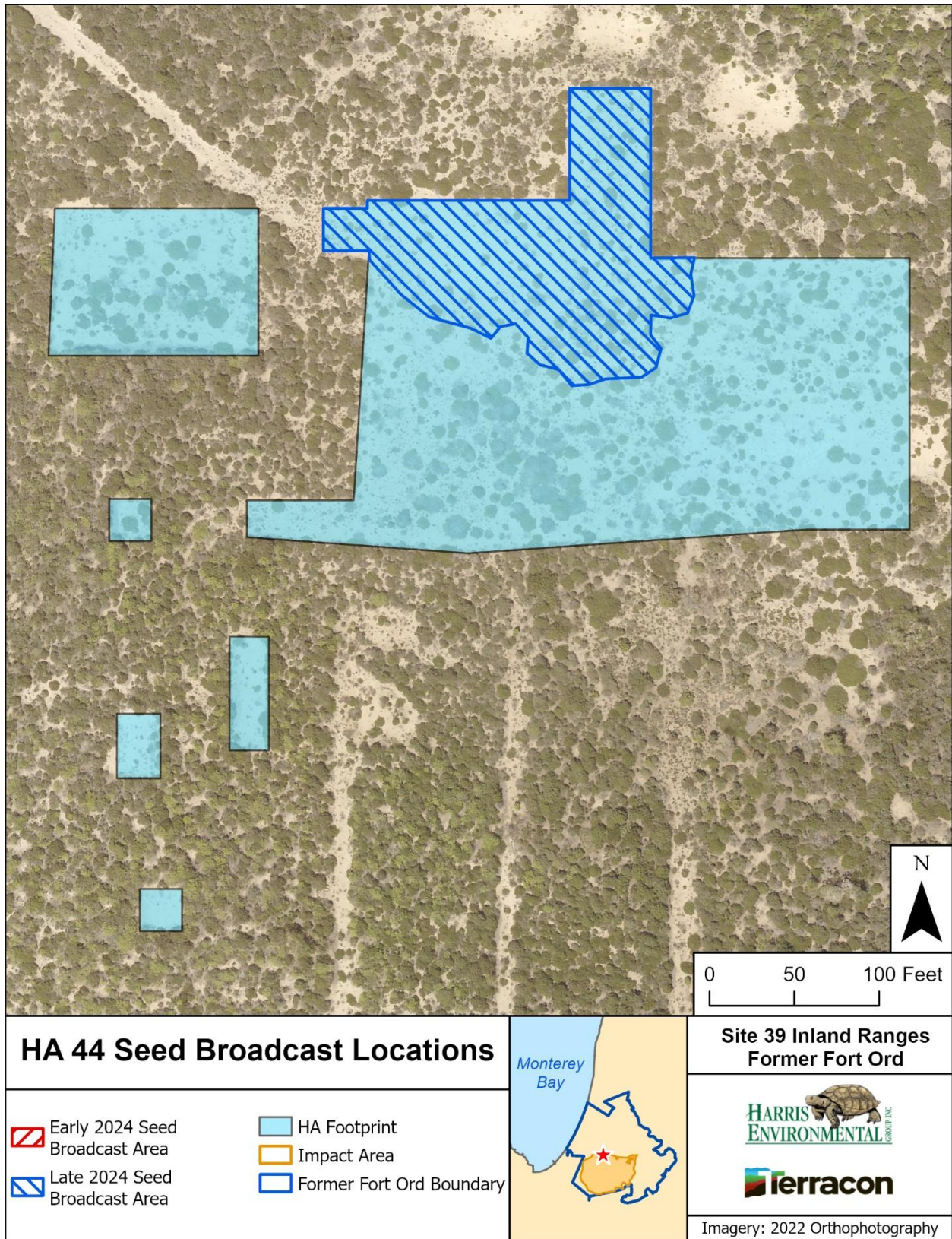


Figure B-11. HA 44 Seed Broadcast Locations, Former Fort Ord



Table B-16. HA 44 Production Seed Mix (Late 2024)



| Species | Amount (lbs) |
|---|---------------------|
| <i>Elymus glaucus</i> (blue wild-rye) | 4.2 |
| <i>Stipa pulchra</i> (purple needlegrass) | 4.2 |
| <i>Achillea millefolium</i> (common yarrow) | <0.1 |
| <i>Acmispon glaber</i> (deerweed) | 0.6 |
| <i>Artemisia californica</i> (California sagebrush) | 0.4 |
| <i>Adenostoma fasciculata</i> (chamise) | 0.1 |
| <i>Salvia mellifera</i> (black sage) | 0.2 |
| <i>Horkelia cuneata</i> (horkelia) | 0.2 |
| <i>Crocanthemum scoparium</i> (peak rushrose) | <0.1 |
| TOTAL | 9.8 |



APPENDIX C



Photo Log



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| Photo Description | Photo |
|---|---|
| <p>Passive Restoration</p> <p>A biologist broadcasting seed at HA 19 November 2024</p> <p>C-1</p> |  A biologist wearing a purple shirt, a yellow safety vest, and a white bucket is standing in a desert landscape, broadcasting seed. The landscape is sandy with scattered green shrubs. In the background, there are mountains and a body of water under a blue sky with some clouds. |
| <p>Passive Restoration</p> <p>A biologist rakes in seed at HA 26 November 2024</p> <p>C-2</p> |  A biologist wearing an orange shirt, a blue cap, and a yellow safety vest is using a rake to spread seed on a sandy dune. The dune is covered with sparse green shrubs. The sky is blue with some clouds. |


| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Passive Restoration</p> <p>A biologist covers the former road at HA 34 with straw after broadcasting seed in December 2024</p> <p>C-3</p> |  A biologist wearing a high-visibility orange vest, a brown hat, and brown pants is walking on a dry, hilly landscape. They are holding a bundle of straw, preparing to cover the ground. The background shows a clear blue sky and distant hills. |
| <p>Passive Restoration</p> <p>Bare area in HA 37 before seed broadcast</p> <p>C-4</p> |  A biologist wearing a high-visibility yellow vest, a green hat, and grey pants is pushing a black seed broadcast machine up a dry, hilly slope. The ground is mostly bare with some sparse vegetation. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds. |

| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Passive Restoration</p> <p>Bare area fully covered with straw and seed for revegetation at HA 37</p> <p>C-5</p> |  |
| <p>Passive Restoration</p> <p>A biologist spreads straw over an area broadcast with seed at HA 39/40 November 2024</p> <p>C-6</p> |  |



| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Caretaker of Previous HA</p> <p>After removal of Monterey Pines at HA 27A in June 2024</p> <p>C-7</p> |  A wide-angle photograph showing a cleared area of land. The foreground is a mix of dry, light-brown soil and sparse, low-lying green shrubs. In the background, there is a line of denser green vegetation and a clear, bright blue sky. The terrain appears to be a gentle slope. |
| <p>Caretaker of Previous HA</p> <p>Biologist making final cut with a chainsaw to fell a Monterey pine at HA 19 in June 2024</p> <p>C-8</p> |  A photograph of a person wearing an orange long-sleeved shirt, orange pants, and a white hard hat. They are using a chainsaw to cut a large, dark-barked tree trunk. The person is standing in a wooded area with other trees and shrubs in the background. The sky is visible through the branches. |



| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Caretaker of Previous HA</p> <p>Herbicide containing dye applied to felled Monterey pine stump in June 2024</p> <p>C-9</p> |  |
| <p>Caretaker of Previous HA</p> <p>Biologist measuring diameter at breast height before tree removal June 2024</p> <p>C-10</p> |  |



| Photo Description | Photo |
|---|---|
| <p>Caretaker of Previous HA</p> <p>Facing West towards the northwest corner of HA 19, Before 2024 tree removal in June 2024</p> <p>C-11</p> |  |
| <p>Caretaker of previous HA</p> <p>Facing West towards the northwest corner of HA 19, Before 2024 tree removal in June 2024</p> <p>C-12</p> |  |

| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Caretaker of previous HA</p> <p>Biologist making a wedge cut with a chainsaw to fell a Monterey pine at HA 19 in June 2024</p> <p>C-13</p> |  A photograph showing a biologist wearing an orange long-sleeved shirt, red pants, and a white hard hat. The biologist is standing on a grassy slope and using a chainsaw to make a wedge cut in the trunk of a Monterey pine tree. The background shows more trees and a clear blue sky. |
| <p>Caretaker of previous HA</p> <p>Biologist recording the location of a Monterey pine through field maps before felling the tree. July 2024</p> <p>C-14</p> |  A photograph showing a biologist wearing an orange long-sleeved shirt, khaki pants, and a white hard hat. The biologist is standing in a field of low-lying vegetation and is holding a clipboard, recording information. A Monterey pine tree is visible in the background. |



| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Caretaker of previous HA</p> <p>Biologist removing limbs from a Monterey cypress (<i>Hesperocyparis macrocarpa</i>) at HA 37 in August 2024</p> <p>C-15</p> |  |
| <p>Caretaker of previous HA</p> <p>Biologist making a wedge cut with a chainsaw to fell a Monterey pine at HA 19 August 2024</p> <p>C-16</p> |  |



| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Caretaker of previous HA</p> <p>Facing West towards the northwest corner of HA 19, After 2024 tree removal in September 2024</p> <p>C-17</p> |  |
| <p>Monitoring</p> <p>Monterey spineflower (<i>Chorizanthe pungens</i> var. <i>pungens</i>)</p> <p>C-18</p> |  |



| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Monitoring</p> <p>Seaside bird's beak (<i>Cordylanthus rigidus</i> ssp. <i>littoralis</i>)</p> <p>C-19</p> |  |
| <p>Monitoring</p> <p>Sand gilia (<i>Gilia tenuiflora</i> ssp. <i>arenaria</i>)</p> <p>C-20</p> |  |



| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Monitoring</p> <p>Harris biologist recording transect data at Austin Road Stockpile in June 2024</p> <p>C-21</p> |  |
| <p>Monitoring</p> <p>Harris biologist/ecologist laying transect tape at Austin Road Stockpile in June 2024</p> <p>C-22</p> |  |



| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Biologist evaluating trench depth before wattle installation at HA 28 in April 2024</p> <p>C-23</p> |  |
| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Biologist hammering in stakes for a newly installed wattle at HA 27A in April 2024</p> <p>C-24</p> |  |

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| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Before coir log installation at HA 34 in April 2024; large amount of sediment buildup observed from erosion</p> <p>C-25</p> |  A photograph of a hillside with green shrubs and a large, light-brown, textured coir log lying on the ground in the foreground. The background shows a steep, eroded hillside under a blue sky with clouds. |
| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>After coir log was installed in April 2024 at HA 34</p> <p>C-26</p> |  A photograph of the same hillside as in C-25, but with the coir log now installed and secured with wooden stakes. The sediment buildup appears reduced, and the vegetation is more visible. |

| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Newly installed wattle at HA 27A in April 2024</p> <p>C-27</p> |  |
| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Newly installed wattles at HA 37 in October 2024</p> <p>C-28</p> |  |

| Photo Description | Photo |
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| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Biologist installing wattle at HA 34 in October 2024</p> <p>C-29</p> |  |
| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Biologist trenching an area to install the new wattle at HA 34 in December 2024</p> <p>C-30</p> |  |

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| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Newly installed wattle at HA 34 in December 2024</p> <p>C-31</p> |  |
| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Newly installed wattles at HA 37 in December 2024</p> <p>C-32</p> |  |

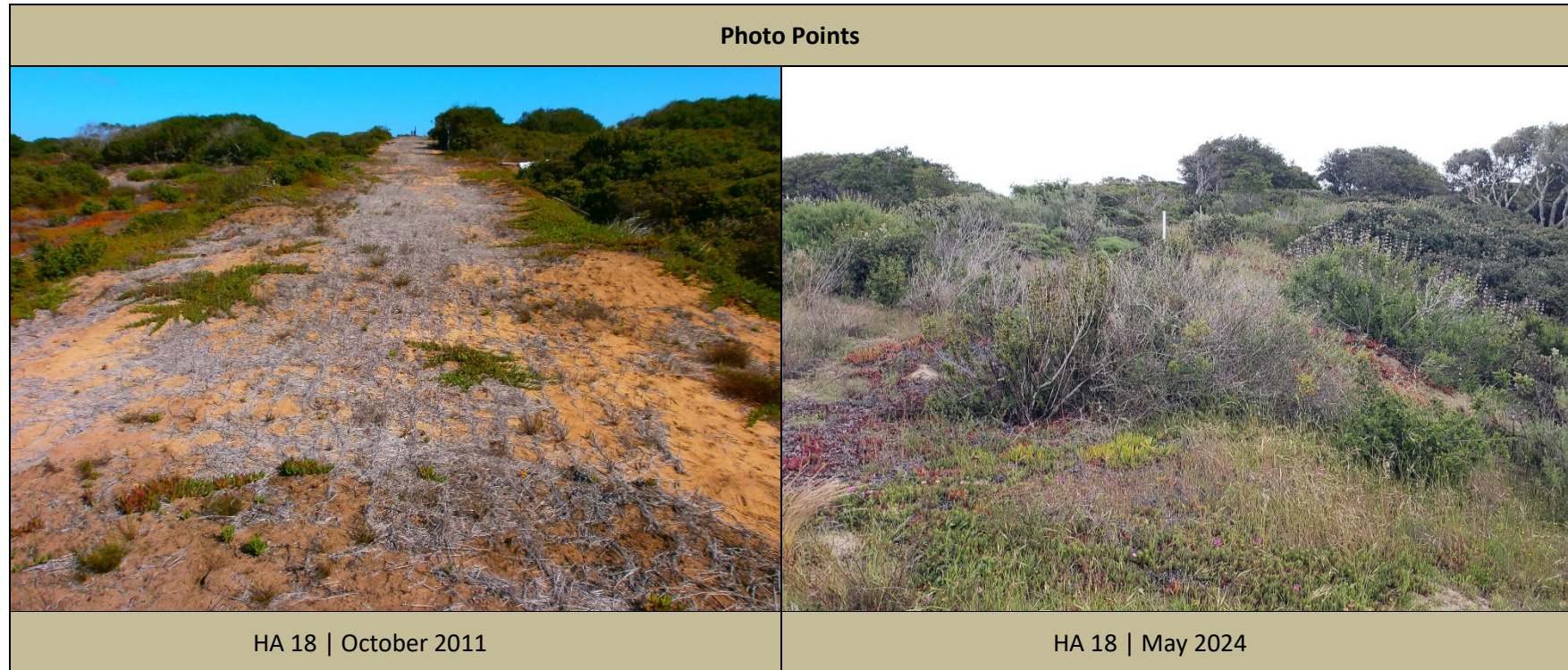
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| <p>Erosion Control</p> <p>Wattle installation at HA 37 in December 2024</p> <p>C-33</p> |  |
| <p>Community Involvement Workshop (CIW)</p> <p>Harris-Terracon table at the July 2024 CIW/Open House event</p> <p>C-34</p> |  |

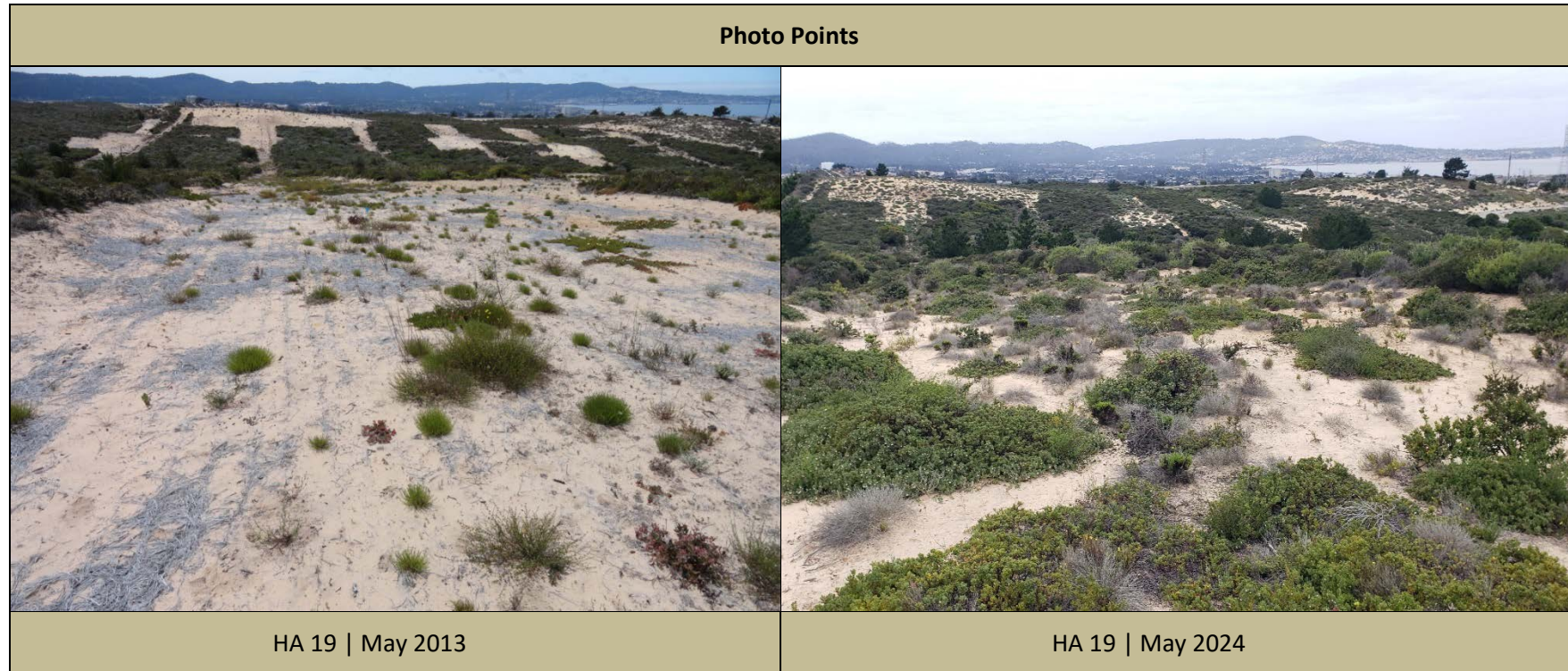
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APPENDIX D

Photo Points

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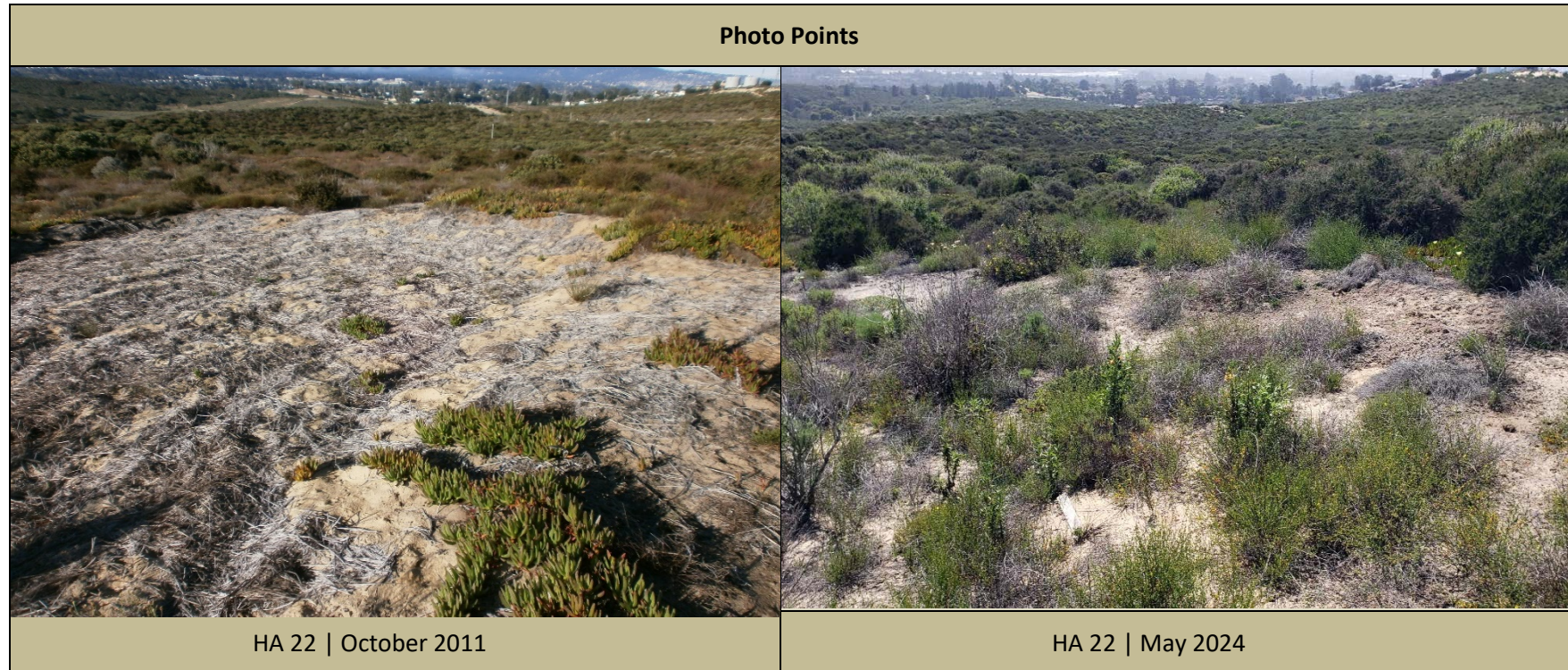


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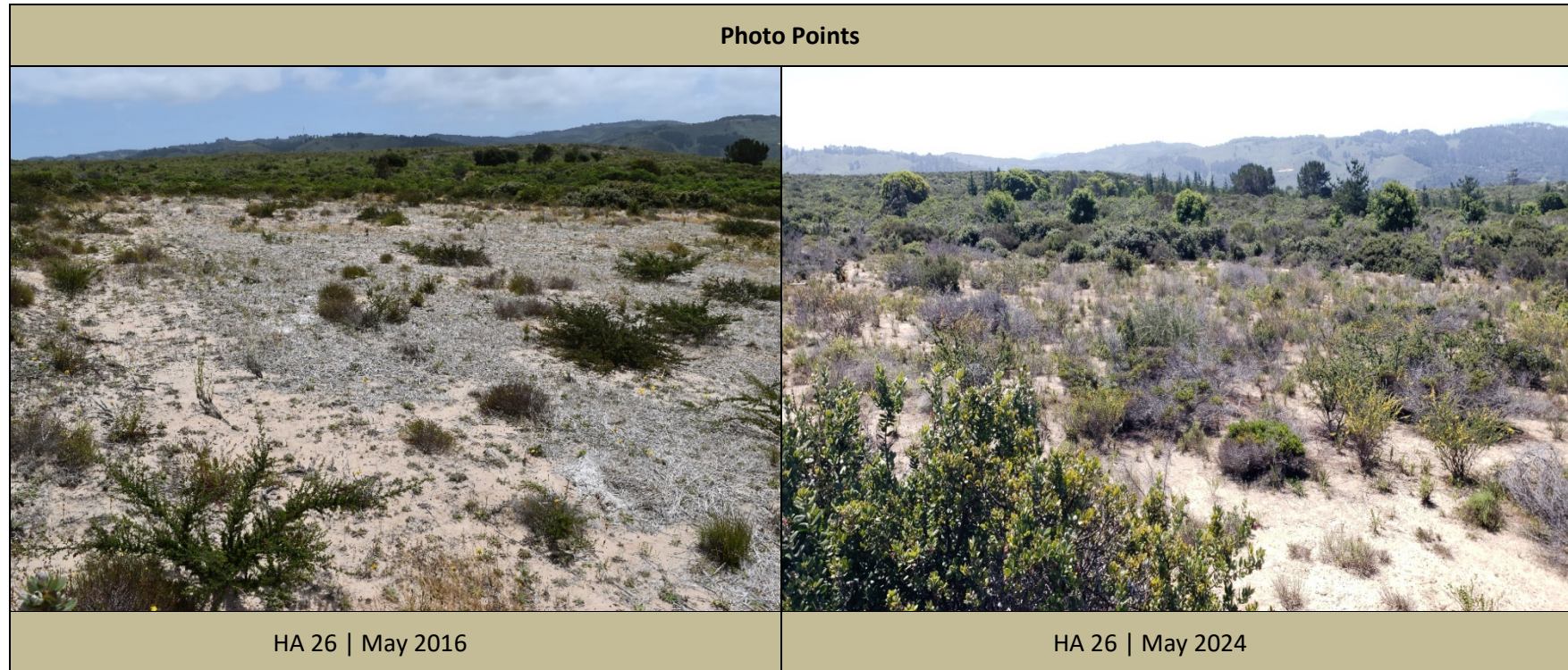


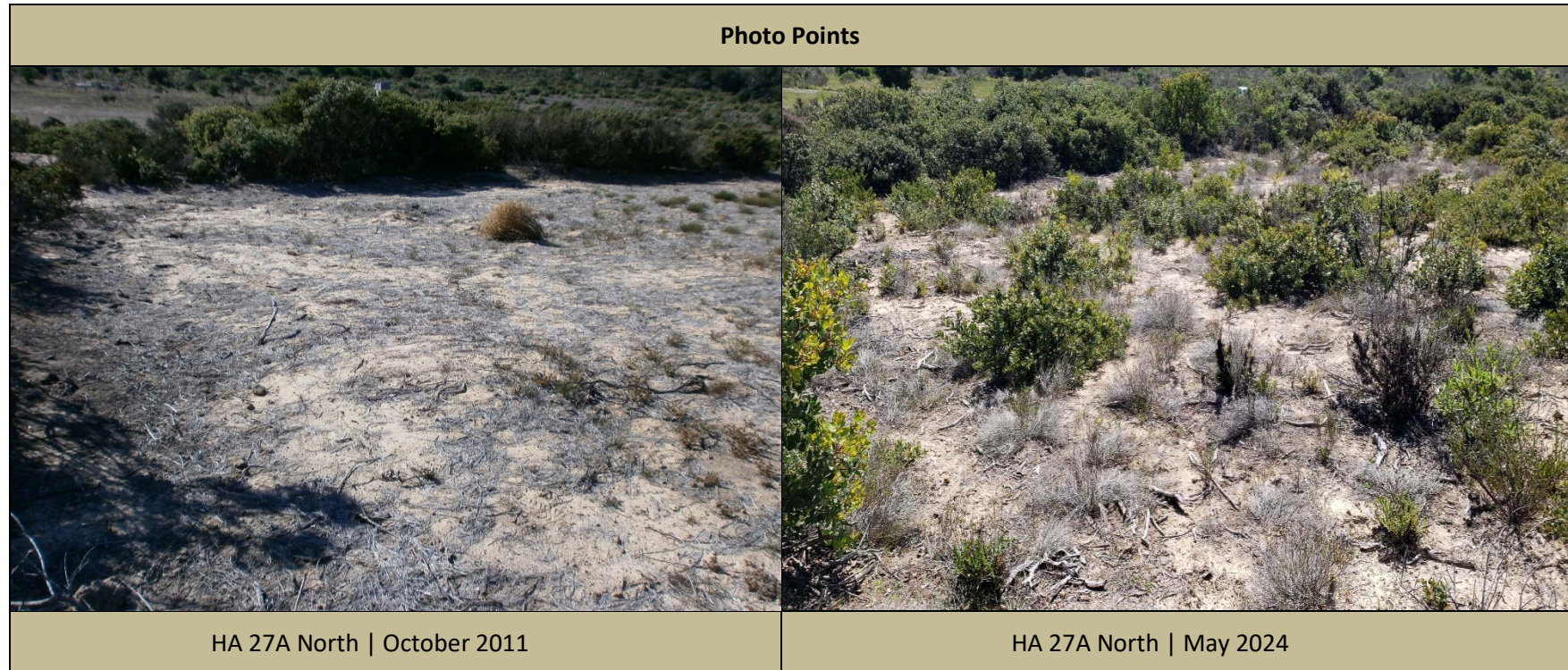
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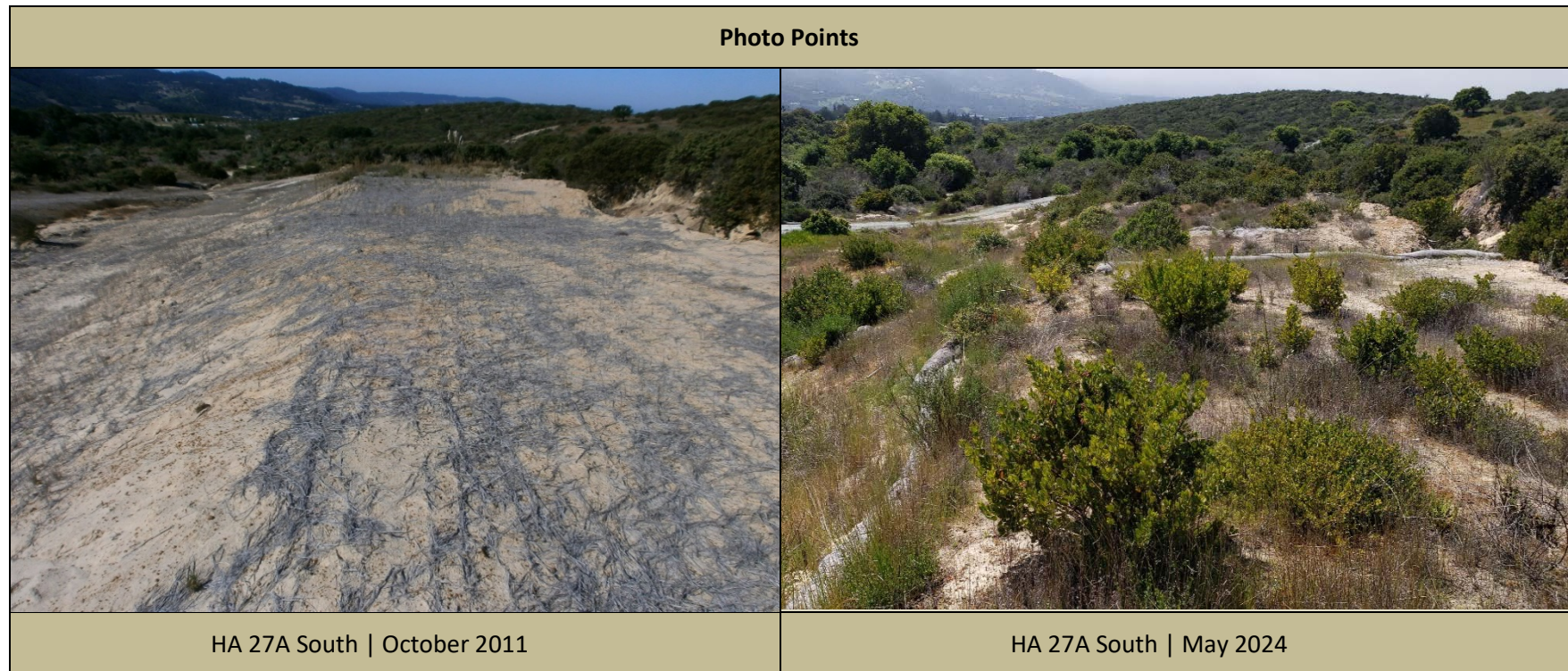


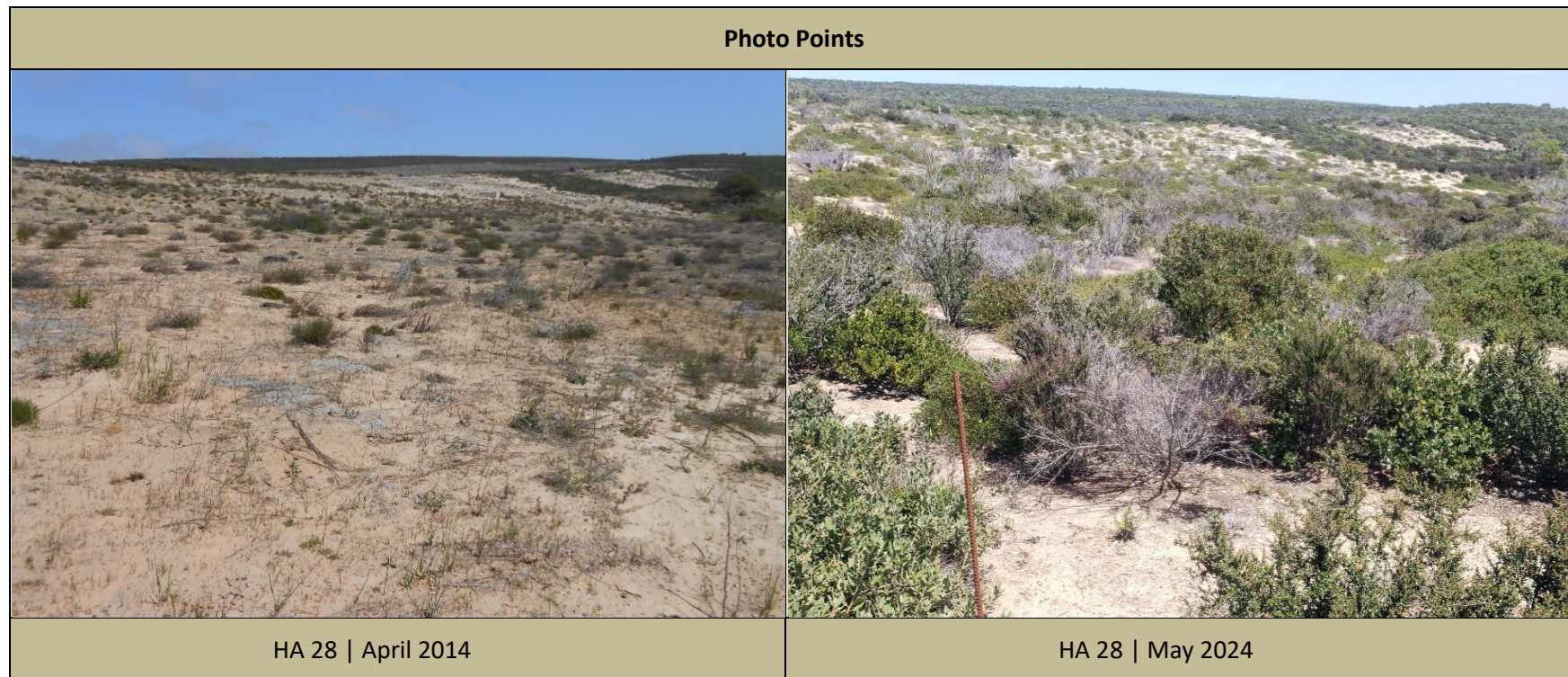
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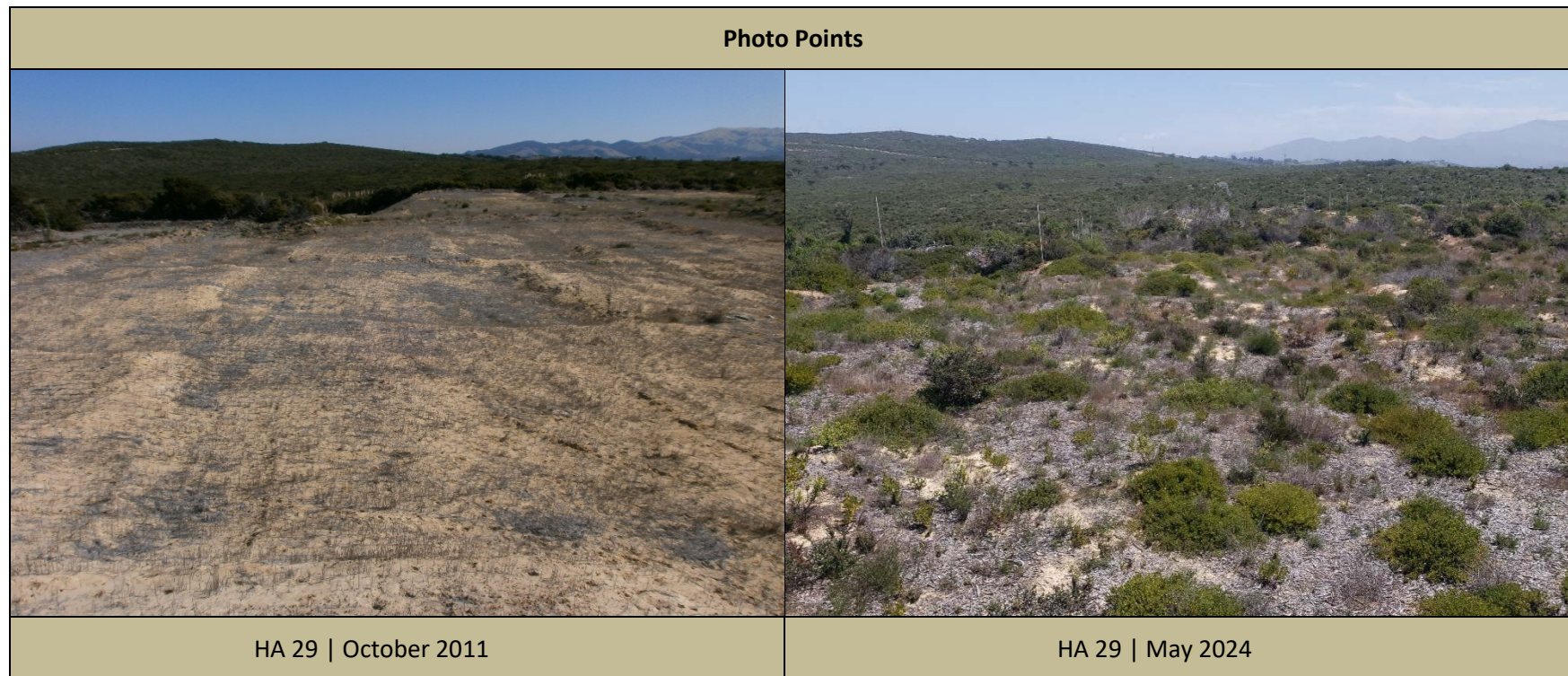


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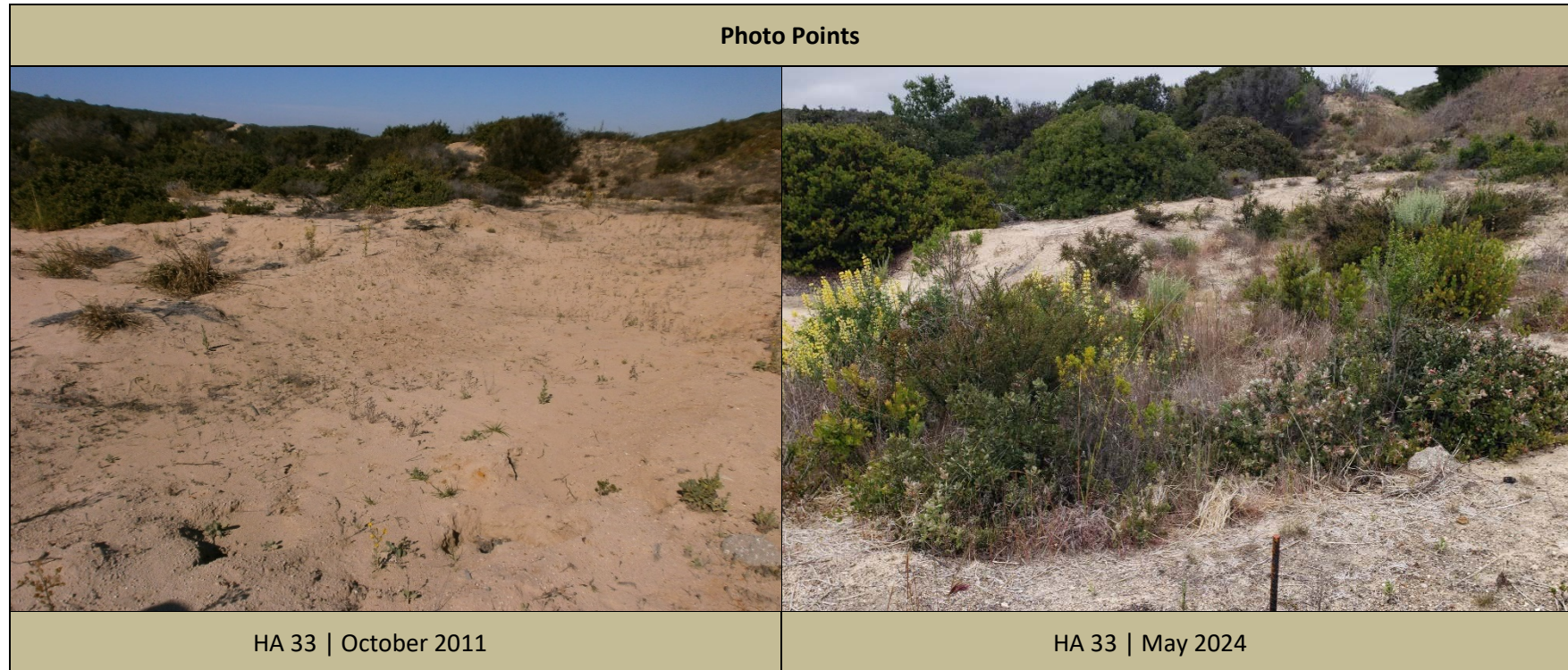


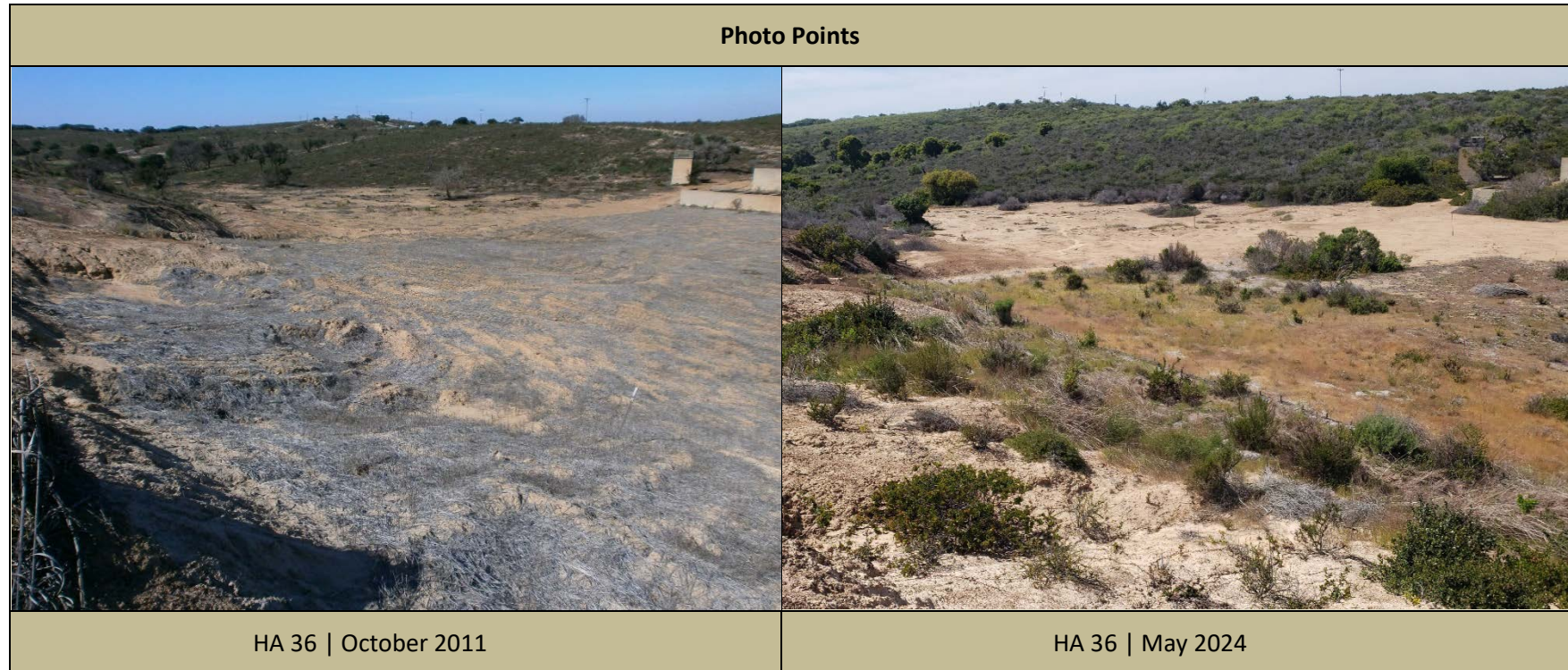
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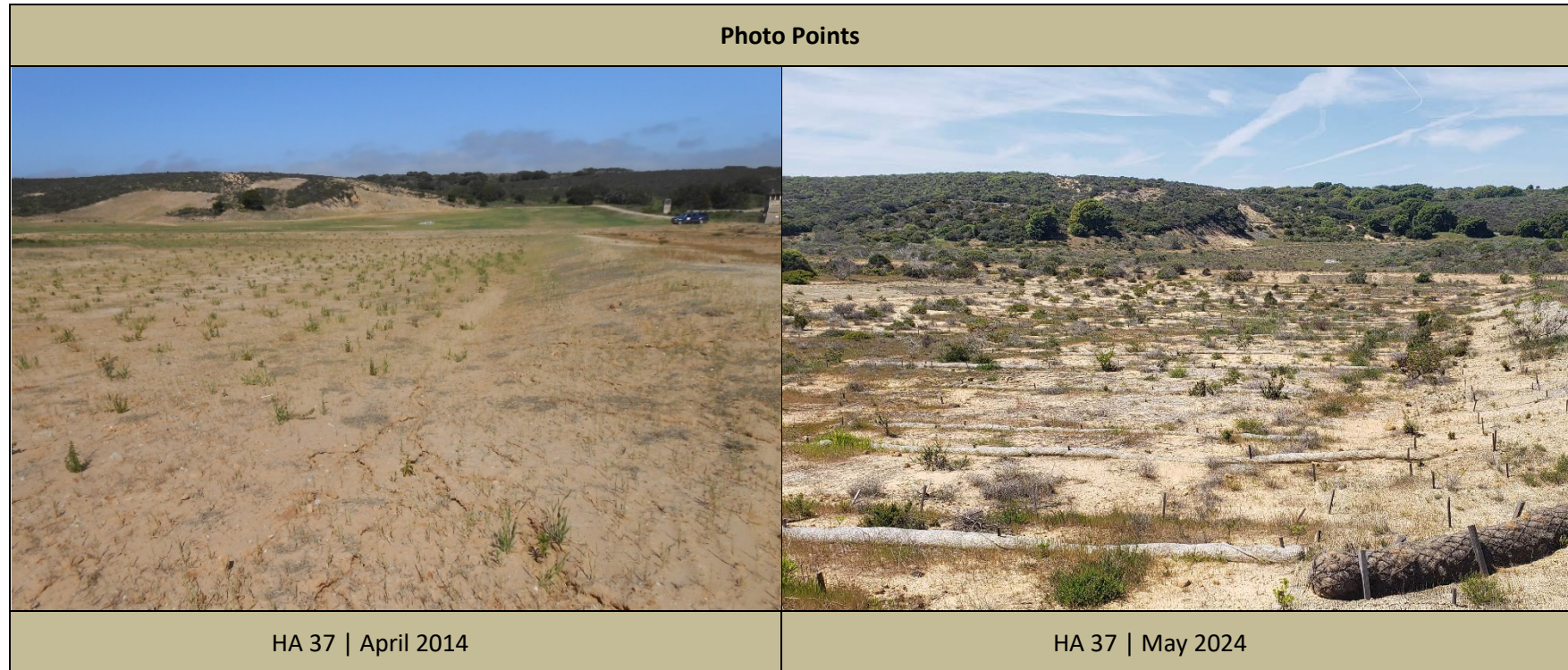




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HA 34 | May 2024





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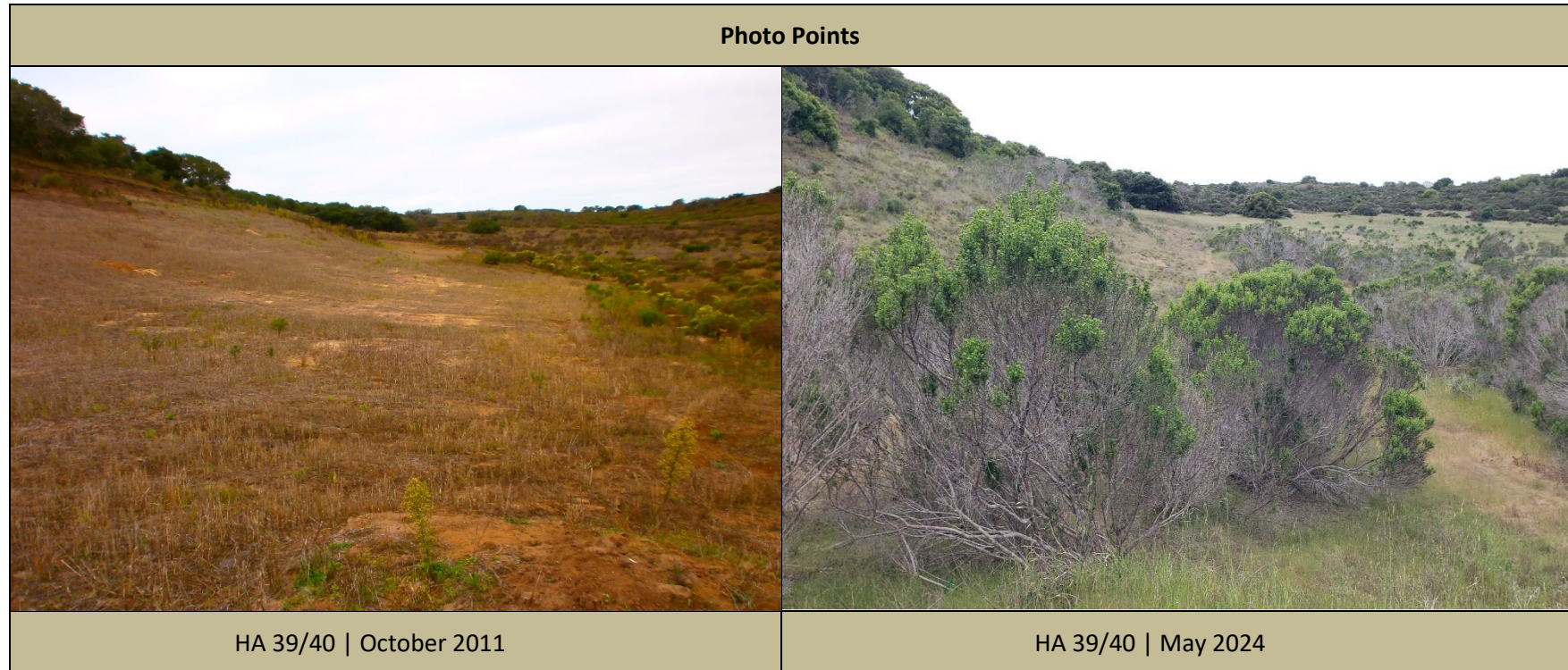


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