MSP - 2021 Rare Plant Occurrence Monitoring Form Page 1 Scientific Name: Common Name: MSP Occurrence ID: New MSP Occurrence? Yes:\_\_\_\_\_, No:\_\_\_\_\_, Unknown:\_ \_\_\_, Unknown: Sample Point #: New Sample Point? Yes:\_\_\_\_, No:\_\_ CNDDB EO#: Translocated? Yes:\_\_\_\_\_, No:\_\_\_\_\_, Unknown:\_ Occurrence Name: Preserve: Land Owner: Land Manager: Surveyors & Affiliation: Time Start: I. SAMPLE PLOT INFORMATION. Count # plants in 10m radius sample plot, see p. 4 for category definitions for phenology, herbivory, disease & stunted growth. Record notes on p. 3. Exact: Estimate: Uncertainty? # Plants/Sample Plot: Sample plot radius \_\_\_\_ m For both exact counts and estimates, indicate: Counted/estimated indiv. plants:\_\_\_\_\_\_ OR Counted/estimated clusters of plants:\_\_\_\_\_ For geophytes: are counts of flowering or vegetative individuals? Flowering: Vegetative: Phenology in Sample Plot (Categories 1-6): Vegetative: \_\_\_\_\_ Flowering: \_\_\_\_\_ Fruiting: \_\_\_\_\_ Dead: \_\_\_ Evidence in Sample Plot (Categories 1-6) of: Herbivory: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Disease: \_\_\_\_\_ Stunted Growth: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ Is Sample Plot within Current Mapped Extent? No II. SAMPLE PLOT LOCATION & SITE PHOTOMONITORING - consult SDMMP list of GPS coordinates for plot center and photo locations. Enter here only if new habitat plot location or to make a correction to coordinates in list provided. GPS/Smartphone Accuracy: +/- \_\_\_\_ m Datum: \_\_\_\_\_ (NAD83 Recommended) Coord. Syst: UTM:\_\_\_ State Plane:\_\_\_ Camera type: \_\_\_\_\_\_ PhotoCoord: E: \_\_\_\_\_ N: \_\_\_\_ No Change: \_\_\_ New: \_\_\_ Correction: \_\_\_\_ Location 1: \_\_\_\_ Height (m) Camera Angle Up or Down Photo # Direction (facing) N: Direction (facing) Height (m) Camera Angle Up or Down Photo Location 2 [Coordinates] III. SAMPLE PLOT ASSESSMENT - Assess habitat covariates in 10m radius sample t plot. Vegetation alliance can be assigned using San Diego vegetation key (AECOM 2012) in office or field using "Associated Species" data. See page 4 for mammal activity categories. Record any notes on p. 3. SANDAG 2012 Vegetation Alliance/Association: Cover Classes: 1 (0%); 2 (>0 - <10%); 3 (10 to <25%); 4 (25 to <50%); 5 (50% to <75%); 6 (≥75%) Cryptogamic Crust Cover: \_\_\_\_\_ (category) Thatch (Non-Native Grass) Cover: \_\_\_\_\_ (category) Thatch Depth categories: 1 (no thatch); 2 (<1 cm); 3 (1 to <5 cm); 4 (5 to <10 cm); 5 (10 to <15 cm); 6 (15 to < 20 cm); 7 (≥ 20 cm) Thatch Depth: Ave. \_\_\_\_\_ (category) Thatch Depth: Max: \_\_\_\_\_ cm Dead Standing Biomass? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_ If yes, species: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Cover Class (1-6): \_\_\_\_\_ Ave. Height: \_\_\_\_ cm Mammal Species Activity Categories (1-4): Feral Pig Activity:\_\_\_\_\_ Ground Squirrel Activity:\_\_\_\_ Gopher Activity:\_\_\_\_ Habitat plot representative of maximum extent? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ If no, note differences on Page 3. IV. ASSOCIATED SPECIES IN SAMPLE PLOT Record cover estimate, not cover category. See % cover diagram, p. 5. Record substrate, total veg & total cover at bottom of form. Total cover should be at least 100% to account for entire plot. Record notes on p. 3. % Cover % Cover Cryptogamic Soil Crust:\_\_\_\_ Litter: Bare Ground: Rock:

Dead Shrubs:

Total Cover: \_\_\_\_\_ (∑ =100%)

Total Live Vegetation: \_\_\_\_\_

Water:

Scientific Name:	MSP Occurrence ID:			
Preserve:	Occurrence Name:			
Date: Surveyors & Affilia	ation/Agency:			
V. CURRENT MAPPED EXTENT INFORMATION. Count or estimate number of plants in mapped extent. Area can be calculated based on GIS perimeter mapping or visual mapping on aerial photo in the office.				
# Plants/Current Mapped Extent:	, Exact Count:, Estimate (1000s, 10k):, Uncertainty?			
For both exact counts and estimates, indicate: Counted/estimated individual plants: OR Counted/estimated clusters of plants:				
For geophytes: are counts of flowering or vegetative individuals? Flowering:Vegetative:				
Area of Current Mapped Extent: Units: Exact (GPS mapping): Estimate:				
Perimeter of current extent determined by walking it or estimated by other means (mapped on aerials)? Walked: Other (describe p. 3):				
Species in Maximum Extent? Yes: No: If not, why:				
VI. THREATS ASSESSMENT IN MAXIMUM EXTENT - Assess threats within the occurrence's maximum extent (cumulative extent over years of monitoring) plus 10-m surrounding buffer. Record notes on p. 3.				
Surrounding Land Use/Activity at or Adjacent to Site:				
Disturbance Classes (rank each threat as 1-7): 1 = no sign of disturbance, 2 = disturbance in 10m surrounding buffer but not within maximum extent, 3 = disturbance occurs in >0 % to <10% of area within maximum extent, 4 = disturbance in 10% to <25% of maximum extent, 5 = disturbance in 25 to < 50% of maximum extent, 6 = disturbance occurs within 50 to <75% of maximum exent, and 7 = disturbance occurs within ≥75% of maximum extent.				
Non-Native Forbs  Non-Native Grasses  Non-Native Woody Plants  Competitive Native Plants  Dumping/Trash  Encampments	Feral Pig Activity			
Fuel Modification Zone/Fire Break	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Road Construction/Maintenance I				
*	If Observed, Briefly Describe:			
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	If Observed, List Type(s) of ORV Activity: OR Unknown Burn Year?			
Disturbance from Trails (authorized & unauthorized)If Trails are Present, are they Authorized (circle one)? Yes / No / Both / Unknown				
	Biking: Equestrian: Dog: Service Vehicles:			
Illegal Trail Use? Yes: No: Describe:				
Other Disturbance? List & Rank:				
Collection? Yes:No:Collector:				
Collection #: Herbarium:	Species Collected:			
Collection 2, Collector:				
Collection #: Herbarium:	Species Collected:			

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Occurrence ID:	Species:	Date:		
VI. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS				
VII. MANAGEMENT ACTIONS IN LAST YEAR				
	DETECTED & NOTES			
List any sensitive plant or anima	al species to add to the CNDDB:			
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Time Finish:				

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Categories of % Individuals in Sample Plot for Phenological Stages (Vegetative, Flowering, Fruiting & Dead) and for Evidence of Herbivory, Disease and Stunted Growth.

1 = 0% (not detected)

2 = >0% to <10%

3 = 10% to <25%

4 = 25% to <50%

5 = 50% to <75%

6 = ≥75%

## % Cover Class Definitions within Sample Plot for Cryptogamic Crust and Thatch.

See page 5 for illustrations of different cover classes.

1 = 0% cover (not detected)

2 = >0% to <10% cover

3 = 10% to <25% cover

4 = 25% to <50% cover

5 = 50% to <75% cover

6 = ≥75% cover

#### Feral Pig Activity within Sample Plot:

- 1 = No feral pig activity (rooting, wallowing, vegetation destruction, tracks, scat, pig) detected.
- 2 = Signs of pig activity (rooting, wallowing, vegetation destruction) in sample plot appear months old.
- 3 = Signs of recent pig activity (rooting, wallowing, vegetation destruction, tracks, scat, pig) in adjacent area but not within sample plot.
- 4 = Recent signs of pig activity (rooting, wallowing, vegetation destruction, tracks, scat, pigs) within sample plot.

### **Ground Squirrel Activity within Sample Plot:**

- 1 = No ground squirrel burrows detected.
- 2 = Burrows and/or ground squirrels observed in adjacent area but not within sample plot.
- 3 = Single squirrel or burrow seen within sample plot.
- 4 = Multiple burrows and/or squirrels seen within sample plot.

# **Botta's Pocket Gopher Activity within Sample Plot:**

- 1 = No pocket gopher mounds detected.
- 2 = Mounds or gophers observed in adjacent area but not within sample plot.
- 3 = <10 mounds observed within sample plot.
- 4 = ≥10 mounds or one or more gophers seen within sample plot.

#### **Disturbance Categories within the Maximum Extent:**

- 1 = No sign of disturbance within maximum extent or in adjacent 10 m buffer.
- 2 = Disturbance does not occur within maximum extent but is detected within the surrounding 10 m buffer area.
- 3 = Disturbance present in >0% to <10% of area within maximum extent.
- 4 = Disturbance occurs in 10% to <25% of area within maximum extent.
- 5 = Disturbance occurs in 25% to <50% of area within maximum extent.
- 6 = Disturbance occurs 50% to <75% of area within maximum extent.
- 7 = Disturbance occurs ≥75% of area within maximum extent.

