

# Appendices



## **APPENDIX A**

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Property Deed and Purchase Agreement

Order No.  
Escrow No.  
Loan No.

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MEMORANDUM OF ASSIGNMENT  
AND  
RELEASE OF AGREEMENT

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QUITCLAIM DEED

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**OFFICIAL STATE BUSINESS** – EXEMPT FROM RECORDING FEES PURSUANT TO GOV'T. CODE  
SECTION 27383 AND DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAX PURSUANT TO REVENUE AND  
TAXATION CODE SECTION 11922.

<b>QUIT CLAIM DEED</b>	Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation Project: Mill Creek – Save-the-Redwoods League Parcel No.: A37001
County: Del Norte	Assessor's Parcel Nos.: See Exhibit "A"
<p>For a valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,</p> <p>STIMSON LUMBER COMPANY, an Oregon corporation ("Stimson"), hereby REMISES, RELEASES AND FOREVER QUITCLAIMS to the STATE OF CALIFORNIA, acting by and through the Department of Parks and Recreation, any and all interests of Stimson in and to the following described real property in the County of Del Norte, State of California, described as follows:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">See Exhibit "A" , consisting of 1 page, attached hereto and made a part hereof,</p> <p>STIMSON HAS EXECUTED THIS INSTRUMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF RELINQUISHING ALL OF GRANTOR'S RIGHTS, TITLE AND INTEREST IN AND TO THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN EXCEPT AS RESERVED IN Exhibit "A" hereto.</p> <p>In Witness Whereof, said corporation has caused this instrument to be executed by its President and Secretary, thereunto duly authorized.</p> <p>Dated: <i>5-13-02</i></p> <p><b>GRANTOR:</b> <b>STIMSON LUMBER COMPANY, an Oregon corporation</b></p> <p>By: <i>Andrew W. Miller 5/13/02</i></p> <p>Name: <i>President</i> President</p> <p>By: <i>W.E. Peressini</i></p> <p>Name: <i>Vice President / Secretary</i> Secretary <i>W.E. Peressini</i></p>	

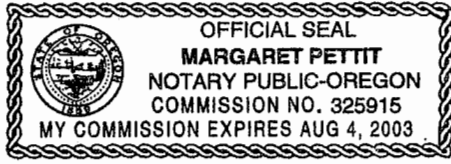
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State of Oregon  
County of Multnomah

On 5/13/02 before me, Margaret Pettit

personally appeared Andrew W. Miller, President /COO  
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whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that  
he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by  
his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which  
the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Signature Margaret Pettit  
Notary public in and for said State

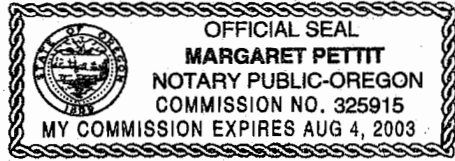
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That real property situated in the County of Del Norte, State of California,  
described as follows:

Sections 1 and 2 in Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian.

Reserving therefrom a 30 foot wide non-exclusive easement for ingress and  
egress as described in Exhibit "A" to Grant Deed recorded August 7, 2001 as  
Instrument No. 20013793 in Del Norte County official records; and

Further reserving therefrom a 30 foot wide non-exclusive easement for ingress  
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Agency Department of Parks and Recreation  
Project Mill Creek  
Parcel DPR Parcel No. A37001, DGS Parcel No. 10086

### CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE

This is to certify that the interest in real property conveyed by Quit Claim Deed, dated May 13, 2002, from STIMSON LUMBER COMPANY to the STATE OF CALIFORNIA, acting by and through the Department of Parks and Recreation, is hereby accepted by the undersigned officer of the State Public Works Board pursuant to authority conferred by resolution of said Board duly adopted May 3, 2002 and the Grantee consents to the recordation thereof by its duly authorized officer.

**Accepted:**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
State Public Works Board

By: Irene T. Anderson  
IRENE T. ANDERSON  
Assistant Administrative Secretary

Dated: May 24, 2002

**Approved:**

DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

By: Dwight V. Weathers  
DWIGHT V. WEATHERS  
Real Estate Services Section

Dated: May 24/02

**Consent:**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

By: Ruth Coleman  
for RUTH COLEMAN  
Acting Director

Dated: 5/23/02

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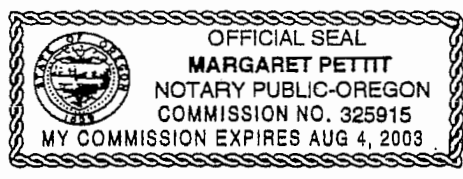
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County of Multnomah

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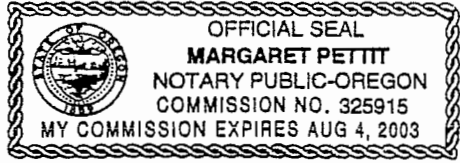
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
State Public Works Board

By:   
IRENE T. ANDERSON  
Assistant Administrative Secretary

Dated: May 24, 2002

**Approved:**

DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

By:   
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hereby GRANTS to the STATE OF CALIFORNIA, acting by and through the Department of Parks and Recreation, the following described real property in the County of Del Norte, State of California, described as follows:

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FURTHER RESERVING therefrom a 30 foot wide non-exclusive easement for ingress and egress as described in Exhibit "A" to Grant Deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013794 in Del Norte County official records.

Subject to the matters of record described on Exhibit "B", consisting of 1 page, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

In Witness Whereof, said corporation has caused this instrument to be executed by its President and Secretary, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: *5-13-02*

**GRANTOR:**  
STIMSON LUMBER COMPANY, an Oregon corporation

By: *Andrew W. Miller 5/13/02*

Name: *President/COO*  
President

By: *W.E. Peressini*

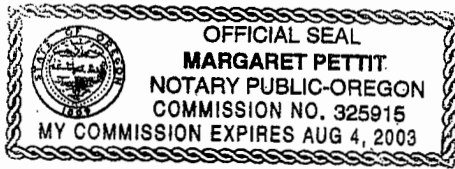
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Secretary *W.E. Peressini*

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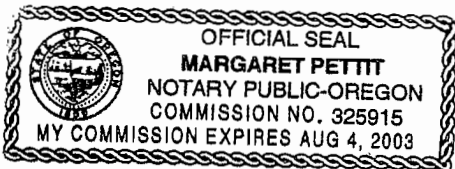
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TRACT ONE

PARCEL ONE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 1: Northeast quarter, excepting therefrom a strip of land 150 feet wide being 75 feet on each side of the center line of the railroad track formerly belonging to Hobbs Wall and Company as the same existed on February 14, 1940.

APN: 126-030-07 and 126-030-08

All that portion of southwest quarter of northwest quarter and that portion of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 1, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian lying east of State Highway and southerly of the Hobbs Wall and Company's railroad leading to Mill Creek as same existed April 3, 1939.

APN: 126-030-17 (ptn)

A strip of land 150 feet wide, more or less, along the railroad track formerly used by Hobbs Wall and Company across section 1, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Base and Meridian and bounded on the north by the tract conveyed to August Ressighini by deed dated February 14, 1940, recorded in Book 58 of Deeds, page 169, Del Norte County Records and bounded on the south by the tracts conveyed to Robert Gee by deed dated April 3, 1939, recorded in Book 57 of Deeds, page 198, Del Norte County Records.

Being a portion of the lands described in the Deeds to Stimson Lumber Company recorded April 29, 1944 in Book 61 of Deeds at page 227 and recorded May 5, 1944 in Book 61 of Deeds, at page 231, Del

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Norte County Records.

APN: 126-030-03 and portion of 126-030-21

Section 2: All that portion of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter and that portion of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian lying east of easterly line of State Highway and south of an easterly line from Engineer's Station 538+25 of said highway to a point 75 feet south of the location of Hobbs Wall and Company's railroad leading to Mill Creek as same existed April 13, 1939. Excepting therefrom: Any portion that may have been conveyed to Save The Redwoods League in the deed recorded August 27, 1999 in Book 511 of Official Records, page 628.

APN: 126-030-17 (ptn)

Section 12: East half of northeast quarter

APN: 126-030-11

PARCEL TWO: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 1: Entire section

APN: 126-100-05 & 06

Section 2: Entire Section  
EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013793, Del Norte County Official Records.

APN: 126-100-02

Section 3: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-01

Section 4: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-03

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Section 5: Entire Section  
EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in  
Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7,  
2001 as Instrument No. 20013794, Del Norte County  
Official Records.

APN: 126-060-02

Section 6: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-01

Section 7: North half of section

APN: 126-060-06

Section 8: East half of section

APN: 126-060-05

Section 9: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-04

Section 10: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-03

Section 11: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-04

Section 12: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-07, 08, 09, 10, 11

Section 13: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-04, 05, 06 & Portion of 03

Section 14: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-02 Portion of 03

Section 15: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-01

Section 16: Entire Section

APN: 126-070-05

Section 17: East half of northeast quarter; south half of section

APN: 126-070-04

Section 20: Entire Section

APN: 126-070-07

Section 21: Entire Section

APN: 126-070-06

Section 22: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-12

Section 23: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-10 & 11

Section 24: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-07, 08 & 09

Section 25: Entire Section

APN: 126-120-07 & 08

Section 26: North half of section; southeast quarter

APN: 126-120-05

Section 27: North half of north half; southeast quarter of northeast quarter

APN: 126-120-01 & 02

Section 28: North half of north half

APN: 126-080-02

Section 29: North half of north half

APN: 126-080-01

Section 35: Northeast quarter

APN: 126-130-02

Section 36: North half

APN: 126-130-01

PARCEL THREE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN  
TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 6: Southwest quarter

APN: 126-140-23

Section 7: West half of northeast quarter; west half; and  
Southeast quarter

APN: 126-150-05 & 06

Section 18: Entire Section

APN: 126-150-02 & 03

Section 19: Entire Section

APN: 126-160-03 & 04

Section 20: Northwest quarter

APN: 126-140-26

Section 29: West half of west half

APN: 126-140-21

Section 30: Entire Section

APN: 126-160-05 & 06

Section 31: Entire Section

APN: 126-170-01

Section 32: West half of west half

APN: 126-140-22

PARCEL FOUR: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN  
TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:



Section 36: East half

APN: 115-020-15 and 22

PARCEL FIVE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 26: South half of northwest quarter; southwest quarter; and southwest quarter of southeast quarter.

APN: 124-030-13 & 24

Section 27: West half of northeast quarter; southeast quarter of northeast quarter; West half and the southeast quarter.

APN: 124-030-15

Section 28: Entire Section

APN: 124-040-04

Section 29: East half of section

APN:124-040-03

Section 31: South half of north half and the south half, excepting therefrom those certain parcels deeded to Miller Redwood Company, one dated April 30, 1963 recorded in Book 89 of Deeds, page 519; one dated November 7, 1963 recorded in Book 94 of Deeds, page 433, one dated October 31, 1966 recorded in Book 124 of Deeds, page 135; and one dated May 16, 1967 recorded in Book 127 of Deeds, page 571.

APN: 124-040-07, 14 & 15

Section 32: East half; south half of northwest quarter; and southwest quarter excepting therefrom those certain parcels as deeded to Miller Redwood Company dated April 30, 1963 recorded in Book 89 of Deeds, page 519, and one dated May 16, 1967 recorded in Book 127 of Deeds, page 571.

ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013794, Del Norte County Official Records.

APN: 124-040-08

Section 33: Entire Section

APN: 124-040-09

Section 34: Entire Section

APN: 124-030-18

Section 35: Entire section

APN: 124-030-19

Section 36: West half; and southeast quarter

APN: 124-030-20, 22 & 23

TRACT TWO

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCELS LIE WITHIN SECTIONS 31 AND 32,  
TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:  
PARCEL ONE:

The point of beginning being the one-quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet; thence south 43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds east, 304.91 feet; thence south 3 degrees 25 minutes 25 seconds east, 270.88 feet; thence south 22 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds west, 571.63 feet; thence south 27 degrees 36 minutes 47 seconds east, 420.49 feet; thence north 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds east, 481.60 feet; to the section line between Sections 31 and 32; thence north along the said section line 1467.00 feet to the point of beginning.

The above parcel lying and being in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded April 23, 1963 in Book 89 of Official Records, page 519.

PARCEL TWO:

The point of beginning being the one-quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence south 71

degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds east, 601.60 feet; thence south 32 degrees 32 minutes 19 seconds east, 1029.62 feet; thence south 0 degrees 42 minutes 56 seconds west, 392.33 feet; thence south 26 degrees 01 minutes 48 seconds west, 675.13 feet to the center of the east fork of Mill Creek; thence on a meander along the creek; north 43 degrees 43 minutes 59 seconds west, 361.35 feet; south 66 degrees 43 minutes 34 seconds west, 319.39 feet; north 20 degrees 15 minutes 05 seconds west, 147.63 feet; thence from the center of the east fork of Mill Creek south 82 degrees 04 minutes 29 seconds west, 237.20 feet; thence south 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds west, 68.02 feet to the section line between Sections 31 and 32; thence north along the said section line 1467.00

feet to the point of beginning. The above parcel lying and being in Section 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded April 23, 1963 in Book 89 of Official Records, page 519.

APN: 124-040-11

PARCEL THREE:

Commencing at the quarter corner common to Section 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet; thence south 43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds east, 140.71 feet to the point of beginning. The point of beginning being the center line of a pipe line right of way 16 feet in width hereby described as follows; and running thence north 68 degrees 42 minutes 33 seconds west, 32.6 feet; thence north 56 degrees 53 minutes 33 seconds west, 117.40 feet; thence north 76 degrees 48 minutes 33 seconds west, 193.80 feet; thence north 74 degrees 33 minutes 33 seconds west, 204.70 feet; thence north 59 degrees 32 minutes 33 seconds west, 37.90 feet; thence north 34 degrees 47 minutes 33 seconds west, 213.80 feet; thence north 39 degrees 7 minutes 33 seconds west, 149.20 feet; thence north 15 degrees 20 minutes 33 seconds west, 338.60 feet; thence north 11 degrees 9 minutes 27 seconds east, 114.90 feet, to a point on the dike of the water reservoir, said point being the true point of beginning of the boundary of the water reservoir; and running thence south 72 degrees 56 minutes 27 seconds west, 90.00 feet; thence north 0 degrees 57 minutes 44 seconds west, 214.23 feet; thence south 88 degrees 28 minutes 52 seconds east, 169.76 feet; thence south 58 degrees 52 minutes 45 seconds east, 168.33 feet; thence south 23 degrees 40 minutes 23 seconds west, 156.81 feet; thence north 73 degrees 38 minutes 33 seconds west, 168.00 feet; to the point of beginning. Said point of beginning being the

point on the dike of the water reservoir boundary.

The above parcel lying and being in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the Deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded November 14, 1963 in Book 94 of Official Records, page 433.

APN: 124-040-10

PARCEL FOUR:

Commencing at one quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Section 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 57 degrees 07 minutes 32 seconds west, 273.38 feet; thence south 02 degrees 08 minutes 43 seconds west, 68.92 feet; thence south 19 degrees 11 minutes 00 seconds west, 413.88 feet; thence south 41 degrees 09 minutes 08 seconds west, 642.98 feet; thence south 38 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds west, 1074.85 feet; thence south 71 degrees 31 minutes 19 seconds east, 505.12 feet; thence north 73 degrees 01 minutes 27 seconds east, 441.63 feet; thence north 84 degrees 57 minutes 53 seconds east, 250.20 feet; thence north 59 degrees 35 minutes 57 seconds east, 411.94 feet; thence north 24 degrees 24 minutes 17 seconds east, 373.48 feet; thence north 27 degrees 36 minutes 47 seconds west, 420.49 feet; thence north 22 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds east, 571.63 feet; thence north 03 degrees 25 minutes 25 seconds west, 270.88 feet; thence north 43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds west, 304.91 feet to the point of beginning.

The above described parcel lying and being in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian.

Being the property described in the Deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded November 21, 1966 in Book 124 of Official Records, page 135.

APN: 124-040-12

PARCEL FIVE:

The point of beginning being on the section line 1,467 feet south of the quarter corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; thence north 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds east, 68.02 feet; thence north 82 degrees 04 minutes 29 seconds east, 237.20 feet; thence south 20 degrees

WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
OFFICE OF ACQUISITION AND REAL  
PROPERTY SERVICES  
P. O. BOX 942896  
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA 94296-0001

OFFICIAL STATE BUSINESS – EXEMPT FROM RECORDING FEES PURSUANT TO GOV'T. CODE SECTION 27383  
AND DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAX PURSUANT TO REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE SECTION 11922.

**MEMORANDUM OF ASSIGNMENT  
and  
RELEASE OF AGREEMENT**

Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation  
Project: Mill Creek – Save-the-Redwoods League  
Parcel No.: A37001

County: Del Norte

Assessor's Parcel Nos.: See Exhibit "A"

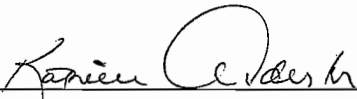
NOTICE is hereby given that SAVE-THE-REDWOODS LEAGUE ("League"), a California non-profit corporation, has assigned to the STATE OF CALIFORNIA, acting by and through the Department of Parks and Recreation ("State"), any and all interests in, to and under that certain Sale and Option Agreement dated as of July 6, 2001 and Amendment #1 to Sale and Option Agreement thereto (collectively "Amended Sale and Option Agreement").

Accordingly, the League hereby releases to the State any and all interests in, to and under that certain Memorandum of Agreement dated as of July 6, 2001 and recorded February 1, 2002 as Document No. 20020630, Del Norte County Official Records affecting real property described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

In Witness Whereof, said corporation has caused this instrument to be executed by its Secretary, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: 5/14/02

SAVE-THE-REDWOODS LEAGUE, a California non-profit corporation

By: 

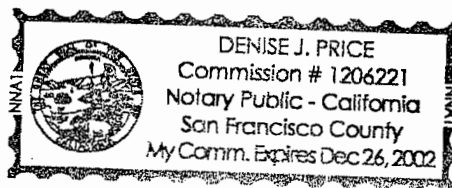
Name Katherine Anderton  
Secretary

State of California  
County of San Francisco

On May 14, 2002 before me, Denise J Price, Notary Public

personally appeared Katherine Oudaton  
personally known to me (~~or proved on the basis of satisfactory evidence~~) to be the person(s)  
whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that  
he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by  
his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which  
the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Signature Denise J Price  
Notary public in and for said State

(Above area for official notary seal)

EXHIBIT "A"

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That real property situated in the County of Del Norte, State of California, described as follows:

TRACT ONE

PARCEL ONE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 1: Northeast quarter, excepting therefrom a strip of land 150 feet wide being 75 feet on each side of the center line of the railroad track formerly belonging to Hobbs Wall and Company as the same existed on February 14, 1940.

APN: 126-030-07 and 126-030-08

All that portion of southwest quarter of northwest quarter and that portion of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 1, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian lying east of State Highway and southerly of the Hobbs Wall and Company's railroad leading to Mill Creek as same existed April 3, 1939.

APN: 126-030-17 (ptn)

A strip of land 150 feet wide, more or less, along the railroad track formerly used by Hobbs Wall and Company across section 1, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Base and Meridian and bounded on the north by the tract conveyed to August Ressighini by deed dated February 14, 1940, recorded in Book 58 of Deeds, page 169, Del Norte County Records and bounded on the south by the tracts conveyed to Robert Gee by deed dated April 3, 1939, recorded in Book 57 of Deeds, page 198, Del Norte County Records.

Being a portion of the lands described in the Deeds to Stimson Lumber Company recorded April 29, 1944 in Book 61 of Deeds at page 227 and recorded May 5, 1944 in Book 61 of Deeds, at page 231, Del



Norte County Records.

APN: 126-030-03 and portion of 126-030-21

Section 2: All that portion of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter and that portion of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian lying east of easterly line of State Highway and south of an easterly line from Engineer's Station 538+25 of said highway to a point 75 feet south of the location of Hobbs Wall and Company's railroad leading to Mill Creek as same existed April 13, 1939. Excepting therefrom: Any portion that may have been conveyed to Save The Redwoods League in the deed recorded August 27, 1999 in Book 511 of Official Records, page 628.

APN: 126-030-17 (ptn)

Section 12: East half of northeast quarter

APN: 126-030-11

PARCEL TWO: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 1: Entire section

APN: 126-100-05 & 06

Section 2: Entire Section  
EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013793, Del Norte County Official Records.

APN: 126-100-02

Section 3: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-01

Section 4: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-03

Section 5: Entire Section  
EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in  
Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7,  
2001 as Instrument No. 20013794, Del Norte County  
Official Records.

APN: 126-060-02

Section 6: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-01

Section 7: North half of section

APN: 126-060-06

Section 8: East half of section

APN: 126-060-05

Section 9: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-04

Section 10: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-03

Section 11: Entire Section  
APN: 126-100-04

Section 12: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-07, 08, 09, 10, 11

Section 13: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-04, 05, 06 & Portion of 03

Section 14: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-02 Portion of 03

Section 15: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-01

Section 16: Entire Section

APN: 126-070-05

Section 17: East half of northeast quarter; south half of section

APN: 126-070-04

Section 20: Entire Section

APN: 126-070-07

Section 21: Entire Section

APN: 126-070-06

Section 22: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-12

Section 23: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-10 & 11

Section 24: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-07, 08 & 09

Section 25: Entire Section

APN: 126-120-07 & 08

Section 26: North half of section; southeast quarter

APN: 126-120-05

Section 27: North half of north half; southeast quarter of northeast quarter

APN: 126-120-01 & 02

Section 28: North half of north half

APN: 126-080-02

Section 29: North half of north half

APN: 126-080-01

Section 35: Northeast quarter

APN: 126-130-02

Section 36: North half

APN: 126-130-01

PARCEL THREE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN  
TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 6: Southwest quarter

APN: 126-140-23

Section 7: West half of northeast quarter; west half; and  
Southeast quarter

APN:126-150-05 & 06

Section 18: Entire Section

APN: 126-150-02 & 03

Section 19: Entire Section

APN: 126-160-03 & 04

Section 20: Northwest quarter

APN: 126-140-26

Section 29: West half of west half

APN: 126-140-21

Section 30: Entire Section

APN: 126-160-05 & 06

Section 31: Entire Section

APN: 126-170-01

Section 32: West half of west half

APN: 126-140-22

PARCEL FOUR: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN  
TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 36: East half

APN: 115-020-15 and 22

PARCEL FIVE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 26: South half of northwest quarter; southwest quarter; and southwest quarter of southeast quarter.

APN: 124-030-13 & 24

Section 27: West half of northeast quarter; southeast quarter of northeast quarter; West half and the southeast quarter.

APN: 124-030-15

Section 28: Entire Section

APN: 124-040-04

Section 29: East half of section

APN:124-040-03

Section 31: South half of north half and the south half, excepting therefrom those certain parcels deeded to Miller Redwood Company, one dated April 30, 1963 recorded in Book 89 of Deeds, page 519; one dated November 7, 1963 recorded in Book 94 of Deeds, page 433, one dated October 31, 1966 recorded in Book 124 of Deeds, page 135; and one dated May 16, 1967 recorded in Book 127 of Deeds, page 571.

APN: 124-040-07, 14 & 15

Section 32: East half; south half of northwest quarter; and southwest quarter excepting therefrom those certain parcels as deeded to Miller Redwood Company dated April 30, 1963 recorded in Book 89 of Deeds, page 519, and one dated May 16, 1967 recorded in Book 127 of Deeds, page 571.

ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013794, Del Norte County Official Records.

APN: 124-040-08

Section 33: Entire Section

APN: 124-040-09

Section 34: Entire Section

APN: 124-030-18

Section 35: Entire section

APN: 124-030-19

Section 36: West half; and southeast quarter

APN: 124-030-20, 22 & 23

TRACT TWO

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCELS LIE WITHIN SECTIONS 31 AND 32, TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

PARCEL ONE:

The point of beginning being the one-quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet; thence south 43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds east, 304.91 feet; thence south 3 degrees 25 minutes 25 seconds east, 270.88 feet; thence south 22 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds west, 571.63 feet; thence south 27 degrees 36 minutes 47 seconds east, 420.49 feet; thence north 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds east, 481.60 feet; to the section line between Sections 31 and 32; thence north along the said section line 1467.00 feet to the point of beginning.

The above parcel lying and being in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded April 23, 1963 in Book 89 of Official Records, page 519.

PARCEL TWO:

The point of beginning being the one-quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence south 71

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feet to the point of beginning. The above parcel lying and being in Section 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded April 23, 1963 in Book 89 of Official Records, page 519.

APN: 124-040-11

PARCEL THREE:

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APN: 124-040-12

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The above parcel lying and being in Section 31 and Section 32,  
Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian.

Being the property described in the Deed to Miller Redwood  
Company recorded May 22, 1967 in Book 127 of Official Records,  
page 571.

APN: 124-040-13

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1997 IN BOOK 481 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, PAGE 408.

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Right of way for a telephone line and appurtenant rights and restrictions as granted to West Coast Telephone Company, by instrument recorded in Book 58 of Deeds, page 58, Book 58 of Deeds, page 368 and Book 132 of Official Records, page 28 and right of way agreement recorded July 15, 1955, Recorder's File No. 260.

The effect of a right of way Agreement disclosed by the assignment of said agreement from E. P. Hamilton et al to Hamilton Bros. Lumber Company recorded May 15, 1952 in Book 6 of Agreements, page 494.

A right of way for road and utility purposes as conveyed to The California Oregon Power Company by deeds recorded July 14, 1954 in Book 78 of Deeds, pages 137 and 139. Exact location cannot be determined of record.

A right of way for road and utility purposes over a portion of Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East as conveyed to Pacific Power and Light Company by deed recorded May 23, 1963 in Book 90 of Official Records, page 234. Exact location cannot be determined from the record.

A right of way for road and utility purposes over a portion of said land as conveyed to Pacific Power and Light Company by deeds recorded June 26, 1963 in Book 91 of Official Records, pages 65 and 67. Exact location cannot be determined from the record.

A right of way for road and utility purposes 50 feet wide over a portion of said land as conveyed to Pacific Power and Light Company by deed recorded April 18, 1967 in Book 127 of Official Records, page 156 and Book 127 of Official Records, page 159.

A right of way for road and utility purposes 100 feet wide over a portion of said land as conveyed to Pacific Power and Light Company by deed recorded September 2, 1993 in Book 411 of official Records, page 384. Exact location cannot be determined from the record.

A right of way for road and utility purposes 10 feet wide over a portion of Section 36, Township 16 North, Range 1 West as conveyed to PacifiCorp by deed recorded July 30, 1997 in Book 475 of Official Records, page 923. See record for further details.

An Agreement for access and maintenance monitoring by and between The Wildlife Conservation Board and Stimson Lumber Company, Miller Redwood Division recorded January 13, 1999 in Book 500 of Official Records, page 790.

30 foot wide non-exclusive easements for ingress and egress described in deeds recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument Nos. 20013793 and 20013794, Del Norte County Official Records, which easements are reserved by grantor herein.

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APN: 124-040-13

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A right of way for road and utility purposes 10 feet wide over a portion of Section 36, Township 16 North, Range 1 West as conveyed to PacifiCorp by deed recorded July 30, 1997 in Book 475 of Official Records, page 923. See record for further details.

An Agreement for access and maintenance monitoring by and between The Wildlife Conservation Board and Stimson Lumber Company, Miller Redwood Division recorded January 13, 1999 in Book 500 of Official Records, page 790.

30 foot wide non-exclusive easements for ingress and egress described in deeds recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument Nos. 20013793 and 20013794, Del Norte County Official Records, which easements are reserved by grantor herein.

The effect of a joint timber management plan disclosed by deeds recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument Nos. 20013793 and 20013794, Del Norte County Official Records.

ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBERS

115-020-15	124-040-09	126-060-02*	126-100-04	126-110-07	126-140-22
115-020-22	124-040-10	126-060-03	126-100-05	126-110-08	126-140-23
124-030-13	124-040-11	126-060-04	126-100-06	126-110-09	126-140-26
124-030-15	124-040-12	126-060-05	126-100-07	126-110-10	126-150-02
124-030-18	124-040-13	126-060-06	126-100-08	126-110-11	126-150-03
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124-030-20	124-040-15	126-070-05	126-100-10	126-120-01	126-150-06
124-030-22	126-030-03	126-070-06	126-100-11	126-120-02	126-160-03
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124-030-24	126-030-08	126-080-01	126-110-02	126-120-07	126-160-05
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124-040-04	126-030-17	126-100-01	126-110-04	126-130-01	126-170-01
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124-040-08*	126-060-01	126-100-03	126-110-06	126-140-21	

\* A portion

Agency  
Project  
Parcel

Department of Parks and Recreation  
Mill Creek  
DPR Parcel No. A37001, DGS Parcel No. 10086

### CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE

This is to certify that the interest in real property conveyed by Grant Deed, dated May 13, 2002, from STIMSON LUMBER COMPANY to the STATE OF CALIFORNIA, acting by and through the Department of Parks and Recreation, is hereby accepted by the undersigned officer of the State Public Works Board pursuant to authority conferred by resolution of said Board duly adopted May 3, 2002 and the Grantee consents to the recordation thereof by its duly authorized officer.

**Accepted:**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
State Public Works Board

By:   
IRENE T. ANDERSON  
Assistant Administrative Secretary

Dated: May 24, 2002

**Approved:**

DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

By:   
DWIGHT V. WEATHERS  
Real Estate Services Section

Dated: 5/24/02

**Consent:**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

By:   
for RUTH COLEMAN  
Acting Director

Dated: 5/23/02



Form No. 1402.92  
(10/17/92)  
ALTA Owner's Policy



# POLICY OF TITLE INSURANCE



ISSUED BY

*First American Title Insurance Company*

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SUBJECT TO THE EXCLUSIONS FROM COVERAGE, THE EXCEPTIONS FROM COVERAGE CONTAINED IN SCHEDULE B AND THE CONDITIONS AND STIPULATIONS, FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, a California corporation, herein called the Company, insures, as of Date of Policy shown in Schedule A, against loss or damage, not exceeding the Amount of Insurance stated in Schedule A, sustained or incurred by the insured by reason of:

1. Title to the estate or interest described in Schedule A being vested other than as stated therein;
2. Any defect in or lien or encumbrance on the title;
3. Unmarketability of the title;
4. Lack of a right of access to and from the land.

The Company will also pay the costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred in defense of the title, as insured, but only to the extent provided in the Conditions and Stipulations.

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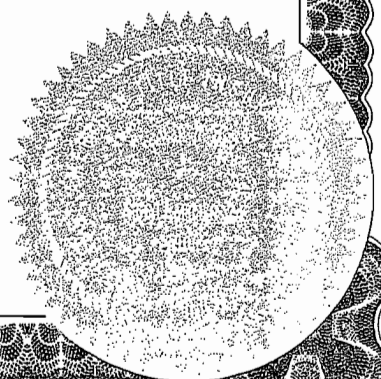
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*First American Title Insurance Company*

BY *Parker S. Kennedy* PRESIDENT

ATTEST *Mark R. Arnesen* SECRETARY

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(10-17-92)  
ALTA Owners Policy  
Schedule A



SCHEDULE A

TOTAL FEE FOR TITLE SEARCH, EXAMINATION  
AND TITLE INSURANCE \$38,400.00

Amount of Insurance: \$60,000,000.00

Policy No. J544683

Date of Policy: June 4, 2002 @ 10:29 a.m.

1. Name of Insured:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA acting by and through the DEPARTMENT OF  
PARKS AND RECREATION

2. The estate or interest in the land which is covered by this  
policy is:

A Fee

3. Title to the estate or interest in the land is vested in:  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA acting by and through the DEPARTMENT OF  
PARKS AND RECREATION

4. The land referred to in this policy is described as follows:

See Exhibit "A" attached

Form No. 1402.92  
(10-17-92)  
ALTA Owners Policy

SCHEDULE B PART I

This policy does not insure against loss or damage (and the Company will not pay costs, attorney's fees or expenses) which arise by reason of:

Part I:

1. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
2. Any facts, rights, interests or claims which are not shown by the public records but which could be ascertained by an inspection of the land or which may be asserted by persons in possession thereof.
3. Easements, liens or encumbrances, or claims thereof, which are not shown by the public records.
4. Discrepancies, conflicts in boundary lines, shortage in area, encroachments, or any other facts which a correct survey would disclose, and which are not shown by the public records.
5. (a) Unpatented mining claims; (b) reservations or exceptions in patents or in Acts authorizing the issuance thereof; (c) water rights, claims or title to water, whether or not the matters excepted under (a), (b), or (c) are shown by the public records.

Part II:

1. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
2. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
3. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
4. Any rights, interests or easements in favor of the public, which exist or are claimed to exist over any portion of said land covered with water.
5. The effect of any change heretofore or hereafter occurring in the location of the boundary line of the lands described herein due to a change in the course of a creek or river and/or location of the banks of said creek or river and any defect in or failure to title resulting therefrom.

6. Possible right of the public over any portion of the herein described property lying within a public road or highway.
7. The effect of those certain right of way agreements by and between Hobbs Wall and Company, Hotchkiss Timber Company and Del Norte Southern Railroad Company recorded August 6, 1909 in Book B of Agreements, page 203, September 4, 1909 in Book B of Agreements, page 226, December 4, 1911 in Book B of Agreements, page 294 and February 9, 1925 in Book C of Agreements, page 143. Exact location cannot be determined of record.

The effect upon said Agreements if any of a Decree Quieting Title in favor of The Del Norte Company recorded June 29, 1943 in Book 60 of Deeds, page 391.

8. Right of way 100 feet wide along a particular route through the south 1/2 of southwest 1/4 of Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, as particularly described in deed granting the same by The Del Norte Company to Hobbs, Wall and Company, dated May 7, 1919 and recorded in Book 35 of Deeds, page 17. Present ownership or encumbrances against the interest so granted to Hobbs Wall and Company not further examined or reported herein.
9. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
10. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
11. Right of way for a telephone line and appurtenant rights and restrictions as granted to West Coast Telephone Company, by instrument recorded in Book 58 of Deeds, page 58, Book 58 of Deeds, page 368 and Book 132 of Official Records, page 28 and right of way agreement recorded July 15, 1955, Recorder's File No. 260.

Affects Sections 1 and 2, Township 15 North, Range 1 West.

12. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
13. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
14. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
15. INTENTIONALLY DELETED
16. The effect of a right of way Agreement disclosed by the assignment of said agreement from E. P. Hamilton et al to Hamilton Bros. Lumber Company recorded May 15, 1952 in Book 6 of Agreements, page 494.

17. A right of way for road and utility purposes as conveyed to The California Oregon Power Company by deeds recorded July 14, 1954 in Book 78 of Deeds, pages 137 and 139. Exact location cannot be determined of record.

Affects Sections 1 and 2, Township 15 West, Range 1 West.

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23. A right of way for road and utility purposes over a portion of Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East as conveyed to Pacific Power and Light Company by deed recorded May 23, 1963 in Book 90 of Official Records, page 234. Exact location cannot be determined from the record.

24. A right of way for road and utility purposes over a portion of said land as conveyed to Pacific Power and Light Company by deeds recorded June 26, 1963 in Book 91 of Official Records, pages 65 and 67. Exact location cannot be determined from the record.

25. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

26. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

27. A right of way for road and utility purposes 50 feet wide over a portion of said land as conveyed to Pacific Power and Light Company by deed recorded April 18, 1967 in Book 127 of Official Records, page 156 and Book 127 of Official Records, page 159.

Affects Southwest 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 32 and South 1/2 of Southeast 1/4 of Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East.

28. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

29. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

30. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

31. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

32. A right of way for road and utility purposes 100 feet wide over a portion of said land as conveyed to Pacific Power and Light Company by deed recorded September 2, 1993 in Book 411 of official Records, page 384. Exact location cannot be determined from the record.
33. A right of way for road and utility purposes 10 feet wide over a portion of Section 36, Township 16 North, Range 1 West as conveyed to PacifiCorp by deed recorded July 30, 1997 in Book 475 of Official Records, page 923. See record for further details.
34. An Agreement for access and maintenance monitoring by and between The Wildlife Conservation Board and Stimson Lumber Company, Miller Redwood Division recorded January 13, 1999 in Book 500 of Official Records, page 790.

Affects APN: 126-060-01 and 126-060-06.

35. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

36. A 30 foot wide non-exclusive easement for ingress and egress over the roads designated Hamilton Road, Childs Hill Road, Section 1 Road and Paragon Road as conveyed by deeds recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument Nos. 20013793 and 20013794, and reserved by Stimson Lumber Company in the deed recorded June 4, 2002 as Instrument No. 20023099, Del Norte County Official Records.

37. The effect of a joint timber management plan disclosed by deeds recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument Nos. 20013793 and 20013794, Del Norte County Official Records.

38. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

39. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

40. ANY LOSS resulting from the vague, ambiguous and indefinite nature of the description herein, said description having been taken from the public records.

Affects Sections One and Two in Parcel One of Tract One.

41. INTENTIONALLY DELETED

42. Terms and provisions of an Agreement dated May 6, 2002 executed by and between the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation, et al disclosed by that certain Memorandum of Unrecorded Agreement recorded June 4, 2002 Document No. 20023100 and 20023101, Del Norte County Official Records.

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Form No. 1056-4  
All Policy Forms

EXHIBIT "A"

The land referred to in this policy is situated in the State of California, County of Del Norte and is described as follows:

That real property situated in the County of Del Norte, State of California, described as follows:

TRACT ONE

PARCEL ONE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 1: Northeast quarter, excepting therefrom a strip of land 150 feet wide being 75 feet on each side of the center line of the railroad track formerly belonging to Hobbs Wall and Company as the same existed on February 14, 1940.

APN: 126-030-07 and 126-030-08

All that portion of southwest quarter of northwest quarter and that portion of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 1, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian lying east of State Highway and southerly of the Hobbs Wall and Company's railroad leading to Mill Creek as same existed April 3, 1939.

APN: 126-030-17 (ptn)

A strip of land 150 feet wide, more or less, along the railroad track formerly used by Hobbs Wall and Company across section 1, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Base and Meridian and bounded on the north by the tract conveyed to August Ressighini by deed dated February 14, 1940, recorded in Book 58 of Deeds, page 169, Del Norte County Records and bounded on the south by the tracts conveyed to Robert Gee by deed dated April 3, 1939, recorded in Book 57 of Deeds, page 198, Del Norte County Records.

Being a portion of the lands described in the Deeds to Stimson Lumber Company recorded April 29, 1944 in Book 61 of Deeds at page 227 and recorded May 5, 1944 in Book 61 of Deeds, at page 231, Del Norte County Records.

APN: 126-030-03 and portion of 126-030-21

Section 2: All that portion of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter and that portion of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian lying east of easterly line of State Highway and south of an easterly line from Engineer's Station 538+25' of said highway to a point 75 feet south of the location of Hobbs Wall and Company's railroad leading to Mill Creek as same existed April 13, 1939. Excepting therefrom: Any portion that may have been conveyed to Save The Redwoods League in the deed recorded August 27, 1999 in Book 511 of Official Records, page 628.

APN: 126-030-17 (ptn)

Section 12: East half of northeast quarter

APN: 126-030-11

PARCEL TWO: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 1: Entire section

APN: 126-100-05 & 06

Section 2: Entire Section  
EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013793, Del Norte County Official Records.

APN: 126-100-02

Section 3: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-01

Section 4: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-03

Section 5: Entire Section  
EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013794, Del Norte County Official Records.

APN: 126-060-02



Section 6: Entire Section  
APN: 126-060-01

Section 7: North half of section  
APN: 126-060-06

Section 8: East half of section  
APN: 126-060-05

Section 9: Entire Section  
APN: 126-060-04

Section 10: Entire Section  
APN: 126-100-03

Section 11: Entire Section  
APN: 126-100-04

Section 12: Entire Section  
APN: 126-100-07, 08, 09, 10, 11

Section 13: Entire Section  
APN: 126-110-04, 05, 06 & Portion of 03

Section 14: Entire Section  
APN: 126-110-02 Portion of 03

Section 15: Entire Section  
APN: 126-110-01

Section 16: Entire Section  
APN: 126-070-05

Section 17: East half of northeast quarter; south half of section  
APN: 126-070-04

Section 20: Entire Section  
APN: 126-070-07

Section 21: Entire Section  
APN: 126-070-06

Section 22: Entire Section  
APN: 126-110-12

Section 23: Entire Section  
APN: 126-110-10 & 11

Section 24: Entire Section  
APN: 126-110-07, 08 & 09

Section 25: Entire Section  
APN: 126-120-07 & 08

Section 26: North half of section; southeast quarter  
APN: 126-120-05

Section 27: North half of north half; southeast quarter of  
northeast quarter  
APN: 126-120-01 & 02

Section 28: North half of north half  
APN: 126-080-02

Section 29: North half of north half  
APN: 126-080-01

Section 35: Northeast quarter  
APN: 126-130-02

Section 36: North half  
APN: 126-130-01

PARCEL THREE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN  
TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 6: Southwest quarter  
APN: 126-140-23

- Section 7: West half of northeast quarter; west half; and Southeast quarter  
APN:126-150-05 & 06
- Section 18: Entire Section  
APN: 126-150-02 & 03
- Section 19: Entire Section  
APN: 126-160-03 & 04
- Section 20: Northwest quarter  
APN: 126-140-26
- Section 29: West half of west half  
APN: 126-140-21
- Section 30: Entire Section  
APN: 126-160-05 & 06
- Section 31: Entire Section  
APN: 126-170-01
- Section 32: West half of west half  
APN: 126-140-22

PARCEL FOUR: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

- Section 36: East half  
APN: 115-020-15 and 22

PARCEL FIVE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

- Section 26: South half of northwest quarter; southwest quarter; and southwest quarter of southeast quarter.  
APN: 124-030-13 & 24
- Section 27: West half of northeast quarter; southeast quarter of northeast quarter; West half and the southeast quarter.  
APN: 124-030-15

Section 28: Entire Section

APN: 124-040-04

Section 29: East half of section

APN:124-040-03

Section 31: South half of north half and the south half, excepting therefrom those certain parcels deeded to Miller Redwood Company, one dated April 30, 1963 recorded in Book 89 of Deeds, page 519; one dated November 7, 1963 recorded in Book 94 of Deeds, page 433, one dated October 31, 1966 recorded in Book 124 of Deeds, page 135; and one dated May 16, 1967 recorded in Book 127 of Deeds, page 571.

APN: 124-040-07, 14 & 15

Section 32: East half; south half of northwest quarter; and southwest quarter excepting therefrom those certain parcels as deeded to Miller Redwood Company dated April 30, 1963 recorded in Book 89 of Deeds, page 519, and one dated May 16, 1967 recorded in Book 127 of Deeds, page 571.

ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013794, Del Norte County Official Records.

APN: 124-040-08

Section 33: Entire Section

APN: 124-040-09

Section 34: Entire Section

APN: 124-030-18

Section 35: Entire section

APN: 124-030-19

Section 36: West half; and southeast quarter

APN: 124-030-20, 22 & 23

TRACT TWO

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCELS LIE WITHIN SECTIONS 31 AND 32,

TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:  
 PARCEL ONE:

The point of beginning being the one-quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet; thence south 43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds east, 304.91 feet; thence south 3 degrees 25 minutes 25 seconds east, 270.88 feet; thence south 22 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds west, 571.63 feet; thence south 27 degrees 36 minutes 47 seconds east, 420.49 feet; thence north 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds east, 481.60 feet; to the section line between Sections 31 and 32; thence north along the said section line 1467.00 feet to the point of beginning.

The above parcel lying and being in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded April 23, 1963 in Book 89 of Official Records, page 519.

PARCEL TWO:

The point of beginning being the one-quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence south 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds east, 601.60 feet; thence south 32 degrees 32 minutes 19 seconds east, 1029.62 feet; thence south 0 degrees 42 minutes 56 seconds west, 392.33 feet; thence south 26 degrees 01 minutes 48 seconds west, 675.13 feet to the center of the east fork of Mill Creek; thence on a meander along the creek; north 43 degrees 43 minutes 59 seconds west, 361.35 feet; south 66 degrees 43 minutes 34 seconds west, 319.39 feet; north 20 degrees 15 minutes 05 seconds west, 147.63 feet; thence from the center of the east fork of Mill Creek south 82 degrees 04 minutes 29 seconds west, 237.20 feet; thence south 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds west, 68.02 feet to the section line between Sections 31 and 32; thence north along the said section line 1467.00 feet to the point of beginning. The above parcel lying and being in Section 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded April 23, 1963 in Book 89 of Official Records, page 519.

APN: 124-040-11

PARCEL THREE:

Commencing at the quarter corner common to Section 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running

thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet; thence south 43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds east, 140.71 feet to the point of beginning. The point of beginning being the center line of a pipe line right of way 16 feet in width hereby described as follows; and running thence north 68 degrees 42 minutes 33 seconds west, 32.6 feet; thence north 56 degrees 53 minutes 33 seconds west, 117.40 feet; thence north 76 degrees 48 minutes 33 seconds west, 193.80 feet; thence north 74 degrees 33 minutes 33 seconds west, 204.70 feet; thence north 59 degrees 32 minutes 33 seconds west, 37.90 feet; thence north 34 degrees 47 minutes 33 seconds west, 213.80 feet; thence north 39 degrees 7 minutes 33 seconds west, 149.20 feet; thence north 15 degrees 20 minutes 33 seconds west, 338.60 feet; thence north 11 degrees 9 minutes 27 seconds east, 114.90 feet, to a point on the dike of the water reservoir, said point being the true point of beginning of the boundary of the water reservoir; and running thence south 72 degrees 56 minutes 27 seconds west, 90.00 feet; thence north 0 degrees 57 minutes 44 seconds west, 214.23 feet; thence south 88 degrees 28 minutes 52 seconds east, 169.76 feet; thence south 58 degrees 52 minutes 45 seconds east, 168.33 feet; thence south 23 degrees 40 minutes 23 seconds west, 156.81 feet; thence north 73 degrees 38 minutes 33 seconds west, 168.00 feet; to the point of beginning. Said point of beginning being the point on the dike of the water reservoir boundary.

The above parcel lying and being in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the Deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded November 14, 1963 in Book 94 of Official Records, page 433.

APN: 124-040-10

PARCEL FOUR:

Commencing at one quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Section 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 57 degrees 07 minutes 32 seconds west, 273.38 feet; thence south 02 degrees 08 minutes 43 seconds west, 68.92 feet; thence south 19 degrees 11 minutes 00 seconds west, 413.88 feet; thence south 41 degrees 09 minutes 08 seconds west, 642.98 feet; thence south 38 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds west, 1074.85 feet; thence south 71 degrees 31 minutes 19 seconds east, 505.12 feet; thence north 73 degrees 01 minutes 27 seconds east, 441.63 feet; thence north 84 degrees 57 minutes 53 seconds east, 250.20 feet; thence north 59 degrees 35 minutes 57 seconds east, 411.94 feet; thence north

24 degrees 24 minutes 17 seconds east, 373.48 feet; thence north  
27 degrees 36 minutes 47 seconds west, 420.49 feet; thence north  
22 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds east, 571.63 feet; thence north  
03 degrees 25 minutes 25 seconds west, 270.88 feet; thence north  
43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds west, 304.91 feet to the point  
of beginning.

The above described parcel lying and being in Section 31,  
Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian.

Being the property described in the Deed to Miller Redwood  
Company recorded November 21, 1966 in Book 124 of Official  
Records, page 135.

APN: 124-040-12

PARCEL FIVE:

The point of beginning being on the section line 1,467 feet south  
of the quarter corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16  
North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; thence north 43 degrees  
47 minutes 01 seconds east, 68.02 feet; thence north 82 degrees  
04 minutes 29 seconds east, 237.20 feet; thence south 20 degrees  
15 minutes 05 seconds east, 147.63 feet; thence north 80 degrees  
06 minutes 23 seconds west, 168.14 feet; thence south 64 degrees  
32 minutes 12 seconds west, 348.89 feet; thence south 39 degrees  
34 minutes 04 seconds west, 246.47 feet; thence south 29 degrees  
45 minutes 53 seconds west, 368.63 feet; thence north 24 degrees  
24 minutes 17 seconds east, 373.48 feet; thence north 43 degrees  
47 minutes 01 seconds east, 481.60 feet to the point of  
beginning.

The above parcel lying and being in Section 31 and Section 32,  
Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian.

Being the property described in the Deed to Miller Redwood  
Company recorded May 22, 1967 in Book 127 of Official Records,  
page 571.

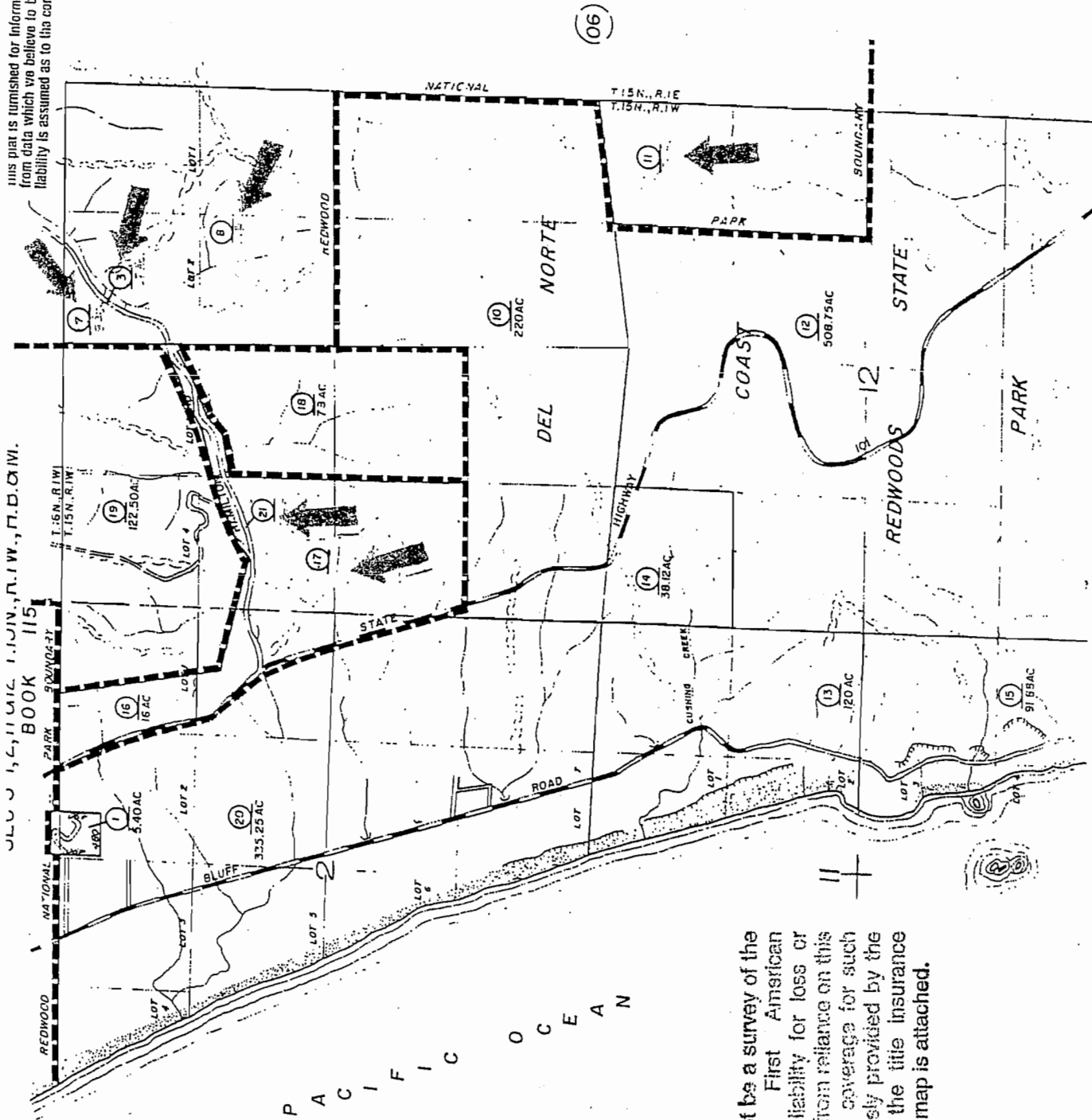
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ALL PARCELS LISTED ABOVE THAT DO NOT CONTAIN A DEED REFERENCE ARE  
PROPERTIES DESCRIBED IN THAT CERTAIN DEED RECORDED NOVEMBER 26,  
1997 IN BOOK 481 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, PAGE 408.

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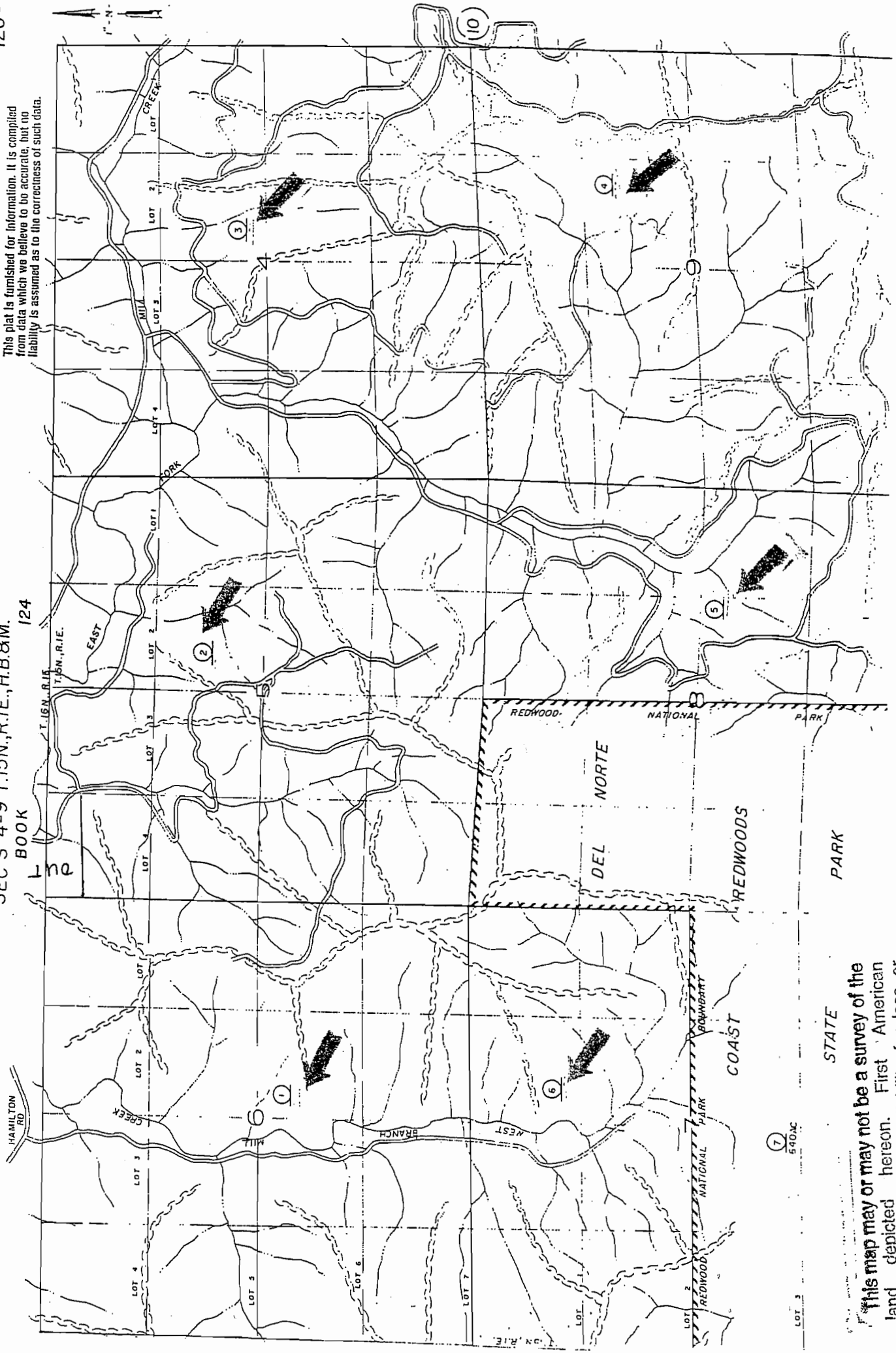
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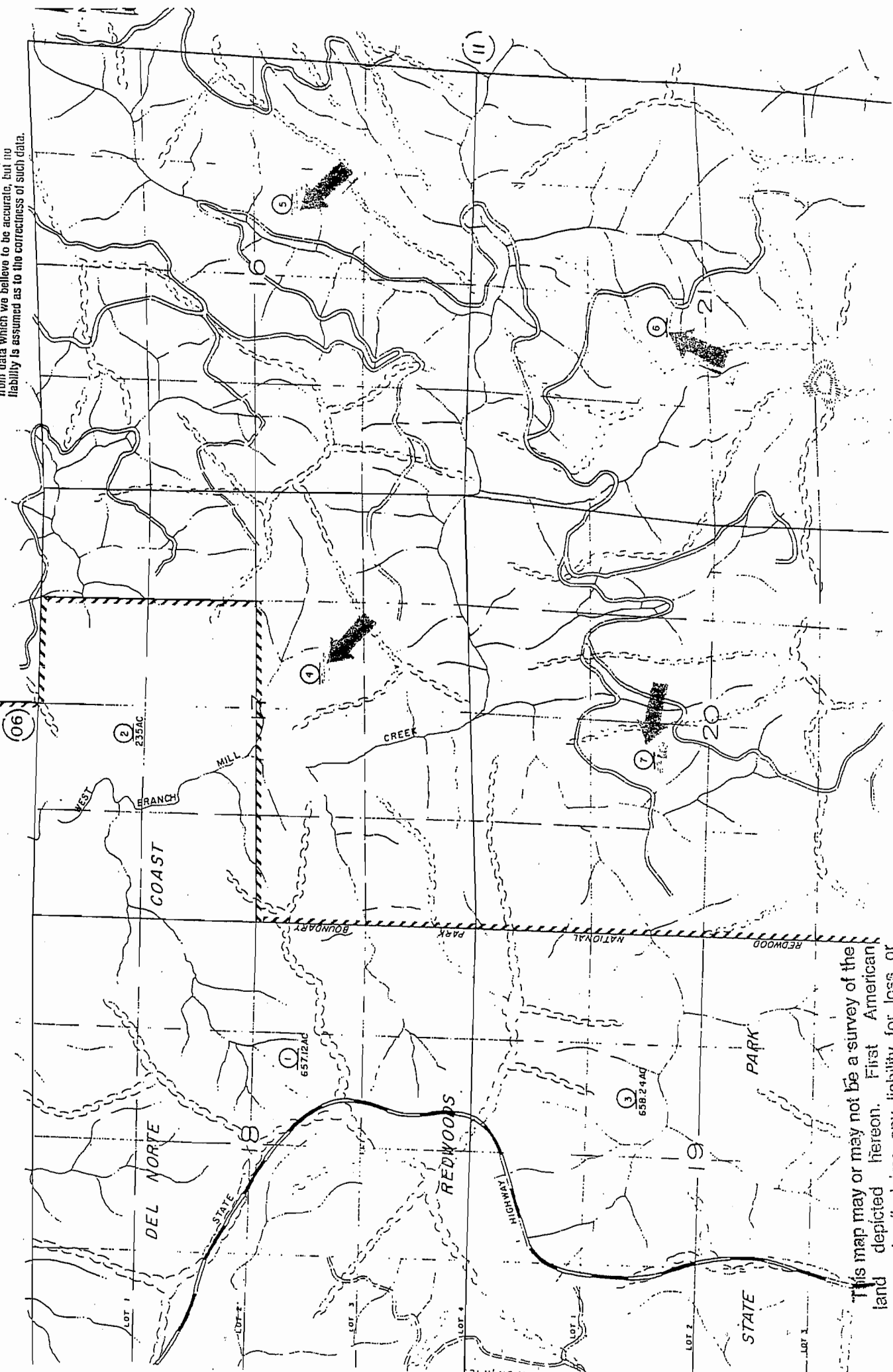


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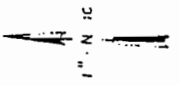
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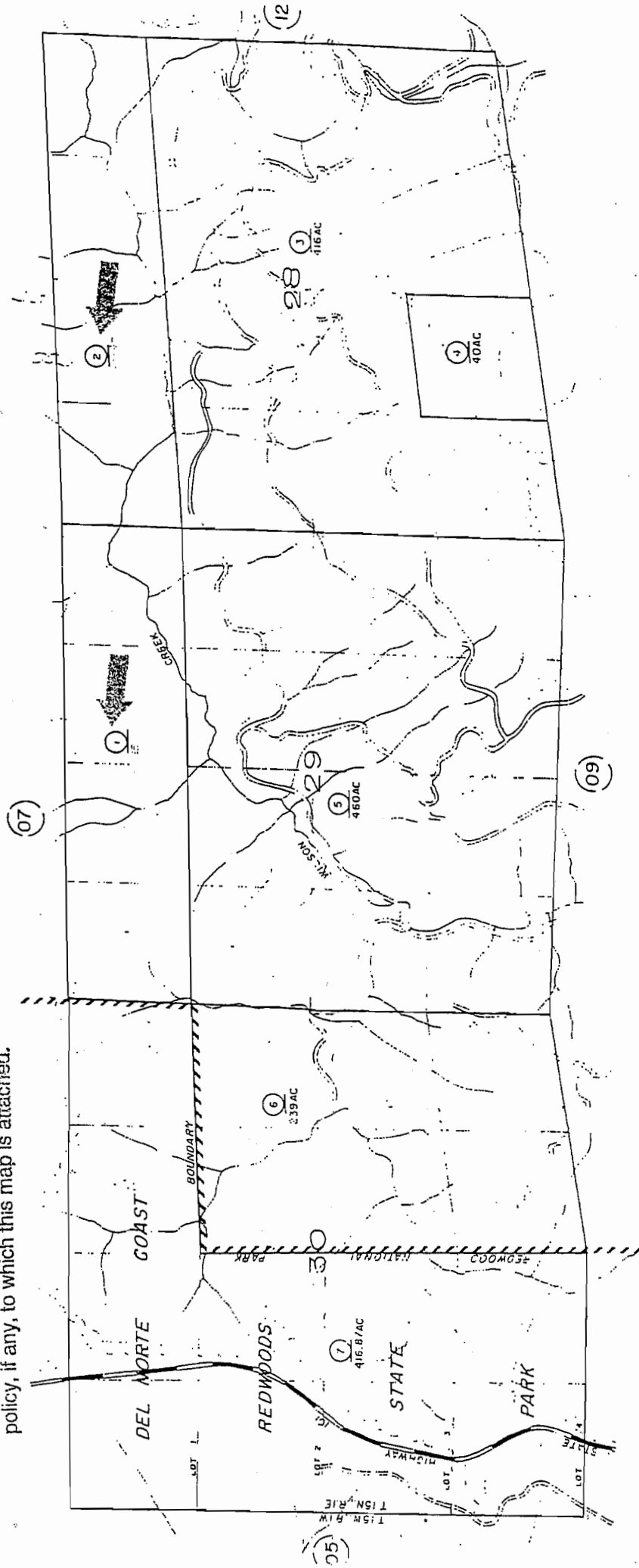
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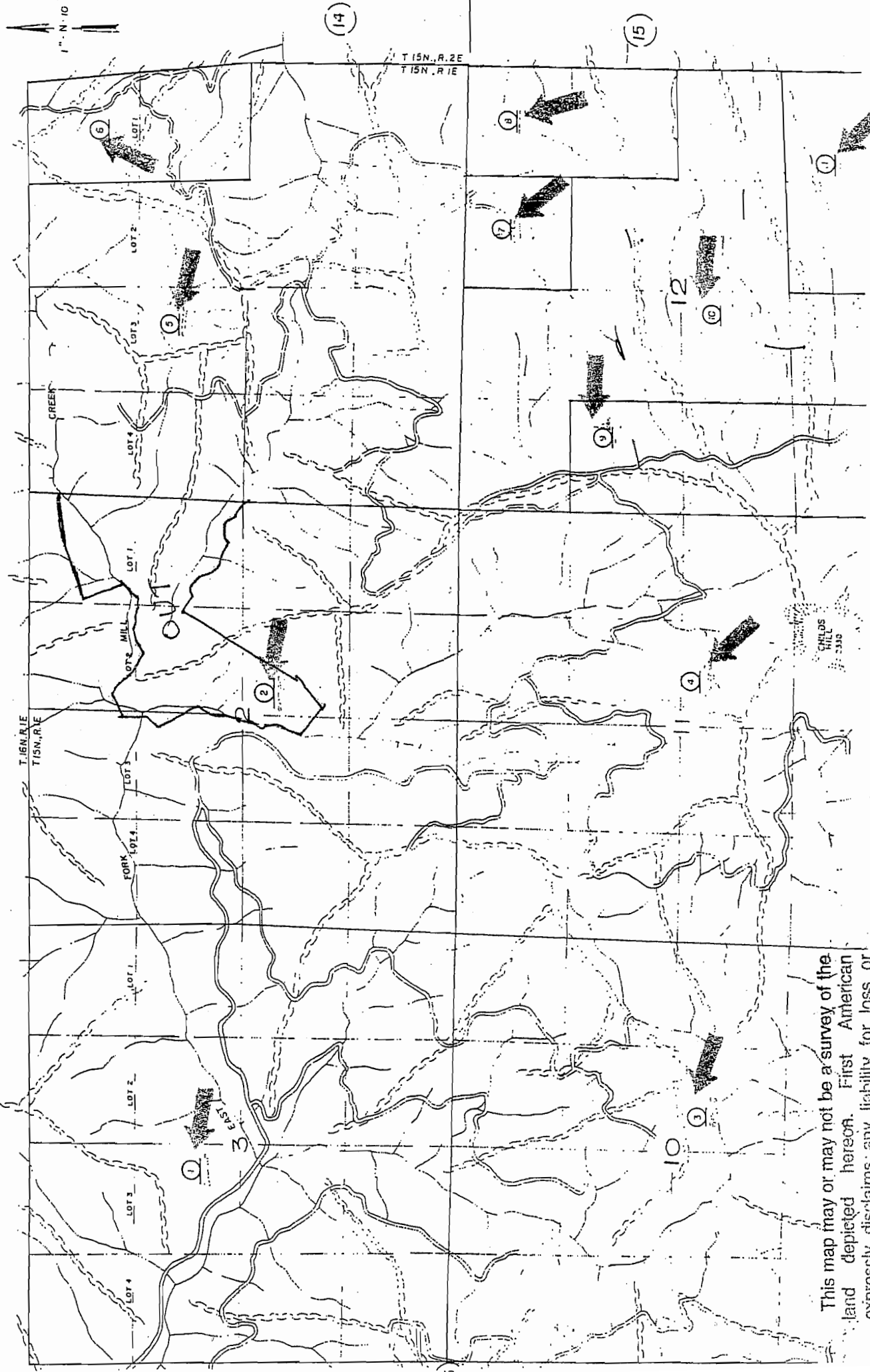
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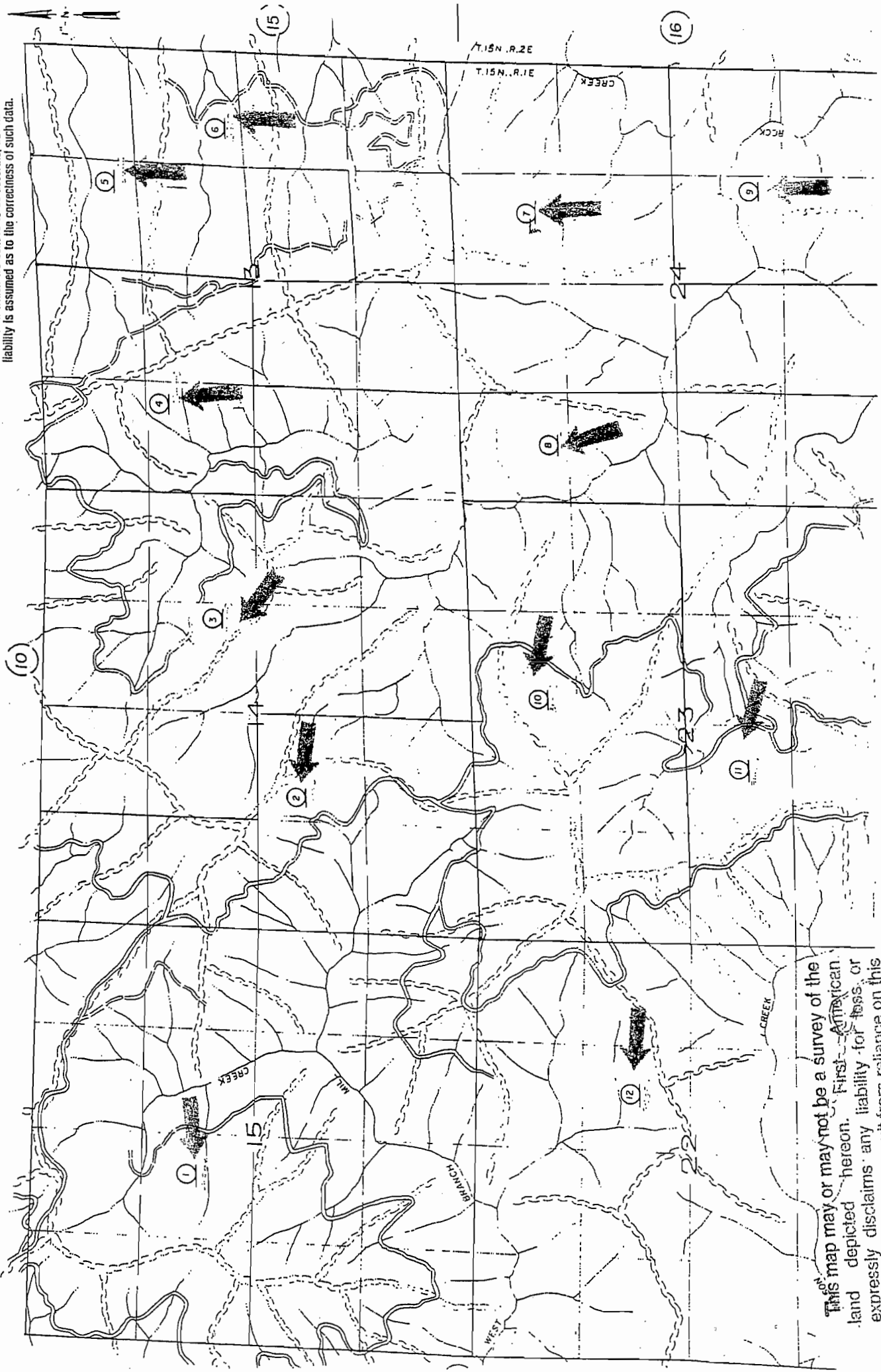


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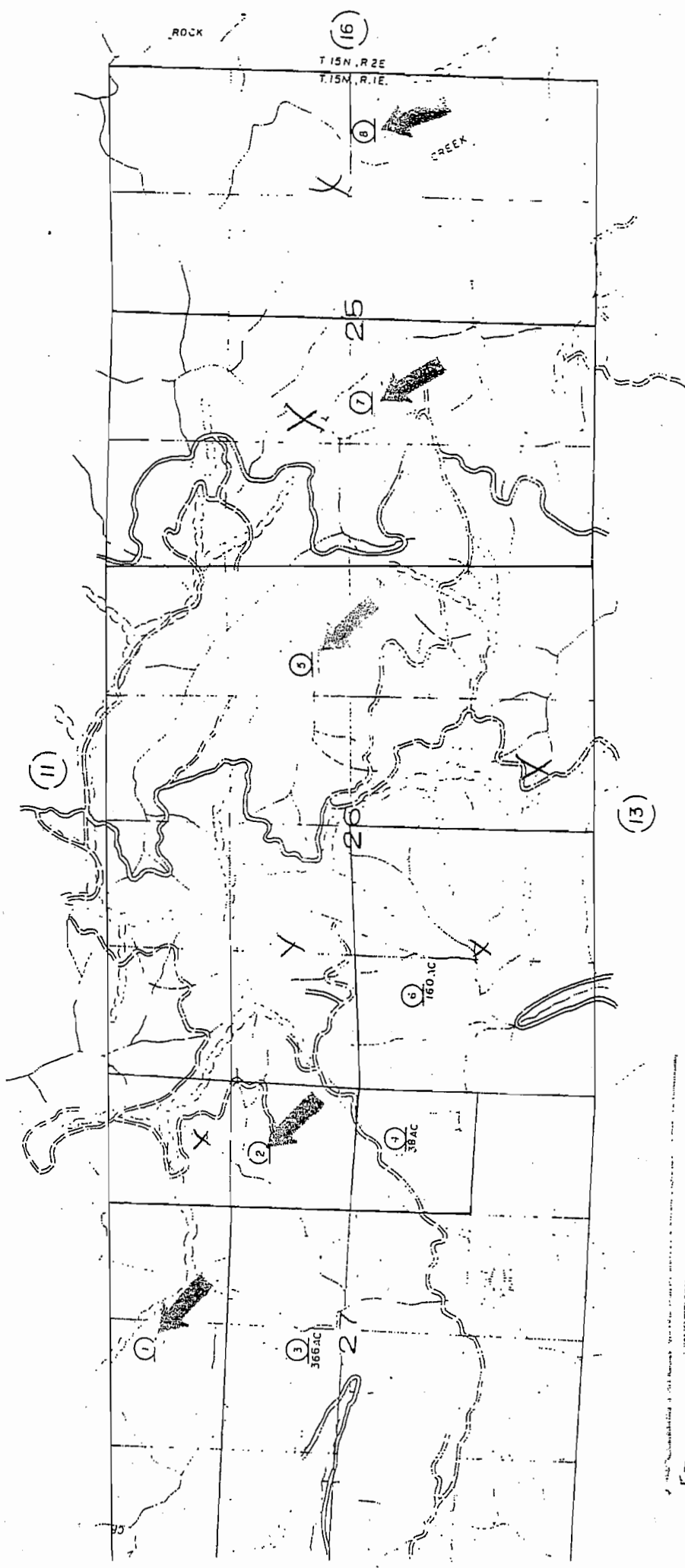
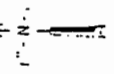
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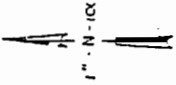
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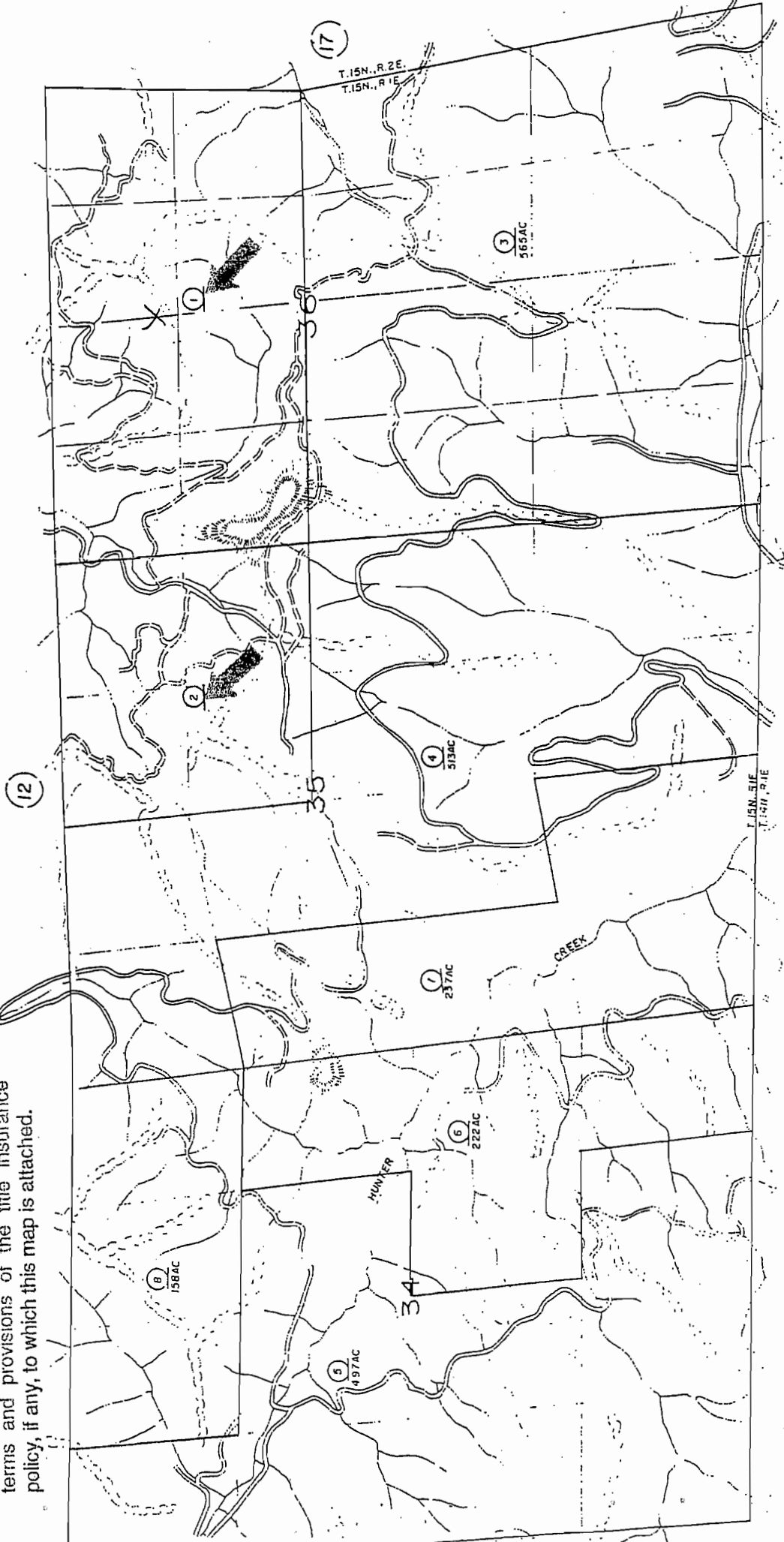


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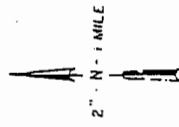
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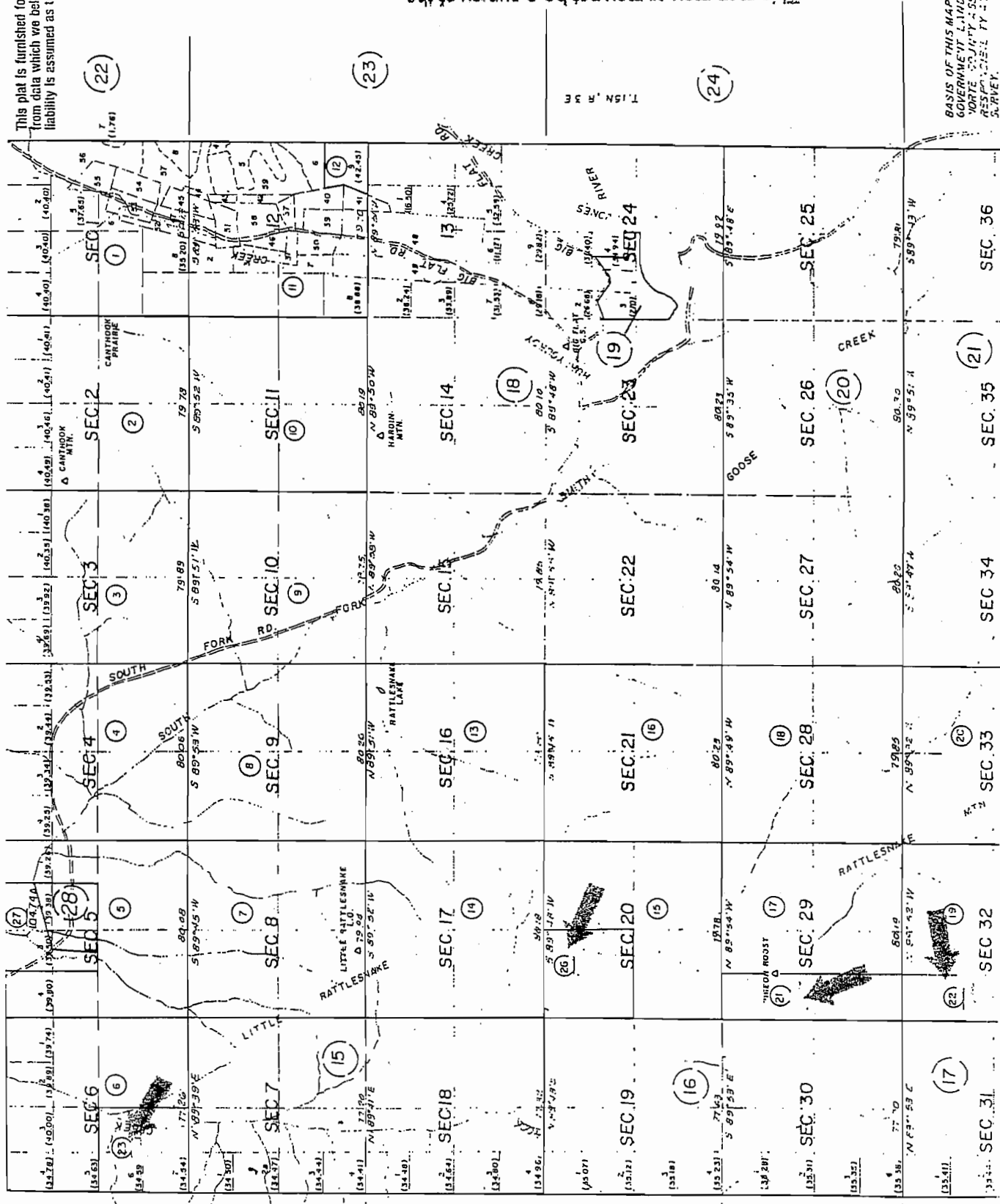


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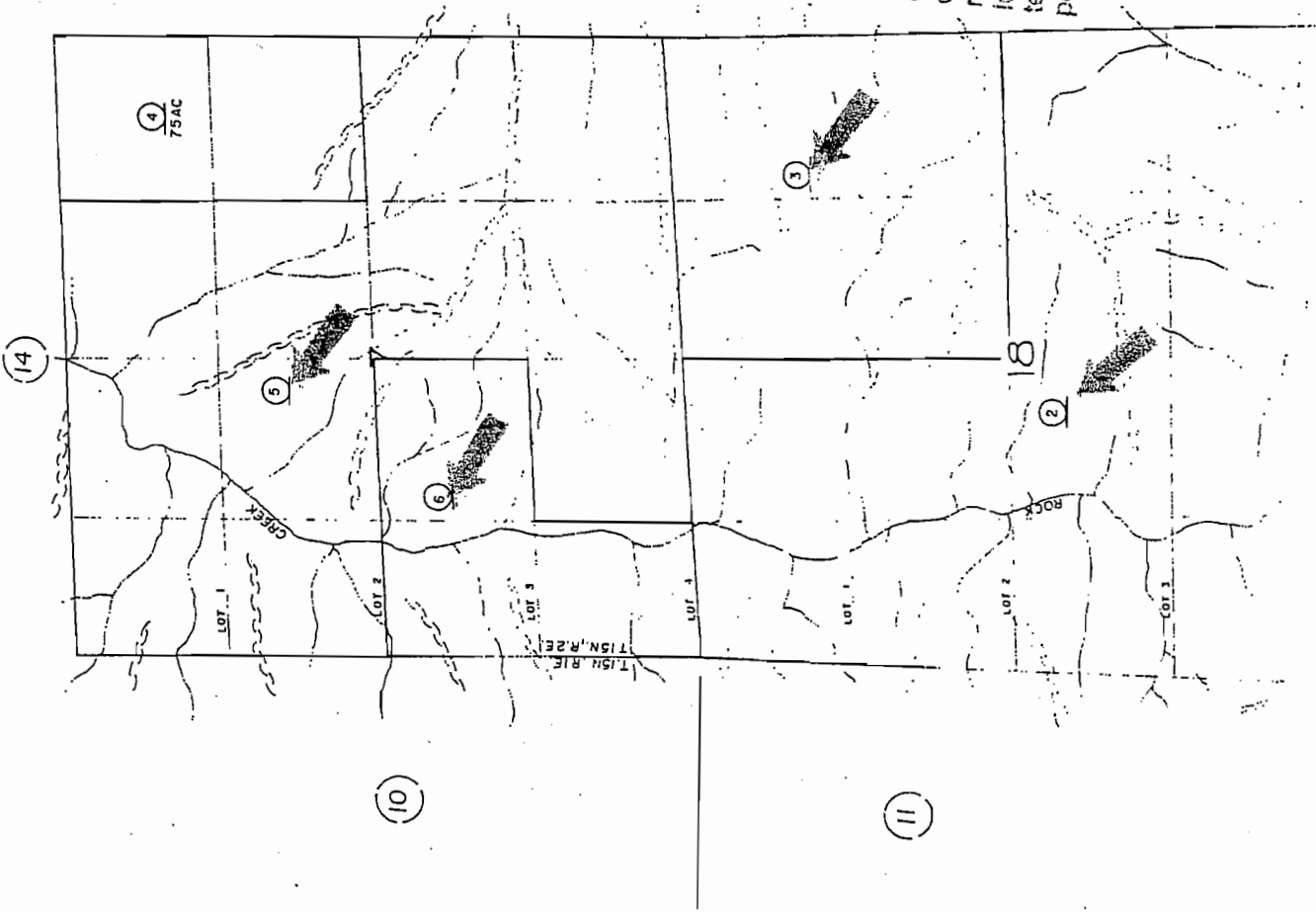


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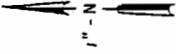
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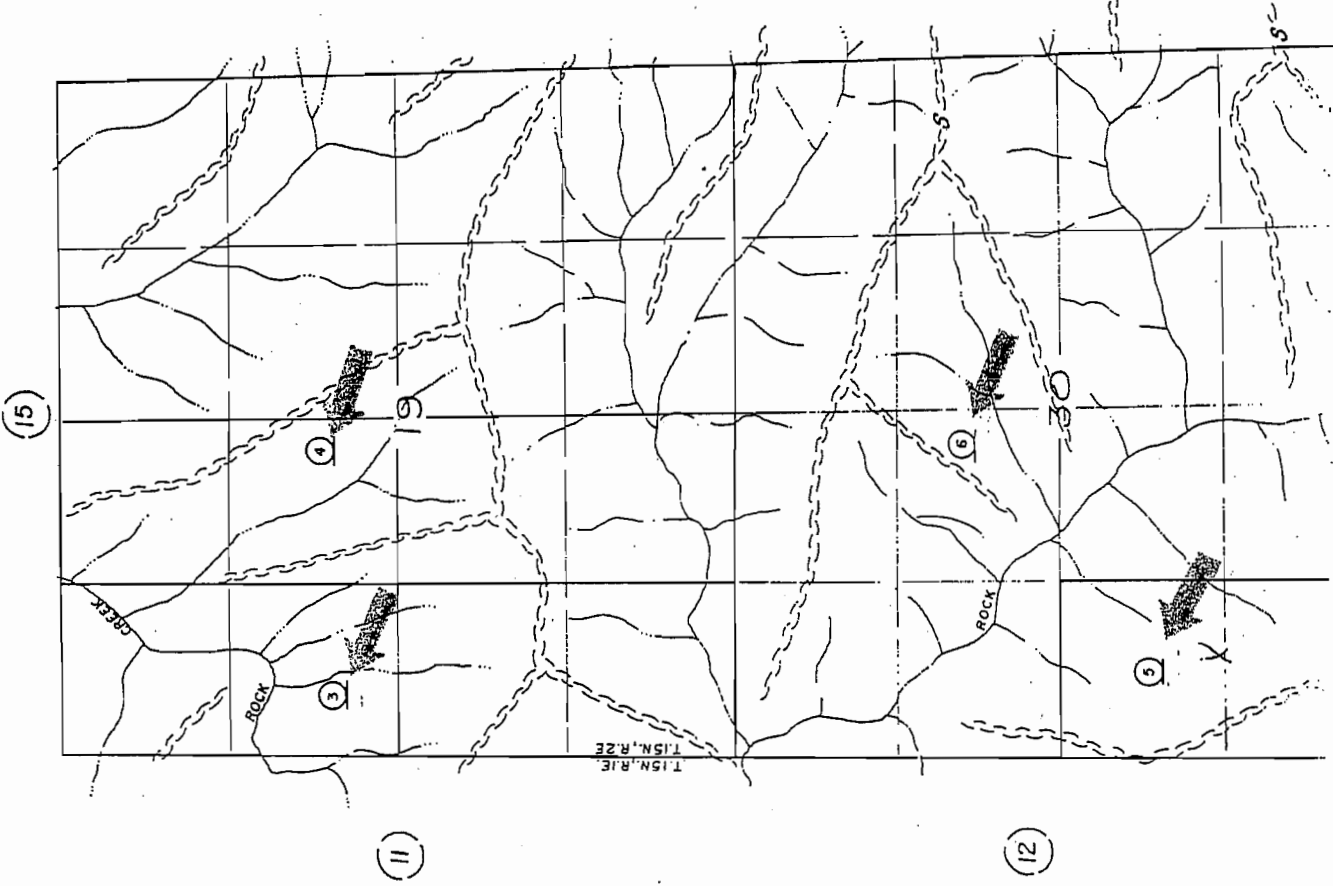


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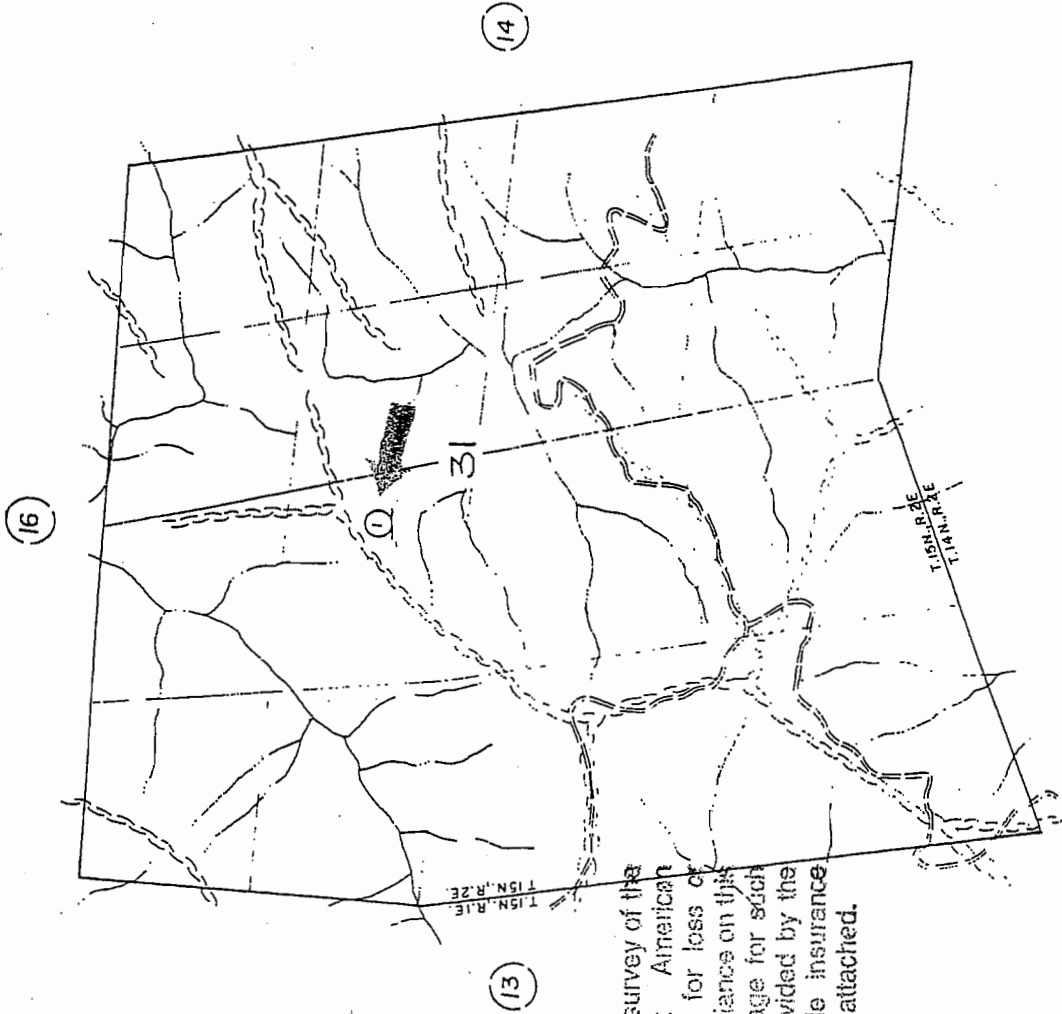
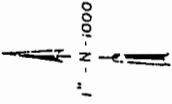


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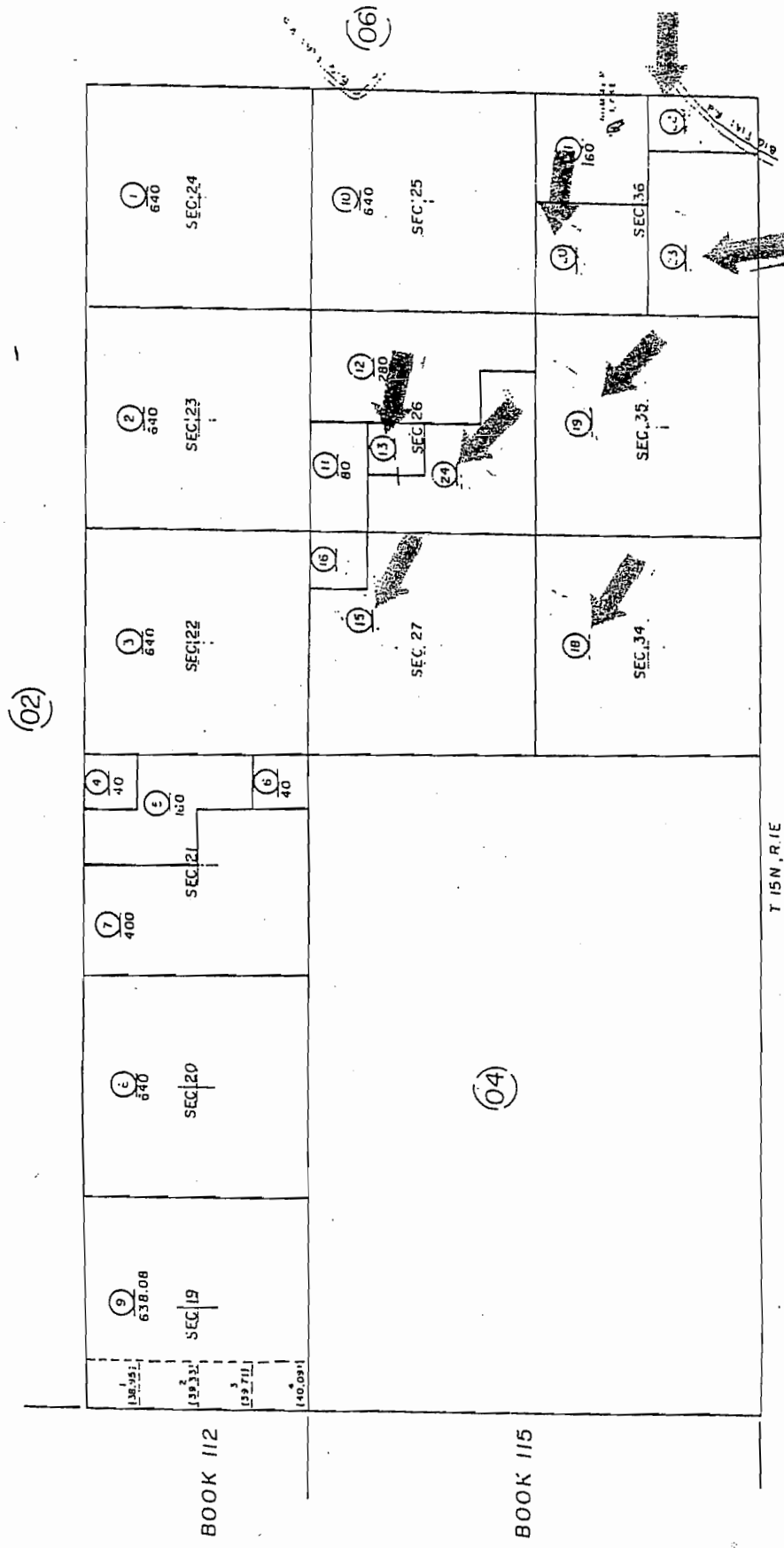
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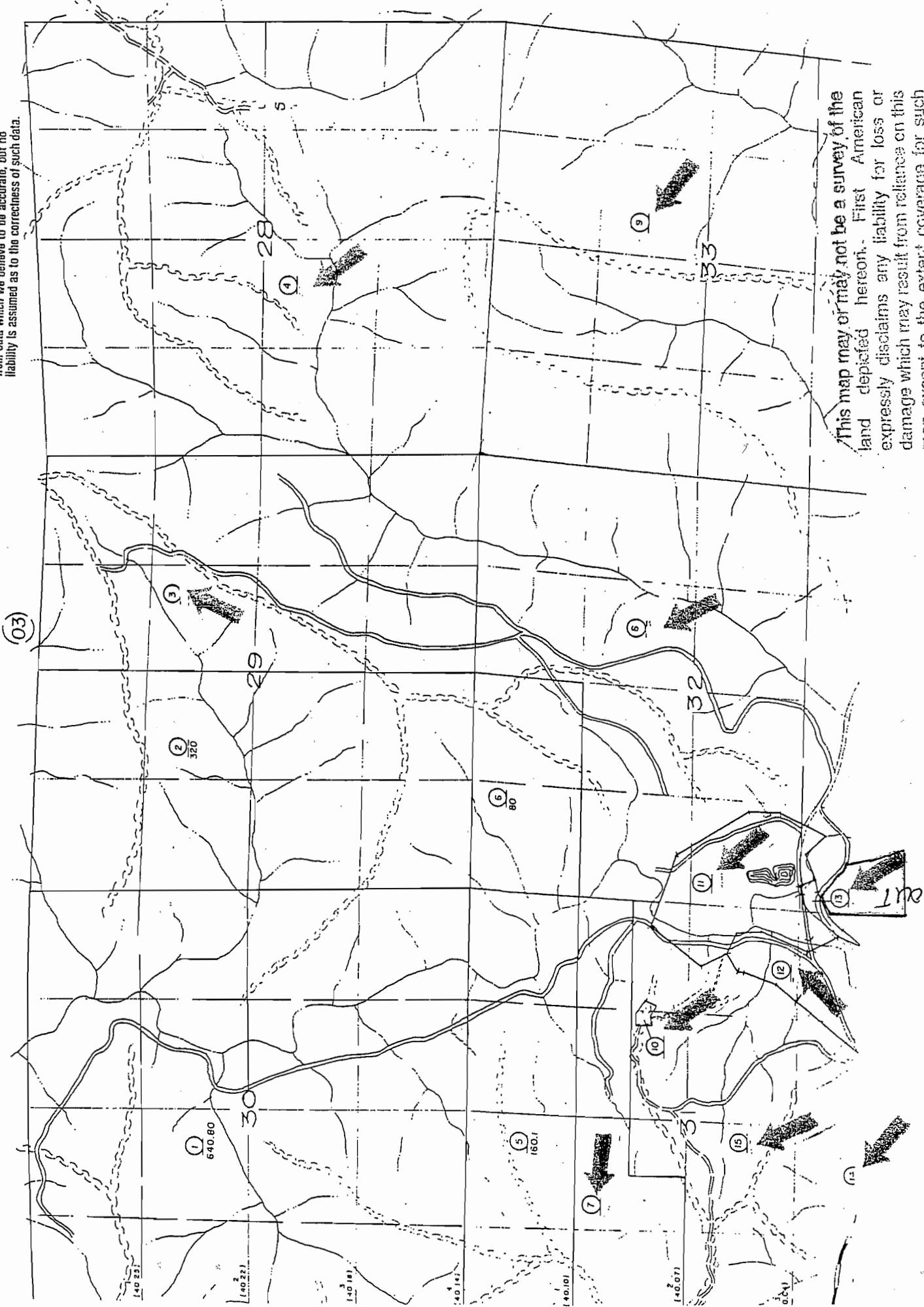
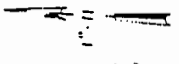
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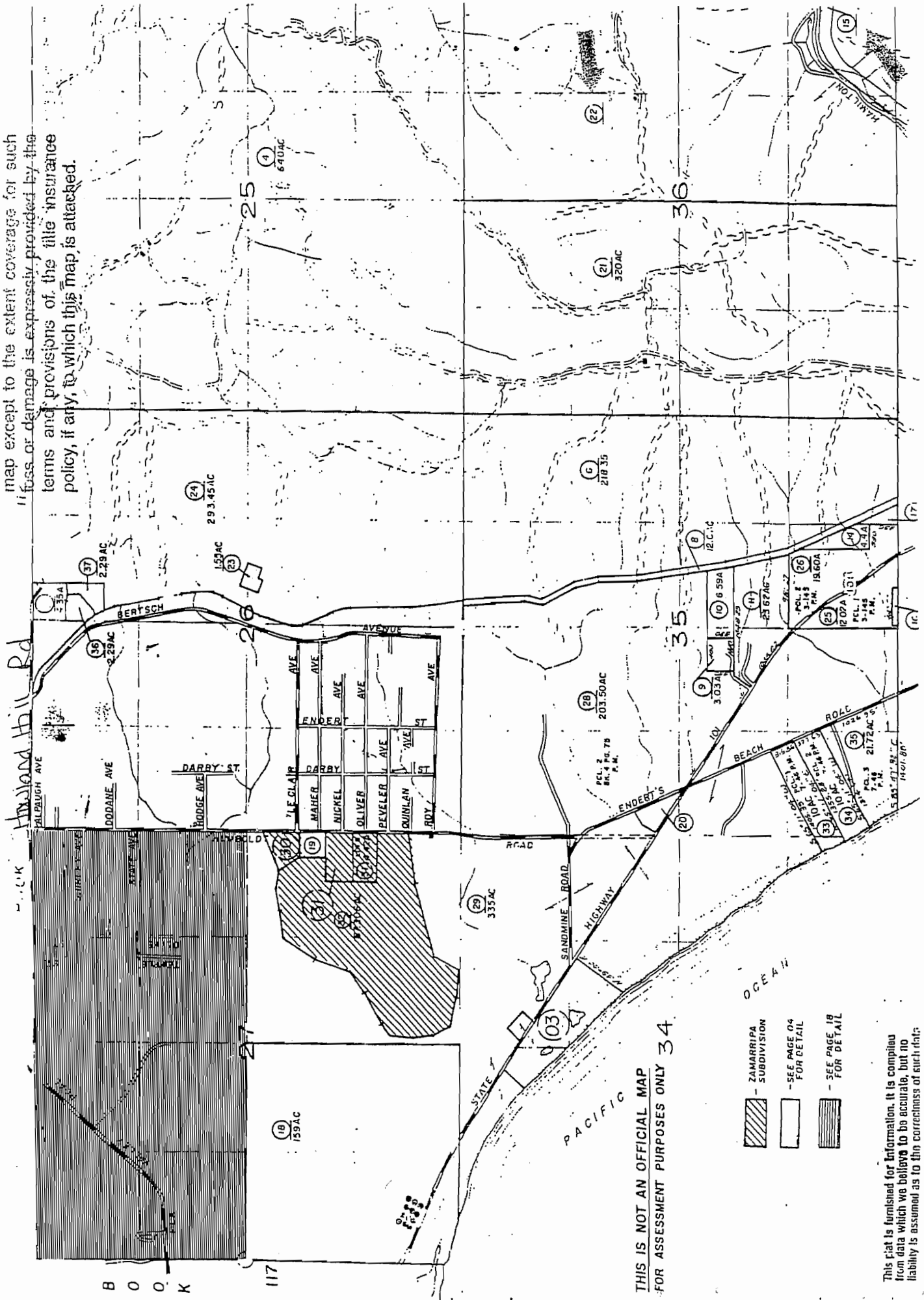
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INDORSEMENT

Attached to Policy No. J544683

Issued by

FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

The Company hereby insures the Insured against loss which said Insured shall sustain as a result of any exercise of the right of use or maintenance of the easement referred to in paragraphs 7, 8 & 16 of Schedule B over or through said land.

The total liability of the Company under said policy and any indorsements therein shall not exceed, in the aggregate, the face amount of said policy and costs which the Company is obligated under the conditions and stipulations thereof to pay.

This indorsement is made a part of said policy and is subject to the schedules, conditions and stipulations herein, except as modified by the provisions hereof.

FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

By: John Baron  
Assistant Secretary

CLTA Form 103.1 (Rev. 2-20-61)  
ALTA or standard  
coverage - lender  
Easements, damage from use  
or maintenance.

ENDORSEMENT

Attached to Policy No. J544683

Issued By

*First American Title Insurance Company*

The Company hereby insures the insured against loss or damage which the insured shall sustain by reason of the failure of the land described in Schedule A to abut upon a physically open public road known as Highway 101.

This endorsement is made a part of the policy and is subject to all of the terms and provisions thereof and of any prior endorsements thereto. Except to the extent expressly stated, it neither modifies any of the terms and provisions of the policy and any prior endorsements, nor does it extend the effective date of the policy and any prior endorsements, nor does it increase the face amount thereof.

Dated: June 4, 2002

*First American Title Insurance Company*

By: John Baron  
Authorized Signatory



ENDORSEMENT

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The Company hereby insures the insured against loss or damage which the insured shall sustain by reason of the failure of the land described in Parcel One of Tract One and the land described in Parcel Four of Tract One of Schedule A to be contiguous.

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Dated: June 4, 2002

*First American Title Insurance Company*

By: \_\_\_\_\_

*John Baron*

Authorized Signatory

ENDORSEMENT

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The Company hereby insures the insured against loss or damage which the insured shall sustain by reason of the failure of the land described in Schedule A to constitute a lawfully created parcel according to the Subdivision Map Act (Section 66410, et seq., of the California Government Code) and local ordinances adopted pursuant thereto.

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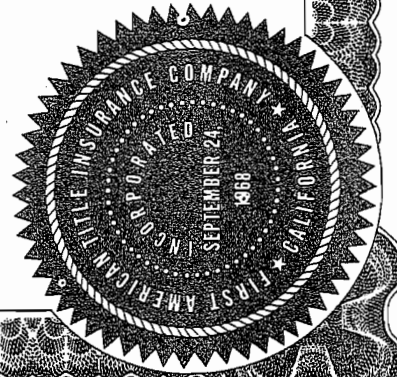
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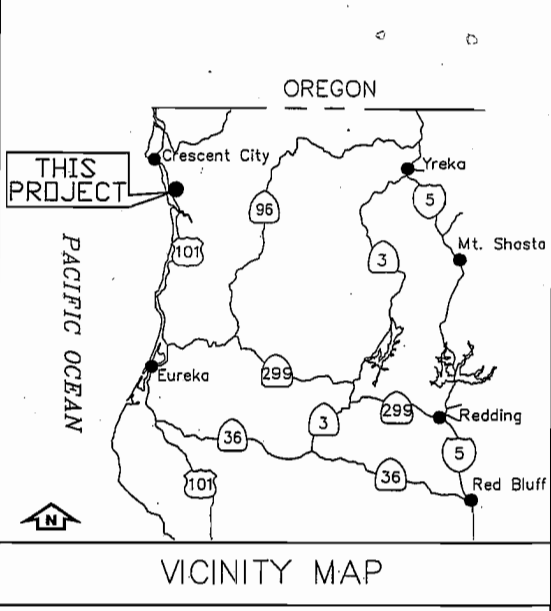
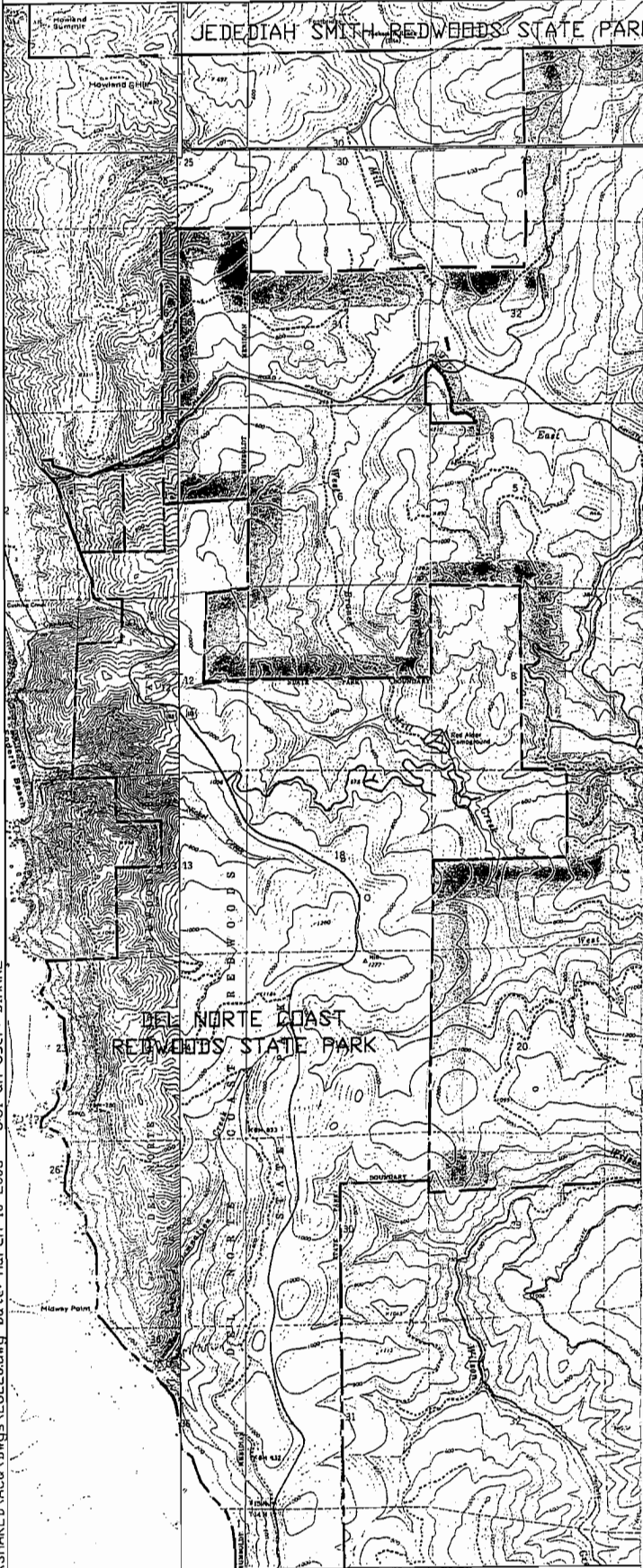


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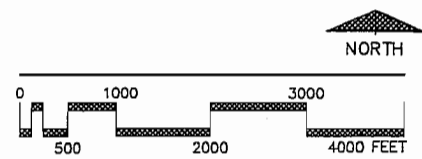
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**ACQUISITION PLAN**  
MILL CREEK PROJECT

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**AGREEMENT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**THIS AGREEMENT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS** (this “**Agreement**”) is made as of May 6, 2002, by and between the State of California, acting by and through the Department of Parks and Recreation (“**DPR**”) with the approvals of the Director of the Department of General Services and the State Public Works Board, the State Coastal Conservancy (“**CC**”), the California Wildlife Conservation Board (“**WCB**”), the California Department of Fish and Game (“**DFG**”), and Save-the-Redwoods League, a California nonprofit organization (“**League**”) with reference to the following facts:

**WHEREAS**, DPR will acquire directly from Stimson Lumber Company, an Oregon Corporation (“**Seller**”), the real property (the “**Property**”) located in the County of Del Norte, State of California and described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein with the funding assistance of the League and the other parties to this Agreement;

**WHEREAS**, the purchase price of the Property is \$60,000,000, of which DPR will pay Seller \$10,000,000, to be funded from the 2000 Bond Fund, Habitat Acquisition Program, via Chapter 106\01, Item 3790-301-0005 (29), as its contribution for the acquisition, which is 17% of the value of the Property, and the League will pay Seller \$50,000,000, which is 83% of the value of the Property, of which 65% is grant funding from various state sources; and

**WHEREAS**, the League’s portion of the purchase price will include funds provided through private donations and miscellaneous private and public sources including grants from CC, WCB, DFG and the League are hereafter collectively referred to as the “**Funders**”).

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the mutual promises of the parties hereto, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the said parties hereby agree as follows:

**1. Primary Goal of the Property:**

The intent of this Agreement is to provide for a broad array of park and other public uses that are compatible with the primary goal that the Property shall be restored to late seral forest characteristics and associated natural functions that maximize benefits to the salmonid species of its streams and wildlife associated with late seral forest. Vegetative management may be undertaken in order to accelerate achieving these goals. This Agreement calls for avoidance of negative impacts and for minimization of impacts through careful siting, management and operation. Public access and improvements on the Property will be sited, managed and operated in a manner that is compatible with, and that has minimal impacts on, the primary goal. DFG shall have access to the Property for purposes of fish and wildlife monitoring, restoration and management.

**2. Uses on the Property:**

As with other parks, the use and management of this Property shall be governed by the General Plan, which shall be developed to attain the Primary Goal of the Property as set forth in paragraph 1 of this Agreement.

General plans are developed for all parks and indicate what uses, management and development are appropriate. Section 5002.2(a) of the Public Resources Code reads, "Following classification or reclassification of a unit by the State Park and Recreation Commission, and prior to the development of new facilities in any previously classified unit, the department shall prepare a general plan for the unit. The general plan shall consist of elements that will evaluate and define the proposed land uses, facilities, concessions, operation of the unit, any environmental impacts, and the management of resources, and shall serve as a guide for the future development, management, and operation of the unit. The general plan for a unit shall be submitted by the department to the State Park and Recreation Commission for approval." The Advisory Committee (see paragraph 3 below) shall participate in the formulation of the General Plan for the Mill Creek acquisition. Once adopted, the General Plan shall guide restoration, public uses and development of the Property. Public uses shown below are for illustrative purposes; the General Plan will address the "broad array of park and related public uses."

- a. Examples of public uses that may be sited, managed and operated in a manner that is compatible with the primary goal include, among others, campgrounds, visitor education center, research center, related administrative facilities, non-aerial fire protection and resource conservation facilities, mountain biking and horseback riding in areas consistent with State Park policy, film industry uses, concessionaire operations catering to park users, etc.

The following interpretation and public uses, permitted in the approved Redwood National and State Park General Plan (1999), which includes Jedediah Smith and Del Norte Coast Redwoods, may be appropriate for the Mill Creek addition:

- Visitor services and facilities in locations that will expand visitors' awareness of the parks' diverse resources and enhance visitors' abilities to gain access to resource and activity sites.
  - Support and facilitate appropriate public use and enjoyment of the parks and participation in activities related to the parks' resources. Provide facilities in appropriate locations to support a variety of public uses and recreational activities.
  - Provide safe opportunities for visitors to see scenic vistas and other points of interest, enjoy interpretive displays, access trails, picnic areas, and other recreational facilities on Redwood National and State Park roads.
  - Support a broad spectrum of diverse education and research activities.
- b. A portion of Highway 101 lying west of the Property may be determined to be geologically unsound and may need to be realigned. The State may, with appropriate mitigation, provide for such realignment onto the westerly most portion of the Property if the following requirements are satisfied:
    - (i) all practical alternatives to realignment of Highway 101 onto the westerly portion of Property have been evaluated and rejected on a sound basis; and

- (ii) the State has made a reasonable finding that use of the westerly portion of the Property for realignment of Highway 101 is a more necessary public use than the uses set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

**3. Establishment and Role of Advisory Committee:**

Upon transfer of the Property to DPR, an Advisory Committee shall be established to advise DPR on the development and implementation of interim and long-term management plans or General Plan for the Property consistent with the primary goal for the Property and the terms of this Agreement. The Advisory Committee shall include representatives of the Funders, and may include such other entities as DPR, and the Funders shall from time-to-time identify and agree, including, for example, representatives of the County of Del Norte. The Advisory Committee shall develop procedures for the conduct of the Advisory Committee, including the procedure for reaching and documenting agreement on recommendations and their implementation and for resolution of disputes within the committee, that are mutually agreeable to DPR and the Funders. Any member of the Advisory Committee may withdraw therefrom upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other parties to this Agreement.

Management direction affecting the Property will be determined by DPR in consultation with the Advisory Committee. DPR will consult regularly with the Advisory Committee on management plans and priorities, and will provide written justification for any decisions that deviate from the Committee's advice.

**4. Funding recognition:**

DPR agrees that it will acknowledge the funding participation of the Funders in an appropriate manner at the Property, and further agrees that signage acknowledging funding will meet the guidelines and requirements of the 2000 Parks Bond Act developed by the California Resources Agency and any other signage requirements of the public funding sources used to acquire the Property.

**5. Conformance with laws:**

In carrying out the purposes for the Property as provided for in this Agreement, DPR shall administer the Property in accordance with applicable laws. The parties to this Agreement acknowledge that, among other laws governing its stewardship of the Property, DPR is required by Public Resources Code Sections 5002.1, 5002.2, 5002.3, and 5019.50 to implement a classification and general planning process prior to developing facilities.

**6. Property as security:**

The State shall not use the Property as security for any debt or for State mitigation. The Property may be a receiver site for mitigation funding or banking.

**7. Consent for transfer of interest in Property:**

DPR shall not transfer all or any portion or interest in the Property without the prior written approval of the Executive Officer of the CC, the WCB and the DFG, or their respective

successors, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The League shall be given written notice of the terms of any such transfer at least ninety (90) days in advance thereof.

**8. Continuation of obligations:**

Unless this Agreement is terminated with respect to all or any portion of the Property by all of the parties or as otherwise provided by law, the obligations set forth in this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect in perpetuity. The terms, conditions and restrictions of this Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors in interest; and the Property shall hereafter be held, transferred, sold, leased, conveyed and occupied subject to the obligations set forth herein.

**9. Entire Agreement of the Parties:**

This Agreement sets forth the entire understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter herein, and supersedes any and all prior negotiations, discussions, agreements, and understandings between the parties regarding the subject matter herein.

**10. Amendment and resolution of disputes:**

This Agreement may be modified or amended only by a written agreement executed by all parties or their respective successors in interest. The parties recognize that future circumstances may require good faith negotiations to implement the intent of this Agreement. The parties agree to negotiate in good faith about any disputed issue arising under this Agreement by any party.

**11. No rights in third parties:**

This Agreement creates no rights on the part of the general public or in any person or entity not a party to this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed to confer on any person or entity, other than the parties hereto, any benefit hereunder or any right to enforce the terms hereof. Nothing in this Agreement creates any right on the part of the Funders or any other third party to revenues, if any, generated by the Property.

**12. Recording of Memorandum of Unrecorded Agreement:**

The parties agree that a Memorandum of Unrecorded Agreement referencing this Agreement shall be recorded in the official records of Del Norte County immediately upon transfer of title to the Property to DPR.

**13. Governing law/Execution in Counterparts:**

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California and may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which, together, shall constitute one and the same instrument.



**14. Severability:**

If any provision of the Agreement is found invalid or void, the rest of the Agreement remains as if written without the voided section(s).

**15. Effective date of Agreement:**

This Agreement, executed as of the date hereof, shall take effect immediately upon transfer of title to the Property to DPR.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first appearing above.

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the Department  
of Parks and Recreation

By: \_\_\_\_\_



Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chief Deputy Director  
Administrative Services**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the Wildlife  
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By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
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By: \_\_\_\_\_

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Department of Fish and Game

By: Sam Schubert  
Title: Executive Officer  
Date: 5/15/02

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first appearing above.

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the Department  
of Parks and Recreation

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the Wildlife  
Conservation Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the Coastal  
Conservancy

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the  
Department of Fish and Game

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SAVE-THE-REDWOODS LEAGUE**

By: Kathleen O'Leary

Title: Secretary and Executive Director

Date: May 14, 2002

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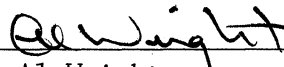
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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the Department  
of Parks and Recreation

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the Wildlife  
Conservation Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
\_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Al Wright  
Executive Director  
\_\_\_\_\_


Date: \_\_\_\_\_

May 14, 2002  
\_\_\_\_\_

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the Coastal  
Conservancy

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
Acting by and through the  
Department of Fish and Game

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Michael F. Harris  
Deputy Director of Administration  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

May 15, 2002  
\_\_\_\_\_

**SAVE-THE-REDWOODS LEAGUE**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**APPROVED:**

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
PUBLIC WORKS BOARD**

By: *Janet Anderson*

Title: Assistant Administrative Secretary

Date: May 24, 2002

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF  
GENERAL SERVICES**

By: *D. J. Weather*

Title: Real Estate Services Division

Date: May 24, 2002

EXHIBIT "A"

That real property situated in the County of Del Norte, State of California, described as follows:

TRACT ONE

PARCEL ONE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 1: Northeast quarter, excepting therefrom a strip of land 150 feet wide being 75 feet on each side of the center line of the railroad track formerly belonging to Hobbs Wall and Company as the same existed on February 14, 1940.

APN: 126-030-07 and 126-030-08

All that portion of southwest quarter of northwest quarter and that portion of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 1, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian lying east of State Highway and southerly of the Hobbs Wall and Company's railroad leading to Mill Creek as same existed April 3, 1939.

APN: 126-030-17 (ptn)

A strip of land 150 feet wide, more or less, along the railroad track formerly used by Hobbs Wall and Company across section 1, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Base and Meridian and bounded on the north by the tract conveyed to August Ressighini by deed dated February 14, 1940, recorded in Book 58 of Deeds, page 169, Del Norte County Records and bounded on the south by the tracts conveyed to Robert Gee by deed dated April 3, 1939, recorded in Book 57 of Deeds, page 198, Del Norte County Records.

Being a portion of the lands described in the Deeds to Stimson Lumber Company recorded April 29, 1944 in Book 61 of Deeds at page 227 and recorded May 5, 1944 in Book 61 of Deeds, at page 231, Del Norte County Records.

APN: 126-030-03 and portion of 126-030-21

Section 2: All that portion of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter and that portion of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, Humboldt Meridian lying east of easterly line of State Highway and south of an easterly line from Engineer's Station 538+25 of said highway to a point 75 feet south of the location of Hobbs Wall and Company's railroad leading to Mill Creek as same existed April 13, 1939. Excepting therefrom: Any portion that may have been conveyed to Save The Redwoods League in the deed recorded August 27, 1999 in Book 511 of Official Records, page 628.

APN: 126-030-17 (ptn)

Section 12: East half of northeast quarter

APN: 126-030-11

PARCEL TWO: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 1: Entire section

APN: 126-100-05 & 06

Section 2: Entire Section  
EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013793, Del Norte County Official Records.

APN: 126-100-02

Section 3: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-01

Section 4: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-03

Section 5: Entire Section  
EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013794, Del Norte County

Official Records.

APN: 126-060-02

Section 6: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-01

Section 7: North half of section

APN: 126-060-06

Section 8: East half of section

APN: 126-060-05

Section 9: Entire Section

APN: 126-060-04

Section 10: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-03

Section 11: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-04

Section 12: Entire Section

APN: 126-100-07, 08, 09, 10, 11

Section 13: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-04, 05, 06 & Portion of 03

Section 14: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-02 Portion of 03

Section 15: Entire Section

APN: 126-110-01

Section 16: Entire Section

APN: 126-070-05

Section 17: East half of northeast quarter; south half of section



APN: 126-070-04  
Section 20: Entire Section  
APN: 126-070-07  
Section 21: Entire Section  
APN: 126-070-06  
Section 22: Entire Section  
APN: 126-110-12  
Section 23: Entire Section  
APN: 126-110-10 & 11  
Section 24: Entire Section  
APN: 126-110-07, 08 & 09  
Section 25: Entire Section  
APN: 126-120-07 & 08  
Section 26: North half of section; southeast quarter  
APN: 126-120-05  
Section 27: North half of north half; southeast quarter of  
northeast quarter  
APN: 126-120-01 & 02  
Section 28: North half of north half  
APN: 126-080-02  
Section 29: North half of north half  
APN: 126-080-01  
Section 35: Northeast quarter  
APN: 126-130-02  
Section 36: North half  
APN: 126-130-01

PARCEL THREE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 2 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 6: Southwest quarter

APN: 126-140-23

Section 7: West half of northeast quarter; west half; and Southeast quarter

APN:126-150-05 & 06

Section 18: Entire Section

APN: 126-150-02 & 03

Section 19: Entire Section

APN: 126-160-03 & 04

Section 20: Northwest quarter

APN: 126-140-26

Section 29: West half of west half

APN: 126-140-21

Section 30: Entire Section

APN: 126-160-05 & 06

Section 31: Entire Section

APN: 126-170-01

Section 32: West half of west half

APN: 126-140-22

PARCEL FOUR: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 36: East half

APN: 115-020-15 and 22

PARCEL FIVE: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LIES IN TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:

Section 26: South half of northwest quarter; southwest quarter; and southwest quarter of southeast quarter.

APN: 124-030-13 & 24

Section 27: West half of northeast quarter; southeast quarter of northeast quarter; West half and the southeast quarter.

APN: 124-030-15

Section 28: Entire Section

APN: 124-040-04

Section 29: East half of section

APN:124-040-03

Section 31: South half of north half and the south half, excepting therefrom those certain parcels deeded to Miller Redwood Company, one dated April 30, 1963 recorded in Book 89 of Deeds, page 519; one dated November 7, 1963 recorded in Book 94 of Deeds, page 433, one dated October 31, 1966 recorded in Book 124 of Deeds, page 135; and one dated May 16, 1967 recorded in Book 127 of Deeds, page 571.

APN: 124-040-07, 14 & 15

Section 32: East half; south half of northwest quarter; and southwest quarter excepting therefrom those certain parcels as deeded to Miller Redwood Company dated April 30, 1963 recorded in Book 89 of Deeds, page 519, and one dated May 16, 1967 recorded in Book 127 of Deeds, page 571.

ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM that portion described in Exhibit B of that certain deed recorded August 7, 2001 as Instrument No. 20013794, Del Norte County Official Records.

APN: 124-040-08

Section 33: Entire Section

APN: 124-040-09

Section 34: Entire Section

APN: 124-030-18

Section 35: Entire section

APN: 124-030-19

Section 36: West half; and southeast quarter

APN: 124-030-20, 22 & 23

TRACT TWO

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCELS LIE WITHIN SECTIONS 31 AND 32,  
TOWNSHIP 16 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, HUMBOLDT MERIDIAN:  
PARCEL ONE:

The point of beginning being the one-quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet; thence south 43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds east, 304.91 feet; thence south 3 degrees 25 minutes 25 seconds east, 270.88 feet; thence south 22 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds west, 571.63 feet; thence south 27 degrees 36 minutes 47 seconds east, 420.49 feet; thence north 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds east, 481.60 feet; to the section line between Sections 31 and 32; thence north along the said section line 1467.00 feet to the point of beginning.

The above parcel lying and being in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded April 23, 1963 in Book 89 of Official Records, page 519.

PARCEL TWO:

The point of beginning being the one-quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence south 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds east, 601.60 feet; thence south 32 degrees 32 minutes 19 seconds east, 1029.62 feet; thence south 0 degrees 42 minutes 56 seconds west, 392.33 feet; thence south 26 degrees 01 minutes 48 seconds west, 675.13 feet to the center of the east fork of Mill Creek; thence on a meander along the creek; north 43 degrees 43 minutes 59 seconds west, 361.35 feet; south 66 degrees 43 minutes 34 seconds west, 319.39 feet; north 20 degrees 15 minutes 05 seconds west, 147.63 feet; thence from the center of the east fork of Mill Creek south 82 degrees 04 minutes

29 seconds west, 237.20 feet; thence south 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds west, 68.02 feet to the section line between Sections 31 and 32; thence north along the said section line 1467.00 feet to the point of beginning. The above parcel lying and being in Section 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded April 23, 1963 in Book 89 of Official Records, page 519.

APN: 124-040-11

PARCEL THREE:

Commencing at the quarter corner common to Section 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Sections 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet; thence south 43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds east, 140.71 feet to the point of beginning. The point of beginning being the center line of a pipe line right of way 16 feet in width hereby described as follows; and running thence north 68 degrees 42 minutes 33 seconds west, 32.6 feet; thence north 56 degrees 53 minutes 33 seconds west, 117.40 feet; thence north 76 degrees 48 minutes 33 seconds west, 193.80 feet; thence north 74 degrees 33 minutes 33 seconds west, 204.70 feet; thence north 59 degrees 32 minutes 33 seconds west, 37.90 feet; thence north 34 degrees 47 minutes 33 seconds west, 213.80 feet; thence north 39 degrees 7 minutes 33 seconds west, 149.20 feet; thence north 15 degrees 20 minutes 33 seconds west, 338.60 feet; thence north 11 degrees 9 minutes 27 seconds east, 114.90 feet, to a point on the dike of the water reservoir, said point being the true point of beginning of the boundary of the water reservoir; and running thence south 72 degrees 56 minutes 27 seconds west, 90.00 feet; thence north 0 degrees 57 minutes 44 seconds west, 214.23 feet; thence south 88 degrees 28 minutes 52 seconds east, 169.76 feet; thence south 58 degrees 52 minutes 45 seconds east, 168.33 feet; thence south 23 degrees 40 minutes 23 seconds west, 156.81 feet; thence north 73 degrees 38 minutes 33 seconds west, 168.00 feet; to the point of beginning. Said point of beginning being the point on the dike of the water reservoir boundary.

The above parcel lying and being in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian, being the property described in the Deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded November 14, 1963 in Book 94 of Official Records, page 433.

APN: 124-040-10

PARCEL FOUR:

Commencing at one quarter section corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; and running thence north along the section line between Section 31 and 32, 394.00 feet; thence north 71 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds west, 303.30 feet; thence south 37 degrees 54 minutes 54 seconds west, 752.17 feet; thence south 27 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east, 360.60 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 57 degrees 07 minutes 32 seconds west, 273.38 feet; thence south 02 degrees 08 minutes 43 seconds west, 68.92 feet; thence south 19 degrees 11 minutes 00 seconds west, 413.88 feet; thence south 41 degrees 09 minutes 08 seconds west, 642.98 feet; thence south 38 degrees 38 minutes 14 seconds west, 1074.85 feet; thence south 71 degrees 31 minutes 19 seconds east, 505.12 feet; thence north 73 degrees 01 minutes 27 seconds east, 441.63 feet; thence north 84 degrees 57 minutes 53 seconds east, 250.20 feet; thence north 59 degrees 35 minutes 57 seconds east, 411.94 feet; thence north 24 degrees 24 minutes 17 seconds east, 373.48 feet; thence north 27 degrees 36 minutes 47 seconds west, 420.49 feet; thence north 22 degrees 50 minutes 30 seconds east, 571.63 feet; thence north 03 degrees 25 minutes 25 seconds west, 270.88 feet; thence north 43 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds west, 304.91 feet to the point of beginning.

The above described parcel lying and being in Section 31, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian.

Being the property described in the Deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded November 21, 1966 in Book 124 of Official Records, page 135.

APN: 124-040-12

PARCEL FIVE:

The point of beginning being on the section line 1,467 feet south of the quarter corner common to Sections 31 and 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian; thence north 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds east, 68.02 feet; thence north 82 degrees 04 minutes 29 seconds east, 237.20 feet; thence south 20 degrees 15 minutes 05 seconds east, 147.63 feet; thence north 80 degrees 06 minutes 23 seconds west, 168.14 feet; thence south 64 degrees 32 minutes 12 seconds west, 348.89 feet; thence south 39 degrees 34 minutes 04 seconds west, 246.47 feet; thence south 29 degrees 45 minutes 53 seconds west, 368.63 feet; thence north 24 degrees 24 minutes 17 seconds east, 373.48 feet; thence north 43 degrees 47 minutes 01 seconds east, 481.60 feet to the point of beginning.

The above parcel lying and being in Section 31 and Section 32, Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Humboldt Meridian.

Being the property described in the Deed to Miller Redwood Company recorded May 22, 1967 in Book 127 of Official Records, page 571.

APN: 124-040-13

ALL PARCELS LISTED ABOVE THAT DO NOT CONTAIN A DEED REFERENCE ARE PROPERTIES DESCRIBED IN THAT CERTAIN DEED RECORDED NOVEMBER 26, 1997 IN BOOK 481 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, PAGE 408.

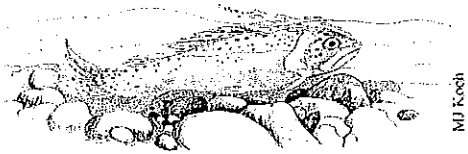
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## **APPENDIX B**

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Mill Creek Advisory Committee Charter





## MILL CREEK ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHARTER 1-14-03

1. **BACKGROUND:** On June 4, 2002 the California Department of Parks and Recreation acquired the 25,000 Mill Creek property in Del Norte County. Funding for the acquisition was provided by the California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), Wildlife Conservation Board, Department of Fish and Game, State Coastal Conservancy, and Save-the-Redwoods League.
2. **DESIGNATION:** The official designation of this advisory committee is the *Mill Creek Advisory Committee*. The Committee was established pursuant to the Agreement of Terms and Conditions for the Mill Creek Property (hereafter "Property"), dated May 6, 2002.
3. **PURPOSE and GOALS:** The purpose of the Committee is to advise the California Department of Parks and Recreation on the development and implementation of interim and long-term management plans or General Plan for the Property consistent with the primary goal for the Property which is to restore late seral forest characteristics and associated natural functions that maximize benefits to the salmonid species of its streams and wildlife associated with late seral forest. The Committee will also seek funding to implement interim and long-term management plans for the property, consistent with the non-binding Memorandum of Understanding entered into in May 2001 that contemplated seeking funds for fisheries and wildlife habitat improvements at Mill Creek.
4. **REPORT:** The Committee reports to the Redwood Coast Sector Superintendent.
5. **SUPPORT:** Support for the Committee is provided by the California Department of Parks and Recreation.
6. **DUTIES:** The duties of the Committee are solely advisory. At least 50 per-cent of the members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting the committee's business. The Committee will render advice by consensus of the quorum.
7. **MEMBERS:** The Committee will initially consist of the State Coastal Conservancy, Wildlife Conservation Board, Department of Fish and Game, Save-the-Redwoods League and the County of Del Norte (hereafter collectively referred to as the "Members"). Membership of the Committee may be extended to include others as the Members and DPR from time-to-time identify and agree upon. Each Member shall nominate a designated representative. At their discretion Members may nominate an alternative representative who can attend meetings, but shall not vote should the primary representative be present.
8. **CHAIR:** Committee Members will choose among themselves one member to serve as chairperson.
9. **MEETINGS:** The Committee will meet at least twice per year, at a time and in a location determined by the Chairperson in consultation with Members.
10. **PARTICIPATION:** Each Member is expected to fully participate in meetings and the work of the Committee.

11. **SUB-COMMITTEES:** The Committee may create subcommittees from among its membership, supplemented when appropriate by members of the public. The role of such subcommittees shall be solely to gather information or conduct research for the Committee, to analyze relevant issues and facts, or to draft proposed position papers for deliberation by the Committee. Membership on all subcommittee will be determined by the Chairperson, subject to the concurrence of the designated DPR representative.
12. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** In carrying out its duties, the Committee, or subcommittees, may seek the views of various citizen groups and members of the public.
13. **TERMINATION:** Any Member of the Committee may withdraw there from upon thirty (30) days written notice to other Members of the Committee and DPR.

## **APPENDIX C**

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General Plan Amendment Public Outreach Effort



**California Department of  
Parks and Recreation**

Bruce Lynn, Superintendent  
Redwood Coast Sector  
North Coast Redwood District  
1111 Second Street  
Crescent City, CA 95531  
Phone (707) 465-7330  
blynn@parks.ca.gov

**Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park/Mill Creek Watershed Addition  
General Plan Amendment**



California State Parks is preparing a General Plan Amendment and programmatic Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Mill Creek Watershed Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park. The 25,000 acre Mill Creek property was purchased in 2002 and subsequently added to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park. Public participation is an important part of the planning process. Below are ways to access information and become involved in the planning process.

**Mailing List:**

If you would like to be added to the mailing list to receive updates on the planning process, please provide your contact information to Bruce Lynn at the address provided on this postcard.

**Planning Website:**

Information pertaining to the planning process can be accessed at the following link:  
[http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page\\_id=24651](http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=24651)

**Public Scoping Meeting:**

A public scoping meeting for the General Plan Amendment and EIR will be held at the Large Elk Valley Community Center, 2332 Howland Hill Road, Crescent City, CA 95531 on October 4, 2007 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.



# DEL NORTE COAST REDWOODS STATE PARK – MILL CREEK WATERSHED ADDITION GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT

SEPTEMBER 2007

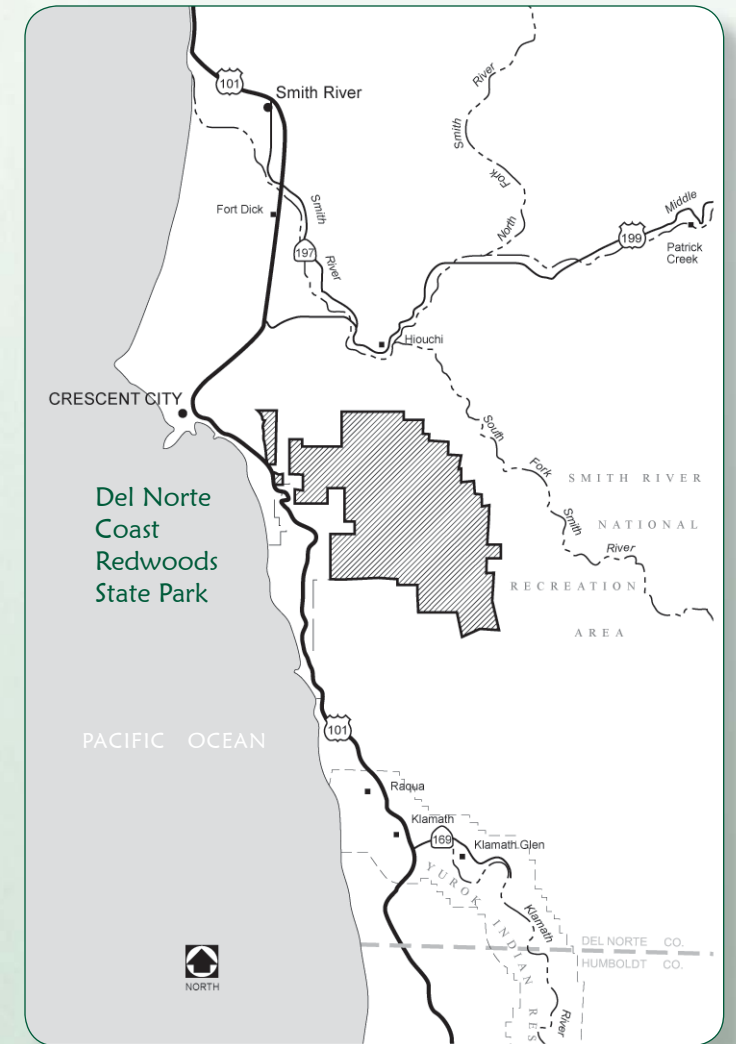
## The Mill Creek Watershed Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park

The Mill Creek addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park is located in Del Norte County. The 25,000 acre property borders Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park to the north, Six Rivers National Forest to the east, and private industrial timber lands to the south. It encompasses large portions of the Mill Creek and Rock Creek Watersheds - tributaries to the Wild and Scenic Smith River. The property was purchased in 2002 and subsequently added to Del Norte Coast Redwood State Park.

California State Parks is preparing a General Plan Amendment for the Mill Creek Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park. Public input and feedback are important part of this process. Upon completion, the General Plan Amendment will become a component of the existing Redwood National and State Parks General Management Plan/General Plan. The General Plan Amendment will define the purpose and vision for the Mill Creek Addition and address appropriate land use, circulation and facility development, natural and cultural resource management, and interpretation. The General Plan Amendment is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and a Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will be developed concurrently with the planning process.

A Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the General Plan Amendment was filed with the State Clearinghouse on September 17, 2007. The NOP can be viewed on the project website at the link provided inside this newsletter.

State Parks is looking to you to share your ideas and participate in one of the many opportunities to plan the future of this unique property. Please review this newsletter to find out how you can contribute and get involved.



### DEL NORTE COAST REDWOODS STATE PARK

#### TIMELINE OF PLANNING PROCESS AT A GLANCE

<b>Fall 2007</b> Public Workshop Number 1 (scoping meeting) Identify Issues and Concerns	<b>Winter/Spring 2008</b> Conduct Research and Policy Review, Develop Alternatives	<b>Spring 2008</b> Public Workshop Number 2 Public Input on Alternatives	<b>Spring/Summer 2008</b> Prepare Draft General Plan Amendment/ Draft EIR	<b>Fall 2008</b> Public Review Period	<b>Winter 2008</b> Final General Plan Amendment and EIR, Agency Approval
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#### Contact Information

Give us a call or send us a note: We'd love to hear from you. Please contact:

Bruce Lynn, Superintendent  
 Redwood Coast Sector  
 North Coast Redwood District  
 1111 Second Street  
 Crescent City, CA 95531

Phone (707) 465-7330  
 blynn@parks.ca.gov

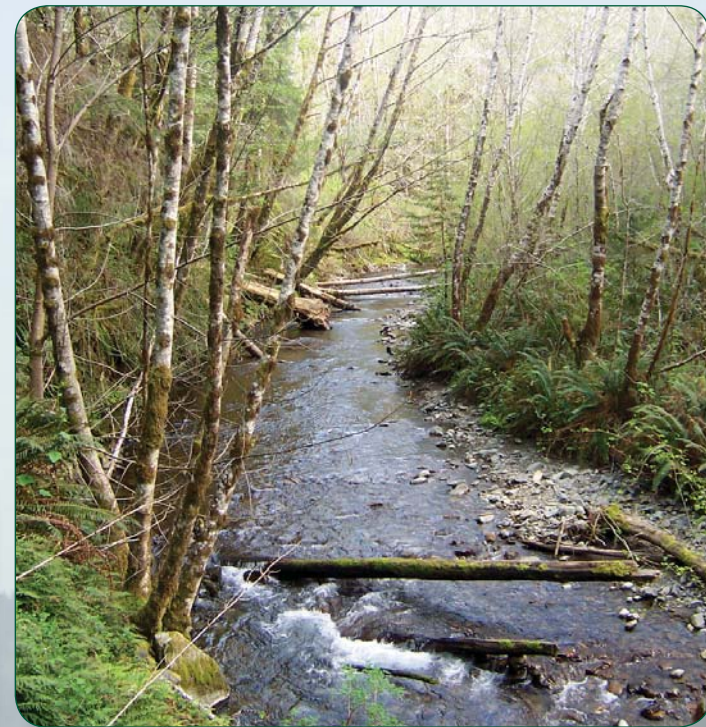


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## Partners in Planning – The Community and California State Parks

Planning the future of the Mill Creek Watershed Addition to Del Norte Redwoods State Park is a shared responsibility. Your participation will help us ensure that the General Plan Amendment is founded on the best possible information and will



take the ideas and desires of the community into consideration. We hope you will take some time to become involved in this exciting and worthwhile effort.

### The General Plan Amendment Process

The development of the General Plan Amendment will include documentation of existing conditions and the development of alternatives for future management. Along with the General Plan Amendment we will prepare a Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) analyzing the potential impacts of future management actions on the environment. The planning process will include an extensive public outreach component, during which we will seek community and agency input on an ongoing basis. If you have knowledge of the park's unique resources or concerns about their protection, please let us know. We hope to hear from you. A series



of public workshops will be held in the community during development of the General Plan Amendment. A preliminary timeline for the planning process is provided in this newsletter.

### How Can You Get Involved and Stay Connected?

There are several easy ways for you to participate:

**Get on the mailing list:** Throughout the planning process we will publish a series of newsletters informing you of ongoing work, alternatives being considered in the General Plan Amendment, and general progress of the planning process. If you did not receive this newsletter by mail, please contact Bruce Lynn, Sector Superintendent at the address provided in this Newsletter and ask to be put on the mailing list.

**Visit our website:** Information pertaining to the planning process can be accessed at the following link: [http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page\\_id=24651](http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=24651)

**Attend the public planning workshops:** We will host a series of public workshops during the development of the General Plan Amendment. The first public workshop and scoping meeting for the EIR will be held on:

**October 4, 2007 from  
6:00 to 8:00 pm.**

at the

**Large Elk Valley Community Center  
2332 Howland Hill Road  
Crescent City, CA 95531**

During this workshop we will be seeking input from you or your agency or organization early in the planning process. The workshop will provide a forum to discuss ideas, identify concerns, and get suggestions for park management and enhancement early in the planning process. Future workshops will discuss planning alternatives and present the final plan to the public.

**Please join us!**





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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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## Notice of Preparation

**To:** State Clearinghouse, Responsible and Trustee Agencies, Interested Individuals

**Subject:** Notice of Preparation of a program Environmental Impact Report for the  
**Mill Creek Watershed Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park  
General Plan Amendment**

**Lead Agency:** California Department of Parks and Recreation  
Redwood Coast Sector  
North Coast Redwood District  
1111 Second Street  
Crescent City, CA 95531  
Contact: Bruce Lynn, Superintendent

**Consultant:** EDAW, Inc.  
2022 J Street  
Sacramento, CA 95811  
Contact: Petra Unger, Curtis Alling

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks), as the Lead Agency, will prepare a programmatic Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Mill Creek Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park General Plan Amendment. We would like to know the views of interested individuals, organizations, and agencies as to the scope and content of the information to be included and analyzed in the EIR. Agencies should comment on the elements of the potential effects on any resources that are relevant to their statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project.

The project description and location of the proposed project are included in this Notice of Preparation (NOP).

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response should be sent at the earliest possible date, **but not later than 30 days** after issuance of this notice, which establishes the final deadline as **October 17, 2007**.

Please send your written response to Bruce Lynn, Superintendent, Redwood Coast Sector, at the address shown above. Responses should include the name of a contact person at your agency.

A planning workshop and EIR scoping meeting has been scheduled to give the public an opportunity to comment on the scope, focus, and content of the Mill Creek Watershed Addition General Plan Amendment and EIR. The meeting will be held from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm on October 4, 2007 at the Elk Valley Community Center at 2332 Howland Hill Road, Crescent City, CA 95531.

### **PROJECT TITLE**

Mill Creek Watershed Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park General Plan Amendment

### **PROJECT LOCATION**

The Mill Creek Watershed Addition is located approximately 6 miles southeast of Crescent City in Del Norte County (Exhibit 1).

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

State Parks' North Coast Redwood District office is in the process of developing a General Plan Amendment for the Mill Creek Watershed Addition to Del Norte Coasts Redwoods State Park ("Park") in accordance with Public Resources Code §5002.2 referencing General Plan guidelines and §21000 et seq. concerning the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The purpose of the General Plan Amendment is to guide future outdoor recreation use activities and natural and cultural resources management objectives at the Park.

The Mill Creek Watershed Addition General Plan Amendment planning area covers approximately 25,000 acres. The property is bordered by Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park to the north, Six Rivers National Forest to the east, and private industrial timber lands to the south and encompasses large portions of the Mill Creek and Rock Creek watersheds.

The Mill Creek Watershed Addition is characterized by steep, mountainous terrain. Between 1954 and 2000, the property was intensively managed for commercial timber production. In support of the timber harvest, an extensive network of logging roads and skid trails was constructed. Today, the property is characterized by mostly young forests that were planted after timber harvesting efforts. The Park offers many opportunities for restoration and watershed protection, recreation, and interpretation. The Mill Creek watershed is known to support important habitat for several federally and state-listed fish species.

Preparation of the General Plan Amendment is in its early stages, so ultimate land use and resource management provisions have not yet been determined. State Parks is currently in the process of evaluating existing resources and management opportunities and constraints at the Park that will aid in the development of the General Plan Amendment, with plan provisions to minimize any potential environmental impact.

Issues that will be considered as part of the General Plan Amendment process include, but are not limited to, the following:

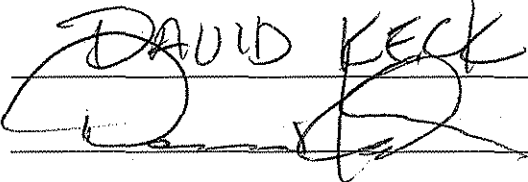
- ▶ Protection and long-term management of sensitive natural, cultural, and aesthetic resources;
- ▶ Potential impacts to threatened and endangered species and sensitive natural habitats;



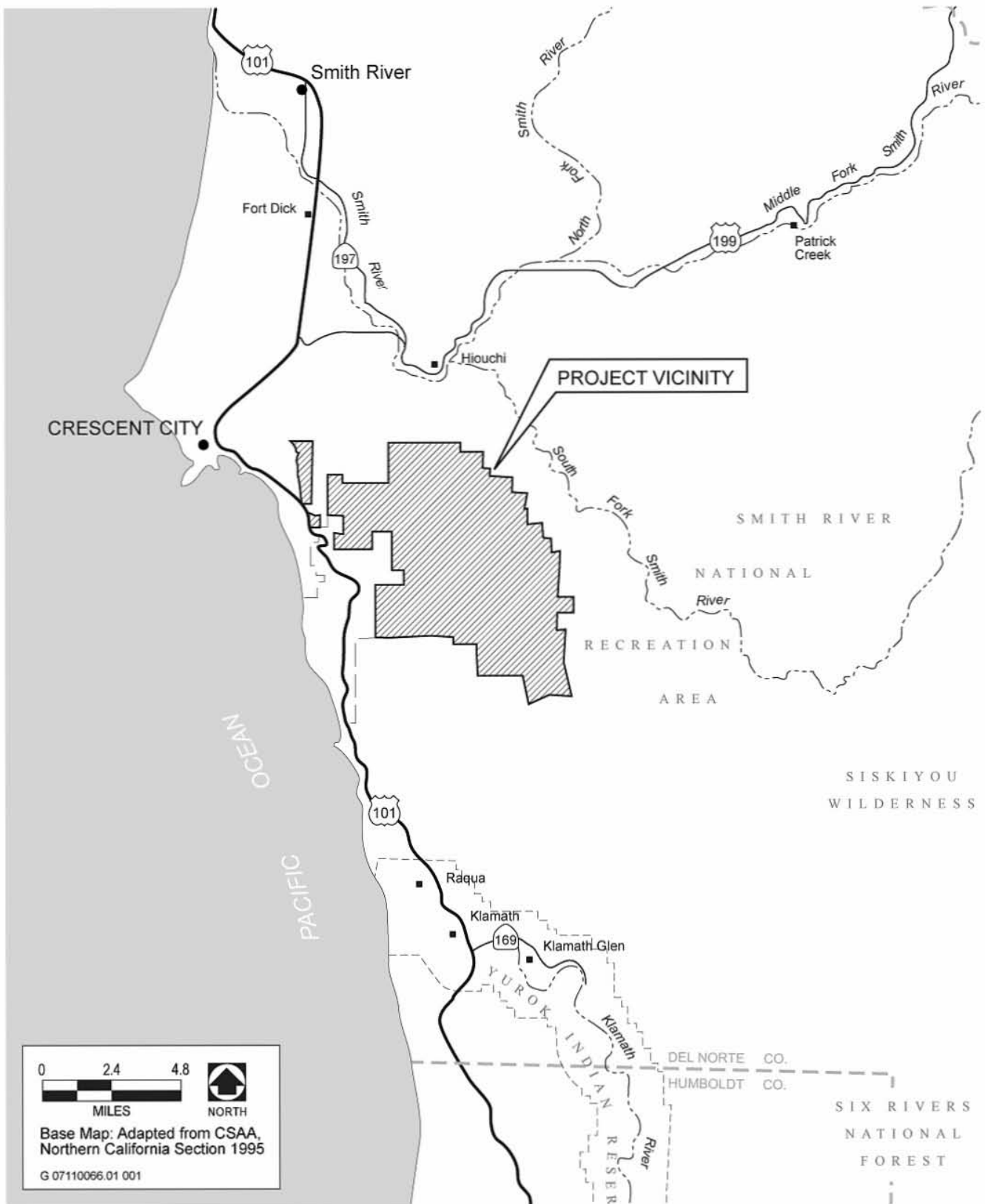
- ▶ Invasive species management and restoration of natural ecosystems;
- ▶ Public Access & Recreational opportunities;
- ▶ Erosion control and slope stability issues;
- ▶ Water quality issues;
- ▶ Interpretive services at the park;

**INTENDED USES OF THE EIR**

State Parks and the Parks and Recreation Commission will use the EIR component of the General Plan Amendment to consider the environmental effects, mitigation measures, and alternatives, when reviewing the proposed General Plan Amendment for approval. The program EIR will serve as the State's CEQA compliance document for adoption of the General Plan Amendment. In its role as the programmatic environmental document for Park management, it may be referenced in implementing future actions included in the General Plan Amendment. Subsequent project-level activities identified in the General Plan Amendment will be examined in light of the program EIR to determine whether an additional environmental document must be prepared prior to project approval and implementation (pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines §15168 (c)). Responsible agencies may also use the EIR for subsequent discretionary action, as needed.

By: DAVID KECK  
Signature:   
Title: Manager, Statewide General Plan Program  
Date: September 17, 2007

**Attachment:** Exhibit 1: Regional Location of the Mill Creek Watershed Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park



Source: Adapted by EDAW in 2007

**Regional Location Mill Creek Watershed Addition,  
Del Norte Coast Redwood State Park**

**Exhibit 1**

# **DEL NORTE COAST REDWOODS STATE PARK MILL CREEK WATERSHED ADDITION GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT**

## **PUBLIC MEETING NOTES**

**OCTOBER 4, 2007**

The following notes were recorded on easels in each of three breakout groups led by EDAW facilitators Petra Unger, Ron Unger, and Yanna McLaughlin. Participants in each group were asked to provide input on the opportunities, issues and concerns they would like to see addressed during the General Plan Amendment process and associated Environmental Impact Report preparation. Summaries are provided by breakout group. When provided, name and affiliation of the commenters are given. Comments provided in written form will be summarized separately.

### **PETRA'S GROUP**

#### **LOU**

- ▶ Why are trails and roads closed? Is there not enough money to maintain them?

#### **HELEN**

- ▶ Would like to see as many trails open as possible (multi-use).

#### **RON – LAKE EARL GRANGE**

- ▶ Accommodate as many potential user groups as possible;
- ▶ Property should be big enough to accommodate many uses;
- ▶ Would like to see world class lodge as a potential private enterprise;
- ▶ Maintain all roads for multiple users, i.e., ATV;
- ▶ DPR OHV Division should take over a section of the park and implement a multi-user concept;
- ▶ Create lots of loops, designate some for ATVs;
- ▶ Accommodate hikers, mountain bikers, horseback riders, campers, ADA recreation;

- ▶ ATV/OHV users should pay fees to maintain day use;
- ▶ Provide a place for hunters to stage to get hunting access in NCA/Rattlesnake Ridge.

## **EILEEN – LAKE EARL GRANGE/NORTHWEST TRAIL RIDERS**

- ▶ Agrees with everything Ron mentioned;
- ▶ Would like to see vehicle access to camping areas and areas for horse trails;
- ▶ Expand the existing Mill Creek campground to accommodate horse camping, similar to what is available at Tolowa Dunes;
- ▶ Consider using volunteer and partnership to maintain facilities; host work parties etc.; our group has a good procedure in place for this;
- ▶ Create partnership with the community;
- ▶ Use community service workers for maintenance;
- ▶ Trees need thinning; sell bigger logs for firewood or use on site;
- ▶ All trails need to be kept open;
- ▶ Del Norte County should consider to maintain the main roads on the property.

## **HEATHER – PRIVATE CITIZEN**

- ▶ Ensure everybody (all user groups) keeps to their designated zones;
- ▶ Emphasize habitat protection for salmon and wildlife;
- ▶ Trim trees to maintain viewsheds;
- ▶ Provide picnic tables, restrooms, and benches on ridges;
- ▶ Need trails not just roads for hiking only; others for biking, horses;
- ▶ Outdoor education: Create a center for watershed restoration; create a real school;
- ▶ Provide ADA accessibility off roads. i.e. on trails, etc.;
- ▶ Provide evening access to Child's Hill for astronomy exploration;

- ▶ Create a bike in/hike in campground;

## **LILA – DEL NORTE COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN**

- ▶ Ron / Helen / Eileen stated my concerns well;
- ▶ Would like to see access for older citizens into the backcountry.

## **MICHAEL: DISABLED VETERAN**

- ▶ Provide trails for wheelchairs;
- ▶ Provide off-road campgrounds that are wheelchair accessible;
- ▶ Provide multi-use roads for ATV and vehicles that provide access for seniors and disabled persons;
- ▶ Implement special use access / times / areas for various users, i.e., astronomy club, horses, etc.
- ▶ Provide an indoor facility for ATV education;
- ▶ Provide a “free style arena”;
- ▶ Provide an indoor shooting range;
- ▶ Allow the unallowable i.e., personal mushroom hunting

## **MARGIE – NW TRAIL RIDERS**

- ▶ Keep the park public friendly - most State Parks are not;
- ▶ Want trails that have been used for the last years to remain open and accessible such as:
  - Cougar Ridge – Upper First Gulch
  - Cougar Ridge – Section 5
  - Picnic Road
  - Springer Gap

## **TOM – CALTROUT**

- ▶ Fisheries restored was stated as the purpose for acquisition;

- ▶ All activities need to be evaluated with regards to potential impacts on fish;
- ▶ Activities also need to be evaluated with regards to water quality and quantity, sediment remediation and control, introduction and future recruitment of large woody debris, and prevention of the introduction of exotic aquatic and terrestrial species introductions;.
- ▶ Provide public education regarding fisheries habitat needs and values;
- ▶ Develop and implement a comprehensive monitoring plan to assess future needs of restoration and protection actions.

## **DAVE – COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

- ▶ Management should be undertaken as co-management or by contract with the Resources Agency;
- ▶ DPR and CDF / Calfire should manage the Mill Creek Unit as a demonstration forest during the transition of the current “tree farm” to the fully implemented plan; implement the following:
  - Take off timber;
  - Do studies on vegetation, wildlife and use funding from resources;
  - Bring money back to the property;
- ▶ Cooperative management could be transitioned out once the transformation of the property is complete, the timeframe for this could be negotiable.

## **ARMAND – ALTERNATIVE INFORMATION OFFICER FOR THE LAKE EARL GRANGE**

- ▶ Ditto to comments made by Ron, Eileen, the horse people, and Tom, especially on issues pertaining to ADA access;
- ▶ Equal access for all, i.e., elderly
- ▶ Set up a group that deals with ADA issues only specific to Mill Creek!
- ▶ Protection of family activities/facilities for camping, hiking, education (environmental/ hunting/ATVs/ horses);
- ▶ Set up a group to deal just with family issues;

- ▶ All groups should report to County BOS on equal basis;
- ▶ Demonstration forest ditto!

## **KARL – BLUE RIBBON COALITION**

- ▶ Support Armand's remarks;
- ▶ There should be a State Parks maintenance center at the mill site;
- ▶ Deed Hamilton Road, Child's Hill Loop, and Rock Creek Loop to Del Norte City to conserve money for maintenance and maintain the site open for public
- ▶ Howland Hills Road is now closed off – this is a bad example; it used to be Country Road.

## **DOUG**

- ▶ Highway 101 may fail soon at Lost Change Grade; provide Caltrans the opportunity to look at an alternative Right of Way, i.e., Wilson Creek Road;
- ▶ Also would like to see access and development;
- ▶ Would like to see maintenance to prevent fire.

## **JEFF**

- ▶ Roads and trails should be open for families with ATVs, for camping, and for other activities not available now because roads/trails are closed.

## **ROBIN**

- ▶ All areas of Mill Creek should be open to the public;
- ▶ Charge daily or yearly fees of all users to fund maintenance effort;
- ▶ Make the site accessible to all user groups;
- ▶ Use inmate labor for maintenance and to create border fencing along roadway and trails;
- ▶ Once fencing is in place, implement fines for breaking the rules, i.e. going off road (like Winchester Bay, Oregon);

- ▶ Research Oregon State Parks (dunes/logging areas) to see how they determine and manage uses while keeping the environment pristine;
- ▶ Construct areas for RV parking, yurts, small cabins, such as Oregon's Umpqua Lighthouse State Park, 150 miles away;
- ▶ Implement ranger patrols;
- ▶ County should provide search and rescue;
- ▶ Salmon streams should be off-limits;
- ▶ Construct State Park entrance booth to collect fees;
- ▶ Keep the site open year around; leave the gates open.

## **DENNIS – BLUE RIBBON COALITION**

- ▶ Concerned to have only 12 days left to comment; NOP should be published day of 1st public meeting
- ▶ Objects to a process where staff can reject comments outside of scope;
- ▶ Offered the following comments:
  - 1) Eco-touring for OHVs, 4x4s, mountain bikes, ATVs, hikers, etc.
    - Need at least 4 day use / picnic areas with bathrooms; these could potentially be located at the September 4 road tour shops; need 2 areas on top and 2 on the bottom;
    - Need at least 4 large staging areas.
  - 2) County needs to take over Rock Creek, Hamilton, and Child's Hill Road; Park needs to keep all connecting loops open;
  - 3) County was promised an eco-lodge;
  - 4) Keep all trails/trail connectors open into Six Rivers National Forest and Jeddediah Smith State Park;
  - 5) Equal weight must be given to riparian, recreational, economic, restoration and cultural concerns.

## **SAM**

- ▶ Parks are user-unfriendly parts of the year;



- ▶ Leave access open, don't put up gates;
- ▶ Leave opportunities for different seasonal experiences, i.e., access to the site in the snow;
- ▶ Closure allows vegetation growth and creates fire hazards; also allows for illegal dumping;
- ▶ Shooting should not be on Mill Creek property at all (Note: others in the group would like to see a shooting range available);
- ▶ Would like to see an observation platform on Child's Hill;
- ▶ Would like to see a year-around park interpretive specialist;
- ▶ Would like to see a link to the Coast to Crest Trail;
- ▶ ATV people don't want to ride around in circles only – provide for a varied experience

## **RON'S GROUP**

### **CHRIS BURG**

- ▶ Enhance creek for salmon habitat.

### **ERIC LUND**

- ▶ Open area to as many user groups as possible – including ORV/OHV use;
  - Open the 4 proposed loops to the public;
  - Open more loops;
  - Have staging areas – for horses and non-street licensed equipment;
- ▶ More camping – primitive, with minimum facilities (i.e., pit toilets);
- ▶ Open the area in stages and/or ASAP.

## **DON GILLESPIE – FRIENDS OF DEL NORTE COUNTY**

- ▶ Support/provide enhancement of fisheries and of Mill Creek for coho salmon;
- ▶ Have loop road for licensed vehicles on site;
  - Incompatible with ORV; concern for degradation (streamside erosion);
- ▶ Provide more camping facilities – primitive type;
- ▶ Provide access for bicycling and equestrian uses;

## **MARTHA MCCLURE – COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

- ▶ Dedicate Child’s Hill and Rock Creek loops to County, because State Park lacks funding to maintain them; the county can maintain them
- ▶ Make dispersed / variety of recreation opportunities available;
- ▶ Have a lodge concession run by a contractor;
- ▶ Provide a realistic trail program:

## **JOHN MERTES**

- ▶ Contributed thousands of dollars to purchase;
- ▶ Keep commitment to major contributors: old growth forest restoration and salmon habitat enhancement.

## **GREG WILLIAMS**

- ▶ Provide trailhead and access for OHV/ORV, equestrian, and multiple uses;
- ▶ Provide emergency shelter(s) (i.e., for storm protection) in conjunction with these uses – it would take the load off sheriffs and other emergency services;
- ▶ Have Park as entrance point for hunting (on adjacent legal hunting areas);
- ▶ Keep dollars in local area;
- ▶ ATV / OHV trail – have unidirectional touring loop to minimize erosion and maximize safety;
- ▶ Want government accountability:

- Minimum number of gates and minimum amount of time closed,
  - Definite written dates when new uses and proposals will start or consequence if not met.
- ▶ Desire archery and shooting range (can be revenue-producing).

## **LEAPHA MORSE**

- ▶ Restore first before considering other uses.

## **LARRY WILLIAMS – BLUE RIBBON COALITION**

- ▶ OHV trail access desired;
- ▶ Turn loop roads over to County for maintenance;
- ▶ Make trails to Six Rivers National Recreation Area;
- ▶ Provide primitive camping opportunities.

## **ED REIDEL – NORTH COAST CLIFFHANGERS**

- ▶ Keep roads open – no gates;
- ▶ Have county take over loops;
- ▶ Provide overnight primitive camping;
- ▶ Provide overland / OHV access;
- ▶ Open access to roads to Six Rivers National Forest;
- ▶ Provide fishing and other recreation (e.g., gold panning / mining).
- ▶ Turn mill site into RV / camping park and also use it as a staging area; already is asphalt.

## **CATHY BURGD**

- ▶ Restore habitat for coho salmon;
- ▶ Marbled murrelet nest protection;
- ▶ Limit access – no ATV's;

- ▶ Clearly mark hiking trails;
- ▶ Provide maps to users;
- ▶ Provide bathrooms.

## **WADE GIST – DEL NORTE COUNTY FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMISSION**

- ▶ Park has strong potential to be self-supporting;
- ▶ Provide or allow commercial thinning:
  - Roads too overgrown;
  - Risk of fire;
- ▶ Remove rock pits / mountains;
- ▶ Favor access for ATVs and horse access;
- ▶ Provide hunting and fishing access.

## **CHUCK SCHAAD – COOS BAY HISTORICAL MUSEUM**

- ▶ Provide interpretation for Native American uses (shells found), logging history, ships, Del Norte County history;
- ▶ Learn more and draw people in (e.g., with forest knowledge, fire need etc.)

## **HELEN FERGUSEN – LAKE EARL GRANGE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

- ▶ Object to property being classified as State Park before comment was allowed;
- ▶ How can we expand advisory committee?
- ▶ Advocate turning as many roads over to County as possible;
- ▶ Family and rustic camping desired;
- ▶ Day and overnight use desired;

- ▶ Provide many interpretive-type centers on Del Norte County; e.g. a demonstration sawmill;
- ▶ Maintain healthy forest – manage / thin forest;
- ▶ Want loosest interpretation possible of State Park rules;
- ▶ Explore new avenues/methods directed towards stream restoration, e.g. put logs in stream instead of removing them;
- ▶ Protect all Native American interests;
- ▶ Desire multi-use – have ATV / dirt bikes / OHV scenic / touring routes;
- ▶ Maintain and build new equestrian trails;
- ▶ Allow fishing access;
- ▶ Provide area for ATV and racing competition;
- ▶ Provide area for dirt bikes;
- ▶ Provide for archery and riflery.

## **ERIC CHANDLER**

- ▶ With 25,000 acres, there is enough area for everyone to have a piece of the pie;
- ▶ Everyone won't get exactly get what they want, but all can have a small portion;
- ▶ Want opportunities for OHV / equestrian / shooting range / mountain bike / flower sniffing spot.

## **SCOTT GREACEN – ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INFORMATION CENTER PUBLIC LANDS COORDINATOR**

- ▶ OHV use is incompatible with State Park particularly with the purpose for establishment of this State Park. (i.e., forest and watershed restoration);
- ▶ Road removal is good 1<sup>st</sup> step, but need more;
- ▶ Recreation – emphasis should be “quiet recreation”, e.g. equestrian use, wildlife watching, hiking.

# YANNA'S GROUP

## DISCUSSION TOPICS

- ▶ Concern for preservation of wilderness and wild salmon runs;
- ▶ Interest in restoration of old growth forest, wildlife habitat, maintaining the elk herd, manage for long-term goals;
- ▶ Monitoring & law enforcement;
- ▶ Interest in new development for recreation & education, including:
  - facilities such as a lodge/center for community gathering;
  - trails for hiking, bike-riding, dog-walking, quiet recreation opportunities, public access;
  - roads for (eco-)OHV use, ADA access;
- ▶ Create easy research possibilities for forestry/restoration;
- ▶ We need to work together, involve the community, form a volunteer corps to help see this through

## INTERESTS, ISSUES & CONCERNS RAISED DURING THE BREAK-OUT GROUP ORGANIZED BY TOPIC:

### RECREATION

- ▶ Allow public access for all uses;
- ▶ Make it a public forest;
- ▶ Provide public access;

### NON-MOTORIZED RECREATION

- ▶ (Paul) I would like for the Mill Creek Addition to include possibilities for hiking, bird watching, dog-walking, wildlife viewing, mountain biking/bicycle riding. Enjoys listening to animals and the peacefulness of wilderness.
- ▶ (Laura) I'm interested in sustainable forestry and public access.

- ▶ ATV's should not conflict with other uses/ resources;
- ▶ Create trails for mountain bikes and horses;
- ▶ Would like to see horses & camping and nature trails.

## **MOTORIZED RECREATION**

- ▶ Allow ATV use;
- ▶ I would like to see ECO-OHV use allowed;
- ▶ Develop a specific management plan for the roads (with emphasis on reducing the roads).
- ▶ Allow for all different kinds of recreational uses, including ATV use, trails, etc.;
- ▶ ATVs should be allowed because the drivers are environmentally sensitive people;
- ▶ Provide ADA access, including ATV use.

## **FACILITIES**

- ▶ Create a center for Redwood State and National Parks, a central gathering place for the community as there is no such thing at the moment;
- ▶ Create/allow for a destination resort lodge; use local materials (wood) and thus reduce the fire risk when gathering the materials for the lodge;
- ▶ Develop a RV-facility (related to the lodge);
- ▶ Provide facilities for an outdoor school;
- ▶ If there is an opportunity for these, consider using LOCAL contractors and vendors.

## **LAW ENFORCEMENT**

- ▶ I'm scared of hunters and being outside during hunting season. The no hunting rule needs enforcement on these lands.
- ▶ Monitoring and law enforcement are needed with recreational uses on the site.

## CONSERVATION

- ▶ Maintain the elk herd;
- ▶ I am concerned about invasive and non-native plants;
- ▶ Create and maintain an open grassy area for elk – restore (high-elevation) meadows;
- ▶ No roads near water;
- ▶ I am here to support the mission of the State Parks; ATV's are not compatible [with that mission];
- ▶ Remove at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the roads; emphasis should be on quiet recreation;
- ▶ The goal should be for Mill Creek and Rock Creek restoration to restore the fish runs in Smith River (which is not in as good condition as it once was and needs to be restored.)
- ▶ I would like to see the native redwood forest rehabilitated and restored;
- ▶ create old-growth wilderness areas and pristine nature (long-term vision);
- ▶ Marbled murrelet – is endangered and there is habitat adjacent to the old mill site in the old growth; the species is sensitive to disturbance.
- ▶ Conserve the ecosystem;
- ▶ I am concerned about salmon habitat protection and road management as these two are related;
- ▶ Restore old growth forest;
- ▶ Do something to reduce the impacts of the mill site;
- ▶ I am worried about my safety and being run over by OHV's. Another issue is erosion and dust creation through OHV's. Also, their noise scares away wildlife and makes wildlife watching hard;
- ▶ Mill Creek is a pristine Coho spawning area that needs to be maintained and enhanced;
- ▶ ATV use is destructive to the environment. It reduces the reproductive rate in animals (through dust, stress, invasive plants, and reduced wildlife habitat);
- ▶ I don't see the need for a County road in a State Park;



- ▶ I am concerned about the Endangered Species such as the marbled murrelet (i.e. don't allow campgrounds);
- ▶ Maintain this area as wilderness and preserve the salmon habitat.

## **PROCESS**

- ▶ Form a local advisory group;
- ▶ The local environmental community should be part of the local advisory group;
- ▶ Involve the community and develop a volunteer corps;
- ▶ Learn to work together;
- ▶ I am interested in the process, how the plan amendment is developed, and the public involvement.

## **EDUCATION**

- ▶ I would like State Parks to have streamlined research capabilities, so that students are more capable to do research quickly/easily for their universities; make the process easier for Mill Creek;
- ▶ showcase the restoration efforts; have State Parks hold a session/conference in 10 years to show highlights of the forest restoration;
- ▶ Facilitate and allow field trips and nature education.
- ▶ Develop trails and loop trails for education, interpretation purposes, nature hikes.

## **OTHER COMMENTS**

- ▶ The southwest corner Highway 101 easement – consider it in the plan and don't forget it!
- ▶ Access on to Hamilton road from 101 is dangerous!

# DEL NORTE COAST REDWOODS STATE PARK

## MILL CREEK GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT

### SUMMARY OF SCOPING COMMENT RECEIVED IN WRITING

Date Received Name	Comments
July 2 Don Amador Blue Ribbon Coalition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide recreational opportunities, including OHV and motorized access to adjacent portions of the Six Rivers National Forest. Cited a letter that goes into more detail written in May, 2004. Letter attached.</li> <li>• Schedule a comprehensive field tour of the road network and mill sites as part of preparing comments for this amendment.</li> <li>• Would like to know all ways in which public can participate in CEQA/NEPA processes.</li> </ul>
July 5, 2007 Carol Crawford Myers, Sourdough Chapter of Back Country Horsemen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amenities for horsemen:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Drive in horse camp with drive thru parking for large rigs.</li> <li>○ Vault toilets.</li> <li>○ Running water.</li> <li>○ Good signage, similar to horse camps near Florence, OR.</li> <li>○ A stacked loop system of trails with beginner to advanced levels.</li> <li>○ 2 or 3 dispersed trail heads in addition to the main camp.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Looking forward to another new place to explore.</li> </ul>
July 12, 2007 Sean Berry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roads maintained to a high level so that public will have access. Spur roads need to be removed; yet main roads need to be upgraded so that both emergency and public vehicles have access.</li> <li>• Determine exact boundaries of the area. The present eastern and northern borders are vague and action should be taken against trespassers.</li> <li>• Fund and restore the Old Mill site.</li> <li>• Remove alder trees gradually and replace them with evergreen trees. Many acres have been exploited by timber companies.</li> </ul>
July 13, 2007 Northwest Trail Riders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments on horse camps and trails:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Vehicle accessible horse camps with corrals, water, fire rings, and large drive-thru parking spaces to accommodate a truck and horse trailer.</li> <li>○ Vehicle accessible trail heads not connected with the horse camp. These would allow riders to use different trails and lessen the environmental impact.</li> <li>○ Loop trails.</li> <li>○ Good signage.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Date Received Name	Comments
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maintain access to historic established horse trails already in the area.</li> <li>○ Trails should be multi-use. Horse trails are compatible with other trail uses.</li> <li>● All items suggested and future recommendations for trail access are made with the understanding that the Northwest Trail Riders is a dedicated volunteer organization committed to assisting the Park in maintaining trails and camp sites with donated volunteer time, some materials, equipment, and a great deal of sweat equity.</li> </ul>
July 13, 2007 Robert Ford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Address historic uses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The reintroduction of a shooting range (rifle, pistol, shotgun, and bow arrow).</li> <li>○ Allow hunting.</li> <li>○ Allow fishing.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Only rangers allowed on public land should not happen.</li> </ul>
July 13, 2007 John Mertes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Emphasize restoration of old growth redwood forest and enhancing the salmon runs in Mill Creek.</li> <li>● The area of the old mills should be developed for visitor services to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Natural and human history of the area and explanations of the ongoing restoration efforts.</li> <li>○ A visitor lodge (hotel/inn) with rates similar to popular motels in the area.</li> <li>○ A RV park with water, sewer, and electrical hookups.</li> <li>○ Dismantle existing mill buildings and reuse the old growth redwood to build the new facilities.</li> <li>○ Provide some trails with a durable surface and grade so people in wheelchairs or using scooters can travel away from vehicles and roads.</li> <li>○ Utilize some of the old log landing sites to provide dispersed (car) camping sites with pit toilets.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
September 19, 2007 Katy Sanchez, Program Analyst, Native American Heritage Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● To adequately assess and mitigate project-related impacts to archaeological resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Contact the appropriate regional archaeological Information Center for a record search.</li> <li>○ If an archaeological inventory survey is required, the final stage is the preparation of a professional report detailing the findings and recommendations of the record search and field survey.</li> <li>○ Contact the Native American Heritage Commission for a Sacred Lands File Check and a list of appropriate Native American contacts for consultation.</li> <li>○ Lack of surface evidence of archeological resources does not preclude their subsurface existence.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Date Received Name	Comments
September 25, 2007 Lee House	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interested in all issues with water, plants, and animals (fish, amphibians, insects, reptiles, mammals, and birds).</li> <li>• Recreation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Paved roads remain open to street motorcycles and bicycles.</li> <li>○ Set-aside area for mountain bikes and motocross dirt motorcycles.</li> <li>○ More visitors are good for public opinion to be positive.</li> <li>○ Some JEEP trails or routes like in the Rocky Mountains. Can be used by ATV's and other 4 wheel drive vehicles.</li> <li>○ Local rentals of small JEEPS and ATV's</li> <li>○ Trail signs and maps.</li> <li>○ Pedestrian trails should allow dogs on leash.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
September 26, 2007 John Mertes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concerned about pressure to open portions of this addition to off-road vehicles which will inevitable result in resource damage.</li> <li>• Opening portions to four-wheel drive vehicles, such as old logging trails, will lead to resource damage.</li> </ul>
October 4, 2007 Ron Pleehaty, Lake Earl Grange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Multiple uses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Equal weight given to all recreational opportunities.</li> <li>○ Minimize conflicts between user groups.</li> <li>○ Must include ATV/OHV/4x4, mountain bike, horseback, and hiking uses.</li> <li>○ Users pay fees for maintenance.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Consideration of the economic consequences on Del Norte County.</li> <li>• Like to see a world class lodge for upscale visitors and eco-tourists.</li> <li>• Staging areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 4-5 staging areas for various recreational uses.</li> <li>○ Restrooms, water, and parking available.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Provide a place for hunters to stage and provide access to NCA/Rattlesnake Ridge.</li> <li>• Keep open roads that lead to Jedediah Smith Park.</li> <li>• Grant ownership of roads to the County to facilitate reduced maintenance for the State.</li> <li>• Create loop trails, some to be used by ATVs.</li> <li>• Creation of campgrounds, RV and primitive, with areas tailored to specific users.</li> </ul>
October 4, 2007 Tom Weseloh, California Trout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fisheries restored according to the purpose of the acquisition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Water quality and quantity.</li> <li>○ Sediment remediation and control to eliminate anthropogenic sources of sediment.</li> <li>○ Introduction and future recruitment of large woody debris.</li> <li>○ Prevention of exotic/invasive aquatic and terrestrial species.</li> <li>○ Public education regarding fishery habitat needs and values.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Development and implementation of a comprehensive fisheries monitoring plan.</li> <li>● All proposed activities should be evaluated as to their impacts or benefits to fishery resources.</li> </ul>
October 4, 2007 Chris M. Burdg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Enhancement and maintenance of habitat for vanishing species.</li> <li>● More hiking trails with mileage signs and less destruction by OHVs.</li> <li>● Maps of the area are needed.</li> </ul>
October 4, 2007 Jerry and Robin Wilson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Reconsider opening up the Mill Creek area and portions of Tolowa Dunes to ATV riders.</li> <li>● Residents are limited to outdoor recreation due to restrictions on fishing, hunting, and horseback riding.</li> <li>● Handicap trails.</li> <li>● Control of illegal activities (i.e. marijuana growers, dumping, and squatters).</li> <li>● Protect salmon spawning habitat.</li> <li>● Research Oregon State Parks to see how they determine and manage uses while keeping the environment pristine.</li> </ul>
October 5, 2007 Nicola Grobe and Paul Norup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Block access for motorized vehicles, especially OHVs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Damage plants, burrows, and scare wildlife.</li> <li>○ Interfere with the sounds of nature.</li> <li>○ Dangerous to other people.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Do not allow hunters to drive through the park.</li> </ul>
October 5, 2007 Helen L. Brown, Northwest Trail Riders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Many trails for various multiple uses. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Horseback riding.</li> <li>○ Dirt bikes and quads.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
October 10, 2007 Don Amador, Blue Ribbon Coalition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Administrative or legal issue regarding the appropriateness or timing of this proposed programmatic general plan amendment.</li> <li>● Questions if the size and scope of the proposal warrants a new general plan instead of a general plan amendment.</li> <li>● A new form of OHV called eco-OHV would be appropriate public use on logging roads and skid trails. Look at the South Spit Management Area and Red Rock Canyon SP.</li> <li>● Easements or transportation corridors should be identified for a new highway segment should portions of Hwy 101 was out during a storm event.</li> <li>● Sustainable recreation alternative be created: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Designate some logging roads and skid trails for OHV use.</li> <li>○ Designate campgrounds that are use specific.</li> <li>○ Provide motorized access to the Six Rivers National Forest for hunting and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<p>recreational activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Develop a volunteer program, such as OHV patrol.</li> <li>○ Create an OHV nexus to help create funding opportunities.</li> <li>○ Consider a General Plan vs. General Plan Amendment.</li> </ul>
<p>October 11, 2007 David Finigan, Chairman, County of Del Norte Board of Supervisors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The County requests a public hearing to be conducted prior to the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report to allow for public input and discussion. The meeting held on October 4, 2007 was not adequate.</li> <li>● Acquisition was funded through public funding and therefore the public should have access to the resources.</li> <li>● Consideration for the only electrical transmission line to the Klamath area and the collapse of the Last Chance Grade.</li> <li>● Support multi-recreational use of the property by the general public.</li> <li>● Consider an alternative of having another entity manage the Mill Creek Watershed and not have the property included in Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park in order to meet the needs of the public.</li> <li>● Management of the Mill Creek Watershed should be consistent with the vision of the County.</li> <li>● Discuss having Childs Hill/Rock Creek Loop Roads placed within the County Maintained Road System.</li> </ul>
<p>October 11, 2007 Craig S. Strong, Crescent Coastal Research</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Protection and restoration of salmonid runs in Mill Creek should be top priority for this area: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Not be a fishing stream.</li> <li>○ Special education opportunity.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Road removal and management plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maintenance for emergency access and recreational uses.</li> <li>○ Converted to a trail system.</li> <li>○ “Put to bed” using current knowledge and technology to minimize slides and sediment loading of the watersheds when the roads are decommissioned.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Visitor access regulated.</li> <li>● Multi-use management: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Old growth or ancient forest should be reserves without visitor access to provide habitat for marbled murrelets, spotted owls, and other old growth dependent species.</li> <li>○ Encourage discreet multi-use management that allows for different areas for different uses.</li> <li>○ ATV areas are not compatible with State Park designation or any other alternative uses of the land due to noise pollution, erosion and hazards of driving.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Educational center/visitor accommodation would be an excellent use of the old log deck/mill site.</li> <li>● Solicit local expertise and local human resources in carrying out surveys, road</li> </ul>

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	<p>management, and interpretive activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Would be interested in consulting on habitat suitability or carrying out surveys for marbled murrelets should the need arise.</li> </ul>
October 11, 2007 Robert Freschon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infrastructure should be built on the property due to its remote location: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Water and sewer.</li> <li>○ Trailer pads out of public view.</li> <li>○ Work crews could use areas during restoration work.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
October 12, 2007 Melissa McDowell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restore native redwood forest habitat: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Restore redwood forest (Douglas-fir plantings, thinning, etc.).</li> <li>○ Protection from invasive species.</li> <li>○ Minimize vehicle traffic, no OHV.</li> <li>○ Restore and protect streams and fish.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Develop campground facilities.</li> <li>• Adhere to the State Parks mission.</li> </ul>
October 15, 2007 Dan Burgess, Rural Human Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prioritize the use of local vendors/employees, use existing employment services (Rural Human Services).</li> <li>• Traffic at the Park entrance (Hwy 101 and Hamilton Rd). There are multiple accidents at this point.</li> </ul>
October 15, 2007 Victor L. Stratman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Del Norte County needs to be included in the Mill Creek General Plan Amendment.</li> <li>• Road areas that Del Norte County is pursuing to manage/utilize for future activities should be given the highest priority.</li> <li>• Keep area open.</li> <li>• Explore all options, such as partnerships with private sectors.</li> <li>• Gates and closures are not an option that is acceptable.</li> <li>• Park is large enough for all uses.</li> </ul>
October 16, 2007 Grant Werschull, Smith River Alliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Management, restoration, and use of the property consistent with the purpose of acquisition.</li> <li>• Management and restoration of the property as a “salmon stronghold”, since Mill Creek is a major tributary to the Smith River and the Smith River is recognized as a “salmon stronghold”.</li> </ul>
October 17, 2007 Eileen Cooper, Boardmember, Friends of Del Norte	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further decommissioning of roads to prevent sedimentation and significant water quality impacts to salmonids.</li> <li>• Protect Port Orford cedar from root rot.</li> <li>• Impacts of inappropriate use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ OHV activity</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Long term vision, restoration of an extensive old growth forest 1000 year plan.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creation of marbled murrelet preserve/redwood old growth preserve area.</li> <li>• Creation of darlingtonia preserve. Please consult State Park Biologist Valerie Gizinsky.</li> <li>• Invasive plant control.</li> <li>• Spotted owl conservation.</li> <li>• Mardon skipper and other rare serpentine species protection.</li> </ul>
<p>October 17, 2007 Lynn Ryan RN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connectivity of State Park and Six Rivers National Forest should be for foot travel, forest and aquatic species movement, not vehicles.</li> <li>• Reduction of road density to one mile per square mile.</li> <li>• Support active restoration activities, help keep the soil on the hillsides, and restore the watershed to a more natural state for the health of all living things.</li> <li>• State Parks care for the roads and manage them for soil stability, fish enhancement, decreased sedimentation, appropriate TMDL, and at least 80% reduction.</li> <li>• OHV activities should not be allowed on public land.</li> <li>• The old mill site is not an appropriate camping area. Camping with minimal environmental impact should be located elsewhere in an area that does not interfere with fish and wildlife retention and restoration.</li> <li>• RVs and motels belong in Crescent City.</li> </ul>
<p>October 17, 2007 Paul A. Turcke and Carl J. Withroe, Moore Smith Buxton &amp; Turcke, Chartered</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support proposed alternative detailed by Don Amador, Blue Ribbon Coalition.</li> <li>• Consider rich history and tradition of multiple uses on the lands in, or adjacent to, Mill Creek Watershed Addition.</li> <li>• Sustainable trail use, including mechanized access.</li> <li>• Segmented analysis with discrete EIRs for Mill Creek and other areas creates the unnecessary risk that cumulative effects will be inadequately considered.</li> </ul>
<p>October 17, 2007 John Mertes and Lynn Ryan, North Group Redwood Chapter Sierra Club</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep promises to people and organizations that helped in the acquisition of the property.</li> <li>• Support active restoration activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Thinning and prescribed burns.</li> <li>○ Reducing road density to less than one mile per square mile.</li> <li>○ Reducing and preventing erosion impact from excess roads.</li> <li>○ Continuing to close roads.</li> <li>○ Restoring the watershed to a more natural state.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Roads be retained by State Parks and managed for at least 80% reduction.</li> <li>• Not in favor of suggestions for ATV competitions and racing area for dirt bikes, archery, and rifle ranges.</li> <li>• Emphasis on quiet recreation compatible with the restoration of soils, forest, wildlife, and aquatic systems.</li> <li>• Area of the old mill site for marbled murrelet habitat and not camping.</li> <li>• Camping in areas that do not interfere with fish and wildlife retention and</li> </ul>



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	<p>restoration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support visitor center/museum with exhibits on history of the area, including logging and Native Americans.</li> <li>• Eradication of invasive plants.</li> <li>• Handicap access.</li> </ul>
<p>October 19, 2007 John Mertes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep commitment to major contributors (old growth forest restoration and salmon habitat enhancement).</li> <li>• Old mill site area: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Visitor center/museum with exhibits on history.</li> <li>○ Motel/lodge and restaurant accommodations for visitors.</li> <li>○ RV Park with full hookups.</li> <li>○ Tent camping sites.</li> <li>○ Dismantle buildings and reuse redwood lumber for new buildings. Retain office buildings and others that are well suited to park needs.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Provide family and group campsites and picnic areas.</li> <li>• Provide trails for hiking and horseback riding with connections to trails beyond the Park boundaries. Relevant parking and trailheads.</li> <li>• Handicap access.</li> <li>• Turning roads over to the County would increase administrative work load and complicate goals.</li> <li>• Del Norte Board of Supervisors should not have decision making power.</li> <li>• OHV would result in further destruction of land and increased erosion.</li> <li>• Facilities and uses, such as a rifle range, archery, hunting, and gold panning are incompatible with the purpose of state and national parks and should not be permitted.</li> <li>• If allowed, mountain biking should be restricted to avoid damage to park resources.</li> </ul>
<p>October 19, 2007 Nancy Jo Martin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A significant portion of the Park should remain unimpaired by excessive human generated noise and light to allow all species, including humans, to hear and experience nature.</li> </ul>
<p>October 25, 2007 Joseph Lacey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Historical elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Del Norte Southern Railroad.</li> <li>○ Hobbs Wall &amp; Co.</li> <li>○ Incline railroad exhibit.</li> <li>○ Sites evaluated and restored.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>November 1, 2007 Kathy Walker, President, Marge Lesina, Vice-President, Becko Haynes, Secretary,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reclassified to accommodate all recreation needs</li> <li>• Request for equestrians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Vehicle accessible horse camp with overnight accommodations.</li> <li>○ Loop trails with trailheads</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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Eileen Mitchell, Treasurer, Charlie Haynes, Board Member, Art Hanna, Board Member, Suzanne Clough, Board Member, Northwest Trail Riders, Inc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dogs on verbal leashes to accompany equestrians.</li> <li>○ Commercial horse rentals and guided trips.</li> <li>○ Multi-use trails.</li> <li>● Let nature decommission roads.</li> </ul>
November 2, 2007 Eileen Cooper, Boardmember, Friends of Del Norte	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● OHV activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The OHV Division of California Department of Parks and Recreation helped pay for the Smith River National Recreation Area Road Plan, providing about 600 miles of roads.</li> <li>○ The 305,000 acres of surrounding National Recreational Area provides ample opportunities for OHV activity and back country driving.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Make these 25,000 acres refugia for salmonids and a preserve for marbled murrelets and spotted owls.</li> </ul>
November 2, 2007 Ron Plechaty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● NPS and CDPR ignore economic considerations relating to community stability and fail to offer adequate alternatives to the old management plan.</li> <li>● NEPA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Do a full economic impact analysis to determine the fallout of the continued acquisitions.</li> <li>○ Community stability is part of the scope of this environmental document.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● General Plan reopened for public comment.</li> <li>● Current plan must be amended and include more local government input.</li> <li>● Recreational opportunities under the old management plan do not generate sufficient economic activity.</li> <li>● Stand alone as a State Park.</li> <li>● CEQA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Start process over with full public input.</li> <li>○ CDPR manager(s) in Sacramento or Eureka responsible for circumventing the initial public input for CEQA, by choosing categorical exemption as the preferred alternative, be removed from management.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
November 2, 2007 Donna M. and Ronald W. Thompson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Purchase of Mill Creek made for restoration and permanent preservation of the redwood forest, recovery of salmon spawning grounds, safeguarding watersheds and providing safe habitat for threatened and endangered species.</li> <li>● Concerned that the Board of Supervisors and others are asking to re-designate the area as a recreational park for OHV riding. Such a request is unsupportive of the purpose of acquisition.</li> </ul>

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November 2, 2007 Jenny McNamara	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NEPA and CEQA ignored.</li> <li>• All roads open for the safety of the general public.</li> <li>• A negative majority to recreation could give an opportunity to create a gated area.</li> <li>• Contain a State Vehicle Recreation Area.</li> </ul>
November 4, 2007 Helen Ferguson, Chair, Lake Earl Grange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reclassification for all recreational uses.</li> <li>• Boundary adjustments to reclassify portions of Mill Creek allowing for multi-use recreation activities.</li> <li>• Complete NEPA review.</li> <li>• Complete CEQA review.</li> <li>• Acquisition and inclusion into the CA State Parks system did not include public involvement.</li> <li>• Designated roads (already in place) and trails: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Selected roads to be County roads.</li> <li>○ Alternate routes for 101 would be allowed on present roads through the park during emergencies.</li> <li>○ Relocation of 101 through the Park.</li> <li>○ Fire prevention programs and Search and Rescue to determine roads to be maintained and open to afford protection.</li> <li>○ Designated roads by Native American Groups, local Native American tribes or rancherias should be left open and maintained.</li> <li>○ Designated roads to remain open to allow hunter vehicle passage.</li> <li>○ Designated roads to remain open to Truck/Trailer passage.</li> <li>○ Roads for motorized vehicles should remain open and maintained for use by handicapped visitors.</li> <li>○ Variety of trail use.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• ATV/dirt bike park area.</li> <li>• Shooting facility.</li> <li>• Archery range.</li> <li>• Demonstration sawmill.</li> <li>• Tourist destination lodge.</li> <li>• Forest management that considers timber thinning and fire prevention.</li> <li>• Carrying capacity for the expanding elk herds addressed; hunting to control overpopulation.</li> <li>• Fish/stream enhancement projects.</li> <li>• Special-status species considerations.</li> <li>• Old growth protection.</li> </ul>

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November 5, 2007 David Finigan Chairman, Del Norte County Board of Supervisors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extends opportunity to California DPR to coordinate directly with the County as outlined in Del Norte County Code Chapter 12.02.</li> <li>• Requests public hearing to be conducted prior to the preparation of DEIR.</li> <li>• Early coordination to provide forum for discussing and avoiding any potential inconsistencies between Del Norte County’s plans for future recreational use of Mill Creek acquisition.</li> <li>• Plan for diverse recreational use throughout the Mill Creek property to take advantage of diversity of land and needs of users.</li> <li>• Discuss alternatives such as designating property as Recreation Area, State Vehicular Recreation Area, or combination of different recreational designations.</li> <li>• Discuss involvement of CAL FIRE in development of forest management program.</li> <li>• Discuss inclusion of Hamilton Road and Childs Hill/Rock Creek Loop roads into the County Maintained Road System.</li> <li>• Requests addressing whether proposed project will result in need for NEPA compliance and requests description of history of compliance with CEQA and NEPA as it relates to property acquisition and previous actions.</li> </ul>
November 8, 2007 Ethan Mehr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More mountain bike trails and single track.</li> <li>• Expand open hours/days from present weekends only.</li> </ul>
November 15, 2007 Helen Ferguson, Chair, Lake Earl Grange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requests following documents:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A copy of the “side bar” agreement referred to in minutes of the State Public Works Board dated May 3, 2002. Reads “DPR, The State Coastal Conservancy, The Wildlife Conservation Board, ...”</li> <li>○ A copy of the “deed restrictions” on the Mill Creek Acquisition property.</li> <li>○ A legal description of Tolowa Dunes State Park.</li> <li>○ A legal description of the Mill Creek Addition property as it was purchased from the timber company.</li> <li>○ A legal description of the additional properties.</li> <li>○ A copy of the agency, organizations and private citizens comments on “Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park – Mill Creek Watershed Addition General Plan Amendment.”</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
November 15, 2007 Chris Howard, President, Crescent City & Del Norte County Chamber of Commerce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the acquisition of Mill Creek as part of an economic engine for the future of the County.</li> <li>• Management plan that significantly increases recreational opportunities for visitors and provides for a sustainable framework for economic development over the long term.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Open General Plan to wide public comment.</li> <li>○ Study consistent with NEPA with respect to the nexus of a State Park operating within a Federal Park boundary.</li> <li>○ Re-categorizing a portion of the acquisition for motorized recreational uses.</li> <li>○ Opportunities for outdoor education that would allow Del Norte County to</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<p>promote Mill Creek as a world-class and best practice natural resources learning center and position Del Norte County as the premier natural resources learning center in the Western United States.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ World class destination lodge within the Mill Creek acquisition.</li> </ul>
<p>November 29 Howard Zacharias RV camper</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Loss of best camping place (Orick).</li> <li>● New camp ground doesn't appear to accommodate RV.</li> </ul>

# **Mill Creek Watershed Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park**

## **General Management Plan/General Plan Amendment State Parks and National Parks Staff Input Planning Workshop**

**January 9, 2008**

**9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

**Endert's Beach Environmental Education Center**

### ***Meeting Notes***

Goal for today's meeting is to receive input from SP and NPS staff regarding the amendment to GMP/GP for the Mill Creek watershed addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park. The meeting began with:

- A brief overview of the California State Parks Commission hearing process;
- Initial guidance was offered to help participants focus on developing a vision for the Mill Creek acquisition. Additionally, participants were asked to identify possible "management differences" between the Mill Creek acquisition and other units within the Redwood National and State Parks.
- Overall Question: What are the acquisitions "management sideboards" according to the property deed restrictions?
  - Look to Redwood Creek area as management model.
  - Mandates within the deed for Mill Creek call for restoration – this should be included as one of the main purposes right from the beginning.
  - Increased recreation opportunities should be within the context of restoration.
  - Opportunity for interpreting the restoration aspects of the addition.
  - Interim Management Plan process yielded strategies that can be a part of the amendment.
  - New heart of the Parks.
  - Natural resource protection
  - Road removal/landform restoration
  - If "last chance grade" fails, may require realignment (i.e., Wilson Creek Bypass) of State Route 101 through the acquisition. One of the three realignment alternatives goes through the acquisition. Deed language says State Park "would consider" an alignment through the acquisition. Department of the Interior would have to sign off.

## ***Input Session***

The following is a summary of input received from NPS and State Parks Staff during and interactive brainstorming workshop, loosely following the outline of the existing GPP/GP.

## **Management Zones**

1. Consider a future development zone for potential long term development.

## **Natural Resource Management and Protection**

1. Address Port Orford Cedar root disease and other unique vegetation conditions/situations as they relate to vegetation management and recreation development as addressed in Interim Plan.
2. Maintain old growth madrone stands to maintain biodiversity; this might require active management of the stands. There may also be maintenance issues with other old growth forest types, especially regarding returning fire to ecosystems or when fire is not feasible we need to find ways to mimic the role of fire.
3. Consider maintaining tan oaks at the site.
4. Consider a natural resource preserve designation for the fens and old growth stands and late seral habitat (George's Saddle, Paragon Grove, Hamilton Buffer, grove at NPS border to north etc.).
5. Consult with resource agencies (DFG/USFWS) regarding Hamilton Buffer Grove for marbled murrelet in planning; it is occupied habitat; riparian zone adjacent to Mill site should be expanded; if development at Mill site, only low impact development (i.e., employee housing and offices) should occur next to stream; lodge, campground etc. should be located further away to minimize conflict between resources and users.
6. No development within old growth grove, including trails; all of the groves are small and isolated. There is currently a trail (+/- 100' long) in Hamilton Buffer that should probably be maintained. It leads to a bench in the middle of some of the largest trees remaining in Mill Creek. There is also a road that goes through a corner of Hamilton Buffer that may stay.
7. Move roads out of/away from stream meander zones so stream can function naturally (e.g. West Branch Road).
8. Marbled murrelet needs to be considered during any plans for backcountry use.
9. Consider potential impacts to Mill Creek (an important coho stream).
10. Consider possible installation of permanent weirs to aid in anadromous fish restoration.
11. Regarding the possibility of a demonstration forest: this would be a commercial yield venue which is in conflict with public resources code for allowed uses in State Parks; cutting of trees can only be done for resource management purposes.
12. Consider moving roads/trails/facilities out of sensitive areas; some materials may need to be removed to restore alluvial floodplain.
13. At old Mill site, lots of fill has been placed into the confluence area of the branches of Mill Creek; this would be hard to remove. Some of the fill and paved area comes very close to the main stem. We may want to rehab a small strip to

- provide a greater stream buffer. This would be expensive but let's leave it open as an option.
14. Identify sensitive resources for avoidance and establish spatial and temporal buffers around these resources (e.g. avoidance of area during critical breeding period, riparian setbacks, buffers around sensitive habitats and plans); these restrictions should serve as sideboards for planning.
  15. Consider oak/grassland knoll preservation.
  16. Consider road maintenance costs during restoration – look at balance between need for access to restoration/vegetation management and costs for upkeep (i.e. economic analysis, life cycle analysis of roads/restoration and vegetation management).
  17. Consider adjacent old growth when considering vegetation management (fire management in particular).
  18. Consider fire management plan policy.
  19. Utilize prescribed fire in an effort to return a natural fire regime to the site.
  20. Identify and remove non-native plants – identify key species in acquisition area that have the potential to spread explosively.
  21. Define sensitive resource areas – look at Interim Management Plan, plus use updated information (i.e. road data has been revised).
  22. Be careful to not be too restrictive with policy in GPA.
  23. Continue forest restoration including reforestation and thinning where feasible throughout the acquisition.
  24. Continue instream restoration projects.
  25. Develop and implement a watershed monitoring plan (address temperature, turbidity, embeddedness etc.).
  26. Evaluate potential management actions to retain or recruit northern spotted owls (barred owls are replacing them right now).
  27. Picnic area along West branch with open grassland should be maintained for elk habitat. This was probably grassland historically, but it may be worth maintaining anyway. Access may become difficult since Picnic Road will be difficult to maintain and will likely be removed.

## **Cultural Resource Management and Protection**

1. Identify important cultural areas.
2. Minimize access to important cultural sites, including ethnographic village sites
3. Previous investigations completed at the site didn't comply with Federal guidelines; potential for new knowledge and information.
4. There could be additional resources related to Native American use of the site and historic resources related to logging operations (e.g. RR).
5. Amendment must comply with NHPA.
6. Need to formally consult with Native Americans.
7. Consider interpretive messages focused on cultural resources.
8. Address needs of SP to manage archives.
9. Consider scientific research and collection streamlined permit process.
10. Note: We do not have a lot of cultural resource information for the acquisition area.



## **Relationship with American Indians**

1. Recognize permit process for tribal gatherings.
2. Consult with tribes for place naming.
3. Acquisition area is a boundary area between the territories of the Yurok and Tolowa tribes; mostly in Tolowa territory, Damnation Creek is considered the boundary.
4. Consider potential interest of local tribe for management of traditional use species such as bear grass and tan oak.
5. Discuss potential vegetation management for traditional uses.

## **Education and Interpretation**

1. Consider messages discussing restoration, mosaic landscape, sensitive area protection, sensitive species and other unique features of the acquisition.
2. Don't repeat the redwood story – this is covered well in other parks within the District.
3. Consider messages about the Coastal Range, from the coastline inland.
4. Unique opportunity because this site has vistas and is close to town, unlike other sites with vistas in RNSP; maintaining these vistas would entail tree removal in the long term; Child's Hill has the best views, but there are many potential spots. At some point we will have to narrow the selection to a few that we will maintain. We should probably consider where are the best views, how big of an area needs to remain tree free to keep the view and where it would affect sensitive areas etc.
5. Unique opportunity for Biosphere Reserve interpretation and views into southern Oregon.
6. Consider messages about the Klamath Knot and the diversity of conifer species found on this formation.
7. Consider cultural resource interpretation.
8. Consider fisheries theme, including hydrology, geomorphology, etc.
9. Consider global climate change messages, increased fire hazards.
10. Consider messages about the fen; one is present right off Child's Hill Road.
11. Consider messages about serpentine areas and Port Orford cedar.
12. Consider messages about freshwater mussels as indicators of excellent water quality; mussels are unique to this watershed.
13. Visitor/Information Center – identify opportunities and needs (research station, NPS has learning centers that are magnets for research and education, environmental education, etc.)
14. Consider moving Howland Hill Outdoor School from NPS area north of the acquisition to this site, combine with other potential uses (research, lodging, etc.).
15. Consider message about history of the property (logging, preservation, why the stream is so pristine now-unique geology played a role).
16. Consider story of the preservation of redwoods (i.e., this is where the fight happened in the 40s to 60s).
17. At the visitors center explain importance of cultural and natural resources and why they are protected and being restored.
18. Consider messages about stewardship.

19. Use land as an education laboratory and as a new way to serve a growing population.

### **Public Use, Recreation, and Visitor Safety**

1. Consider new entrance to Mill Creek Campground within the acquisition.
2. Water supply is an issue; need to avoid adverse effects on stream flows; there is a reservoir on site that could be used, but it needs to be evaluated for safety; earthen dam might not be stable; water quality might be an issue as well.
3. Evaluate options for wastewater disposal
4. Consider dispersed camping, use forest service model; this would need to carefully evaluated in terms of resource damage (i.e. Pacific torrent salamander and potential impacts to water quality and temperature)
5. Provide lookouts/cabins on ridgetops near vistas; this would need to carefully evaluated in terms of resource damage (i.e. Pacific torrent salamander and potential impacts to water quality and temperature), Need to evaluate seismic design for ridgetop structures as they are vulnerable in earthquakes.
6. Picnic sites near creek are o.k. in upper watershed; less of a water quality concern there; this would need to be carefully evaluated in terms of potential adverse effects on resources as well.
7. Look into potential emergency use of roads in acquisition area in the event of State Route 101 closure.
8. Consider trail that would connect Jed Smith CG and Mill Creek CG.
9. Look at road and trail plan connectivity potential.
10. Look at existing National Park Trail Plan to be coming out soon to consider larger trail planning framework.
11. Identify and maintain vistas (e.g. ridges) – great views are close to community.
12. Consider new model for getting people into the property (e.g. fewer autos in the park, shuttles – possible concession) and how it influences uses (e.g., education, lodges, etc.)
13. Consider Coast-to-Crest trail.
14. Address that fishing is regulated by DFG.
15. Talk to CDF about fire management.
16. Consider relocation of some or all of Mill Creek CG to non- or less-sensitive areas; based on current information, the West branch of Mill Creek supports higher numbers of coho.
17. Look at suitable opportunities and needs for new CG facilities (Wilbur Spur area, Mill site).
18. Consider unique accessibility issues.
19. SP is moving toward alternative camping and RV sites with hookups.
20. Consider use of reservoir for water supply to CG and other facilities.
21. Water supply is a significant limiting factor to future development. Consider a hydrologic study (surface and groundwater supply/demand and impact). Look at non-anadromous streams.
22. Consider wastewater issues.
23. Consider several small campgrounds (i.e. 20-40 sites).
24. Consider cabins on ridge tops.

25. Consider access to adjacent park areas from acquisition area (Jed Smith, Little Bald Hills via Bummer Lake Road Lake on USFS land; connection to Rattlesnake Ridge is not desirable.
26. Consider visitor center/research hub with satellite campground areas.
27. Consider careful siting of day-use and overnight facilities to avoid sensitive resources.
28. Concessions opportunities – shuttle/transportation, mtn. bike rental, horse packing, interpretive (e.g. eco-tours), education (e.g. workshops).
29. Need to consider potential safety hazards from asbestos from serpentine on east side of Rock Creek.

### **Visitor Access and Circulation/Roads**

1. Consider new entrance to Mill Creek Campground within the acquisition off of Hamilton Road.
2. One point of entry for overnight and day use would be good.
3. Provide ADA access/trails/facilities/opportunities wherever possible.
4. NP uses road though the Mill Creek Acquisition to access to the Little Bald Hills.
5. Look at roads summit info from previous planning efforts.
6. Identify roads in relation to sensitive habitats and impacts.
7. Earlier discussions with County about opening Rock Creek/Child's Hill Road loop would require 83 gates and upgrading of the roads if two-way traffic is desired; loop might only be suitable for one way traffic.
8. Ideas about alternative transportation – shuttle system with drop-off points.
9. A concession/shuttle service from town might be more feasible.
10. Rock Creek Road loop to provide access for multiple uses.
11. Consider Coast-to-Crest trail in road planning.
12. Consider working with (i.e., partnership) the County or other entity (e.g. under a MOU) for maintenance of select roads in the acquisition area. SP would need to retain control of management of roads (e.g. design standards, maintenance standards).
13. Address needed repairs to Hamilton Road or other ongoing road maintenance issues.
14. Minimize/consolidate access points.
15. Address potential for State Route 101 reroute through the acquisition area.
16. Use existing permit process for aerial/flyover/landing zones; marbled murrelets are supposed to have a quarter mile aerial buffer for new structures and a half mile buffer for new trails per USFWS and DFG recommendations.
17. Address existing landing areas based on CDF criteria for backcountry rescue/aerial extraction – discuss maintenance of these areas.
18. Consider development of segregated single use only trail system.
19. Get info/input from SP following meeting with OHV scientist regarding potential OHV access – consider suitability for OHV use.
20. Consider connection/linkages to Smith River NRA.
21. Identify need for road and trail plan.
22. Consider linking Smoke House Rd. to Sec. 1 Road.
23. Consider power line access for maintenance the utility companies.

## **Interdependence of Parks and Communities**

1. Management should be similar to existing GMP/GP.
2. Consider viewshed management to preserve historic landscapes.
3. Consider lodge at Mill site.
4. Lodge at Mill site might not be a good idea, economic development is needed right in the communities.
5. Address power line maintenance access.
6. Implement permit process for any resource gathering by community.
7. Consider emergency response linkages with the community (e.g. Mill site as gathering point for tsunami).
8. Potential concessions: transportation, mtn. bike rental, horseback riding, ecotours, seminars, training for wildlife identification.
9. Consider expansion of “Natural Heritage Corridor” – currently mostly in Humboldt County.

## **Administrative Facilities**

1. Mill site options – remove it, museum, lodge, education center, research facility, housing, offices (resource management), charter school.
2. Research facility will require office space, lab space, 1-2 lecture rooms, storage space and associated housing;
3. Should seek partnerships with UC, Humboldt State University, U.S. forest service Pacific Southwest Research Station Redwood Science Lab and interested non-profits in establishing the research facility.
4. Joint NPS/SP “supercenter” or regional center.
5. Provide a learning center – like NPS at Pt. Reyes or Crater Lake- with residential program for scientists.
6. Consider designating a “development zone” because this plan will be in place for a long time and things that are infeasible now might become feasible later.
7. Identify sites for communications towers.
8. Consider salvaging materials in the Mill site buildings for new facilities.
9. Mill site buildings may be used for large interpretive exhibits (e.g. logging museum, history of the site museum, natural heritage corridor museum); many of these may be found unsafe.
10. Mill site buildings and related infrastructure need to be evaluated (NHPA) for historic significance.
11. Evaluate mill site buildings and other infrastructure (e.g. asphalt paving) for potential future uses.
12. A large percentage of concrete/pavement could be removed and still leave enough room for various developed sites.
13. Identify opportunities and needs for permanent and seasonal staff housing (single family and dorms), resource management/visitor services/ranger/interpretive/administrative offices, etc.
14. Consider siting of an entrance station.

15. Consider improving lighting for safety.
16. Consider siting for waste material storage (e.g. scrap and culverts from backcountry).
17. Need environmentally sensitive fire range for multi-agency use.
18. Need to have stringent trash control; avoid increasing population of ravens and stellar's jays which would be harmful.

### **Land Acquisitions**

1. Consider acquisition of small (40 acre) State Lands Commission parcel (shows as little gray square on LSEP maps).
2. No other changes are necessary at this point.

### **Boundary Map Adjustments**

1. Address adjustment to Congressional boundary for Redwood National and State Parks.

### **Wilderness**

1. not applicable

### ***Others***

#### **Centennial Initiative**

1. Considering a regional multi-agency visitor center.

#### Global Climate Change

1. Interpretive opportunity.

#### Cool Parks Initiative

1. Interpretive opportunity.

#### Carbon Sequestration Study

1. Interpretive opportunity.

#### OHV Use

1. Addressed above.

### ***Attendees***

#### **State Parks Staff**

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# **Mill Creek Watershed Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park**

## **General Management Plan/General Plan Amendment**

### **MCAC GPA Input Workshop**

**January 10, 2008**

**9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Redwoods National and State Parks Office**

#### ***Meeting Notes***

Goal for the meeting: Receive input from MCAC regarding the Amendment to the Redwood National and State Parks GMP/GP for the Mill Creek watershed addition

- Vision
  - Mill Creek is a unique place. It is going to take time to achieve the long term goals for Mill Creek. Along the way there will be opportunities for observation and for understanding the transition of the forest to a more mature stage over time. Vision needs to be on a long term scale and recognize steps/stages along the way.
  - Vision includes one day being able to walk between the forests in Jedediah Smith State Park and Mill Creek and not notice the difference.
  - Park-community partnership is critical for success of the Park. There is a unique opportunity to be leaders/innovators in establishing and implementing park-community partnerships.

#### ***Input Session***

##### **Natural Resource Management and Protection**

1. Assessing escape of salmonids is critical. Monitor and management of fisheries working towards eventual delisting of species.
2. Mill Creek is unique because almost the entire whole watershed is in public ownership.
3. Consider timber management on the acquisition property. Fire danger on the property is high. This provides a great opportunity to boost local economy.
4. Consider a Demonstration State Forest on some of the acquisition property.
5. Need a lodge on the site – timber could be used to construct the lodge.
6. Consider “transitional management” during near future that moves Park toward late seral forest goal.

7. Consider monitoring and documenting the forest as it goes through this transition from post harvest forest to late seral forest; demonstrate how “timber farm” is turned into a more mature forest. Demonstration State Forest is a good tool/process for accomplishing this.
8. Consider all possible uses during each stage of the transition from present condition to late seral forest.
9. Put time into determining goals and objectives for management of the acquisition area.
10. Consider that salmon recovery was a key component of the acquisition.
11. Consider protection of the forest from harmful activities.
12. Consider a variety of management techniques as an opportunity to see/study how forest transitions.
13. Consider “memorial groves” in the acquisition area – for existing old growth groves and for planting new groves; “groves of the future”
14. Look into partnership with UC system to use site for research.
15. Would like to see Del Norte County as institute for forestry and watershed restoration, focused on redwood ecology.
16. Concrete pads at former mill site need to be evaluated in light of impacts to creek.
17. Parking lots need oil traps.

### **Cultural Resource Management and Protection**

1. Consider staging the story of logging through interpretation.
2. Consider preserving old logging equipment for use.
3. Property provides an opportunity to stage what logging was like in the past.
4. Property also provides opportunities to interpret cultural resources.
5. Consider reintroduction of prescribed fire similar to how Native Americans managed forest, but also with modern understanding of fire management.

### **Relationship with Native Americans**

1. Ensure consultation with Native Americans as part of the planning process.

### **Education and Interpretation**

1. Consider a museum about logging and history of logging. Old equipment in a museum as well as live demonstration.
2. Consider telling the living history of the area in a museum/lodge – wing for logging history, wing for European American history, wing for natural history, wing for Native American history.
3. Consider salmon viewing facilities/clear panel on creek
4. Consider videos for interpretation – like in Orick.
5. Consider High Desert Museum as a model – indoor and outdoor facilities/activities/exhibits.
6. Consider local students as interns/volunteers.
7. Consider a research station for university level study – consider partnership with UC Reserve System.
8. Aim for Del Norte County to be the institute for forest management and watershed restoration with a focus on redwood ecology.



9. Consider K-12 environmental education opportunities.
10. Engage community in educational opportunities (i.e. life-long learning).
11. Conduct economic viability studies to support good decisions for development of facilities and uses in the park.
12. Become leaders and innovators for Park-community partnership that benefits both.
13. Consider existing charter school activities in facility and use of the acquisition area.
14. Consider how lodge and research/educational programs could support each other.
15. Consider language in Amendment that says concessionaire agreement funds or park fees brought in on site stay on site.
16. Consider involving local residents in telling the story of the area at a visitor/interpretive center.
17. Cedar Ridge Watershed Center in Washington State is a good example of a partnership with the University of Washington.

### **Public Use, Recreation, and Visitor Safety**

1. Consider building a lodge in the Park. Consider concessionaire for lodge.
2. Consider multiple uses in Park.
3. Make sure staffing is adequate for visitor safety.
4. Consider all options for equestrian use (e.g. horse camps, day use, guided tours).
5. Manage vista points to maintain views.
6. Consider a variety of camping options (e.g. environmental, vehicle, etc.)
7. CDF is responsible agency for fire protection, Alder Camp facility conducts training at Mill Creek.
8. State Parks resource ecologist works with Calfire.

### **Visitor Access and Circulation/Roads**

1. Consider mountain bike use on the roads and trails in the acquisition area.
2. Consider making vistas “accessible” and provide opportunities for overnight stays.
3. Consider connections and providing linkages to trails in adjacent jurisdictions.
4. Consider relationship to Coast-to-Crest Trail.
5. Consider connections of the two Mill Creek parks.
6. Consider agreement with the County for maintenance of select roads in the acquisition area.
7. Consider route for realignment of State Route 101 in case of failure.
8. Consider fire management and safety access in road planning and maintenance. Roads need to be able to accommodate management techniques.
9. Consider the concept of “water trails” and use of Mill Creek for boating (raft, kayak) and required access points.
10. Consider power company encumbrances on roads in the acquisition area.
11. Need to evaluate which roads are really needed.
12. Clarify rules and regulations for floating down the creek; will this be included in the GPA?
13. Balance the need for road decommissioning with the need for fire protection.

## **Interdependence of Parks and Communities**

1. Focus needs to be on looking forward, not looking back. Use positive interactions with community and parks as an example and build on these. There are important positive interactions going on now.
2. Look for opportunities to get people more actively involved.
3. Explore public-private partnership and sponsorship.
4. Consider potential future utility needs of the community (e.g. cell towers, utilities corridors).
5. Consider designing concessionaire agreements so that revenues stay in the Park and in the community.
6. Explore use of partnerships (for example with the League or “Friends of” nonprofit group) to bring in donor funding for special projects and particular uses. (e.g. State Parks Foundation, Save the Redwoods League, Smith River Alliance).
7. There should be a mechanism for fees that are generated in the Park to stay in the Park – look at models for this such as educational centers. Most successful centers are multi-agency. Other agency models include project money brought in through concessions – this money is used to build new facilities;
8. Provide opportunities for connecting with the community of Klamath.
9. Explore policy to allow State Parks to keep generated revenue in park.
10. Consider a community interaction plan and dialogue with the Chamber of Commerce.

## **Administrative Facilities**

1. Consider careful siting and use of water storage tanks and use of surface water for facilities and fire suppression.
2. Evaluate potential for use of existing water facilities at the Mill site.
3. Discuss and coordinate fire management with CDF so that response time in the acquisition area is adequate.
4. Evaluate use of existing reservoir for fire protection
5. Consider uses beyond Parks-specific uses (e.g. research station).
6. Assess feasibility of Mill site for facilities development. Need to consider ecological impacts, economic viability, etc.
7. Consider potential environmental impacts of facilities (e.g. oil runoff from parking lots).
8. Consider conference center facilities at the Mill site.
9. Site new facilities on previously disturbed areas.
10. Aubell will provide overall maintenance, but a smaller shop is needed onsite.

## **Land Acquisitions**

1. Consider potential acquisitions in southern Mill Creek watershed; some of the watershed is in private ownership.
2. Consider potential “no net loss” policy being considered by the County.
3. Consider partnerships with the County to provide desired uses and management.

## **Future Action Plans Needed**

1. Consider process/policy/guidance for interaction with the Chamber of Commerce.

## Carbon Sequestration Study

1. Consider use of the acquisition area for carbon sequestration banking through restoration and management.

### Several members of the public also attended the meeting. Input received from members of the public is noted below.

- Key Interests and Concerns
  - *There is concern that the current GMP/GP won't allow for a lodge.*
  - *Be sure that "protection" is inclusive of human activity. Words like "protection" are terrifying to some in the community.*
  - *Old GMP/GP has failed at meeting user projections and promised economic input in the community.*
  - *Public doesn't understand classification of acquisition area and what uses are allowed.*
  - *Not enough public input into acquisition of Mill Creek property.*
  - *Need another forum for public input and questions – possibly at the Grange.*
  - *Share on the web what uses can and cannot be allowed in acquisition area.*
  - *Share with the public the guidelines used for developing State Parks general plans.*
  - *Does adjustment of NPS boundary affect State Parks management of the acquisition area?*
  - *Concern that NPS may someday "trump" State Parks on certain issues and will be more restrictive.*
  - *Current Management Plan fails to bring in enough tourists who stay in the area long enough.*
  - *What is the scope of the MCAC?*

Answer: State Parks are considered inholdings. Redwood National and State Parks follow the same General Management Plan/General Plan which was adopted by both agencies. The role of the MCAC is to provide input and guidance for management of the property with Del Norte County added as a "local voice"

- Helpful Information
  - *What is a late seral forest?* Refers to the later phases of succession in a given vegetation community.

## ***Input Session***

### **Natural Resource Management and Protection**

1. *Consider protection that is inclusive of human activities.*
2. *Consider management of the acquisition to support deer and elk herds so that the needs of the herd can be met onsite and negative impacts to adjacent private property can be avoided.*

### **Cultural Resource Management and Protection**

1. *Seek direct input from Native Americans and loggers.*

### **Relationship with Native Americans**

1. *Should have a permanent representative from local Native American Tribes on this committee!*

### **Education and Interpretation**

1. *Consider hiring local residents for jobs at the lodge/museum.*
2. *Consider how facilities/activities described above affect economic well-being of the community.*
3. *Facilities/uses/activities should support economic viability of community and the Park.*

### **Public Use, Recreation, and Visitor Safety**

1. *Consider electric carts and other means for getting older people “out of their cars” and into the Park and facilities.*
2. *Consider accessibility (e.g., ADA, infirm and elderly users) in all activities and uses – consider innovative means (e.g. OHV, electric OHV, power wheelchairs) and basic design elements (e.g. where paving is located, gravel size on paths).*
3. *Consider equestrian use on trails. Provide facilities, such as horse stalls.*
4. *Consider OHV use in the Park. Provide trails and roads for OHV use. These users are important to community economic viability.*
5. *Consider OHV concessionaire to provide tours, control of use, decibels.*
6. *Consider different uses in different parts of the Park where they are most appropriate.*
7. *Consider reclassification of allowed uses of the acquisition area to accommodate desires of the community.*
8. *Consider campgrounds at vista points.*

## **Visitor Access and Circulation/Roads**

1. *Consider OHV use on some roads. Also consider guided OHV use. Consider different levels of OHV use.*
2. *Consider access via County and Park roads for hunting access to adjacent areas. There was historic use (handshake agreement) of the property to access adjacent areas.*

## **Interdependence of Parks and Communities**

1. *Chamber of Commerce has pointed out projections from the 60s have not been realized. This has had impacts on local businesses and residents.*
2. *Nexus between the Park and the community affects economic viability of the community.*
3. *Consider providing activities (e.g. horseback riding, escorted ATV riding through the Parks) in the Parks that will support economic health of the gateway communities.*
4. *Consider all concessionaire opportunities and provide the local community/businesses the chance to bid on those concessions.*
5. *Include process for continued community input and involvement during implementation of the GMP/GP (e.g. forums, committees, etc.) as well as specific actions.*
6. *General Plan is lacking a discussion of economy; the human element needs to be taken into consideration.*

## **Boundary Map Adjustments**

1. *Explain management relationship of NPS and State Parks and what it means that the State Park is within the congressional boundary.*

## **Future Action Plans Needed**

1. *Consider a “community engagement plan.”*

## **Attendees:**

### **MCAC members:**

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# **DEL NORTE COAST REDWOODS STATE PARK MILL CREEK WATERSHED ADDITION GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT**

## **ALTERNATIVES REVIEW AND REFINEMENT PUBLIC WORKSHOP**

**JUNE 19, 2008**

The following notes were recorded on easels in each of three breakout groups led by EDAW facilitators Petra Unger, Vance Howard, and Phil Hendricks. Participants in each group were asked to provide feedback on the Alternatives presented and provide feedback on what other elements they would like incorporated. Summaries are provided by breakout group. When provided, name and affiliation of the commenters are given. Comments provided in written form will be summarized separately.

### **PETRA'S (RED STAR) GROUP**

#### **JIM WALDVOGEL; SMITH RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

- ▶ Fishing should be allowed on the property, but East Fork and West Branch should be closed for fishing above the confluence to prevent the catch of smolts;
- ▶ Improved roads should have a gravel surface, roads should not be paved as paved roads are harder to maintain and more treacherous when icy.
- ▶ 60% of Chinook smolt are produced in the segment of the West Branch paralleling "old lady road"; a new road proposed in this area would need to be constructed away from the stream to prevent adverse effects;
- ▶ Great opportunities to observe spawning salmon along this segment of the West Branch.

#### **DENNIS MAYO; BLUE RIBBON COALITION**

- ▶ Need to provide camping and RV parking at the Mill Site to compensate for loss of RV camping opportunity on the spit in Orick;
- ▶ GPA needs to include designation of emergency access through property;

- ▶ Would like to see OHV access to developed loops; would like to discuss green sticker vehicle use;
- ▶ Talk about funding restrictions is getting old; consult outside expertise, don't keep all the planning internal.

## **RON PLECHATY – LAKE EARL GRANGE**

- ▶ Secondary access needs to be provided on the site to provide for safety in the event of fire or emergency;
- ▶ Provide ADA access and access for senior citizens; provide electric ATV rentals, share trails;
- ▶ Would like to request classification of portions of the property as SRA.
- ▶ Prefers high development plan to support maximum access.

## **SHAWN**

- ▶ Would like to see ATV use allowed on the property.

## **JACK B.**

- ▶ Would like to see a longer open season for the Mill Creek campground;
- ▶ Would like to see more bike trails.
- ▶ Explore opportunities for partnerships in maintaining campgrounds etc;
- ▶ Is there a way for State Parks to partner up with Forest Service and others to provide info on access to Rattlesnake Ridge?

## **MAX**

- ▶ Would like to see elements of the GPA in stages with longer and more access being a high priority.

## **GENERAL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:**

- ▶ OHV Commission should participate in the GPA process;
- ▶ NEPA study must be completed with economic analysis as per statutory law required in this case.



- ▶ Would like to see “wild and scenic” status explored for Mill Creek.
- ▶ What is the difference between the high level of development alternative and the preferred Alternative?

Answer: They are very similar, as many of the desired uses are accommodated. There are slight differences in the proposed entrance/exist circulation. The preferred alternative proposes Hamilton Road as the main entrance, with a new two way road connecting Hamilton Road to the Mill Creek Campground, the existing Mill Creek Campground Road would remain, but would be used for administrative purposes only; the same scenario was included in the medium level of access and development alternative.

## **PHIL’S (GREEN STAR) GROUP**

### **GENERAL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:**

- ▶ Would like to see mountain biking;
  - Provide mountain bike access from trailheads
  - Provide a network of looped trails using existing roads converted to trails and new single track trails.
- ▶ Re-introduce burning cycles to remove invasive species;
- ▶ Need a secondary fire road/exit in case the main road is blocked;
- ▶ The trail system is a critical component:
  - Development of a trails plan is a critical element of the project.
  - Connectivity.
    - Provide connections to regional trails and adjacent lands.
    - Provide a network of interconnected trails throughout the site.
  - Dedicated Use Trails:

- Desire is to separate users, providing separate hiking, and mountain bikes and equestrian trails.
    - Hiking should be allowed everywhere.
    - Multi-use trails should be wide enough to accommodate multi users.
  - Would like to see trail access from the Mill Site
    - Provide trailhead at Mill Site.
    - Provide a network of trails starting at the Mill Site, providing more immediate trails access.
  - Would like to see interconnected trail loops.
- ▶ Interpretation:
  - Would like to an interpretive center proving both indoor and outdoor areas. Provide weather protection for visitors;
  - Accessible for all.
  - Center could be phased over time utilizing existing buildings and equipment
- ▶ Resource Protection:
  - Would like to see facilities developed to protect the site resources.
  - Development should be moved away from Marbled Murrelet habitat
  - Would like to see exhibits/interpretation of historic logging (logging and mill equipment, demonstrations, etc.).
- ▶ Equestrian Facilities:
  - Would like to see a stable;
  - Need to develop trail heads to accommodate equestrians.

## VANCE'S (BLUE STAR) GROUP

### GENERAL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:

- ▶ Would like to see mountain bike access and accommodation:
  - Shared use and dedicated single track mounting biking trails.
- ▶ Equestrian groups would work with State Parks to maintain equestrian facilities;
- ▶ Believe that paving the road to the Mill Creek Campground would ruin a great trail (Picnic Road) and views (Note: no paving of Picnic Road is proposed – the new road to the campground would be constructed in a new locations);
- ▶ Picnic Road would make a good ADA accessible trail to the campground;
- ▶ Would like to see a horse camp built at the back end of the Mill Creek Campground;
- ▶ The proposed backcountry equestrian camp is too far out; it should be 8-18 miles out at a maximum;
- ▶ Would like to see a drive-in equestrian camp:
  - Examples are: Cuneo Camp (in Humboldt Redwoods State Park) and Willow Prairie (between Crescent City and Klamath Falls).
- ▶ When is the trails map coming out?

Answer: A Road and Trail Plan is typically developed after the adoption of the General Plan.

- ▶ There is support for the group and lookout cabins;
- ▶ Believe that the High Level Development Alternative would hamper/limit success of restoration goals;
- ▶ Need Day-Use Equestrian facilities near the Mill Site;
- ▶ Would like to see Little Bald Hills-style (Orick) horse trails/loops with signs indicating how many hours they take to ride;

- ▶ Believe that all trails should be multi-use;
- ▶ A potential equestrian staging area could be located at the old Boy Scout Camp on Picnic Road.



General Plans In Progress

Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP

Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park – Mill Creek Watershed Addition

Public Workshop to Present Alternatives and Receive Feedback Held June 19



A public workshop to discuss preliminary alternatives for the Mill Creek Addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park was held on June 19, 2008, at the Elk Valley Rancheria Community Center. The workshop was attended by approximately 50

participants.

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The feedback received during the workshop and from comment received in written form will be used to refine the preferred alternative. The comment form can be accessed at the link below. Reviewers are encouraged to submit their comments to the planning team **no later than July 10, 2008.**

Materials presented at the public workshop can be accessed at the following links:

- [Workshop Program](#) (PDF, 11 KB)
- [Workshop Presentation](#) (PDF, 3.1 MB)
- [Alternative Draft Plans](#) (PDF, 9.9 MB)
- [Comment Form](#) (PDF, 34 KB)

A summary of the meeting notes and additional photos from the public workshop are provided below:

- [Public workshop notes](#) (PDF, 72.0 KB)
- [Additional photos](#)

A summary of written comments received in response to the June 19th alternatives workshop follows:

- [Alternatives Public Comment Letters Summary](#) (PDF, 31 KB)

### **Mill Creek Acquisition Deed/Purchase Agreement and the Mill Creek Advisory Committee**

The Mill Creek property was purchased from the Stimson Lumber Company on May 6, 2002. The purchase agreement for the Mill Creek property included specific guidance regarding management and use of the site.

According to the purchase agreement, the primary intent of the property is to "provide for a broad array of park and other public uses that are compatible with the primary goal that the Property shall be restored to late seral forest characteristics and associated natural functions that maximize benefits to the salmonid species of its streams and wildlife associated with late seral forest."

The purchase agreement also provides guidance on uses of the property, the establishment of the Mill Creek Advisory Committee (MCAC), funding recognitions, and other relevant information.

The deed, purchase agreement, and the charter of the MCAC are provided in their entirety below.

[Property deed](#) (PDF, 3.6 MB)

[Purchase agreement](#) (PDF, 2 MB)

[Mill Creek Advisory Committee charter](#) (PDF, 5 MB)

### State Parks Begins Watershed Planning Effort

#### Public Input Helps Guide Restoration and Recreation Use of this Extensive Park Addition



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Restoration efforts on the property began in 2002. Between 1954 and 2000, it was intensively managed for commercial timber production. In support of the timber harvest, an extensive network of logging roads and skid trails was constructed. Today, the property is characterized by mostly young forests that were planted after timber harvesting efforts. Restoring these early-succession forests to more mature conditions is one of the main goals for the Mill Creek property. Due to its size and strategic location, the property presents an excellent opportunity to develop and test restoration techniques. It also offers many opportunities for recreation and interpretation.

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The amendment will define the purpose and vision for the property, and address appropriate land use, circulation, facility development, natural and cultural resource management, and interpretation. The General Plan Amendment and Programmatic EIR is subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

#### Existing Management Framework

A PDF version of the General Management Plan/General Plan for Redwood National and State Parks is available at the following link:

[Redwood State and National Parks General Management Plan/General Plan.](#)

A hardcopy of the plan for viewing is available at the visitor desk at Redwood National and State Park Headquarters, 1111 Second Street, Crescent City 95531.

A .pdf version of the Interim Management Guidelines developed for the Mill Creek property is available at the following link:

[Mill Creek Interim Management Recommendations](#) (PDF, 3.8 MB)

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Relevant sections including information pertaining to allowable uses have been summarized in the document posted below:

[State Parks Permitted Uses](#) (PDF, 12.0 MB)

### Public Participation in the Planning Process

Public participation is an important part of the general plan and CEQA review processes. An introductory meeting, two public site visits and the first public workshop have already taken place, and there will be further opportunities for information and comment in the months ahead.

### Past Information and Comment Forums

#### Introductory Meeting

An introductory meeting was held on June 21, 2007, at the Crescent Fire Protection District Station. Representatives from California State Parks and the National Park Service provided an overview of the property and the ongoing road removal, fisheries monitoring, and habitat restoration efforts. Representatives from EDAW, the consulting firm retained to assist State Parks in the preparation of the amendment, gave a brief overview of the planning process. Meeting materials may be accessed at the following links:



[Program/Meeting Outline](#) (PDF, 17KB)

[Powerpoint Presentation](#) (PDF, 12MB)

[Comment Form](#) (PDF, 27KB)

[More meeting photos](#)

#### Site Tour

A site tour of the Mill Creek Watershed Addition was held on June 23, 2007. The tour provided participants with a first-hand look at some of the ongoing work on the property. Tour stops included fisheries monitoring locations, a road removal site, a forest enhancement site, and instream habitat restoration site, and the Mill Creek nursery. California State Parks personnel were present to answer questions about the property. Tour materials can be accessed at the following link:



[Tour Outline and Message Points](#) (PDF, 21KB)

[More site tour photos](#)

#### Watershed Road System Tour

On September 4th, 2007, California State Parks offered a special guided tour for the public of the road system within the greater Mill Creek area of the park. The tour provided the participants with a better understanding of this complex addition to Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park in preparation for management planning meetings for the area to occur later this fall. For more information, see the flyer and road map, below.



[Watershed Road System Tour Flyer](#) (PDF, 48KB)

[Existing Roads on the Mill Creek Watershed Addition](#) (PDF, 3.4MB)

[More road tour photos](#)

[Project Newsletter, September 2007](#) (PDF, 1 MB)

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The PowerPoint presentation given at the meeting can be accessed at the following link:

[Workshop Presentation](#) (PDF, 1.1 MB)

A summary of input received in the breakout groups can be accessed at the following link:

[Public Meeting Notes 10-4](#) (PDF, 63 KB)

### **Prior Steps**

#### Notice of Preparation (NOP) Comment Period

The NOP comment period closed on October 17, 2007. The NOP may be downloaded from the link below:

[EIR Notice of Preparation filed 9/17/2007](#) (PDF, 413 KB)

Groups and individuals provided written comments on the topics and issues to be addressed in the General Plan Amendment by sending a letter or by filling out and mailing in the comment sheet:

[Comment Form](#) (PDF, 27KB)

[Summary of Written Comments Received During NOP Comment Period](#) (PDF, 50 KB)

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#### January 9 – Staff Input Workshop

On January 9 the GPA planning team hosted a workshop for State Parks and National Park staff to provide input to the GPA planning process based on their experience and familiarity with the Mill Creek site. During the all day workshop held at the Ender's Beach Environmental Education Center, staff provided input by planning topic, using the outline of the existing General Management Plan/General



Plan for guidance. Information solicited during this workshop was used in the development of the planning base map that would subsequently be used for the development of alternatives for site use. Notes from the workshop are posted below.

[Staff Workshop Notes\\_01 09 08](#). (PDF, 48 KB)

#### January 10 – Mill Creek Advisory Committee Input Workshop

On January 10, during their quarterly meeting, the Mill Creek Advisory Committee (MCAC) provided input into the planning process. After a briefing on the progress of recent GPA efforts, committee members provided input by planning topic, following the outline of the existing General Management Plan/General Plan for guidance. Notes for the workshop are posted below.

[Mill Creek Plan Meeting Notes 01 10 08](#) (PDF, 44 KB)

**If you would like to be added to the mailing list** for the planning process, please contact Jeff Bomke, California State Parks Redwood Coast Sector Acting Superintendent. Contact information is given above.

#### Additional Opportunities to Visit the Mill Creek Watershed Addition

The Mill Creek Watershed Addition continues to be open to the public on Saturdays and Sundays for hiking, biking, horseback riding and nature exploration.

## **APPENDIX D**

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Native American Consultation



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Please see attached letter and map for a search of the Sacred Lands file and provide a Native American Contact List for the proposed project. Feel free to fax or mail the results of your search.

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As part of State and Departmental regulations, we are initiating Native American consultation and request a list of Native American contacts and a search of the Sacred Lands File for the proposed project.

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Re: Mill Creek Watershed Addition

Dear Mr. Horvitz:

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As you know, the entire Mill Creek Addition is within the aboriginal territory of the Tolowa people. There are many archaeological sites, sacred places and hunting, gathering and fishing places which have been identified. Additionally, there are likely many resources which have not been identified. Though the DPR will consult with the Tribe on future projects, some of the Tribe's main concerns and desires include those that relate to site preservation, monitoring and management, maintenance or re-establishment of traditional use rights and access, re-establishment of traditional fire maintenance, and future interpretative projects, including a re-constructed Tolowa village.

### **Site Preservation, Monitoring and Management**

There are a number of archaeological and cultural resources that exist within the Mill Creek Addition. Many of these were identified through pedestrian survey, archival research, and/or Tribal Consultations. The Tribe would like to see these sites (as well as other sites not identified through this process) protected for future generations. Efforts may include site stabilization/ erosion control, a site monitoring and stewardship program to help combat looting and regular meetings with a "team" of professionals who are involved, including representatives from the local tribes, the DPR, and local law enforcement, as appropriate.

Additional site identification is recommended, including archival research, consultation and site survey. Though pedestrian survey is typically employed to find sites, other archaeological techniques such as auger or other testing are more appropriate in forested environments and should be considered for project evaluations in the Mill Creek Addition. Sites should be part of regular Ranger patrols and could be monitored by staff that is sensitive to site preservation and issues of confidentiality. Appropriate signs with cultural resource protection codes should be installed. Signs should not identify site locations, and should possibly be installed at trail heads and along fences. All future ground disturbing activities should be led by an archaeological assessment in the direct project area. Though avoidance is strongly preferred, if site disturbance is unavoidable, any mitigation effort should be to the highest standard and conducted by a trained professional archaeologist who will work cooperatively with the Tribe. All future ground disturbing activities should be monitored by a trained Tribal monitor.

### **Traditional Use Rights and Access**

The Tolowa have been gathering materials from the Mill Creek Addition lands for generations. The Tribe would like to maintain or reestablish access and use rights to these traditional hunting, gathering and fishing places and protect these rights for future generations. Such activities and resources include salmon fishing on Mill Creek, large and small game hunting and gathering food, medicines, basketry material and canoe and house building material. The Tribe would like to see that traditional use rights and access be recognized by the DPR. Maintaining use rights to some resources, such as gatherable foods, medicines and basketry material, should be a relatively simple matter. Others will be more complicated. The Tribe would like to work with the DPR to develop use right agreements for these resources, if necessary. For example, the Tribe would like to be informed of any Redwood tree falls or of animal road kills (including elk, deer, woodpeckers, porcupines and large birds) that can be legally collected for traditional purposes.

### **Interpretation**

The DPR has a great opportunity to develop a meaningful interpretive program of interest to park visitors. The Tribe would like to see Native American history and culture be a part of this program and can assist your staff in its development. Interpretive projects might include brochures, signs, visitor center displays, and the like. It should be acknowledged that Tolowa culture has a long history and that the culture is alive and well today in the local community. While site locations should never be given in these materials and programs, it is entirely appropriate to acknowledge the past land use of the area by

local native peoples. It should be noted that the Mill Creek area was a refuge for Indian people fleeing massacres at villages occupied for thousands of years. Traditional fishing, hunting and gathering camps, used for millennia, were inhabited year round during the Contact Period. This is an important part of the Tribe's history of survival and continuing cultural identity. It needs to be told, and it will give Park visitors a more complete view of their experience.

### **Reconstructed Village**

The Tribe would like to see a reconstructed Tolowa village in the Mill Creek Addition. The village could be modeled on Sumeg Village, in Patrick's Point State Park, but with input from local families, and should include living houses, sweathouses and a dance house. A reconstructed village would be a great addition to the park. It would attract visitors and could include dances and interpretive events open to the public. It could also be used by the local Indian community for ceremonies, dances, gatherings and other cultural purposes, some of which would be closed to the public.

### **Traditional Fire Maintenance**

Referred to as Xatlh-nvt or "Control Burn" in Tolowa, forests were regularly burned to keep them healthy. Through burning, meadows or open areas were created where plants could be collected and animals (described above) could be hunted. Burns took place on a regular cycle, every 2-5 years depending on the vegetation, and were timed according to the rains so the fire could be controlled. The Tribe would like to see areas within the Mill Creek Addition submitted to traditional fire maintenance. Such a program will help to establish patches where traditional plant materials can be collected. It will have the added benefit of reducing the risk of wildfires in the area, a concern to most local residents.

The Tribe would like to help the DPR develop these endeavors in the Mill Creek Addition and looks forward to partnering with you in the future. If I can be of any further assistance, please contact me via phone at (707) 218-8262 or by email at [stushingham@elk-valley.com](mailto:stushingham@elk-valley.com).

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## **APPENDIX E**

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Redwood National and State Parks  
Auditory Disturbance Guidelines

**Redwood National and State Parks Auditory Disturbance Guidelines  
for Projects in Suitable Spotted Owl and Marbled Murrelet Nesting Habitat  
During the Breeding Season**

(Adapted from “Estimating the Effects of Auditory and Visual Disturbance to Northern Spotted Owls and Marbled Murrelets in Northwestern California”. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office, July 26, 2006)

**May 2007**

**Harassment**

“Harassment” (a form of “take” under the Endangered Species Act [ESA]) is defined as “... an intentional or negligent act or omission which creates the likelihood of injury to wildlife by annoying it to such an extent as to significantly disrupt normal behavioral patterns which include, but are not limited to, breeding, feeding or sheltering” [50 CFR §17.3]. Activities that create elevated sound levels or result in close visual proximity of human activities at sensitive locations (e.g., nest trees), have the potential to significantly disrupt normal behavior patterns. These behaviors may occur when spotted owls or marbled murrelets are subjected to elevated sound levels or visual disturbance associated with human activities near their active nests or dependent offspring.

Behaviors indicating harassment may manifest when: (a) the action-generated sound level substantially exceeds (i.e., by 20–25 dB or more as experienced by the animal) ambient conditions existing prior to the project; (b) when the total sound level, including the combined existing ambient and action-generated sound, is very high (i.e., exceeds 90 dB, as experienced by the animal); or (c) when visual proximity of human activities occurs close to (i.e., within 150 ft [45 m] of) an active nest site. Sound levels of lesser amplitude or human presence at farther distances from active nests have the potential to disturb owls and murrelets, but have not been clearly shown to cause behaviors that meet the definition of harassment.

**Sound Level Categories**

The criteria for auditory and visual disturbance rely on a simple comparison of the sound level(s) generated by project sources (e.g., chainsaws, dozers, trucks, power tools, etc.) against ambient sound conditions prevalent in the project area prior to implementing the project. The sound level that a nesting owl or murrelet is likely to be subject to as a result of implementing a proposed action is compared to the sound levels that the species may be exposed to under existing, pre-project conditions.

Note that in this guidance “ambient” sound level is defined as sounds in existence prior to implementation of the project, and may include any and all human-generated sound sources when they constitute a long-term presence in the habitat being analyzed. Temporary, short-term sources, even if in effect during or immediately prior to the proposed action would generally not be considered ambient but would instead be considered as a separate effect, or considered in combination with the sources from the proposed action. “Natural ambient” includes sound sources native to the forested habitat being considered, such as wind in trees, bird calls, and distant water flow. Human-generated “white noise”, such as from a distant highway, may also be considered natural

ambient if (a) distant to the area being considered, (b) relatively low in volume (i.e., <50 dB), and (c) relatively uniform in sound level over the area of consideration. Ambient sound should be estimated based on typical sources experienced on a daily or more frequent basis.

**Natural Ambient:** Refers to ambient sound levels (generally < 50 dB) typically experienced in owl or murrelet habitat not substantially influenced by human activities, and includes sounds native to forest habitats that would be encountered on a mild weather day. Human-generated “white noise”, such as from a *distant* highway, may apply when < 50 dB and the sound is relatively uniform across the action area.

**Very Low:** Typically 50–60 dB, and generally limited to circumstances where human-generated sound would never include amplified or motorized sources. Includes sounds in forest habitats close to natural sources such as rapids along large streams, windy areas or wind tunnels, or quiet human activities associated with nature trails, walk-in picnic areas, and low-use trails.

Essentially the above two categories can be considered as occurring away from everything “developed”.

**Low:** Typically 61–70 dB, and generally limited to sound from small power tools, light vehicular traffic at slow speeds on paved surfaces, non-gas-powered recreational activities, such as those associated with smaller park facilities. Includes most hand tools, small battery operated hand-held tools, administrative roads, and smaller facilities.

**Moderate:** Typically 71–80 dB, generally characterized by the presence of passenger vehicles and street-legal motorcycles, small trail cycles (not racing), small gas-powered engines (e.g., lawn mowers, *small* chain saws, portable generators, weed eaters), and high-tension power lines. Includes electric hand tools (except circular saws, impact wrenches and similar devices). Large campgrounds outside the visitor season would fall into this category.

**High:** Typically 81–90 dB, and would include medium- and large-sized construction equipment such as backhoes, front end loaders, large pumps and generators, road graders, dozers, dump trucks, drill rigs, and other moderate to large diesel engines. Would include high speed highway traffic including RVs, large trucks and buses, large street legal and trail (not racing) motorcycles, power saws, large chainsaws, pneumatic drills and impact wrenches, large gasoline-powered tools, circular saws, and hammering. Watershed restoration activities would fall in this category, as long as back-up beepers in use by heavy equipment operators are muffled to 90 dB or less.

Also included are the large campgrounds between Memorial and Labor Day, and public roads (Newton B. Drury Parkway, Hwy 101, Hwy 199, and Lower Bald Hills Road (west of Gans Prairie).

**Very High:** Typically 91–100 dB, generally characterized by impacting devices, jackhammers, racing or Enduro-type motorcycles, compression (“jake”) brakes on large



trucks, and trains. This category includes both vibratory and impact pile drivers (smaller steel or wood piles) such as used to install piles and guard rails, and large pneumatic tools such as chipping machines. It may also include the largest diesel and gasoline engines, especially if in concert with other impacting devices. Felling of large trees (dominant or subdominant trees in mature forests), truck horns, yarding tower whistles, and muffled or underground explosives are also included. This would include activities associated with logging (e.g., second-growth management), and could include heavy equipment normally associated with lower dB levels if back-up beepers are in this range.

***Extreme:*** Typically 101–110 dB. Generally includes use of ground-level, unmuffled explosives, pile driving of large steel piles, low-level over flights or hovering of helicopters, and heavily amplified music. This may include some back-up beepers on heavy equipment that would otherwise be at a lower dB level.

***Sound Levels Exceeding 110 dB:*** These sound levels are typified by sources such as jet engines and military over-flights, large sirens, open air (e.g., treetop) explosives, and double rotor logging helicopters. They are special situations requiring site- and situation-specific analysis, and are not covered by the guidelines in this document.

### **Derivation of Harassment Distances**

As indicated earlier, available data suggest that harassment occurs when sound levels resulting from project-based sound sources exceed ambient conditions by relatively substantial levels, or when the sound sources combined exceed a high absolute threshold. Since sound attenuates as a function of the distance from the source, distances at which various sound sources exceed ambient conditions may be calculated. Table 1 reports the distances within which elevated, project-generated sound is reasonably expected to exceed ambient conditions to such a degree as to result in harassment of murrelets or owls.

### **Time of Day Adjustment for the Marbled Murrelet**

The disturbance take threshold distances provided in Table 1 are based on a comparison of project generated sound levels with existing (ambient) sound levels, which themselves represent average daytime sound conditions. It's recognized, however, that ambient sound level often has a substantial time-of-day component, with nighttime, dawn and dusk ambient sound levels generally 5–10 dB lower than typical midday levels. It is also known that murrelet flights into nests to feed nestlings and for nest-tending exchanges are concentrated around dawn and dusk, during the period when ambient noise levels tend to be lower than average daytime levels.

For marbled murrelets, the harassment threshold distances provided in Table 1 apply to noise-generating activities occurring during the midday period. If proposed activities will occur within 2 hours of sunrise or sunset, and if the ambient sound environment during the dawn and dusk period can reasonably be expected to be quieter than the midday sound environment, then the estimated harassment distance threshold should be calculated based on an ambient level 10 dB lower (i.e., one row up in the table) compared

to the normal ambient rating in Table 1. Similar time-of-day considerations and adjustments are not required for the northern spotted owl.

### **Application of Harassment Distances to Project Conditions**

The following methods may be used to estimate the approximate distance at which project generated sound exceeds ambient conditions to such an extent that northern spotted owls or marbled murrelets may be subject to harassment due to sound or visual disturbance.

**Step 1:** Assess the environment in the action area to determine the existing ambient sound level. Include any sound sources occurring in the action area, prior to and not part of the proposed action, that create ambient sound levels higher than the “natural” background. Based on this review, assign a sound level category to the ambient condition (equivalent to a row of Table 1).

**Step 2:** Review the proposed action to determine the types of equipment, tools, etc., anticipated to be used during the project. Based on the descriptions of sound level categories above, assign a sound level category to the action-generated sound sources (corresponding to the columns in Table 1). Action-generated sounds should include all sources necessary to complete the proposed action.

**Step 3:** The cell corresponding to the appropriate row and column for existing ambient sound and action-generated sound, respectively, provides the distance within which increased sound level may harass an owl or murrelet. The cell values are generally reported as a distance from the outer edge of the project footprint into occupied or presumed occupied suitable habitat.

**Step 4:** When significant topographic features occur within the sound environment, appropriate consideration may be given to their sound attenuating capabilities. However, understanding the effects of topography on sound attenuation, especially when the species involved typically nests at a substantial distance above the ground, may be problematic. That is, topography may substantially attenuate sound between the source and the receiver (i.e., owl or murrelet nest site) when that topographic barrier is sufficiently high to block line-of-sight transmission between the source and receiver. Topography or other barriers may provide little attenuation unless very close to the sound source or very high in elevation.

**Step 5:** Consider the potential for human activities to occur within 150 ft (45 m) of potential nest sites of owls or murrelets. In the park, to date visual disturbance guidelines have been applied only to roads and trails. This distance may be adjusted based on visual screening of a potential nest site by surrounding vegetation.

**Table 1. Estimated harassment distance, in feet (m), due to elevated action-generated sound levels for proposed actions affecting the northern spotted owl and marbled murrelet, by sound level.**

<i>Existing (Ambient) Pre-Project Sound Level (dB)<sup>1</sup></i>	<b>Anticipated Action-Generated Sound Level (dB)<sup>1 2</sup></b>			
	<b>Moderate (71–80)</b>	<b>High (81–90)</b>	<b>Very High (91–100)</b>	<b>Extreme (101–110)</b>
<b>Natural Ambient (&lt;=50) and Very Low (51–60)</b>	165 (50)	500 (150)	1,320 (400)	1,320 (400)
<b>Low (61–70)</b>	0 (0)	165 (50)	825 (250)	1,320 (400)
<b>Moderate (71–80)</b>	0 (0)	165 (50)	100 (330)	1,320 (400)
<b>High (81–90)</b>	0 (0)	165 (50)*	165 (50)	500 (150)

**1** See text for full description of sound levels.

**2** Action-generated sound levels are given in decibels (dB) experienced by a receiver, when measured or estimated at 50 ft (15.2 m) from the sound source.

\* For standard noise-generating work-related activities in the three large campgrounds between Memorial and Labor Day, and along public roads (Newton B. Drury Parkway, Hwy 101, Hwy 199, and Lower Bald Hills Road) no additional harassment or noise disturbance buffer would apply.

### **Other Considerations**

This guidance does not consider the direct effects of predation by corvids (ravens, crows and jays) and other predators as a result of human activities in murrelet and owl habitat. That is, while corvids may increase in number in murrelet and owl habitat in response to human activities, the resulting increased take due to predation (injury) is not addressed here. Distance estimates reported in this guidance reflect only sound attenuation and visual disturbance that may result in harassment. Predation is considered only in the sense that owl or murrelet harassment may increase the risk of predation due to flushing from the nest, and thus represents a “likelihood of injury.”

Forest habitat conditions that affect the attenuation rate of sound (thus the level of sound detected by the owl or murrelet at its location) include dampening effects of forest vegetation, variability in natural ambient sound typically encountered under forest conditions, and the effect of elevated nest sites on sound attenuation. Departure from the tabled values in this guidance due to special forest conditions is generally inappropriate except under highly unusual circumstances. A factor *not* considered in the guidance is the effect of topography on sound attenuation. Steep slopes, ridges, and designed sound barriers may increase sound attenuation when they form complete barriers to the direct line of sound transmission between source and the location of the receiver (here, the actual location of the potentially harassed animal). In general, small ridges or walls not clearly blocking the sources from a highly elevated nest would provide little or no attenuation. When clearly supported by site-specific information regarding topography,

action-generated sound may be reduced by one or two levels, when compared to existing ambient sound levels.

Activities producing sound levels greater than 110 dB (estimated at 15.2 m from the sources), such as open-air blasting, aircraft, or impact pile-driving, are not addressed in this guidance, and should be evaluated through a more detailed site-specific analysis.

# **APPENDIX F**

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California Public Resources Code

## **State Parks Permitted Uses**

### **California Public Resources Code 5019.53.**

State parks consist of relatively spacious areas of outstanding scenic or natural character, oftentimes also containing significant historical, archaeological, ecological, geological, or other similar values. The purpose of state parks shall be to preserve outstanding natural, scenic, and cultural values, indigenous aquatic and terrestrial fauna and flora, and the most significant examples of ecological regions of California, such as the Sierra Nevada, northeast volcanic, great valley, coastal strip, Klamath-Siskiyou Mountains, southwest mountains and valleys, redwoods, foothills and low coastal mountains, and desert and desert mountains.

Each state park shall be managed as a composite whole in order to restore, protect, and maintain its native environmental complexes to the extent compatible with the primary purpose for which the park was established. Improvements undertaken within state parks shall be for the purpose of making the areas available for public enjoyment and education in a manner consistent with the preservation of natural, scenic, cultural, and ecological values for present and future generations.

Improvements may be undertaken to provide for recreational activities including, but not limited to, camping, picnicking, sightseeing, nature study, hiking, and horseback riding, so long as those improvements involve no major modification of lands, forests, or waters. Improvements that do not directly enhance the public's enjoyment of the natural, scenic, cultural, or ecological values of the resource, which are attractions in themselves, or which are otherwise available to the public within a reasonable distance outside the park, shall not be undertaken within state parks.

State parks may be established in the terrestrial or nonmarine aquatic (lake or stream) environments of the state.

### **California Public Resources Code 5001-5019.5 (Selected References)**

“Qualified institutions and individuals shall be encouraged to conduct nondestructive forms of scientific investigation within state park system units, upon receiving prior approval of the director.” (CPRC 5001.65)

Motor vehicle use is “confined to paved areas and other areas specifically designated and maintained for normal ingress, egress, and parking.” (CPRC 5001.8)

When land is classified as a state park unit, a general plan is written which defines, among other things, proposed land uses. (CPRC 5002.2)

Hunting is not allowed in state parks. (CPRC 5003.1)