

HCP Species Profiles

KINCAID'S LUPINE

(Lupinus sulphureus ssp. kincaidii)

Status: Listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act in 2000.

Description: Kincaid's lupine is a long-lived perennial species in the Pea family with purple flower clusters of which brown quickly. It blooms from April-June with peak blooming occurring



during the latter half of May. The stem is usually visible between widely spaced flowers. Host plant for Fender's blue butterfly.

Habitat: It is typically found in native upland prairies with widely scattered oak trees. Dry short grass prairies make up the majority of habitat for lupine.

FENDER'S BLUE BUTTERFLY

(Icaricia icarioides fenderi)

Status: Listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Act in 2000.

Description: Fender's blue is a small butterfly. The upper wings



are blue in males and brown in females. The undersides of both gender's wings are a creamy tan with two rows of black spots and a white border. **Habitat:** The butterfly occurs within the same habitat as its larval host plant, Kincaid's lupine. Flight period is from late May through early June.



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Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for Yamhill County Upland Prairies



The Yamhill Soil & Water Conservation District would like to extend a new service to you which is voluntary and free of charge. This county is home to several threatened and endangered species, including Fender's blue butterfly and its host plant, Kincaid's lupine which exists in prairie habitats. We will be developing a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) to address responsibilities under the federal Endangered Species Act (ESA), and balance habitat conservation with existing land uses and economic growth.



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The District will be conducting surveys for Kincaid's lupine and Fender's blue butterfly for willing property owners in April-July of 2011 and 2012, at no cost to the landowner. By documenting locations on private land, the District will learn

distributions of these species in the County, understand how agricultural and other land use practices may benefit them, and promote effective conservation. Surveys are also a means for landowners to learn more about the habitats and species their property supports. **Having a survey completed does not add any new regulations to your property.** Your involvement is strictly voluntary and if you choose not to participate, your property will not be visited.

Survey results will be kept confidential unless you choose to participate in the HCP. Participation in the HCP will be open to landowners who have lupine and butterflies on their property and want to continue land use practices which have the potential to harm these species. They will receive planning assistance from the District which will provide future legal protection as it relates to the ESA. Technical and potential financial incentives will be available for significant lupine and butterfly habitats which are located.

Please help us launch this exciting new county wide effort by contacting me and



joining the survey list for next spring. **You can sign up for a survey online on our website under the "Programs" "Fender's blue" tabs or contact me by phone if you do not have online access.** We will host a public meeting at the McMinnville Community Center on February 16th at 6 pm to answer any questions about the HCP, ESA regulations and landowners responsibilities.



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