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Floristics

The overstory is uniformly dominated by Prosopis juliflora. Intervening areas of the understory support omnipresent stands of Gutierrezia sarothrae. Observed forbs include Senecio longilobus, Eriogonum annuum, Psilostrophe sp., Perezia nana, Gailardia sp., Plantago sp., Mentzelia sp., Aster sp., Zinnia acerosa, Solanum sp., Cryptantha sp., Dithyrea sp., Hedyotis humifusa, Krameria sp., and Palafoxia sp. Grasses are represented by Aristida spp., Muhlenbergia porteri, Chloris cuculata, and Sporobolus.

Cultural Resources

No cultural resources were recorded during this reconnaissance. Typically, aboriginal peoples, pursuing a hunting and gathering economy, sought out areas providing some form of natural shelter in which to camp. Owing to the open and wind-swept nature of the local terrain, the probability of findings archaeological evidence of their camping activities, areally, is concomitantly low.

Recommendations

NNAS recommends that Amoco Production Company's Andrikopoulos Federal Well No.1 location be cleared in order that drilling activities may proceed in accordance with company plans.

Andrikopoulos Federal Well No.1 Alternate

Location

The proposed alternate will measure 450 X 450 ft on federal