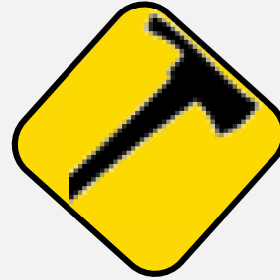


Endangered Species:

Hermes copper butterfly

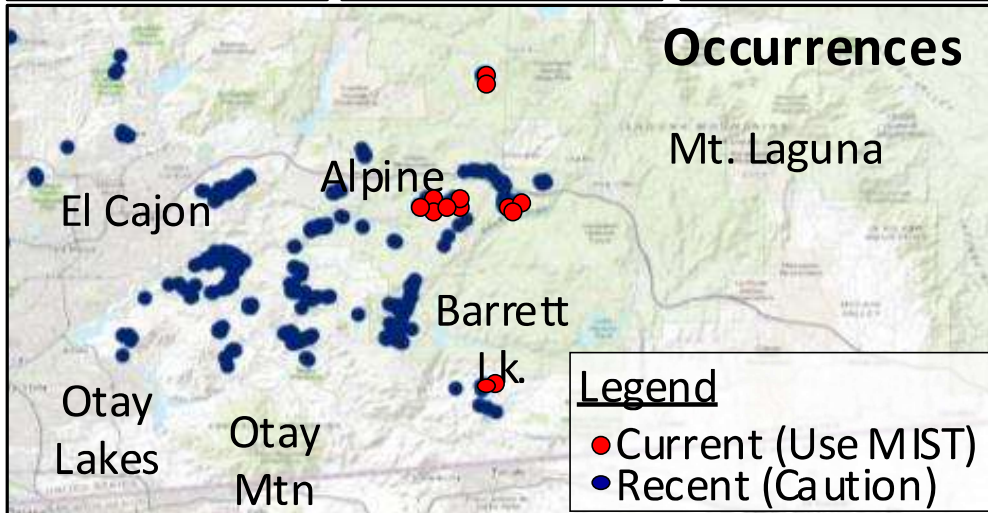
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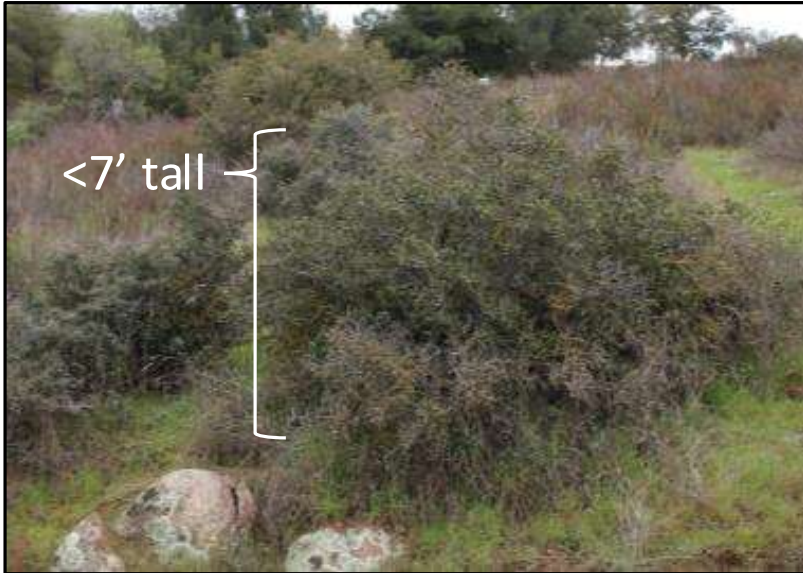


Description: A small (~1") brown & orange butterfly with short hindwing tails. The under side of the wings is yellow-orange with black dots. Flight season May-July.

Habitat: Scrublands containing its host plant, **spiny redberry**.

Protection: Hermes copper spends most of its life as an egg on woody host plants. It does not recover well after fire. At current sites exclude fire if possible, if not, use MIST & avoid fire retardant if able. At recent locations protect spiny redberry.





To protect Hermes,
protect its host plant,
spiny redberry.



New stems are
red-purple



Angular branching pattern
creates a spiny appearance

