

Lanphere and Ma-le'l Dunes, California





Located 3 miles west of Arcata in Humboldt County

Location & Ownership





Primary Natural Features















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Secondary Natural Features Eolian Landforms / Sand Dunes





National Significance

NATIONAL NATURAL LANDMARKS PROGRAM

Lanphere and Ma-le'l Dunes is the largest and best quality sand dune ecosystem, containing virtually all the typical species of vascular plants, plus a number of rare flora.



Public Comments

- 5 letters received prior to Sept 2020 Board meeting
 - 4 in full support of NNL designation
 - Blue Lake Rancheria
 - Redwood Region Audubon Society
 - Friends of the Dunes
 - The Northcoast Environmental Center
 - 1 with concerns about a portion of the designation
 - Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (HBMWD) has recorded ROWs & easements across some of the proposed NNL areas
 - Resulted in the Board's recommendation to move this proposal back to the NNL Committee



Follow-up & Current Status

- Multiple engagement opportunities with HBMWD and land managers (BLM, FWS)
 - Discussion and information exchange
 - Answer questions
 - Address specific concerns
- End result...HBMW D fully supports proposed NNL designation
 - Nov 20, 2020 letter of support
- No changes to the original proposal



