

CalVTP Project-Specific Analysis MMRP Implementation Tools



Biological Resources Sensitive Season Limited Operating Periods for Species That are Known to Occur or May Occur within the West Mount Shasta Forest Resiliency Project Area

Purpose: This example table from the West Mount Shasta Forest Resiliency Project shows how the sensitive seasons for species may be graphically illustrated to aid in implementation of a project. If treatment activities for a project can be conducted outside of a Limited Operating Period (LOP), implementation of further measures to avoid impacts on the species may not be required. If work cannot be conducted outside of an LOP, surveys would be conducted, or presence may assumed. If surveys do not detect the species, treatment may proceed. If surveys detect the species, or presence is assumed additional measures would be required.

Species (Sensitive Season) ¹	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Non-listed ² Annual or Geophyte Special-Status Plants (Dormant Season ³ – Non-ground Disturbing Activities ⁴)												
Northern Spotted Owl (Nesting Season – Loud and Continuous Noise) ⁵												
Northern Spotted Owl (Nesting Season – Habitat Modification) ⁵												
Nesting Birds (Nesting Season) ⁶												
Special-Status Bumble Bees (Flight Season) ⁷												
Fisher (Maternity Season) ⁸												
Oregon Snowshoe Hare (Maternity Season) ⁸												
Ringtail (Maternity Season) ⁸												
Special-Status Bats (Maternity Season) ⁵												

¹ Limited operating periods would only apply to treatment areas that contain habitat suitable for special-status species as determined by a qualified RPF or biologist.

² Non-ESA-listed and/or non-CESA-listed special-status plant species.

³ The special-status plant dormant season may vary slightly by species or year.

⁴ Non-ground-disturbing treatment activities (i.e., activities that would not damage the stump, root system or other underground parts of special-status plants or destroy the seedbank).

⁵ Mechanical treatments, manual treatments, and prescribed burning.

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⁷ Mechanical treatments and prescribed burning in meadows.

⁸ Mechanical treatments and prescribed burning.

Note: The dates shown in this example table are specific to the West Mount Shasta Forest Resilience Project. These dates may not apply for these species in other geographic regions.