

Arjons Vernal pool 13 looking southeast

3.2.4 Nobel Drive

The area along the eastern end of Nobel Drive includes five vernal pool sites: Pueblo Lands, Bob Baker, Bob Baker 2, Nobel Research Park, and Nobel Drive. **3.2.4.a** The Pueblo Lands vernal pool site (I 12) is located on a 10.3-acre parcel owned by the City of San Diego that is not conserved at this time. Three road ruts totalling 737 square feet occur on the site, which is located east of I-805 along Eastgate Mall Road. No sensitive plant species were observed on-site; however, *B. sandiegonensis* were found in each of the three basins. This site was not discussed in Bauder's 1986 report. Vernal pool indicator species and fairy shrimp observed at this site are listed in Table 21. The area was not surveyed for amphibians. For a map of this site, please refer to 258-1701 in Appendix C.

Table 21 Pueblo Lands Presence of Vernal Pool Indicator Species				
Callitriche marginata	•	Myosurus minimus		
Crassula aquatica	•	Navarretia fossalis		
Deschampsia danthoniodes	•	Orcuttia californica		
Downingia cuspidata		Phalaris lemmonii		
Elatine californica		Phalaris spp.		
Epilobium pygmaeum		Pilularia americana		
Eryngium aristulatum		<i>Pilularia</i> spp.		
Isoetes howellii		Plagiobothrys acanthocarpus		

Table 21, con't Pueblo Lands Presence of Vernal Pool Indicator Species				
Isoetes orcuttii		Plantago elongata	•	
Isoetes spp.		Plantago spp.		
Lilaea scilloides		Pogogyne abramsii		
Marsilea vestita		Pogogyne nudiuscula		
Malvella leprosa		Psilocarphus brevissimus	•	
Branchinecta spp.	•	Branchinecta sandiegonensis	•	
Branchinecta lindahli		Streptocephalus woottoni		



Pueblo Lands Vernal pool 1 looking north

3.2.4.b Bob Baker (I 6 B) is a privately owned site that is not considered conserved; however, this site was the subject of a previous USFWS Section 7 consultation. Impacts due to trash were noted at this unfenced site. Eight vernal pools are found on a 0.5-acre plot that bisects two large, developed parcels. These vernal pools comprise 3,351 square feet of basin area immediately north of Miramar Road. *P. abramsii* was observed in seven basins and covered an area of 76 square feet. Bauder observed *P. abramsii* on-site in 1986. Vernal pool indicator species and fairy shrimp noted on-site are listed in Table 22. *Branchinecta* spp. were observed in three vernal pools, and *H. regilla* were noted in a single basin. For a map of this site, see 258-1713 in Appendix C.

	Ta	ble 22		
Bob Baker/Bob Baker 2 Presence of Vernal Pool Indicator Species				
Crassula aquatica	•	Navarretia fossalis		
Deschampsia danthoniodes	•	Orcuttia californica		
Downingia cuspidata	•	Phalaris lemmonii		
Elatine californica		<i>Phalaris</i> spp.	•	
Epilobium pygmaeum		Pilularia americana	•	
Eryngium aristulatum	•	Pilularia spp.		
Isoetes howellii		Plagiobothrys acanthocarpus	•	
Isoetes orcuttii	•	Plantago elongata	•	
Isoetes spp.		Plantago spp.		
Lilaea scilloides	•	Pogogyne abramsii	•	
Marsilea vestita		Pogogyne nudiuscula		
Malvella leprosa		Psilocarphus brevissimus	•	
Branchinecta spp.	•	Branchinecta sandiegonensis		
Branchinecta lindahli		Streptocephalus woottoni		



Bob Baker Vernal pool 2 looking west

3.2.4.c Bob Baker 2 (I 6 C) is located to the north of Miramar Road immediately west of Miramar Mall Road. Although the 0.95-acre site is fenced, impacts due to trash were noted. This privately owned site contains 15 vernal pools situated along the

southern edge of two, 2-acre parcels and is not conserved at this time; the basins cover a total of 10,404 square feet. *E. aristulatum* was observed in two vernal pools and covered 41 square feet, and *P. abramsii* was observed in 11 basins and covered 606 square feet. Both species were observed by Bauder in 1986. Vernal pool indicator species and fairy shrimp noted on-site are listed in Table 22. *Branchinecta* spp. were observed in six basins; the site was not surveyed for amphibians. Bob Baker 2 is located on map 258-1713 in Appendix C.



Bob Baker 2 Vernal pool 5 looking north



Bob Baker 2 Vernal pool 10 looking north

3.2.4.d Twenty-eight vernal pools make up the Nobel Research Park site (X 7), located north of Nobel Drive immediately west of I-805. The basins, covering a total of 4,250 square feet, are clustered along the eastern edge of a privately owned, fenced, 28-acre parcel and are conserved. No rare, threatened, or endangered plant species were observed on-site. This site is not discussed in Bauder's report (1986). Vernal pool indicator species and fairy shrimp noted at this site are listed in Table 23. *B. sandiegonensis* were identified in nine vernal pools, and *S. hammondii* were identified in two basins. For a map of this site, please refer to 250-1701 in Appendix C.

	Ta	ble 23		
Nob	el Re	search Park		
Presence of Vernal Pool Indicator Species				
Callitriche marginata	•	Myosurus minimus		
Crassula aquatica	•	Navarretia fossalis		
Deschampsia danthoniodes	•	Orcuttia californica		
Downingia cuspidata	•	Phalaris lemmonii		
Elatine californica		Phalaris spp.		
Epilobium pygmaeum		Pilularia americana	•	
Eryngium aristulatum		Pilularia spp.		
Isoetes howellii		Plagiobothrys acanthocarpus	•	
Isoetes orcuttii		Plantago elongata	•	
Isoetes spp.		Plantago spp.		
Lilaea scilloides	•	Pogogyne abramsii		

Table 23, con't				
Nobel Research Park				
Presence of Vernal Pool Indicator Species				
Marsilea vestita		Pogogyne nudiuscula		
Malvella leprosa		Psilocarphus brevissimus	•	
Branchinecta spp.	•	Branchinecta sandiegonensis	•	
Branchinecta lindahli		Streptocephalus woottoni		



Nobel Research Park Vernal pool 24 looking north



Nobel Research Park Vernal pool 18 looking west



Nobel Research Park Vernal pool 25 looking south

3.2.4.e The Nobel Drive site (X 5) is located directly south of Nobel Research Park across Nobel Drive. Fifty-five acres (56%) of the 94-acre, City-owned site are conserved; the seven vernal pool basins (0.085 acres of total basin area) on-site occur completely within the conserved area and are individually fenced. *N. fossalis* was

present on-site and covered approximately 11 square feet in a single basin. No sensitive species were observed at this site during the Zedler, et al., survey (1979), and the site was not visited by Bauder (1986). Vernal pool indicator species and fairy shrimp observed at this site are listed in Table 24. *B. sandiegonensis* were noted in six basins and *S. hammondii* were noted in one basin. For a map of this site, refer to 250-1701 in Appendix C.

		ble 24	
		el Drive	
Presence of V	ernal	Pool Indicator Species	
Callitriche marginata	•	Myosurus minimus	
Crassula aquatica	•	Navarretia fossalis	•
Deschampsia danthoniodes	•	Orcuttia californica	
Downingia cuspidata	•	Phalaris lemmonii	•
Elatine californica		Phalaris spp.	
Epilobium pygmaeum		Pilularia americana	•
Eryngium aristulatum		<i>Pilularia</i> spp.	
Isoetes howellii		Plagiobothrys acanthocarpus	•
Isoetes orcuttii		Plantago elongata	•
Isoetes spp.		Plantago spp.	
Lilaea scilloides	•	Pogogyne abramsii	
Marsilea vestita		Pogogyne nudiuscula	
Malvella leprosa		Psilocarphus brevissimus	•
Branchinecta spp.	•	Branchinecta sandiegonensis	•
Branchinecta lindahli		Streptocephalus woottoni	



Nobel Drive Vernal pool 4 looking west



Nobel Drive Vernal pool 5 looking north

3.2.5 Kearny Mesa

The Kearny Mesa area includes the following vernal pool sites: Cubic, Miramar, Sander, Magnatron, General Dynamics, Montgomery Field, and Serra Mesa Library.