

Point Reyes and Golden Gate Range Management Program

This year showed continued energy and commitment to the range program for Point Reyes and the Golden Gate northern district dairy and beef ranches.

Rangeland monitoring was reinitiated, sampling 20 vegetation trend transects and 20 Residual Dry Matter transects. Two sediment control Best Management Practices (BMPs) were completed in cooperation with the Park's Roads Crew. The Truttman Headcut Project constructed two rock weirs and backfilling the headcut. The Truttman Road Project regraded a road on a steep slope, installing waterbars with ditchouts and surfacing the road prism with rock. The Range Team implemented a full biological resource assessment of ten project locations, conducted permitting in coordination with Marin Resource Conservation District and set up an indefinite quantities contract for fence construction renewable up to four years. The Range program procured \$120,000 in funding to match Regional Board Grant for compliance, design and project implementation.

The Range program assisted NRCS and local Ranchers with compliance and technical guidance on EQIP projects to conserve resources on park rangeland.

The Range program has been assisting with the reintroduction of showy Indian clover at D Ranch. They have also been assisting UC Berkeley researchers on a study at Pierce Point and a Bodega Bay grassland study at Palomarin and assisting Pinnacles NM with their range program and General Management Plan.



Showy Indian clover



Heifer at the Mendoza dairy ranch within the Seashore



McClure dairy ranch and Abbotts Lagoon