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# List of Acronyms and Abbreviations\_

Army U.S. Department of the Army

BLL Black Legless Lizard

BLM Bureau of Land Management
BMP Best Management Practice

BRAC Base Realignment and Closure

CDFW California Department of Fish and Wildlife

CIPC California Invasive Plant Council

CRLF California Red-Legged Frog
CTS California Tiger Salamander
DGM Digital Geophysical Mapping
DD&A Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc.

ESA Endangered Species Act

HA Historical Area
HCL Habitat Checklist

HMP Habitat Management Plan

KEMRON Environmental Services, Inc.

MEC Munitions and Explosives of Concern

MRA Munitions Response Area

UCLA University of California Los Angeles

USACE U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
USFWS U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

UXO Unexploded Ordnance

WERS Worldwide Environmental Remediation Services Contract

## 1.0 Introduction

This report was prepared by Denise Duffy & Associates (DD&A) as a subcontractor to KEMRON Environmental Services, Inc. (KEMRON) under the Worldwide Environmental Remediation Services (WERS) Contract No. W912DY-10-D-0027. This report contains results of the 2019 and 2020 biological monitoring surveys which are required as part of the *Installation-Wide Multispecies Habitat Management Plan* (HMP) *for Former Fort Ord, California* (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers [USACE], 1997). The U.S. Department of the Army's (Army's) decision to close and dispose of the Fort Ord military base was considered a major federal action that could affect listed species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) issued a Biological Opinion (USFWS, 1993) on the disposal and reuse of former Fort Ord requiring that the HMP be developed and implemented to reduce the incidental take of listed species and loss of habitat that supports these species. The HMP was prepared to assess impacts on vegetation and wildlife resources and provide mitigation for their loss associated with the disposal and reuse of the former Fort Ord (USACE, 1997).

# 1.1 Background

The HMP (USACE, 1997) establishes guidelines for the conservation and management of species and habitats on former Fort Ord lands by identifying lands that are available for development, lands that have some restrictions with development, and habitat reserve areas. The intent of the plan is to establish large, contiguous habitat conservation areas and corridors to compensate for future development in other areas of the former base. The HMP identifies what type of activities can occur on each parcel at former Fort Ord. The HMP sets the standards to assure the long-term viability of former Fort Ord's biological resources in the context of base reuse, so that no further mitigation should be necessary for impacts to species and habitats considered in the HMP. This plan has been approved by the USFWS and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW); the HMP, deed restrictions, and Memoranda of Agreement between the Army and various land recipients provide the legal mechanism to assure HMP implementation. The HMP is a legally binding document, and all recipients of former Fort Ord lands are required to abide by its management requirements and procedures.

In addition to the HMP, multiple Biological Opinions have been issued by the USFWS over the years as a result of consultation with the Army. In 2015, the USFWS issued a Programmatic Biological Opinion (USFWS, 2015) that superseded the previous Biological Opinions. Then, on June 7, 2017, the USFWS issued a reinitiated Programmatic Biological Opinion that supersedes the 2015 Programmatic Biological Opinion (USFWS, 2017). The Programmatic Biological Opinion contains additional conservation measures and recommendations relating to environmental remediation at former Fort Ord cleanup sites.

Sensitive habitat types identified in the HMP (USACE, 1997) and the Programmatic Biological Opinion (USFWS, 2017) are:

- Central maritime chaparral (maritime chaparral)
- Wetlands and vernal ponds
- Other habitats where listed species are known or suspected to occur (including coastal scrub, coast live oak woodlands, and grasslands with a significant native component of grasses or forbs)

Special-status species listed in the HMP (USACE, 1997) and/or the Programmatic Biological Opinion (USFWS, 2017) are:

- Sand gilia (Gilia tenuiflora ssp. arenaria) Federally Endangered, State Threatened
- Monterey spineflower (*Chorizanthe pungens* var. *pungens*) Federally Threatened
- Robust spineflower (*C. robusta* var. *robusta*) Federally Endangered
- Seaside bird's-beak (*Cordylanthus rigidus* ssp. *littoralis*) State Endangered
- Hooker's manzanita (*Arctostaphylos hookeri* ssp. *hookeri*)
- Sandmat manzanita (*A. pumila*)
- Monterey manzanita (*A. montereyensis*)
- Monterey ceanothus (Ceanothus rigidus)
- Eastwood's goldenbush (*Ericameria fasciculata*)
- Yadon's piperia (*Piperia yadonii*) Federally Endangered
- Coast wallflower (*Erysimum ammophilum*)
- Contra Costa goldfields (Lasthenia conjugens) Federally Endangered
- California black legless lizard (Anniella pulchra nigra; BLL) State Species of Special Concern
- California tiger salamander (Ambystoma californiense; CTS) Federally Threatened, State Threatened
- California red-legged frog (Rana draytonii; CRLF) Federally Threatened, State Species of Special Concern
- California linderiella (*Linderiella occidentalis*)
- Western snowy ployer (Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus) Federally Threatened
- Monterey ornate shrew (Sorex ornatus salarius) State Species of Special Concern

Sand gilia, Monterey spineflower, Seaside bird's-beak, and coast wallflower are annual herb species that may occur within maritime chaparral, coastal scrub, grasslands, dune scrub, or disturbed areas. Robust spineflower is an annual herb that also occurs within these habitat types; however, the only documented occurrence on former Fort Ord, within dune scrub habitat, has not since been observed and may be erroneous. The Contra Costa goldfield is an annual herb associated with vernal ponds and is known to occur at four locations on former Fort Ord. Hooker's manzanita, sandmat manzanita, Monterey manzanita, Monterey ceanothus, and Eastwood's

goldenbush are perennial shrub species that typically occur in maritime chaparral, but individuals can also be found mixed with oak woodland or coastal scrub habitats. Yadon's piperia is a perennial herb that is typically found in maritime chaparral and Monterey pine forest habitats.

The BLL is a rare variety of the California legless lizard (*A. pulchra*) that inhabits areas with sandy soils on the former Fort Ord. The Monterey ornate shrew is a rare variety of the ornate shrew (*S. ornatus*) found in riparian forest and oak woodland habitats. The western snowy plover is a rare avian species found along coastal strand areas. The CTS, CRLF, and California linderiella are typically found in vernal or seasonal ponds on the former Fort Ord. The CTS may also be found aestivating in small mammal burrows or under logs in upland areas within 2.2 kilometers of vernal ponds.

The HMP (USACE, 1997) and Programmatic Biological Opinion (USFWS, 2017) also outline avoidance and mitigation measures that are necessary if the Army's cleanup activities could significantly impact protected species or habitats. These cleanup activities include munitions remediation, soil remediation, groundwater remediation, and other related environmental cleanup operations within former Fort Ord lands designated as Habitat Reserve. To determine whether mitigation measures would be needed to restore populations of affected HMP-listed species or habitats, the HMP requires that a baseline biological survey be conducted prior to work operations within a proposed cleanup site to establish whether protected species are present and map the locations and quantify abundance, and to avoid and minimize impacts. The HMP also requires monitoring consistent with the Programmatic Biological Opinion during and after completion of the cleanup operations to study the recovery of rare species and habitat. Monitoring data are compared to a site's baseline data to determine if recovery or restoration of the protected habitat (maritime chaparral, wetlands, etc.) and associated species are proceeding toward baseline conditions. The results of monitoring of affected areas are presented in annual biological reports managed under several different contracts.

# 1.2 Report Content

This report includes the results of biological monitoring performed by KEMRON in 2019 and 2020 and a description of the mitigations and avoidance measures, biological trainings, HMP species encounters, habitat and species protection measures required by the HMP (USACE, 1997) and the Programmatic Biological Opinion (USFWS, 2017), and other environmental protection measures implemented during project activities.

Work was conducted by KEMRON in 2019 at the following sites:

- Soil remediation sites (Figure 1-1):
  - Former Historical Areas (HAs) 27A, 34, and 37; and
- Munitions remediation sites (Figure 1-2):
  - Impact Area MRA Range 48, Watkins Gate Burn Area (WGBA), and Unit 23;
  - Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Area B Units A, B, B-2A, B-3 West, and C, including BLM Trails 62, 65 through 70, Old Trail 70, and 91 through 94;
  - Roads and fuel breaks along Orion Road, Impossible Canyon Road, Wildcat Ridge Road, Hawkeye Road, Riso Ridge, Nowhere Road, Mercury Road, Oscar Road, Felix Road, Hennekens Ranch Road, East Machine Gun Flats Road, West Machine Gun Flats Road, Watkins Gate Road, Eucalyptus Road, Addington Road, Barloy Canyon Road, Parker Flats Road, and Watkins Gate Spur Road;
  - Structures located in Impact Area MRA Units 1, 4, 5, 5A, 6, 9, 13, 18, 21, and 34, and BLM Area B Unit B-3 West.

Work was conducted by KEMRON in 2020 at the following sites:

- Munitions remediation sites (Figure 1-3):
  - Impact Area MRA Unit 13;
  - BLM Area B Unit A;
  - Roads and fuel breaks along Orion Road, Impossible Canyon Road, Hawkeye Road, Riso Ridge, Nowhere Road, Mercury Road, East Machine Gun Flats Road, West Machine Gun Flats Road, Watkins Gate Road, and Eucalyptus Road.

Please note that no work was conducted at soil remediation sites in 2020 and no further discussion is provided in this report for that year.

# 2.0 Site 39 - Soil Remediation Activities in 2019

There are several former ranges on the former Fort Ord, referred to as HAs, where soil remediation for lead or munitions-related contamination was necessary (USACE, 2009). Soil remediation activities were completed in previous years and no soil sampling or remediation work was conducted in 2019. However, in 2019 site re-contouring and/or erosion control work was conducted at HA 27A, HA 34, and HA 37 in support of the restoration activities being completed by another Army contractor (Figure 1-1 and Figure 2-1 to Figure 2-3).

Erosion problems at HA 27A, HA 34, and HA 37 were treated by a combination of light grading, straw wattles, and mulch. Mulch was obtained from vegetation removal/chipping activities at other locations of the cleanup project. The mulch contained trimmings from coast live oak limbs and maritime chaparral shrubs.

# 2.1 HMP Species Mitigation and Avoidance

Mitigation measures for soil remediation areas are specifically addressed in the HMP (USACE, 1997), the Programmatic Biological Opinion (USFWS, 2017), and the *Wetland Monitoring and Restoration Plan for Munitions and Contaminated Soil Remedial Activities at Former Fort Ord* (USACE, 2006). Avoidance and minimization measures implemented during site re-contouring and erosion control activities in order to reduce impacts to HMP species, sensitive habitats, and the restoration areas were as follows:

- Habitat Checklists (HCLs) were prepared by the Project Biologist outlining specific avoidance and minimization measures to be implemented during work activities. The HCLs were reviewed and approved by the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Biologist and the Quality Control Manager. The avoidance and minimization measures were communicated to the project supervisors and field personnel in preparatory meetings prior to work initiation (see Attachment A for all HCLs implemented for work conducted in 2019).
- Only previously established access routes and staging areas were used at each site to minimize impacts to surrounding habitats and HMP species to the greatest extent feasible. Existing roads and trails; pre-existing paved, graded, or disturbed areas; and areas known to be unoccupied by HMP annual species (based on previous surveys) were used for access, staging, and soil and mulch stockpiling wherever available.
- Work was conducted prior to the rainy season to avoid impacts to CTS.
- Silt fencing was installed around the temporary mulch pile at HA 34 to preclude CTS from entering and erosion control materials were stored on pallets within this area to avoid creating refugia for CTS, in accordance with the requirements included in the Programmatic Biological Opinion (USFWS, 2017).

# 3.0 Munitions Remediation Activities in 2019 and 2020

During 2019, munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) remediation activities within the former Fort Ord Impact Area were conducted within Impact Area MRA Unit 23, Range 48, and WGBA; BLM Area B Units A, B, C, B-3 West, and B-2A; and various roads and fuel breaks (Figure 1-2). Activities within these areas included some or all of the following:

- Mastication and pruning of vegetation;
- Chipping and stockpiling of mulch;
- Surface MEC removal;
- Digital geophysical mapping (DGM) with EM61, MetalMapper and OPTEMA equipment;
- Subsurface and Near-Surface MEC removal where necessary;
- Demolition of live or suspected live MEC items;
- Fence installation along the Impact Area MRA boundary at Oscar and Felix Roads; and
- Vehicle use to support these activities.

Table 3-1 identifies the approximate acreage within each work area affected by the work activities in 2019. In addition, 32 structures were removed in 2019 from Impact Area MRA Units 1, 4, 5, 5A, 6, 9, 13, 18, 21, and 34, and BLM Area B Unit B-3 West (Figure 1-2).

During 2020, MEC remediation activities continued within various roads and fuel breaks and within MRA Unit 13 and BLM Area B Unit A<sup>1</sup> (Figure 1-3). Activities within these areas included some or all of the following:

- Subsurface MEC removal where necessary;
- Demolition of live or suspected live MEC items; and
- Vehicle use to support these activities.

Table 3-2 identifies the approximate acreage within each work area affected by the work activities in 2020.

# 3.1 HMP Species and Habitats Mitigation and Avoidance

Mitigation measures to reduce impacts to protected species and sensitive habitats during MEC remedial actions are described in the HMP (USACE, 1997) and the Programmatic Biological Opinion (USFWS, 2017). Mitigation and protection measures that were implemented to avoid or reduce impacts to HMP species and habitats during this project are summarized below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Work within MRA Unit 13 and BLM Area B Unit A was conducted only to provide safe access to Ponds 16, 41, and 44 for future biological monitoring efforts.

### 3.1.1 Minimize Disturbance Associated with MEC Removal

Disturbances were limited to those required for the abovementioned activities. As required by the HMP, existing roads were used. Exceptions were made where it was necessary to traverse the site using tracked vehicles in order to access excavation sites, remove piles of debris, remove vegetation, and conduct the DGM portion of the MEC removal process. Access routes, staging areas, stockpiles, and other appurtenant facilities were sited to avoid impacts to HMP plant and wildlife species and potential erosion issues.

# 3.1.2 Conduct Employee Education Program

New KEMRON employees and subcontract workers received training on former Fort Ord natural resource protection prior to starting work. In 2019, KEMRON provided natural resource training to 18 new employees and subcontract workers. No new employees or subcontractors were provided natural resource training in 2020.

Training includes the following topics:

- Identification of sensitive HMP-protected habitats and HMP species specific to the work area. Habitats covered in the training include maritime chaparral, vernal ponds, and wetlands. Species covered include CTS, CRLF, California linderiella, BLL, Monterey ornate shrew, sand gilia, Monterey spineflower, Seaside bird's-beak, Yadon's piperia, Contra Costa goldfields, coast wallflower, Monterey manzanita, sandmat manzanita, Hooker's manzanita, Eastwood's goldenbush, and Monterey ceanothus. Additional HMP species occurring within the dune habitats on the former Fort Ord are not included in the training because work has been completed in these areas and these species will not be impacted by work in the inland ranges.
- Specific guidance for CTS and CRLF protection, including the ability to recognize the species, the protocol for reporting all encounters to the Project or BRAC biologists (who are permitted by USFWS to handle and relocate CTS), placing escape ramps or covering open trenches, and checking equipment and excavations for CTS and CRLF during migration seasons.
- Instructions for minimizing all work impacts and work footprints, and for avoidance of areas flagged for sensitive species or habitats wherever marked in the field.
- Instructions for restricting vehicle movement and parking to roads, staging areas, designated access routes, and other designated work areas wherever possible.
- How to reduce soil disturbances in sensitive habitat, particularly areas containing seed bank or live individuals of HMP-listed plant species and vernal ponds.
- How to reduce erosion problems and spread of invasive species.

In addition to the training, HCLs were prepared prior to each activity by the Project Biologist, outlining specific avoidance and minimization measures to be implemented during work activities. The HCLs were reviewed and approved by the BRAC Biologist and the Quality Control Manager. The avoidance and minimization measures were communicated to the project supervisors and field personnel in preparatory meetings prior to work initiation (see Attachment A for all HCLs implemented for work conducted in 2019 and 2020).

## 3.1.3 Avoid Disturbance of HMP Annual Plant Populations

Populations of HMP annual plants were identified during baseline and/or follow-up surveys within and adjacent to the following work areas:

- Monterey spineflower: Impact Area MRA Unit 23 and Range 48, and BLM Area B Unit B.
- Sand gilia: Impact Area MRA Range 48 and BLM Area B Unit B.
- Contra Costa Goldfields: BLM Area B Unit B.
- Seaside Bird's-Beak: Impact Area MRA Range 48.

In addition, populations of Seaside bird's-beak and Yadon's piperia were observed by the Project Biologist in previous years, and again in 2019, within several areas not identified during baseline surveys (KEMRON, 2018):

- Populations of seaside bird's-beak and Yadon's piperia were observed within Unit 23 near Pond 54.
- Populations of seaside bird's-beak and Yadon's piperia were observed within the Riso Ridge and Hawkeye Road fuel breaks.
- Populations of seaside bird's-beak were observed within the BLM Area B Unit B-2A.

Areas supporting populations of HMP annual plants were avoided from the time of assumed germination (February 1) to seed-set (assumed May 31 for Monterey spineflower and sand gilia; as observed by the Project Biologist in approximately August/September for seaside bird's-beak and Yadon's piperia). While MEC removal and DGM activities were necessary within population areas, no equipment or personnel were permitted within these areas during this period, and the populations were flagged off and a map of the locations was provided to all project supervisors and field personnel. The Project Biologist monitored the populations to ensure that work was not conducted in these areas until the time of seed-set for the majority of the individuals. In 2019 the Monterey spineflower population within Range 48 continued to bloom past May 31, and as such, work activities did not commence within this area until June 12 to allow the species to set seed; sand gilia within Range 48 had gone to seed prior to May 31.

Subsurface MEC removal was conducted within Monterey spineflower and sand gilia population areas in Range 48. During this work activity, the top two to three inches of topsoil were preserved

and replaced on top of the backfilled holes. Subsurface MEC removal was not conducted within seaside bird's-beak population areas.

Subsurface MEC removal was conducted within one area known to support Yadon's piperia in June/July 2019 and December 2019, within the fuel break on Hawkeye Road (Figure 3-1). Fuel breaks are considered part of BLM's 2% development allowance and implementation of conservation measures is not required within development areas; however, the KEMRON Biologist evaluated the area prior to excavation. In June/July no Piperia plants were observed within the dig areas and in December the specific location of the plants could not be identified, therefore salvage efforts were infeasible. Following excavation, the KEMRON Biologist reevaluated the site and determined that based on the approximated footprint of affected areas and previous Yadon's piperia locations, it is possible that up to three known individuals were impacted (Figure 3-1). However, following excavation the soil, including any Yadon's piperia tubers present, was returned to the excavated area. Additionally, the local population of Yadon's piperia appears to not have been affected as approximately 35 likely Piperia plants have been observed in the vicinity following the Subsurface MEC removal, and the soil conditions remain suitable for the species (Figure 3-2).

# 3.1.4 Minimize Impacts to California Linderiella, California Tiger Salamander, and California Red-Legged Frog

To minimize impacts to these species, project supervisors and field personnel were trained during the Employee Education Program to identify CTS and CRLF, and they were informed of the potential for these species (as well as California linderiella) to occur within the project site and the established protocol if any individuals were encountered.

During structure demolition activities, the KEMRON Biologist conducted visual surveys for CTS (and other wildlife) prior to removal of the buildings and monitoring during removal of buildings located near known CTS breeding ponds.

Work within the vernal pool areas was only permitted during the dry season and heavy equipment was precluded to the greatest extent feasible. In 2019, the work conducted by KEMRON within vernal pools included surface clearance, DGM surveys using the EM61, and sub-surface MEC removal within Pond 74, located within BLM Area B Unit B-2A (Figure 1-2). Work activities were completed using manual equipment. No work activities were conducted within vernal pools in 2020.

No CRLF or California linderiella were encountered by KEMRON on the former Fort Ord in 2019 or 2020.

In 2019, there were two encounters of CTS by KEMRON on the former Fort Ord during structure demolition activities (Figures 3-3 and 3-4). A Field Report Form for CTS was completed by the Project Biologist for each encounter and provided to the BRAC Biologist, USFWS, and California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW). No CTS were encountered by KEMRON in 2020. The following summarizes the encounters from 2019.

## 3.1.4.1 January 31, 2019

On January 31, 2019, one juvenile CTS was found during structure demolition activities within Unit 6 (Figure 3-3). The CTS was found immediately after the structure (an observation tower) had been knocked over and dragged toward the road. The CTS was observed by the site contractor while walking back towards the original structure location. Work was stopped and the KEMRON Biologist was contacted. The individual was likely in the rotting wood at the base of the structure. The work area was located approximately 0.4 mile from Pond 30, the nearest known CTS breeding resource; additional known breeding resources nearby include Pond 71 (0.6 mi), Pond 21 (1.0 mi), and Pond 49 (1.2 mi) (Figure 3-3). Pond 46 (0.3 mi) is also located in the vicinity; however, this pond is not currently known to support CTS breeding. Rain had occurred within the last 24 hours. The KEMRON Biologist has conducted a clearance survey for wildlife within the structure on January 21; no CTS or other wildlife were observed within the structure during the survey.

The CTS was moving when found and while being measured, but was more reactive than active. An injury was present behind the head and consisted of a portion of the left and right front leg structures protruding through the skin (Figure 3-4). The KEMRON Biologist measured, weighed, and photographed the individual, then released it to a mammal burrow outside of the work area (Figure 3-3). While still alive when relocated, it is unknown if the CTS would survive the injury.

#### 3.1.4.2 March 14, 2019

On March 14, 2019, one juvenile CTS was found during structure demolition activities within Unit 34 (Figure 3-5). The CTS was found immediately after the structure (a latrine) had been demolished and removed. The CTS was observed by the site contractor while removing remaining wood from the structure location. Work was stopped and the KEMRON Biologist was contacted. The KEMRON Biologist had conducted a clearance survey for CTS and other wildlife within the structure immediately prior to removal; however, none were observed. The individual was likely underneath the rotting wood at the base of the structure and not visible during the survey. The work area was located approximately 0.2 mile from Pond 10, the nearest known CTS breeding resource; additional known breeding resources nearby include Pond 8 (0.5 mi), Pond 11 (0.7 mi), and Pond 42 (0.7 mi) (Figure 3-5). Additional ponds in the vicinity not currently known to support CTS include Ponds 3 North and South (0.3 mi), Pond 35 (0.5 mi), Pond 39 (0.5 mi), and Ponds 40 North and South (0.6 mi). Rain had occurred within the last 24 hours.

The CTS was alive, active, and uninjured (Figure 3-6). The KEMRON Biologist measured, weighed, and photographed the individual, then released it to a mammal burrow outside of the work area (Figure 3-5).

## 3.1.5 Minimize Impacts to Black Legless Lizard

To minimize impacts to BLL, project supervisors and field personnel were trained during the Employee Education Program to identify BLL, and they were informed of the potential for this species to occur within the project site and the established protocol if any individuals were encountered.

No BLL were encountered during work activities by KEMRON on the former Fort Ord in 2019 or 2020.

## 3.2 Additional Environmental Protections

In addition to the mitigation and protection measures described above to avoid or reduce impacts to HMP species and habitats, the following environmental protection measures were implemented during this project.

#### 3.2.1 Invasive Weed Control

Several invasive plant species are known to occur on the former Fort Ord, including iceplant (Carpobrotus sp.), French broom (Genista monspessulana), jubata (pampas) grass (Cortaderia jubata), and Klamathweed (Hypericum perforatum). These species spread rapidly and can severely degrade native habitats if measures are not taken to control their spread. The Army has reviewed the California Invasive Plant Council's (CIPC's) Preventing the Spread of Invasive Plants: Best Management Practices for Land Managers (CPIC, 2011) and has identified appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) that can be implemented during cleanup activities. Specifically, BMPs that are employed to the greatest extent practicable include: washing all vehicles and equipment that come from outside of the former Fort Ord work areas, including those of subcontractors, before they are allowed to enter the site; finding weed-free sources for straw, fill, and road base materials that are imported from off-site; using on-site sources for mulch, fill, and road base materials that come only from areas without invasive plant infestations; planning any off-road haul routes to avoid invasive plant populations; and cleaning boots, equipment, and vehicles that have been used in high infestation areas prior to moving to sites where invasive species populations are low or have not been identified. Additionally, each new work area is evaluated for the presence of invasive species, and the appropriate avoidance and minimization measures are identified prior to work initiation.

In 2019, activities within portions of Units 1 and 5A included demolition of structures and equipment and vehicle use to support these activities. Previous evaluation of the presence or absence of invasive plant species within Unit 1 was completed by the KEMRON Biologist in 2014 and significant populations of jubata grass were identified. Jubata grass was also identified within the Unit 5A work area by the KEMRON Biologist prior to structure demolition activities.

Decontamination by pressure washing was required for vegetation removal equipment prior to leaving areas infested with invasive weeds. For vehicles, boots, and other equipment, decontamination was conducted on a daily basis (or more if personnel left the units multiple times per day) using brushes. If any caked-on soils or materials remained that could not be removed with a brush, boots and equipment were washed with water at the field office compound; however, vehicles were required to be pressure-washed on site.

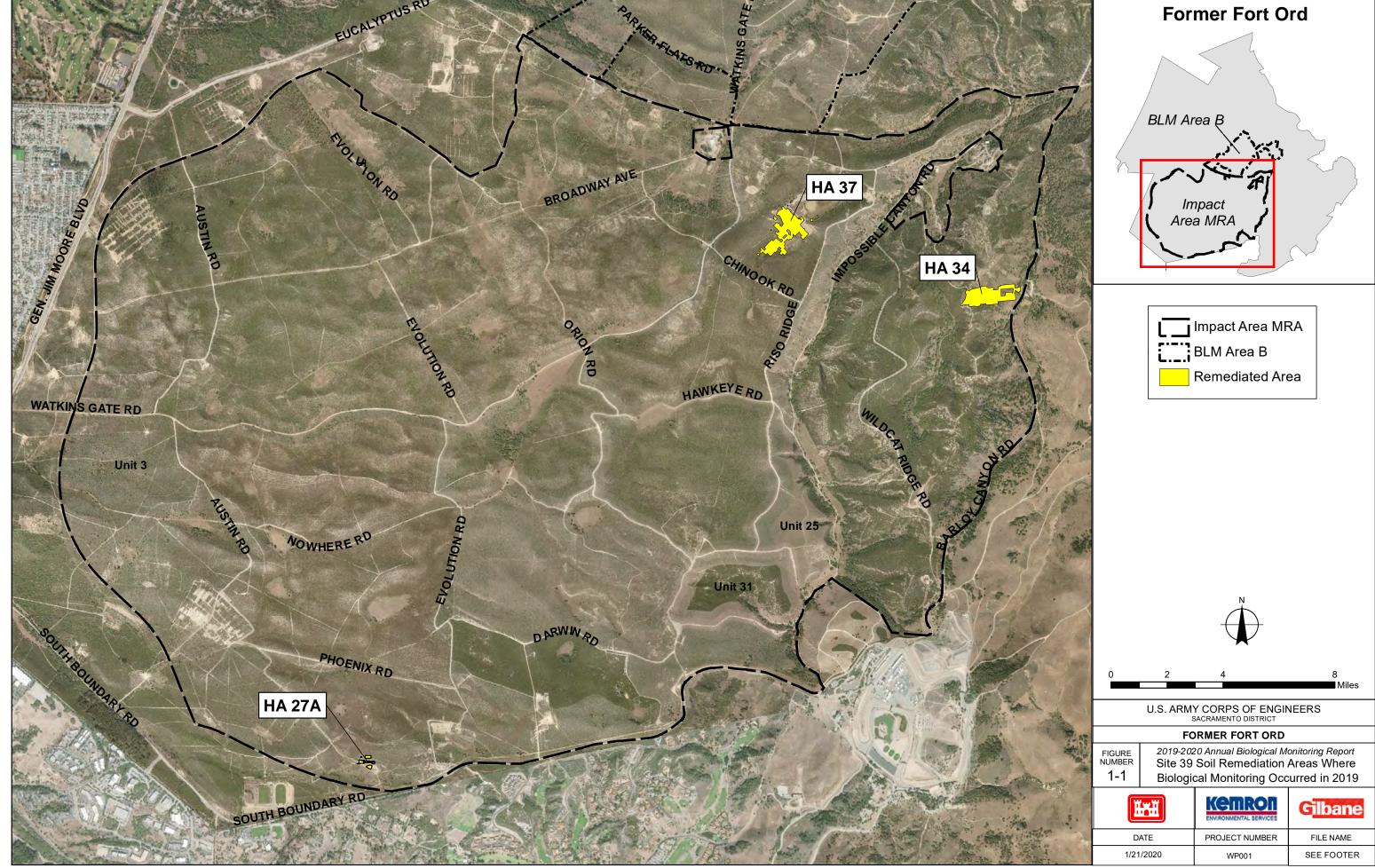
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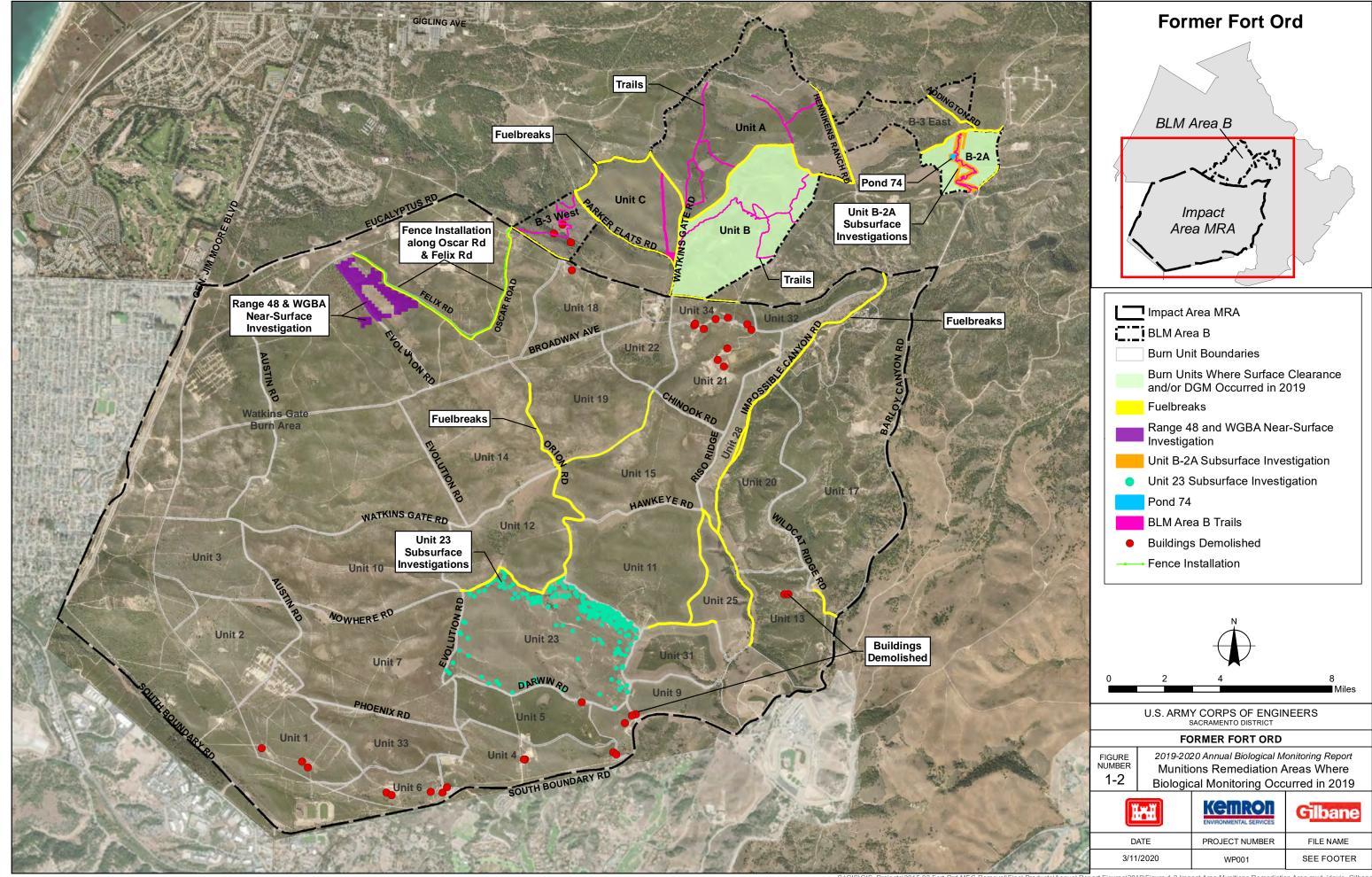
To reduce erosion concerns on bare mineral soils, normal vehicle access was restricted to existing roads and established access routes. Tracked vehicles were used to conduct vegetation removal and DGM surveys over the site. KEMRON monitored the work sites for potential erosion problems, and a final inspection was conducted at the conclusion of work at each site by the KEMRON Biologist. Additionally, in 2019 DGM work in BLM Area B was halted following a period of heavy rain that resulted in saturated soils in order to avoid creating erosion issues. The soil conditions were monitored until it was determined that the soils were no longer saturated and work could proceed without causing erosion. No erosion control materials were installed within munitions remediation areas in 2019 or 2020. Please see Section 2.1 above for erosion control implemented associated with soil remediation activities.

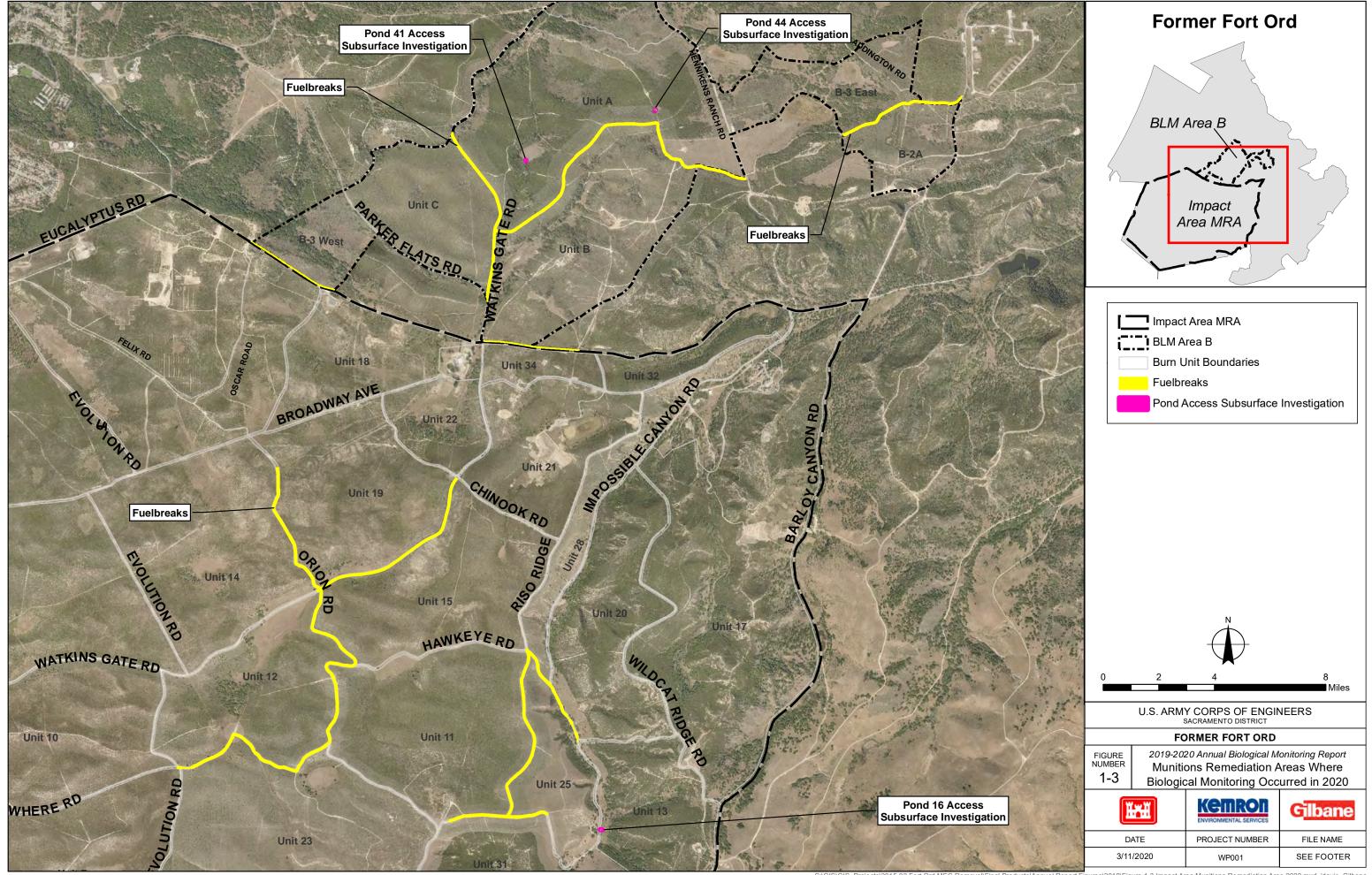
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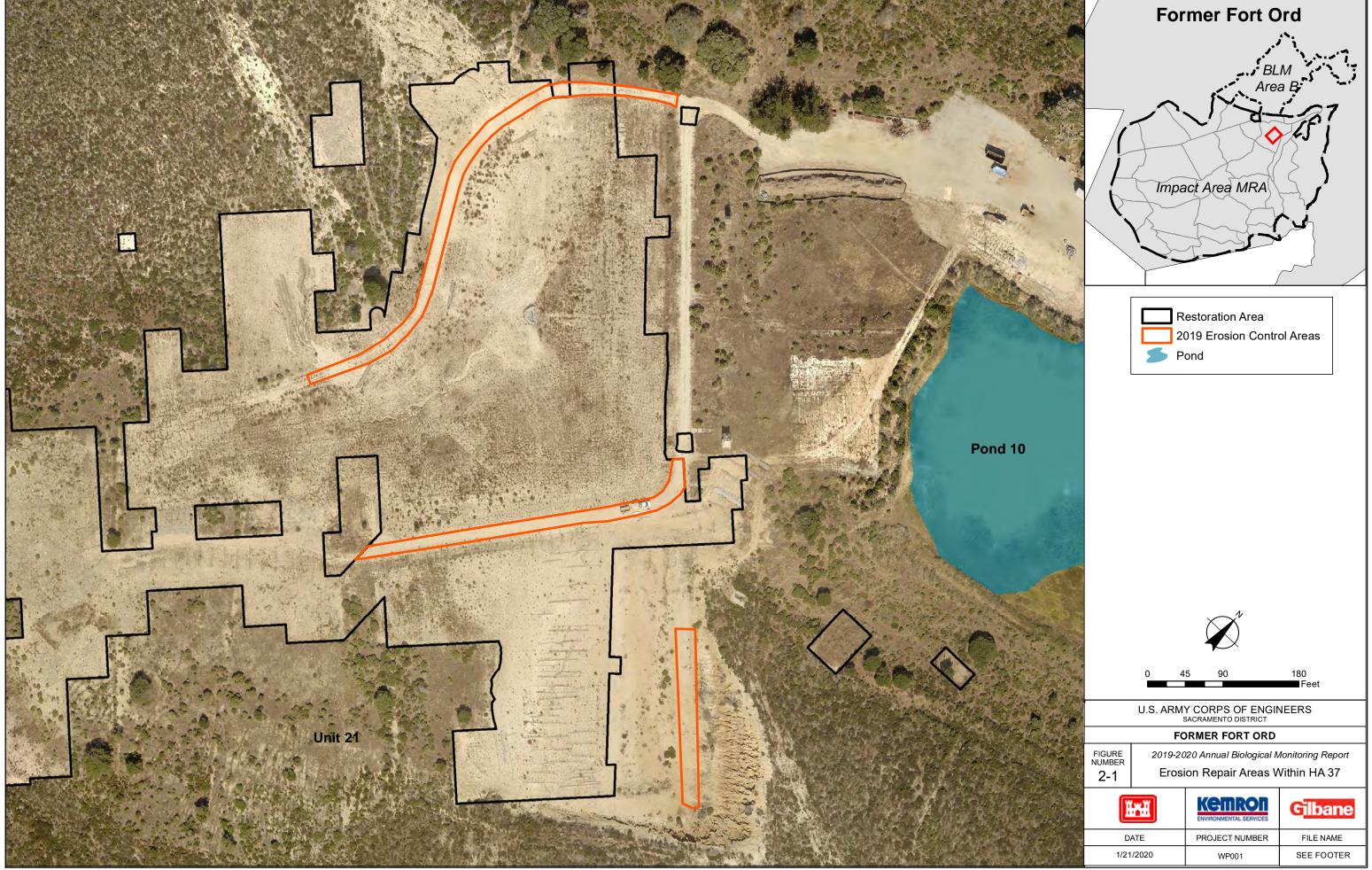
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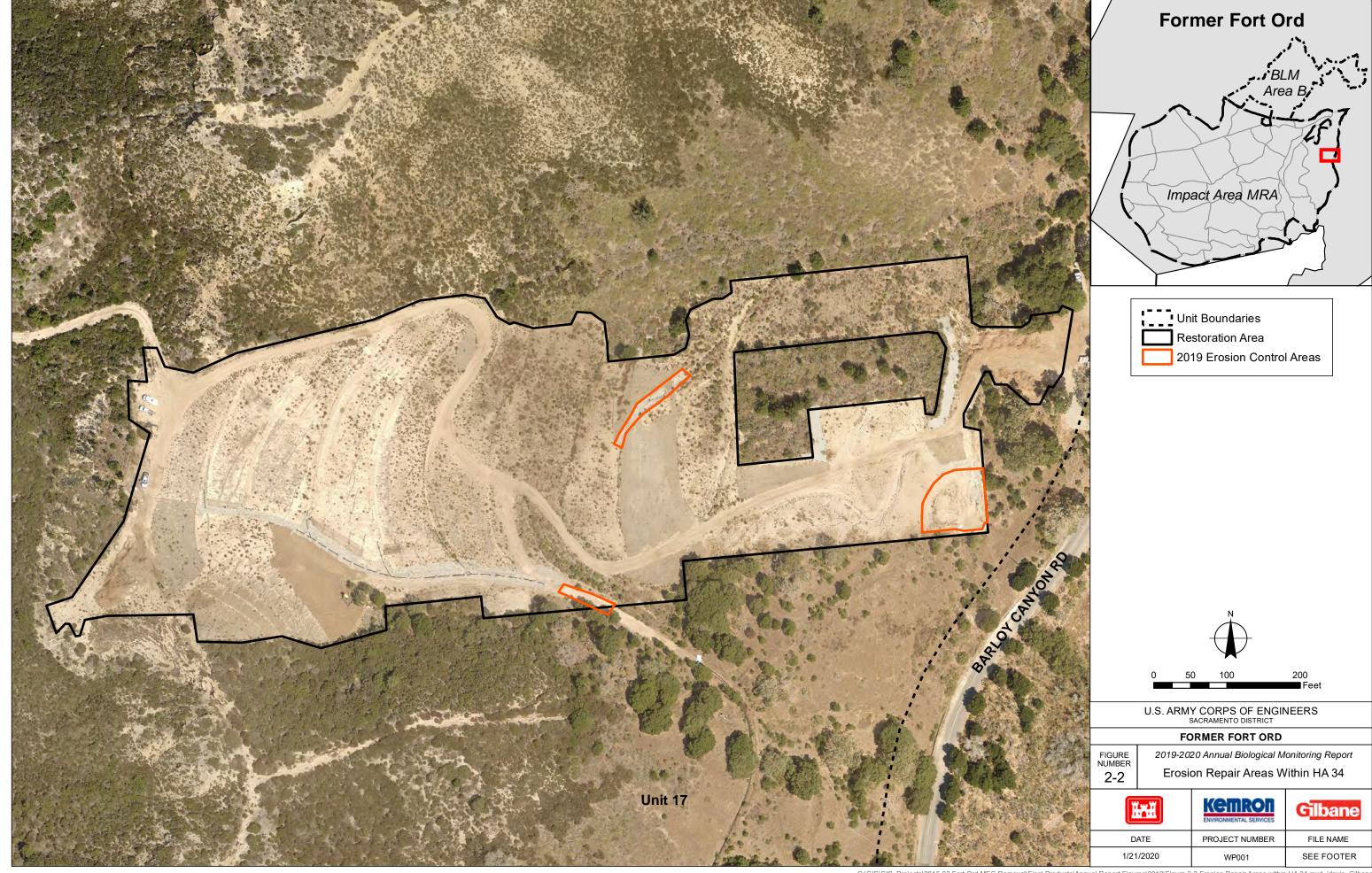
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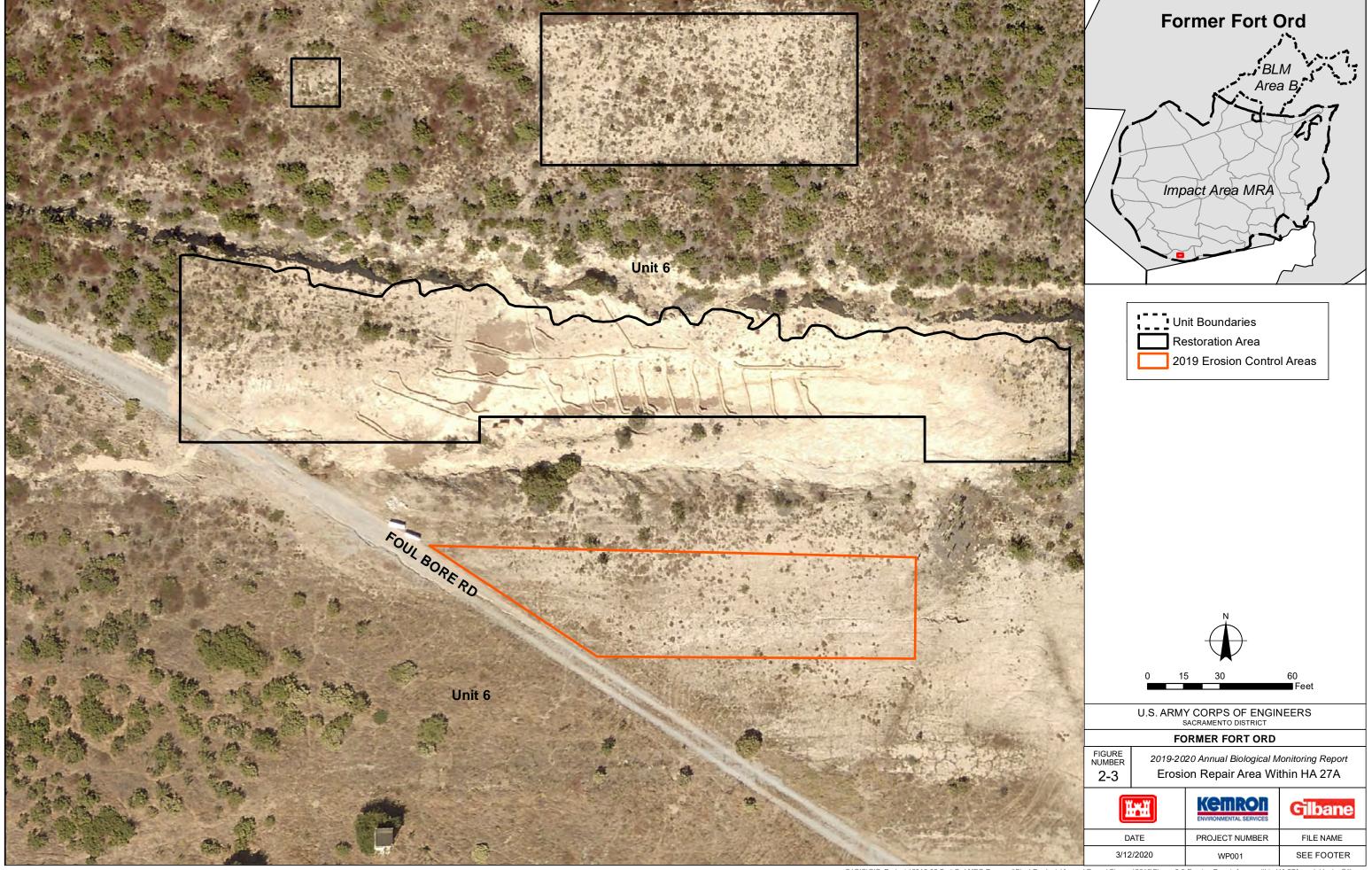


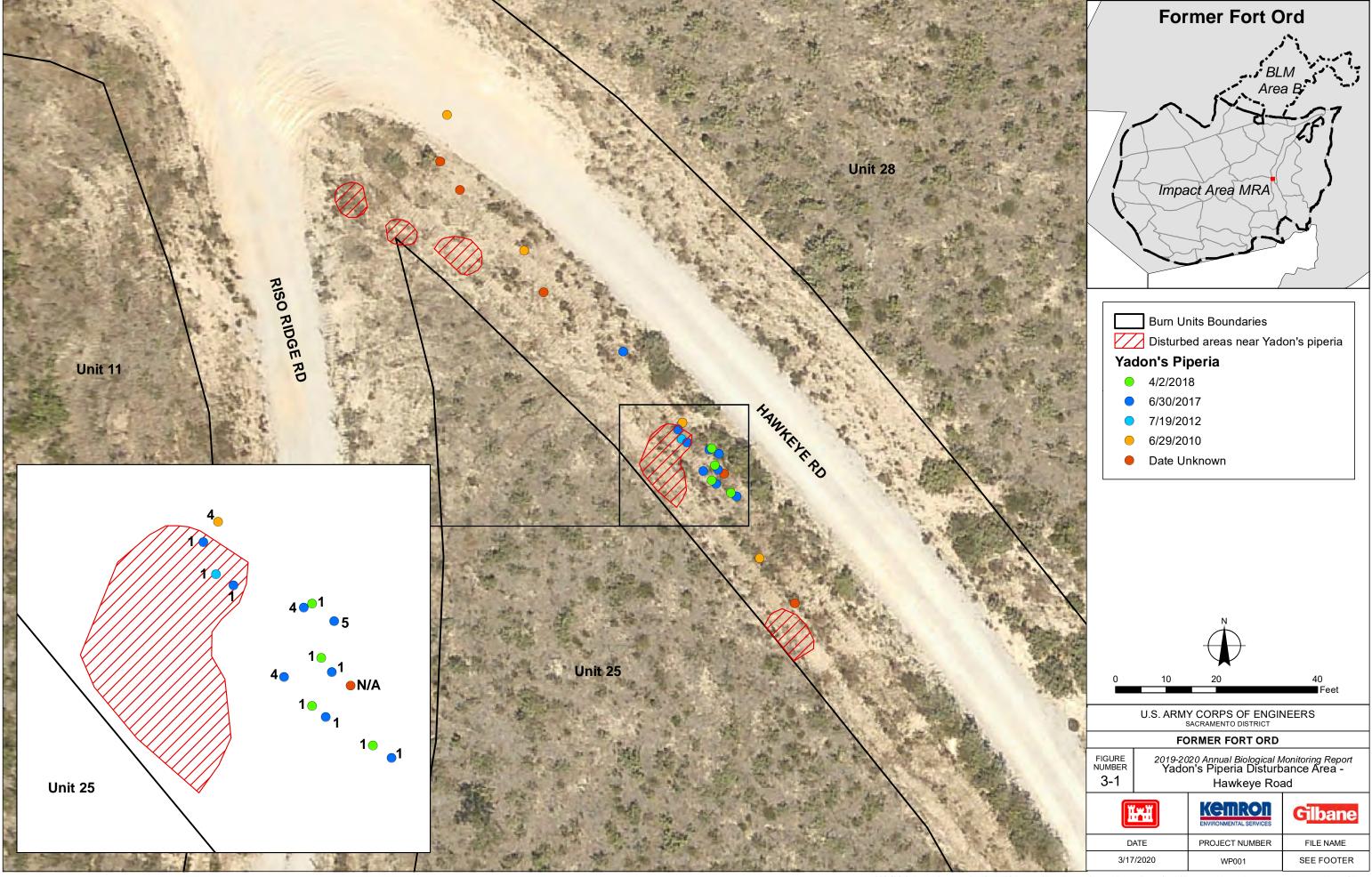


















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- 1. Post remediation soil conditions on Hawkeye Rd looking SE.
- 2. Post remediation soil conditions on Hawkeye Rd looking NW.
- 3. Close up of post remediation soil conditions on Hawkeye Rd.
- 4. Close up of post remediation soil conditions on Hawkeye Rd.
- 5. Emerging leaves of piperia plants in the vicinity of remediation areas (March 12, 2020).

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	FC	RMER FORT ORD			
FIGURE NUMBER Yadon's Piperia Distrubance Area  3-2 Photographs - Hawkeye Road					
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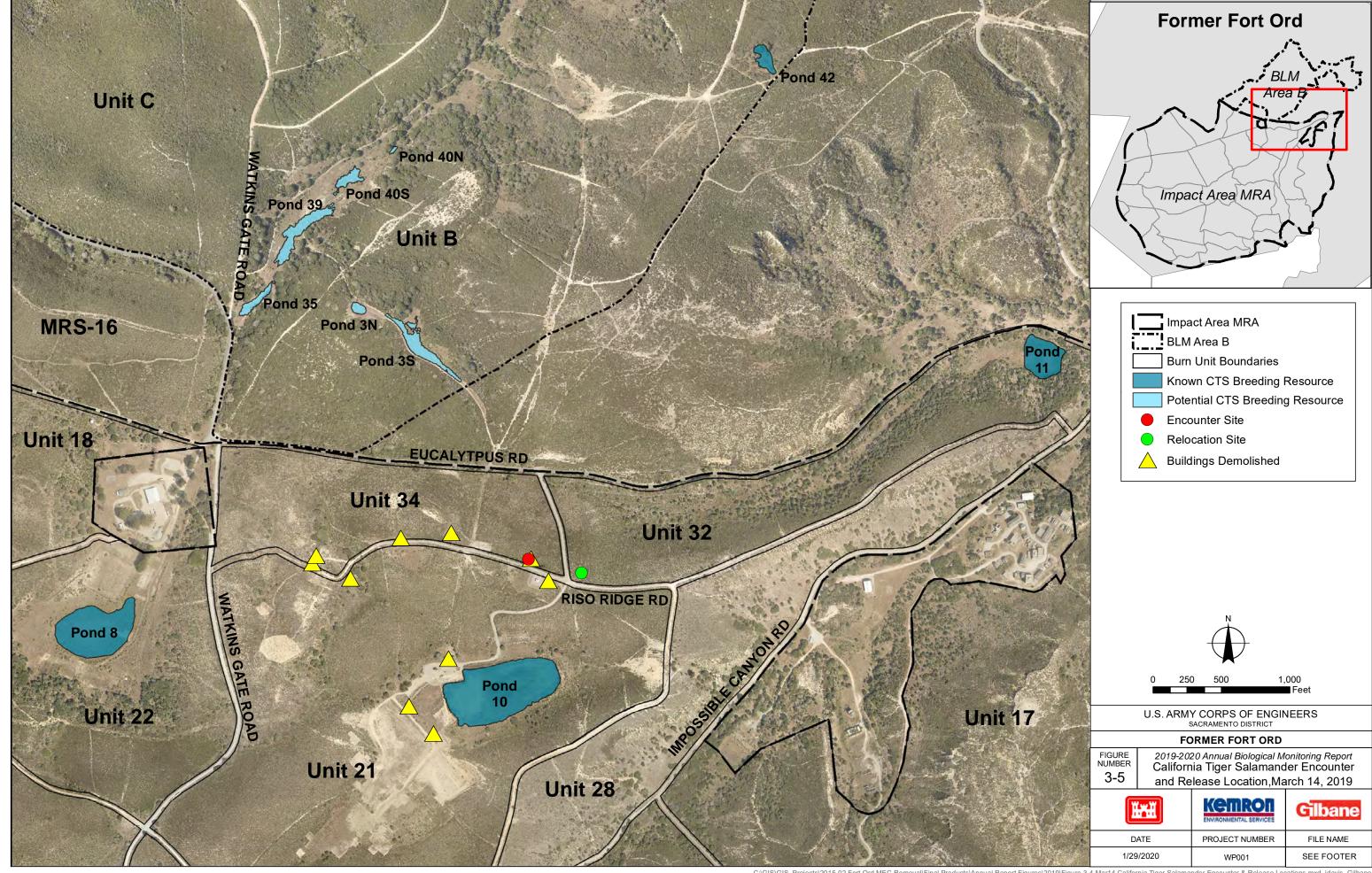


- 1. CTS was found on January 31, 2019 near structure demolition debris.
- 2. CTS as it was being measured by the KEMRON biologist.
- 3. CTS as it was being measured by the KEMRON biologist.
- 4. CTS relocated to a mammal burrow outside of the work area.
- 5. CTS relocated to a mammal burrow outside of the work area.

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS SACRAMENTO DISTRICT					
FORMER FORT ORD					
FIGURE NUMBER California Tiger Salamander  3-4 Encounter Photographs, January 31, 2019					
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- 1. CTS was found on March 14, 2019 at structure demolition site.
- 2. CTS relocated to a mammal burrow outside of the work area.
- 3. CTS relocated to a mammal burrow outside of the work area.
- 4. CTS as it was being measured by the KEMRON biologist.
- 5. CTS as it was being measured by the KEMRON biologist.

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	FC	RMER FORT ORD				
FIGURE NUMBER  3-6  California Tiger Salamander Encounter Photographs, March 14, 2						
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# **Tables**

Table 3-1. 2019 Work Area Activity Acreages

	2019 Acres				
Location	Mechanical Vegetation Mastication	Manual Vegetation Removal	Surface MEC Removal	Subsurface MEC Removal	DGM (EM61, Metal Mapper, & OPTEMA)
	Ir	npact Area M	IRA		
Range 48	29.65			$29.00^{2}$	29.00
WGBA	1.84			1.843	1.84
Unit 23				N/A <sup>4</sup>	
BLM Area B					
Unit A	3.52			$3.74^{5}$	
Unit B				3.14 <sup>6</sup>	90.22
Unit C				3.897	
Unit B-2A	7.77	1.23	11.12	13.768	10.62
Unit B-3 West				$0.10^{9}$	
Roads and Fuel Breaks					
Roads and Fuel Breaks <sup>10</sup>	8.6911			49.31	54.41
Total	51.47	1.23	11.12	104.78	186.09

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subsurface work within Range 48 was considered "near-surface" work as excavation to depth was not conducted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Subsurface work within WGBA was considered "near-surface" work as excavation to depth was not conducted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Subsurface work included investigation of 267 target locations utilizing the metal mapper – the area of the investigations was not quantified.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Subsurface work within Unit A was within Trails 65-69.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Subsurface work within Unit B was within Trails 91-94.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Subsurface work within Unit C was within the New Trail 70 and the Old Trail 70

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Subsurface work within Unit B-2A was within Trail 62 and buffer, Pond 74, and future BLM restoration sites.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Subsurface work within Unit B-3 West was within Trail 65.

Road and fuel break work in 2019 was conducted Orion Road, Impossible Canyon Road, Wildcat Ridge Road, Hawkeye Road, Riso Ridge, Nowhere Road, Mercury Road, Oscar Road, Hennekens Ranch Road, East Machine Gun Flats Road, West Machine Gun Flats Road, Watkins Gate Road, Addington Road, Barloy Canyon Road, Parker Flats Road, Eucalyptus Road, and Watkins Gate Spur Road.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Mastication within fuel breaks occurred along Oscar Road and Felix Road associated with fence installation.

Table 3-2. 2020 Work Area Activity Acreages

			2020 Acres	Acres			
Location	Mechanical Vegetation Mastication	Manual Vegetation Removal	Surface MEC Removal	Subsurface MEC Removal	DGM (EM61, Metal Mapper, & OPTEMA)		
Impact Area MRA							
Unit 13 <sup>12</sup>				0.006			
BLM Area B							
Unit A <sup>13</sup>				0.003			
Roads and Fuel Breaks							
Roads and Fuel Breaks <sup>14</sup> 2.65							
Total	0	0	0	2.66	0		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Subsurface work within Unit 13 was conducted to provide a safe access route to Pond 16 for biological monitoring.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Subsurface work within Unit A was conducted to provide a safe access route to Ponds 41 and 44 for biological monitoring.

Road and fuel break work in 2020 was conducted Orion Road, Impossible Canyon Road, Hawkeye Road, Riso Ridge, Nowhere Road, Mercury Road, East Machine Gun Flats Road, West Machine Gun Flats Road, Watkins Gate Road, and Eucalyptus Road.

# Attachment A Habitat Checklists (HCLs) for Work Completed in 2019 and 2020

## Attachment A Table of Contents

HA 37, HA 34, and HA 28 Erosion Control Activities HCL and Amendment

BLM Area B Units B/C Containment Lines, B-3 East, B-3 West, & B-2A Surface Clearance and DGM HCL

BLM Area B Roads: Portions of West Machine Gun Flats, Watkins Gate, Watkins Gate Spur, Parker Flats, and Hennekens Ranch Subsurface Investigation HCL

BLM Area B Units B/C Burned Areas Vegetation Removal and Surface Clearance HCL

Units 1, 4, 5, 5A, 6, 9, 13, 18, 21, 34, and B-3 West Deconstruction and Removal of Thirty-two Structures HCL

Impossible Canyon Road Fuel Break Vegetation Removal HCL

Trail 62 within BLM Area B Unit B-2A Subsurface Clearance HCL

Fuel Breaks along Watkins Gate, Orion, Hawkeye, Nowhere, Mercury, and Riso Ridge Roads QC Digs HCL

HA-27A Erosion Control Activities HCL

Oscar and Felix Roads (Range 43-48) Fence Installation HCL and Amendment

BLM Area B B-3 East and West Trail Realignments Subsurface Investigation (Trails 16, 56, 57, and 65) HCL

Ponds 3 North, 3 South, 16, 35, 39, 40 North, 40 South, 41, 42, 43, 44, 60, 61, and 73 Subsurface Investigation HCL

BLM Area B Unit C Trail 70 Subsurface Investigation HCL and Amendment

Range 48 (29.6 ac) and WGBA (1.8 ac) Near-Surface Investigation HCL

BLM Area B Unit A Trails Vegetation Removal and Subsurface Investigation HCL

BLM Area B Unit B Trails Subsurface Investigation HCL

BLM Area B Unit B-2A Subsurface Investigation of Future BLM Restoration Areas HCL

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# FORT ORD SITE HABITAT CHECKLIST

The following are requirements to minimize biological disturbances to protected species and habitat.

Please notify Jami Davis, ITSI Gilbane Biologist (831-325-9693), *before* proceeding if work tasks or work boundaries change, additional vegetation removal is necessary, vegetation cutting methods change, or any other conditions change. Field Supervisors must receive a copy of this checklist.

SITE:	HA-	HA-37, HA-34, HA-28 <b>DATE:</b> 9-20-13						
WORK TO BE CONDUCTED:	inst	sion control activities ir allation of straw wattles ch, and track walking						
1. LAND USE:		Habitat Reserve		Deve	lopment A	Area	Oth	er (specify):
		<b>X</b> Army	Locat					
2. LAND OWNER	રઃ [	BLM	Locat	ion:				
		Other:	Locat	ion:				
3. ENDANGEREI HMP-LISTED		HREATENED, RARE, CIES	OR		Yes	No	☐ Fla	agged/Marked
Spec	cies:	BLL, CTS						
Locat	ion:	Potential within all are 37 and HA-28	eas – k	known	CTS bre	eding wit	hin verna	l pools at HA-
Grid Numb	ers:							
<b>Restrictions:</b>								
<ul> <li>CTS encounters must be reported immediately to field supervisor and ITSI Biologist.</li> <li>Contact Jami Davis (831-325-9693) or Bill Collins (831-242-7920) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.</li> </ul>								
<ul> <li>Do not enter vernal pool areas. Do not work within "New Pond" area at HA-28 if water is present within the pond.</li> </ul>								
activities n CTS, have resume or	<ul> <li>If substantial rainfall (greater than 0.5 inch of rain in a 24-hour period) occurs, work activities must cease until the Service-approved biologist, and workers trained to identify CTS, have searched the work area for dispersing salamanders. Work activities may resume once the biologist and search crew have determined that CTS that could be killed or injured by work activities are no longer present in the work area.</li> </ul>							
<ul> <li>Report all</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Report all encounters of BLL and follow ITSI's BLL encounter protocol.</li> </ul>							

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4. VERNAL POOL			Yes	No	☐ Flagged/Marked		
	Vernal pools are	located adjace	ent to each res	toration area	<u>a</u>		
Grid Numbers:							
Work Can Proceed	in Pools/Ponds:		Yes		⊠ No		
Restrictions:	11						
Do not enter ve	•						
Prevent all soil in	runoff into the po	nds during cor	nstruction activ	ities.			
					d be avoided to the		
					only occur while the		
area is dry to pr	area is dry to prevent impacts to the habitat and potential breeding CTS.						
- VIDOUT ATTOM	DELLOY/A						
5. VEGETATION		_					
No Removal Nee	eded	Location: Are	a is mostly unv	egetated du	ue to soil remediation		
Manual Remova	l Needed	<b>Location:</b>					
■ Mechanical Rem	noval Needed	<b>Location:</b>					
Vegetation Remo	oval Restrictions:						
<ul> <li>Restoration acti</li> </ul>	vities shall not in	npact intact ve	getation adjace	ent to the wo	ork sites		
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6. EROSION CON				-l			
Heavy equipme	nt should minimiz	ze grouna aist	urbance as mu	cn as possi	DIE.		
7. SITE ACCESS:	1 111 12 14	1.1					
Venicle access	s should be limite	a to existing ro	oads only.				
<ul> <li>8. INVASIVE SPECIES:</li> <li>Any equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve</li> </ul>							
	•	•		•	itering habitat reserve		
areas to reduce	the potential for	spread of inva	sive plant spec	cies.			
9. ADDITIONAL S	9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:						
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This checklist has be	en read, approved	d, and signed b					
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# **MEMORANDUM**

Date: October 8, 2015

From: Amendment to HA-37, HA-34, HA-38 Erosion Control Activities in Support of Site

Restoration Habitat Checklist, Dated 9-20-13

The HA-37, HA-34, HA-38 Erosion Control Activities in Support of Site Restoration Habitat Checklist (HCL) will be amended as follows:

- CTS encounters must be reported immediately to the field supervisor and Project Biologist. Contact Jami Davis (925-783-3112) or Bart Kowalski (832-595-5569) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.
- If rain is forecasted within 48 hours of work, the work site shall be visually inspected for CTS by the Project Biologist or another Service-approved biologist prior to the commencement of the day's work.
- Excavations 6-inches or deeper left open overnight shall be covered to prevent CTS and other wildlife from becoming entrapped. If it is not feasible to cover these excavations overnight, ramps shall be placed in the excavations to allow CTS to escape. Additionally, if these excavations will be left open for more than one night, boards or similar material shall be placed in the excavations to provide cover for CTS if they accidentally become entrapped. The excavations shall be inspected each morning prior to the commencement of the day's work and prior to filling. If any CTS are entrapped in the excavations, the Project Biologist or other Service-approved biologist shall be contacted to relocate the CTS prior to work in the immediate area.
- Surveys shall be conducted by the Project Biologist of other Service-Approved Biologist prior to removal of sediment from sediment basins that contain water.

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con	ditions change.	Field	d Supervisors must receive	e a copy of the	nis checklist.		
SI	TE:	1	M Area B Units B/C Con 3 West, & B-2A	rea B Units B/C Containment Lines, B-3 East, est. & B-2A DATE: 6-15-17			
	WORK TO BE CONDUCTED:  Surface MEC removal and DGM						
1.	LAND USE:		<b>◯</b> Habitat Reserve	⊠ Dev	elopment Area	Oth	er (specify):
			<b>⊠</b> Army	Location:			
2.	LAND OWNE	R:	<b>⊠</b> BLM	<b>Location:</b>			
			<b>◯</b> Other:	<b>Location:</b>			
3.			THREATENED, RARE,	OR	<b>∀Yes</b>	□Fl	agged/Marked
	HMP-LISTED						
	Spe	cies	<ul> <li>California Tiger Salama Monterey spineflower,</li> </ul>	` ,	•	rd (BLL), Ya	adon's piperia,
	Locat	tion		<u>J</u>			
	Grid Numb	ers	:				
Re	Restrictions:						
•	CTS encounters must be reported immediately to field supervisor and Project Biologist. Contact Jami Colley (925-783-3112) or Bart Kowalski (832-595-5569) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.						
•	Report all encounters of BLL and follow the BLL encounter protocol						
•	<ul> <li>No work shall occur in areas known to support Monterey spineflower and/or sand gilia from approximately February 1 to May 31 (see Figure 2).</li> </ul>						
•	• No work shall occur in flagged areas of Yadon's piperia until it has been determined by the Project biologist that the plants are no longer blooming and have set seed (approximately August/September) (see Figure 2).						
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4. VERNAL POOLS	PONDS PRESENT	∠ Yes	<b>◯</b> No <b>◯</b> Flagged/Marked			
Location:						
Grid Numbers:						
Work Can Proceed i	n Pools/Ponds:	∑ Yes	□ No			
Restrictions:						
<ul> <li>No work shall occur within the vernal ponds until the ponds have dried, as determined by the Project Biologist.</li> </ul>						
<ul> <li>No work shall occur within Pond 3 North between February 1 and June 30. The Project biologist shall survey the pond to ensure that all Contra Costa goldfields have senesced prior to work initiation.</li> </ul>						
<ul> <li>Heavy equipment shall not be permitted within the vernal ponds identified (see Figure 2). Manual equipment shall be used to complete DGM work.</li> </ul>						
5. VEGETATION R	REMOVAL					
No Removal Need	ded Loca	ation:				
Manual Removal	Manual Removal Needed Location:					
Mechanical Removal Needed Location:						
Vegetation Removal Restrictions:						

### **6. EROSION CONCERNS/SITE RESTORATION:**

- Use of heavy equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.
- Heavy equipment should minimize topsoil disturbance as much as possible, avoid making hard turns, and enter and exit the site from a limited number of routes. Equipment operators should minimize driving parallel to the slope to the greatest extent feasible to prevent creating rills.

## 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only as shown on Figure 4.
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing roads only.
- BLM Restoration Areas within B-2A shall not be used as regular tracking/access routes (see Figure 4).



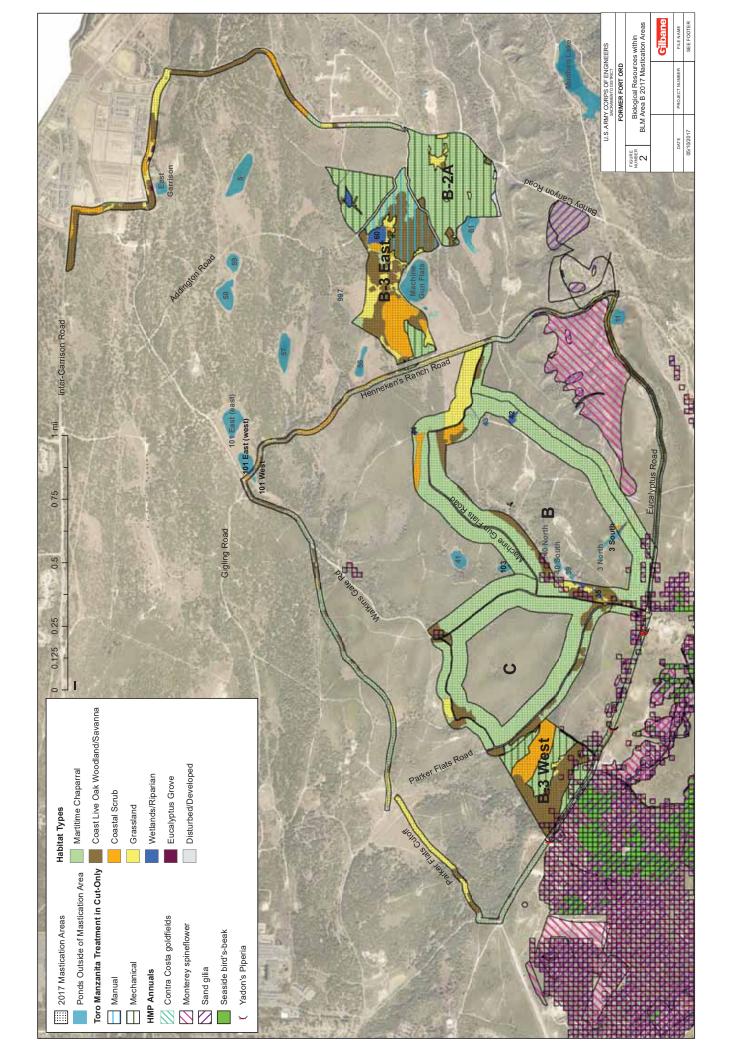
#### **8. INVASIVE SPECIES:**

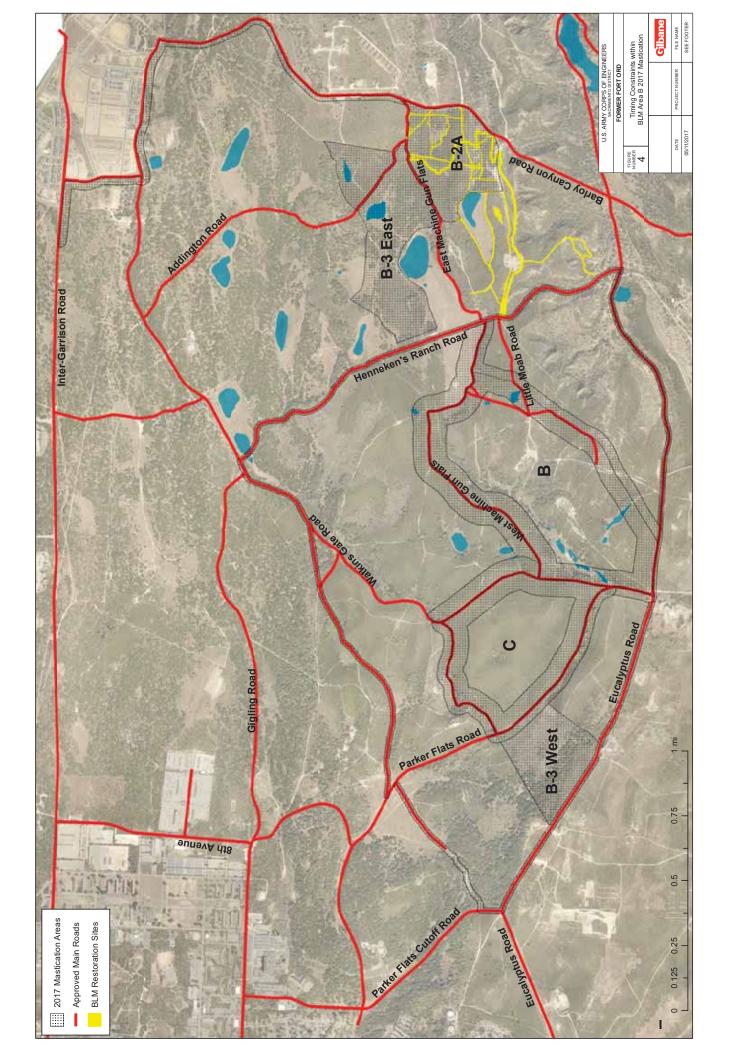
- All equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce the potential for spread of invasive plant species.
- Teams working within areas infested with Klamath weed (see Figure 5) shall clean boots and equipment daily before leaving the area to reduce spread of invasive species. Soil and plant material shall be removed using boot brushes or other types of brushes. Decon of hand tools and boots shall be completed within the work area. Any caked-on soils or material that cannot be removed using brushes shall be washed off with water washing can be competed at the Kemron Compound; however, if washing of equipment is necessary, it must be completed on-site prior to leaving the area.
- Unnecessary movement of DGM equipment from the areas infested with Klamath weed to other
  areas shall be minimized. When working in the large infested areas (see Figure 5), DGM shall
  work only with the infested areas to the greatest extent feasible, then decon before moving into
  uninfested areas. DGM Equipment used in these areas shall be pressure-washed daily on-site
  prior to moving to other areas to remove invasive plant seeds.

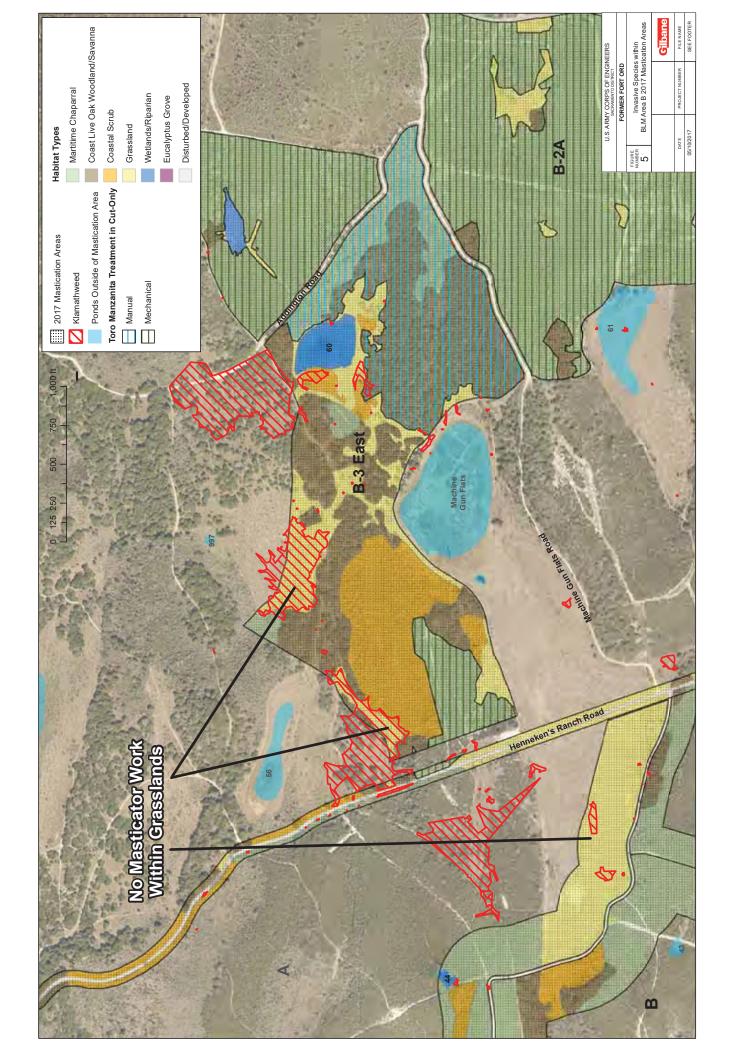
## 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

 Only heavy equipment may be refueled in the field. All refueling of heavy equipment will be conducted on the approved roads. Spill control materials such as absorbent pads, noncombustible granular absorbent material, and polyethylene sheeting, will be immediately available to all refueling crews. No refueling shall occur within 400 feet of the vernal ponds.

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SITE:	Flat	BLM Area B Roads: Portions of West Machine Gun Flats, Watkins Gate, Watkins Gate Spur, Parker Flats, and Hennekens Ranch  DATE: 10-2-17				
WORK TO BE CONDUCTED:	Sub	surface MEC removal				
1. LAND USE:		<b>◯</b> Habitat Reserve	<b>∑</b> Deve	lopment Area	Oth	er (specify):
		Army	<b>Location:</b>			
2. LAND OWNED	<b>R:</b>	<b>⊠</b> BLM	<b>Location:</b>	BLM Area B Roa	ıds	
		Other:	<b>Location:</b>			
	3. ENDANGERED, THREATENED, RARE, OR HMP-LISTED SPECIES					
Spe	Species: California Tiger Salamander (CTS), Black Legless Lizard (BLL), HMP shrubs, sand gilia, and Monterey spineflower				MP shrubs,	
Locat	ion:	See attached map for k resources.	nown locatio	ns of HMP species	and other s	sensitive
Grid Numb	ers:					
<b>Restrictions:</b>						
CTS encounters must be reported immediately to field supervisor and KEMRON Biologist. Contact Jami Colley (925-783-3112) or Bart Kowalski (832-595-5569) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.						
• If greater than 0.5 inch of rain in a 24-hour period occurs, work activities must cease until the site biologist and workers trained to identify CTS have searched the work area for dispersing salamanders. Work activities may resume once the biologist and search crew have determined that CTS that could be killed or injured by work activities are no longer present in the work area.						
Report all encounters of BLL and follow the BLL encounter protocol.						
						,
		PONDS PRESENT	⊠ Yes	□ No	⊠ Fla	gged/Marked
Location:	Poi	nd 35 is adjacent to the w	vork site			
<b>Grid Numbers:</b>						
Work Can Procee	ed in	Pools/Ponds:	☐ Yes		$\boxtimes$ N	0
<b>Restrictions:</b>						
No work shall	No work shall occur within the adjacent vernal pond.					



5. VEGETATION REMOVAL	
No Removal Needed	Location:
☐ Manual Removal Needed	Location:
Mechanical Removal Needed	Location:
Vegetation Removal Restrictions:	

### 6. EROSION CONCERNS/SITE RESTORATION:

 Use of heavy equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.

### 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only.
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing roads only.

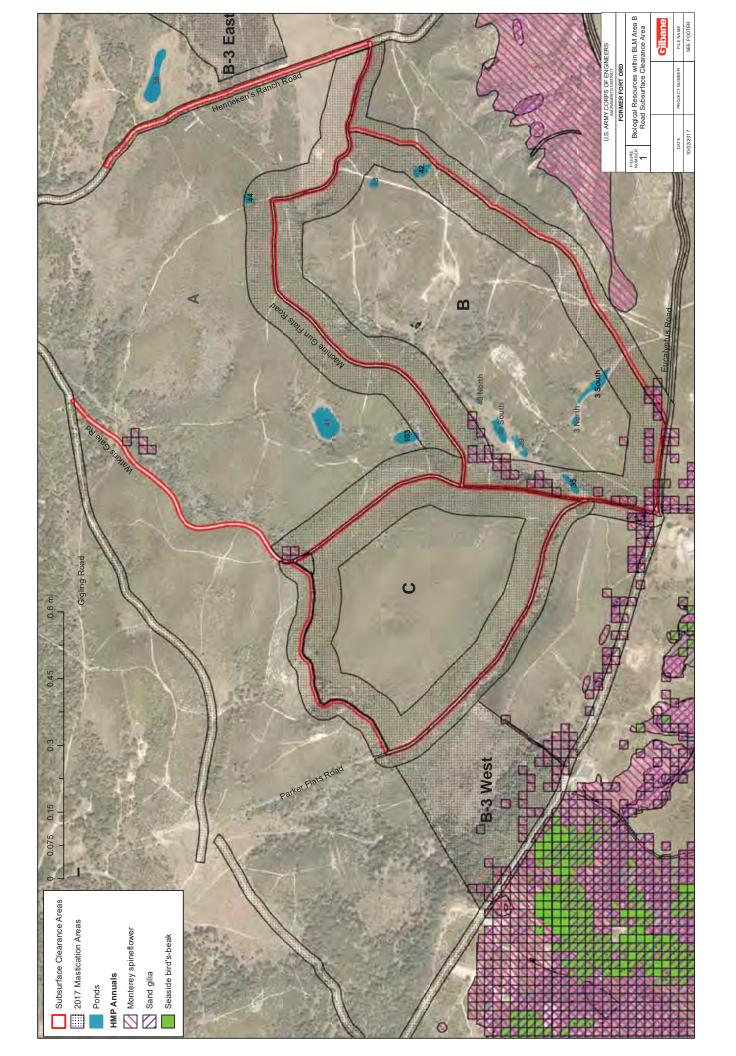
## 8. INVASIVE SPECIES:

 All equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce the potential for spread of invasive plant species.

## 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

 Only heavy equipment may be refueled in the field. All refueling of heavy equipment will be conducted on the approved roads. Spill control materials such as absorbent pads, noncombustible granular absorbent material, and polyethylene sheeting, will be immediately available to all refueling crews. No refueling shall occur within 400 feet of the vernal ponds.

<b>Project Biologist:</b>	Jami Colley Date: 10-2-17	_
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SI	TE:	BLM Area B Units B/C Burned Areas DATE: 10-11-17			10-11-17				
W	ORK TO BE	Mechanical and manual vegetation removal for post burn clean up, and surface							
CO	ONDUCTED:	cle	arance			•			
1.	LAND USE:		<b>⊠</b> Habitat Reserve		Deve	lopment A	Area	Oth	er (specify):
			Army	Locati	on:				
2.	LAND OWNE	R:	<b>⊠</b> BLM	Locati	on:				
			<b>◯</b> Other:	Locati	on:				
3.	ENDANGERE	D, T	HREATENED, RARE,	OR	$\nabla$	Yes	No		agged/Marked
	HMP-LISTED	SPF				-	_		
	Spe	cies:							onterey
	Locat	tion:	spineflower, sand gilia,	Contra	Cost	a goldileid:	S, HIVIP SI	irubs	
	Grid Numb								
Da	estrictions:	jers.							
AI	I Areas				_				
•			nust be reported immed						
	Jami Colley (9		783-3112) or Bart Kowa	alski (83	32-59	5-5569) to	o docum	ent, handle	e, or relocate
•	•		ers of BLL and follow the	e BLL e	ncou	nter proto	col		
Ha	abitat Reserve	Are	as						
•	No work shall	occ	cur in the HMP grids co	ntaining	g Moi	nterey spi	neflower,	and/or sa	and gilia from
	approximately February 1 to May 31 (see Figure 1).								
•			cur in the HMP grids c						
	February 1 until the ground has completely dried and the plants have set seed (approximately								
	May 31), as de	eterr	nined by the Project Bio	logist (s	ee Fi	gure 1).			
•			tation in areas known to						
			reduced to the greatest						
			support Contra Costa go						
	shall be staked and flagged (pink and black striped flagging) prior to vegetation removal in the								

area to indicate areas that should be avoided to the greatest extent feasible.



4. VERNAL POO	LS/PONDS PRESENT	⊠ Yes	□ No	<b>⊠</b> Flagged/Marked
Location:				
Grid Numbers:				
<b>Work Can Procee</b>	d in Pools/Ponds:	<b>∑</b> Yes		□ No
Dagtwickiang				

#### **Restrictions:**

#### All Areas

- No work shall occur within the vernal ponds until the ponds have dried, as determined by the Project Biologist.
- Vernal ponds (3 north, 3 south, 35, 39, 40 north, 40 south, 42, and 43) shall be staked and flagged (pink and black striped flagging) for avoidance in coordination with the Project Biologist prior to vegetation removal within the area.
- Masticators shall not be permitted within 50 feet of the vernal ponds identified (see Figure 1).
   Small equipment, such as a bobcat or other manual equipment may be used to remove vegetation within the vernal ponds if necessary, and after the Project Biologist has determined the pond is dried completely.

5. VEGETATION REMOVAL				
☐ No Removal Needed	Location:			
Manual Removal Needed	<b>Location:</b> Areas of dense oak woodland, within 50 feet of vernal ponds, and areas inaccessible to masticators.			
Mechanical Removal Needed	Location:			

## **Vegetation Removal Restrictions:**

#### All Areas

- Masticators shall not be used in dense areas of oak woodland or within 50 feet of vernal ponds.
   Small equipment or manual equipment shall be used in areas where masticators are not permitted or are unable to access.
- Coast live oak trees greater than 4" in diameter shall not be removed. Removal of coast live oak trees smaller than 4" in diameter shall be minimized to the greatest extent feasible. No branches larger than 4" shall be cut from coast live oak trees. Branches shall be cut all the way up to the next branch.
- Retained coast live oak trees may be limbed up to 6 feet to allow access beneath the trees.

### **6. EROSION CONCERNS/SITE RESTORATION:**

#### All Areas

- Use of heavy equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.
- Heavy equipment should minimize topsoil disturbance as much as possible, avoid making hard turns, and enter and exit the site from a limited number of routes. Equipment operators should minimize driving parallel to the slope to the greatest extent feasible to prevent creating rills.



### 7. SITE ACCESS:

#### All Areas

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only (see Figure 2). Any need of interior access by vehicles shall be coordinated with the Project Biologist prior to use.
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing roads only.
- Equipment (skid steer) traffic to access stockpiled vegetation shall be minimized to the greatest extent feasible.

## **8. INVASIVE SPECIES:**

#### Habitat Reserve Areas

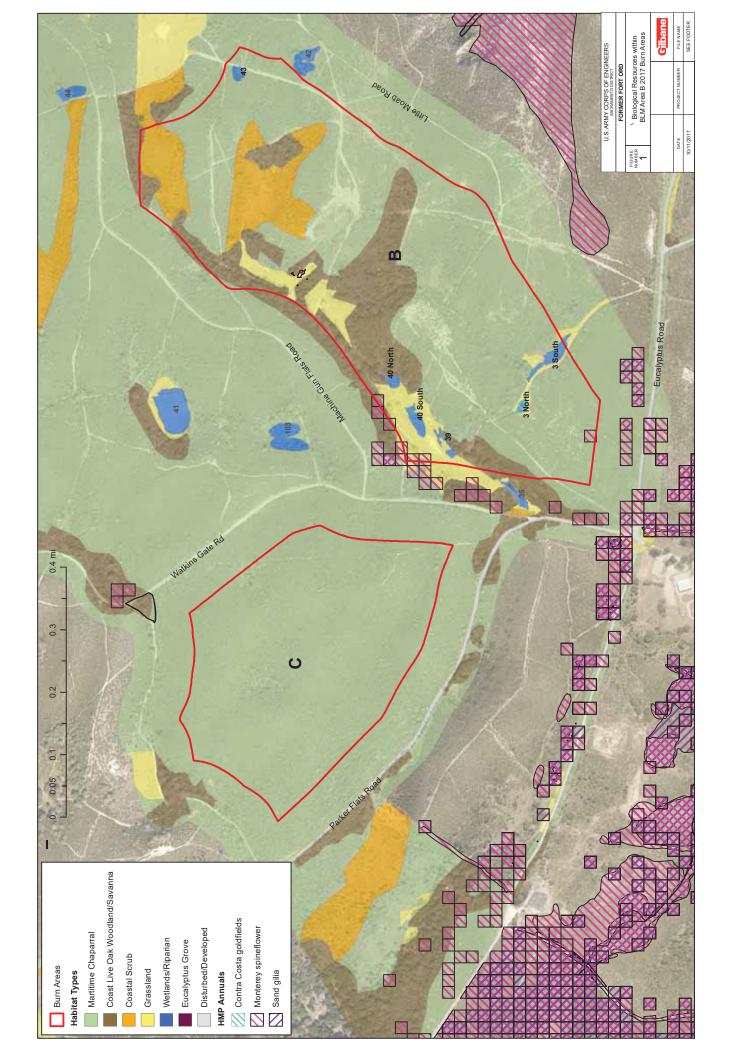
 All equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce the potential for spread of invasive plant species.

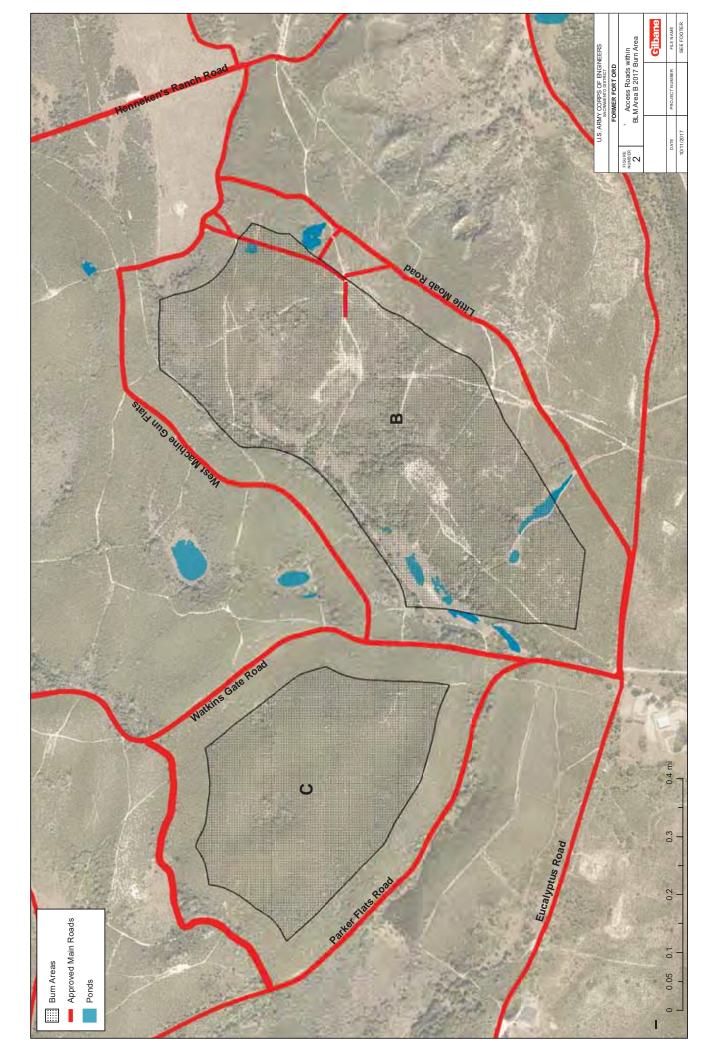
## 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

## All Areas

 Only heavy equipment may be refueled in the field. All refueling of heavy equipment will be conducted on the approved roads. Spill control materials such as absorbent pads, noncombustible granular absorbent material, and polyethylene sheeting, will be immediately available to all refueling crews. No refueling shall occur within 400 feet of the vernal ponds.

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attached maps).

# FORT ORD SITE HABITAT CHECKLIST

The following are requirements to minimize biological disturbances to protected species and habitat.

Please notify Jami Colley, Project Biologist (925-783-3112), *before* proceeding if work tasks or work boundaries change, additional vegetation removal is necessary, vegetation cutting methods change, or any other conditions change. Field Supervisors must receive a copy of this checklist.

SI	TE:	Units 1, 4, 5, 5A, 6, 9, 13, 18, 21, 34, & B-3West <b>DATE:</b> 7/30/2018							
	ORK TO BE	Deconstruction and Removal of Thirty-two Structures							
CC	CONDUCTED: Deconstruction and Removal of Thirty-two Structures								
1.	1. LAND USE:								
Army Location:									
2.	LAND OWNE	R:	<b>⊠</b> BLM	Locati	ion:				
			Other:	Locati	ion:				
3.]	ENDANGERE	D, T	HREATENED, RARE,	OR	N/	1 🕶			1/\/\(\frac{1}{2}\)1
	HMP-LISTED	SPE	CCIES			Yes	∐ No	F1	agged/Marked
	Spe	cies:	Monterey spineflower,	Yadon's	s pipe	ria, sand gi	lia, CTS	BLL, Yad	on's piperia
	Locat	tion:							
	Grid Numb	ers:							
Re	strictions:								
•	CTS encount	ers n	nust be reported immed	diately <sup>•</sup>	to fiel	d supervis	or and	Project Bi	ologist.
	Contact Jami	Dav	is (925-783-3112) or Ba	art Kov	valski	(832-595	-5569) t	o docume	nt, handle, or
	relocate CTS	if en	countered.			•	,		
	5 ( "								
•	Report all end	coun	ters of BLL and follow t	he BLL	. enco	ounter pro	tocol.		
•	No work shall	осс	ur in the grids known to	suppo	ort Mo	nterey sp	ineflowe	r and/or s	and gilia from
	Approximately	y Fel	bruary 1 to June 1 (see	attach	ed m	aps).			· ·
•	The Project B	ioloc	gist shall survey the wo	rk area	near	Structure	#7 (on	Darwin R	and) and
	•	_	#10 (in Unit 6), to iden				•		
			s are found, they shall l					or aujace	, it to the work
			•		_				
•			ist shall survey all struct						
			process. If a nest is fou				icture w	ill be avoic	led until young
have fledged and are no longer dependent on the nest.									
						_	_		
4.	VERNAL POC		PONDS PRESENT		es		_ No		agged/Marked
Location: Units 5a ("Quarry" Pond and Pond 18) and 21 (Pond 10)									
Grid Numbers:									
W	ork Can Proce	ed in	Pools/Ponds:		Yes			$\boxtimes$ N	0
Restrictions:									
•	<ul> <li>Access to buildings in Units 5a and 21 shall avoid impacts to the adjacent ponds. Access to</li> </ul>								
	the buildings shall be along the routes identified in the attached mans. No access is allowed								

along the previously used interior access route in Unit 5a where it intersects with Pond 18 (see



5. VEGETATION REMOVAL							
<b>☒</b> No Removal Needed	Location:						
■ Manual Removal Needed	Location						
Mechanical Removal Needed Location:							
Vegetation Removal Restrictions:							

## 6. EROSION CONCERNS/SITE RESTORATION:

- Use of equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.
- Heavy equipment should minimize topsoil disturbance as much as possible, avoid making hard turns, and enter and exit the site from a limited number of routes.

## 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads and fuel breaks, and the approved access
  routes identified on the attached maps. Access to structures in Units 5a and 21 shall avoid
  impacts to the adjacent ponds. If additional access routes are necessary, the Project
  Biologist shall be contacted to identify suitable routes that will cause the least amount of
  impact.
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing fuel breaks only. Roads may be used only when necessary.

### **8. INVASIVE SPECIES:**

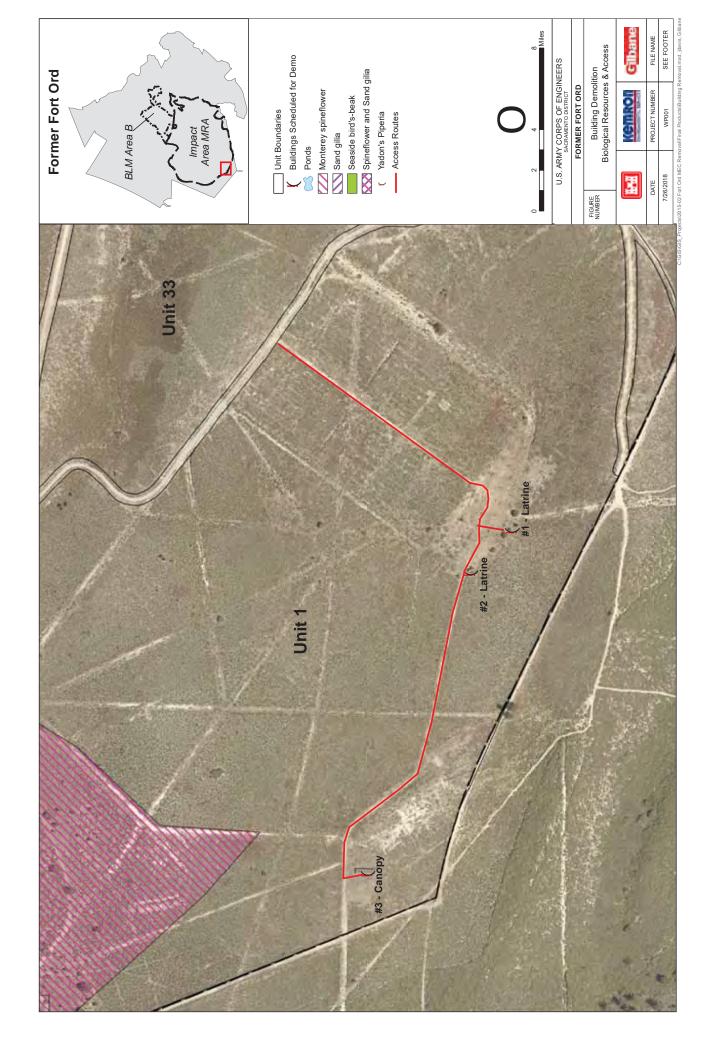
- All equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce the potential for spread of invasive plant species.
- While working in Unit 1 and on Nason Road in Unit 5a, unnecessary movement of equipment from the area infested with pampas grass to other areas shall be minimized. Equipment shall be pressure-washed on-site (Foul Bore Road in Unit 1 and intersection of Nason and Darwin) prior to moving to other areas to remove invasive plant seeds. Water from pressure-washing shall not be allowed to enter the adjacent ponds.

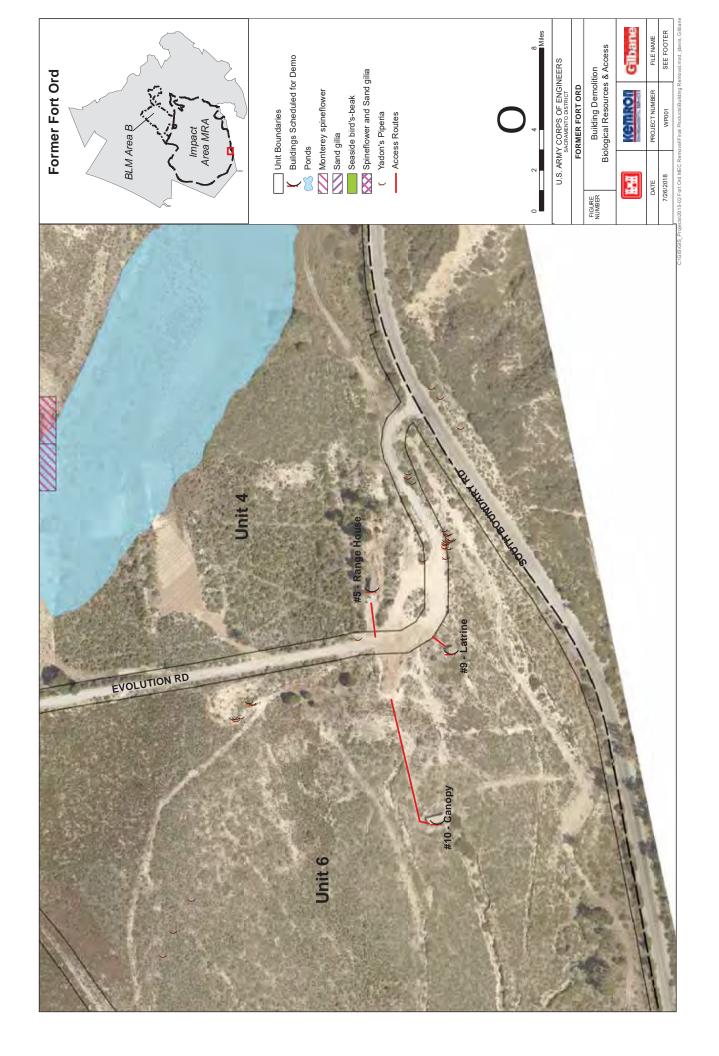
## 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

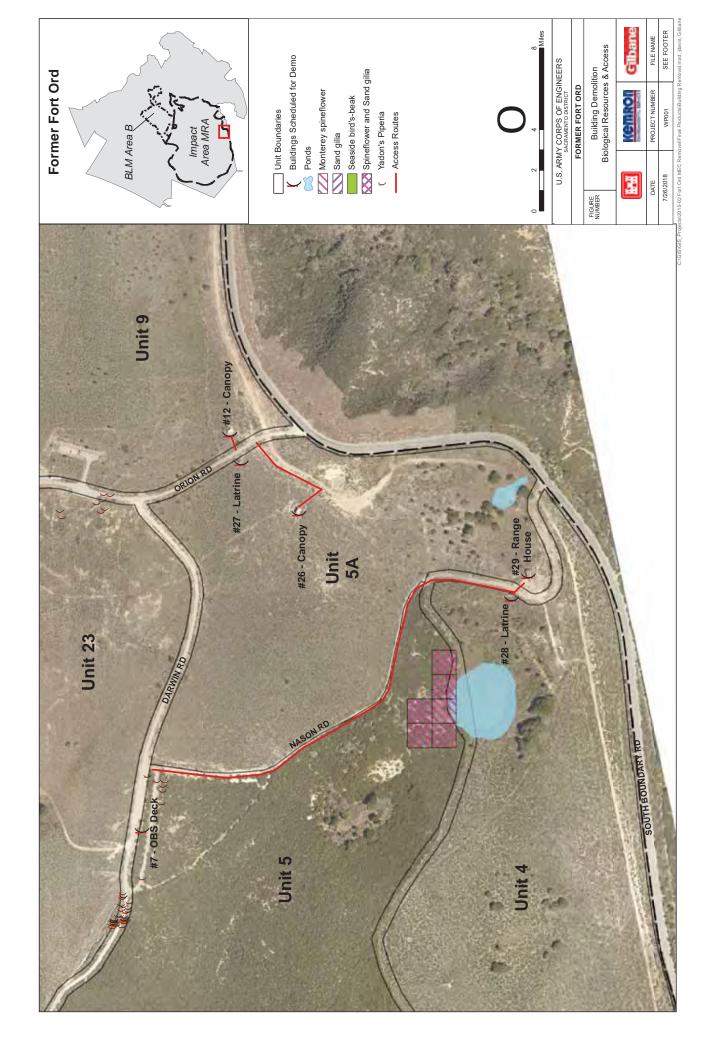
• Only heavy equipment may be refueled in the field. All refueling of heavy equipment will be conducted on the 45-foot wide fuel breaks or approved main roads. Spill control materials such as absorbent pads, noncombustible granular absorbent material, and polyethylene sheeting, will be immediately available to all refueling crews.

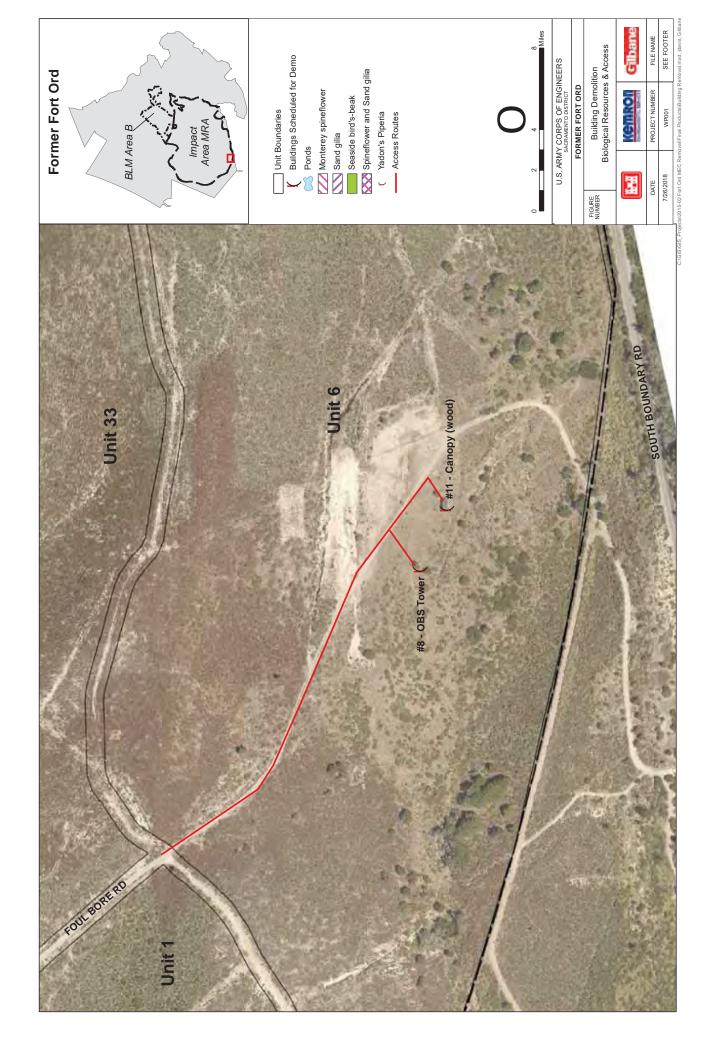


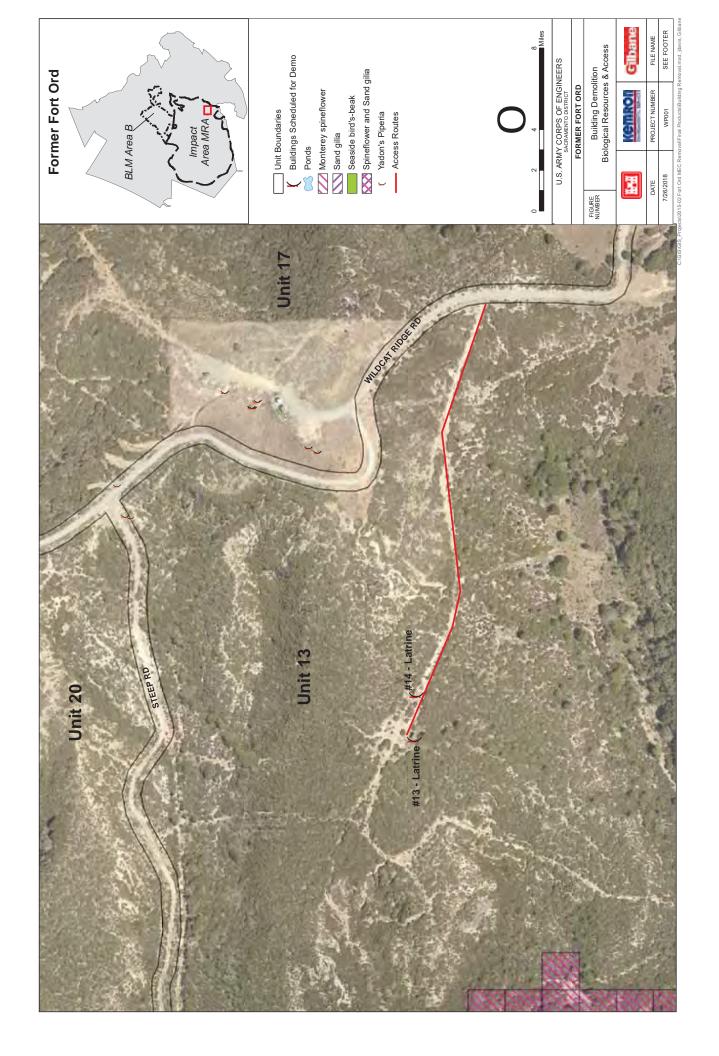
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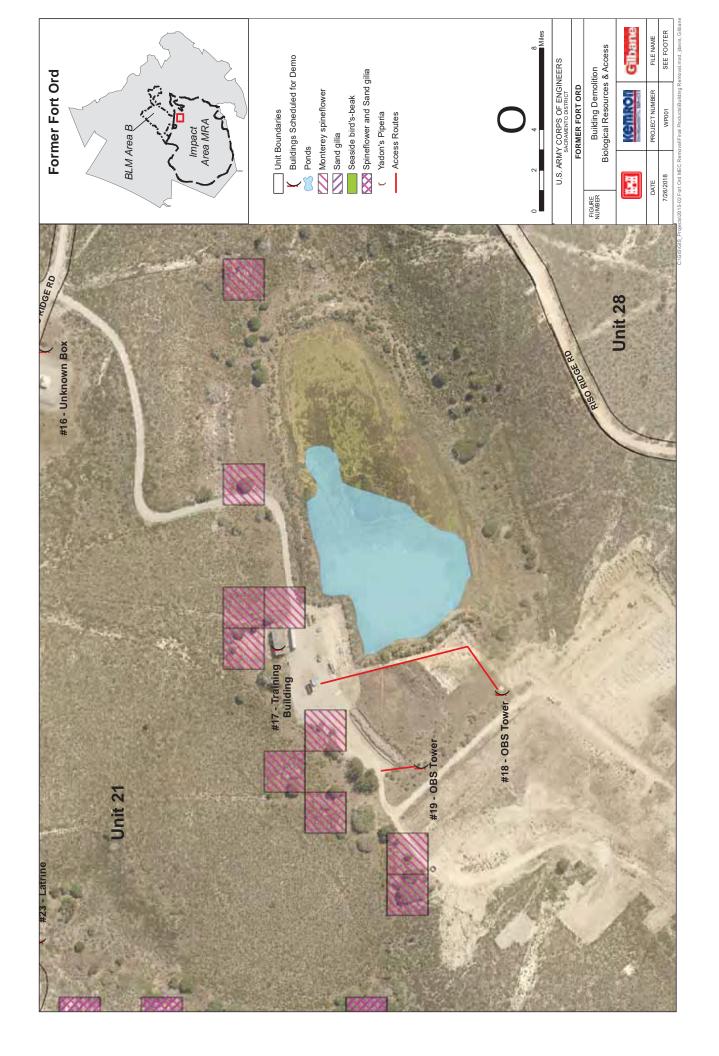


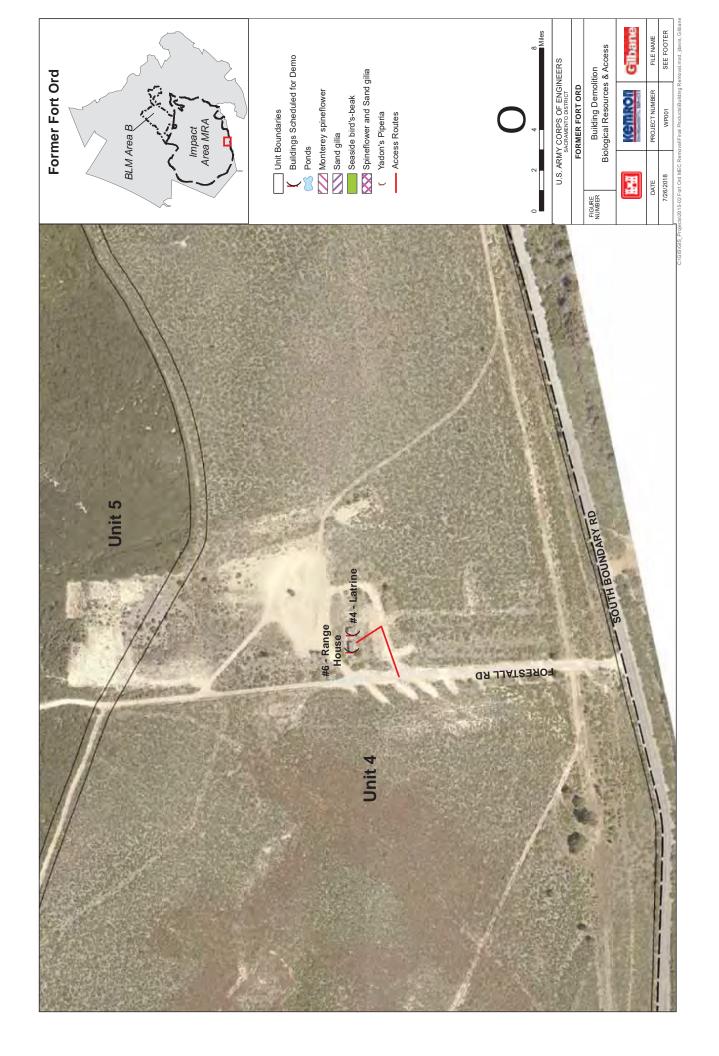


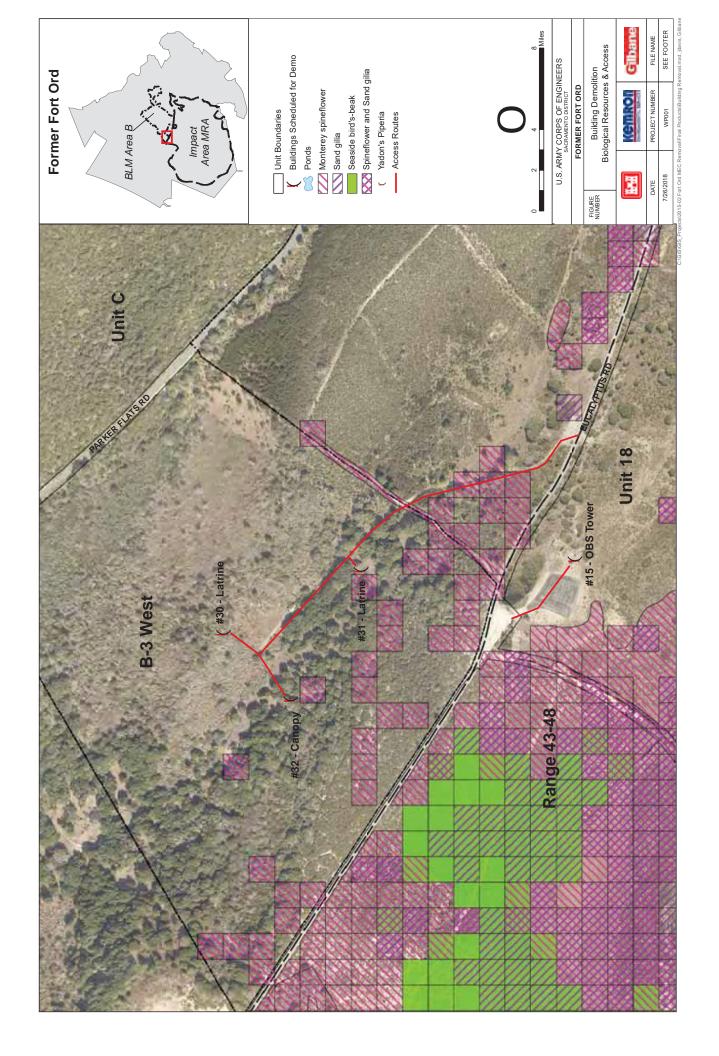


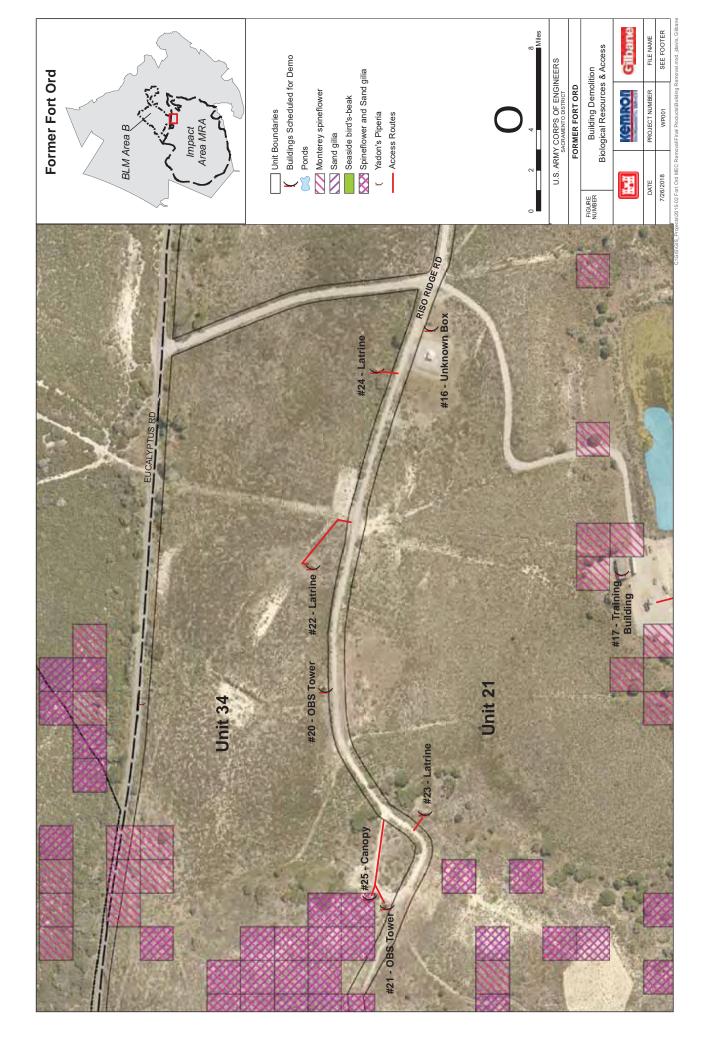














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SITE:	Imp	possible Canyon Road Vegetation Removal					8-8-18		
WORK TO BE	Med	Mechanical and manual vegetation removal for containment lines							
<b>CONDUCTED:</b>	CONDUCTED:								
		Habitat Reserve	⊠ De	el	lopment Area	Othe	er (specify):		
1. LAND USE:	H	Habitat Reserve area, the							
i. Em D CSE.		oad and fuel break portion are considered part of BLM's							
		2% development allowance							
		<b>∑</b> Army	Location						
2. LAND OWNED	<b>R:</b> [	BLM	Location						
		Other:	Location						
3. ENDANGERE HMP-LISTED	_	HREATENED, RARE, CIES	OR	X	Yes No	☐ Fla	gged/Marked		
Spe	cies:	California Tiger Salama spineflower, sand gilia	ander (CTS	),	Black Legless Lizar	rd (BLL), Mo	onterey		
Locat	ion:								
Grid Numb	ers:								
<b>Restrictions:</b>									
All Areas Exclud	ling l	mpossible Canyon Ro	oad Realig	nr	nent Area				
<ul> <li>CTS encounter</li> </ul>	rs m	ust be reported immedi	iately to fie	ld	supervisor and P	roject Biolo	gist. Contact		
<b>3</b> (		83-3112), Patric Kraba	`		6-3514) or Bart K	owalski (83	32-595-5569)		
to document, l	nandl	e, or relocate CTS if en	countered.						
<ul> <li>Report all ence</li> </ul>	ounte	ers of BLL and follow the	e BLL enco	ur	nter protocol				
		not be broadcast outsi			uel breaks into a	reas knowi	n to support		
Monterey spineflower and/or sand gilia (see Figure 1).									
Within Impossible Canyon Road Realignment Area									
O	No vegetation removal shall occur in the habitat reserve areas from approximately February 1 to May 31 due to the presence of Monterey spineflower and sand gilia (see Figure 2).								
•									
		reduced to the greatest							
		e staked and flagged							
removal in the area to indicate areas that should be avoided to the greatest extent feasible.									



4. VERNAL POO	LS/PONDS PRESENT	<b>∑</b> Yes	□ No	<b>⊠</b> Flagged/Marked
Location:	Unit 11: Ponds 16			
Grid Numbers:				
Work Can Proceed in Pools/Ponds:		☐ Yes		⊠ No
D 4 1 41				

#### **Restrictions:**

#### All Areas

- No work shall occur within the vernal ponds until the ponds have dried, as determined by the Project Biologist.
- Vernal ponds shall be staked and flagged for avoidance in coordination with the Project Biologist prior to vegetation removal within the area.
- Masticators shall not be permitted within 50 feet of the vernal ponds (see Figure 1). Small
  equipment, such as a bobcat or other manual equipment may be used to remove vegetation within
  the vernal pond if necessary.

5. VEGETATION REMOVAL							
☐ No Removal Needed	Location:						
Manual Removal Needed	<b>Location:</b> Areas of dense oak woodland, within 50 feet of vernal pond, and areas inaccessible to masticators.						
Mechanical Removal Needed	Location:						

### **Vegetation Removal Restrictions:**

#### All Areas

- Masticators shall not be used in dense areas of oak woodland or within 50 feet of the vernal ponds. Small equipment or manual equipment shall be used in areas where masticators are not permitted or are unable to access.
- Coast live oak trees greater than 4" in diameter shall not be removed, excluding the Impossible
  Canyon Realignment Area. Removal of coast live oak trees smaller than 4" in diameter shall be
  minimized to the greatest extent feasible. Coast live oak trees may be limbed up to 6 feet to allow
  access beneath the trees. No branches larger than 4" shall be cut from coast live oak trees.
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## 7. SITE ACCESS:

### All Areas

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## **8. INVASIVE SPECIES:**

### Habitat Reserve Areas

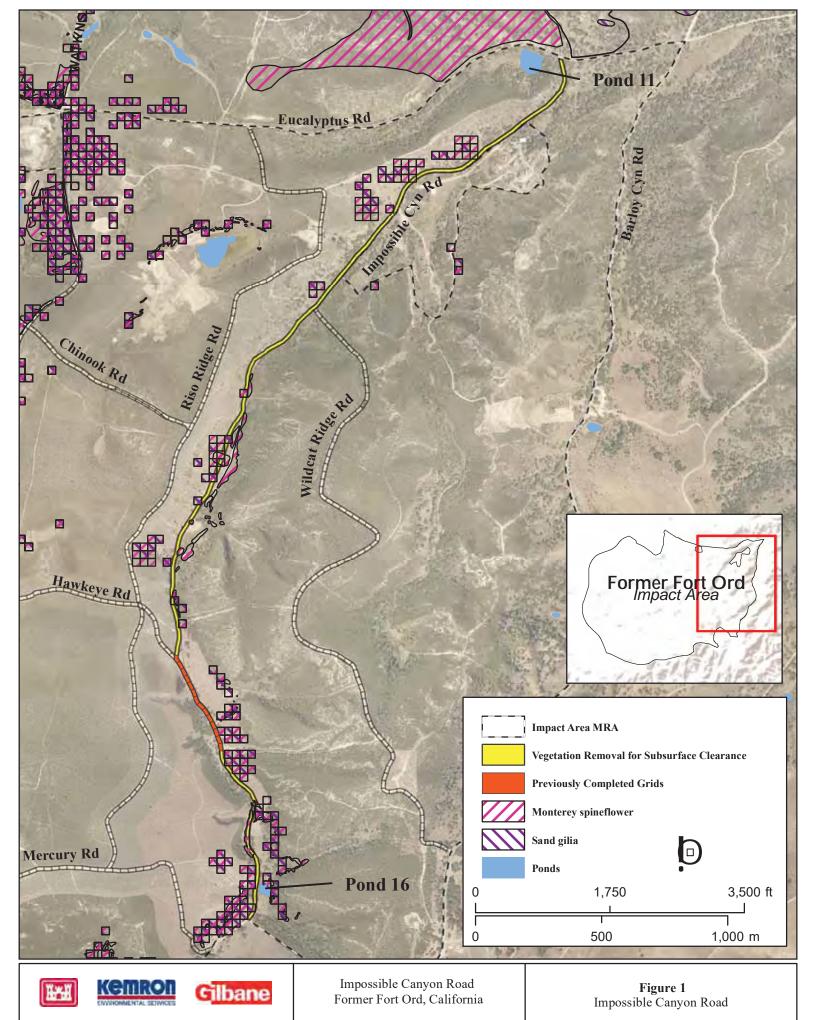
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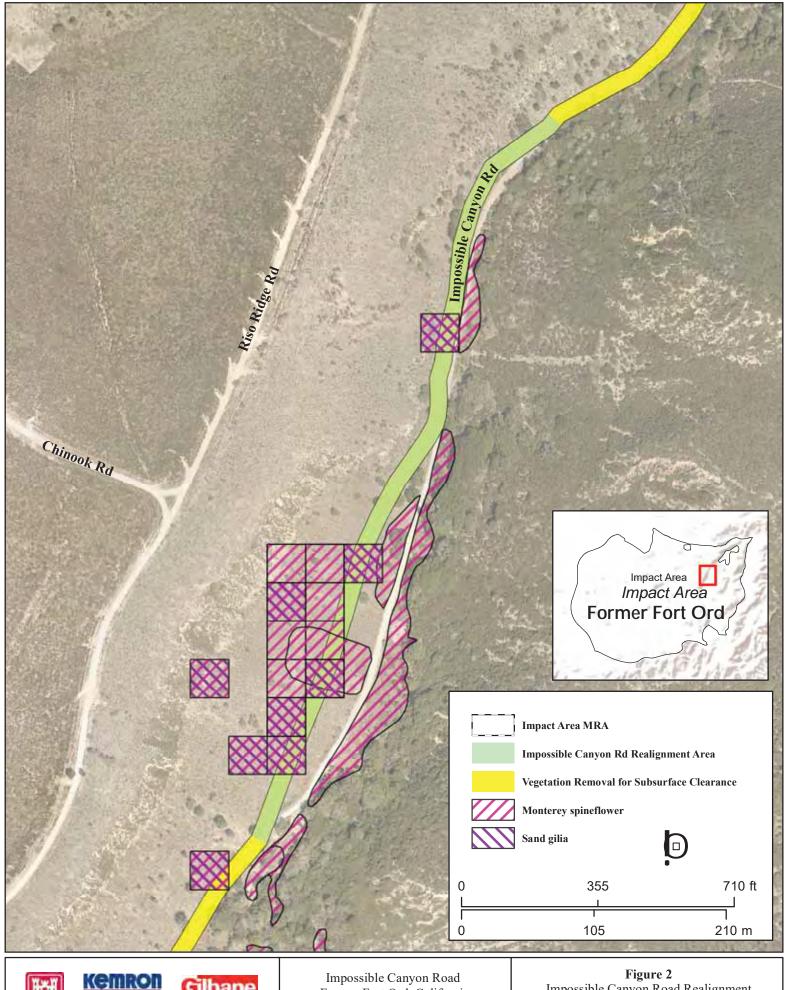
### 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

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This checklist has been read, approved, and signed by the following: Digitally signed by Patric Krabacher
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Former Fort Ord, California

Impossible Canyon Road Realignment **Biological Contraints** 



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SIT	E:	Trai	I 62 within BLM Area B	Unit B-	-2A			DATE:	8-22-18	
	ORK TO BE NDUCTED:	Sub	Subsurface Investigation							
1.	1. LAND USE:									
			Army	Locat	ion:					
2. L	AND OWNE	R: 📙	<b>⊠</b> BLM	<b>Location:</b>						
			Other:	<b>Location:</b>						
					1					
			HREATENED, RARE,	OR		Yes	□No	□ Fl	agged/Marked	
H	IMP-LISTED					-				
		cies:	California Tiger Salama	ander (0	CTS),	Black Leg	gless Lizar	d (BLL), H	MP shrubs	
	Locat									
	Grid Numb	ers:							_	
	trictions:									
	• CTS encounters must be reported immediately to field supervisor and Project Biologist. Contact Jami Colley (925-783-3112), Patric Krabacher (970-216-3514), or Bart Kowalski (832-595-5569) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.									
\ ! ! !	• Excavations 6-inches or deeper left open overnight shall be covered to prevent CTS and other wildlife from becoming entrapped. If it is not feasible to cover these excavations overnight, ramps shall be placed in the excavations to allow CTS to escape. Additionally, if these excavations will be left open for more than one night, boards or similar material shall be placed in the excavations to provide cover for CTS if they accidentally become entrapped. The excavations shall be inspected each morning prior to the commencement of the day's work and prior to filling. If any CTS are entrapped in the excavations, the Project Biologist shall be contacted to relocate the CTS prior to work in the immediate area.									
•	Report all encounters of BLL and follow the BLL encounter protocol									
4. V	4. VERNAL POOLS/PONDS PRESENT Yes No Flagged/Marked									
	Location:	1								
	Grid Numbers:									
	rk Can Procee	ed in	Pools/Ponds:		Yes			□ N	0	
	Restrictions:									
•	No work shall occur within the adjacent vernal pond.									



5. VEGETATION REMOVAL									
No Removal Needed	Location:								
Manual Removal Needed	Location:								
Mechanical Removal Needed									
Vegetation Removal Restrictions:									
6. EROSION CONCERNS/SITE RE	STORATION:								
season appropriate erosion contro	<ul> <li>Use of heavy equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.</li> </ul>								
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7. SITE ACCESS:									
<ul> <li>Vehicle access should be limited t</li> </ul>	o existing roads only.								
<ul> <li>Heavy equipment transport from s</li> </ul>	ite to site must be along existing roads only.								
[									
8. INVASIVE SPECIES:									
<ul> <li>All equipment coming from off-si areas to reduce the potential for s</li> </ul>	te must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve pread of invasive plant species.								
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9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS									
conducted on the approved roads	<ul> <li>Only heavy equipment may be refueled in the field. All refueling of heavy equipment will be conducted on the approved roads. Spill control materials such as absorbent pads, noncombustible granular absorbent material, and polyethylene sheeting, will be immediately available to all refueling crews.</li> </ul>								
This checklist has been read, approved	d, and signed by the following:								
Project Biologist:	Date:								
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# FORT ORD SITE HABITAT CHECKLIST

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SITE:		l Breaks along Watkins here, Mercury, and Ri				DATE:	8/22/18	
WORK TO BE CONDUCTED:		Subsurface QC investigation within fuel breaks – analog removal and advanced classification						
1. LAND USE:	r a 2	Habitat Reserve Although work is within a Habitat Reserve area, the load and fuel break portion lire considered part of BLM's development allowance			lopment Area	Oth	er (specify):	
	<u>  <u>                                </u></u>	<b>∠</b> Army	Locat					
2. LAND OWNED	R: 📙	BLM	Locat					
		Other:	Locat	ion:				
				T				
3. ENDANGERE HMP-LISTED	-	HREATENED, RARE, CIES	OR	$\boxtimes$	Yes No	_ Fla	gged/Marked	
Spe	cies:	CTS, BLL, Monterey	spinefl	ower,	sand gilia, Yador	n's piperia,	Seaside	
		bird's-beak, HMP shr	ubs					
Locat	ion:							
Grid Numb	ers:							
Jami Davis (92	25-78	ust be reported immedia 3-3112), Patric Krabacl or relocate CTS if enco	ner (97	0-216				
• Excavations 6-inches or deeper left open overnight shall be covered to prevent CTS and other wildlife from becoming entrapped. If it is not feasible to cover these excavations overnight, ramps shall be placed in the excavations to allow CTS to escape. Additionally, if these excavations will be left open for more than one night, boards or similar material shall be placed in the excavations to provide cover for CTS if they accidentally become entrapped. The excavations shall be inspected each morning prior to the commencement of the day's work and prior to filling. If any CTS are entrapped in the excavations, the Project Biologist shall be contacted to relocate the CTS prior to work in the immediate area.								
Report all ence	ounte	rs of BLL and follow the	e BLL e	encou	nter protocol.			
if Yadon's pipe	eria m	I classification, the Proj nay be impacted. If the all be made to preserve	Project	t Biolo	gist identifies pote	ntial impac	ts to Yadon's	



4. VERNAL POO	LS/PONDS PRESI	ENT [	Yes	⊠ No	☐ Flagged/Marked
Location:					
<b>Grid Numbers:</b>					
Work Can Proceed	d in Pools/Ponds:		☐ Yes		□ No
<b>Restrictions:</b>					
5. VEGETATION	REMOVAL				
No Removal No	eeded	Location:			
Manual Remov	al Needed	Location:			
☐ Mechanical Re	moval Needed	Location:			
Vegetation Ren	noval Restrictions:				

- Heavy equipment should minimize topsoil disturbance as much as possible and avoid making hard turns.
- Excavation on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season
  appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles,
  straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.
- To the greatest extent feasible, vehicles should avoid parking and driving within bare areas of the fuel breaks where erosion is already occurring.

# 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only.
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing fuel breaks only. Roads may be
  used only when necessary. If equipment transport is required along Hawkeye Road, the fuelbreak
  on the north side of the road (within Unit 15) shall be used to avoid the vernal pool in Unit 11.

### 8. INVASIVE SPECIES:

 All equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce the potential for spread of invasive plant species.

# 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

 Only heavy equipment may be refueled in the field. All refueling of heavy equipment will be conducted on the 45-foot wide fuel breaks or approved main roads. Spill control materials such as absorbent pads, noncombustible granular absorbent material, and polyethylene sheeting, will be immediately available to all refueling crews.



Project Biologist:	Jami Colley    Dist: n=Jami Colley, o=Depise Duffy & Associates, Inc., ou, email=jdavis@ddaplanning.com, c=US Date: 2018.08.22 15:28:01-07'00'	Date:	
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SITE:	HA-2	27A						DATE:	8-22-18
WORK TO BE CONDUCTED:  Placement of Mulch within Eroded Areas									
1. LAND USE:		Habitat R	eserve		Deve	lopment .	Area	Oth	ner (specify):
	<u> </u>	Army		Locat					
2. LAND OWNE	R:   _	BLM		Locat					
		_ Other:		Locat	ion:				
			D 1 D 2	0.70					
3. ENDANGERE HMP-LISTED			, RARE,	OR		] Yes	□ No	Fl	agged/Marked
Spe	cies:	CTS, BLL							
Locat	tion:								
Grid Numb	ers:								
Restrictions:									
CTS encounted     Jami Colley (9     to document, I	925-78	33-3112), Patr	ic Kraba	cher (9	70-21			,	0
Report all ence	ounte	rs of BLL and	follow the	e BII e	encou	nter proto	ncol		
Mulch should	be ap mulch	plied directly t is necessary,	o the site , mulch s	e and sl should b	nall no be in r	ot be stoc rows no h	kpiled to a	8 feet ar	nd the base of
4. VERNAL POO	LS/P	ONDS PRESI	ENT		Yes		⊠ No	Fla	agged/Marked
<b>Location:</b>									
Grid Numbers:					_				
Work Can Procee	ed in I	Pools/Ponds:			Yes			L N	lo
Restrictions:									
5. VEGETATIO	N RE	MOVAL							
No Removal N	leeded	I	Locatio	n:.					
Manual Remo	val N	eeded	Locatio	n:					
Mechanical Ro	emova	al Needed	Locatio	n:					
Vegetation Rea	moval	Restrictions:							



 Small equipment (e.g. skid steer) or hand tools shall be used to place the mulch to avoid damaging existing vegetation within or adjacent to the restoration area.

# 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only.
- The site shall be accessed from foul bore road.

# **8. INVASIVE SPECIES:**

• All equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce the potential for spread of invasive plant species.

# 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

- No mulch shall be placed in areas supporting wetland plants. These areas shall be flagged by the Project Biologist prior to the placement of mulch.
- Only heavy equipment may be refueled in the field. All refueling of heavy equipment will be conducted on the 45-foot wide fuel breaks or approved main roads. Spill control materials such as absorbent pads, noncombustible granular absorbent material, and polyethylene sheeting, will be immediately available to all refueling crews.

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Apply mulch in shown areas in at HA27A. Access site from the south avoiding restoration area.



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SITE:	Osc	ar & Felix Roa	ds (Ran	nge 43-48	3)			DATE:	8-28-18		
WORK TO BE CONDUCTED:		New fence installation along the northern border									
CONDCCIED.	COMBOCILIA										
1. LAND USE:	;	Although work is Habitat Reserve a road and fuel brea are considered part	h work is within a Reserve area, the I fuel break portion dered part of BLM's lopment allowance  Development Area  Other (specify):								
		⊠ Army		Locati	ion:						
2. LAND OWNE	R: [	BLM		Locati	on:						
		Other:		Locati	ion:						
3. ENDANGERE HMP-LISTED			RARE	, OR	$\boxtimes$	Yes	□ No	Fla	agged/Marked		
Spe	cies:	California Tige Monterey spin		,	, .	Black Legi	less Lizar	d (BLL), HI	MP shrubs,		
Locat	ion:										
Grid Numb	ers:										
Restrictions:		•									
Jami Colley (9	925-7	ust be reported 83-3112), Patr le, or relocate (	ic Krab	acher (97	70-21						
Report all enc	ounte	ers of BLL and	follow th	he BLL e	ncou	nter proto	col.				
<ul> <li>Report all encounters of BLL and follow the BLL encounter protocol.</li> <li>Topsoil from the newly graded areas shall be placed on top of the abandoned portions of the existing road alignment in order to facilitate restoration and revegetation and to preserve the seedbank of any HMP species present.</li> </ul>											
4. VERNAL POC	LS/I	ONDS PRESE	ENT	Y	es	2	<b>≤</b> No	Fla	gged/Marked		
Location:	1										
Grid Numbers:			<del>- 1</del>		1			K 71			
Work Can Proceed in Pools/Ponds: Yes No											
Restrictions:											
5. VEGETATION REMOVAL											
No Removal N		1	Locati	on:							
Manual Remo					in rea	lionment a	reas				
✓ Manual Removal Needed       Location: Within realignment areas         ✓ Mechanical Removal Needed       Location:											



Vegetation F	Removal	Restrictions
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None.

### 6. EROSION CONCERNS/SITE RESTORATION:

 Use of heavy equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.

# 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only, except within the new road alignments.
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along fuelbreaks; roads may be used when necessary.

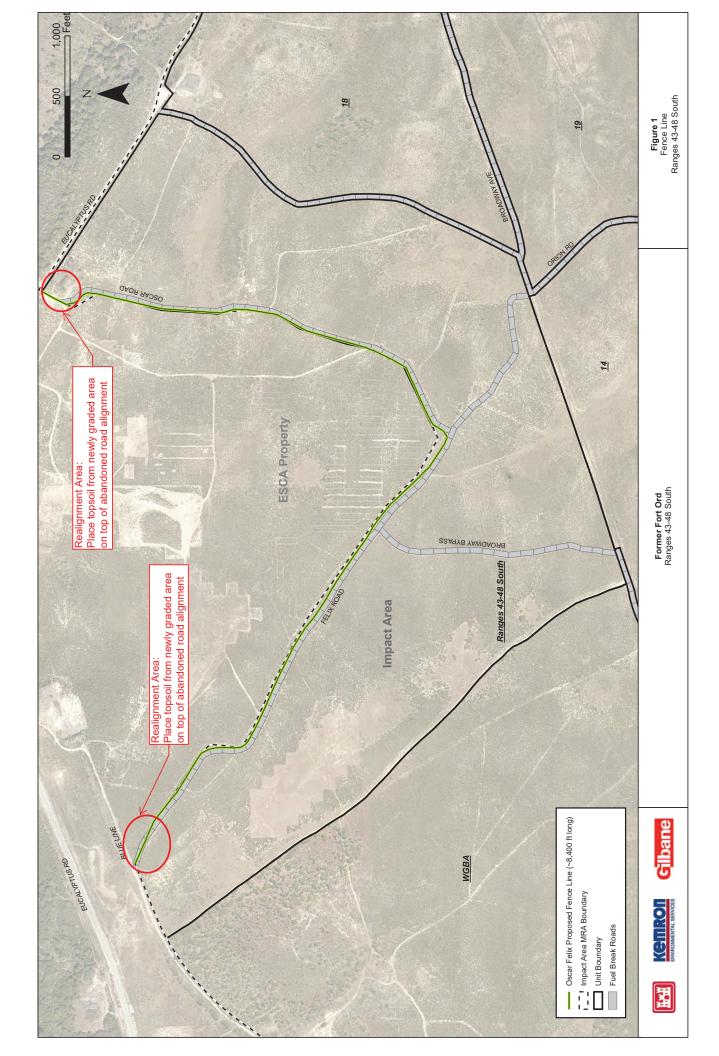
### 8. INVASIVE SPECIES:

 All equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce the potential for spread of invasive plant species.

# 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

 Only heavy equipment may be refueled in the field. All refueling of heavy equipment will be conducted on the approved roads. Spill control materials such as absorbent pads, noncombustible granular absorbent material, and polyethylene sheeting, will be immediately available to all refueling crews.

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# **MEMORANDUM**

**Date:** January 29, 2019

From: Amendment to the Oscar and Felix Roads (Range 43-48) Fenceline Habitat Checklist

(Dated 8-28-18)

The Oscar and Felix Roads (Range 43-48) Fenceline Habitat Checklist (HCL) will be amended to include approximately 0.02 acre of subsurface clearance within the designated fuelbreak. As identified in the HCL, although work is within a Habitat Reserve area, the road and fuel break portion are considered part of BLM's 2% development allowance. As such, measures identified in the HCL will avoid or reduce potential impacts and no additional measures are necessary.

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SI	TE:		BLM Area B-3 East and West Trail Realignments and Subsurface Investigations (Trails 16, 56, 57, and 65)  DATE:  9-20-18							
	ORK TO BE ONDUCTED:	Subsurface investigation								
1.	LAND USE:		<b>⊠</b> Habitat Reserve		Deve	lopment A	rea	Oth	er (specify):	
			Army	Locat						
2.	LAND OWNE	R:	<b>⊠</b> BLM	Locat	ion:					
			Other:	Locat	ion:					
	ENDANGERE HMP-LISTED	-	HREATENED, RARE, ECIES	OR	$\boxtimes$	Yes	□ No	Fla	agged/Marked	
	Spe	cies:	California Tiger Salama Monterey spineflower,			Black Leg	ess Lizar	d (BLL), sa	nd gilia,	
	Loca	tion:								
	Grid Numl	ers:								
Re	estrictions:									
•	Jami Colley (9	925-	nust be reported immed 783-3112), Patric Kraba dle, or relocate CTS if en	cher (9	70-21					
•										
•	<ul> <li>No work shall occur from approximately February 1 to May 31 due to the presence of Monterey spineflower or sand gilia (see attached maps).</li> </ul>									
•	2-3 inches of shall be kept replaced on to	the to sepa	within areas containing opsoil shall be preserved arate from any other soil the backfilling. If the to sted for the night, the pile	d and p piles. ( psoil pi	laced Once le is r	on a tarp excavatio not replace	or other n is com ed before	impermeak plete, the t the end c	ole surface and topsoil shall be of the work day	

Report all encounters of BLL and follow the BLL encounter protocol



4. VERNAL POOLS/PONDS PRESENT			∑ Yes [		☐ Flagged/Marked					
Location:	Pond 73, Machine Gui	n Flats, and	Pond 60 are a	djacent to the	work areas					
Grid Numbers:										
Work Can Proceed in Pools/Ponds: Yes No										
<b>Restrictions:</b>	Restrictions:									
No work shall o	ccur within the adjace	nt vernal po	nds.							
5. VEGETATION	REMOVAL									
No Removal Ne	eeded Lo	cation:								
Manual Remov	al Needed Lo	cation:								
Mechanical Rei	Mechanical Removal Needed Location:									
Vegetation Removal Restrictions:										

- Use of heavy equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.
- Heavy equipment should minimize topsoil disturbance as much as possible, avoid making hard turns, and enter and exit the site from a limited number of routes. Equipment operators should minimize driving parallel to the slope to the greatest extent feasible to prevent creating rills.

### 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only.
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing roads only.

# 8. INVASIVE SPECIES:

 All equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce the potential for spread of invasive plant species.

# 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

 Only heavy equipment may be refueled in the field. All refueling of heavy equipment will be conducted on the approved roads. Spill control materials such as absorbent pads, noncombustible granular absorbent material, and polyethylene sheeting, will be immediately available to all refueling crews. No refueling shall occur within 400 feet of the vernal ponds.



This checklist has been read, approved, and signed by the following:

**Project Biologist: Date:** 9-20-18

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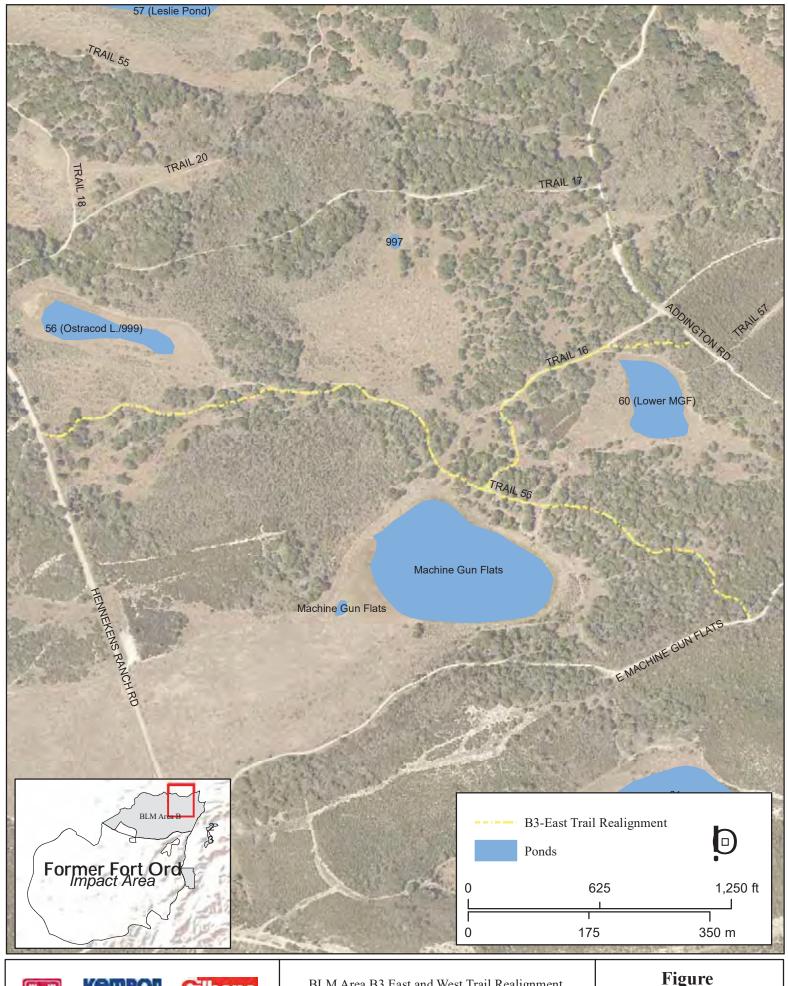
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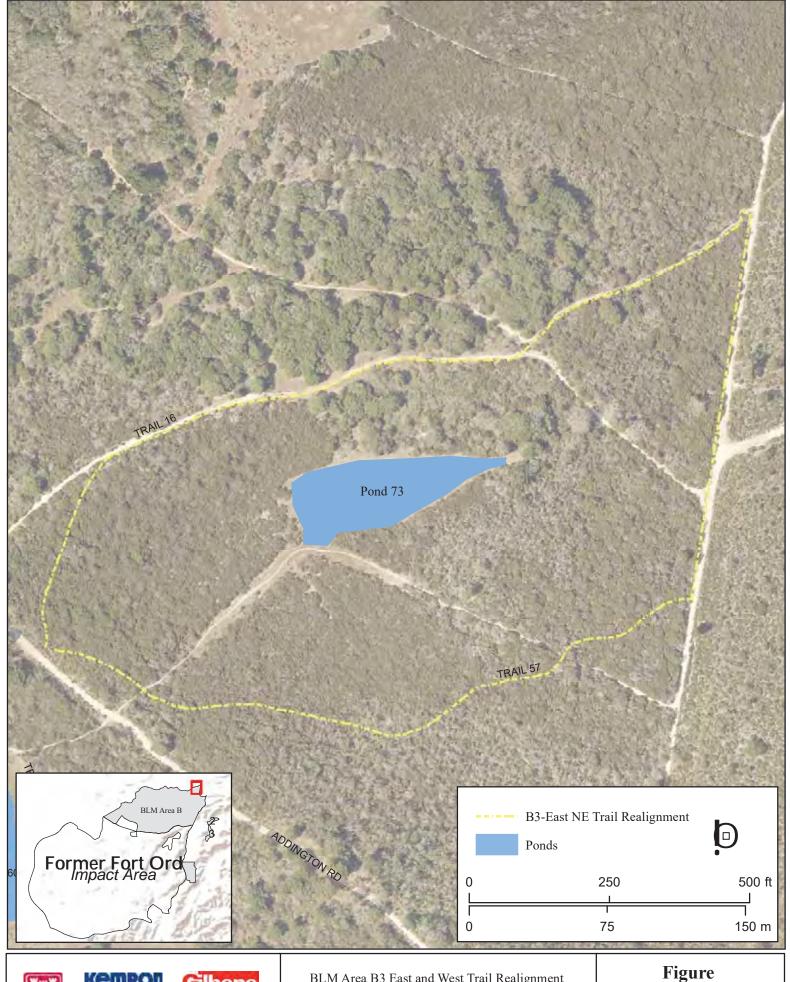






BLM Area B3 East and West Trail Realignment Fort Ord, California

Figure 1



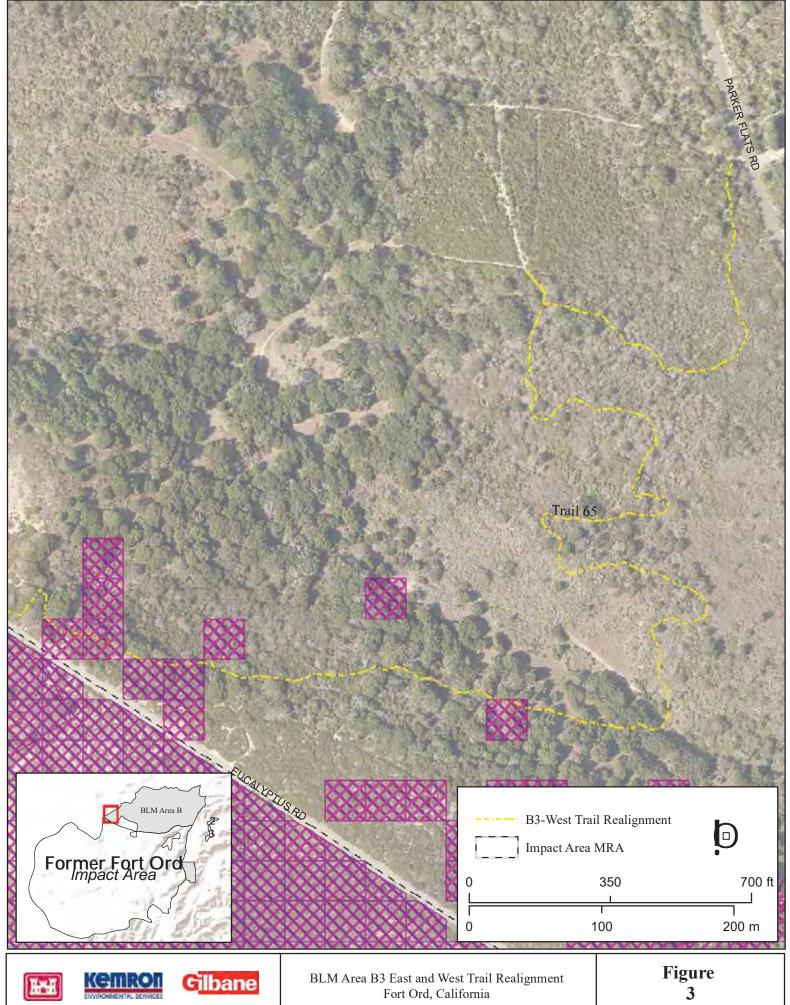






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Figure 2







Fort Ord, California



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SI	TE:		nds 3 North, 3 South, 1 South, 41, 42, 43, 44, 6	DATE:	10-9-18			
	WORK TO BE CONDUCTED:  Subsurface Investigation							
1.	1. LAND USE:							er (specify):
			⊠ Army	Location	1:	Unit 13		
2.	LAND OWNER	R: [	⊠ BLM	Location	ı:	BLM Area B		
		Ī	Other:	Location	ı:			
						<u>.                                    </u>		
3.	ENDANGERE HMP-LISTED		HREATENED, RARE, CIES	OR	$\boxtimes$	Yes No	o	agged/Marked
	Spe	cies:	California Tiger Salama	ander (CT	S),	Contra Costa Gold	dfields	
	Locat	ion:	CTS: Pond 16, 41, 42	2, and 60	G	oldfields: Ponds	3 North and	d 61
	Grid Numb	ers:						
R	estrictions:							
•	<ul> <li>CTS encounters must be reported immediately to field supervisor and Project Biologist. Contact Jami Colley (925-783-3112), Patric Krabacher (970-216-3514), or Bart Kowalski (832-595-5569) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.</li> <li>If substantial rainfall (greater than 0.5 inch of rain in a 24-hour period) occurs, work activities must cease until the Service-approved biologist, and workers trained to identify CTS, have searched the work area for dispersing salamanders. Work activities may resume once the biologist and search crew have determined that CTS that could be killed or injured by work activities are not present in the work area.</li> </ul>							
Ľ	140 WOIR SHAII	0000	ur within Ponds 3 North	ii aiid 0 i	<i></i>	- Ween't coldary i		
4.	VERNAL POO	LS/F	PONDS PRESENT	X Yes		No	Fla	gged/Marked
	Location:		01(2011112011(1					gged/1/14111ea
	Grid Numbers:							
	Work Can Proceed in Pools/Ponds: Yes No							
	Restrictions:							
•	Work shall be conducted as described in the SOP.							
•	<ul> <li>No work shall occur while the ponds hold water or are saturated, as determined by the Project Biologist.</li> </ul>							
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5. VEGETATION REMOVAL	
No Removal Needed	Location:
☐ Manual Removal Needed	Location:
☐ Mechanical Removal Needed	Location:
<b>Vegetation Removal Restrictions:</b>	
6. EROSION CONCERNS/SITE RE	ESTORATION:
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7. SITE ACCESS:	
Vehicle access should be limited:	to existing roads only.
8. INVASIVE SPECIES:	
All equipment coming from off-site the potential for spread of invasive	must be washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce e plant species.
9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERN	S:
•	
This checklist has been read, approved	, and signed by the following:
Project Biologist:	ami Colley Date: 10-9-18
QC Manager:	Date:
BRAC Biologist:	Date:



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SI	TE:	BLM Area B Unit C Trail 70 DATE: 11-5-18						11-5-18	
	WORK TO BE Subsurface Investigation								
1.	LAND USE:		<b>◯</b> Habitat Reserve		Deve	lopment A	Area	Oth	er (specify):
			Army	Locati	on:				
2.	LAND OWNER	ર: [[	<b>⊠</b> BLM	Locati	on:				
			Other:	Locati	on:				
3.	3. ENDANGERED, THREATENED, RARE, OR HMP-LISTED SPECIES								
	Spec	cies:	California Tiger Salam	ander (C	CTS),	Black Leg	gless Liza	rd (BLL), H	MP shrubs
	Locat	ion:							
	Grid Numb	ers:							
Re	estrictions:								
•	<ul> <li>CTS encounters must be reported immediately to field supervisor and Project Biologist. Contact Jami Colley (925-783-3112), Patric Krabacher (970-216-3514), or Bart Kowalski (832-595-5569) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.</li> <li>Excavations 6-inches or deeper left open overnight shall be covered to prevent CTS and other wildlife from becoming entrapped. If it is not feasible to cover these excavations overnight, ramps shall be placed in the excavations to allow CTS to escape. Additionally, if these excavations will be left open for more than one night, boards or similar material shall be placed in the excavations to provide cover for CTS if they accidentally become entrapped. The excavations shall be inspected each morning prior to the commencement of the day's work and prior to filling. If any CTS are entrapped in the excavations, the Project Biologist shall be contacted to relocate the CTS prior to</li> </ul>								
	work in the imi					/			
•	<ul> <li>HMP grids in the adjacent BLM Area B Unit B shall be avoided (see attached map).</li> </ul>								
•	Report all encounters of BLL and follow the BLL encounter protocol								
4									
4.			ONDS PRESENT	X Y	es		No	Fla	ngged/Marked
<u> </u>	Location:	Por	nd 35						
	Grid Numbers:	1 2 2	D1-/D 1		1 📆 7				<u> </u>
	Ork Can Procee	a in	Pools/Ponds:		Yes			□ N	0
	Restrictions:								
•	No work shall occur within the adjacent vernal pond.								



5. VEGETATION REMOVAL	5. VEGETATION REMOVAL				
<b>◯</b> No Removal Needed	Location:				
Manual Removal Needed	Location:				
Mechanical Removal Needed	Location:				
Vegetation Removal Restrictions:					

- Use of heavy equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.
- Heavy equipment should minimize topsoil disturbance as much as possible, avoid making hard turns, and enter and exit the site from a limited number of routes.

# 7. SITE ACCESS:

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- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing roads only.

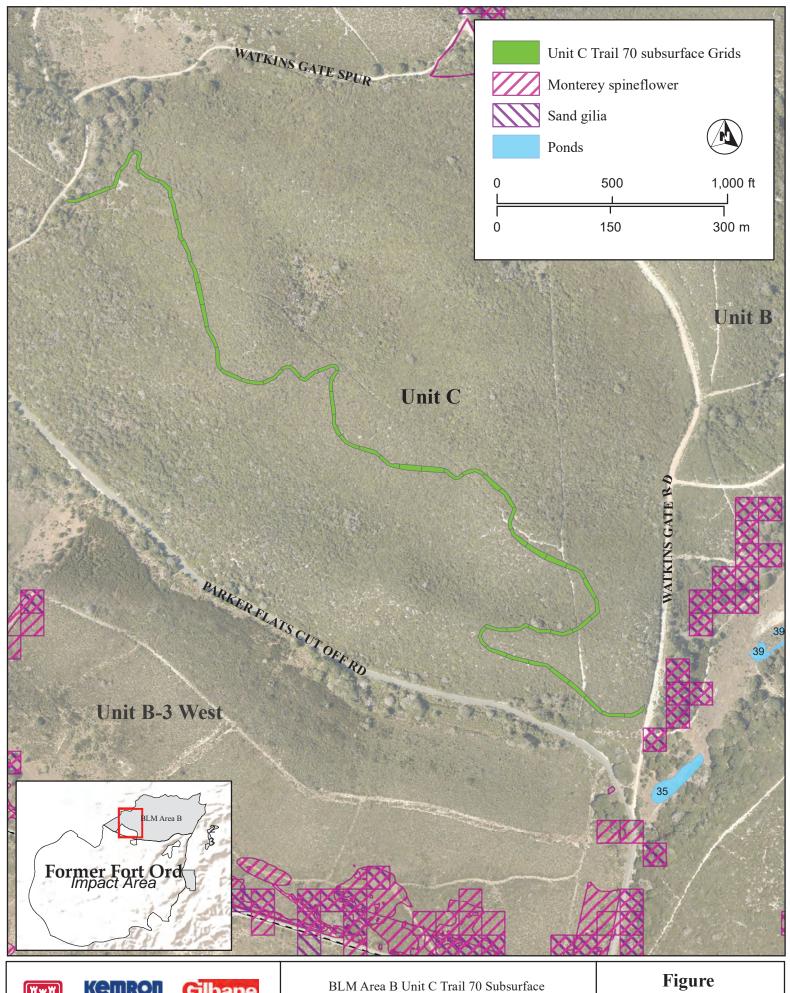
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### 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

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BLM Area B Unit C Trail 70 Subsurface Fort Ord, California

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# **MEMORANDUM**

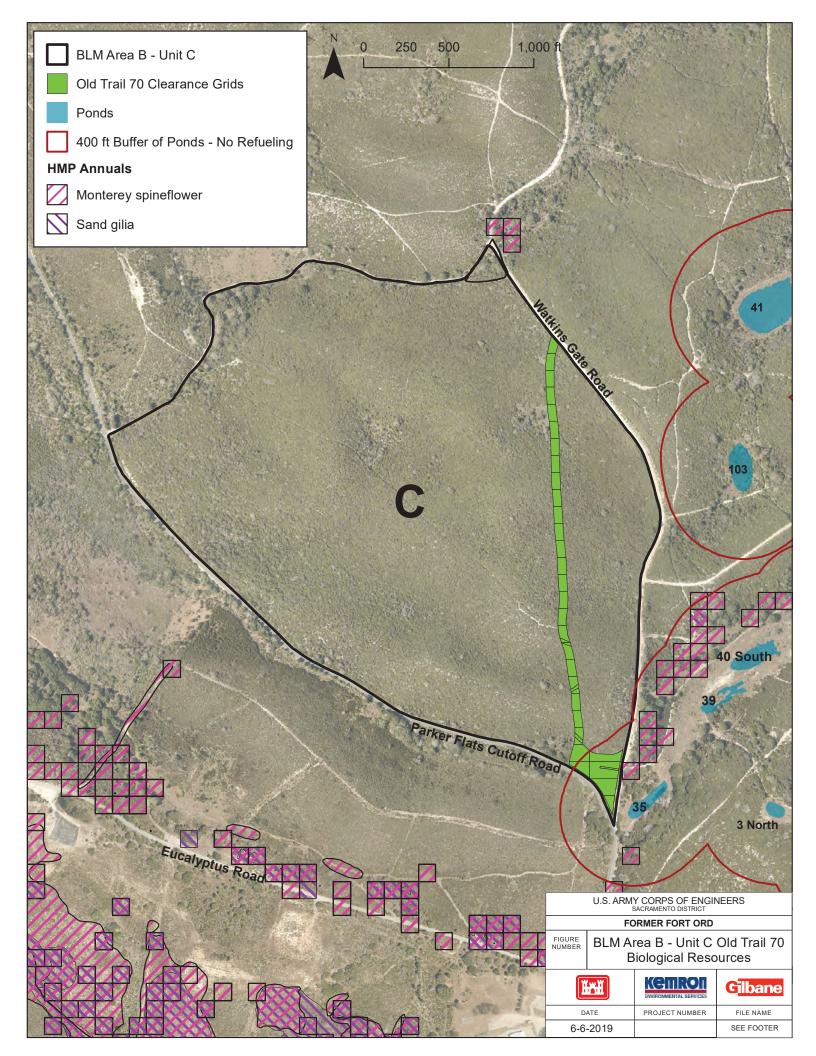
**Date:** June 6, 2019

From: Amendment to the BLM Area B Unit C Trail 70 Subsurface Investigation Habitat

Checklist (Dated 11-5-18)

The BLM Area B Unit C Trail 70 Subsurface Investigation Habitat Checklist (HCL) will be amended to include subsurface work within the alignment of the Old Trail 70, as shown on the attached map. No additional measures beyond those identified in the HCL are necessary.

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**Restrictions:** 

# FORT ORD SITE HABITAT CHECKLIST

The following are requirements to minimize biological disturbances to protected species and habitat.

Please notify Jami Davis, KEMRON Biologist (925-783-3112), *before* proceeding if work tasks or work boundaries change, additional vegetation removal is necessary, vegetation cutting methods change, or any other conditions change. Field Supervisors must receive a copy of this checklist.

SI	TITE: Range 48 (29.6 ac) and WGBA (1.8 ac) DATE: 1-3-19						1-3-19		
W	WORK TO BE Vegetation removal and shallow (up to 6 inches) subsurface investigation using					stigation using			
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1.	LAND USE:		⊠ Habitat Reserve	· _	Deve	lopment A	rea	Oth	ner (specify):
			<b>⊠</b> Army	Locat	tion:				
2.	LAND OWNE	R:	BLM	Locat	tion:				
			Other:	Locat	tion:				
				•					
3.	<b>ENDANGERE</b>	<b>D, T</b>	HREATENED, RAR	E, OR		1 🔻 7	□ NT.		
	HMP-LISTED			,		Yes	∐ No	F1	agged/Marked
	Spe	cies:	Monterey spineflower	er, sand g	ilia, se	aside bird's	-beak, HM	IP shrub	s, and BLL
	Locat	tion:	See attached map for	or known l	ocatio	ns of HMP	annual pla	nts	
	Grid Numb	ers:							
Re	estrictions:								
•	Report all enc	ounte	ers of BLL and follow	the BLL	encou	nter protoc	ol.		
	•		this area due to the			•		a dina n	andar harravar
•		,	rs must be reported in					0 1	, ,
			hall be followed. Con						
			Kowalski (832-595-55						
•	No work shall	OCCII	ır in areas known to s	upport M	ontere	v snineflov	ver or san	d ailia (a	all areas within
			proximately February			•		u gilia (a	iii arcas withiir
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•			r in grids containing s						
			that the plants are not () (see attached map)		ווווטטווו	ng and nav	e set see	u (appro	ximately
	August/Septer	libei	) (See allached map)	•					
•			<u>er than 6 inches or ex</u>						
	2-3 inches of the topsoil for <u>all investigations within Range 48</u> shall be preserved and placed on a								
	tarp or other impermeable surface, and shall be kept separate from any other soil piles. Once								
	excavation is complete, the topsoil shall be replaced on top of the backfilling. If the topsoil pile is								
	not replaced before the end of the work day and rain is forecasted for the night, the pile shall be								
	covered to prevent it from washing away.								
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4.		1	PONDS PRESENT		Yes	$\geq$	No		agged/Marked
	<b>Location:</b>	+							
	Grid Numbers:				_				
<b>XX</b> 7	ork Can Proces	d in	Dools/Donds		$\nabla_{\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{c}}}$				[0



5. VEGETATION REMOVAL				
☐ No Removal Needed	Location:			
Manual Removal Needed	Location:			
Mechanical Removal Needed	Location:			
Vegetation Demoved Destrictions:				

### **Vegetation Removal Restrictions:**

- No vegetation removal shall occur from approximately February 1 to June 1.
- No vegetation removal shall occur in grids containing Seaside bird's-beak until it has been determined by the KEMRON biologist that the plants are no longer blooming and have set seed (approximately August/September) (see attached map).

### 6. EROSION CONCERNS/SITE RESTORATION:

- Heavy equipment should minimize topsoil disturbance as much as possible, avoid making hard turns, and enter and exit the site from a limited number of routes.
- Although unlikely, if soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control
  measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or
  sterile barley.

# 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only.
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing fuelbreaks only. Roads may be used only when necessary.

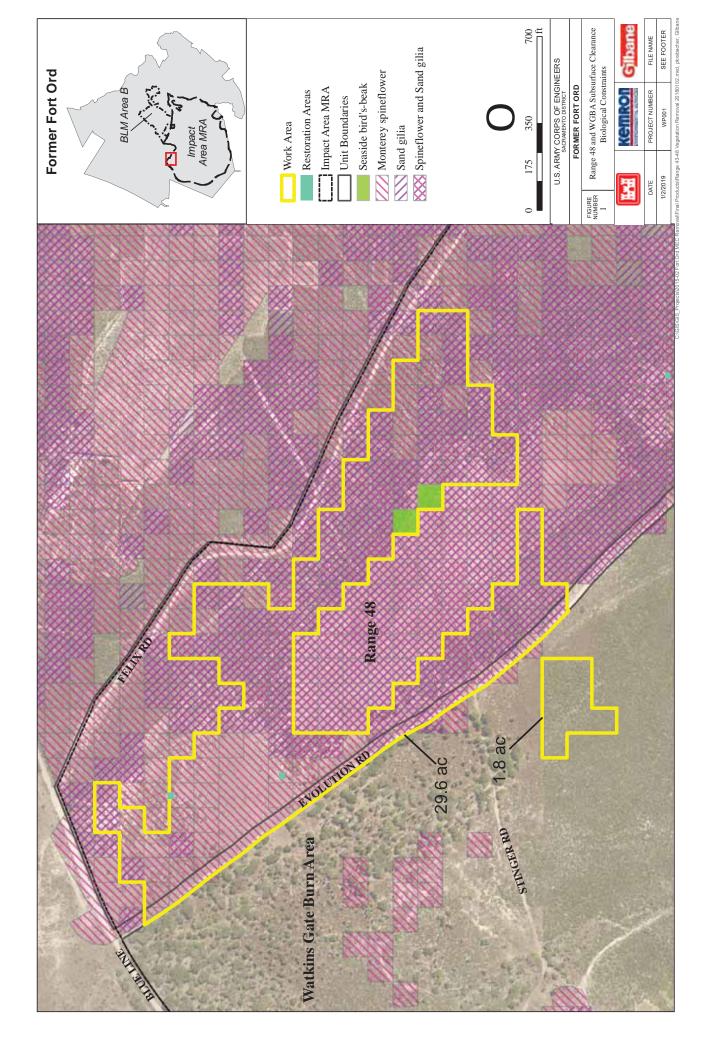
### 8. INVASIVE SPECIES:

• All equipment coming from off-site must be pressure-washed prior to entering habitat reserve areas to reduce the potential for spread of invasive plant species.

# 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

 No work is permitted within the two restoration areas (see attached map). The restoration areas shall be staked and flagged prior to the start of work.

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<b>KEMRON QC Manager:</b>	O.COM Date: 2019.01.03 15:07:42 -08'00'	Date:
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Please notify Jami Colley, Project Biologist (925-783-3112), *before* proceeding if work tasks or work boundaries change, additional vegetation removal is necessary, vegetation cutting methods change, or any other conditions change. Field Supervisors must receive a copy of this checklist.

SITE:		BLM	M Area B Unit A Trails DATE: 1-11-19				1-11-19		
WORK	X TO BE	Med	hanical and manual ve	getation	remo	oval and s	surface ar	nd subsurfa	ice MEC
COND	<b>UCTED:</b>	rem	oval						
1. LA	ND USE:		<b>⊠</b> Habitat Reserve		Devel	lopment A	Area	Othe	er (specify):
			Army	Location	on:				
2. LAN	ID OWNE	<b>R:</b> [	<b>⊠</b> BLM	Location	on:				
			Other:	Location	on:	ı			
3. END	ANGERE	D, TI	HREATENED, RARE,	OR	$\nabla$	Yes	No		ggod/Morkod
HM	P-LISTED	SPE	CIES			j i es			gged/Marked
	Spe	cies:	California Tiger Salama	•	,	Black Leg	less Lizar	d (BLL), HN	/IP shrubs, and
			Monterey spineflower (adjacent)						
	Locat								
	Grid Numb	ers:							
Restric	ctions:								
Jan	• CTS encounters must be reported immediately to field supervisor and Project Biologist. Contact Jami Colley (925-783-3112), Patric Krabacher (970-216-3514), or Bart Kowalski (832-595-5569) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.								
• Rep	Report all encounters of BLL and follow the BLL encounter protocol								
• No	No work shall occur in known HMP grids adjacent to the project site (see Figure 1).								
sou ope	Mature Toro manzanitas (approximately 6 feet in height or taller) that provide an important seed source for the species shall be retained at intervals of approximately 50-feet. Masticator operators shall receive additional training from the Project Biologist in Toro manzanita identification.								



4. VERNAL POO	LS/PONDS PRESENT	⊠ Yes	□ No	<b>⊠</b> Flagged/Marked
Location:	Ponds 41, 44, and 103			
<b>Grid Numbers:</b>				
Work Can Procee	d in Pools/Ponds:	∑ Yes		□ No

#### **Restrictions:**

- Masticators shall not be permitted within 50 feet of the ponds 41 and 44 (see attached figure).
   Small equipment, such as a bobcat or other manual equipment may be used to remove vegetation adjacent to the vernal ponds if necessary.
- No work shall occur within the vernal ponds adjacent to Trail 62 and Trail 65 until the ponds have dried, as determined by the Project Biologist (see attached figure).
- No subsurface removal shall occur within the ponds as this work has already been completed
- The pond shall be staked and flagged for avoidance in coordination with the Project Biologist prior to vegetation removal within the area.

5. VEGETATION REMOVAL					
☐ No Removal Needed	Location:				
Manual Removal Needed	<b>Location:</b> Areas of dense oak woodland, within 50 feet of vernal pond, and areas inaccessible to masticators.				
Mechanical Removal Needed	Location:				

# **Vegetation Removal Restrictions:**

- Masticators shall not be used in dense areas of oak woodland or within 50 feet of the vernal pond. Small equipment or manual equipment shall be used in areas where masticators are not permitted or are unable to access.
- Coast live oak trees greater than 4" in diameter shall not be removed. Removal of coast live oak
  trees smaller than 4" in diameter shall be minimized to the greatest extent feasible. Coast live oak
  trees may be limbed up to 6 feet to allow access beneath the trees. No branches larger than 4"
  shall be cut from coast live oak trees. Branches shall be cut all the way up to the next branch.

### 6. EROSION CONCERNS/SITE RESTORATION:

- Use of heavy equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.
- Heavy equipment should minimize topsoil disturbance as much as possible, avoid making hard turns, and enter and exit the site from a limited number of routes. Equipment operators should minimize driving parallel to the slope to the greatest extent feasible to prevent creating rills.

### 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only.
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing roads only.
- Equipment (skid steer) traffic to access stockpiled vegetation shall be minimized to the greatest extent feasible.

# **8. INVASIVE SPECIES:**

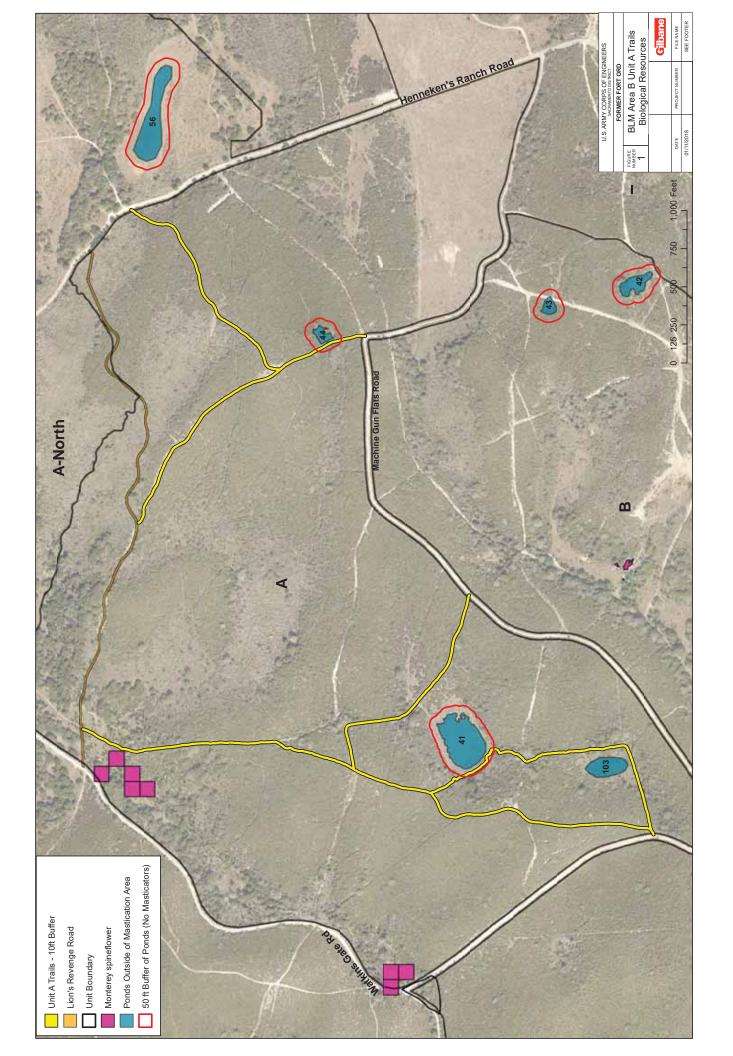
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# 9. ADDITIONAL SITE CONCERNS:

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Please notify Jami Colley, Project Biologist (925-783-3112), *before* proceeding if work tasks or work boundaries change, additional vegetation removal is necessary, vegetation cutting methods change, or any other conditions change. Field Supervisors must receive a copy of this checklist.

SITE:	BLN	Area B Unit B Trails					DATE:	8-12-19
WORK TO BE CONDUCTED:	Sub	surface MEC removal						
1. LAND USE:		<b>◯</b> Habitat Reserve	ve			ner (specify):		
		Army	Locati					
2. LAND OWNE	R: [	<b>⊠</b> BLM	Locati	on:				
		Other:	Locati	on:				
3. ENDANGERED, THREATENED, RARE, OR HMP-LISTED SPECIES Yes No Flagged/Marked								
Spe	cies:	California Tiger Salar spineflower	mander (C	CTS),	Black Le	gless Liza	ard (BLL), a	nd Monterey
Locat	tion:							
Grid Numb	ers:							
<b>Restrictions:</b>								
• CTS encounters must be reported immediately to field supervisor and Project Biologist. Contact Jami Colley (925-783-3112), Patric Krabacher (970-216-3514), or Bart Kowalski (832-595-5569) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.								
<ul> <li>Report all enc</li> </ul>	ounte	ers of BLL and follow t	he BLL e	ncoui	nter proto	col		
No work shall     to June 1 (see		r in areas known to su tached map).	ipport Mo	ntere	y spineflo	ower fror	n approxim	ately February
<ul> <li>For investigations within areas known to support Monterey spineflower (see attached map), the top 2-3 inches of the topsoil shall be preserved and placed on a tarp or other impermeable surface, and shall be kept separate from any other soil piles. Once excavation is complete, the topsoil shall be replaced on top of the backfilling. If the topsoil pile is not replaced before the end of the workday and rain is forecasted for the night, the pile shall be covered to prevent it from washing away.</li> </ul>								
4. VERNAL POC	LS/F	PONDS PRESENT	X Y	es		□ No	⊠ Fla	agged/Marked
Location:	Por	nd 43						
<b>Grid Numbers:</b>								
Work Can Proceed in Pools/Ponds:			$\boxtimes$	Yes				lo
Restrictions:								
No work shall occur within the vernal ponds adjacent to trails (see attached figure).								



5. VEGETATION REMOVAL				
☐ No Removal Needed	Location:			
☐ Manual Removal Needed	Location:			
☐ Mechanical Removal Needed	Location:			
Vegetation Removal Restrictions:				

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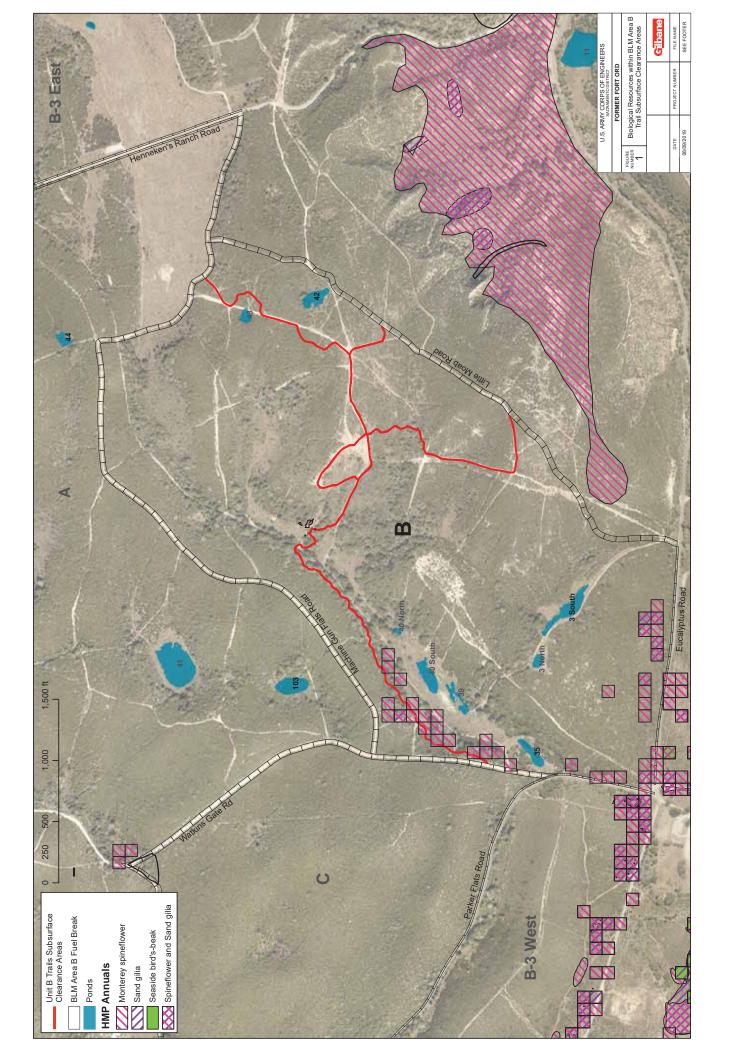
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SITE:	BLM Area B Unit B-2A				DATE:	9-11-19	
WORK TO BE CONDUCTED:	Subsurface investigation in future BLM restoration areas						
1. LAND USE:		<b>◯</b> Habitat Reserve				er (specify):	
		Army	Location:				
2. LAND OWNE	R:	<b>⊠</b> BLM	Location:				
		Other:	<b>Location:</b>				
3. ENDANGERE HMP-LISTED		HREATENED, RARE, CIES	OR	<b>⊻</b> Yes	□ No		agged/Marked
Spe	cies:	California Tiger Salama Seaside bird's-beak (in		, Black Leg	less Lizard	d (BLL), HI	√IP shrubs,
Loca	tion:	See attached map	-,				
Grid Numl	ers:						
<b>Restrictions:</b>							
CTS encounters must be reported immediately to field supervisor and Project Biologist. Contact Jami Colley (925-783-3112), Patric Krabacher (970-216-3514), or Bart Kowalski (832-595-5569) to document, handle, or relocate CTS if encountered.							
Report all encounters of BLL and follow the BLL encounter protocol							
No work shall occur in areas known to support Seaside bird's-beak (see attached map).							
Toro manzanitas that were left standing shall be avoided to the greatest extent feasible.							
4. VERNAL POO	LS/I	PONDS PRESENT	X Yes		No	<b>⊠</b> Fla	gged/Marked
Location:	Po	nd 74 (in vicinity)					56
Grid Numbers:		, ,,					
Work Can Proceed in Pools/Ponds: Yes No							
Restrictions:							
No work shall occur within the adjacent vernal pond.							



5. VEGETATION REMOVAL	
No Removal Needed	Location:
■ Manual Removal Needed	Location:
Mechanical Removal Needed	Location:
Vegetation Removal Restrictions:	

- Use of heavy equipment on steep slopes may cause erosion. If soil erosion occurs during the rainy season appropriate erosion control measures must be taken, which may include use of straw wattles, straw bales, silt fencing, or sterile barley.
- Heavy equipment should minimize topsoil disturbance as much as possible, avoid making hard turns, and enter and exit the site from a limited number of routes. Equipment operators should minimize driving parallel to the slope to the greatest extent feasible to prevent creating rills.
- BLM Restoration Areas outside of the work area, including the area between the work sites, shall
  not be used as regular tracking/access routes (see attached map).

### 7. SITE ACCESS:

- Vehicle access should be limited to existing roads only.
- Access to the work areas shall be from East Machine Gun Flats and Trail 62. BLM Restoration
  Areas outside of the work area, including the area between the work sites, shall not be used as
  regular tracking/access routes (see attached map).
- Heavy equipment transport from site to site must be along existing roads only.

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