

Environmental Impact Statement for Remediation of Area IV and the Northern Buffer Zone

Santa Susana Field Laboratory

The Vibrant Past

Cultural Resources at Area IV and the Northern Buffer Zone

People have made use of the land and resources in Area IV and the NBZ for thousands of years

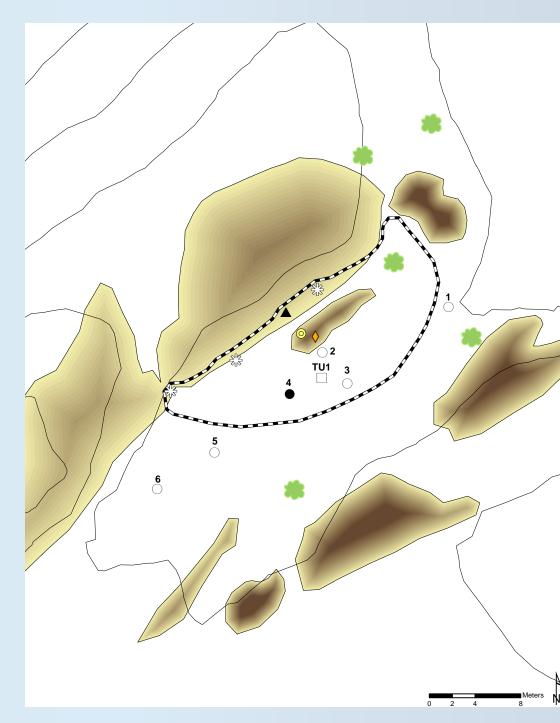
Area IV and the NBZ:

- More than 75 archaeological sites and isolated artifacts have been documented
- Part of a SSFL-wide sacred site whose cultural value includes multiple archaeological sites eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)
- These archaeological sites help us understand the area's historic context and the present-day importance of the SSFL site to tribes
- Members of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians, the Fernandeño Tataviam, and Gabrielino Tongva have participated in monitoring chemical and radiological sampling activities, and evaluating the NRHP eligibility of sites
- In accordance with the 2010 AOC, DOE will address portions of Area IV and the NBZ that include archaeological sites (including NRHP-eligible sites)

Today DOE is:

- Complying with the National Historic Preservation Act and other laws and guidance
- In formal consultation with the California Office of Historic Preservation and Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
- Coordinating with the Sacred Sites Council
- Developing a programmatic agreement to address potential adverse effects to historic properties

DOE is committed to meaningful and productive consultation to preserve the cultural values of this unique setting



Sketch map of a site recorded in Area IV

