

CAMAS SWALE RESEARCH NATURAL AREA

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Camas Swale Research Natural Area is part of a Federal system of such tracts established for research and educational purposes. Each RNA constitutes a site where natural features are preserved for scientific purposes, and natural processes are allowed to dominate. Their main purposes are to provide:

1. Baseline areas against which effects of human activities can be measured;
1. Sites for study of natural processes in undisturbed ecosystems; and
1. Gene pool preserves for all types of organisms, especially rare and endangered types.

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The Federal system is outlined in "A Directory of the Research Natural Areas on Federal Lands of the United States of America."³

Of the 96 Federal Research Natural Areas established in Oregon and Washington, 45 are described in "Federal Research Natural Areas in Oregon and Washington: A Guidebook for Scientists and Educators" (see footnote 1). Supplements to the guidebook describe additions to the system.

The guiding principle in management of Research Natural Areas is to prevent unnatural encroachments or activities that directly or indirectly modify ecological processes. Logging and uncontrolled grazing are not allowed, for example, nor is public use that might impair scientific or educational values. Management practices necessary for maintenance of ecosystems may be allowed.

Federal Research Natural Areas provide a unique system of publicly owned and protected examples of undisturbed ecosystems where scientists can conduct research with minimal interference and reasonable assurance that investments in long-term studies will not be lost to logging, land development, or similar activities. In return, a scientist wishing to use a Research Natural Area is obligated to:

1. Obtain permission from the appropriate administering agency before using the area;⁴
1. Abide by the administering agency's regulations governing use, including specific limitations on the type of research, sampling methods, and other procedures; and
1. Inform the administering agency on progress of the research, published results, and disposition of collected materials.

³Federal Committee on Ecological Reserves. A directory of the Research Natural Areas on Federal lands of the United States of America. Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service; 1977.

⁴"Six agencies cooperate in this pro., Tam in the Pacific Northwest: U.S. Department of Agriculture-Forest Service; U.S. Department of the Interior-Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Park Service; U.S. Department of Energy; and U.S. Department of Defense.

The purpose of these limitations is to:

1. Ensure that the scientific and educational values of the tract are not impaired;
2. Accumulate a documented body of knowledge about the tract; and
3. Avoid conflict between studies.

Research must be essentially nondestructive; destructive analysis of vegetation is generally not allowed, nor are studies requiring extensive modification of the forest floor or extensive excavation of soil. Collection of plant and animal specimens should be restricted to the minimum necessary to provide voucher specimens and other research needs. Under no circumstances may collecting significantly reduce population levels of species. Collecting must also be carried out in accordance with applicable State and Federal agency regulations. Within these broad guidelines, appropriate uses of Research Natural Areas are determined by the administering agency.

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Old-growth Douglas-fir forest growing on foothills west of the Willamette Valley.

The Camas Swale Research Natural Area (RNA) was established in January 1984 to provide an example of a dry-site, mature Douglas-fir forest in the Willamette Valley foothills (fig. 1). This site also incorporates a small, xeric, meadow community that, in the absence of fire, is slowly being invaded by several shrub and tree species. The 117-ha area in Lane County, Oregon, is administered by the Lorane Resource Area of the Eugene (Oregon) District of the Bureau of Land Management (ELM). The RNA is situated in Section 25, T. 19 S., R. 4 W, Willamette Meridian (lat. 43°53' N.; long. 123°07' W).

Access and Accommodations

To reach the RNA, take Interstate 5 to exit 182 at Creswell, Oregon, 11 mi south of Eugene, Oregon. Travel 6 mi west on Camas Swale Road (county road 2130) to Weiss Road (county road 2146). Turn south on Weiss Road and follow it for 2 mi to BLM road 19-4-26. Follow the gravel-surfaced BLM road for 0.8 mi to a gate (obtain key from BLM office in Eugene) in the northwest corner of the RNA. The northern boundary of the RNA roughly follows road 19-4-26 for 0.6 mi. The southern part of the RNA is reached by continuing on this road for 0.6 mi to its end (fig. 2).

Commercial accommodations are available in Creswell and in the greater Eugene area. Commercial air service is available at Eugene.

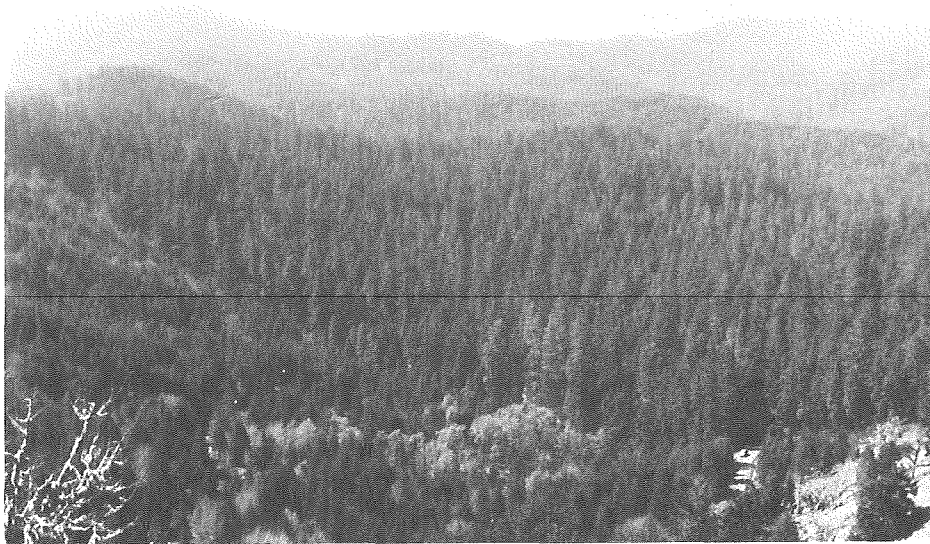


Figure 1—General view of Camas Swale RNA looking southwesterly. The RNA encompasses the mature forest running through the center of the photo.

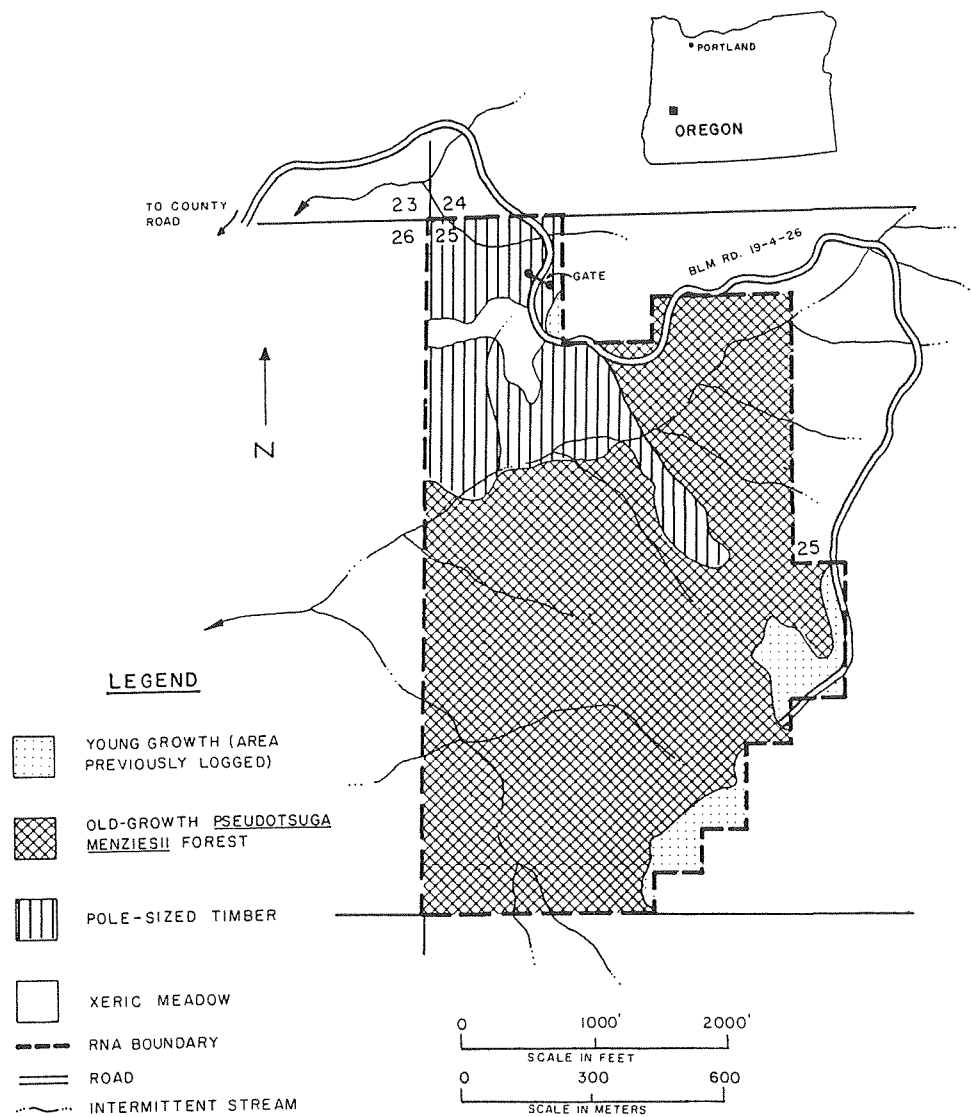


Figure 2—Map of Camas Swale RNA.

Environment

Camas Swale RNA lies on the approximate boundary of the Willamette Valley and Coast Range physiographic provinces. Low, rounded hills pass gradually into more mountainous, highly dissected terrain with steep slopes. The RNA occupies the west slope of a high divide at the head of a branch of Camas Swale Creek. Steep to nearly level slopes of north, south, and west exposures are represented. Elevations range from 232 to 396 m.

The area is uniformly forested with conifers except for a small, open meadow on south- and westfacing slopes. Hardwoods occur on lower slopes and along many of the intermittent streams in the area.

Proximity to the Pacific Ocean (51 mi west of Camas Swale RNA) gives the area a temperate, marine climate-cool, wet winters and warm, dry summers. The closest weather station is located in Eugene. Temperatures average 3.8 °C in January and 19.4 °C in July; the mean annual temperature is 11.1 °C (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration 1984). Precipitation

at the RNA averages 1020 mm/year (Pacific Northwest River Basins Commission 1970). Approximately 70 percent of the precipitation falls in the 5-month period from November through March, and only 5 percent falls from June through August. Nearly all the precipitation falls as rain; on rare occasions, a few inches of snow may accumulate, but it usually melts within 3 to 4 days. In summer, the relative humidity at Eugene is commonly between 35 and 50 percent with occasional drops below 30 percent. Evaporation at this time far exceeds precipitation, and this leads to drought.

Stable high-pressure air masses bring clear skies in summer, and light winds are usually from the north. Also during summer, temperature inversions sometimes occur in the valleys and foothills of the Eugene area. Beginning in late fall and continuing through spring, unstable low-pressure air masses bring frequent storms from the Pacific Ocean. Prevailing winds are out of the southwest, and sometimes their force is sufficient to cause extensive windthrow of trees. Wind speeds of 98 mi/h were recorded in Eugene during the 1962 Columbus Day storm.

Soils

Soils in Camas Swale RNA are diverse; all are derived from pyroclastic rocks. The soils occur in a xeric moisture regime. A complex of Bellpine and Jory series occupies more than half of the area. These series are found on the undulating slopes in the central part of the RNA and are particularly dominant in the southwest portion. The Bellpine-Jory soils are productive, silty clay loams, red, and 61 to 152 cm deep.

Dark brown soils of the Witzel series are scattered in the field of Bellpine-Jory soils. The Witzel soils occur on areas of 1 to 5 ha on gentle slopes. This is a very stony, silty loam soil that is less than 51 cm deep. In droughty situations, trees do not grow well on Witzel soils.

In the northeast end of the RNA, Jory soils occur on an area of 7 to 10 ha. This soil is more than 102 cm deep. In the northwest corner, very dark brown soils of the Dixonville series occupy 4 ha on a north-facing slope. This soil is a silty clay loam that is 51 to 102 cm deep. Permeability is slow for both the Jory and the Dixonville soils. A small area of Kilchis soils borders the main

stream south of the xeric meadow. This soil is shallow (less than 51 cm deep) and stony and has rapid permeability.

Vegetation

The forest at Camas Swale RNA is dominated by *Pseudotsuga menziesii* (fig. 3) (see table 1 for a list of all plants in the RNA). This is the same as Society of American Foresters (SAF) cover type 229, Pacific Douglas-fir (Eyre 1980). This old-growth forest covers 86.2 ha. On north slopes, the forest has a closed canopy; on south and west slopes, the forest is more open, and trees of all age classes are present. The distribution of ages indicates that *P. menziesii* is the major climax species at this site, partly because it responds better than other species to stressful, relatively dry environments. The range of diameters at breast height (d.b.h.) for Douglas-fir is 61 to 122 cm, and trees average 46 m tall.

The major associate in this forest is *Calocedrus decurrens*. Scattered large individuals occur on south and west exposures. The largest one found was 165 cm d.b.h. and the average height of these trees was 36 m. At this site, *P. menziesii* and *C. decurrens* are typically near the same age, but *C. decurrens* forms a lower stratum below the dominant *P. menziesii* canopy (Franklin and Dyrness 1973).

The *C. decurrens* understory that occurs throughout much of the RNA originated around 1860. This closely correlates with the cessation of burning by Native Americans. These trees also comprise the bulk of the pole-sized stands on 21.5 ha surrounding the meadow area (fig. 4).

A few individuals of *Pinus ponderosa* are found at the driest sites in the northwest corner of the RNA and on a bench above one stream. The largest tree found was 107 cm d.b.h., and the tallest one was 36 m. Most of these pines have numerous conks on their trunks. A small amount of pine reproduction can be found on adjacent disturbed sites.



Figure 3—Old-growth *Pseudotsuga menziesii* on a southern exposure in Camas Swale RNA.

At the wettest sites, a few *Abies grandis* are present; the largest was 84 cm d.b.h., and the tallest was 44 m. This species is also found as seedlings or saplings throughout the forest, especially on lower slopes. There is one gentle, wet slope where *Fraxinus latifolia* occurs; the largest tree was 53 cm d.b.h. *Acer macrophyllum* is found along most of the stream courses in the RNA.

Common understory shrubs throughout the RNA are *Acer circinatum*, *Corylus comuta* val'. *californica*, and *Berberis nervosa* (fig. 5). Wetter sites support *Gaultheria shallon* and *Polystichum munitwn*, while drier sites have an abundance of *Rhus diversiloba* in both shrub and liana forms. Common herbaceous species include *Calypso bulbosa*, *Cardamine pulcherrima* val'. *tenella*, *Goodyera oblongifolia*, *Satureja douglasii*, and *Synthyris reniformis*. A dense carpet of moss covers the ground in all forested areas.

The 2.4-ha xeric meadow in the northwest portion of the RNA is fringed by conifers and scattered *Quercus garryana* (fig. 6). *Cynosurus echinatus*, the most common grass in the meadow, is not native. Common herbaceous plants include *Achillea millefolium*, *Mimulus guttatus*, *Prunella vulgaris*, and *Saxifraga oregana*. No rare, threatened, or endangered plants are known to occur anywhere in the RNA.



Figure 4—Pole-sized *Pseudotsuga menziesii* stand with a *Calocedrus decurrens* understory in Camas Swale RNA.



*Figure 5—An understory of *Corylus cornuta* var. *californica* and *Polystichum munitum* occurs on much of Camas Swale RNA where the *Pseudotsuga menziesii* overstory is relatively open.*



Figure 6—The xeric meadow at Camas Swale RNA is being invaded by conifers and hardwoods as a result of the absence of fire in the recent past.

Fauna

A list of mammals believed to frequent the RNA is given in table 2; birds are listed in table 3; and reptiles and amphibians are listed in table 4.

History of Disturbance

At least one major forest fire has occurred in the RNA, as evidenced by the deep scars burned into trunks of nearly all old-growth *Calocedrus decurrens*. This fire interrupted the natural succession that would have occurred and has allowed *Pseudotsuga menziesii* to maintain its dominance. No fires are known to have burned in the RNA since the initiation of fire suppression in the last 50 years.

In 1964-65, 560 windthrown trees from the 1962 Columbus Day storm were salvaged. A dirt road that was needed during salvage is now abandoned and overgrown. At the same time, two areas totaling 6.9 ha within the RNA boundary were clearcut and replanted. Disturbance, perhaps overgrazing by early settlers' domesticated animals, has led to invasion of the xeric meadow by non-native grasses. Off-road vehicle use has severely damaged the thin, fragile soil in a portion of the meadow in the northwest corner of the tract. Closure of BLM road 19-4-26 to all unauthorized vehicular use has curtailed, but not eliminated, the problem. Several residences are located less than 0.5 mile from the RNA boundary. There are no known archaeological sites in the RNA.

Research

No research studies are known to be in progress in the RNA. In the past, the RNA has served as a study area for students from the University of Oregon. The area provides an excellent site for studying growth and succession in a dry-site, mixed-conifer forest.

Maps and Aerial Photographs

Maps applicable to Camas Swale RNA are:

Topographic-the 15' Cottage Grove, Oregon, quadrangle, scale 1:62,500, issued by the U.S. Geological Survey in 1957; and Geologic-Reconnaissance Geologic Map and Sections of the Western Cascade Range, Oregon, north of lat. 43° N. (Peck and others 1964). The Bureau of Land Management, Eugene District Office, can supply information on the most recent aerial photos and forest-type maps for the area.

English Equivalents

1 millimeter (mm) = 0.04 inch

1 centimeter (cm) = 0.4 inch

1 meter (m) = 3.3 feet

1 kilometer (km) = 0.6 mile

1 hectare (ha) = 2.5 acres

degrees Celsius (°C) = (degrees Fahrenheit - 32)/1.8)

Table 1—Plants found in Camas Swale Research Natural Area¹

Scientific name	Common name
<i>Abies grandis</i> (Dougl.) Forbes	Grand fir
<i>Acer circinatum</i> Pursh	Vine maple
<i>Acer macrophyllum</i> Pursh	Bigleaf maple
<i>Achillea millefolium</i> L.	Common yarrow
<i>Achlys triphylla</i> (Smith) DC.	Vanillaleaf
<i>Adenocaulon bicolor</i> Hook.	Pathfinder
<i>Adiantum pedatum</i> L.	Maidenhair fern
<i>Agrostis hallii</i> Vasey	Hall's bentgrass
<i>Aira caryophyllea</i> L. ²	Silver hairgrass
<i>Alnus rubra</i> Bong.	Red alder
<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i> Nutt.	Western serviceberry
<i>Anaphalis margaritacea</i> (L.) B. & H.	Pearly-everlasting
<i>Anemone deltoidea</i> Hook.	Threeleaf anemone
<i>Angelica arguta</i> Nutt.	Sharptooth angelica
<i>Angelica genuflexa</i> Nutt.	Kneeling angelica
<i>Aquilegia formosa</i> Fisch.	Sitka columbine
<i>Arbutus menziesii</i> Pursh	Pacific madrone
<i>Arenaria macrophylla</i> Hook.	Bigleaf sandwort
<i>Asarum caudatum</i> Lindl.	Wild ginger
<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> (L.) Roth.	Lady-fern
<i>Athysanus pusillus</i> (Hook.) Greene	Sandweed
<i>Berberis aquifolium</i> Pursh	Tall Oregongrape
<i>Berberis nervosa</i> Pursh	Oregongrape
<i>Brodiaea</i> sp.	Brodiaea
<i>Bromus mollis</i> L. ²	Soft brome
<i>Calocedrus decurrens</i> (Torrr.) Florin	Incense-cedar
<i>Calochortus tolmiei</i> H. & A.	Tolmie's mariposa
<i>Calypso bulbosa</i> (L.) Oakes	Calypso orchid
<i>Campanula prenanthoides</i> Dur.	California harebell
<i>Cardamine oligosperma</i> Nutt.	Little western bittercress
<i>Cardamine pulcherrima</i> Greene var. <i>tenella</i> (Pursh) Hitchc.	Slender toothwort
<i>Carex</i> spp.	Sedge
<i>Castanopsis chrysophylla</i> (Dougl.) DC.	Golden chinquapin
<i>Ceanothus velutinus</i> Dougl.	Sticky-laurel
<i>Centaureum umbellatum</i> Gilib. ²	European centaury
<i>Cerastium arvense</i> L.	Field chickweed
<i>Cerastium viscosum</i> L. ²	Sticky chickweed
<i>Cerastium vulgatum</i> L.	Common chickweed
<i>Chimaphila umbellata</i> (L.) Bart.	Prince's-pine
<i>Chrysanthemum leucanthemum</i> L. ²	Oxeye-daisy
<i>Cirsium arvense</i> (L.) Scop. var. <i>horridum</i> Wimm. & Grab. ²	Canada thistle

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Table 1—Plants found in Camas Swale Research Natural Area¹ (continued)

Scientific name	Common name
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i> (Savi) Tenore ²	Bull thistle
<i>Collinsia grandiflora</i> Lindl.	Large-flowered blue-eyed Mary
<i>Collinsia parviflora</i> Lindl.	Small-flowered blue-eyed Mary
<i>Collomia heterophylla</i> Hook.	Varied-leaf collomia
<i>Comandra umbellata</i> (L.) Nutt.	Bastard toad-flax
<i>Coptis laciniata</i> Gray	Cutleaf goldthread
<i>Corallorhiza mertensiana</i> Bong.	Western coral-root
<i>Corallorhiza striata</i> Lindl.	Striped coral-root
<i>Cornus nuttallii</i> Aud.	Pacific dogwood
<i>Corylus cornuta</i> Marsh.	
var. <i>californica</i> (DC.) Sharp	Hazelnut or California hazel
<i>Cynoglossum grande</i> Dougl.	Pacific hound's-tongue
<i>Cynosurus echinatus</i> L. ²	Hedgehog dogtail
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i> L. ²	Orchard-grass
<i>Daucus carota</i> L. ²	Queen Anne's lace
<i>Dodecatheon hendersonii</i> Gray	Broad-leaved shooting star
<i>Draba verna</i> L.	Spring whitlow-grass
<i>Dryopteris arguta</i> (Kaulf.) Watt.	Coastal shield-fern
<i>Elymus glaucus</i> Buckl.	Blue wildrye
<i>Epilobium angustifolium</i> L.	Fireweed
<i>Epilobium minutum</i> Lindl.	Small-flowered willow-weed
<i>Epilobium paniculatum</i> Nutt.	Autumn willow-weed
<i>Epilobium telmateia</i> Ehrh.	Giant horsetail
<i>Eriophyllum lanatum</i> (Pursh) Forbes	Wooly sunflower
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i> (L.) L'Her ²	Alfilaria or stork's-bill
<i>Erythronium oregonum</i> Applegate	Giant fawn-lily
<i>Festuca californica</i> Vasey	California fescue
<i>Festuca microstachys</i> Nutt.	Small fescue
<i>Fragaria vesca</i> L.	Woods strawberry
<i>Fraxinus latifolia</i> Benth.	Oregon ash
<i>Fritillaria lanceolata</i> Pursh	Rice-root fritillary
<i>Galium aparine</i> L. ²	Bedstraw
<i>Galium triflorum</i> Michx.	Sweetscented bedstraw
<i>Gaultheria shallon</i> Pursh	Salal
<i>Geranium dissectum</i> L. ²	Cut-leaf geranium
<i>Geranium molle</i> L. ²	Dovefoot geranium
<i>Goodyera oblongifolia</i> Raf.	Rattlesnake-plantain
<i>Hieracium albiflorum</i> Hook.	White-flowered hawkweed
<i>Holcus lanatus</i> L. ²	Velvet-grass
<i>Holodiscus discolor</i> (Pursh) Maxim.	Ocean-spray
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i> L. ²	Common St. Johns-wort
<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i> L. ²	False dandelion

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<i>Inula helenium</i> L. ²	Elecampane
<i>Iris tenax</i> Dougl.	Oregon iris
<i>Juncus</i> spp.	Rush
<i>Lathyrus pauciflorus</i> Fern.	Few-flowered peavine
<i>Lathyrus polyphyllus</i> Nutt.	Leafy peavine
<i>Ligusticum apiifolium</i> (Nutt.) Gray	Celery-leaved lovage
<i>Linnaea borealis</i> L.	Twinflower
<i>Lithophragma parviflora</i> (Hook.) Nutt.	Smallflower woodlandstar
<i>Lomatium utriculatum</i> (Nutt.) Coult. & Rose	Common lomatium
<i>Lonicera hispidula</i> (Lindl.) Dougl.	Hairy honeysuckle
<i>Lotus</i> sp.	Deervetch
<i>Luzula campestris</i> (L.) DC.	
var. <i>congesta</i> (Thuill.) E. Meyer	Field woodrush
<i>Madia gracilis</i> (J.E. Smith) Keck	Slender tarweed
<i>Marah oreganus</i> (T. & G.) Howell	Oregon bigroot
<i>Microsteris gracilis</i> (Hook.) Greene	
var. <i>gracilis</i>	Pink microsteris
<i>Mimulus alsinoides</i> Dougl.	Chickweed
<i>Mimulus guttatus</i> DC.	Yellow monkey-flower
<i>Mimulus moschatus</i> Dougl.	Musk-flower
<i>Montia perfoliata</i> (Donn) Howell	Miners-lettuce
<i>Montia sibirica</i> (L.) Howell	
var. <i>sibirica</i>	Western springbeauty
<i>Myosotis discolor</i> Pers.	Yellow and blue forget-me-not
<i>Myosotis laxa</i> Lehm.	Small-flowered forget-me-not
<i>Navarretia intertexta</i> (Benth.) Hook.	Needle-leaf navarretia
<i>Nemophila menziesii</i> H. & A.	Baby blue eyes
<i>Nemophila parviflora</i> Dougl.	Small-flowered nemophila
<i>Orobanche uniflora</i> L.	
var. <i>purpurea</i> (Heller) Achey	Naked broomrape
<i>Osmorhiza chilensis</i> H. & A.	Mountain sweet-root
<i>Oxalis suksdorfii</i> Trel.	Western yellow oxalis
<i>Perideridia gairdneri</i> (H. & A.) Math.	Gairdner's yampah
<i>Philadelphus lewisii</i> Pursh	Lewis mockorange
<i>Pinus ponderosa</i> Dougl.	Ponderosa pine
<i>Pityrogramma triangularis</i> (Kaulf.) Maxon	Goldfern
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i> L. ²	English plantain
<i>Poa annua</i> L. ²	Annual bluegrass
<i>Poa trivialis</i> L.	Roughstalk bluegrass
<i>Polypodium glycyrrhiza</i> DC. Eat.	Licorice-fern
<i>Polygonum douglasii</i> Greene	Douglas' knotweed
<i>Polystichum munitum</i> (Kaulf.) Presl	Sword-fern
<i>Potentilla gracilis</i> Dougl.	
var. <i>gracilis</i>	Slender cinquefoil

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Scientific name	Common name
<i>Prunella vulgaris</i> L. ²	Self-heal
<i>Prunus emarginata</i> (Dougl.) Walp.	Bitter cherry
<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> (Mirb.) Franco	Douglas-fir
<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> (L.) Kuhn	Bracken fern
<i>Quercus garryana</i> Dougl.	Oregon white oak
<i>Ranunculus occidentalis</i> Nutt. var. <i>occidentalis</i>	Western buttercup
<i>Ranunculus uncinatus</i> D. Don	Little buttercup
<i>Rhamnus purshiana</i> DC.	Cascara
<i>Rhus diversiloba</i> T. & G.	Poison-oak
<i>Rosa gymnocarpa</i> Nutt.	Baldhip rose
<i>Rubus laciniatus</i> Willd. ²	Evergreen blackberry
<i>Rubus leucodermis</i> Dougl.	Blackcap
<i>Rubus parviflorus</i> Nutt.	Thimbleberry
<i>Rubus ursinus</i> Cham. & Schlecht.	Pacific blackberry
<i>Rudbeckia occidentalis</i> Nutt.	Black head
<i>Rumex acetosella</i> L. ²	Sheep sorrel
<i>Salix scouleriana</i> Barratt	Scouler willow
<i>Sambucus cerulea</i> Raf.	Blue elderberry
<i>Sanicula crassicaulis</i> Poepp.	Pacific sanicle
<i>Satureja douglasii</i> (Benth.) Briq.	Yerba buena
<i>Saxifraga oregana</i> Howell	Oregon saxifrage
<i>Scirpus microcarpus</i> Presl	Small-fruited bulrush
<i>Senecio jacobaea</i> L. ²	Tansy ragwort
<i>Sitanion jubatum</i> Smith	Big squirreltail
<i>Smilacina stellata</i> (L.) Desf.	Star-flowered Solomon-plume
<i>Stachys rigida</i> Nutt.	Rigid hedge-nettle
<i>Stellaria crispa</i> Cham. & Schlecht.	Crisped starwort
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i> (L.) Blake	Common snowberry
<i>Symphoricarpos mollis</i> Nutt.	Creeping snowberry
<i>Synthyris reniformis</i> (Dougl.) Benth.	Snow-queen
<i>Taxus brevifolia</i> Nutt.	Pacific yew
<i>Thermopsis montana</i> Nutt. var. <i>venosa</i> (Eastw.) Jeps.	Mountain thermopsis
<i>Tiarella trifoliata</i> L. var. <i>unifoliata</i> (Hook.) Kurtz.	Coolwort foamflower
<i>Tonella tenella</i> (Benth.) Heller	Small-flowered tonella
<i>Torilis arvensis</i> (Huds.) Link. ²	Hedge-parsley
<i>Trientalis latifolia</i> Hook.	Western starflower
<i>Trifolium variegatum</i> Nutt.	White-tip clover

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<i>Vancouveria hexandra</i> (Hook.) Morr. & Dec.	White inside-out-flower
<i>Veronica arvensis</i> L. ²	Common speedwell
<i>Viburnum ellipticum</i> Hook.	Oregon viburnum
<i>Vicia americana</i> Muhl.	American vetch
<i>Viola sempervirens</i> Greene	Evergreen violet
<i>Whipplea modesta</i> Torr.	Whipplevine

¹Nomenclature follows Hitchcock and Cronquist (1976). Information supplied by author.

²Introduced species.

Table 2—Reptiles and amphibians in Camas Swale Research Natural Area¹

Order	Scientific name	Common name
Caudata	<i>Ambystoma gracile</i>	Northwestern salamander
	<i>Aneides ferreus</i>	Clouded salamander
	<i>Dicamptodon ensatus</i>	Pacific giant salamander
	<i>Ensatina eschscholtzii</i>	Oregon salamander
	<i>Taricha granulosa</i>	Roughskin newt
	<i>Plethodon dunni</i>	Dunn's salamander
	<i>Plethodon vehiculum</i>	Western red-backed salamander
Anura	<i>Hyla regilla</i>	Pacific treefrog
Squamata	<i>Charina bottae</i>	Rubber boa
	<i>Coluber constrictor</i>	Racer
	<i>Crotalus viridis</i>	Western rattlesnake
	<i>Diadophis punctatus</i>	Ringneck snake
	<i>Eumeces skiltonianus</i>	Western skink
	<i>Gerrhonotus coeruleus</i>	Northern alligator lizard
	<i>Gerrhonotus multicarinatus</i>	Southern alligator lizard
	<i>Pituophis melanoleucus</i>	Pacific gopher snake
	<i>Thamnophis elegans</i>	Western terrestrial garter snake
	<i>Thamnophis ordinoides</i>	Northwestern terrestrial garter snake
	<i>Thamnophis sirtalis</i>	Common garter snake

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Table 3—Birds in Camas Swale Research Natural Area¹

Order	Scientific name	Common name
Ciconiiformes	<i>Ardea herodias</i>	Great blue heron
	<i>Butorides striatus</i>	Green-backed heron
Falconiformes	<i>Accipiter cooperii</i>	Cooper's hawk
	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	Northern goshawk
	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>	Sharp-shinned hawk
	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>	Golden eagle
	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>	Red-tailed hawk
	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	Turkey vulture
	<i>Falco sparverius</i>	American kestrel
Galliformes	<i>Bonasa umbellus</i>	Ruffed grouse
	<i>Dendragapus obscurus</i>	Blue grouse
	<i>Oreortyx pictus</i>	Mountain quail
Columbiformes	<i>Columba fasciata</i>	Band-tailed pigeon
	<i>Zenaida macroura</i>	Mourning dove
Strigiformes	<i>Aegolius acadicus</i>	Saw-whet owl
	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>	Great horned owl
	<i>Glaucidium gnoma</i>	Pygmy owl
	<i>Otus asio</i>	Western screech owl
	<i>Strix occidentalis</i>	Spotted owl
	<i>Tyto alba</i>	Barn owl
Apodiformes	<i>Chaetura vauxi</i>	Vaux's swift
	<i>Selasphorus rufus</i>	Rufous hummingbird
	<i>Stellula calliope</i>	Calliope hummingbird
Piciformes	<i>Colaptes auratus</i>	Common flicker
	<i>Dendrocopos villosus</i>	Hairy woodpecker
	<i>Dryocopus pileatus</i> *	Pileated woodpecker
	<i>Picodes pubescens</i>	Downy woodpecker
	<i>Sphyrapicus varius</i>	Yellow-bellied sapsucker

Table 3—Birds in Camas Swale Research Natural Area¹ (continued)

Order	Scientific name	Common name
Passeriformes	<i>Nuttallornis borealis</i>	Olive-sided flycatcher
	<i>Empidonax difficillis</i>	Western flycatcher
	<i>Empidonax oberhalseri</i>	Dusky flycatcher
	<i>Contopus sordidulus</i>	Western wood pewee
	<i>Parus rufescens</i>	Chestnut-backed chickadee
	<i>Parus atricapillus</i>	Black-capped chickadee
	<i>Psaltiriparus minimus</i>	Bushtit
	<i>Perisoreus canadensis</i>	Gray jay
	<i>Cyanocitta stelleri</i>	Steller's jay
	<i>Corvus corax</i>	Common raven
	<i>Corvus branchyrhynchus</i>	American crow
	<i>Sitta canadensis</i>	Red-breasted nuthatch
	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>	Brown creeper
	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i> *	Winter wren
	<i>Ixoreus naevius</i>	Varied thrush
	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>	Robin
	<i>Catharus guttata</i>	Hermit thrush
	<i>Catharus ustulata</i>	Swainson's thrush
	<i>Regulus calendula</i>	Ruby-crowned kinglet
	<i>Regulus satrapa</i>	Golden-crowned kinglet
	<i>Vireo gilvus</i>	Warbling vireo
	<i>Vireo huttoni</i>	Hutton's vireo
	<i>Vireo solitarius</i>	Solitary vireo
	<i>Dendroica coronata</i>	Yellow-rumped warbler
	<i>Dendroica nigrescens</i>	Black-throated gray warbler
	<i>Dendroica occidentalis</i>	Hermit warbler
	<i>Dendroica townsendi</i>	Townsend's warbler
	<i>Wilsonia pusilla</i>	Wilson's warbler
	<i>Carpodacus purpureus</i>	Purple finch
	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>	Song sparrow
	<i>Hesperiphona vespertina</i>	Evening grosbeak
	<i>Pheucticus melanocephalus</i>	Black-headed grosbeak
	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>	Red crossbill
	<i>Junco hyemalis</i> *	Dark-eyed junco
	<i>Pipilo erythrophthalmus</i>	Rufus-sided towhee
	<i>Spinus pinus</i>	Pine siskin
	<i>Piranga ludoviciana</i>	Western tanager

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Table 4—Mammals in Camas Swale Research Natural Area¹

Order	Scientific name	Common name
Marsupialia	<i>Didelphis virginiana</i>	Common opossum
Insectivora	<i>Neurotrichus gibbsii</i> <i>Scapanus orarius</i> * <i>Sorex trowbridgii</i> <i>Sorex vagrans</i>	Shrew-mole Pacific coast mole Trowbridge's shrew Vagrant shrew
Chiroptera	<i>Antrozous pallidus</i> <i>Eptesicus fuscus</i> <i>Lasionycteris noctivagans</i> <i>Lasiurus cinereus</i> <i>Myotis californicus</i> <i>Myotis evotis</i> <i>Myotis lucifugus</i> <i>Myotis thysanodes</i> <i>Myotis volans</i> <i>Myotis yumanensis</i> <i>Plecotus townsendii</i>	Pallid bat Big brown bat Silver-haired bat Hoary bat California myotis Long-eared myotis Little brown myotis Fringed myotis Long-legged myotis Yuma myotis Townsend's big-eared bat
Lagomorpha	<i>Lepus americanus</i>	Snowshoe hare
Rodentia	<i>Aplodontia rufa</i> <i>Arborimus longicaudus</i> <i>Clethrionomys californicus</i> * <i>Erethizon dorsatum</i> * <i>Glaucomys sabrinus</i> <i>Microtus oregoni</i> <i>Peromyscus maniculatus</i> * <i>Sciurus griseus</i> <i>Tamiasciurus douglasii</i> * <i>Zapus trinotatus</i>	Mountain beaver Red tree vole Western red-backed vole Porcupine Northern flying squirrel Oregon vole Deer mouse Western gray squirrel Chickaree Pacific jumping mouse

Table 4—Mammals in Camas Swale Research Natural Area¹ (continued)

Order	Scientific name	Common name
Carnivora	<i>Canis latrans</i>	Coyote
	<i>Felis rufus</i>	Bobcat
	<i>Mustela erminea</i>	Shorttail weasel
	<i>Mustela frenata</i>	Long-tailed weasel
	<i>Mustela vison</i>	Mink
	<i>Spilogale putorius</i>	Spotted skunk
	<i>Urocyon cinereoargenteus</i>	Gray fox
	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	Red fox
Artiodactyla	<i>Cervus elaphus</i>	Roosevelt elk
	<i>Odocoileus hemionus</i> *	Blacktail deer

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