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SFV spineflower/Argentine ant peer review request

Darst, Cat <cat_darst@fws.gov>
To: David Holway <dholway@ucsd.edu>
Cc: Nic Huber <nic_huber@fws.gov>

Tue, Nov 15, 2016 at 9:45 AM

Hi David,

A clarifying question: You state in your review that our report "presents a misleading representation of the threat of Argentine ant invasion into the areas planned for development by the Newhall Land Company." Do you think we have over-emphasized the threat (e.g. the threat of Argentine ant invasion is not as much of a concern for SFVS as we present?) or that we have under-emphasized the threat (e.g. the threat of Argentine ants is more of a threat to SFVS than we present?)? Could you please clarify?

Thank you!
Cat

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On Tue, Nov 15, 2016 at 9:20 AM, Darst, Cat <cat_darst@fws.gov> wrote:

Thank you!

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On Thu, Sep 15, 2016 at 12:49 PM, Darst, Cat

<cat_darst@fws.gov> wrote:

These links may facilitate things:

Please go to:

<https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=FWS-R8-ES-2016-0078-0001>

You can download the Species Report here:

<https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=FWS-R8-ES-2016-0078-0004>

Hope this helps,
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On Thu, Sep 15, 2016 at 9:11 AM, Darst, Cat

<cat_darst@fws.gov> wrote:

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Tue, Nov 15, 2016 at 4:30 PM

Please add to folder with his peer review! Thanks!

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From: **Holway, David** <dholway@ucsd.edu>
Date: Tue, Nov 15, 2016 at 9:59 AM
Subject: RE: SFV spineflower/Argentine ant peer review request
To: "Darst, Cat" <cat_darst@fws.gov>

Hi Cat,

With respect to the SFVS locations shown in Fig, 4 of the report, I think the document **under-emphasizes** the threat of invasion by the Argentine ant and makes light of how difficult (and costly) it would be to control the invasion once it spreads into the SFVS reserves.

From the information in the report, I am not really sure what to conclude regarding how the Argentine ant would affect SFVS. That requires more study.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions. I would be happy to talk on the phone.

Cheers,

David

From: Darst, Cat [cat_darst@fws.gov]
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