

CNPS Conservation Conference

September 11, 2010
8:30 am to 5 pm
Ft. Bragg, California

AGENDA

Time	Topic	Speaker
8:30-8:35	Welcome and overview of the day	Nancy Morin
8:35-8:45	CNPS Conservation Program: Overview of the State program for 2009-2010, highlighting CNPS List 2 issues and the goal of the day's events.	Greg Suba
8:45-9:15	CNPS Rare Plant Program: The rare plant status review process.	Aaron Sims
9:15-10:00	Plant Protection and the law: NPPA, CESA, CEQA	Vern Goehring
10:00-10:30	BREAK	
10:30-11:15	Emerging Conservation Strategies and Concerns: policy, regulation, and scientific justification for conserving peripheral populations, locally rare taxa, natural communities, and species of special concern.	Gordon Leppig
11:15-12:00	Vegetation Classification & Mapping: how alliance-level vegetation maps represent a tool to facilitate natural communities conservation, and why other vegetation maps currently in use fail to provide the same accuracy of information.	Todd Keeler-Wolf / Julie Evens
12:00-1:00	LUNCH	
	Lunch presentation: The Flora of North America Project	Nancy Morin
1:00-1:45	Conservation of CNPS List 2 taxa as addressed in timber harvest plans and renewable energy projects.	Tony LaBanca / Greg Suba
1:45-3:00	Speaker Panel Q&A: CNPS's role in conserving	Panel

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	peripheral populations and natural communities: Panelists will be given specific prompts from which to begin group discussion, and field Q&A.	
3:00-3:15	BREAK	
3:15-4:00	CEQA Challenges: the legislative forecast for 2011. (Randy is a consultant to the California Senate Environmental Quality Committee in Sacramento, CA)	Randy Pestor
4:00-4:30	Rare Plant Treasure Hunt: a 2010 CNPS success story.	Josie Crawford / Amber Swanson
4:30-4:55	Feedback and next steps: Building continuity and developing strategy	Greg Suba
4:55-5:00	Announcements	Nancy Morin
5:00	Happy gathering time begins!	
6:30	CNPS Dinner - Conservation of Rare and Unusual Species and Communities of the Mendocino Coast	Keynote speaker: Teresa Sholars