

EXOTIC PLANT SURVEY KNWR HANSEN HORSE TRAIL AND ADJACENT CAMPING AREAS
08/14/06 – 8/17/06

1. Exotics along the trail between the trailhead and the first bridge (first 2 miles)

- MADI6
- PHPR3
- LUPO2
- PLMA2

2. Picnic spot - open meadow area (5 miles from trailhead). Meadow area is approximately 20mx40m. There is evidence of horses having been tethered to trees, some trampling, but doesn't look like there's much sign of campfires or overnight use.

-GPS waypoint: PICNIC N 60.41261
W 150.72031

-Pictures: # 1- PHPR3
2, 3- meadow

-Sp. present: PHPR3 present but sparse
LUPO2
PLMA2 on the trail through meadow



Phleum pratense - timothy



3. Funny River Camp I (also called halfway camp) - Very well used site, trampled 10x15m centralized area with fire ring, cut logs... Social trails lead out from campsite and end in large trampled areas (tent sites or where the horses have been tied). Doesn't seem like the plants listed below have established much outside the disturbed area.

-GPS waypoint: FRCAMP N 60.35484
W 150.69901

-Pictures: # 4- STME2
5- PLMA2
6- main campsite
7-9 trampled areas outside main site

-Sp. present: STME2 carpet in main campsite
MADI6
PLMA2 widespread throughout area
TRRE3 trace
CABU2 trace
PHPR3 outside main campsite









4. Funny River Camp II - Across the river is a large open meadow area (20x70m) that leads to a campsite (10x15m). This isn't as well used as the last site.

GPS waypoint: FRCAMP2 N 60.35562
W 150.69753

Pictures: (taken on the return trip)
#16-18 camp

Spp. present: PHPR3 present throughout the area
ALPR3 trace
POAN





5. Camp III - Open meadow area. We'll camp here tonight but this spot is not nearly as established as the Funny River camps. Doesn't look like this area is used much. There's some trampling but is hard to find a good tent spot, no fire ring... The trail goes right through the meadow (20x80m). Overall this spot doesn't seem very impacted by non-natives.

-GPS waypoint: CAMP3 N 60.30522
W 150.63208

-Pictures: #10-11

-Spp present: PHPR3 is seen mostly along the trail through the meadow
PLMA2 few



6. High Camp - This camp is roughly 15x 40m. It is on the toe of the Tustumena Bench in an open flat area surrounded by willow. Great views! A lot of this area has been grazed recently so identifying all the grasses could be difficult.

-GPS waypoint: HIGHCAMP N 60.25870
W 150.57373

-Pictures: #12- PHPR3
#13-14 camp

-Spp. present: PHPR3 is the predominant grass
PLMA2





Trip Summary – List of Exotic Plant Species Observed on Hansen Horse trail:

Alopecurus pratensis
Capsella bursa-pastoris
Lupinus polyphyllus
Matricaria discoidea
Phleum pretense
Plantago major
Poa annua
Stellaria media
Trifolium repens