## Standard Checklist

Name	of Ri	parian	-Wetland Area: San Clemente Creek (San Clemente Rancho)	
Date: May 18, 2004				
Miles: Eleva			ation: 1004 ft GPS: N36, 25. 419 W121, 22. 412	
ID Te	am Ol	oserve	rs: Clive Sanders, Danica Zupic Time:	
Yes	No	N/A	HYDROLOGY	
X			Floodplain above bankfull is inundated in "relatively frequent" events	
		X	Where beaver dams are present they are active and stable	
X			<ol> <li>Sinuosity, width/depth ratio, and gradient are in balance with the landscape setting (i.e., landform, geology, and bioclimatic region)</li> </ol>	
X			4) Riparian-wetland area is widening or has achieved potential extent	
	X		5) Upland watershed is not contributing to riparian-wetland degradation	
Yes	No	N/A	VEGETATION	
X			There is diverse age-class distribution of riparian-wetland vegetation (recruitment for maintenance/recovery)	
X			There is diverse composition of riparian-wetland vegetation (for maintenance/recovery)	
X			Species present indicate maintenance of riparian-wetland soil moisture characteristics	
X			Streambank Vegetation is comprised of those plants or plant communities that have root masses capable of withstanding high-streamflow events	
X			10) Riparian-wetland plants exhibit high vigor	
X			Adequate riparian-wetland vegetative cover is present to protect banks and dissipate energy during high flows	
X			Plant communities are an adequate source of coarse and/or large woody material (for maintenance/recovery)	
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Yes	No	N/A	EROSION/DEPOSITION	
	X		<ol> <li>Floodplain and channel characteristics (i.e., rocks, overflow channels, coarse and/or large woody material) are adequate to dissipate energy</li> </ol>	
X			14) Point bars are revegetating with riparian-wetland vegetation	
X			15) Lateral stream movement is associated with natural sinuosity	
	X		16) System is vertically stable	
	X		17) Stream is in balance with the water and sediment being supplied by the	

## **Summary Determination**

Functional Rating:	
Proper Functioning Condition Functional—At Risk Nonfunctional Unknown	X
Trend for Functional—At Risk:	
Upward Downward Not Apparent	
Are factors contributing to unaccepts of the manager?	able conditions outside the control
Yes No	
If yes, what are those factors?	
Flow regulations Mining act Channelization Road encre Augmented flows Other (spec	oachment Oil field water discharge

A concrete ford has been installed that is causing a large point bar to form on the downstream right side. It is currently being undercut on the downstream left side where a small amount of water is flowing underneath it. This ford is currently a fish passage impairment. It is apparent that strong and large water flows run over the ford because of the downstream presence of large tree trunks etc. The ford was laid over the remnants of an old culvert. Large debris is beginning to pile up between the logs and a large boulder on the downstream side. The owner has noted this and it is on his list to correct. (See Picture 1 & 2)

The vegetation present is extremely varied in both composition and life stage. There are a lot of mature deep rooted trees present as well as saplings and a variety of grasses.



Picture 1

## **Checklist Comments**

#5 There is an excess of deposition in the creek. The owners have noticed a drastic rise in the amount of sediment recently occurring in the creek that maybe caused by new roads & home development outside their property. (See Picture 1 and 3)

#16 Erosion is occurring on both banks on the immediate downstream side of the ford. Rock walls as seen in the last picture have been constructed to deter this and are currently working. There is some natural erosion on both banks. (See Picture 3)

#17 There is excessive sediment deposition where the point bar is forming on the upstream side of the ford. This sediment is thought to originate in the upland watershed as previously mentioned. (See Picture 1 and 3)



Picture 2



Picture 3