



Poff Ranch Management Plan

Project Description: The Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District hired the Gold Ridge RCD to develop a comprehensive management plan for the Poff Ranch, a 1,235-acre coastal property acquired by the District in 2007. The management plan will seek to protect and enhance the conservation values of the site, its cultural and historical resources and significance, its value as a sustainable working landscape, and its potential value for public use. The plan will include the development of a GIS (geographic information systems) database, cultural and biological inventories, a grazing plan, and a public access plan.

Project Goals:

- Develop a comprehensive inventory and set of recommendations for the biological and cultural resources on the site.
- Develop a grazing plan that prioritizes ecological sustainability while allowing for economic viability of the ranching operation.
- Develop a public access component that integrates the property's recreational and educational use values with the conservation of other resources and its value as a working landscape.

Project Budget: \$109,570 Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District.

Project Timeline: June 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009

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