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Botany Report for Juncrock E.A.

The following sources were consulted: Region Six Forester's Sensitive Plant List (May 13, 1999), Mt. Hood Sensitive Plant Data Base, Oregon Natural Heritage Data Base, Interagency Species Management Data Base, aerial photos, and U.S.G.S. topographic maps.

Botany surveys were conducted in the field seasons 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001. Five days were dedicated surveys for Sensitive plants and Survey and Manage Species in 1998 on August 13 and 28, and September 2, 8, and 16. Additional visits were made in 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 as either surveys or as part of other work. Approximately 40 days were spent on the project area. Most survey design was intuitive controlled with some intensive survey in wet areas that are likely habitat for species suspected to occur in the planning area. The additional work consisted of activities such as assisting the silviculturist and others in locating riparian boundaries, laying out stand boundaries and characterizing stands.

A biological evaluation was prepared and is on file. It does not address survey and manage species. No Forest Service Region 6 sensitive plants or survey and manage species listed in the current SEIS for the Northwest Forest Plan were found in the planning area. The dedicated surveys were entered into an Access database at the Mt Hood N.F. headquarters (k:/bot\_db/data base/working/botany db.mdb) and a report was created. A copy of that report is in the analysis file.

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