San Vincente Redwoods: Redwood Defect Pilot Study



Tree #388

- 1st log 18" Inside Bark (IB) 270 bf (board feet) gross volume
- Deduct 120 bf for damage from 2020 fire 44% deduction (between red arrows)
- 150 bf net volume
- Deductions:
- 3" of rot from 2020 fire around 2/3 of circumference = 120 bf deduction
- Past Damage: 42 years ago (1980) (yellow arrow) - possible mechanical damage = 5 bf deduction
- 2nd log 13" IB 120 bf net
- No deductions from 2020 fire
- "Stain" visible in heartwood
- 3rd log 8" IB 30 bf net
- No defect from 2020 fire
- Top of the tree is very dry

2020 merchantable volume for tree: 420 bf gross 120 bf deduction from damage due to 2020 fire 300 bf net ~29% defect due to 2020 fire

Potential future implications on growth patters and deductions for rot:

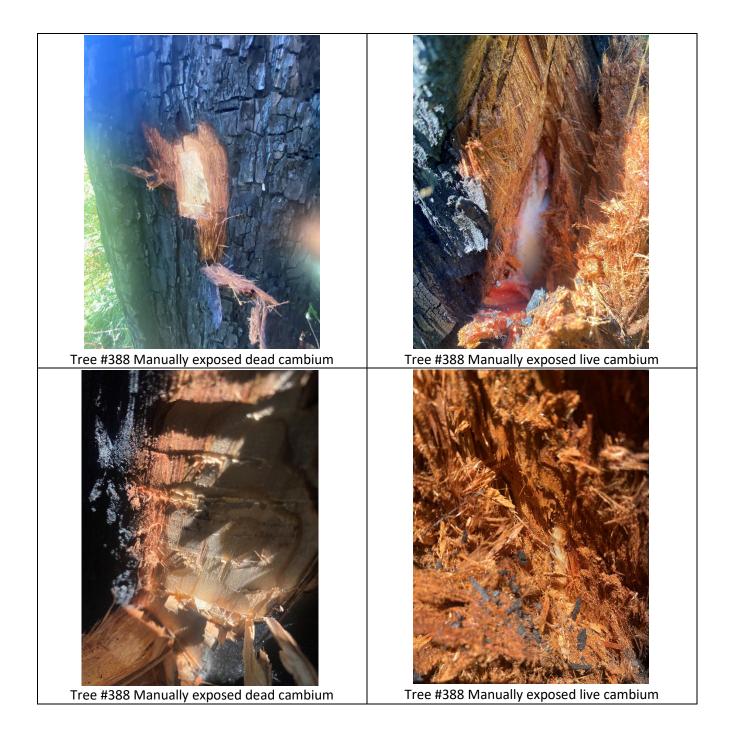
At a 2% growth rate, (projected growth rate postfire as leaf area regrows) this tree is anticipated to put on 3" of diameter growth (1.5" per side) over the next 10 years. The 1st 20' log represents 64% of the volume from the tree. Since 2/3 of the circumference of the 1st log is impacted by rot in heat-damaged wood, the future growth is expected to take approximately ? years to encapsulate this rot. It is possible that the rot in trees with this degree of damaage will extend inward and upward from what is observed in 2022, two years post-fire.

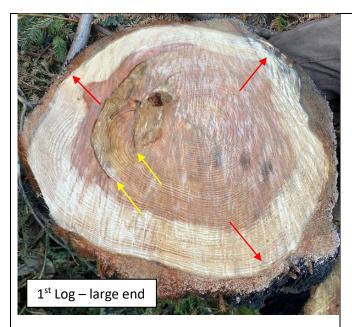


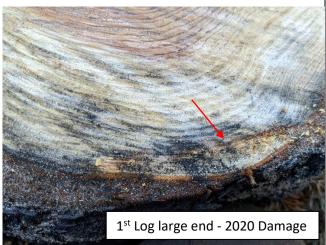
Condition of tree in 2022:

- DBH: 20
- Height: 83', with a broken top
- Burn Severity: Moderate-high
- Crown: 95% torched, 5% scorched; 0% live pre-fire canopy
- Fungus visible: 2/4 quadrants
- Dead cambium: 2/4 quadrants
- Scorch height: 72'
- Torch height: 83'
- Max bole char height: 83'
- Sprouting from: Bole
- Sprouting % of tree: 70
- Feet² of sprouts at base: 5
- Mold area: 8*11" and 11*40" patches on bole, 464 inches²
- Cambium completely burned away in some patches











1st Log small end – No 2020 Damage, yellowing sapwood

Tree #322

- 1st log 13" IB = 120 bf gross volume
- No deductions from 2020 fire
- Yellowing sapwood, 80% dry
- Deductions:
- No deductions from 2020 fire*
- Past Damage: 32 years ago (1990) and 49 years ago (1973) (yellow arrows) - possible mechanical damage – not visible on small end = 10 bf deduction
- 2nd log 12" IB 100 bf net
- No deductions from 2020 fire
- Soft, but sound and sapwood is yellowing/dry
- 3rd log 8" IB 30 bf net
- No defect from 2020 fire
- Top of the tree is very dry

2020 merchantable volume for tree: 250 bf net

*0% duduction due to 2020 fire damage; however damage to the cambium and very thin layer of sapwood over 1/3 of circumference on large end (red arrows) would impact future defect as the tree continues to grow and encapsulate the rot pockets.



Condition of tree in 2022:

- In riparian corridor
- DBH: 22
- Height: 139'
- Burn Severity: High
- Crown: 100% torched, 0% scorched; 0% live pre-fire canopy
- Fungus visible: 1/4 quadrants
- Dead cambium: 1/4 quadrants
- Scorch height: 0'
- Torch height: 139'
- Max bole char height: 139'
- Sprouting from: Bole
- Sprouting % of tree: 75
- Feet² of sprouts at base: 7
- Fungus area: 114 inches²

