# **Northern California**

## Redwood Coast & The Cascades

## **An AGS/Greentours Tour Report**

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This trip report covers a tour that was specifically for the Alpine Garden Society and therefore the focus of the tour was fully flowers. The tour in 2016 differs in that the focus is more general though flowers still foremost, however more time will be spent ooking for birds, mammals and butterflies. Additionally the 2016 is very slightly longer, though the places visited are the same.

## Day 1 Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May Arrival and Journey to Point Reyes

I met Robert in San Francisco Airport and we awaited the arrival of the rest of the group from the UK. Fortunately they did not experience the very lengthy queues at immigration that had greeted me earlier in the afternoon, and we were soon all assembled and ready to leave.

We drove through the busy streets of San Francisco, and across the impressive iconic Golden Gate Bridge. Before long we were in the much more tranquil surroundings of Marin County, and took an interesting route, via San Anselmo, towards Point Reyes. We even passed through a patch of Redwood forest.

Arriving at the lovely Point Reyes Seashore Lodge early evening we settled into our attractive rooms overlooking the well kept lawn. Bob and Marlene had travelled from their home in Ukiah, and were already there to meet us. We ate dinner in the restaurant next door, and then retired to bed for a welcome sleep.

## Day 2 Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May Point Reyes National Seashore

The day began in the beautiful garden of the Point Reyes Seashore Lodge. A small stream runs where woodland meets the lawn, and the trees and shrubs supported a variety of birds. Anna's Humingbirds nectared on the bottlebrush flowers, whilst a group of Pine Siskins were attracted by the bird feeders. Song Sparrow sang continuously, California Quail scuttled over the lawns, and Band-tailed Pigeons sat in the trees. Several Mule Deer were seen in the fields behind the garden. There I took an early walk and saw much of interest. Fine large *Quercus agrifolia* were a feature, there was a fine selection of grasses and sedges in the meadow, and among the other flowers were *Phacelia malvifolia* and *Lupinus polyphyllus*. In the woodland I watched Bewick's Wrens.

After a good breakfast in these very pleasant surroundings we set off in the minibus to explore the Point Reyes peninsular. First port of call today was the Visitor Centre, where a good selection of books was available. Next we stopped at a local store and deli where we chose our lunch sandwiches, from an extensive selection, and I stocked up on general picnic supplies.

We then headed purposefully towards the lighthouse where a rocky outcrop held many great plants. Ceanothus gloriosus, Erigeron glaucus, Dudleya farinosa, a lone Arabis blepharophylla, Wyethia angustifolia, Agoseris apargioides and Castilleja exserta latifolia were all at this first stop. Walking towards the lighthouse itself we saw Gaultheria shallon, Fragaria chiloensis, Cardionema ramosissimum, and Phacelia californica.

Next we visited Chimney Rock where the headland supported another fine flora. The wonderfully named *Trifolium wormskjoldii*, *Viola adunca*, *Sidalcea malvaeflora*, *Castilleja wightii*, *Castilleja affinis*, *Delphinium decorum*, *Sisyrinchium bellum*, and *Stachys camissonis* were all in flower. We reached the breeding colony of very many Northern Elephant Seals, lounging on a sheltered beach. We watched them from a viewpoint for some time, listening to the strange noises they made. On the sea were some fine Surf Scoters, Black Scoters, Pigeon Guillemots, Common and Pacific Loons, and Western Grebe.

Field Crescent was on the wing. Nearby we stopped to admire a slope turned yellow by *Lasthenia californica*. I was very pleased to find one stretch of road with ditches full of the very local and endangered yellow flowered *Limnanthes douglasii* ssp.*sulphurea* and this beautiful plant was much photographed. Another stop yielded the yellow flowered *Sisyrinchium californicum*.

The last site of the day was Limantour Beach, where we parked and walked slowly down to the shore. White-crowned Sparrows were active around the car park, and very confiding. Song Sparrows again lived up to their name and sang prettily from the tops of bushes. California Blue-eyed Grass was common. The bird's-foot trefoils *Acmispon micranthus*, *Acmispon junceus biolettii*, and *Acmispon glaber* were all identified. Damp flushes supported *Potentilla pacifica*, *Triphrysaria eriantha*, and *Ranunculus californicus* was common, and Foxgloves were a surprising feature here. Brown Pelicans flew along the shore. The highlight was great views of Grey Whales from the shore, and we watched these magnificent animals for some time.

Brush Rabbits and Red-shouldered Hawk were among the many other species today.

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We said our farewells to the Point Reyes Seashore Lodge, and the humming-birds, and set off on the journey north, initially along the very scenic coast through Marin and Sonoma Counties, reaching Mendocino County in the afternoon. Initially the roadside flora comprised predominantly weeds, from all over the world. A short stop along the rocky coast yielded an interesting flora, including *Erigeron glaucus*, *Armeria maritima californica*, *Daucus pusillus*, and a species of *Eriogonum* in leaf. On the sea were Pigeon Guillemots, and we were delighted to see another Grey Whale. Black Oystercatcher was on the shoreline rocks.

At the mouth of the Russian River were many Harbour Seals lounging on the sand, and Pelagic Cormorants on the rocky islets. At a fuel stop was *Brodiaea terrestris* where I used to see the species on previous tours. Here also were *Eryngium armatum*, and naturalised *Leptospermum laevigatum*.

One of the several State Parks along the coast produced *Lilium maritimum* in superb flower, an early highlight. Dark-eyed Juncos hopped on the road, Northern Flicker was seen, and Western Grey Squirrels were characterful. We admired the lovely bark of *Arbutus menziesii*, and the

flowers of *Rhododendron columbianum*. Also here were the yellow flowered *Viola glabella* and the beautiful *Lotus formosissimus*. Lorquin's Admiral was seen as we drove.

We ate lunch at Manchester Beach, where was a fine sand dune flora comprising *Abronia latifolia*, *Heliotropium curassavicum*, and *Nemophila menziesii*. *Platystemon californicus* flowered nearby.

Our journey took us as far north as Fort Bragg from where we headed directly east and inland. *Trillium ovatum* and *Corallorhiza maculata* were seen from the vehicle but we would see them closely in the next few days.

A stop in Willits saw us sorting a few practicalites. Back on the road we turned onto Highway 162 that leads to Covelo, where we were greeted by a fine floral display. *Calochortus amabilis* was flowering in huge numbers, a stunning show. We stopped to photograph these and found many other fine flowers in the *Quercus kellogii* woodland. *Dichelostemma congesta* and *Triteleia laxa* were admired, and *Ranunculus oxyrhynchos*, *Trifolium tridentatum*, and *Madia madioides* were seen. At another stop were the impressive large *Cirsium peregrinum*, and *Gilia capitata*. *Brodiaea elegans* was our third blue flowered monocot of the afternoon, and *Clarkia purpurea* and *Sidalcea diploscypha* were in fine bloom.

Having reached Covelo we settled into our motel, much improved from all those years ago, and now run by the Round Valley Indian Tribes. There followed a very entertaining evening as I became a waiter and had to run round from room to room taking food orders and later delivering dinners. The only suitable restaurant in town would not be open until Wednesday so we had to be very adaptable. The manager of the motel very kindly helped out and after I'd taken dinner orders he went to the town casino to place them, later bringing our orders which I distributed from room to room! I also had to take lunch orders for tomorrow to save time in the morning, and even to order dinner for a week ahead, for two evenings in McCloud as the hotel there were insisting they had the orders a week in advance! All very confusing but we got through it!

### Day 4 Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May Mendocino Pass and Highway 162

Breakfast was eaten in the café next to the hotel, the food substantial, the place full of interesting characters! The weather was fine and we set out on the road up to Mendocino Pass. Not far from town where we just had to stop for the beautiful *Penstemon heterophyllus*. There was much else here besides, including *Triteleia laxa*, *Sedum lanceolatum*, *Lotus micranthus*, *Delphinium nudicaule*, *Nemophila heterophylla*, and *Sambucus caerulea* in flower. The oaks here were *Quercus garryana*, and *Philadelphus lewisii* was identified in leaf. Silvery Blue was on the wing, and Black-headed Grosbeak, Red-breasted Sapsucker, and two Ash-throated Flycatchers were in the trees.

Somewhat higher *Iris fernaldii* became rather common and we stopped for the best of them, seeing also *Lathyrus sulphureus*. A bonus was many *Calochortus tolmiei*, and *Lotus humistratus* was identified. Western Fence Lizards were active in the sunshine, Downy Woodpecker was seen well, and the characterful Mountain Quail was admired.

Reaching Mendocino Pass, the highlight for most of us was the fine show of *Fritillaria recurva*, in superb flower, although others had gone over already, and the *Erythronium californicum* was already over this year. The attractive delphinium here was *Delphinium decorum*, and the *Phlox speciosa* was especially fine. *Allium falcifolium, Erysimum capitatum, Hydrophyllum occidentale, Claytonia parviflora, Collinsia parviflora, Lomatium dissectum*, and *Linanthus bolanderi* added to the variety. Among the conifers we identified the aromatic Incense Cedar, *Calocedrus decurrens*. I

identified the white flowered monocot *Toxicoscordium micranthum*, new for the tour, as was the blue *Brodiaea stellaris*. Acmon Blue was flying.

A little further on a serpentine outcrop among White Fir forest proved a superb spot to enjoy lunch. There was plenty to be distracted by though, especially the simply superb *Fritillaria purdyi*. Not easy to spot initially but once you had your 'eye in' we realised there were very many fine examples on the slope, a tour highlight. A fine patch of *Phlox diffusa* was also very photogenic.

Among the birds in the area were Yellow-rumped Warbler, Townsend's Solitaire, and Mountain Chickadee, and Sonoma Chipmunks scuttled around.

A feature this year was very much Wyethia helenioides in superb flower, and we stopped for the best of these. The valerian Plectritis congesta was locally common. Another stop was prompted by a fine patch of Limnanthes douglasii nivea, and Collomia heterophylla was seen. The beautiful Lorquin's Admiral was on the wing, Agoseris retrorsa was identified, and Western Tanager was active in the trees.

Lower down was a shady roadside that boasted fine *Collinsia heterophylla*, impressive *Clarkia concinna*, the lovely red flowered *Silene californica*, and patches of *Sedum spathulifolium*. Despite being a pretty quiet road the sheriff appeared whilst we were here, perfectly friendly, just asking that Joa move the vehicle to a safer parking spot. As we walked down to him several things were seen including Yellow-breasted Chat that had been singing beautifully in the waterside vegetation, and much of the attractive Lace Pod.

Again that evening we enjoyed the casino dinner delivery service, and looked forward to eating in the Covelo restaurant tomorrow evening.

### Day 5 Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May Covelo area, Willits area

After another interesting breakfast in the characterful cafe, we set off back down the road from Covelo, soon taking a little used side road that parallels the 'main' road back down to the highway. Before we left a female Wood Duck flew over the motel, and Western Wood-pewee was in the trees behind the rooms.

At the first stop was *Allium amplectens*, and Grey Pine was a feature of the area, the glaucous leaves in threes being very distinctive. A group of Wild Turkeys frequented the oak scrub. Another stop was prompted by fine large white flowered *Silene bolanderi*. Here was more *Calochortus tolmiei*, the umbel *Lomatium triternatum*, and *Ceanothus integerrimus*. Another beautiful forested roadside had *Clarkia concinna*, *Delphinium nudicaule*, *Linanthus bicolor*, *Gilia capitata*, *Lonicera interrupta*, more fine *Calchortus amabilis*, and Goldback Fern. *Lupinus luteolus* was common along the lower roadsides.

Back through Willits we drove someway back towards the coast. Lorquin's Admirals were a feature of the area with several on the wing today, and Pale Tiger Swallowtail was seen closely. The road now being rather busy I was very pleased to find a beautiful side road that we had not visited before. This yielded a fine flora in Redwood forest.

Oxalis oregana, Polygala californica and Trientalis latifolia flowered on the forest floor. Smilacina racemosa, Tellima grandiflora, Heuchera micrantha, Osmorhiza berteroi, Disporum hookeri, and beautiful Aquilegia formosa characterised the forest edge flora. Among the ferns were Chain Fern, Polypodium glycirrhiza and Adiantum pedatum. White Erythronium oregonum was

still just in flower. An interesting find was a bird's-nest fungus, rather common on cones and twigs.

Near Willits was a superb wet meadow blue with abundant *Camassia leichtlinii suksdorfii*. This was a fine place, much enjoyed by all. However I had to stay with the vehicle as the driver had rushed away too meaning I had to guard the unlocked van! There were more Wild Turkeys here and a fine group of Elk on the other side of the meadow. The rather less showy *Psilocarphus brevissimus* was seen too.

The last stop of the day yielded several of the green flowered orchid *Habenaria sparsiflora*.

That evening we enjoyed the luxury of actually eating in the Covelo restaurant. The place was full of characters, and the food much enjoyed.

#### Day 6 Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May Journey to Klamath

Something of a delay getting away as ordering the lunch sandwiches from the breakfast cafe turned out not to be a time saving idea! Anyway, the weather was fine as we finally left Round Valley, and as usual *Calochortus amabilis* and *Brodiaea* were common on the roadsides.

Once on the main highway we motored north, making good progress we were soon in the great redwood forests of Humboldt County. Here we stopped to admire *Iris purdyi*, a new species for us, growing beside the road. The Avenue of the Giants was a superb alternative route to the highway, and took us through majestic redwood groves. The atmosphere is these fantastic forests was sublime. In flower were *Viola sempervirens* and *Tiarella unifoliata*, and *Scoliopus bigelowii* was in fruit, being a very early flowering species.

By late morning we had reached Humboldt Bay, where the winds were incredibly strong today. Nevertheless we took the opportunity for lunch. Greater Yellowlegs and Western Grebe were among the few birds seen.

In Arcata we made a detour for a quick visit to the small bookshop inside the natural history museum. In the past we always seemed to pass through here when the museum was closed, today it was open, but had moved to a different building and the bookshop was somewhat reduced in size. Nevertheless most of us found a few titles to buy.

Heading north we visited the beach near the Humboldt Lagoons, where there is good community of dune flowers. The beach was littered with large old tree trunks, and scrubby *Picea sitchensis* grew behind the dunes. In flower were *Abronia latifolia*, *Calystegia soldanella*, *Lathyrus littoralis*, *Tanacetum bipinnatum*, *Glehnia leiocarpa* and *Camissonia cheiranthifolia*.

The coastal scenery became very impressive as we neared Orick. We stopped at the Redwood Visitor Centre, with interesting displays and another good book selection.

We arrived at our destination, Klamath, at 5.00p.m, and settled into our beautiful historic hotel in a fine restored wooden building. We were staying at a lovely riverside location and before long we heard California Sealions, cavorting in the water. As we met for dinner there was the highlight of a Black Bear just across the river. Dinner in the hotel was excellent and enjoyable.

#### Day 7 Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May Lake Earl and Jedediah Smiths Redwoods

The day began with the Black Bear again at the riverside.

Today we headed north, through Crescent City, and to Lake Earl, a fine protected area with a good variety of habitat in a small area. The journey was very impressive with yet more fine coastal scenery. First of all we walked to Lake Earl itself, through interesting mixed woodland with initially Lodgepole Pine and Sitka Spruce, and in damper areas nearer the lake much Red Alder. The conifer with rather long aromatic notched needles, arranged in flat sprays, seen here and at many other sites, was *Abies grandis*.

Before long I located the beautiful *Calypso bulbosa* and this very distinctive orchid was much admired. Another orchid, *Goodyera oblongifolia* was abundant in leaf, and the diminutive *Listera cordata* was in flower. The attractive *Synthyris reniformis* was common along one stretch of forested track. *Garrya elliptica* was in distinctive fruit.

Golden-crowned Kinglets called continuously. There were carpets of *Maianthemum dilatatum* and dense patches of Skunk Cabbage, *Lysichitum americanum*. The latter could be smelt from the path and proved a fine habitat for Pacific Tree Frogs, a number of which were located on the leaves. Two attractive species of *Salix* were in flower, *Salix sitchensis* and *Salix hookeriana*, there was *Cornus occidentalis*, *Rhamnus purshiana*, and among the sedges *Carex obnupta*. *Rhamnus spectabilis* was indeed impressive. Back near the vehicle we found *Gilia millefoliata* and *Allophyllum divaricatum*.

California Ringlet, Lupine Blue, and Monarch were among the butterflies, and around the lake itself was Tiger Swallowtail, and Pied-billed Grebe on the water. Black-throated Grey Warbler, Warbling Vireo, and Pacific-slope Flycatcher were seen.

A very short drive took us to another part of the reserve and here we ate lunch. Then a short walk took us to a fine colony of *Fritillaria affinis*, with many superb examples. I was very pleased to relocate these after ten years, and by the fact they were indeed still here. This kept the group very happy for some time. Purplish Copper was on the wing.

Next we headed inland to the great Redwood forests. Jedediah Smith's Redwoods contain some stunning groves of these majestic trees and we stopped at various photogenic points and marvelled at these giants. Ferns were a feature of the forest, among them *Adiantum pedatum*, *Blechnum spicant*, *Polystichum munitum*, and Brittle Bladder Fern.

At Stout Grove we made a circular walk around the atmospheric forest. *Vancouveria hexandra* was in flower, and *Disporum hookeri* was seen. *Rhododendron macrophyllum* was in good flower, *Oxalis oregana* was abundant on the forest floor, and we were very pleased to find *Asarum caudatum*. *Trillium ovatum* was in fine form and the Steller's Jay were very tame here.

That evening was quite an adventure as our plant checklist session after dinner was interrupted by the driver's wife, appearing unexpectedly at the hotel, and some of us had to go to the headland in search of our 'missing' driver. The tribal police were called out, night was falling fast, but the situation was resolved when I suggested he may simply be back at their camp site, which he was

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### Day 8 Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May Highway 199, and O'Brien, Oregon

Heading north again we bypassed Crescent City, and took Highway 199 towards Oregon. A 'botanical area' with a short circular path through the trees was a marvellous site, and was very productive today. The highlight and centrepiece is a small *Darlingtonia californica* bog, where we saw many of these strange insectivorous plants, with several in flower. Also in flower in the bog were some fine California Lady's Slipper Orchids, a highlight of the tour. *Iris bracteata* was in flower, and we were to see much more of it along roadsides in the area. *Viola cuneata, Lomatium triternatum, Arctostaphylos columbiana, Pseudotrillium rivale* and *Ceanothus pumilus* were all here too. Incense Cedar was rather common, there were some impressive Jeffrey Pines, Western Red Cedar, *Quercus chrysolepis*, and *Rhododendron occidentale* in fine flower. A good find was the local speciality *Lathyrus delnorticus*. *Aspidotis densa* was an attractive fern, and Western Pine Elfin was flying.

Having crossed the state line and entered Oregon, we took a series of minor roads from O'Brien which led us into the Siskiyou Mountains, and in fact back into a part of California. This was real wilderness territory, with very isolated and basic settlements. This was of course a little travelled route, with some fine scenery and seemingly endless forested mountains.

Balsamorhiza hookeri and Sanicula graveolens were at our first stop, as was the always interesting Orobanche uniflora. I was very pleased to identify the yellowish flowered Galium oreganum. Allium platycaule was a fine addition to the list as was the local endemic Lewisia oppositifolia new for the tour. Calochortus coeruleus was rather common.

The lunch site boasted another fine flora, including more *Darlingtonia*. The robust *Platanthera* here appeared to be *P.hyperborea* but that is apparently no longer the correct name for the species ....

There was a great selection of sedges including a very attractive white flowered species. *Xerophyllum tenax* was in impressive flower. *Balsamorhiza deltoidea*, *Packera cana* (*Senecio canus*), *Lithospermum californicum*, and *Castilleja applegatei* were all here. Chequered Skipper was an interesting find (here called Arctic Skipper), and several mud puddling Pale Tiger Swallowtails, and Anise Swallowtail were admired. Another great find here was the yellow flowered *Vancouveria chrysantha*.

The afternoon featured several very exciting stops, prompted by interesting finds spotted as we completed a circuit via unpaved roads, eventually reaching the highway back in California. First was superb white flowered *Dicentra formosa oregana*, where also *Pinus lambertiana* and *Pinus attenuata* were determined, as well as *Juniperus communis*. Next were a few fine *Erythronium oregonum* which caused much excitement, *Arnica serpentina* also at that site. There followed perfect *Corallorhiza maculata*, where also *Achlys triphylla* was in flower, and *Asarum caudatum* bloomed in a beautiful shady woodland patch. *Valeriana sitchensis* and *Collinsia sparsiflora* were at the last stop.

## Day 9 Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May Willow Creek, and Journey to McCloud

It was farewell to all at the Requa Inn. First we headed south along the coast and having reached Arcata we headed inland. Near Willow Creek we explored some of the mountain roads, making several stops. *Iris tenuissima*, *Lomatium californicum*, *Silene californica*, *Phacelia heterophylla*, *Delphinium nudicaule* and *Erysimum capitatum* were all at the first stop. Further along were ditches full of *Limnanthes douglasii*, and *Triteleia hyacinthina* flowered in the meadows.

The Horse Mountain Botanical Area was our next stop. The area affords some fine views of the extensive surrounding wilderness. Here we found very many superb *Erythronium californicum*, a few *Calypso bulbosa*, as well as *Chimaphila umbellata*, *Phlox diffusa*, *Ceanothus pumilus* and *Arnica cernua*. Red-breasted Nuthatches were calling continuously. Further along the road the *Erythronium* was particularly numerous this year.

We stopped to admire a stunning *Cornus nuttallii* bush, the white bracts striking, the flowers attracting many Editha Chequerspots and a few Cedar Hairsteaks. *Ribes sanguineum* with beautiful flowers and the attractive *Calyptridium umbellatum* were admired, and *Pyrola picta* was in bud, the leaves very distinctive. We found a suitable shady stop for lunch, where *Chimaphila menziesii* was in flower.

Back on the road we had a short stop near Whiskeytown Lake to stretch our legs. Under the trees was a pink flowered species of *Oenothera*. Having driven through Shasta Ghost Town, and then Redding we headed north on I-5, having first views of the distant Mount Lassen, and then our first views of the stunning Mount Shasta. The water level in Shasta Lake was extremely low. We arrived in McCloud early evening and settled in to our comfortable and characterful hotel before meeting for a welcome dinner.

#### Day 10 Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May McCloud Area

The feeders in the hotel garden attracted Allen's Hummingbirds, Steller's Jays, Dark-eyed Juncos, Pine Siskins, American Goldfinches, and beautiful Evening Grosbeaks.

A short drive east took us to the McCloud River Loop and we arrived at the Middle Falls to find that we had this superb place all to ourselves, as has been the case on all my visits. The falls themselves were impressive with a strong and noisy flow of water. The scrub here was dominanted by the attractive shrub *Arctostaphylos patula*, and *Purshia tridentata* was in flower. *Horkelia tridentata* and the pretty *Eriogonum nudum* were in bloom, *Apocynum androsaemifolium* was a good find, and the low *Ceanothus prostratus* was flowering. A great find, new for the tour, was the lovely yellow flowered *Triteleia ixioides analoia*, the Mountain Pretty Face! There was also the interesting *Eriodictyon lobbii* new for the tour.

We walked the shady path that leads to the Upper Falls. The pink flowers of *Peltiphyllum peltatum* flourished in the stream. Among the other plants seen along here were *Smilax calfornica*, *Mimulus alsinoides*, *Lithophragma affine*, *Tragopogon dubius*, and *Senecio aronicoides*, and we found *Asarum hartwegii* in flower. Much of the Incense Cedar had the rust fungus *Gymnosporangium libocedri*, resembling lumps of orange jelly on the trees. The alternate hosts are many plants in the Rosaceae (thanks to Rosemary for this id).

Dark-eyed Junco was inadvertently flushed from it's nest on the ground. A fine *Abies concolor* grew by the river, at the Upper Falls were *Microseris nutans* and *Mimulus nanus*, and *Pedicularis densiflora* was impressive. Western Pine Elfins were on the wing.

Squirrels seen today were Douglas Squirrel, Golden-mantled Ground Squirrel, and Yellow-pine Chipmunk.

In Mount Shasta City Joa was keen to show us the headwaters of the Sacramento River, and a short stop there yielded much *Asarum caudatum*, very robust *Equisetum hyemale*, Orange Honeysuckle, and I identified *Crataegus gaylussacia* with five styles. We then drove up to Castle Lake, where it was still very early spring with little in flower. A trip highlight here however was a

superb display of *Dodecathaon alpinum*, new for the tour. Green-tailed Towhee moved through the bushes.

Late afternoon saw very heavy rain. We headed to Castle Crags in the hope of better weather, which indeed we found. There we saw *Lomatium dissectum*, *Balsamorhiza deltoidea*, *Dichelostemma multiflorum*, and *Viola lobata integrifolia*, and had fine views of the crags themselves.

#### Day 11 Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May McCloud Area and Lassen Volcanic Park

I started the day by posting two large boxes of books back to Europe to reduce my luggage on forthcoming flights! The post office was conveniently right next to the hotel, and quiet.

The day started with heavy rain, and as we drove east towards Mt.Lassen, climbing somewhat, this turned to snow. The conifers and ground were white, a winter wonderland, Surprisingly at our first stop, MacArthur-Burney Falls, it was again heavy rain, not snow. Most of us braved the rain and walked down to the impressive falls, as the rain showed no sign of stopping.

The vegetation around the falls was impressively verdant and lush. Black Swifts nest behind the falls, but surprisingly none were seen today. Despite the weather they would surely have been flying! Among the flowers we saw were *Arabis rectissima*, *Delphinium nudicaule*, *Smilax jamesii*, *Penstemon deustus*, and *Ribes roezlii*.

We continued east to Lassen Volcanic Park. Having paid the entrance fee it was quite a surprise that only a hundred metres or so past the entrance gate was a sign saying the road was closed. Great! Anyway we parked by the lower lake and enjoyed the snow. It was strikingly beautiful. Heavy snow falling, the conifers laden with snow and lumps of it every now and then falling to the ground and onto us. There was much bird activity. Red-breasted Nuthatch, Mountain Chickadees, Yellow-rumped Warblers, American Robins, and Dark-eyed Juncos were much in evidence. Osprey flew over the lake where Canada Geese fed, and the beautiful Bufflehead was much admired on the water.

We left this beautiful snowy landscape, and back along the road stopped where there was none. *Fritillaria atropurpurea* was already over, but *Toxicoscordion paniculatum* was new for us and there was impressive *Wyethia helenioides*. A beautiful deep red flowered *Galium* proved difficult to identify. The cat's foot here was probably *Antennaria rosea*.

East of McCloud we found an interesting flora in a wet meadow amidst Sugar Pines. Lewisia nevadensis and Micranthes oregana (Saxifraga oregana) were great finds. The Dodecathaon hendersonii was in fine flower and the best we saw on the tour. Ranunculus alismifolius was typical of the wet habitat, and there was beautiful Downingia pulcherrima where vernal pools were drying out. A pleasing addition to the list was the diminutive Mimulus primuloides, and among the many other species were Potentilla millefolia, Stellaria longipes, and Montia linearis. Under the trees was Lithophragma parviflora.

Heavy rain came again as we drove home but at least we had enjoyed some dry spells and been able to make some great finds, as well as enjoy a very memorable very late season snowscape.

# Day 12 Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May Tehama Wildlife Area, Lake County and Journey to Clear Lake

We left McCloud, making the most of our last views of Mount Shasta before the journey south. The weather was good and our journey to Tehama County was straightforward. Turning off the main road we headed east from Red Bluff.

Having reached the Tehama Wildlife Area, Acorn Woodpecker and California Quail were soon seen. The *Calochortus superbus* was indeed superb here, with many absolutely stunning examples, a late trip highlight. *Madia subspicata*, *Linanthus bicolor*, *Clarkia gracilis* and *Triteleia bridgesii* were all in flower. Oak Titmouse moved through the oaks, where there were a number of Western Bluebirds, and Lark Sparrows. Downy Woodpecker was much in evidence.

Wild Turkeys were seen well, *Dichelostemma multiflorum* was in bloom, and California Ground Squirrels scuttled about. The *Fremontodendron californicum* was in striking flower, and Creamy Chequerspot was flying.

Nearby we stopped for lunch by a small stream. Here were many more plants including *Sanicula bipinnatifida*, *Lomatium macrophyllum*, *Brodiaea elegans*, *Clarkia modesta*, *Mimulus guttatus*, the lovely *Hosackia oblongifolia*, *Selaginella wallacei*, and *Thalictrum fendleri*.

At Hog Lake Plateau *Tribulus terrestris*, *Heliotropium curassavicum*, and *Croton setigerus* were weeds in the car park, and Bob saw a Mountain Garter Snake. Walking across the grassland we found much *Centromadia fitchii*, *Navarettia pubescens*, and *Navarettia intertexta* as well as *Centaurium tenuiflorum*. A great find was more of the lovely campanula *Downingia pulcherrima*, in dried vernal pools, as was the fringed *Damasonium californicum* (*Machaerocarpus californicus*).

It was time to head south and we motored on I-5 down to Colusa County. A great find there was superb *Calochortus luteus* where was also *Hemizonia luzulaefolia* and a white flowered *Delphinium*. Crossing into scenic Lake County we visited a protected area but heavy rain soon curtailed our visit.

We reached our motel, in Clear Lake Oaks, and had time for packing and preparing for departure tomorrow, before enjoying a very good final meal in the Chinese restaurant next door.

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We travelled in a leisurely fashion towards San Francisco, initially on minor roads. Our journey took us past extensive vineyards in Napa County, and then back into Marin County. A short stop yielded *Pogogyne douglasii* and fine patches of *Clarkia amoena*.

On Napa roadsides were a few *Calochortus vestae*, frustratingly seen from the vehicle on rocky outcrops, but in places where it was impossible to stop. In Calistoga we had a short break in this most characterful town. At the Marin headlands were fine views of the bridge, which we then drove across, and headed for the airport, arriving there in good time. There we said our farewells and thanks after a superbly productive and enjoyable tour.

#### **Systematic List Number 1** Plants

The systematic order and nomenclature follow 'The Jepson Manual: Vascular Plants of California', edited by Bruce G.Baldwin et al, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2012. Although the complete alphabetical arrangement is rather unusual, this superb work is the standard flora for California and this system is therefore used here. This list follows fully all the changes in classification and nomenclature since the previous edition of the Jepson Manual.

Lycophytes Selaginellaceae

Selaginella wallacei Tehama Co.

Ferns Blechnaceae

Blechnum spicant Deer Fern Redwoods.

Woodwardia fimbriata Chain Fern Highway 162 and above Eel River.

Dennstaedtiaceae

Pteridium aquilinum Bracken Widespread and common.

Dryopteridaceae

Dryopteris argutaCoastal Wood FernPoint Reyes.Dryopteris expansaSpreading Wood FernPoint Reyes.Polystichum californicumCalifornia Sword FernMendocino coast.Polystichum lonchitisHolly FernScattered.

Polystichum munitum Common Sword Fern Locally dominant.

Equisetaceae

Equisetum arvense Common Horsetail Scattered records.

Equisetum hyemale ssp.affine Common Scouring Rush Scattered records, e.g. Lake Earl and

Marin County.

Equisetum telmateia ssp.braunii Giant Horsetail Point Reyes and Covelo.

**Polypodiaceae** 

Polypodium californicumCalifornia PolypodyWidespread.Polypodium glycirrhizaLicourice FernWest of Willits.Polypodium scouleriLeather FernPoint Reyes.

Pteridaceae

Adiantum aleuticumFive-finger FernRedwoods.Adiantum jordaniiCalifornia MaidenhairHighway 162.

Aspidotis densa Oregon Cliffbrake Highway 199, and Oregon.

Cheilanthes gracillimaLace FernMcCloud area.Pellaea mucronataBirdsfoot FernTehama Co.Pentagramma triangularisGoldback FernWidespread.

Woodsiaceae

Aythyrium filix-femina Common Lady Fern Widespread, e.g. Lake Earl, Redwoods.

Cystopteris fragilis Bladder Fern Redwoods, McCloud area and Burney

Falls.

Woodsia scopulina Rocky Mountain Woodsia McCloud area.

#### **SPERMATOPHYTA**

#### **Gymnosperms**

Cupressaceae

Calocedrus decurrens Incense-Cedar Scattered records, e.g.Highway 162. Chamaecyparis lawsoniana Port Orford Cedar Horse Mountain Botanical Area and the

Botanical Area on Highway 199.

Scattered records of introduced trees. Hesperocyparis macrocarpa Monterey Cypress

Locally very common.

West of O'Brien. Juniperus communis Common Juniper

Between Weed and Doris 2005. Juniperus occidentalis Western Juniper Sequoia sempervirens Redwood Dominant over large areas with many

fine groves. Seen as far south as Marin Co.

Western Redcedar Botanical area on Highway 199 etc. Thuja plicata

Pinaceae

Abies concolor White Fir McCloud area and co-dominant near

Mendocino Pass.

Scattered records. Aromatic flat needles. Abies grandis Grand Fir

Abies magnifica California Red Fir Lassen Park.

Picea sitchensis Sitka Spruce North coast, e.g. Dry Lagoon.

Pinus albicaulis Whitebark Pine Lassen Volcanic Park. Not seen due to road

closure

Pinus attenuata Knobcone Pine Scattered records, e.g. west of O'Brien. Pinus contorta

Scattered records, e.g. Lake Earl and Lodgepole Pine

McCloud area.

Pinus jeffreyi Jeffrey Pine Botanical area on Highway 199. Pinus lambertiana Sugar Pine Scattered trees, e.g. West of O'Brien. Pinus muricata Bishop Pine Point Reves, where locally dominant. Pinus ponderosa Ponderosa Pine Widespread and dominant over large areas.

Monterey Pine Naturalised Point Reves. Pinus radiata Widespread. Very large cones! Pinus sabiniana Gray Pine Douglas Fir Pseudotsuga menziesii Dominant over extensive areas.

Tsuga heterophylla Western Hemlock Scattered. Mountain Hemlock Tsuga mertensiana Scattered.

Taxaceae

Torreya californica California Nutmeg

**Nymphaeales Nymphaeaceae** 

Humboldt Coast and Del Norte Co. Nuphar polysepala Yellow Pond Lily

Magnoliids Aristolochiaceae

Asarum caudatum A few at Stout Grove, in the Redwoods,

in good flower. Also in Oregon.

Hartweg's Wild Ginger Asarum hartwegii McCloud area and Burney Falls.

Calycanthaceae

Calycanthus occidentalis Sweet Shrub

Lauraceae

Umbellularia californica California Laurel Marin Co., Lake Earl, etc. **Eudicots** 

Adoxaceae

Sambucus nigra caerulea Blue Elderberry Covelo. Sambucus racemosa Red Elderberry Point Reves.

Aizoaceae

Carpobrotus chilensis Coasts. Sea Fig Carpobrotus edulis Hottentot Fig Coasts.

Tetragonia tetragonioides New Zealand Spinach Kehoe Beach, Point Reyes. Not seen this

Anacardiaceae

Rhus aromatica Skunk Bush Widespread.

Toxicodendron diversilobum Western Poison Oak Very common and widespread. Something

to beware of!

Apiaceae

Angelica hendersonii In leaf at Point Reyes and Sonoma Co.

Anthriscus caucalis Bur-chervil Point Reyes.

Apium graveolens Celery Botanical area on Highway 199. Widespread and common. Conium maculatum Hemlock

Near O'Brien. Previously in the genus Cymopterus terebinthinus

Pteryxia.

Scattered records. Carrot Daucus carota Daucus pusillus

Sonoma Coast.

Eryngium armatum Sonoma Coast, service station stop. Eryngium sp. Another species at Hog Lake.

Foeniculum vulgare Fennel Scattered records. Glehnia littoralis leiocarpa Beach Silvertop Dry Lagoon.

Heracleum maximum Cow Parsnip Widespread and locally abundant.

Point Reves coast. Ligusticum apiifolium Titlow Hill Road. Lomatium californicum

Lewiston Lake and Mendocino Pass. Lomatium dissectum Fern-leaved Lomatium

Giant-seeded Lomatium Scattered records. Lomatium macrocarpum Pestle Lomatium Lomatium nudicaule O'Brien area in the past.

Lewis's Lomatium Lomatium triternatum Botanical Walk on Highway 199.

Tehama Wildlife Area. Lomatium utriculatum Foothill Lomatium Lomatium spp. Several others seen.

Oenanthe sarmentosa American Oenanthe Scattered records. Locally abundant at

Point Reves. Osmorhiza berteroi West of Willits. Osmorhiza occidentalis Scattered records.

Sanicula arctopoides Footsteps of Spring By the lighthouse at Point Reyes in the

past.

Sanicula bipinnatifida Purple Sanicle Tehama Co. Pacific Snakeroot Redwoods. Sanicula crassicaulis Mendocino Co. Sanicula graveolens Sierra Snakeroot Scandix pecten-veneris Shepherd's Needle Mendocino Co.. Torilis arvensis Scattered records.

Apocynaceae

Apocynum androsaemifolium Bitter Dogbane McCloud River Loop.

Bladder-flower Roadside in Tehama Co. Very large Araujia sericifera

ribbed fruits.

Asclepias cordifolia Purple Milkweed Tehama County.

Asclepias fascicularis Narrow-leaf Milkweed Near MacArthur-Burney Falls in the past.

Asclepias speciosa Showy Milkweed Tehama Wildlife area.

Vinca major Greater Periwinkle Widespread. Aquifoliaceae

Ilex aquifolium Holly Point Reyes in the past.

Araliaceae

Aralia californica Elk Clover Hedera helix Ivy

Hydrocotyle ranunculoides Marshes at Point Reyes.

Asteraceae

Achillea millefolium Yarrow Widespread. Blow Wives In seed, scattered. Achyrachaena mollis

Lighthouse, Point Reyes. Agoseris apargioides Seaside Dandelion

Agoseris retrorsa Highway 162 and McCloud. Ambrosia chamissonis Beach-bur Point Reyes in the past.

Pearly Everlasting Anaphalis margaritacea Point Reyes in the past. Anisocarpus madioides Woodland Madia Mendocino Co. Rosy Everlasting Near Lassen. Antennaria rosea Stinking Chamomile Anthemis cotula Widespread.

Capeweed Marin and Sonoma Coasts. Arctotheca calendula

West of O'Brien. Serpentine Arnica Arnica cernua Artemisia douglasiana Mugwort Point Reves. Coastal Sagewort Artemisia pycnocephala Point Reyes.

Sonoma coast in the past. Artemisia suksdorfii Coastal Mugwort

Artemisia tridentata Tall Sagebrush Dominant in north-east Sagebrush. Artemisia spp. Several others present, e.g. Lake Earl.

Baccharis pilularis Coyote Brush Locally abundant, as at Point Reyes. Deltoid Balsamroot Balsamorhiza deltoidea Near O'Brien, and Castle Crags.

Balsamorhiza hookeri Near O'Brien.

Balsamorhiza sagittata Arrow-leaved Balsamroot Roadsides near O'Brien in the past.

Bellis perennis Daisy Scattered records. Field Marigold Calendula arvensis Scattered records. Plumeless Thistle Carduus acanthoides Point Reyes in the past. Centaurea cyanus Cornflower Roadsides in Mendocino Co.

Centaurea solstitialis Yellow-star Thistle Lake County.

Centromadia fitchii Numerous at Hog Lake Plateau.

Cichorium intybus Scattered records. Chicory

Creeping Thistle Cirsium arvense Common. Abundant at Point Reyes. Peregrine Thistle Highway 162, locally common. Cirsium cymosum Cobweb Thistle Scattered records, e.g. Point Reyes. Cirsium occidentale Cirsium quercetorum Brownie Thistle Point Reyes. Stemless with white flowers.

Cirsium vulgare Spear Thistle Scattered records.

Corethrogyne filaginifolia California Aster Mt. Vision Road at Point Reyes in the past.

Cotula coronopifolia **Brass Buttons** Point Reyes.

Crepis capillaris Point Reyes in the past. Crocidium multicaule Spring Gold Sagebrush scrub in the past.

Erigeron annuus Annual Fleabane Mendocino Co.

Erigeron glaucus Seaside Daisy Along the coast.

Erigeron sp. Wet meadow east of McCloud. Eriophyllum lanatum Woolly Sunflower Widespread and locally common.

Eriophyllum staechadifolium Seaside Woolly Sunflower In leaf at Point Reyes.

Gamochaeta ustulata Point Reyes. Gnapthalium palustre Point Reyes in the past.

Grindelia stricta Point Reyes and Marin Coast.

Helianthella californica Near MacArthur-Burney Falls in the past. Helminthotheca echioides Bristly Ox-tongue

Hemizonia congesta luzulifolia Colusa Co.

Heterotheca grandiflora Telegraph Weed Local.

Hieracium albiflorum White Hawkweed Mendocino Co. In the past.

Hypochoeris glabra Smooth Cat's-ear Point Reyes. Hypochaeris radicata Rough Cat's-ear Point Reyes. Jaumea carnosa In leaf at Point Reyes in the past.

In leaf at Covelo. Lactuca serriola Prickly Lettuce

Lactuca sp.

Lagophylla ramosissima Common Hareleaf Mendocino Co. In the past.

Lasthenia californica ssp.californica Point Reyes. Lasthenia californica ssp.macrantha Point Reyes. Layia glandulosa White Layia Colusa County.

Layia platyglossa Coastal Tidy Tips Very locally common at Point Reyes.

Leontodon saxatilis longirostris Hairy Hawkbit Point Reyes in the past. Leucanthemum vulgare Ox-eye Daisy Widespread and common.

Point Reyes.

Logfia gallica Madia elegans Common Madia Lake and Tehama Cos.

Madia exigua Threadstem Madia Local.

Madia gracilis Highway 162. Gumweed Point Reyes in the past. Madia sativa Coast Tarweed

Tehama Wildlife area. Madia subspicata

Matricaria discoidea Pineapple Weed Widespread.

Microseris nutans McCloud River Loop.

Woolly Groundsel O'Brien area. Packera cana

Petasites frigidus palmatus Western Coltsfoot Widespread in leaf and fruit.

Pseudognaphalium beneolens Point Reyes.

Woolly Marbles Psilocarphus brevissimus Camassia quamash site. Rudbeckia californica California Cone-flower

California Butterweed McCloud area and Mendocino Pass. Senecio aronicoides

Sagebrush scrub in the past. Senecio interrigmus California Butterweed Senecio vulgaris Point Reyes. Groundsel

Silybum marianum Milk Thistle Locally common, as at Point Reyes.

Sonchus asper Prickly Sow Thistle Scattered records. Sonchus oleraceus Smooth Sow Thistle Scattered records. Small Wreath Plant Stephanomeria exigua Lake Co. In the past. Tanacetum bipinnatum Dune Tansy Local on the coast. Tanacetum vulgare Tansy Arcata in the past. Dandelion Scattered.

Taraxacum officinale Tragopogon porrifolius Salsify Scattered records.

Narrowleaf Mule's Ears Wyethia angustifolia Point Reyes.

Wyethia helenoides a mule's ears Locally very common Mendocino Pass

and Lassen area.

Wyethia mollis Mountain Mule's Ears Tehama Co. in the past.

Berberidaceae

Achlys californica Probably present too.

Achlys triphylla Deer-foot Redwoods. Berberis nervosa Oregon Grape Widespread. Berberis pinnata Point Reyes.

Berberis spp. Other species probably present.

Vancouveria chrysantha Siskiyou Inside-out-Flower West of O'Brien.

Vancouveria hexandra Northern Inside-out-Flower Redwoods.

Betulaceae

Alnus rhombifolia White Alder MacArthur-Burney Falls. Alnus rubra Red Alder Locally common, e.g. Lake Earl.

Betula occidentalis Water Birch Mt.Shasta.

California Hazlenut Widespread. Point Reyes and Redwoods. Corylus cornuta

var.californica

Boraginaceae

Amsinckia spectabilis Fiddle Neck Point Reyes. Cryptantha intermedia Common Cryptantha Highway 162.

Other species noted too. A large and Cryptantha spp.

complex genus.

Cynoglossum grandeGrand Hound's TongueMendocino Pass, in leaf.Echium candicansPride of MadeiraNaturalised along coast.Eriodictyon lobbiiMatted Yerba SantaIn flower McCloud River loop.Heliotronium curassavicumManchester and Tehama Co.

Heliotropium curassavicum Manchester and Tehama Co. var.oculatum

Hesperochiron californicusSagebrush in the past.Hesperochiron pumilusWet meadow near McCloud in the past.

Hydrophyllum occidentaleCalifornia WaterleafMendocino Pass.Lithospermum californicumCalifornia PuccoonO'Brien area.Myosotis discolorChanging Forget-me-notScattered records.

Myosotis sylvatica Forget-me-not Common. Appears to be this but not in

flora.

Nemophila heterophyllaVari-leaf NemophilaHighway 162.Nemophila menziesiiBaby Blue EyesManchester.Nemophila parvifloraSmall-flowered NemophilaMendocino County.Nemophila sp.MacArthur-Burney Falls.Phacelia bolanderiKlamath area in the past.

Phacelia californicaCalifornia Coast PhaceliaPoint Reyes.Phacelia distansCommon PhaceliaPoint Reyes.Phacelia heterophyllaVari-leaf PhaceliaScattered records.

Phacelia imbricata Imbricate Phacelia Highway 162 and Tehama

Co.

Phacelia malvifolia Stinging Phacelia Point Reyes.

Phacelia spp. Several other species seen

Brassicaceae

Arabis blepharophylla Rose Rock Cress 1 in flower at the lighthouse at Point

Reyes.

Barbarea sp. a winter cress Tehama Co.

Boechera rectissima Recter's Rockcress In fruit at MacArthur-Burney Falls.

Boechera sparsiflora Near O'Brien.

Brassica nigra

Black Mustard

Brassica rapa

Widespread and locally abundant.

Widespread and locally abundant.

Cakile maritimaSea RocketPoint Reyes etc.Capsella bursa-pastorisShepherd's PurseScattered.Cardamine californicaMilk Maid'sRedwoods in fruit.

Cardamine oligosperma Western Bittercress In fruit.

Cardamine nuttallii Friday Ridge Road in the past.

Cardamine pachystigma Probably this species at Mendocino Pass.

Descurainia sophia Flixweed Abundant at Klamath Lakes in the past.

Draba vernaRecorded in the past.Draba sp.MacArthur-Burney Falls.

Erysimum capitatum Douglas's Wallflower Highways 199 and 162, and Willow Creek

area.

Erysimum concinnum Point Reyes in the past.

Erysimum menziesii Menzie's Wallflower Point Reyes and Sonoma Coast.

Isatis tinctoria Woad Scattered.

Lepidium campestrePoorman's PeppergrassWet meadow east of McCloud.Lepidium coronopusSwine CressPoint Reyes. (Coronopus squamatus).

Lepidium drabaHoary CressScattered records.Lepidium latifoliumPerennial PepperweedColusa Co. and Lake Co.

Lepidium nitidum Shining Peppergrass Chimney Rock, Point Reyes, in the past.

 Lepidium perfoliatum
 Shield Peppergrass
 Klamath Lakes in the past.

 Lepidium strictum
 Point Reyes in the past.

 Lebularia magniting
 Sweet Alican

Lobularia maritimaSweet AlisonScattered records.Nasturtium officinaleWater CressPoint Reyes.

Noccaea fendleri glauca Gumboot Lake in the past.

Raphanus sativus Wild Radish Widespread and abundant, especially at

Point Reyes.

Rorippa curvisiliqua Western Yellow Cress McCloud area.

White Mustard Sinapis alba Point Reyes. Sinapis arvensis Charlock Point Reyes. Sisymbrium altissimum Tumbling Mustard Point Reyes. Sisymbrium irio London Rocket Point Reyes. Widespread Sisymbrium officinale Hedge Mustard

Thysanocarpus curvipes Lace Pod Locally common above Covelo.

In seed at Point Reyes.

Campanulaceae

Githopsis pulchella

Turritis glabra

Downingia pulcherrima Abundant at Hog Lake Plateau, also wet

> meadow east of McCloud. Tehama Wildlife Area 2004.

Githopsis specularioides Common Blue Cup Tehama County 2004.

Caprifoliaceae

Lonicera ciliosa Orange Honeysuckle Mt.Shasta. Lonicera hispidula Point Reyes.

Lonicera involucrata Twinberry Point Reyes, Lake Earl.

Lonicera subspicata Tehama Co. Widespread.

Symphoricarpos albus Snowberry

Carvophyllaceae

Cardionema ramosissimum Coastal at Point Reyes, Lake Earl and

> the Redwoods. Scattered records.

Cerastium arvense strictum Field Mouse-ear Cerastium glomeratum Sticky Mouse-ear Scattered records. Gypsophila paniculata Lake County in the past. Holosteum umbellatum Umbellate Chickweed McCloud area in the past.

Minuartia californica California Sandwort Sonoma coast in the past.

Petrorhagia dubia Scattered. Polycarpon tetraphyllum Four-leaved Allseed Point Reyes etc.

Pseudostellaria jamesiana Highway 199 in the past.

Sagina apetala Dwarf Pearlwort

Silene bolanderi Large flowers! Covelo and O'Brien areas.

Silene gallica Small-flowered Catchfly Scattered records, e.g. Point Reyes.

Silene laciniata californica California Pink Highway 162. Point Reyes. Spergula arvensis Corn Spurrey Spergularia macrotheca Sticky Sand Spurrey Point Reyes coast. Spergularia rubra Point Reyes. Marsh Sand Spurrey Spergularia sp. Lake Co.

Stellaria littoralis Beach Starwort Coast at Point Reyes. Stellaria longipes East of McCloud.

Stellaria media Chickweed Widespread.

Celastraceae

Paxistima myrsinites Oregon Boxwood In leaf McCloud area.

Chenopodiaceae

Beta vulgaris maritima Beet Scattered records. Chenopodium album Fat Hen Hog Lake Plateau.

Salicornia pacifica or perennis Coastal.

Cistaceae

Cistus incanus Roadsides in Marin County. Introduced.

Convolvulaceae

Calystegia occidentalis Western Morning Glory Point Reyes, and common along the coast.

Calystegia polymorpha Oregon lunch site. What is the correct

name for this species?

Calystegia soldanella

Calystegia subacaulis

Calystegia sp.

Sea Bindweed Along the coast.

This species Tehama Co?

Yellowish white flowers, north of

Covelo.

Convolvulus arvensis

Cuscuta sp.

Field Bindweed Scattered.

Hog Lake Plateau.

Cornaceae

Cornus canadensis Cornus nuttallii

Bunchberry Pacific Dogwood

Common, in fine 'flower'. Redwoods and

Siskivous.

Point Reyes.

Cornus sericea American Dogwood Point Reyes, Lake Earl.

Crassulaceae

Crassula connata Dudleya cymosa

Canon Dudleya Dudleya farinosa Powdery Dudleya Sedella pumila Dwarf Cliff Sedum Sedum lanceolatum Spearleaf Stonecrop Sedum oreganum

Oregon Stonecrop Coast Range Stonecrop

Sedum spathulifolium Pacific Sedum Point Reyes in the past.

Marin County including Point Reyes. Tehama Co. roadsides in the past. Highway 162.

Highway 162 in the past. Widespread. Very common on rocks along

Highway 162.

Del Norte County.

Cucurbitaceae

Sedum radiatum

Marah fabacea Marah oregana California Manroot Coast Manroot

Pygmy Stonecrop

Scattered records, including Point Reyes.

Point Reyes, and elsewhere.

Dipsacaceae

Dipsacus fullonum

**Teasel** 

In flower.

Ericaceae

Arbutus menziesii Arctostaphylos columbiana Arctostaphylos glandulosa Arctostaphylos manzanita Arctostapylos patula

Arctostaphylos stanfordiana Arctostaphylos uva-ursi

Arctostaphylos virgata Arctostaphylos spp. Erica lusitanica

Stanford Manzanita Bearberry

Marin Manzanita

Pacific Madrone

Columbia Manzanita

Greenleaf Manzanita

Widespread.

Botanical walk on Highway 199.

Point Reves. Scattered records.

Dominant over large areas near McCloud.

Mendocino Co. Lake Earl. Point Reyes.

Several other species present.

Humboldt and Del Norte Counties in the

past.

Gaultheria shallon Pterospora andromedea

Pyrola picta

Rhododendrum columbianum Rhododendron macrophyllum Rhododendron occidentale

Salal Pinedrops

Western Azalea

White-veined Wintergreen

Western Labrador Tea Pacific Rhododendron

Near McCloud. In leaf Friday Ridge Road. Salt Point.

Hog Lake Plateau.

Widespread and common.

In flower in Redwood forests.

Common in Redwood forests. At Point Reyes in leaf, Highway 199 and O'Brien. Near Lassen in good flower in the past.

Sarcodes sanguinea Snow Plant

Covered in snow this year! California Huckleberry Widespread, e.g. Lake Earl.

Red Huckleberry Lake Earl. Vaccinium parvifolium

**Euphorbiaceae** 

Vaccinium ovatum

Chamaesyce maculata Spotted Spurge Croton setigerus Turkey Mullein

Euphorbia crenulata Chinese Caps Point Reyes and McCloud area in the past.

Euphorbia helioscopia Sun Spurge Euphorbia lathyris Caper Spurge

Euphorbia oblongata Point Reyes in the past.

Scattered records. Euphorbia peplus Petty Spurge

**Fabaceae** 

Acacia spp. Highway 199 in the past. Acmispon americanus

Scattered records, e.g. Highway 162. Acmispon brachycarpus Hill Lotus

Acmispon glaber Deer-weed Common at Point Reves.

Acmispon grandiflorus Grand Lotus Seen in the past.

Acmispon junceus ssp.biolettii Point Reves 2015.

Acmispon micranthus Miniature Lotus Highway 162.

Near Weed in the past. Astragalus filipes Astragalus spp. A few not identified.

Cercis occidentalis Western Red-bud Widespread. Locally abundant. Cytisus scoparius Broom

Commonly naturalised. Genista monspessulana

Hosackia gracilis **Bicoloured Lotus** Sonoma Coast. Hosackia oblongifolia Torrey's Lotus Tehama Co. lunch site.

Hosackia rosea Near Orick in the past.

Botanical Area on Highway 199. A local Lathyrus delnorticus

and uncommon species. Lathyrus latifolius **Everlasting Pea** Locally very common on roadsides.

Lathyrus littoralis Silky Beach Pea Dry Lagoon. Sierra Nevada Pea Scattered records. Lathyrus nevadensis

Lathyrus polyphyllus Near Orick in the past. Lathyrus sulphureus Sulphur Pea Highway 162.

Lathyrus tingitanus Tangier Pea Widespread and very common. Lathyrus vestitus Pacific Pea Along the coast, e.g. Point Reves.

Lotus corniculatus Bird's-foot Trefoil Widespread. Highway 162. Lupinus albifrons

Lupinus arboreus Bush Lupin Common along the coast. Lupinus bicolor Miniature Lupin Point Reyes and Lake Earl.

Lupinus chamissonis Point Reyes.

Lupinus littoralis Seashore Lupin Del Norte coast in the past.

Widespread. Very common along Highway Lupinus luteolus Butter Lupin

Lupinus microcarpus Chick Lupin Marin Coast (L.densiflorus) and McCloud

> and Lassen areas (*L. subvexus*)?. Douglas's Lupin Scattered records, e.g. Point Reyes.

Lupinus nanus Lupinus polyphyllus Blue-pod Lupin Point Reyes, in moist habitat behind hotel. Lupinus variicolor Point Reyes.

Lupinus spp.

Many other lupins were undoubtedly present. It is a very large and difficult genus

in the region.

Spotted Medick Medicago arabica Scattered records. Medicago lupulina Black Medick Point Reyes.

Medicago polymorpha Bur Clover Medicago sativa Lucerne Melilotus albus White Melilot

Melilotus indicus Yellow Melilot Scattered records.

Ribbed Melilot Melilotus officinalis Pisum sativum Wild Pea

Robinia pseudacacia False Acacia Lake Earl.

Point Reyes in the past. Spartium junceum Spanish Broom

Thermopsis macrophylla California False Lupin Roadsides.

Trifolium arvense Hare's-foot Clover

Trifolium aureum Hop Clover Marin Co. Trifolium depauperatum **Balloon Clover** Point Reyes. Trifolium dubium Shamrock

Trifolium fucatum Bull Clover Mendocino Co.

Trifolium incarnatum Crimson Clover Locally common along roadsides.

Trifolium macrocephalum Giant's-head Clover Trifolium microcephalum Maiden Clover

Trifolium pratenseRed CloverWidespread.Trifolium repensWhite CloverWidespread.Trifolium subterraneumBurrowing CloverPoint Reyes.Trifolium variegatumHighway 162.

Trifolium willdenovii Tomcat Clover Scattered records.

Trifolium wormskioldii Cow Clover Point Reyes.

Ulex europaeusGorseCommonly naturalised.Vicia americanaAmerican VetchPoint Reyes etc.Vicia benghalensisScattered records.

Vicia cracca? Tufted Vetch Widespread and very common. Not treated

in the flora.

Vicia giganteaGiant VetchScattered records, e.g. Marin County.Vicia hirsutaHairy TareScattered records, e.g. Point Reyes.

Vicia sativaCommon VetchScattered records.Vicia villosaFodder VetchMarin coast.

**Fagaceae** 

Chrysolepis chrysophyllaGolden ChinkapinScattered records, e.g. Point Reyes.Notholithocarpus densiflorusTanoakWidespread. Mendocino, Sonoma and

Humboldt Counties.

Quercus agrifoliaCoast Live OakPoint Reyes.Quercus chrysolepisCanyon Live OakWidespread.

Quercus douglasii Blue Oak Tehama Co., Covelo, N of Redding, etc.

Quercus dumosaCalifornia Scrub OakScattered records.Ouercus garryanaOregon OakWidespread.

Quercus kelloggii California Black Oak Widespread, e.g. Mendocino Co., McCloud

Quercus lobata Valley Oak Mendocino Co.

Quercus wislinezii Interior Live Oak Scattered records e.g. Highway 162

Garryaceae

Garrya elliptica Wavyleaf Silktassel Lake Earl

Gentianaceae

Centaurium tenuiflorumHog Lake Plateau.Cicendia quadrangularisPoint Reyes in the past.Frasera speciosaMonument PlantIn leaf on Mendocino Pass.

Geraniaceae

California macrophylla Roundleaf Storksbill Scattered records in the past.

Erodium botrys Long-beaked Storksbill Point Reyes.

Erodium cicutarium Common Storksbill Widespread and common.

Geranium dissectumCut-leaved Crane's-billScattered records.Geranium molleDove's-foot Crane's-billPoint Reyes.

Geranium molle Dove's-foot Crane's-bill Point Reyes.

Geranium sp. Marin Co.

Pelargonium sp. Mendocino Coast.

Grossulariaceae

Ribes menziesii Canyon Gooseberry Scattered records, e.g. Mendocino Pass

and McCloud area.

Ribes roezlii Sierran Gooseberry MacArthur-Burney Falls 2015.

Ribes sanguineum Red-flowering Currant Willow Creek area.

Hydrangeaceae

Philadelphus lewisii Wild Mock Orange In leaf and bud at Covelo, 2015.

Whipplea modesta Yerba de Selva Locally very common.

Hypericaceae

Hypericum perforatum Perforate St.John's Wort Scattered records.

Labiatae

Agastache urticifolia Horsemint Coastal. Clinopodium douglasii Yerba Buena Point Reyes.

Lamium amplexicaule Henbit Deadnettle Klamath Lakes in the past.

Marrubium vulgare White Horehound Scattered records. Monardella odoratissima Coyote Mint McCloud area. Pogogyne douglasii Douglas' Beardstyle Lake County.

Salvia columbariae Chia Lake County in the past.

Stachys ajugoides Point Reyes. Stachys bullata Point Reyes coast. Stachys chamissonis Marin Coast.

Limnanthaceae

Limnanthes douglasii Douglas's Meadow Foam ssp.douglasii Mendocino Co. in the past

Highway 162, and in two meadows Titlow ssp.nivea

Hill Road, locally common.

Ditches at Point Reyes. A fine show of this ssp.sulphurea Point Reyes Meadow Foam

endangered yellow flowered subspecies.

Linaceae

Hesperolinon adenophyllum Glandular Dwarf Flax Lake County in the past. Linum bienne Widespread and very common. Pale Flax Linum usitatisimum Common Flax Point Reyes in the past.

Malvaceae

Fremontodendron californicum Tehama Co. in flower.

Malva neglecta Dwarf Mallow Point Reyes. Malva nicaeensis **Bull Mallow** Point Reyes in the past.

Malva parviflora Least Mallow Point Reyes. Sidalcea diploscypha Fringed Sidalcea Mendocino Co. Sidalcea hartwegii McCloud.

Sidalcea hirsuta Hog Lake Plateau in the past.

Sidalcea malviflora Checker Bloom Point Reves.

Sidalcea oregana On the road to Lassen in the past.

Montiaceae

Calandrinia ciliata Red Maids Point Reyes and Lake Earl in the past. Calyptridium umbellatum Friday Ridge Road, and wet meadows

**Pussy Paws** east of McCloud.

Claytonia cordifolia Redwoods. Claytonia parviflora Mendocino Pass. Claytonia perfoliata Miner's Lettuce Common.

Claytonia sibirica Candyflower Point Reyes. Lewisia cotyledon Cliff Maids

In flower on serpentine rocks on Highway 199 (seen from vehicle!).

Nevada Lewisis Several in meadow east of McCloud. Lewisia nevadensis Lewisia oppositifolia Opposite-leaved Lewisia A fine addition to the list, Oregon 2015.

Lewisia rediviva Bitterroot Lake County in the past.

Montia linearis Many in wet meadow east of McCloud.

Botanical area on Highway 199. Montia parvifolia

Myricaceae

Morella californica Pacific Bayberry Lake Earl. Myrsinaceae

Anagallis arvensis Scarlet Pimpernel Widespread and common. Pacific Starflower West of Willits and Redwoods. Trientalis latifolia

Myrtaceae

Eucalyptus globulus Blue Gum

Leptospermum laevigatum Australian Tea Tree

Nyctaginaceae

Abronia latifolia Yellow Sand Verbena Local on coasts, e.g. Dry Lagoon and

Manchester.

Oleaceae

Fraxinus dipetala California Ash MacArthur-Burney Falls.

Fraxinus latifolia Oregon Ash Widespread.

Onagraceae

Camissoniopsis cheiranthifolia Beach Evening Primrose Manchester and Point Reves lighthouse.

Rosebay Willowherb Chamerion angustifolium

ssp.circumvagum

Clarkia amoena Farewell-to-Spring Lake Co., locally common.

Clarkia arcuata Tehama Co.

Mendocino Co., locally common. Clarkia concinna Lovely Clarkia Lassen area and Tehama Wildlife Area. Slender Clarkia Clarkia gracilis

Clarkia modesta Diamond Clarkia Tehama Co. lunch site.

Clarkia purpurea Winecup Clarkia Mendocino Co. Clarkia rhomboidea Tehama Wildlife Area in the past.

Clarkia rubicunda Lake Co.

Clarkia unguiculata Elegant Clarkia Lake Co.

Williamson's Clarkia Clarkia williamsonii Tehama Wildlife area in the past.

Epilobium densiflorum Point Reyes, in wet habitat. Scattered records.. Epilobium minutum Threadstem Fireweed

Other species recorded occasionally. Epilobium spp. Oenothera sp. A red flowered species by Whiskeytown

Lake.

Orobanchaceae

Bellardia trixago Bellardia Roadsides in Mendocino County, locally

very common.

Castilleja affinis Coast Paintbrush Widespread. Very variable. Castilleja ambigua Johnny-Nip Point Reves in the past.

Castilleja applegatei Applegate's Paintbrush McCloud area and west of O'Brien.

Castilleja attenuata Narrow-leaved Owl Clover Mendocino Co. in the past. Castilleja campestris Field Owl Clover Scattered records in the past. Castilleja chromosa Highway 97 in the past. Desert Indian Paintbrush Castilleja densiflora Abbott's Lagoon in the past.

Castilleja exserta ssp.latifolia Purple Owl Clover Point Reyes. Felt Paintbrush

Castilleja foliolosa Mendocino Co. in the past. Castilleja mendocinensis Mendocino Coast Paintbrush Mendocino coast in the past. Castilleja rubicundula Cream Sacs Near MacArthur-Burney Falls and

ssp.lithospermoides

Mendocino Co., in the past. Point Reyes, and Marin County. Castilleja subinclusa Franciscan Paintbrush ssp.franciscana

Castilleja wightii Wight's Paintbrush Point Reyes.

Several other species were present but Castilleja spp.

not positively identified.

Orobanche uniflora West of O'Brien, yellow. Naked Broomrape Parentucellia viscosa Locally abundant on roadsides. Pedicularis densiflora Triphysaria eriantha

ssp.rosea

Triphrysaria pusilla

Indian Warrior Butter and Eggs Scattered records, e.g. McCloud area. Widespread, in a variety of forms.

Point Reyes.

Lake Earl.

Point Reyes and Lake Earl, in the past.

Tiny!

Oxalidaceae

Oxalis articulata ssp.rubra

Oxalis corniculata
Oxalis oregana
Oxalis pes-caprae
Oxalis pilosa

Creeping Wood Sorrel Redwood Sorrel Cape Sorrel

Suksdorf's Wood-sorrel

Point Reyes in the past. Redwood area. Abundant along the coast.

Point Reyes in the past. Recorded in the past.

Paeoniaceae

Oxalis suksdorfii

Paeonia brownii Western Paeony

Noted in leaf, Mendocino Co., in the past.

Papaveraceae

Dicentra formosa

**Bleeding Hearts** 

Mendocino Pass and McCloud area in the

past.

Dicentra formosa ssp.oregana Eschscholtzia californica Eschscholtzia lobbii

Papaver rhoeas Platystemon californicus California Poppy Lobb's Poppy Corn Poppy Cream Cups West of O'Brien. White flowers. Widespread and abundant. Recorded in the past. Roadsides in Napa Co.

Manchester.

Phrymaceae

Mimulus bicolor

Mimulus dentatus

Mimulus guttatus

Mimulus floribundus

Mimulus alsinoides Mimulus aurantiacus Chickweed Monkey Flower Orange Bush Monkey Flower McCloud River Loop. Locally common, e.g. Point Reyes and

Marin Coast, and Mendocino Co. Tehama Wildlife Area in the past.

Yellow & White Monkey Flower

Tehama Wildlife Area in the past. Fern Canyon in the past.

Friday Ridge Road in the past. Widespread and locally common. Very

Seep-spring Monkey Flower V

variable.

Near Paynes Creek in the past. Probably this species at Tehama Wildlife

Area in the past.
McCloud River Loop.

Wet meadow east of McCloud 2015.

Mimulus kelloggii Mimulus layneae

Mimulus nanus Mimulus primuloides

**Plantaginaceae**Collinsia grandiflora

Giant Blue-eyed Mary

O'Brien area and Mendocino Co. in the past.

Collinsia heterophylla

Purple Chinese Houses

Very locally common along Highway

162.

Collinsia parviflora

Maiden Blue-eyed Mary

Very common on roadsides between McCloud and Lassen. Also Mendocino

Pass etc.

Collinsia sparsiflora Spinsters Blue-eyed Mary Cymbalaria muralis Ivy-leaved Toadflax

Digitalis purpurea Foxglove

Linaria dalmatica Dalmatian Toadflax

Near O'Brien.
Point Reyes Lighthouse.
Locally common along the coast.

Roadsides in Trinity County, and along

the coast.

A few at Lake Earl.

Azure Penstemon

O'Brien area in the past.

Hot Rock Penstemon

In flower at MacArthur-Burney Falls.

Penstemon heterophyllus Penstemon laetus

Linaria maroccana

Penstemon azureus

Penstemon deustus

Foothill Penstemon

Highway 162 in fine flower.

West of O'Brien (?).

Penstemon newberryi McCloud area in the past.

Penstemon procerus This species in meadow east of McCloud?

**Showy Penstemon** Near Lassen in the past. Penstemon speciosus

Lewiston Lake in the past (out of range?). Penstemon sudans Shrub with blue flowers, Tehama Co. (?). Penstemon venustus

Naturalised.

Plantago coronopus Buck's-horn Plantain Point Reyes. Plantago elongata

Point Reyes.

Plantago erecta Point Reyes and Lake Earl. Plantago lanceolata Ribwort Plantain Widespread and common. Plantago major

Greater Plantain Point Reves. Point Reyes.

Point Reyes.

Synthyris reniformis Snow Queen Common at Lake Earl.

Tonella tenella MacArthur-Burney Falls in the past.

Veronica americana American Brooklime Scattered records.

Platanaceae

Plantago maritima

Plantago subnuda

Platanus racemosa 'Western Sycamore' Scattered.

Plumbaginaceae

Armeria maritima ssp.californica Thrift Common along the coast.

Limonium californicum Leaves at Inverness, Point Reyes, in the

past.

Polemoniaceae

Allophyllum divaricatum Pink False Gilia Highway 199, Lake Earl, etc.

Collomia heterophylla Variable-leaf Collomia Scattered.

Collomia linearis Narrow-leaf Mountain Trumpet Mendocino Co. in the past. Gilia capitata Blue-headed Gilia Mendocino Co. and Lake Co.

Gilia millefoliata Dark-eyed Gilia 1 at Lake Earl.

Gilia tricolor Bird's-eye Gilia Tehama Co. in the past. Ipomopsis aggregata Scarlet Gilia Near Lassen in the past. Leptosiphon androsaceus False Baby Stars Tehama Co. in the past. Leptosiphon bicolor True Baby Stars Highway 162 and Tehama Co.

Leptosiphon bolanderi Mendocino Pass.

Microsteris gracilis Slender Phlox Mendocino Co. and McCloud area.

Navarettia intertexta Numerous at Hog Lake Plateau.

Navarretia pubescens Downy Navarretia Hog Lake Plateau. Navarettia squarrosa Skunkweed Tehama Co. in the past.

Phlox diffusa Spreading Phlox Locally common at higher altitudes

in McCloud and Willow Creek areas, and

on Mendocino Pass.

Phlox speciosa Showy Phlox Common near O'Brien, and Mendocino

Pass.

Polygalaceae

Polygala californica West of Willits and west of O'Brien. California Milkwort

Polygonaceae

Bistorta bistortoides Western Bistort Between McCloud and Lassen. Arrow-leaf Wild Buckwheat Highway 199, in the past.

Eriogonum compositum Eriogonum latifolium Coast Buckwheat Coastal.

Naked Eriogonum Oregon and McCloud area. Eriogonum nudum Highway 97 in the past. Eriogonum umbellatum Sulphur Flower

Eriogonum vimineum Wicker Buckwheat Lake Co.

Other species of this huge genus Eriogonum spp.

undoubtedly present.

Persicaria amphibia Water Smartweed Scattered records. Persicaria hydropiperoides False Waterpepper Point Reyes in the past. Persicaria lapathifolia Willow Weed Marin Co. in the past. Polygonum aviculare Knotgrass Klamath Lakes in the past.

ssp.depressum

Polygonum paronychia Lake Earl. Pterostegia drymarioides Granny's Hairnet Point Reyes in the past.

Rumex acetosella Sheep's Sorrel Widespread and locally common.

Rumex conglomeratus Clustered Dock Scattered. Rumex crispus Curled Dock Widespread. Rumex occidentalis Western Dock Point Reyes.

Rumex salicifolius Willow Dock Point Reyes in the past.

Primulaceae

Dodecathaon alpinum Alpine Shooting Star A fine addition to the list in 2015. In

fine flower at Castle Lake.

Dodecathaon hendersonii Widespread and locally common. Mosquito Bills

Mendocino and McCloud area.

Ranunculaceae

Aconitum columbianum Monk's Hood In leaf along Bald Hills Road in the

A few in flower in the Redwoods near Anemone deltoidea

Orick in the past.

Anemone oregana Local in the McCloud area in the past.

Aquilegia formosa Crimson Columbine West of Willits etc. Delphinium californicum California Larkspur Recorded in the past? Delphinium decorum ssp.tracyi Coast Delphinium In flower at Mendocino Pass.

Delphinium menziesii? Menzie's Delphinium Redwoods? This name is not in the flora. Delphinium nudicaule Canon Delphinium Locally common, e.g. Highway 162.

Bilobed Delphinium Sagebrush in the past. Delphinium nuttallianum

Redwoods. Delphinium trolliifolium Cow Poison Delphinium variegatum Royal Delphinium Tehama Co.

Other species of this large and difficult Delphinium spp.

genus were undoubtedly present. A white flowered species in Lake Co.

Myosurus minimus Klamath Lakes in the past. Mouse-tail

Redwoods in the past? Not treated in Ranunculus acris? Meadow Buttercup

the flora.

Ranunculus alismifolius Water Plantain Buttercup Wet meadow near McCloud, in fruit. Ranunculus californicus California Buttercup Locally common, e.g. Point Reves.

Scattered records. Ranunculus muricatus Prickleseed Buttercup Ranunculus occidentalis Western Buttercup Mendocino Co. Ranunculus orthorhynchus Birdfoot Buttercup Mendocino Co. Ranunculus repens Creeping Buttercup Point Reves. Ranunculus uncinatus McCloud area.

Thalictrum fendleri Fendler's Meadow Rue Tehama lunch site.

Rhamnaceae

Mountain Whitethorn Ceanothus cordulatus McCloud River Loop.

Ceanothus cuneatus ssp.cuneatus **Buck Brush** McCloud area.

Ceanothus gloriosus Point Reyes.

Ceanothus integerrimus Deer Brush

Near MacArthur-Burney Falls, Titlow Hill var.macrothyrsus Road and Covelo area.

Ceanothus jepsonii Musk Brush McCloud area. Ceanothus prostratus Mahala Mat McCloud area.

Ceanothus pumilus Siskiyou Mat Highway 199 and Willow Creek area.

Ceanothus thyrsiflorus Blue Brush Widespread. Ceanothus velutinus Scattered records.

Ceanothus spp. Other species not identified.

Frangula californica California Coffeeberry Lake Earl. Frangula purshiana Cascara Lake Earl.

Rosaceae

Adenostoma fasciculatum Chamise Locally abundant.

Amelanchier alnifolia Western Service Berry Common and widespread.

var.semiintegrifolia Cercocarpus betuloides Mountain Mahogany Tehama Wildlife Area.

Chamaebatia foliolosa Mountain Misery MacArthur-Burney Falls in the past.

Crataegus gaylusaccia a hawthorn Mt Shasta City. Scattered records. Drymocallis glandulosa Sticky Cinquefoil Fragaria chiloensis Coast Strawberry Common along the coast. Fragaria virginiana Mountain Strawberry Scattered records. Heteromeles arbutifolia Toyon Scattered records.

Holodiscus discolor Ocean Spray Widespread.

Horkelia tridentata McCloud, common in flower.

Malus fusca Oregon Crab Apple Lake Earl.

Pacific Silverweed Potentilla anserina ssp.pacifica Point Reyes etc. in the past.

Potentilla gracilis Fivefinger Cinquefoil Potentilla millefolia Feather Cinquefoil

Prunus emarginata Bitter Cherry Mendocino Co.

Prunus subcordata Pacific Plum

McCloud, locally common. Prunus virginiana Western Choke Cherry Covelo, McCloud etc.

var.demissa Purshia tridentata Antelope Brush

Widespread and locally very common.

Wet meadow east of McCloud.

Wood Rose Scattered records. Rosa gymnocarpa

Other species not identified. Rosa spp.

Rubus armeniacus Himalayan Blackberry Point Reyes.

Rubus parviflorus Thimbleberry Widespread and common.

Rubus spectabilis Salmon-berry Point Reyes, Lake Earl and Redwoods area.

Rubus ursinus California Blackberry Point Reves. Spiraea douglasii Recorded.

Rubiaceae

Galium aparine Cleavers Widespread.

Galium bolanderi Bolander's Bedstraw Near Siskiyou Lake in the past.

Galium californicum California Bedstraw Marin Coast.

Oregon Bedstraw Locally common in Oregon. Galium oreganum

Several others seen. Galium spp. Tehama lunch site.

Sherardia arvensis Field Madder

Salicaceae

White Poplar Mt.Shasta City. Populus alba

Populus fremontii Fremont Cottonwood Scattered records, e.g. Highway 162.

Populus tremuloides Ouaking Aspen McCloud area. Populus trichocarpa Black Cottonwood Lake Earl. Salix exigua Narrow-leaved Willow Point Reyes. Salix hookeriana Hooker Willow Lake Earl. Salix lasiandra Shining Willow Point Reyes. Salix lasiolepis Arroyo Willow Common.

Mackenzie's Willow Salix prolixa McCloud river loop.

Sitka Willow Salix sitchensis Lake Earl.

Salix spp. Other species unidentified.

Sapindaceae

Acer circinnatum Coastal in Redwoods area. Vine Maple

Acer glabrum Mountain Maple Mendocino Co. Acer macrophyllum Big-leaf Maple Widespread.

Acer negundo Box Elder Recorded, e.g. at Point Reyes Lodge.

Widespread and common. Aesculus californica California Buckeye

Sarcobataceae

Sarcobatus vermiculatus Sagebrush in the past.

Sarraceniaceae

Darlingtonia californica California Pitcher Plant A superb flowering colony at the botanical

walk on Highway 199. Also in Oregon.

Saxifragaceae

Darmera peltata Umbrella Plant Many flowers in McCloud River.

Heuchera micrantha Crevice Heuchera McCloud River Loop, Marin Co., Willow

Creek, Highway 199, west of Willits, and

Wet meadow near McCloud.

Wet meadow near McCloud.

Near Willow Creek in the past.

coast.

Lithophragma affine Woodland Star McCloud.

Lithophragma parviflorum Micranthes californica Micranthes oregana Saxifraga mertensiana Tellima grandiflora

Saxifraga mertensianaHighway 199 in the past.Tellima grandifloraFringe CupsMarin Co, and west of Willits.Tolmiea diplomenziesiiBristle FlowerScattered records in the past.

Scrophulariaceae

Scrophularia californica California Figwort Locally very common.

Verbascum blattaria Moth Mullein Highway 162.

Verbascum thapsus Aaron's Rod Roadsides in Lake Co. and Napa Co.

and McCloud area.

Simaroubaceae

Ailanthus altissima Tree of Heaven Scattered records.

Solanaceae

Solanum americanum Point Reyes

Solanum nigrumBlack NightshadePoint Reyes in the past.Solanum parishiiTehama Co. in the past.Solanum xantiTrinidad in the past.

Tropaeolaceae

Tropaeolum majus Garden Nasturtium Naturalised on roadsides.

Urticaceae

Urtica dioica Stinging Nettle Scattered records.

sspp. gracilis and holosericea

Valerianaceae

Centranthus ruber Red Valerian Roadsides.

Plectritis congesta Sea Blush McCloud area, and Highway 162, locally

sspp. *brachystemon* and *congesta* very common.

Plectritis sp. Others probably present.

Valeriana sitchensis ssp.scouleri Redwoods area, local.

Valerianella locusta Mt.Shasta.

Verbenaceae

Verbena lasiostachys Highway 162 in the past.

Violaceae

Viola adunca Western Dog Violet Scattered records.
Viola bakeri Baker's Violet McCloud area.

Viola cuneata Wedge-leaved Violet Botanical Walk on Highway 199 and

O'Brien area.

Smooth Yellow Violet Salt Point State Park. Viola glabella Viola hallii Hall's Violet O'Brien area in the past.

Pine Violet Viola lobata Near O'Brien and McCloud area.

ssp.integrifolia Castle Crags.

Viola ocellata Two-eyed Violet Willow Creek area in the past. Viola purpurea Mountain Violet Mendocino Co. in the past.

Viola sempervirens Redwood Violet Lake Earl.

Viola sheltonii Shelton's Violet McCloud area and Mendocino Co.

Viscaceae

On woody dicots other than Quercus. Phoradendron serotinum Bigleaf Mistletoe

ssp.macrophyllum

Phoradendron serotinum Oak Mistletoe On Quercus spp. Common in Mendocino

ssp.tomentosum

Vitaceae

Vitis californica California Wild Grape Widespread and common.

Zygophyllaceae

Tribulus terrestris Maltese Cross Hog Lake Plateau.

#### **Monocots**

Agavaceae

Camassia leichtlinii ssp.suksdorfii Very common in one meadow near

Willits.

Co.

Camassia quamash ssp.breviflora Lassen area in the past. Chlorogalum angustifolium Tehama Co. in the past.

Chlorogalum pomeridianum In leaf in various places, in flower Point

Reves.

Common along Highway 199 and in Hastingsia alba

southern Oregon in the past.

Alismataceae

Alisma triviale Near Covelo, in leaf.

Damasonium californicum In fine flower at Hog Lake Plateau 2015.

Alliaceae

Allium acuminatum Willow Creek area in the past.

Covelo. Allium amplectens

Mendocino Pass in leaf, in bud west of Allium falcifolium

O'Brien

In fine flower west of O'Brien 2015. Allium platycaule Allium sanbornii var.sanbornii

Sanborn's Onion Tehama Co. in the past.

Allium triquetrum Naturalised around Point Reyes Lodge,

and Lake Earl.

Araceae

Lemna minor Common Duckweed Scattered.

Lysichiton americanus Yellow Skunk Cabbage Abundant at Lake Earl. Local elsewhere.

Zantedeschia aethiopica Calla Lily Point Reyes and Marin Coast.

Cvperaceae

'Flora of North America' Volume 23, Flora of North America Editorial Committee, is a superb treatment of the Cyperaceae. Many more species await identification on future tours!

Bolboschoenus maritimus ssp.paludosus Point Reyes. Bolboschoenus robustus Marin County etc.

Carex stipata Carex vulpinoidea Carex vallicola

Carex disperma

Carex pansa Coastal dunes.

Carex praegracilis Carex brunnescens

Carex laeviculmis O'Brien area.

Carex leptopoda Carex bolanderi Carex interior Carex echinata Carex arthrostachya

Carex microptera Carex scoparia

Carex lyngbyei Coastal salt marshes.

Carex obnupta Lake Earl.

Carex nebrascensis Carex lenticularis Carex aquatilis Carex scopulorum Carex pellita Carex atherodes Carex utriculata Carex viridula Carex rossii

Carex inops Carex leptalea Carex filifolia

Eleocharis macrostachya

Scirpus sp.

a spikerush Scattered in marshes.

Scattered records.

Iridaceae

Iris bracteata Siskiyou Iris Along Highway 199, and near O'Brien in

Oregon.

Very common along the coast, locally Iris douglasiana Douglas Iris

abundant.

Iris fernaldii Fernald's Iris Highway 162.

Iris purdyi Roadsides in Humboldt Co. A few in fine

flower.

Iris tenax ssp.klamathensis Orleans Iris A good number near Orleans in the past.

A very local endemic subspecies.

Iris tenuissima Long-tubed Iris Common and widespread from Mendocino

County north.

Sisyrinchium bellum California Blue-eyed Grass Locally very common. Sisyrinchium californicum California Golden-eyed Grass Point Reyes, very local.

Watsonia meriana

Naturalised along the coast.

Juncaceae

Tapered Rush Arcata in the past. Juncus acuminatus Toad Rush Point Reyes. Juncus bufonius Juncus effusus Soft Rush Point Reyes. Juncus occidentalis Western Rush Point Reyes. Point Reyes. Juncus phaeocephalus

Luzula comosa a wood rush Point Reyes.

Juncaginaceae

Triglochin maritima Sea Arrow-grass Inverness, Point Reyes, in the past. Liliaceae

Calochortus amabilis Golden Fairy Lantern Very common along Highway 162. A fine

show.

Calochortus coeruleus Beavertail-grass Oregon, where common. Botanical area on

Highway 199, and Horse Mountain too.

Willow Creek area in the past. Calochortus elegans Elegant Cat's-ear Calochortus luteus Colusa County and Lake County. Gold Nuggets Calochortus monophyllus Yellow Star-Tulip Several in Tehama Co. in the past. Calochortus splendens

Lake County in the past.

In fine flower in Tehama Wildlife Calochortus superbus Superb Mariposa Lily

Calochortus tolmiei Locally common in Mendocino Co. Pussy Ears Napa County (from the vehicle!). Calochortus vestae

Only in leaf this year.

Clintonia andrewsiana Erythronium californicum California Fawn Lily In leaf at Mendocino Pass and

numerous in flower at Horse Mountain

Botanical area.

Lemon Fawn Lily Near O'Brien in the past. Erythronium citrinum

Oregon Fawn Lily West of O'Brien, and west of Willits. Erythronium oregonum Erythronium purpurascens

Plainleaf Fawn Lily A few near McCloud, over. Mission Bells Lake Earl, several fine flowers.

Over in McCloud area.

Siskiyou Fritillaria Fritillaria glauca In seed near O'Brien in the past. Fritillaria purdyi Purdy's Fritillary Fine on Mendocino Pass.

Several fine flowers on Mendocino Pass. Fritillaria recurva Scarlet Fritillary Lilium maritimum Coast Lily In good flower at Salt Point State Park.

In leaf.

Lilium spp. Possibly other species in leaf too.

Prosartes hookeri Hooker's Fairybell West of Willits. Prosartes smithii Smith's Fairybell Scattered records.

Scoliopus bigelovii In leaf and fruit Humboldt Redwoods.

Melanthiaceae

Lilium pardalinum

Fritillaria affinis

Fritillaria atropurpurea

Pseudotrillium rivale Brook Wakerobin Botanical area on Highway 199, over. Toxicoscordion fremontii Fremont's Camas Mendocino, and Sonoma Coast.

Toxicoscordion micranthum Mendocino Pass. Toxicoscordion paniculatum West of Lassen 2015.

Toxicoscordion venenosum Death Camas McCloud area in the past. var.venenosum

Trillium chloropetalum Giant Trillium Mendocino County in the past.

Redwoods. Trillium ovatum Western Trillium California False Helleborine Veratrum californicum In leaf.

Xerophyllum tenax Bear Grass In flower in southern Oregon.

**Orchidaceae** 

Calypso bulbosa var.occidentalis Calypso A few in flower at Lake Earl.

Corallorhiza maculata Spotted Coralroot Redwoods. Corallorhiza striata Striped Coralroot

Mendocino Pass in the past.

Cypripedium californicum California Lady's Slipper Some fine flowers at botanical walk on

Highway 199, and in Oregon.

In leaf near Willow Creek in the past. Epipactis gigantea Stream Orchid Goodyera oblongifolia Rattlesnake Orchid Several in leaf in Lake Earl.

Listera cordata Heartleaf Twayblade Several at Lake Earl.

Piperia transversa Flat Spurred Piperia Tehama Wildlife Area in the past. Platanthera hyperborea Robust, green flowers. Oregon. However this species does not occur in

California, and this is not the correct

name for these plants.

Sparse-flowered Bog Orchid Several at one site on Highway 162. Platanthera sparsiflora

**Poaceae** 

Aegilops triuncialis Barbed Goatgrass

Aira caryophyllea Silver Hair-grass Point Reyes etc. Ammophila arenaria Marram Grass Along the coast. Anthoxanthum odoratum Sweet Vernal Grass Scattered. Avena fatua Wild Oat Scattered.

Briza maxima Great Quaking Grass Abundant at Point Reyes.

Lesser Quaking Grass Briza minor Point Reves etc. Bromus carinatus California Brome Point Reves.

Bromus diandrus Great Brome Point Reves etc., abundant Bromus madritensis Compact Brome Point Reyes, very common.

Purple Pampas Grass Point Reyes 2005. Cortaderia jubata

Bermuda Grass Cynodon dactylon

Cynosurus echinatus Hedgehog Dogtail Marin headlands. Dactylis glomerata Cock's-foot Widespread.

Deschampsia cespitosa Tufted Hair-grass

Festuca arundinacea Tall Fescue Point Reyes.

Point Reyes etc. (Vulpia bromoides). Festuca bromoides Brome Fescue

Holcus lanatus Yorkshire Fog Scattered. Hordeum brachyantherum California Barley Point Reyes.

ssp.californicum

Hordeum murinum Wall Barley Point Reyes. Lolium multiflorum Italian Rye-grass Point Reyes. Lolium perenne Perennial Rye-grass Point Reyes.

N.B. *Lolium* is included in *Festuca* in the flora. Melica sp. a melic

Phalaris californica California Canary Grass

Phleum pratense Timothy

Phragmites australis Common Reed Locally dominant. Poa annua Annual Meadow-grass Widespread. Poa bulbosa ssp.vivipara Bulbous Meadow-grass McCloud. Rough Meadow-grass Poa trivialis Scattered. Very many other grasses were present but not identified. Something for future visits!

Ruscaceae

Maianthemum dilatatum False Lily-of-the-Valley Locally abundant at Lake Earl.

Branched Solomon's Seal Widespread. Maianthemum racemosum

**Smilacaceae** 

Smilax californica McCloud.

Smilax jamesii MacArthur-Burney Falls.

**Tecophilaeaceae** 

Odontostomum hartwegii Hartweg's Odontostomum Common along roadsides in Tehama

area in the past.

Themidaceae

Brodiaea elegans Elegant Brodiaea Highway 162, north of Willits, etc.

Brodiaea stellaris Star Brodiaea Mendocino Pass. Earth Brodiaea Brodiaea terrestris Sonoma rest stop.

Dichelostemma capitatum Blue Dicks Near McCloud in the past.

Dichelostemma congestum Forktooth Ookow Locally very common, as in Mendocino

Firecracker Flower Dichelostemma ida-maia Willow Creek area in the past.

Dichelostemma multiflorum Castle Crags. Roundtooth Ookow

Dichelostemma volubile Lake County in the past. Twining Snake Lily

Tehama County.

Triteleia bridgesii Triteleia hyacinthina White Brodiaea Willow Creek area. Triteleia ixioides ssp.anilina Pretty Face McCloud 2015.

Triteleia laxaIthuriel's SpearWidespread and locally common.Triteleia peduncularisLong-rayed BrodiaeaLake County in the past.

**Typhaceae** 

Typha angustifoliaNarrow-leaved BulrushHighway 162 etc.Typha latifoliaBulrushLocally dominant.

Zosteraceae

Zostera marina Eel-grass Point Reyes in the past.

#### Systematic List Number 2 Butterflies

'California Butterflies' by Garth and Tilden is a useful comprehensive guide to the state's butterflies. The nomenclature followed here is for the most part that of Scott in 'The Butterflies of North America', published by Stanford University Press, 1986. Species not seen this year are put in square brackets.

Papilionidae

[Pipevine Swallowtail Battus philenor Several in the Tehama area, and 1 larva on Araujia

sericifera, an interesting record.]

Western Swallowtail Papilio zelicaon Several in the O'Brien area.

Tiger Swallowtail Papilio glaucus ssp.rutulus A few records.

Pallid Tiger Swallowtail Papilio eurymedon Scattered records, e.g. west of Willits, Highway

199 botanical area, and in Oregon.

[Cliff Swallowtail Papilio indra 1 in the Siskiyous.]

Pieridae

Green-veined White Artogeia napi McCloud area.

Small White Artogeia rapae Several at Point Reyes and Klamath Lakes.

Orange Sulphur Colias eurytheme Widespread in small numbers .

[Golden Sulphur Colias occidentalis 1 at Humboldt Bay.]
Common Sulphur Colias philodice Scattered records.

Lycaenidae

Cedar Hairstreak Callophrys gryneus Friday Ridge Road. Several nectaring on Cornus

ssp.nelsoni nuttallii.

Western Pine Elfin Callophrys eryphon McCloud area, rather common. Also botanical

area on Highway 199.

[Hoary Elfin Callophrys polios ssp.littoralis 2 at Lake Earl around Arctostaphylos

*uva-ursi*, the larval foodplant. A recently discovered and very local subspecies.]

[Coastal Green Hairstreak Callophrys dumetorum Mendocino coast.]

[Grey Hairstreak Strymon melinus Highway 199 botanical area.]

Purplish Copper Lycaena helloides Lake Earl.
[Greenish Clover Blue Plebejus saepiolus Near McCloud.]
Lupine Blue Plebejus icarioides Lake Earl.

Acmon Blue *Plebejus acmon* Mendocino County.

Silvery Blue Glaucopsyche lygdamus Point Reyes and Mendocino Co., associated

with lupins.

Spring Azure Celastrina argiolus ssp.echo Scattered records.

Nymphalidae

Ridge Checkerspot Euphydryas editha A few records.

Western Chequerspot Euphydryas chalcedona Scattered records.

Creamy Chequerspot Chlosyne palla Tehama Wildlife Area.

Field Crescent

[Mylitta Crescent

Phyciodes campestris

Point Reyes.

McCloud area.]

[Golden Angle-wing

Polygonia satyrus

Polygonia satyrus

1 at Point Reyes.]

[Hoary Angle-wing

Polygonia gracilis ssp.zephyrus Friday Ridge Road.]

[California Tortoiseshell Nymphalis californica Numerous in the McCloud area.]

[Mourning Cloak Nymphalis antiopa 1 in the Siskiyous, a few McCloud area, 1 at

Klamath Lakes. A.k.a. Camberwell Beauty.]

[Red Admiral Vanessa atalanta Singletons at Point Reyes and in the

Redwoods.]

[Painted Lady Vanessa cardui Common in some years.]

American Painted Lady Vanessa virginiensis Mendocino Pass. Buckeye Precis coenia Scattered records.

Orange-tip Admiral Limenitis lorquini Widespread in small numbers.

California Sister Adelpha bredowii Scattered records.

Satyridae

California Ringlet Coenonympha tullia Widespread and locally common.

ssp.california a.k.a. Large Heath.

Danaidae

Monarch Danaus plexippus 1 at Lake Earl.

Hesperiidae

Pacuvius Dusky Wing Erynnis pacuvius Scattered records.
Propertius Dusky Wing Erynnis propertius Scattered records.

Arctic Skipper Carterocephalus palaemon Oregon (Chequered Skipper).

Fiery Skipper Hylephila phyleus Recorded.

#### Systematic List Number 3 Amphibians and Reptiles

The nomenclature is taken from 'A Field Guide to Western Amphibians and Reptiles' by Robert C.Stebbins, and 'Reptiles of the Northwest' by Alan St.John. Little attention was given to reptiles and amphibians on this AGS tour but I leave in a list of what has been seen in the past to give an idea what can be seen on future tours. Annotated species were seen this year.

Pacific Giant Salamander Dicamptodon ensatus

Oregon Salamander Ensatina eschscholtzi ssp.oregonensis

California Slender Salamander Batrachoseps attenuatus

Climbing Salamander sp. Aneides sp.
Rough-skinned Newt Taricha granulosa

Pacific Treefrog Hyla regilla Common on skunk cabbage at Lake Earl.

Foothill Yellow-legged Frog Rana boylei Red-legged Frog Rana aurora

Western Pond Terrapin Clemmys marmorata

Western Fence Lizard Sceloporus occidentalis A few records.

Sagebrush Lizard Sceloporus graciosus McCloud area and Highway 199.

Western Yellow-bellied Coluber constrictor
Racer ssp.mormon
Gopher Snake Pituophis catanifer

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Western Terrestrial Garter
Snake Ssp.terrestris

ssp.elegans Mountain Garter Snake.1 at Hog Lake Plateau.

Common Garter Snake Thamnophis sirtalis
Northwestern Garter Snake Thamnophis ordinoides

#### **Systematic List Number 4 Mammals**

Annotated species were seen this year. Species without annotation have been seen in the past.

Virginia Opossum Didelphis virginiana Roadkills seen occasionally. Brush Rabbit Sylvilagus bachmani A few at Point Reyes.

Black-tailed Jack Rabbit Lepus californicus Western Pipistrelle Pipistrellus hesperus

Yellow-pine Chipmunk Tamias amoenus McCloud area. Sonoma Chipmunk Tamias sonomae 1 at Mendocino Pass.

Chipmunks The identity of several chipmunks in the Tamias spp.

Redwoods was problematic. Possibilities are Yellow-cheeked (T.ochrogenys), Allen's

(T.senex) and Siskiyou (T.sikiyou).

Belding's Ground Squirrel Citellus beldingi

California Ground Squirrel Citellus beecheyi Widespread and common. Golden-mantled Ground Citellus lateralis McCloud River Loop.

Squirrel

Yellow-bellied Marmot

Western Gray Squirrel Sciurus griseus Widespread. McCloud. Douglas Squirrel Tamiasciurus douglasi

Marmota flviventris

Western Harvest Mouse Reithrodontomys megalotis

Coyote Canis latrans

Grav Fox Urocyon cinereoargenteus Point Reyes.

Black Bear Ursus americanus

Raccoon Procyon lotor A few road casualties.

Long-tailed Weasel Mustela frenata Striped Skunk Mephitis mephitis

River Otter Lutra canadensis Felis concolor Puma **Bobcat** Lynx rufus

California Sea Lion Zalophus californianus

Phoca vitulina Sonoma Coast and Klamath area. Harbour Seal Northern Elephant Seal Mirounga angustirostris Many at Chimney Rock, Point Reyes.

Rooting activity in McCloud area. Wild Boar Sus scrofa Elk

Cervus canadensis Common at Prairie Creek Redwoods (Roosevelt

Elk), and heard at Point Reyes (Tule Elk).

Fallow Deer Dama dama

Mule Deer Odocoileus hemionis Widespread and reasonably common.

Gray Whale Eschrichtius gibbosus Various sightings along the coast. 6 from the

Lighthouse at Point Reyes.

Various road casualties.

#### Systematic List Number 5 Birds

This was an AGS tour so much less attention was given to the birds than is usual on the 'standard' California tour. Here I annotate those species noted on this tour, but leave in a list of all those species seen on the last few tours to give a better idea of what can be seen on future visits.

Common Loon Gavia immer Out at sea from Point Reyes.
Pacific Loon Gavia pacifica 1+ out at sea from Point Reyes.

Red-throated Loon Gavia stellata

Pied-billed Grebe Podylimbus podiceps Lake Earl.

Clark's Grebe Aechmophorus clarkii

Western Grebe Aechmophorus occidentalis Humboldt Lakes, Requa.

Black-necked Grebe Podiceps nigricollis

American White Pelican Pelecanus erythrorhynchos

Brown Pelican Pelecanus occidentalis A few at Point Reyes, and futher

north along the coast.

corax pelagicus Local along the coast.

Widespread.

Pelagic Cormorant Phalacrocorax pelagicus
Brandt's Cormorant Phalacrocorax penicillatus

Double-crested Cormorant Phalacrocorax auritus Scattered records.

American Bittern Botaurus lentiginosus Night Heron Nycticorax nycticorax

Green Heron Butorides virescens Day 12.

Snowy Egret Egretta thula Scattered records.
Great Egret Ardea alba Widespread.

Great Blue Heron Ardea herodias Widespread in small numbers.

White-faced Ibis Plegadis chihi
Canada Goose Branta canadensis

Black Brant Branta bernicla

Wood Duck Aix sponsa A female at Covelo.

Mallard Anas platyrhynchos Scattered records.

Gadwall Anas streptera Green-winged Teal Anas crecca Shoveler Anas clypeata Pintail Anas acuta Cinnamon Teal Anas cyanoptera Ruddy Duck Oxyura jamaicensis Canvasback Aythya valisneria Redhead Aythya americana Greater Scaup Aythya marila Lesser Scaup Aythya affinis

Black Scoter Melanitta nigra Point Reyes.

White-winged Scoter Melanitta fusca

Surf Scoter Melanitta perspicillata Locally numerous along the coast.

Bufflehead Bucephala albeola Lassen.

Goosander Mergus merganser Scattered records.

Turkey Vulture Cathartes aura Very common and widespread.

Osprey Pandion haliaetus Scattered records.

White-tailed Kite Elanus leucurus
Hen Harrier Circus cyaneus
Sharp-shinned Hawk Accipiter striatus

Bald Eagle Haliaeetus leucocephalus Seen on 2 days.

Red-shouldered Hawk Buteo lineatus Point Reyes.

Red-tailed Hawk Buteo jamaicensis Common and widespread.

American Kestrel Falco sparverius
Pheasant Phasianus colchicus
Callifornia Oscilla Callinuda california

California Quail Callipepla californica Widespread and common.

Mountain Quail Oreortyx pictus Mendocino Pass.

American Coot Fulica americana Lassen.

Sandhill Crane Grus canadensis
Killdeer Charadrius vociferus

Black Oystercatcher Haematopus bachmani 1 along the coast.

American Avocet Recurvirostra americana

Black-necked Stilt Himantopus mexicanus Day 12.

Greater Yellowlegs Tringa melanoleuca Humboldt Lakes.

Sanderling Calidris alba Dunlin Calidris alpina

Willet Catoptrophorus semipalmatus

Spotted Sandpiper Actitis macularia Humboldt Lakes.

Whimbrel Numenius phaeopus
Long-billed Curlew Numenius americanus

Marbled Godwit
Wilson's Phalarope
Phalaropus tricolor
Mew Gull
Ring-billed Gull
Herring Gull
Larus argentatus
Larus argentatus

California Gull Larus californicus Scattered coastal records.

Thayer's Gull Larus thayeri
Western Gull Larus occidentalis
Caspian Tern Sterna caspia

Forster's Tern

Sterna caspia

Sterna forsteri

Black Tern

Chlidonias niger

Common Murre *Uria aalge* Locally abundant along the coast.

Pigeon Guillemot *Cephus columba* Widespread in small numbers along

the coast.

Marbled Murrelet Brachyramphus marmoratus
Cassin's Auklet Ptychoramphus aleuticus

Band-tailed Pigeon *Columba fasciata* Scattered records. Rock Dove *Columba livia* Scattered records.

Mourning Dove Zenaida macroura Widespread and common. Flammulated Owl Otus flammeolus Heard at Mendocino Pass.

Black Swift Cypseloides niger Vaux's Swift Chaetura vauxi

Black-chinned Hummingbird Archilochus alexandri A few records.

Anna's Hummingbird Calypte anna Much in evidence at Point Reyes.

Also in the Redwoods.

Very common along the coast.

Allen's Hummingbird Selasphorus sasin Scattered records.
Belted Kingfisher Ceryle alcyon Day 9.

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Acorn Woodpecker Melanerpes formicivorus Scattered records.

Lewis's Woodpecker Melanerpes lewis

Northern Flicker *Colaptes auratus* Scattered records. Downy Woodpecker *Picoides pubescens* Scattered records.

Hairy Woodpecker Picoides villosus

Pileated WoodpeckerDryocopus pileatusMcCloud area.Red-breasted SapsuckerSphryrapicus ruberNear Covelo.Olive-sided FlycatcherContopus borealisHeard often.Western Wood-PeweeContopus sordidulusCovelo.Pacific-slope FlycatcherEmpidonax difficilisLake Earl.

Black PhoebeSayornis nigricansScattered records.Ash-throated FlycatcherMyiarchus cinerascensMendocino Co.Western KingbirdTyrannus verticalisWidespread.

Loggerhead Shrike Lanius ludovicianus

Cassin's Vireo Vireo cassinii Lassen. Warbling Vireo Vireo gilvus Lake Earl etc.

Steller's Jay *Cyanocitta stelleri* Widespread and common. Western Scrub Jay *Aphelocoma californica* Widespread and common.

American Magpie Pica hudsonia Yellow-billed Magpie Pica nuttalli

American Crow Corvus brachyrhynchos Widespread and common. Raven Corvus corax Widespread and common.

Central Valley.

Tree Swallow Tachycineta bicolor Scattered records

Violet-green Swallow Tachycineta thalassina

Sand Martin Riparia riparia

Cliff Swallow *Petrochelidon pyrrhonota* Scattered records. Northern Rough-winged *Stelgidopteryx serripennis* Scattered records.

Swallow
Barn Swallow
Hirundo rustica
Widespread and common.

Oak TitmouseBaeolophus inornatusTehama County.Mountain ChickadeePoecile gambeliMcCloud area etc.Chestnut-backed ChickadeePoecile rufescensScattered records.

Bushtit Psaltriparus minimus Near Lassen. Brown Creeper Certhia americana

Red-breasted Nuthatch Sitta candensis Widespread in small numbers.

Pygmy Nuthatch Sitta pygmaea

Bewick's Wren Thryomanes bewickii Point Reyes. House Wren Troglodytes aedon Covelo.

Winter Wren Troglodytes aeaon Covelo.

Troglodytes troglodytes

Marsh Wren *Cistothorus palustris* Local in wetlands. American Dipper *Cinclus mexicanus* 

Wrentit Chamaea fasciata

Golden-crowned Kinglet Regulus satrapa Heard in Redwoods area.

Western Bluebird Sialia mexicana Tehama Wildlife area.

Mountain Bluebird Sialia curruscides Mondocino Co.

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Townsend's Solitaire Myadestes townsendi Mendocino Pass.
Varied Thrush Ixoreus naevius

American Robin Turdus migratorius Widespread and common.

Swainson's Thrush Catharus undulatus
Northern Mockingbird Mimus polyglottos

Starling Sturnus vulgaris Common and widespread.

Orange-crowned Warbler Vermivora celata
Nashville Warbler Vermivora ruficapilla

Yellow-rumped Warbler Dendroica coronata Scattered records.

Black-throated Gray Warbler Dendroica nigrescens Lake Earl. Hermit Warbler Dendroica occidentalis McCloud. Yellow Warbler Dendroica petechia MacGillivray's Warbler Oporornis tolmiei Wilson's Warbler Wilsonia pusilla

Point Reyes. Near Covelo. Yellow-breasted Chat Icteria virens Western Tanager Piranga ludoviciana Near Covelo. California Towhee Pipilo crissalis Point Reyes. Pipilo chlorurus Green-tailed Towhee Castle Lake. Spotted Towhee Pipilo maculatus Scattered records.

Chipping Sparrow Spizella passerina

Grasshopper Sparrow Ammodramus savannarum Lake Earl.

Savannah Sparrow

Passerculus sandwichensis

Scattered records.

Lark Sparrow

Chondestes grammacus

Tehama Wildlife area.

Song Sparrow

Melospiza melodia

Widespread and common.

Fox Sparrow

Passerella iliaca

Recorded on Day 12.

White-crowned Sparrow Zonotrichia leucophrys Scattered records.

Dark-eyed Junco *Junco hyemalis* Common and widespread. Nesting

Near McCloud. Scattered records.

Widespread in small numbers.

Black-headed Grosbeak Pheucticus melanocephalus

Lazuli Bunting Passerina amoena Western Meadowlark Sturnella neglecta

Yellow-headed Blackbird *Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus* Seen on Day 12.

Red-winged Blackbird

Agelaius phoeniceus

Widespread and common.

Tricolored Blackbird Agelaius proentceus

Agelaius tricolor

Brewer's Blackbird *Euphagus cyanocephalus* Widespread and common. Brown-headed Cowbird *Molothrus ater* Widespread and common.

Bullock's Oriole Icterus bullockii Scattered records. Evening Grosbeak Coccothraustes vespertinus Several in McCloud.

Purple Finch Carpodacus purpureus
House Finch Carpodacus mexicanus Widespread.

Cassin's Finch
Carpodacus cassinii
Loxia curvirostra
Pine Siskin
Carduelis pinus
Point Reyes and McCloud area.

American Goldfinch Carduelis tristis Daily in McCloud.

Lesser Goldfinch Carduelis psaltria Day 3.

House Sparrow Passer domesticus Locally common.