

CNPS and CDFG Combined Vegetation Rapid Assessment and Relevé Field Form

Relevé or Rapid Assessment (circle one) (Revised May 13, 2011)

For Office Use:	Final database #:	Final vegetation type name:	Alliance Association
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I. LOCATIONAL/ENVIRONMENTAL DESCRIPTION

Polygon/Stand #:	Air photo:	Date:	Name(s) of surveyors (circle recorder):
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GPS wypt #: _____ GPS name: _____ Datum: _____ or NAD83. Bearing, left axis at SW pt _____ (degrees) of Long / Short side
 UTME _____ UTMN _____ Zone: **10 / 11** (circle one) Error: ± _____ ft / m / pdop
 GPS within stand? Yes / No If No, cite from waypoint to stand, distance _____ (meters) & bearing _____ (degrees)

Elevation: _____ ft / m Camera Name/Photograph #'s: _____

Stand Size (acres): <1, 1-5, >5 | Plot Size (m²): 10 / 100 / 400 / 1000 | Plot Shape _____ x _____ ft / m or Circle Radius _____ ft / m
 Exposure, Actual °: _____ NE NW SE SW Flat Variable All | Steepness, Actual °: _____ 0° 1-5° 5-25° > 25

Topography: Macro: top upper mid lower bottom | Micro: convex flat concave undulating
 Geology code: _____ Soil Texture code: _____ | Upland or Wetland/Riparian (circle one)

% Surface cover: _____ (Incl. outcrops) (>60cm diam) (25-60cm) (7.5-25cm) (2mm-7.5cm) (Incl sand, mud)
 H20: _____ BA Stems: _____ Litter: _____ Bedrock: _____ Boulder: _____ Stone: _____ Cobble: _____ Gravel: _____ Fines: _____ =100%

% Current year bioturbation _____ Past bioturbation present? Yes / No | % Hoof punch _____
 Fire evidence: Yes / No (circle one) If yes, describe in Site history section, including date of fire, if known.

Site history, stand age, comments: _____

Disturbance code / Intensity (L,M,H): _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ "Other" _____ / _____

II. HABITAT AND VEGETATION DESCRIPTION

Tree DBH : **T1** (<1" dbh), **T2** (1-6" dbh), **T3** (6-11" dbh), **T4** (11-24" dbh), **T5** (>24" dbh), **T6** multi-layered (T3 or T4 layer under T5, >60% cover)
 Shrub: **S1** seedling (<3 yr. old), **S2** young (<1% dead), **S3** mature (1-25% dead), **S4** decadent (>25% dead)
 Herbaceous: **H1** (<12" plant ht.), **H2** (>12" ht.) Desert Riparian Tree/Shrub: **1** (<2ft. stem ht.), **2** (2-10ft. ht.), **3** (10-20ft. ht.), **4** (>20ft. ht.)
 Desert Palm/Joshua Tree: **1** (<1.5" base diameter), **2** (1.5-6" diam.), **3** (>6" diam.) % NonVasc cover: _____ % Vasc Veg cover: _____
 % Cover - Conifer tree / Hardwood tree: _____ / _____ Regenerating Tree: _____ Shrub: _____ Herbaceous: _____
 Height Class - Conifer tree / Hardwood tree: _____ / _____ Regenerating Tree: _____ Shrub: _____ Herbaceous: _____
 Height classes: 01=<1/2m 02=1/2-1m 03=1-2m 04=2-5m 05=5-10m 06=10-15m 07=15-20m 08=20-35m 09=35-50m 10=>50m

Species, Stratum, and % cover. Stratum categories: T=Tree, S = Shrub, H= Herb, E = SEedling, A = SApling, N= Non-vascular.
 % cover intervals for reference: <1%, 1-5%, >5-15%, >15-25%, >25-50%, >50-75%, 75%.

Strata	Species	% cover	C	Strata	Species	% cover	C

Unusual species: _____

III. INTERPRETATION OF STAND

Field-assessed vegetation alliance name: _____
 Field-assessed association name (optional): _____
 Adjacent alliances/direction: _____ / _____, _____ / _____
 Confidence in alliance identification: L M H Explain: _____
 Phenology (E,P,L): Herb _____ Shrub _____ Tree _____ Other identification or mapping information: _____

Is poly >1 type: Yes / No If yes, explain: _____

