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Data request for San Francisco Mt endemic candidate plants

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Hi Jena,

Sorry I missed your call. I wasn't able to connect when I called back.

I looked at the shape file information for each of the sites, including the Courgraph site. Thanks.

Based on my understanding after talking with the operators for both the Courgraph and Southern White/Mountain Rose mines in recent months, neither of the areas discussed for additional disturbance would intercept the areas of known plant communities as of their last survey date. I haven't seen any formal submittals from the operators yet.

I assume you are already aware of this, but it was interesting to read a note in the .shp files from a 1998 survey at the Southern White/Mountain Rose mine that reported that the Ostler peppergrass and the Frisco buckwheat had actively colonized the road bed and areas previously disturbed from mining activity. We understand that it's premature to conclude too much from this, but it's worth knowing.

Thanks. Let me know if you need anything else.

Peter
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