DOLAN FALLS RANCH REPORT ON A BRIEF BOTANICAL SURVEY 15 October 1992

At the invitation of The Nature Conservancy, the botanical resources of the Dolan Falls Ranch were examined during the week of 28 September through 2 October 1992. Populations of two listed endangered species were discovered and mapped, representatives of various plant communities were examined, and a preliminary plant checklist was prepared.

INTRODUCTION

Dolan Falls Ranch occupies more than 18000 acres in Val Verde County, Texas, stretching from the scenic Devils River-Dolan Creek juncture eastward several miles into the drainage of the Dry Devils River, on portions of the Dolan Springs, Clark Waterhole, Carruthers Draw, and Telephone Canyon 7.5' quadrangles (Figure 1). Elevation in this rather rugged terrain ranges from between 1800 and 1900 feet above sea level on higher ridgetops down to about 1300 feet along the Devils River. Val Verde County is described as having a subtropical steppe climate, with mean annual precipitation of 17.2 inches (National Fibers Information Center, 1987).

GEOLOGY

Like much of the Edwards Plateau, the Dolan Falls Ranch is underlain entirely by Cretaceous limestones and dolomites of the Edwards Group. In the northern half of the tract this underlying formation is called the Fort Terrett Member; in the southern half it is referred to as the Devils River Limestone (Waechter et al., 1977). Along drainages this bedrock is mantled by Quaternary alluvial terraces deposits, but on slopes the varied facies of these formations are readily observed, where not obscured by colluvium.

SOILS

The soils of Dolan Falls Ranch are mapped on sheets 27, 28, 37, and 38 of the Val Verde County soil survey (Golden et al, 1982). Only four mapping units are distinguished. Soils of level to gently sloping ridgetops are mapped as Ector-Rock outcrop association, hilly. These Lithic Calciustolls are very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loams with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Soils of most slopes are mapped as Ector-Rock outcrop association, very steep. Soils of some colluvial terraces are mapped as Olmos very gravelly loam. These Petrocalcic Calciustolls are very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, brown very gravelly loams with medium surface runoff and permeability and very low available water capacity. Olmos soils developed on old outwash deposits. Soils on nearly level terraces

along major streams are mapped as Dev soils, frequently flooded. These Cumulic Haplustolls are deep, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark brown very gravelly clay loams with slow to medium surface runoff, moderately rapid permeability, and low available water capacity.

PLANT COMMUNITIES

Several very general topographic/edaphic habitat types might be recognized at Dolan Falls Ranch, including (from top to bottom) 1) level to gently rolling uplands or ridgetops; 2) dry rocky slopes; 3) gentle colluvial slopes and flats 4) mesic canyon bottoms; 5) mesic cliffs and slopes along streams and around springs 6) alluvial terraces; and 7) streambeds and creekbanks. The vegetation of readily accessible representatives (Figure 2) of each of these general habitat types was qualitatively examined, albeit briefly, during this survey, and a discussion follows.

1. Level to gently rolling uplands or ridgetops

These areas lie above a usually well defined contour, often near 1800 feet above sea level, where slope is minimal or less than 5 Soils are very shallow stony loams, often with considerable bedrock exposure and large flags on the surface. Deeper (but still shallow) clay soils are found in The vegetation consists of shortgrass depressional areas. grassland with some shrub invasion (Table 1). Threeawns (Aristida spp.) and hairy tridens (Erioneuron pilosum) are perhaps the most important grasses in the shallowest soils, while in pockets of deeper soil curlymesquite (Hilaria belangeri) and buffalograss (Buchloe dactyloides) are common. Midgrasses such as sideoats grama (Bouteloua curtipendula) and green sprangletop (Leptochloa dubia) are present but less important, often around shrub thickets where protected from grazing. Mat-forming spikemosses (Selaginella spp.) occasionally cover bedrock outcrops, and areas of bare soil are considerable. Most of the shrubs in this site are low in stature, patchily distributed, and provide probably less than 10 berlandieri), (<u>Acacia</u> Huisache percent cover. (Karwinskia humboldtiana), squawbush (Condalia viridis and Condalia spathulata) are frequent and usually 3 to 4 feet in height. Thickets of Catclaw mimosa (Mimosa biuncifera) usually about 2 feet in height and succulents such as leatherstem (Jatropha dioica), yucca (Yucca spp.), and various cacti are also conspicuous. federally listed endangered species, Tobusch fishhook cactus (Ancistrocactus tobuschii) is scattered in such shortgrass grasslands. A former candidate for the endangered species list, yellow show (Amoreuxia wrightii), is another notable member of this flora.

2. Dry rocky slopes

This habitat type is abundantly represented on Dolan Falls Ranch, extending from nearly level ridgetops down usually steep slopes to the more moderate colluvial slopes below. The present vegetation of these slopes is at least visually dominated by shrubs, although in most cases cover by low shrubs (under 3-4 feet tall) is less than 30 percent. Perhaps the most common shrub is guajillo, but cenizo (Leucophyllum frutescens) and coyotillo are also widespread. In many places on the adjacent Devils River State Natural Area, composition of this shrubland is strongly influenced by exposure; drier south-facing slopes tend to support shrublands composed lechuguilla succulents such as desert mostly of lechuquilla), sotol (Dasylirion texanum), ocotillo (Fouquieria splendens), and yucca, while less xeric north-facing slopes tend to support open shrublands or woodlands in which larger (6-9 feet) leafy species such as Ashe juniper (Juniperus ashei) and Vasey scrub oak (Quercus pungens var. vaseyana) are more conspicuous. This dichotomy is not so obvious on the slopes at Dolan Falls Ranch, although all of these species are important. However, a few shrub species, such as cliff fendlerbush (Fendlera rupicola), Texas almond (<u>Prunus minutiflora</u>), and mountain mahogany (<u>Cercocarpus montanus</u>) seem to be restricted to less exposed north-facing Mountain mahogany is apparently rare on the ranch, and only one or two shrubs were encountered at the base of a northeastfacing low bluff on an upper slope. Abundant by comparison is groovestem bouchea (Bouchea linifolia), a shrublet which is perhaps nowhere in Texas more common than in the Devils River area.

Herbaceous cover is generally sparse, limited by rock outcrops and On narrow level benches where some soil accumulates, a boulders. grassland flora similar to that of the uplands is often present. In steeper rockier areas cover by grasses is generally sparse and dominated by threeawns, although sideoats grama, Nealley grama tanglehead and green sprangletop, uniflora), (Bouteloua are also common. Little (<u>Heteropogon</u> <u>contortus</u>) (Schizachyrium scoparium), the dominant midgrass over the heart of the Edwards Plateau, is at present relatively unimportant. most frequently encountered on scoured limestone ledges along Dolan Creek and Devils River, but a few large stands can be found in scattered areas on slopes of various exposure.

3. Gentle colluvial slopes and flats

This habitat type is patchily distributed along the base of steep slopes where not preempted by cliffs or alluvial terraces. Soils are better developed than on slopes, but remain very stony or gravelly. Much of the surface is cover with broken rock, which decreases in size with distance from adjacent slopes. The vegetation in such areas is a shrubland in which cenizo and guajillo are abundant. Quite characteristic is broom snakeweed (Gutierrezia microcephala), which is more common here than in other

habitats. Cover by shrubs 3 to 4 feet in height is generally between 25 and 50 percent. Cover in the ground layer is sparse, limited by stones on the surface and by the effects of past grazing. Threeawns and hairy tridens may be the most important grasses. A federally listed endangered plant species, Tobusch fishhook cactus, is perhaps more common in this habitat zone than elsewhere in the area. Although not listed in Table 3, many of the herbaceous plant species found on adjacent slopes can be found on these sites.

4. Mesic canyon bottoms

In a few canyon bottoms enough moisture is available to support small patches of mostly evergreen woodland. One such area lies at the mouth of the unnamed canyon on the east side of Devils River just south of Grass Patch Springs, about 1 mile south of Dolan This particular woodland is of interest in that it is the Falls. only known location in the United States for polymorphic white oak (Quercus polymorpha), which was only recently discovered (Simpson et al., 1992). This oak is common in the canopy, with some trees reaching 40 feet in height. Plateau live oak (Quercus fusiformis) and pecan (Carva illinoinensis) are also important. Texas mountain laurel (Sophora secundiflora), Mexican buckeye (Ungnadia speciosa), leadtree goldenball (<u>Leucaena retusa</u>) are common characteristic shrubs on rocky shaded banks of the canyon. slopes, rock outcrop, deep alluvial gravel, and periodic flooding restrict development of a ground layer, and few herbaceous plants were seen (Table 4).

5. Mesic cliffs and slopes along streams and around springs

Similarly dependent upon moisture are mostly evergreen woodlands found in narrow bands on steep cliffs and talus slopes along streams and in the vicinity of springs. The vegetation of these woodlands is typically a melange of a few woody plant species unique to such habitats as well as a large number of species commonly encountered elsewhere and occupying intermixed drier microhabitats. One shrub unique to such cliffs and breakdown slopes is Texas snowbells (Styrax texana), a federally listed endangered species which is endemic to a few counties along the southern edge of the Edwards Plateau. Fewer than 100 Texas snowbells shrubs are presently known to occur in the wild. mature Texas snowbell shrub was found near the top of the breakdown slope at the foot of the east-facing limestone bluff on the west bank of Devils River about 300 to 500 feet south of Dolan Falls. Although portions of this slope are shaded by large plateau live oak trees, the area around the snowbell is a steep pile of large boulders on which shrubs are the prinicipal vegetation; these shrubs form thickets except where growth is restricted by boulders. Associates include Mexican buckeye (Ungnadia speciosa), Roemer acacia (Acacia roemeriana), Texas kidneywood (Eysenhardtia texana), Texas persimmon, coyotillo, and guajillo. Ground cover is

insignificant and few herbaceous plant species were seen in the fall (Table 5a).

Texas snowbells was unsuccessfully sought on a mile long stretch of seemingly appropriate habitat along the southeast bank of Dolan Creek between Live Oak Canyon and Devils River; this area lies directly between the location of the one snowbell shrub presently known from Devils River State Natural Area and the one mature shrub described above. The vegetation of this northwest-facing boulder slope consists of a fairly continuous strip of mature plateau live oak trees mixed with a few pecan (Carya illinoinensis), with an understory of Texas mountainlaurel, Mexican buckeye, goldenball leadtree, bumelia (Bumellia lanuginosa var. texana) and other shrubs (Table 5b), with escaped fig trees (Ficus carica) locally abundant in the vicinity of the area's numerous springs. Although a variety of microhabitats is present along this slope, no Texas snowbell shrubs were encountered.

6. Alluvial terraces

Along much of the Devils River the floodplain is scoured to limestone bedrock by periodic floods, and little soil has accumulated. However, in some areas such as along the east bank of the river between Dolan Falls and Grass Patch Springs, pockets of deep silty alluvial soil are present. These well watered soils support mixed evergreen-deciduous woodlands in which pecan and plateau live oak, many exceeding 30 feet in height, are the principal trees. Understory shrubs in the deep shade of these trees include Texas mountainlaurel, guajillo, Texas persimmon, and granjeno (<u>Celtis</u> pallida). Ground cover is grassy, with speargrass (Stipa leucotricha), bermudagrass (Cynodon dactylon), and Virginia wildrye (Elymus virginicus) providing relatively high percent cover. These live oak-pecan woodlands are small in areal extent and are intermixed with other types. Toward the creek this woodland is bordered by a narrow strip of waterloving trees such as sycamore (Platanus occidentalis), fresno (Fraxinus berlandieri), and black willow (Salix nigra). Upslope only a few feet the live oak-pecan woodland is replaced by mesquite (Prosopis glandulosa)huisache woodland or by the quajillo-cenizo shrubland found on dry colluvial slopes.

7. Streambeds and creekbanks

Although deep silty alluvial terraces and the woodlands they support are absent from most of the ranch, a variable riparian plant community is one of the most unique features of the area. Sycamore and black willow trees are scattered along the length of Dolan Creek and Devils River; most are small in stature (less than 30 feet tall). Shrubs and small trees such as willow baccharis (Baccharis neglecta), buttonbush (Cephalanthus occidentalis), and fresno are similarly scattered, although along the margin of deepwater pools willow baccharis often forms dense thickets.

Stands of tall grasses and sedges are also conspicuous along such pools (e.g., along Devils River just north of Dolan Creek); switchgrass (Panicum virgatum), sawgrass (Cladium jamaicense), and giant cane (<u>Arundo donax</u>) are common. In the water itself, tussock sedge (<u>Eleocharis rostellata</u>) forms interlocking rounded clumps about 2 feet high and wide in fairly deep water near some gravelly Some backwater areas are quiet enough to support rooted aquatic plants like yellow spatterdock (Nuphar luteum) broadleaf pondweed (Potamogeton nodosus), while in the most swiftly flowing water American waterwillow (Justicia americana) may be the only submersed aquatic species. Scoured limestone bedrock benches border the river in some areas, and moist clayey soils in fractures on these benches support a number of sedges and broadleaf riparian species (Table 7), especially around springs where aquatics like water cress (Nasturtium officinale) and duckweed (Lemna valdiviana) are locally abundant. In other areas the waterways are bordered by deep beds of gravel on which desert willow (Chilopsis linearis) and splitleaf brickellia (Brickellia laciniata) often form open shrublands.

PLANT SPECIES OF INTEREST

Two federally listed endangered plant species are known to occur on the Dolan Falls Ranch. Texas snowbells, discussed in section 5a above, is represented by a single mature shrub and three seedlings. Tobusch fishhook cactus, mentioned in sections 1 and 3 above, was more frequently encountered. A total of 100 live plants (and 29 dead plants) were counted at 13 points along informal transects. It seems likely that these individuals represent a population that numbers more than 1000. Information about location of Tobusch fishhook cactus at Dolan Falls Ranch is included as Appendix 1.

Another plant species highlight is **yellow show** (Amoreuxia wrightii), a former candidate for the endangered species list. Three plants were found in an upland grassland along a north-south jeep track about 0.2 to 0.3 miles northeast of its junction, on the ridgetop about 2 airmiles east of Dolan Falls, with the east-west jeep trail leading through Sheep Camp and Leon Spring Canyons.

The polymorphous white oak (Quercus polymorpha) at area 4 represent the only wild population known in the United States. According to Simpson et al (1992), the nearest population of Quercus polymorpha is 500 kilometers to the southeast near Sabinas Hidalgo in the Mexican state of Nuevo Leon.

Anacacho orchid (Bauhinia congesta) is not a true orchid but instead a leguminous shrub with attractive orchid-like flowers. According to Simpson et al (1992), Jackie Smith and Mary Butterwick found this species near Grass Patch Springs, and John Carpenter and John Karges (pers. comm. to Pat McNeal) found a few shrubs along the west bank of the Devils River just north of Dolan Creek during

the summer of 1992. This shrub is known in Texas from a few spots in Val Verde County and the Anacacho Mountains of Kinney County.

One true orchid species was encountered on the Dolan Falls Ranch. A few stream epipactis (Epipactis gigantea) plants were found on an undercut limestone ledge along the west side of the Devils River at the spot where swimmers exit from the pool immediately below Dolan Falls. These orchids and the associated ferns in this sheltered microhabitat are dependent on the extra moisture provided by seepage and general proximity to perennial water. This orchid is not a globally rare species— it is distributed over much of western North America— but the flowers, which may be present in late spring and early summer, may nonetheless be of interest to visitors.

Groovestem bouchea (Bouchea linifolia) also deserves mention. Perhaps nowhere in its limited distribution in Texas is this shrublet more common than on the Dolan Falls Ranch and vicinity, where it is a colorful component of shrublands on steep slopes and colluvial flats, flowering in summer and early fall when floral display by other species is lacking.

Oak dodder (Cuscuta exaltata) is an odd feature of the flora of Dolan Falls Ranch. More than twenty dodder species are found in Texas, all of them true parasites that lack roots, leaves, and chlorophyll; most species resemble a mass of orange string or thread tangled among the stems and leaves of the various host plants. Oak dodder is parasitic on oaks and some other woody plant species; it is known only from Texas and Florida. Although widely distributed across Texas, it is rarely encountered even though it is quite conspicuous. Oak dodder was found on a single Vasey oak on the north edge of the Leon Spring Canyon road ca. 0.3 miles east of the windmill near the mouth of the canyon.

One of the nipple cacti, <u>Mammillaria prolifera</u>, is another of the plant specialties of Dolan Falls Ranch. According to Burford Westlund, a Texas cactus expert, this tiny cactus is seldom encountered in Texas, and although only one plant was found in a remote part of the first canyon on the east side of the Devils River south of the Grass Patch Springs canyon, other plants may be found on dry rock outcrops elsewhere on the property.

Although many showy hibiscus (<u>Hibiscus</u> sp.) are found in parts of the world that receive much more rainfall, a few are found in the arid parts of North America. Tulipan del monte (<u>Hibiscus cardiophyllus</u>) was found along the base of the west-facing bluff on the open limestone shelf along the east bank of the Devils River about 200 to 500 feet upstream from Dolan Creek. Coulter desert-rose (<u>Hibiscus coulteri</u>) was found in chalky dust in a large rock shelter on the lower south-facing slope on the north side of the canyon east of Grass Patch Springs near a fenceline crossing about 0.3-0.4 miles east of the Devils River.

Several other species encountered on Dolan Falls Ranch may be of sufficient academic interest to future surveyors to warrant comment. Seymeria texana was found on a lower east-facing slope in a north-draining tributary of the major canyon joining the Devils River at Grass Patch Springs, about 0.6 airmiles southsoutheast of Grass Patch Springs; additional information is provided on the voucher specimen label (Carr, McNeal, & Westlund 12406, TEX-LL). A single mountain mahogany (Cercocarpus montanus) was seen at the foot of the caprock conspicuously exposed upslope to the west of the Seymeria site. It was assumed, as it turned out erroneously, that this attractive shrub might be encountered in other sheltered rocky areas during this survey, and therefore was not collected or determined to variety. Cliff fendlerbush (Fendlera rupicola) was collected in the Grass Patch Spring canyon (Carr, McNeal, & Westlund 12408, TEX-LL) and was found in several other locations, Texas almond mostly on or about north-facing rock outcrops. (Prunus minutiflora) was found to be surprisingly frequent in similar habitats (Carr, McNeal, & Westlund 12410, TEX-LL).

Two yucca-like desert succulents should also be sought on Dolan Falls Ranch; neither was found during this survey, but both are present in small numbers on the adjacent Devils River State Natural Area. The "red yucca" of the nursery trade (Hesperalce parviflora), commonly cultivated in xeriscapes across Texas, is native to this part of Texas and adjacent Mexico. Hesperalce funifera, a much larger plant, is represented at Devils River SNA by fewer than five plants; these are the only plants known to occur in the United States. Both of these Hesperalce species should by sought on dry open rocky slopes and colluvial flats.

A list of plant species observed during these surveys at Dolan Falls Ranch is presented in Appendix 2.

Table 1. Plant species observed in grasslands on level to gently rolling uplands or ridgetops, area 1, Dolan Falls Ranch, 28 September - 2 October 1992.

WOODY PLANTS Acacia berlandieri Acacia smallii Aloysia gratissima Ancistrocactus tobuschii Berberis trifoliolata Castela texana Condalia spathulata Condalia viridis Coryphantha sulcata Dalea argyraea Dalea formosa Dasylirion texanum Echinocereus enneacanthus Echinocereus triglochidiatus Ephedra antisyphilitica Epithelantha micromeris Ferocactus hamatacanthus Forestiera angustifolia Guaiacum angustifolium Jatropha dioica Juniperus ashei Karwinskia humboldtiana Koeberlinia spinosa Leucophyllum frutescens Mammillaria heyderi Mimosa biunicifera Neolloydia conoidea Opuntia leptocaulis Opuntia sp. (O. lindheimeri?) Yucca sp. (Y. reverchonii?)
Yucca sp. (Y. torreyi?) Salvia ballotaeflora Ziziphus obtusifolius

HERBACEOUS PLANTS Abutilon incanum Acourtia runcinata Allium kunthii Amoreuxia wrightii Anthericum torreyi Aristida spp. Boerhaavia linearifolia Bouteloua curtipendula Buchloe dactyloides Cassia lindheimeriana Centaurium calycosum Cheilanthes horridula Cooperia pedunculata Croton monanthogynus Desmanthus velutinus Dyssodia pentachaeta Erigeron modestus Erioneuron pilosum Evax verna Gaillardia pulchella Hedeoma acinoides Hedeoma drummondii Hedyotis acerosa Hedyotis nigricans Heteropogon contortus Hilaria belangeri Ibervillea tenuisecta Leptochloa dubia Linum sp. (L. rupestre?) Macrosiphonia macrosiphon Oenothera triloba Plantago rhodosperma Polygala lindheimeri Portulaca mundula Portulaca retusa Rivina humilis Salvia farinacea Scutellaria drummondii Selaginella sp. Sida filicaulis Thyrallis angustifolia Tiquilia canescens Triodanis coloradoensis Verbena canescens

Table 2. Plant species observed in grasslands and shrublands on dry rocky slopes, area 2, Dolan Falls Ranch, 28 September - 2 October 1992.

WOODY PLANTS Acacia berlandieri Acacia rigidula Agave lechuguilla Berberis trifoliolata Bernardia myricaefolia Bouchea linifolia calliandra conferta Cercocarpus montanus Condalia viridís Croton fruticulosus Croton torreyanus Dalea formosa Dalea frutescens Dasylirion texanum Echinocereus enneacanthus Echinocereus triglochidiatus Ephedra antisyphilitica Epithelantha micromeris Eysenhardtia texana Fendlera rupicola Ferocactus hamatacanthus Forestiera reticulata Fouquieria splendens Guaiacum angustifolium Jatropha dioica Juniperus ashei Karwinskia humboldtiana Leucophyllum frutescens Mimosa biunicifera Mimosa borealis Neolloydia conoidea Opuntia leptocaulis Opuntia sp. (O. lindheimeri?) Prunus minutiflora Quercus pungens var. vaseyana Yucca sp. (Y. reverchonii?) Yucca sp. (Y. torreyi?) Salvia ballotaeflora Viguiera stenoloba

HERBACEOUS PLANTS
Abutilon incanum
Acalypha lindheimeri
Acleisanthes longiflora
Acourtia runcinata
Allium kunthii
Amsonia longiflora

Aristida spp. Boerhaavia linearifolia Bouteloua curtipendula Bouteloua eriopoda Boutelous gracilis Bouteloua uniflora Cassia lindheimeriana Centaurium calycosum Cheilanthes horridula Commelina erecta Cooperia pedunculata Croton monanthogynus Dyssodia pentachaeta Eriochloa sericea Erioneuron pilosum Gaillardia pulchella Hedeoma acinoides Hedeoma drummondii Hedyotis acerosa **Hedyotis nigricans** Heliotropium tenellum Heteropogon contortus Hilaria belangeri Leptochloa dubia Linum rupestre Macrosiphonia macrosiphon Menodora longiflora Mentzelia oligosperma Notholaena candida var. copelandii Notholaena parvifolia Oenothera triloba Pellaea atropurpurea Penstemon baccharifolius Polygala lindheimeri Rhynchosia texana Schizachyrium scoparium Scutellaria drummondii Selaginella sp. Seymeria texana Sida filipes Sporobolus asper Thyrallis angustifolia Tiquilia canescens Tridens muticus Triodanis coloradoensis Verbena canescens

Zexmenia hispida

Table 3. Plant species observed in grasslands and shrublands on gentle colluvial slopes and flats, area 3, Dolan Falls Ranch, 28 September - 2 October 1992. Many of the species of adjacent steeper slopes are also found in these areas but are not listed here.

WOODY PLANTS
Acacia berlandieri
Berberis trifoliolata
Bouchea linifolia
Coryphantha sulcata
Echinocereus enneacanthus
Epithelantha bokei
Gutierrezia microcephala
Heliotropium torreyi
Leucophyllum frutescens
Mammillaria heyderi
Neolloydia conoidea
Opuntia lindheimeri
Sophora secundiflora
Yucca sp.

HERBACEOUS PLANTS Argythamnia humilis Aristida spp. Bouteloua curtipendula Bouteloua hirsuta Chloris cucullata Croton dioicus Croton monanthogynus Dyssodia pentachaeta Erioneuron pilosum Gaillardia pulchella Hedyotis acerosa Krameria lanceolata Linum rigidum var. berlandieri Cheilanthes cochisense Cheilanthes horridula Phyllanthus polygonoides Selaginella sp. Thyrallis angustifolia

Table 4. Plant species observed in woodland in mesic canyon bottom, area 4, Dolan Falls Ranch, 28 September - 2 October 1992.

WOODY PLANTS Acacia berlandieri Acacia roemeriana Bernardia myricaefolia Bumelia lanuginosa var. texana Carya illinoinensis Celtis reticulata Diospyros texana Karwinskia humboldtiana Leucaena retusa Ptelea trifoliata Quercus fusiformis Quercus polymorpha Rhus toxicodendron Rhus virens Sophora secundiflora Ungnadia speciosa Vitis berlandieri

HERBACEOUS PLANTS
Aristolochia coryi
Bouteloua curtipendula
Cocculus carolinus
Euphorbia angusta
Notholaena candida var.
copelandii
Passiflora affinis
Pellaea ovata
Setaria sheelei
Stipa leucotricha

Table 5a. Plant species observed in woodland on mesic cliffs and slopes along streams and around springs, area 5a, Dolan Falls Ranch, 28 September - 2 October 1992.

WOODY PLANTS Acacia berlandieri Acacia rigidula Acacia roemeriana Agave lechuguilla Bernardia myricaefolia Bumelia lanuginosa var. texana Carlowrightia torreyana Celtis pallida Celtis reticulata Colubrina texensis Diospyros texana Eysenhardtia texana Forestiera reticulata Fouquieria splendens Guaiacum angustifolium Karwinskia humboldtiana Leucaena retusa Leucophyllum frutescens Opuntia lindheimeri Quercus fusiformis Quercus pungens var. vaseyana Rhus toxicodendron var. eximia Rubus trivilis Salvia ballotaeflora Smilax bona-nox Sophora secundiflora Styrax texana Ungnadia speciosa Vitis sp. (V. berlandieri?) Ziziphus obtusifolius

HERBACEOUS PLANTS Abutilon incanum Acalypha lindheimeri Aristida spp. Bothriochloa ischaemum Bouteloua curtipendula Cassia lindheimeriana Cheilanthes horridula Cocculus carolinus Elymus canadensis Galactia texana Hedeoma sp. (H. drummondii?) Maurandya antirrhiniflora Notholaena candida var. copelandii Passiflora affinis Pellaea ovata Polygala lindheimeri Tragia ramosa

Table 5b. Plant species observed in woodland on mesic cliffs and slopes along streams and around springs, area 5b, Dolan Falls Ranch, 28 September - 2 October 1992.

WOODY PLANTS Acacia berlandieri Baccharis neglecta Bumelia lanuginosa var. texana Carya ilinoinensis Celtis reticulata Cephalanthus occidentalis Croton fruticulosus Diospyros texana Ficus carica Forestiera reticulata Fraxinus berlandieri Juniperus ashei Karwinskia humboldtiana Leucaena retusa Quercus fusiformis Quercus pungens var. vaseyana Parthenocissus quinquefolia Platanus occidentalis Ptelea trifoliata Rhus toxicodendron var. eximia Rhus toxicodendron var. vulgaris Rhus virens Rubus trivialis Smilax bona-nox Sophora secundiflora Ungnadia speciosa Vitis sp. Zanthoxylum hirsutum

HERBACEOUS PLANTS
Acalypha lindheimeri
Cissus incisa
Clematis pitcheri
Convolvulus sp.
Dichanthelium sp.
Passiflora affinis
Penstemon baccharifolius
Perityle lindheimeri
Teucrium canadense
Tillandsia recurvata

Table 6. Plant species observed in woodland/shrubland on alluvial terraces, area 6, Dolan Falls Ranch, 28 September - 2 October 1992.

WOODY PLANTS Acacia berlandieri Acacia smallii Aloysia gratissima Baccharis neglecta Berberis trifoliolata Bumelia lanuginosa Carya illinoinensis Celtis pallida Celtis reticulata Condalia viridis Croton torreyanus Dasylirion texanum Diospyros texana Fraxinus berlandieri Guaiacum angustifolium Heliotropium torreyi Jatropha dioica Juniperus ashei Juniperus pinchotii Karwinskia humboldtiana Leucophyllum frutescens Mimosa biuncifera Mimosa borealis Opuntia leptocaulis Platanus occidentalis Prosopis glandulosa Ptelea trifoliata Quercus fusiformis Quercus pungens var. vaseyana Sapindus saponaria Smilax bona-nox Sophora secundiflora

HERBACEOUS PLANTS Abutilon incanum Ambrosia psilostachya Cassia lindheimeriana Chloris cucullata Cynodon dactylon Dichanthium annulatum Elymus canadensis Elymus virginicus Eragrostis intermedia Marrubium vulgare Panicum virgatum Pappaphorum bicolor Setaria scheelei Sorghum halepense Stipa leucotricha Teucrium canadense Tillandsia recurvata Verbena bipinnatifida Verbesina encelioides

Table 7. Plant species observed along streambeds and creekbanks, Dolan Falls Ranch, 28 September - 2 October 1992.

WOODY PLANTS
Baccharis neglecta
Brickellia laciniata
Cephalanthus occidentalis
Chilopsis linearis
Ficus carica
Fraxinus berlandieri
Juglans microcarpa
Platanus occidentalis
Salix nigra

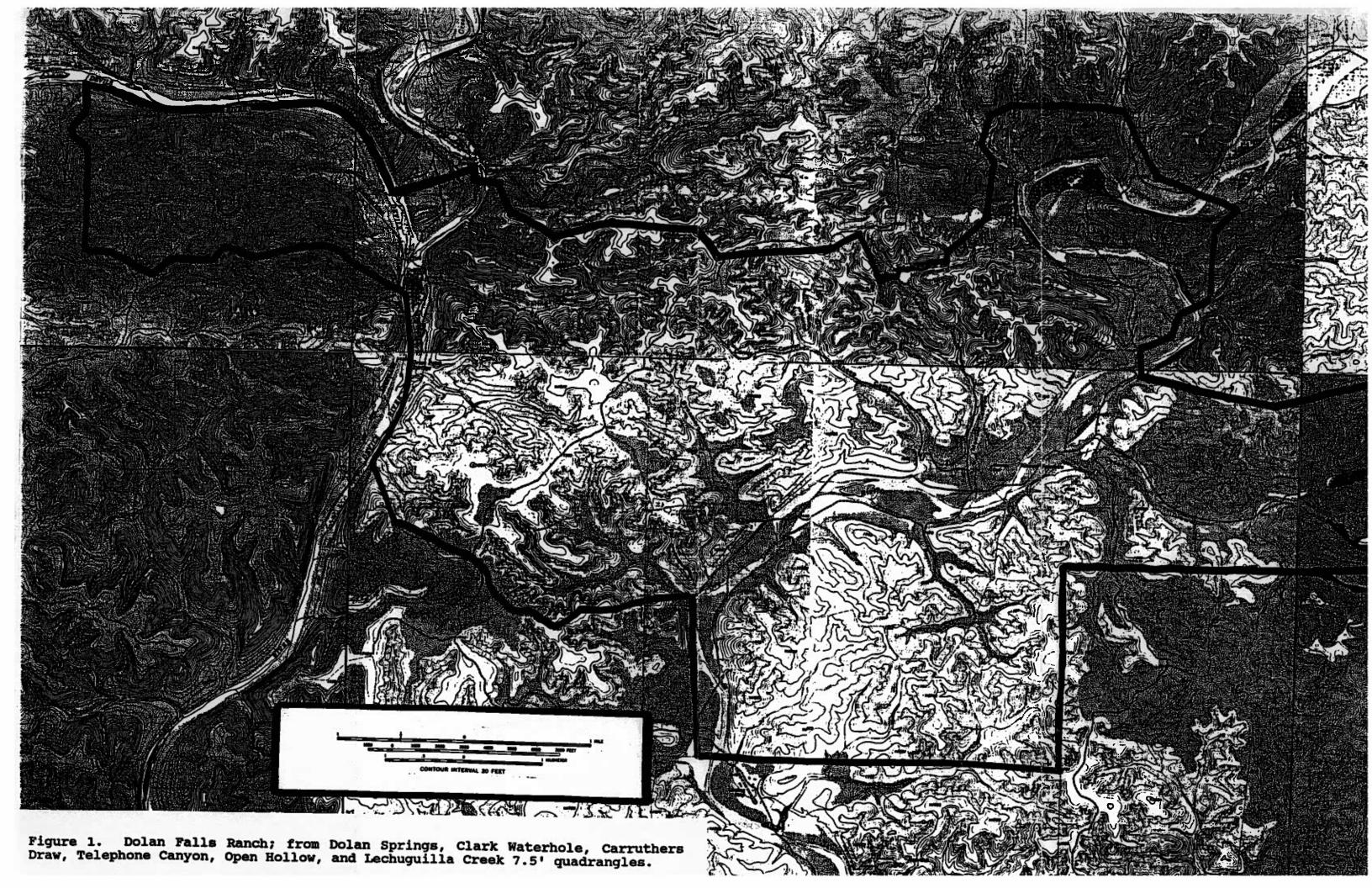
GRASSES/SEDGES Arundo donax Bothriochloa ischaemum Cladium jamaicense Cynodon dactylon Cyperus cf. elegans Cyperus odoratus Dichromena colorata Eleocharis caribaea Eleocharis montividensis Eleocharis rostellata Fuirena simplex var. simplex Juncus interior Juncus torreyi Panicum virgatum Paspalum sp. Schizachyrium scoparium Setaria geniculata

FERNS
Adiantum capillus-veneris
Thelypteris kunthii

FORBS Ambrosia psilostachya Asclepias incarnata Aster sp. (A. subulatus?) Bacopa monnieri Boehmeria cylindrica Centella asiatica Cynoctonum mitreola Epipactis gigantea Eupatorium serotinum Eustoma exaltata Hydrocotyle verticillata Indigofera lindheimeriana Justicia americana Lemna valdiviana Lobelia berlandieri var. brachypoda Lobelia cardinalis Lythrum californicum Mecardonia vandellioides Mimulus glabratus Najas guadalupensis Nasturtium officinale Nuphar luteum Persicaria punctata Persicaria sp. Phyla nodiflora Potamogeton nodosus Salvia farinacea Samolus cuneatus Samolus parviflorus Solidago juliae Verbena scabra Xanthium strumarium

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APPENDIX 1 TOBUSCH FISHHOOK CACTUS POPULATIONS DOLAN FALLS RANCH 16 OCTOBER 1992

During a botanical inventory of Dolan Falls Ranch conducted 28 September through 2 October 1992, Tobusch fishhook cactus (Ancistrocactus tobuschii) was sought in appropriate habitat by Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr and other visitors. Cacti were encountered at 13 points along informal transects on gentle colluvial slopes and flats (Figure 3) and on nearly level uplands (Figure 4). In all, 100 live plants and 29 dead plants were observed. Thousands of acres of similar habitat were not examined, and it is assumed that the total population of Tobusch fishhook cactus at Dolan Falls Ranch numbers more than 1000 individuals. Additional surveys are recommended for early spring 1993. Following is a brief description of each of the presently known 13 population/sites. A list of associates is provided for upland sites; through oversight, no list of associates was prepared for sites on colluvial slopes and flats.

Population/site A

Location: NE side of gravel road leading from ford of Devil's River near mouth of Dolan Creek NW along landing strip and into nameless canyon, ca. 0.8 roadmiles NNW of old abandoned house (marked as open square on topo), just N of crossing of a moderate drain, N of point at which road ascends from level area (old airstrip). Population/site B is across moderate drain to S. Telephone Canyon Quadrangle.

Description of site: ca. 5 percent slope; very stony clay soil; Leucophyllum frutescens-Acacia berlandieri-Gutierrezia microcephala shrub cover ca. 30 percent; cover in ground layer sparse, mostly Aristida spp., Erioneuron pilsoum, Hedyotis acerosa; Neolloydia conoidea, Epithelantha bokei, Mammillaria heyderi, Coryphantha sulcata, Echinocereus enneacanthus also present.

Soil: mapped as ERG, Ector-Rock outcrop association, very steep; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 15 live plants, 2 dead; mostly large (2 in diameter), few smaller.

Date surveyed: 1 October 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr.

Population/site B

Location: NE side of gravel road leading from ford of Devils River near mouth of Dolan Creek NW along landing strip and into nameless canyon, 0.5 roadmiles NNW of old abandoned house (marked as open square on topo), just N of a small drain just N of point at which road ascends from level area (old airstrip). Utility pole in middle or western half of site; at this pole the trend of the wire changes from roughly N-S to roughly SW-NE. Population/site A is across moderate drain to N. Telephone Canyon and Dolan Springs Quadrangles.

Description of site: 5-10 percent slope, very stony clay soil; Leucophyllum frutescens-Acacia berlandieri-Gutierrezia microcephala shrub cover ca. 30 percent; cover in ground layer sparse, mostly Aristida, Hedyotis acerosa, with some Bouteloua gracilis; Neolloydia conoidea, Mammillaria heyderi, Coryphantha sulcata, Echinocereus enneacanthus also present.

Soil: mapped as ERG, Ector-Rock outcrop association, very steep; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 17 live plants, 13 dead.

Date surveyed: 1 October 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr.

Population/site C

Location: NE side of gravel road leading from ford of Devil's River near mouth of Dolan Creek NW along landing strip and into nameless canyon, 0.2-0.3 roadmiles NNW of old abandoned house (marked as open square on topo); this spot is apparently right on the old airstrip runway. Dolan Springs Quadrangle.

Description of site: nearly level, slope 1 percent or less; gravelly clay soil, numerous stones on surface but cobbles mostly absent (removed?); Acacia berlandieri-Leucophyllum frutescens shrubland with ca. 25 percent cover of shrubs 4 feet in height; shortgrass openings with Erioneuron pilosum, Aristida spp.; associates as in populations/sites A/B. Although it seems logical to assume that this airstrip was leveled with heavy machinery at some time in the past (at least once, perhaps regularly), no artifacts of blading were obvious.

Soil: mapped as ERG, Ector-Rock outcrop association, very steep; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate

permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: ca. 25 live plants in small area; no count taken of dead plants.

Date surveyed: 29 September 1992, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr; 1 October 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr.

Population/site D

Location: E side of gravel road leading from houses on W side of Devils River NNW to landing strip opposite Blue Spring, N side of small drain S of abandoned house marked as open square on topo. Dolan Springs Quadrangle.

Description of site: lower colluvial slope (less than 10 percent); gravelly clay with large stones and cobbles up to 8" in longest direction common on surface (50 percent or more cover); openings in Leucophyllum frutescens-Acacia berlandieri-Gutierrezia microcephala; openings with patchy cover of Selaginella mats and short grasses and forbs such as Erioneuron pilosum, Aristida spp., Dyssodia pentachaeta, Hedyotis acerosa, Croton dioicus, Linum rigidum var. berlandieri, Krameria lanceolata, Phyllanthus polygonoides; other important woody plants include Heliotropium torreyi, Berberis trifoliolata, Opuntia lindheimeri.

Soil: mapped as ERG, Ector-Rock outcrop association, very steep; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 16 live plants, 4 dead.

Date surveyed: 28 September 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr; 1 October 1992, Burford Westlund.

Population/site E

Location: steep midslope ca. 500 feet W of cabin, i.e., ca. 800 ft. W of Dolan Falls. Dolan Springs Quadrangle.

Description of site: steep (40 degree?), east-facing, very rocky slope; shallow very stony soil; Leucophyllum frutescens-Acacia berlandieri shrubland; percent cover not determined; openings scattered, mostly boulders.

Soil: mapped as ERG, Ector-Rock outcrop association, very steep; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark

grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 1 live plant.

Date surveyed: 30 September 1992, Burford Westlund.

Population/site F

Location: W side of entrance road, 0.0-0.2 mi. S of entrance gate, centered ca. 0.7 airmiles NNE of mouth of Dolan Creek at Devils River. Dolan Springs Quadrangle.

Description of site: slopes of almost 0 to perhaps 10 degrees, gravelly clay soil with stones and cobbles covering 50 percent of surface; cenizo-guajillo shrubland with Selaginella common in openings, little grass cover.

Soil: mapped as OMD, Olmos very gravelly loam; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, brown very gravelly loam with medium surface runoff and permeability and very low available water capacity. Petrocalcic Calciustolls.

Geology: old outwash deposits per soil survey.

Number of plants observed: 8 live plants, 0 dead.

Date surveyed: 1 October 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr.

Population/site G

Location: with 100 feet on windmill on N side of road in Leon Spring Canyon, ca. 1/4 mi E of Dolan Falls, ca. 1/4 mi ESE of mouth of Dolan Creek at Devils River. Dolan Springs Quadrangle. Both plants seen were 30-40 feet WNW of windmill.

Description of site: nearly level to gently sloping (5 percent?) area which was heavily utilized when ranch was active; tight gravelly clay soil, some stones on surface, most of which were recently moved around (mechanically) according to Westlund; Acacia berlandieri-Leucophyllum frutescens-Gutierrezia microcephala shrubland, with Heliotropium torreyi, Dyssodia penmtachaeta, Tiquilia canescens, Erioneuron pilosum, Aristida spp. in openings. Livestock no doubt lingered in this area when the ranch was active, and periodic maintenance of water pump, etc., no doubt resulted in more vehicle traffic here than in most parts of the ranch. Given this presumed history, the site would not seem to be among the most profitable places to search for A. tobuschii; nonetheless, the cactus is present, albeit in very small numbers.

Soil: mapped as ERG, Ector-Rock outcrop association, very steep; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 1 live plant, 1 dead.

Date surveyed: 30 September 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr, Terry Cook, Jackie Davis.

Population/site H

Location: ridgetop N of gravel road up Leon Spring Canyon, S of Leon Spring Canyon proper, ca. 1.5 airmiles due E of windmill near mouth of Leon Spring Canyon.

Description of site: shallow stony clay soil on spine of ridegtop.

Soil: mapped as ERG, Ector-Rock outcrop association, very steep; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 6 live plants 2 dead.

Date surveyed: 2 October 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal.

Population/site I

Location: both sides of road running NE-SW along divide between Leon Canyon and Sheep Camp Canyon, ca. 0.1-0.3 mi NE of this road's jct. with main gravel road running E-W through Leon and Sheep Camp Canyons. Dolan Springs Quadrangle. Cacti were found between road and fence to west, ca. 0.2 mi. NE of jct.

Description of site: nearly level to benched, very gently sloping upland; ca. 25 percent cover of shrubs mostly 3 ft tall or less, usually in clumps or mottes with among sparsely vegetated rocky grassland openings; in addition to locally common species such as Acacia berlandieri, Jatropha dioica, and Mimosa biunicifera, some locally uncommon species such as Castela texana, Condalia spathulata, and Koeberlinia spinosa are present; ground layer in open areas consists of mats of Selaginella sp. and scattered grasses such as Erioneuron pilosum, Bouteloua curtipendula, and Aristida spp.; pockets opf deeper soil support Hilaria belangeri.

Soil: mapped as ERF, Ector-Rock outcrop association, hilly; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 2 live plants, 1 dead.

Date surveyed: 30 September 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr, Terry Cook, Jackie Davis.

Population/site J

Location: upland within 500 feet of windmill, both sides of road running NE-SW along divide between Leon Canyon and Sheep Camp Canyon, ca. 1/2 mi NE of this road's jct. with main gravel road running E-W through Leon and Sheep Camp Canyons. Dolan Springs Quadrangle. Cacti were found between road and fence to west, ca. 20 feet south of south end of loop road around windmill.

Description of site: Nearly level upland; shallow gravelly clay with some pockets of deeper, seasonally wet clay over unbroken bedrock; heavily utilized grassland with considerable brush invasion (Mimosa biuncifera, Acacia berlandieri, Acacia smallii, etc); Hilaria belangeri common in deeper seasonally moist soil, Aristida scattered in rockier areas. Ancistrocactus tobuschii found in pocket of deep soil, which is not its typical habitat as presently known.

Soil: mapped as ERF, Ector-Rock outcrop association, hilly; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 2 live plants, 2 dead.

Date surveyed: 30 September 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr.

Population/site K

Location: both sides of gravel road on ridgetop between Devils River to W and Dry Devils River to E, 0.6 roadmiles NE of concrete water tank at BM 1789 on topo, 0.2 roadmiles N of gate at right angle turn in road at BM 1774, 0.85 roadmiles SW of jct. of this road and the E-W road from Leon Spring Canyon to Sheep Camp Canyon.

Description of site: essentially same as population/site M. Site includes a nearly level area of almost bare limestone bedrock and flags, and a 2 percent slope with considerable coverage by Aristida spp.

Soil: mapped as ERF, Ector-Rock outcrop association, hilly; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 5 live plants, 1 dead.

Date surveyed: 2 October 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr, Terry Cook.

Population/site L

Location: both sides of gravel road on ridgetop between Devils River to W and Dry Devils River to E, 0.15 roadmiles NE of concrete water tank at BM 1789 on topo, 1.3 roadmiles SW of jct. of this road and the E-W road from Leon Spring Canyon to Sheep Camp Canyon.

Description of site: essentially same as population/site M.

Soil: mapped as ERF, Ector-Rock outcrop association, hilly; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 1 live plant, 2 dead.

Date surveyed: 2 October 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr, Terry Cook.

Population/site M

Location: SE side of gravel road on ridgetop between Devils River to W and Dry Devils River to E, at concrete water tank at BM 1789 on topo, 1.45 roadmiles SW of jct. of this road and the E-W road from Leon Spring Canyon to Sheep Camp Canyon.

Description of site: nearly level ridgetop; very shallow clay with patches of limestone bedrock outcrop and considerable gravel, stone, and cobble on surface; sparse cover of low (1-2 ft) Mimosa biuncifera, 3 ft or lower Acacia berlandieri, with colonies of Jatropha dioica, and very sparse cover of Aristida spp., Selaginella sp., Croton monanthogynus, with scattered clumps of Bouteloua curtipendula in deep soil pockets.

Soil: mapped as ERF, Ector-Rock outcrop association, hilly; very shallow to shallow, well drained, moderately alkaline, dark grayish brown stony loam with rapid surface runoff, moderate permeability, and very low available water capacity. Lithic Calciustolls.

Number of plants observed: 1 live plant, 1 dead.

Date surveyed: 2 October 1992, Burford Westlund, Pat McNeal, Bill Carr, Terry Cook.

Table A1. Associates of <u>Ancistrocactus</u> <u>tobuschii</u> at population/sites I and J; based on field survey of 30 September 1992:

WOODY PLANTS Acacia berlandieri Acacia smallii Aloysia gratissima Berberis trifoliolata Castela texana Condalia spathulata Condalia viridis Coryphantha sulcata Dalea formosa Dasylirion texanum Echinocerue enneacanthus Echinocereus triglochidiatus Ephedra antisyphilitica Epithelantha micromeris Ferocactus hamatacanthus Forestiera angustifolia Guaiacum angustifolium Jatropha dioica Juniperus ashei Koeberlinia_spinosa_ Mammillaria heyderi Mimosa biunicifera Neolloydia conoidea Opuntia leptocaulis Opuntia sp. (O. lindheimeri?) Yucca sp. (Y. reverchonii?) Yucca sp. (Y. torreyi?) Salvia ballotaeflora Ziziphus obtusifolius

HERBACEOUS PLANTS Abutilon incanum Acourtia runcinata Allium kunthii Amoreuxia wrightii Anthericum torreyi Aristida spp. Boerhaavia linearifolia Bouteloua curtipendula Cassia lindheimeriana Centaurium calycosum Cheilanthes horridula Cooperia pedunculata Croton monanthogynus Dyssodia pentachaeta Erioneuron pilosum Gaillardia pulchella Hedeoma acerosa Hedeoma acinoides Hedeoma drummondii Heteropogon contortus Ibervillea tenuisecta Leptochloa dubia Linum sp. (L. rupestre?) Macrosiphonia macrosiphon Oenothera triloba Plantago rhodosperma Polygala lindheimeri Portulaca retusa Rivina humilis Scutellaria drummondii Selaginella sp. Sida filicaulis Thyrallis angustifolia Tiquilia canescens Verbena canescens

Table A2. Associates of <u>Ancistrocactus</u> <u>tobuschii</u> at populations/sites K, L, and M; based on field survey of 2 October 1992:

WOODY PLANTS
Acacia berlandieri
Acacia smallii (rare)
Echinocereus enneacanthus
Jatropha dioica
Karwinskia humboldtiana
Leucophyllum frutescens (rare)
Mammillaria heyderi
Mimosa biuncifera
Opuntia leptocaulis
Opuntia lindheimeri
Yucca sp. (Y. torreyi?)

HERBACEOUS PLANTS
Allium kunthii
Aristida spp.
Bouteloua curtipendula
Cassia lindheimeriana
Centaurium calycosum

Cooperia pedunculata Croton monanthogynus Desmanthus velutinus Dyssodia pentachaeta Erigeron modestus Evax verna Gaillardia pulchella Hedeoma cf. drummondii Hedyotis acerosa Hedyotis nigricans Leptochloa dubia Macrosiphonia macrosiphon Oenothera triloba Portulaca mundula Portulaca retusa Salvia farinacea Selaginella sp. Tiquilia canescens Triodanis coloradoensis

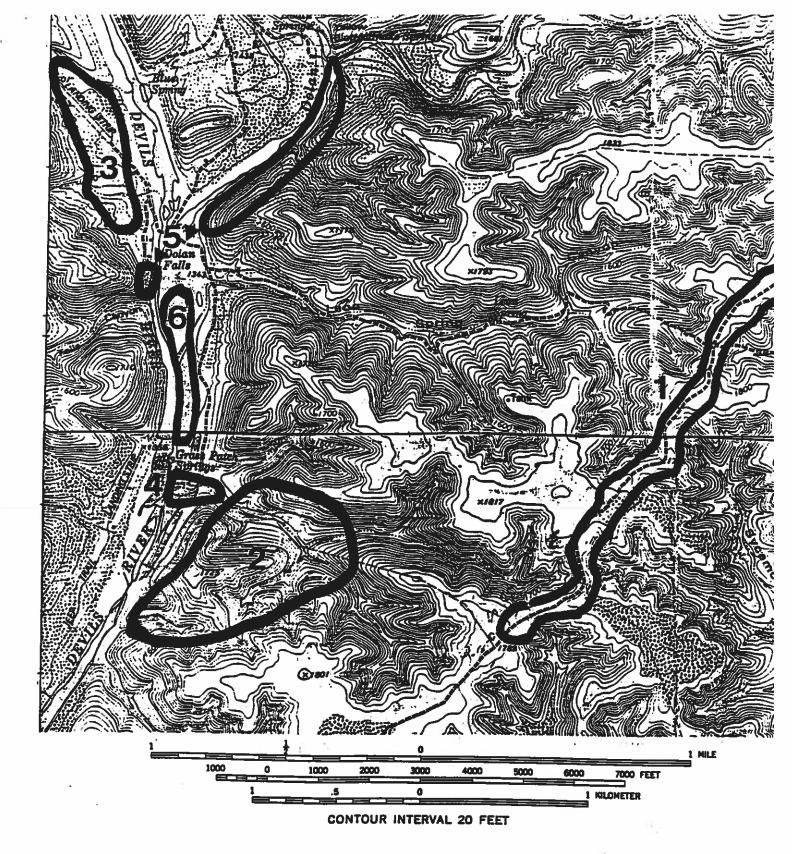


Figure 2. Representative habitat types examined at Dolan Falls Ranch: 1) level to gently rolling uplands or ridgetops; 2) dry rocky slopes; 3) gentle colluvial slopes and flats 4) mesic canyon bottoms; 5) mesic cliffs and slopes along streams and around springs 6) alluvial terraces; and 7) streambeds and creekbanks (not outlined).

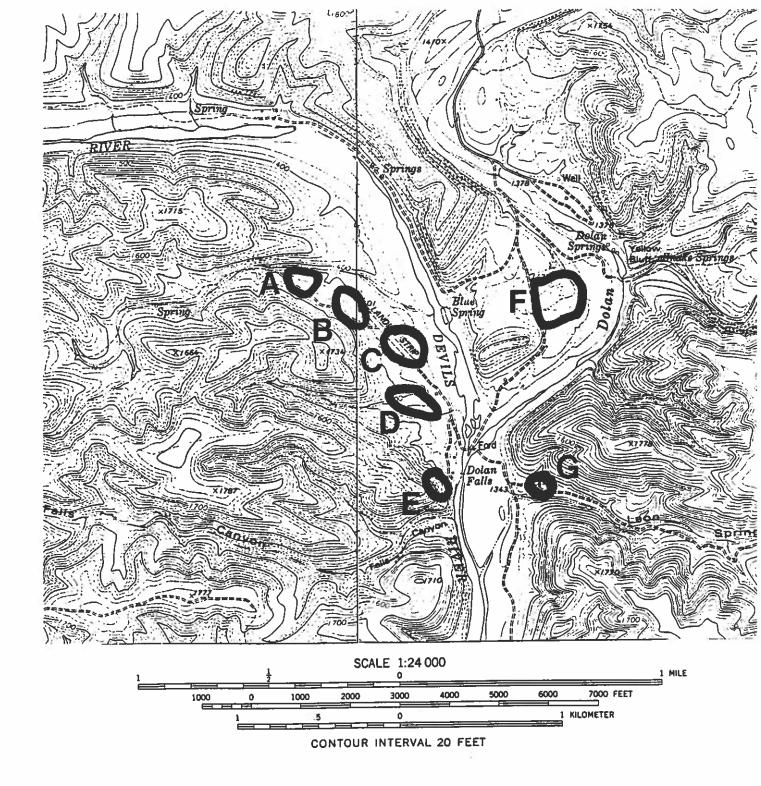


Figure 3. Location of <u>Ancistrocactus</u> <u>tobuschii</u> population/sites A through G, Dolan Falls Ranch; from Telphone Canyon and Dolan Springs 7.5' quadrangles.

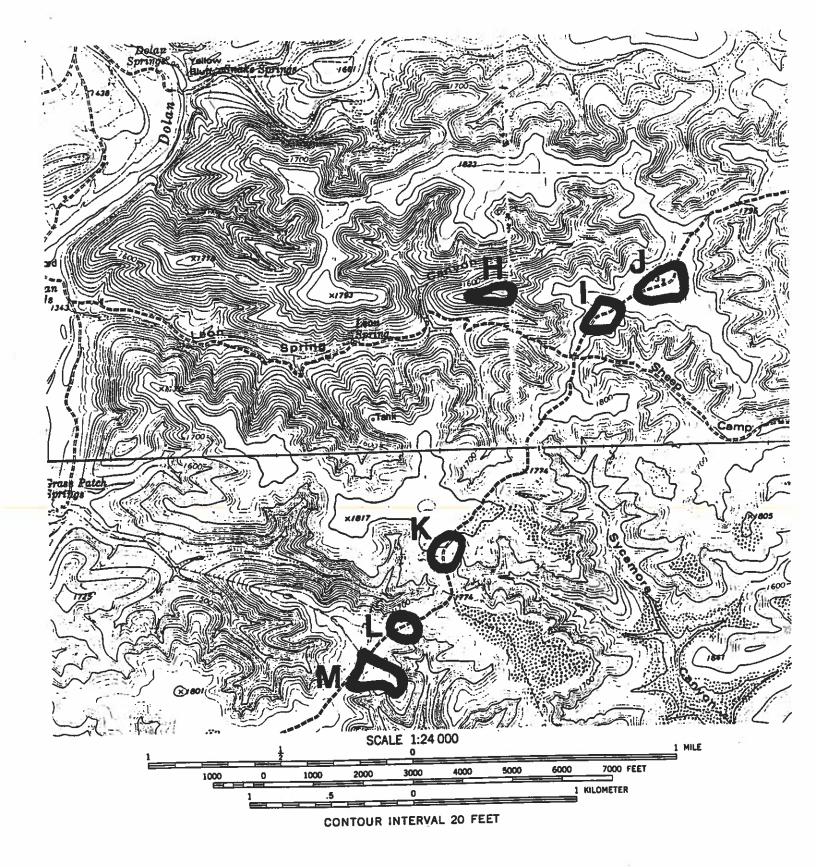


Figure 4. Location of <u>Ancistrocactus tobuschii</u> population/sites H through M, Dolan Falls Ranch; from Dolan Springs and Clark Waterhole 7.5' quadrangles.

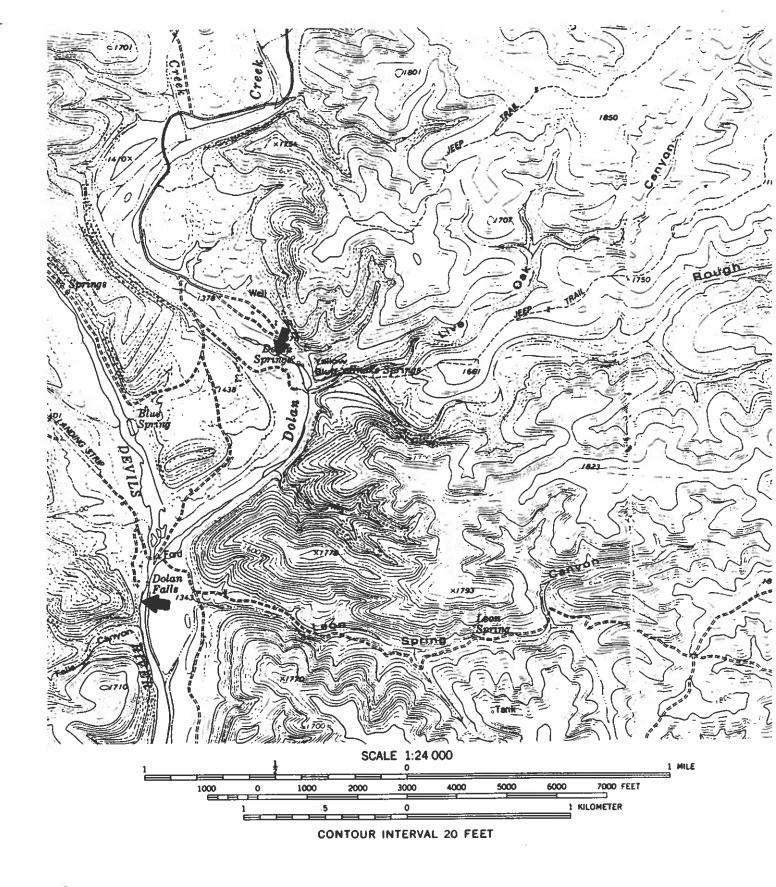


Figure 5. Location of populations of Texas snowbells at Devils River State Natural Area (A) and Dolan Falls Ranch (B); from Dolan Springs 7.5' quadrangle.

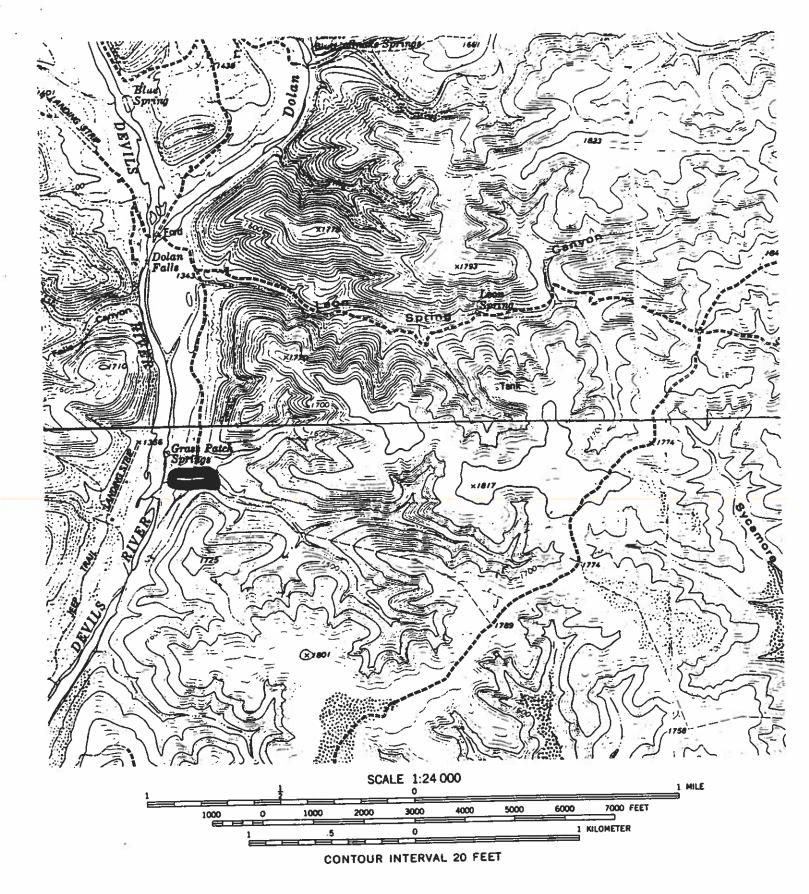


Figure 6. Location of population of polymorphic white oak (<u>Ouercus polymorpha</u>) at Dolan Falls Ranch; from Dolan Springs and Clark Waterhole 7.5' quadrangles.

DOLAN FALLS RANCH VAL VERDE COUNTY, TEXAS PRELIMINARY CHECKLIST OF VASCULAR PLANTS October 1992

Nomenclature follows Correll and Johnston (1970) or its update (Johnston, 1990) and, for grasses, Gould (1975). Common names follow Enquist (1987), Hatch et al. (1990), or Lynch (1981). Five digit numbers represent voucher specimens of difficult or undetermined species. This list is based on field surveys conducted 28 September-2 October 1992, during which many spring-flowering species were overlooked.

SCIENTIFIC NAME

ACANTHACEAE

Carlowrightia torreyana Justicia americana Siphonoglossa pilosella

AMARYLLIDACEAE

Agave lechuquilla Cooperia pedunculata

ANACARDIACEAE

Rhus microphylla Rhus toxicodendron var. eximia Rhus toxicodendron

var. vulgaris

fragrant sumac Rhus trilobata var. trilobata (R. aromatica var. flabelliformis) Rhus virens

APIACEAE

Centella asiatica Eryngium leavenworthii Hydrocotyle verticillata Torilis arvensis

APOCYNACEAE

Amsonia longiflora Macrosiphonia macrosiphon

ARISTOLOCHIACEAE Aristolochia coryi

ASCLEPIADACEAE

Asclepias incarnata Cynanchum barbigerum Matelea sp. (M. reticulata?)

COMMON NAME

ACANTHUS FAMILY carlowrightia American waterwillow hairy tubetongue

AMARYLLIS FAMILY lechuquilla rain lily

SUMAC FAMILY

littleleaf sumac shrub poison ivy

vine poison ivy

evergreen sumac

CARROT FAMILY

Asian spadeleaf purple eryngo whorled pennywort sockbane

DOGBANE

white slimpod rock trumpets

BIRTHWORT FAMILY Cory pipevine

MILKWEED FAMILY

swamp milkweed bearded swallowwort milkvine

ASTERACEAE

Acourtia runcinata

(Perezia runcinata) Ambrosia psilostachya

Aphanostephus ramosissimus

Aster subulatus

Baccharis neglecta

Brickellia laciniata Calyptocarpus vialis Centaurea melitensis

Cirsium texanum

Dyssodia pentachaeta

Erigeron modestus (12398)

Eupatorium serotinum

Evax verna

Evax sp. (12396)

Gaillardia pulchella

Gutierrezia microcephala

(Xanthocephalum microcephalum)

Liatris punctata

Lygodesmia texana

Melampodium sp. (M. leucanthum?)

Palafoxia callosa

Parthenium hysterophorus

Perityle lindheimeri

Ratibida columnaris

Simsia calva

Solidago juliae

Verbesina encelioides

Verbesina virginica Viguiera dentata

Viquiera stenoloba

Xanthium strumarium

Zexmenia hispida

BERBERIDACEAE

Berberis trifoliolata

BIGNONIACEAE

Chilopsis linearis

BORAGINACEAE

Heliotropium tenellum Heliotropium torreyi

Tiquilia canescens

(Coldenia canescens)

BRASSICACEAE

Lepidium austrinum

Lesquerella gordonii

Nasturtium officinale

SUNFLOWER FAMILY

peonia

western ragweed

lazy daisy

aster

rooseveltweed

splitleaf brickelbush

straggler daisy

yellow star-thistle

Texas thistle

parralena

plains fleabane white boneset

roundhead rabbittobacco

rabbit tobacco Indian blanket

broom snakeweed

blazing star skeleton plant

Blackfoot daisy

palafoxia false raqweed rock daisy Mexican hat

bush sunflower gray goldenrod

cowpen daisy frostweed

plateau goldeneye

skeletonleaf goldeneye

cocklebur

hairy zexmenia

BARBERRY FAMILY agarito

CATALPA FAMILY

desert willow

BORAGE FAMILY

white heliotrope Torrey heliotrope

gray coldenia

MUSTARD FAMILY

hairy pepperweed

Gordon bladderpod

water cress

(Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum)

BROMELIACEAE Tillandsia recurvata PINEAPPLE FAMILY ballmoss

CACTACEAE

Ancistrocactus tobuschii Coryphantha sulcata Echinocactus texensis Echinocereus enneacanthus Echinocereus triglochidiatus Epithelantha micromeris Ferocactus hamatacanthus Mammillaria heyderi Mammillaria prolifera Neolloydia conoidea Opuntia leptocaulis Opuntia lindheimeri Opuntia schottii var. schottii

CACTUS FAMILY Tobusch fishhook cactus Cory cactus

horsecrippler cactus

claretcup cactus button cactus Turk's head cactus Heyder nipplecactus

tasajillo Lindheimer pricklypear

jumping cactus

CAMPANULACEAE

Lobelia berlandieri Lobelia cardinalis Triodanis coloradoensis BELLFLOWER FAMILY blue lobelia cardinal-flower Venus' lookingglass

CAPPARIDACEAE Polanisia dodecandra CAPER FAMILY clammyweed

CAPRIFOLIACEAE Lonicera albiflora HONEYSUCKLE FAMILY white honeysuckle

CARYOPHYLLACEAE Paronychia jamesii PINK FAMILY James nailwort

CHENOPODIACEAE Atriplex canescens Chenopodium sp.

GOOSEFOOT FAMILY fourwing saltbush goosefoot

COCHLOSPERMACEAE Amoreuxia wrightii COCHLOSPERMUM FAMILY yellow show

COMMELINACEAE Commelina erecta

Ipomaea sp.

DAYFLOWER FAMILY dayflower

CONVOLVULACEAE

Convolvulus equitans Cuscuta exaltata Cuscuta sp. (12438) Dichondra sp. (D. carolinense?) Evolvulus nuttallianus Evolvulus sericeus Ipomaea sinuata (Merremia dissecta)

MORNING-GLORY FAMILY bindweed oak dodder dodder ponyfoot hairy evolvulus silky evolvulus alamovine

morning glory

CUCURBITACEAE

Cucurbita foetidissima Ibervillea tenuisecta

GOURD FAMILY

stinking gourd cutleaf globeberry

CUPRESSACEAE

Juniperus ashei Juniperus pinchotii CYPRESS FAMILY

Ashe juniper redberry juniper

CYPERACEAE

Carex planostachys Cladium jamaicense Cyperus elegans (12429) Cyperus odoratus Dichromena colorata Eleocharis caribaea Eleocharis montividensis Eleocharis rostellata

SEDGE FAMILY

cedar sedge sawgrass sticky umbrellasedge common umbrellasedge whitetop sedge annual spikesedge perennial spikesedge tussock spikesedge

EBENACEAE

Diospyros texana

Fuirena simplex

EBONY FAMILY

Texas persimmon

porcupine sedge

EPHEDRACEAE

JOINTFIR FAMILY Ephedra sp. (E. antisyphilitica?) jointfir

EQUISETACEAE

Equisetum laevigatum

HORSETAIL FAMILY horsetail

EUPHORBIACEAE

Acalypha hederacea Acalypha lindheimeri Argythamnia humilis Bernardia myricaefolia Croton dioicus Croton fruticulosus Croton monanthogynus Croton pottsii Croton torreyanus Euphorbia angusta Euphorbia cyathophora Jatropha dioica Phyllanthus polygonoides Stillingia texana Tragia ramosa

SPURGE FAMILY

creeping copperleaf Lindheimer copperleaf low wildmercury brush myrtlecroton grassland croton bush croton oneseed croton Potts croton Torrey bushcroton narrowleaf spurge wild poinsettia leatherstem knotweed leafflower queen's delight common noseburn

FABACEAE

Acacia berlandieri Acacia rigidula Acacia roemeriana Acacia smallii Amorpha fruticosa Bauhinia congesta

PEA FAMILY

quajillo blackbrush acacia Roemer acacia huisache bastard indigo Anacacho orchid

Calliandra conferta Cassia bauhinioides

(Senna bauhinioides) Cassia lindheimeriana

(Senna lindheimeriana)

Cassia pumilio

(Senna pumilio) Cassia roemeriana

(Senna roemerana)

Cercis canadensis var. texensis

Dalea argyraea Dalea formosa Dalea frutescens Desmanthus velutinus Eysenhardtia texana Hoffmanseggia glauca Galactia texana Indigofera lindheimeri

Leucaena retusa Mimosa biuncifera Mimosa borealis Prosopis glandulosa Rhynchosia texana

(Rhynchosia senna var. texana)

Sophora secundiflora

calliandra twolea senna

Lindheimer senna

dwarf senna

twoleaf senna

Texas redbud silver dalea feather dalea black dalea hairy bundleflower kidneywood

smooth rushpea Texas milkpea creek indigo

goldenball leadtree

catclaw mimosa fragrant mimosa honey mesquite Texas snoutbean

Texas mountain-laurel

FAGACEAE

Quercus fusiformis Quercus polymorpha

Quercus pungens var. vaseyana

BEECH FAMILY

plateau live oak polymorphic white oak

Vasey oak

FOUQUIERIACEAE

Fouquieria splendens

OCOTILLO FAMILY ocotillo

GENTIANACEAE

Centaurium beyrichii Centaurium calycosum Eustoma exaltatum

HYDROPHYLLACEAE Phacelia congesta

IRIDACEAE Sisyrinchium sp.

JUGLANDACEAE Carya illinoinensis Juglans microcarpa

JUNCACEAE Juncus interior Juncus torreyi

GENTIAN FAMILY

mountain pink rosita

prairie gentian

WATERLEAF FAMILY bluecurls

IRIS FAMILY

blue-eyed grass

WALNUT FAMILY

pecan

little walnut

RUSH FAMILY

inland rush Torrey rush KOEBERLINIACEAE
Koeberlinia spinosa

KRAMERIACEAE
Krameria lanceolata

LAMIACEAE

Hedeoma acinoides

Hedeoma drummondii

Marrubium vulgare

Monarda citriodora

Salvia ballotaeflora

Salvia farinacea

Salvia roemeriana

Scutellaria drummondii

Teucrium canadense

LEMNACEAE
Lemna valdiviana (12425)

Allium kunthii
Anthericum torreyi
Dasylirion texanum
Nolina texana
Schenocaulon texanum
Smilax bona-nox
Yucca constricta
Yucca torreyi

LINACEAE FLAX
Linum rupestre
Linum rigidum var. berlandieri

LOASACEAE
Eucnide bartonioides
Mentzelia oligosperma

LOGANIACEAE
Buddleja racemosa
Mitreola petiolata
(Cynoctonum mitreola)

LYTHRACEAE
Lythrum californicum

MALVACEAE
Abutilon fruticosum
(Abutilon incanum)
Hibiscus cardiophyllus
Hibiscus coulteri

ALLTHORN FAMILY allthorn

RATANY FAMILY trailing ratany

MINT FAMILY
annual pennyroyal
lemoncillo
common horehound
lemon beebalm
shrubby blue sage
mealy sage
cedar sage
Drummond skullcap
American germander

DUCKWEED FAMILY duckweed

LILY FAMILY
Kunth wildonion
yellow crag-lily
sotol
beargrass
green lily
common greenbriar
narrowleaf yucca
narrowleaf yucca
Torrey yucca

FLAX FAMILY rock flax annual flax

STICKLEAF FAMILY
yellow rocknettle
common stickleaf

LOGANIA FAMILY
wand butterflybush
hornpod

LOOSESTRIFE FAMILY
California loosestrife

MALLOW FAMILY Texas indianmallow

tulipan del monte yellow desertmallow

Meximalva filipes
(Sida filipes)
Sida abutifolia
(Sida filicaulis)

MENISPERMACEAE
Cocculus carolinus

MORACEAE
Broussonetia papyrifera
Ficus carica

NYCTAGINACEAE

Acleisanthes longiflora
Boerhaavia linearifolia
Cymopheris gypsophiloides
Mirabilis dumetorum
Nyctaginea capitata

NYMPAEACEAE Nuphar luteum

OLEACEAE
Forestiera angustifolia
Forestiera pubsecens
Forestiera reticulata
Fraxinus berlandieri
Fraxinus gregii
Menodora longiflora

ONAGRACEAE
Calylophus serrulatus
Oenothera triloba

ORCHIDACEAE
Epipactis gigantea

OXALIDACEAE
Oxalis dichondraefolia
Oxalis dillenii
Oxalis drummondii

PAPAVERACEAE
Argemone albiflora

PASSIFLORACEAE
Passiflora affinis
Passiflora tenuiloba

PLANTAGINACEAE
Plantago rhodosperma

violet mallow creeping yellow sida

MOONSEED FAMILY Carolina snailseed

MULBERRY FAMILY
paper mulberry
cultivated fig

FOUR O'CLOCK FAMILY
angel trumpets
narrowleaf spiderling
red cymopheris
rock four o'clock
scarlet muskflower

WATERLILY FAMILY yellow spatterdock

OLIVE FAMILY
narrowleaf elbowbush
elbowbush
netleaf elbowbush
fresno
Gregg ash
showy menodora

EVENING PRIMROSE FAMILY sundrops stemless eveningprimrose

ORCHID FAMILY stream epipactis

WOODSORREL FAMILY
ponyfoot sourclover
yellow sourclover
purple sourclover

POPPY FAMILY white pricklypoppy

PASSIONFLOWER FAMILY yellow passionflower slenderlobe passionflower

PLANTAIN FAMILY redseed plantain

PLATANACEAE

Platanus occidentalis

POACEAE

Andropogon glomeratus Aristida wrightii Aristida sp. Arundo donax Bothriochloa ischaemum Bothriochloa saccharoides Bouteloua curtipendula Bouteloua eriodpoda Bouteloua gracilis Bouteloua rigidiseta Bouteloua trifida Bouteloua uniflora Buchloe dactyloides Cenchrus incertus Chloris cucullata Cynodon dactylon Dichanthium annulatum Dichanthelium lindheimeri Dichanthelium sp. Elymus canadensis Elymus virginicus Eragrostis intermedia Eriochloa sericea Erioneuron pilosum Heteropogon contortus Hilaria belangeri Leptochloa dubia Panicum hallii Panicum virgatum Pappophorum bicolor Paspalum pubiflorum Paspalum urvillei Schizachyrium scoparium Setaria geniculata Setaria scheelei Stipa leucotricha Sorghum halepense Tridens albescens Tridens muticus Tridens texanus

POLEMONIACEAE Gilia incisa

POLYGALACEAE

Polygala lindheimeri Polygala ovatifolia

SYCAMORE FAMILY sycamore

GRASS FAMILY

bushy bluestem Wright threeawn threeawn giant cane King Ranch bluestem silver bluestem sideoats grama black grama blue grama Texas grama red grama Nealley grama buffalograss sandburgrass hooded windmillgrass bermudagrass Kleberg bluestem Lindheimer panicgrass panicgrass Canada wildrye Virginia wildrye plains lovegrass silky cupgrass hairy tridens tanglehead curlymesquite green sprangletop Hall panicgrass switchgrass pink pappusgrass hairyseed paspalum Vaseygrass little bluestem knotroot bristlegrass Southwestern bristlegrass Texas wintergrass Johnsongrass white tridens slim tridens Texas tridens

PHLOX FAMILY cutleaf gilia

MILKMORT FAMILY

purple milkwort broadpod milkwort POLYGONACEAE

Persicaria punctata Persicaria sp. (12436) KNOTWEED FAMILY

spotted smartweed smartweed

POLYPODIACEAE

Adiantum capillus-veneris Cheilanthes alabamensis Cheilanthes cochisense

Alabama lipfern Cochise lipferm

TRUE FERN FAMILY

(Notholaena sinuata var. cochisense)

Cheilanthes horridula Cheilanthes integerrima rough lipfern lipfern

maidenhair fern

(Notholaena sinuata var. integerrima)
Cheilanthes lindheimeri (12407) lipfern
Cheilanthes sinuata lipfern

(Notholaena sinuata var. sinuata)

Cheilanthes tomentosa (12401) lipfern

Notholaena candida var. copelandii Notholaena parvifolia

Notholaena parvifolia Pellaea atropurpurea Pellaea ovata littleleaf cliffbrake purple cliffbrake zigzag cliffbrake

Copeland starfern

Thelypteris ovata var. lindheimeri (Thelypteris kunthii)

southern shieldfern

PORTULACACEAE

Portulaca mundula Portulaca retusa Talinum aurantiacum PORTULACA FAMILY
shaggy portulaca
purslane
orange flameflower

POTAMOGETONACEAE

Potamogeton nodosus

PONDWEED FAMILY broadleaf pondweed

PRIMULACEAE

Samolus cuneatus Samolus parviflorus PRIMULACEAE

largeflower brookweed smallflower brookweed

RANUNCULACEAE

Clematis drummondii Clematis pitcheri BUTTERCUP FAMILY

old man's beard blue clematis

RHAMNACEAE

Colubrina texensis
Condalia hookeri
Condalia spathulata
Condalia viridis
Karwinskia humboldtiana
Ziziphus obtusifolia

BUCKTHORN FAMILY

Texas colubrina brasil squawbush green squawbush coyotillo lotebush

ROSACEAE

Cercocarpus montanus Fallugia paradoxa Prunus minutiflora Rubus trivialis

RUBIACEAE

Cephalanthus occidentalis Hedyotis acerosa Hedyotis nigricans

RUTACEAE

Ptelea trifoliata Thamnosma texanum Zanthoxylum hirsutum

SALICACEAE

Salix nigra

SAPINDACEAE

Sapindus saponaria var. drummondii Ungnadia speciosa

SAPOTACEAE

Bumelia lanuginosa var. texana

SAXIFRAGACEAE

Fendlera rupicola

SCHIZAEACEAE

Anemia mexicana

SCROPHULARIACEAE

Bacopa monnieri
Leucophyllum frutescens
Maurandya antirrhiniflora
Mecardonia vandellioides
Mimulus glabratus
Penstemon baccharifolius
Seymeria texana (12406)
Verbascum thapsus

SELAGINELLACEAE

Selaginella lepidophylla Selaginella peruviana Selaginella wrightii

SIMAROUBACEAE

Castela texana

ROSE FAMILY

mountain mahogany apache-plume Texas almond dewberry

MADDER FAMILY

buttonbush needleleaf bluets prairie bluets

CITRUS FAMILY

wafer ash desert rue toothache tree

WILLOW FAMILY black willow

SOAPBERRY FAMILY

western soapberry

Mexican buckeye

SAPODILLA FAMILY

gum elastic, coma

SAXIFRAGE FAMILY

cliff fendlerbush

CURLYGRASS FAMILY

Mexican curlygrassfern

FIGWORT FAMILY

water hyssop

cenizo

snapdragon vine yellow mecardonia yellow monkeyflower baccharisleaf penstemon seymeria

selmerra .

common mullein

SPIKEMOSS FAMILY

resurrection spikemoss rock spikemoss Wright spikemoss

QUASSIA FAMILY qoatbush

SOLANACEAE

Datura wrightii
Nicotiana trigonophylla
Physalis sp.
Solanum americanum
Solanum elaeagnifolium
Solanum rostratum
Solanum triquetrum

STERCULIACEAE

Melochia pyramidata

STYRACACEAE

Styrax texana

TYPHACEAE

Typha sp.

ULMACEAE

Celtis pallida Celtis reticulata

URTICACEAE

Boehmeria cylindrica

VERBENACEAE

Aloysia gratissima
Bouchea linifolia
Lantana macropoda
Phyla incisa
Verbena bipinnatifida
Verbena canescens
Verbena scabra

VISCACEAE

Phoradendron tomentsoum

VITACEAE

Cissus incisa Parthenocissus quinquefolia Vitis berlandieri Vitis monticola

ZYGOPHYLLACEAE

Guaiacum angustifolium (Porlieria angustifolia)

POTATO FAMILY

Wright jimsonweed
desert tobacco
groundcherry
white nightshade
silverleaf nightshade
buffalobur
Texas nightshade

CACAO FAMILY

anglepod melochia

STORAX FAMILY

Texas snowbells

CATTAIL FAMILY

cattail

ELM FAMILY

granjeno

netleaf hackberry

NETTLE FAMILY

false nettle

VERVAIN FAMILY

whitebrush

groovestem bouchea

desert lantana

fogfruit

Dakota vervain

gray vervain

sandpaper vervain

MISTLETOE FAMILY

mistletoe

GRAPE FAMILY

ivy treebine Virginia creeper Spanish Grape mountain grape

CALTROP FAMILY

quayacan

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