

# CNPS Field-Based Rare Vegetation Sampling/Mapping Workshop in Eastern Orange County Saturday, April 30, 2011

## Workshop Goals:

- Learn about alluvial scrub vegetation communities
- Provide tools for Irvine Ranch Conservancy staff, chapter members, and the public to sample/map vegetation in priority areas that need additional inventory
- Use existing CNPS/DFG protocols to collect new data on rare vegetation types
- Use aerial photos to discuss mapping of rare vegetation and other special features
- Discuss how data can be utilized in conservation planning and other efforts

**Directions to the Fremont Staging Area** (Map available at <http://cnps.org/cnps/vegetation/workshops.php>)

### **Part 1 – To Irvine Regional Park**

- **From the 5 freeway or Jamboree Road**
  - From the 5 freeway, exit Jamboree Road and head north (toward the Tustin Market Place)
  - Follow Jamboree Road 6 miles until it dead ends into Irvine Regional Park
- **From the 241 Toll Road**
  - Exit Santiago Canyon Road
  - If traveling on 241 north, turn left onto Santiago Canyon Road
  - If traveling on 241 south, turn right onto Santiago Canyon Road
  - Follow Santiago Canyon Road approximately 1 mile
  - Turn right on Jamboree Road
  - Follow the road around to the right, the park entrance will be on your left
- **From the 55 South**
  - Exit the 55 onto Chapman Avenue (exit 14)
  - Turn left onto East Chapman
  - Follow Chapman approximately 4.4 miles
  - Turn left onto Jamboree
  - Follow the road around to the right, the park entrance will be on your left

### **Part 2 – From Irvine Regional Park to the Fremont Staging Area**

- Enter Irvine Regional Park (\$5 entrance fee on weekends and \$7 to \$10 on holidays)
- After toll booth veer right, head under the archway, and go 0.6 of a mile to a stop sign
- Make a slight turn to the right and then a quick left
- Drive 0.4 of a mile and look for parking lot #15 on the left
- Look for the small green #15 sign on the back of the stop signs

## Preliminary Agenda:

- **8:15 a.m.** Meet at the Fremont Staging Area
- **8:30 a.m.** Introductions and discussion of protocols
- **9:30 a.m.** Sampling and Mapping alluvial scrub vegetation as a large group
- **12:00 p.m.** Lunch (bring your own food and beverages)
- **12:30 p.m.** Relocate to the Black Star Staging Area and work in smaller groups
- **2:30 p.m.** Come together to discuss results and ask questions
- **3:00 p.m.** Break out into teams of two for final sampling
- **4:15 p.m.** Regroup for discussion before departing at 5:00.

***Please bring the following equipment/supplies:*** Clipboard, pencils, comfortable shoes and field clothes appropriate for conditions, water, sunscreen and hat, bag lunch

Optional Items: Compass and/or clinometer, binoculars, digital camera, GPS unit