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Boundary Description and Final Map

SAN RAFAEL WILDERNESS

Los Padres National Forest



Pacific Southwest Region

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As designated into the
National Wilderness Preservation System by:

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The San Rafael Wilderness is located in the Los Padres National Forest, Santa Barbara County, State of California. The following description and the accompanying San Rafael Wilderness Final Map incorporates the Legal Description certified on December 18, 1968 for lands designated by P.L. 90-271, in addition to describing the boundary of lands designated by the California Wilderness Act of 1984, P.L. 98-425 and the Los Padres Condor Range and River Protection Act of 1992, P.L. 102-301. This description and the accompanying Final Map shall govern all boundaries of the wilderness. In the case of any conflicts found between the Final Map and this Legal Description, the Map of Record contained in the original legislation shall govern the resolution thereto.

All bearings recited in this description are true bearings and all distances are at ground elevation. Geographic coordinates are referenced to the North American Datum of 1983: NAD83 (2011). Elevations are mean sea level referenced to the North American Vertical Datum of 1988: NAVD88 except for the portions from the 1968 Legal Description, which used NGVD29. Where Public Land Survey System boundaries are referenced, Bureau of Land Management, Manual of Survey Instructions, standard procedures will be used to define the legal section lines and corners. Unless otherwise specified, calls to watercourses shall be to the thread of the stream or river. Where offset calls from certain features are used to define a line, the offset line shall be determined from the centerline, base or top of the existing feature.

Being a portion of land located within Township 6 North, Range 27 West; Townships 7 North, Ranges 26-29 West; Townships 8 North, Ranges 26-30 West; Townships 9 North, Ranges 27-30 West; Townships 10 North, Ranges 28-31 West; and Township 11 North, Range 30 West, San Bernardino Meridian, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a Point near the intersection of Burro Canyon with the Sisquoc River, being on the north bank of the Sisquoc River and 300 feet easterly of the centerline of Trail 30W12, said point being in Section 25, T.09N., R.30W., approximately 450 feet westerly of the point of beginning described in the 1968 Legal Description ("the intersection of Burro Canyon with the Sisquoc River"), and approximately S.86°45'W., 1.6 miles from Triangulation Station "Mule", at approximately 34° 49' 40.1" N, 119° 59' 33.3" W;

Course to Point 1: thence meandering generally northwesterly, parallel to and 300 feet northerly of the centerline of said Trail 30W12, to a point of intersection with the drainage of Horse Canyon;

- Course to Point 2:** thence meandering northerly along a spur ridge to a point on a ridge top with an elevation of 2226 feet between Tunnel Canyon and Horse Canyon at approximately 34° 50' 51.7" N, 120° 01' 09.5" W;
- Course to Point 3:** thence meandering in a generally northerly direction along said ridge top approximately 3.7 miles to a prominent point with an elevation of 3726 feet, said point being in the Southwest ¼ of Section 35, T.10N.,R.30W. at approximately 34° 53' 29.6" N, 120° 00' 44.0" W;
- Course to Point 4:** thence continuing along said ridge top in a generally westerly direction approximately 4 miles to a point 300 feet northerly of the northerly extent of the four-wheel drive road to the top of Manzanita Mountain located in the Southwest ¼ of Section 31 at approximately 34° 53' 40.0" N, 120° 04' 49.9" W;
- Course to Point 5:** thence southwesterly along a line parallel to and 300 feet northerly of the centerline of a four-wheel drive road approximately 0.7 miles to a point on aforesaid ridge top;
- Course to Point 6:** thence meandering in a generally northwesterly direction along said ridge top and spur ridge to a point where Ramrod Canyon intersects the South Fork La Brea Creek in the Northeast ¼ of Section 35, T.10N.,R.31W. at approximately 34° 54' 01.4" N, 120° 06' 34.6" W;
- Course to Point 7:** thence northwesterly along the thread of the channel in said Ramrod Canyon approximately 0.5 miles to a point of intersection with a drainage from the northwest at approximately 34° 54' 18.9" N, 120° 06' 54.0" W;
- Course to Point 8:** thence northwesterly along a spur ridge approximately 3200 feet to a point 300 feet easterly of a ridge top at approximately 34° 54' 50.0" N, 120° 07' 04.9" W;
- Course to Point 9:** thence in a generally northerly to northwesterly direction along a line parallel to and 300 feet easterly of said ridge top approximately 0.5 miles to a point 300 feet easterly of a point on the ridgetop with an elevation of 1937 feet;
- Course to Point 10:** thence northerly along a line parallel to and 300 feet easterly of spur ridge approximately 0.7 miles to a point where said line intersects the centerline of unnamed drainage;
- Course to Point 11:** thence along the centerline of said unnamed drainage to a point 300 feet southeasterly of the centerline of La Brea Canyon Road, also known as U.S. Forest System Road 11N04.3, near the section line between Sections 22 and 23;
- Course to Point 12:** thence meandering northeasterly along a line parallel to and 300 feet easterly of said centerline of La Brea Canyon Road and 300' easterly of Wagon Flat Campground approximately 3 miles to a point 300 feet southerly of the centerline of the four-wheel drive road to Lazy Campground, also known as U.S. Forest System Road 11W04B;
- Course to Point 13:** thence meandering northeasterly along a line parallel to and 300 feet southeasterly of said four-wheel drive road and 300 feet southerly and easterly of Lazy Campground approximately 3000 feet to a point 200 feet southerly of Trail 30W02;
- Course to Point 14:** thence meandering northeasterly along a line parallel to and 200 feet easterly of said Trail 30W02 approximately 4.9 miles to the thread of the channel in Kerry Canyon located near the section line between Sections 20 and 21 in T.11N.,R.30W. at approximately 35° 01' 01.6" N, 120° 03' 11.7" W;
- Course to Point 15:** thence meandering northeasterly along the thread of the channel of said Kerry Canyon to a point 300 feet westerly of the centerline of Sierra Madre Road, also known as 32S13.1, located in the Southwest ¼ of Section 15, T.11N.,R.30W. at approximately 35° 01' 26.8" N, 120° 01' 51.4" W;

- Course to Point 16:** thence meandering southeasterly a distance of approximately 11.1 miles along a line running parallel to and 300 feet southwesterly of centerline of said Sierra Madre Road, to a point on a ridge, said point being on the original San Rafael Wilderness boundary as described in the 1968 legal description, at approximately 34° 55' 21.8" N, 119° 55' 44.4" W;
- Course to Point 17:** thence northerly 50 feet along said ridge to a point 250 feet from said road, said point being the beginning of a portion of 1968 Legal Description of San Rafael Wilderness;
- Course to Point 18:** *[note: courses to Point 18-35 are as described in the 1968 Legal Description]* thence, continuing southeasterly a distance of approximately 14.8 miles along a line running parallel to and displaced 250 feet southerly from said centerline of Sierra Madre Road, or from the ridgetop, whichever is more southerly, through Montgomery Potrero to a point of intersection with a dry stream bed bearing east and west at an approximate elevation of 4520 feet;
- Course to Point 19:** thence southeasterly a distance of approximately 0.4 miles to a point on the ridge with an elevation of 5147 feet;
- Course to Point 20:** thence meandering in a generally southeasterly direction parallel to and displaced 250 feet southerly of the ridgetop a distance of approximately 0.6 miles to a point with an elevation of 4926 feet;
- Course to Point 21:** thence meandering parallel to and displaced 250 feet southerly from a spur ridgetop a distance of approximately 0.6 miles to a point near the confluence of three tributary streams near the head of Foresters Leap Canyon;
- Course to Point 22:** thence southeasterly a distance of approximately .15 miles to a prominent knob with an elevation of 4654 feet at the west end of a spur ridge;
- Course to Point 23:** thence meandering along the top of the spur ridge in a generally southeasterly direction a distance of approximately 0.7 miles to the easternmost summit of said spur ridge, said summit being situated approximately 1.4 miles S.76°30'W. from BM-4329 and 0.1 miles west of Sweetwater Trail crossing;
- Course to Point 24:** thence in a straight line a distance of approximately 1.05 miles S.38°E. crossing Sweetwater Canyon 0.3 miles above Rattlesnake Spring to a point with an elevation of 4856 feet; said point being approximately 1.35 miles S.32°30'W. from BM-4329;
- Course to Point 25:** thence in a straight line a distance of approximately 0.2 miles S.55°00'W. to a point of intersection with the edge of an existing vegetative clearing on main ridge between Sweetwater Canyon and Cliff Canyon;
- Course to Point 26:** thence meandering along the westerly and southerly boundary of said clearing in a generally southerly direction a distance of approximately 1.0 miles to a point having an approximate elevation of 4021 feet *[note: this elevation from the 1968 Legal Description does not match real-world elevation of this area, should be approximately 4690 feet];*
- Course to Point 27:** thence northerly a distance of 0.1 miles around the head of a side branch of Cliff Canyon to a spur ridge bearing southerly;
- Course to Point 28:** thence southeasterly down said ridge a distance of approximately 0.4 miles to a point in Cliff Canyon having an approximate elevation of 4200 feet;
- Course to Point 29:** thence easterly approximately 0.2 miles along the bottom of a creek toward Demijohn Spring to a point of confluence with an intermittent creek from the southeast;
- Course to Point 30:** thence easterly along the ridgetop and vegetative clearing to a saddle in main ridge between Cliff Canyon and Logan Canyon, having an approximate elevation of 5200 feet;

- Course to Point 31:** thence in a straight line southeasterly a distance of approximately 1.0 miles to the spring in Logan Canyon having an approximate elevation of 4300 feet, said spring located a distance of approximately 0.2 miles downstream from Logan Spring;
- Course to Point 32:** thence southerly a distance of approximately 0.5 miles up a spur ridge to a point on the southerly edge of Logan Potrero at an approximate elevation of 4800 feet, said point being approximately 3.5 miles S.15°E. from BM-4329;
- Course to Point 33:** thence meandering along the southern border of the potrero and vegetative clearing a distance of approximately 1.7 miles to a point above Judell Canyon and at the southeasterly limit of Logan Potrero and 0.25 miles west of Judell Canyon, said point being approximately 4.3 miles S.29°30'E. from BM-4329;
- Course to Point 34:** thence in a straight line bearing S.72°E. a distance of approximately 0.8 miles to a point having an approximate elevation of 5040 feet on ridge between two forks of Judell Canyon;
- Course to Point 35:** thence meandering along a line parallel to and 250 feet south of the top of said ridge in an easterly direction a distance of approximately 1.4 miles to a point on the easterly edge of said ridge and located 100 feet west of the center line of the road known locally as Buckhorn Road and shown on the map as Big Pine Road, said point being approximately 4.2 miles S.15°W. from a triangulation station identified as Fox Mt. 5167.
- Course to Point 36:** *[note: course to Point 36 is as described in PL 98-425 Section 101 (a)(6)]* thence along a line displaced 100 feet northerly and westerly from the centerline of said Buckhorn Road a distance of approximately 20.8 miles to a point which lies approximately 0.1 miles due east of VABM-4687;
- Course to Point 37:** *[note: courses to Point 37-51 are as described in the 1968 Legal Description]* thence in a straight line west a distance of approximately 0.1 miles to said VABM-4687;
- Course to Point 38:** thence meandering westerly along a line generally parallel to and displaced 250 feet northerly from a ridgetop a distance of approximately 3.2 miles to a point on the westerly end of said ridge, said point being at approximately 2880-foot elevation and located 50 feet east of the Santa Cruz trail switchback *[note: also known as Santa Cruz Rd 06N14]*, said point lies approximately S.62°W. a distance of 0.5 miles from the Santa Cruz Guard Station;
- Course to Point 39:** thence meandering northeasterly along a line parallel to and displaced 50 feet easterly from the Santa Cruz trail a distance of approximately 0.6 miles to its point of intersection with Santa Cruz Creek, said point being located approximately N.65°30'E. a distance of 0.2 miles from said Santa Cruz Guard Station;
- Course to Point 40:** thence meandering along Santa Cruz Creek in a generally northeasterly direction a distance of approximately 0.6 miles to the point of intersection of a tributary from the southeast, said point being at an approximate elevation of 2070 feet and N.62°30'E. a distance of 0.7 miles from said Santa Cruz Guard Station;
- Course to Point 41:** thence in a straight line approximately N.24°30'W. a distance of 0.2 miles to the top of a knoll, said top being situated approximately N.46°E. a distance of 0.7 miles from said Santa Cruz Guard Station;
- Course to Point 42:** thence meandering in a generally northwesterly direction on a line parallel to and displaced 250 feet easterly of the principal ridge lying between Black Canyon and the West Fork of Santa Cruz Creek, passing to the north of Santa Cruz Peak, a distance of approximately 6.5 miles to a point at the top of a knoll having an elevation of 6523 feet, except that where a "jeep trail" lies on the northeasterly side of said ridgetop, that portion of the boundary shall be along the northerly

edge of said "jeep trail," and where the jeep trail is situated on the ridgetop the boundary shall be 250 feet north of the northerly edge of said "jeep trail", said point is located southwest approximately 0.6 miles of VABM-6593 on San Rafael Mt.;

Course to Point 43: thence meandering in westerly direction on a line parallel to and displaced 250 feet northerly from the ridgetop a distance of approximately 0.6 miles to a point of intersection with the northerly edge of an unimproved motorway known locally as the San Rafael Jeep Trail *[note: also known as McKinley Peak Rd.]*, said point being situated approximately 0.5 miles east of VABM-6182 on McKinley Mt.;

Course to Point 44: thence meandering in a generally westerly direction along the northerly edge of the said San Rafael Jeep Trail, passing to the north of McKinley Mt., a distance of approximately 2.4 miles to a point of intersection with the top of the ridge at an approximate elevation of 4900 feet, said ridge running north and south between Manzana Creek and Lazaro Canyon, said point being situated approximately N.72°15'W. a distance of 1.2 miles of VABM-6182;

Course to Point 45: thence meandering westerly on a line parallel to and displaced 250 feet northerly from the top of the principal ridge or north edge of said San Rafael Jeep Trail whichever is most northerly, a distance of approximately 2.7 miles to a point on the ridge where the said San Rafael Jeep Trail turns sharply to the west, said point being approximately N.22°30'E. a distance of 2000 feet from VABM-4696 on Cachuma Mt.;

Course to Point 46: thence northwesterly on a line parallel to and displaced 250 feet easterly from the top of that ridge lying between two Forks of Fish Creek a distance of approximately 1.2 miles to a point on the ridge having an approximate elevation of 2880 feet, said point being located approximately N.16°W. a distance of 1.4 miles from VABM-4696;

Course to Point 47: thence due west a distance of approximately 2000 feet to the crest of a prominent ridge between Fish Creek and the East Fork of Fish Creek;

Course to Point 48: thence in a straight line approximately N.36°W. a distance of 3000 feet to a prominent point on the ridge between Fish Creek and Manzana Creek *[note: elevation 3685]*;

Course to Point 49: thence meandering northwesterly on a line parallel to and displaced 250 feet northerly from said ridgetop a distance of approximately 1.0 miles to a point on the ridge between Munch Canyon and Manzana Creek, said point having an approximate elevation of 3000 feet and located approximately S.19°E. a distance of 5.1 miles from triangulation station Mule;

Course to Point 50: thence due north a distance of approximately 0.6 miles to the intersection of Manzana Creek and an unimproved road *[note: now known as 08N09, Sunset Valley Rd.]*;

Course to Point 51: thence meandering northwesterly along Manzana Creek a distance of approximately 0.5 miles to the point of intersection of Manzana Creek and Fir Canyon;

Course to Point 52: thence meandering southwesterly along a line 100 feet northerly and westerly of the centerline of said U.S. Forest System Road 08N09 a distance of approximately 1.5 miles to a point 100 feet westerly of said road and 100 feet northerly of the centerline of an unnamed 4WD road;

Course to Point 53: thence meandering northwesterly and northerly along a line parallel to and 100 feet north and east of centerline of said 4WD road approximately 6.3 miles to a point 200 feet easterly of Sulphur Springs Trail, also known as Trail 30W07;

Course to Point 54: thence meandering northerly along a line 200 feet easterly of said trail to a point 200 feet east of a switchback in the trail near the 1800 foot contour, at approximately 34° 47' 40.2" N, 120° 00' 27.6" W;

Course to Point 55: thence northeasterly in a straight line approximately 0.2 miles to the SE 1/16 Corner of Section 2 of T.08N. R.30W., said corner being also the southwest corner of private land;

Course to Point 56: thence easterly along the east-west centerline of the SE ¼ of Section 2 and the east-west centerline of the SW ¼ of Section 1, said line being also the south boundary of private land, to the southwesterly bank of Manzana Creek;

Course to Point 57: thence meandering in a generally northwesterly direction along the southwesterly bank of Manzana Creek to the point of intersection of Manzana Creek with the Sisquoc River;

Course to Point of Beginning: thence meandering easterly along the north bank of Sisquoc River to the Point of Beginning.

The above description contains 191,400 acres, more or less.

This description utilizes the following 7 ½ minute topographic U.S.F.S quadrangle maps and data:

Bald Mountain	Zaca Lake
Manzanita Mountain	Miranda Pine Mountain
Bates Canyon	Peak Mountain
Hurricane Deck	Salisbury Potrero
Fox Mountain	Madulce Peak
Big Pine Mountain	Little Pine Mountain
San Marcos Pass	San Rafael Mountain
Figueroa Mountain	

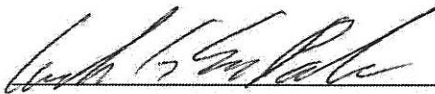
All references to elevations and distances relate to these quadrangles. Wherever the boundary line is displaced from a reference line, the distance given is measured at right angles to the reference line.

All courses have been depicted upon the above mentioned San Rafael Wilderness Final Map which is made a part of this official record. The boundary recitations and acreage listed herein are the product of GIS data analysis and scaling distances and are not the result of an official boundary survey.

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I hereby certify that the boundary description and map made a part of this description herewith represents the location of the boundary of the San Rafael Wilderness on the Los Padres National Forest.



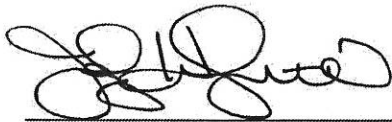
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Date

I hereby certify and accept the boundary description and map of the San Rafael Wilderness on the Los Padres National Forest, Pacific Southwest Region, as entered into the National Wilderness Preservation System by Public Law 90-271, Public Law 98-425, and Public Law 102-301.



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