Big Tujunga Canyon Restoration Project

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Project Description

Purpose and Need

1. To implement ecological restoration actions throughout a large portion of the Big Tujunga watershed to assist in ecosystem recovery, while fostering meaningful connections between local residents and their National Forest.

2. Continued Post-Fire Threats

3. Factors that continue to threaten watershed:
   - Increased in-stream sedimentation
   - Spread of invasive plants
   - Degraded wildlife habitat
   - Habitat type-conversion
   - Lack of ecologically sustainable recreation opportunities

Project Location

Invasive Species

Green Sunfish (Lepomis cyanellus)
- Predatory warm-water fish
- Have been widely introduced
- Thrive in warm waters of lakes, ponds, and rivers

Russian Knapweed (Acroptilon repens)
- An aggressive invader
- Native to Eurasia/introduced to N. America in early 19th century

Endangered Species

Arroyo Toad (Anaxyrus californicus)
- Endangered
- Endemic to Southern California and Baja California

Nevin’s Barberry (Berberis nevinii)
- Federally and State Endangered
- Endemic to Southern California

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