

State of California
The Resources Agency



Wildlife Conservation Board

The Wildlife Conservation Board... Protects, restores, and provides public access to California's natural lands through its programs:

- ✦ Land Acquisition
- ✦ Habitat Restoration and Enhancement
- ✦ Inland Wetland Conservation
- ✦ Riparian Habitat Conservation
- ✦ Oak Woodlands Conservation
- ✦ Rangelands, Grazing and Grasslands Protection
- ✦ Public Access
- ✦ Natural Heritage Tax Credit Program

Board Members:

Tom Campbell, Director of Finance
Ryan Brodrick, Director of Fish & Game
Jim Kellogg, President of Fish & Game Commission

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Senator Abel Maldonado
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Executive Director
Al Wright



**PROTECTING CALIFORNIA'S
NATURAL HERITAGE FOR FUTURE
GENERATIONS**



Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area

WCB provides habitat protection in many ways...

"The Wildlife Conservation Board has a proud history protecting and restoring California's spectacular natural resources for wildlife and for people to enjoy. Partnerships with other agencies, land trusts, and communities have made this possible with the generous support of the people of California. Enjoy our heritage and take care of it for those who will follow."

-- Al Wright, Executive Director

Riparian habitat and wetland restoration...



Cosumnes River Ecological Reserve

Public access projects...



Canebrake Ecological Reserve

Land conservation through fee and easement acquisitions...

WCB Funding Categories, Acres Protected, and Dollars Spent (000's) from January 2000 through December 31, 2004



Bodega Lagoon, Sonoma County

*In Fiscal Year 2003-04, the Board's operating costs were less than 1% of its total allocations for habitat protection and restoration.

WCB Statewide Allocations and Acres Protected and/or Restored Throughout California January 2000-December 2004

North Coast-Northern California
\$71,945,174 Allocated
80,728 Acres Protected or Restored



Major Acquisition Projects include:

Lake Earl Wildlife Area, Del Norte County
Grizzly Creek Forest, Humboldt County
Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area, Yuba County
Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area, Yolo County
San Francisco Baylands, Alameda County
Diablo Range Conservation Area, Monterey County
Joshua Creek Canyon Ecological Reserve, Monterey County
Carrizo Plain Ecological Reserve, San Luis Obispo County
Ellwood Mesa, Santa Barbara County
Ahmanson Ranch, Ventura County
Ballona Wetlands, Los Angeles County
San Jacinto Wildlife Area, Riverside County
San Felipe Wildlife Area, San Diego County

Sacramento Valley- Central Sierras
\$101,862,069 Allocated
153,873 Acres Protected or Restored



San Joaquin Valley – Southern Sierras
\$63,219,663 Allocated
49,987 Acres Protected or Restored



Central Coast – San Francisco Bay Area
\$300,865,304 Allocated
286,704 Acres Protected or Restored

718,000 acres protected or restored through the allocation of nearly \$1,234,000,000 over five years...



Southern California Inland Deserts -- Eastern Sierras
\$145,078,245 Allocated
74,080 Acres Protected or Restored



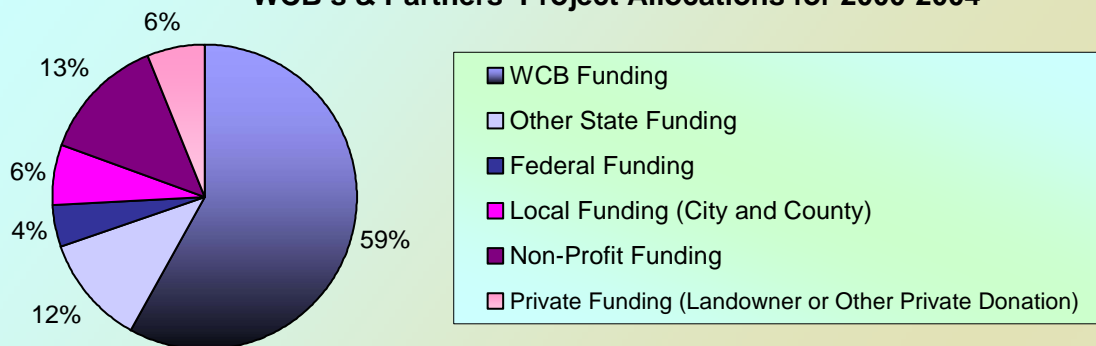
Major Restoration Projects include:

Gray Lodge Wildlife Area, Butte County
Feather River Wildlife Area, Sutter County
Sacramento River Wildlife Area, Various counties
San Francisco Bay Area Wetlands, Various counties
Eden Landing Ecological Reserve, Alameda County
Herbert Wetland Prairie, Tulare County
South Fork Kern River Fish Barrier, Tulare County
Lower Owens River, Inyo County
Bolsa Chica Wetlands Restoration, Orange County
Goat Canyon, San Diego County
Salton Sea, Imperial County
Lower Colorado River, Imperial County

South Coast – Southern California
\$550,901,753 Allocated
72,585 Acres Protected or Restored

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WCB's & Partners' Project Allocations for 2000-2004



The Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) was created by legislation in 1947 to administer a capital outlay program for wildlife conservation and related public recreation. WCB has authority and funding to carry out an acquisition and development program for wildlife conservation. The WCB consists of the President of the Fish and Game Commission, the Director of the Department of Fish and Game, and the Director of the Department of Finance. Legislation that created the Board also established a Legislative Advisory Committee consisting of three members of the Senate and three members of the Assembly, who meet with the Board, providing legislative oversight. The primary responsibilities of the WCB are to select, authorize and allocate funds for the purchase of land and waters suitable for recreation purposes, and the protection and restoration of wildlife habitat. The Board can also authorize the construction of facilities for recreational purposes on property in which it has a proprietary interest.

Partnerships and Conservation

The WCB places major emphasis on partnerships with other conservation groups, including federal, state and local resource agencies, conservancies, joint ventures and non-profit conservation organizations. With these groups' input, the WCB effectively identifies and completes projects throughout all bioregions of the State. Even though the Board is relatively small in terms of staff size, building partnerships has expanded the WCB's capacity by helping it leverage state funds with other matching funds. Partners provide additional resources and expertise, as well as build community outreach programs to gain local support, and assist with project operations and maintenance costs.

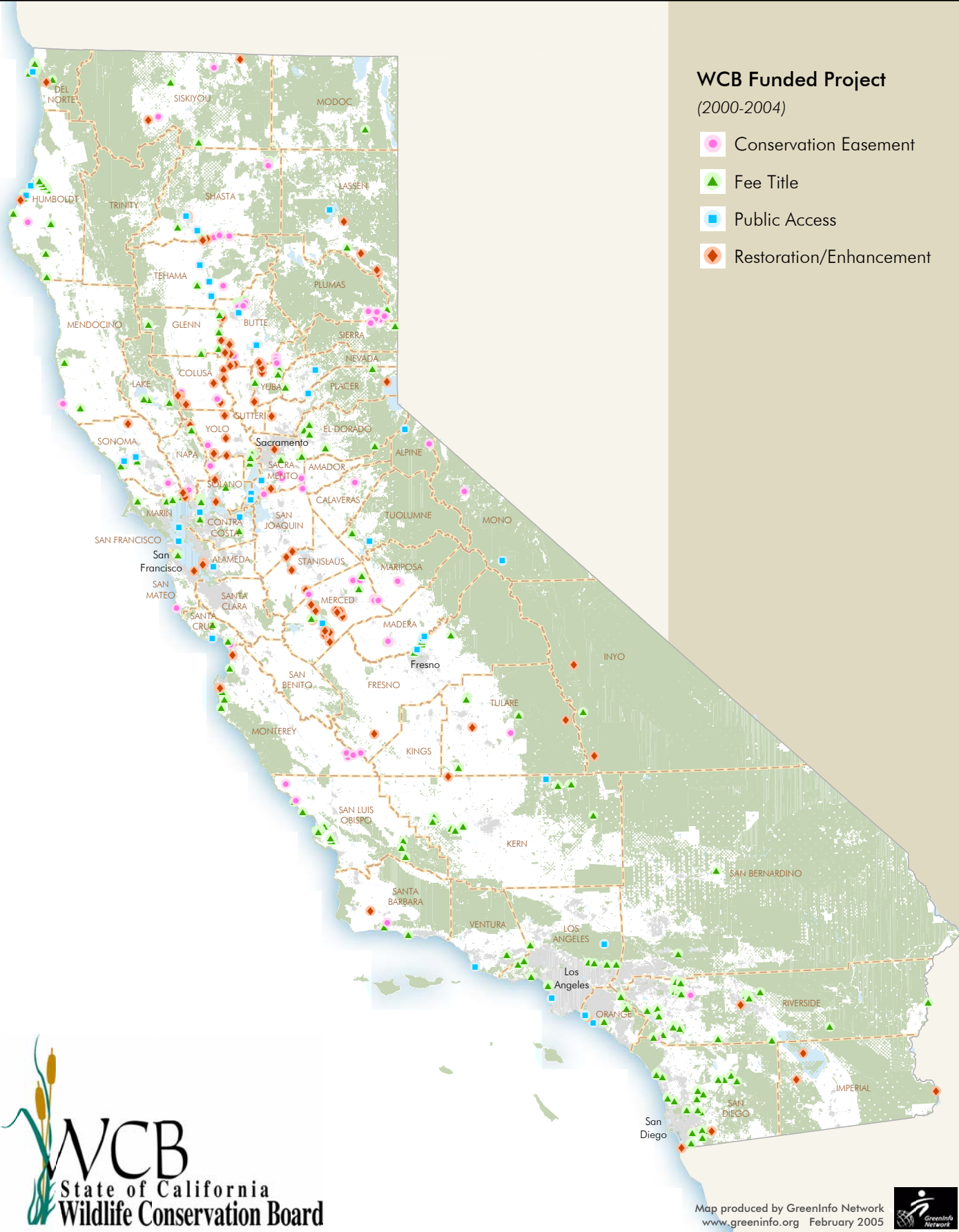
Developing these partnerships with local conservation groups has helped to promote on-going WCB programs and potential projects to private landowners and local communities. The WCB works only with willing landowners and provides notice to local communities and adjoining landowners on all proposed projects.

One major partner of note is the Department of Fish and Game (DFG). The WCB relies on input and assistance from DFG staff on virtually all projects. DFG helps identify potential projects, willing landowners, provides assessments and opinions based on the biological merits of each project and helps WCB set priorities on a statewide and regional basis.

Below is a list of partners that the WCB has recently worked with on projects:

American Farm Land Trust	California State Lands Commission	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	San Mateo County Harbor District
American Land Conservancy	California Tahoe Conservancy	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
American River Conservancy	Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy	Natural Resources Conservation Service	Save-the-Redwoods League
Angeles Volunteer Association	California Waterfowl Association	Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy	Sierra Business Council
California Bay Delta Authority	California Wildlife Foundation	Resources Legacy Fund	Solano Land Trust
California Department of Conservation	Central Valley Joint Venture	Riparian Habitat Joint Venture	Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District
California Department of Fish and Game	Ducks Unlimited, Inc.	Rivers and Mountains Conservancy	Sonoma Land Trust
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection	East Bay Regional Park District	Riverside Land Conservancy	Spalding Community Services District
California Department of Parks and Recreation	Fall River Resource Conservation District	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	The Conservation Fund
California Department of Transportation	Fisheries Resource Volunteer Corps	San Francisco Bay Joint Venture	The Nature Conservancy
California Department of Water Resources	Great Valley Center	San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority	The Trust for Public Land
California Environmental Protection Agency	Inyo County Water Department	San Gabriel Mountains Regional Conservancy	University of California, Davis
California Rangeland Trust	Jacoby Creek Land Trust	San Joaquin River Conservancy	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
California State Coastal Conservancy	Morro Estuary Greenbelt Alliance/ Friends of the Estuary	San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust	U.S. Bureau of Land Management
	Muir Heritage Land Trust		U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
	Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority		U.S. National Park Service
			Yolo Land Trust





Protecting California's Natural Heritage



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WCB Actions in 2000-2004: Total Acreage and Allocation

County	 Conservation Easements		 Fee Title for DFG/Others		 Public Access	 Restoration	
	Acres	\$ Allocation	Acres	\$ Allocation	\$ Allocation	Acres	\$ Allocation
Alameda			16,500	\$74,000,000	\$200,214.00	7,791	\$5,170,000.00
Alpine	n/a	\$2,580,000.00			\$250,000.00		
Butte	10,369	\$8,977,000.00	4,557	\$3,308,200.00	\$339,540.00	13,452	\$3,560,805.00
Calaveras	3,669	\$1,448,000.00					
Colusa	13,131	\$1,676,500.00				5,157	\$2,683,280.00
Contra Costa			3,808	\$3,210,000.00	\$1,000,540.00		
Del Norte			25,675	\$20,859,000.00	\$60,135.00	2,000	\$3,520,000.00
El Dorado	1,178	\$590,000.00	1,295	\$5,489,000.00			
Fresno			1,310	\$9,551,600.00	\$3,522,880.00	278	\$199,200.00
Glenn			24,158	\$13,726,000.00		491	\$1,764,240.00
Humboldt	3,640	\$921,250.00	5,905	\$30,609,000.00	\$510,530.00	200	\$115,000.00
Imperial						2,006	\$21,412,135.00
Inyo			218	\$958,000.00		2,684	\$1,095,800.00
Kern			4,743	\$5,185,000.00	\$120,135.00		\$110,000.00
Lake			269	\$260,350.00			
Lassen			278	\$300,000.00	\$500,512.00	6,356	\$1,273,500.00
Los Angeles			4,178	\$179,999,000.00	\$474,270.00	180	\$980,000.00
Madera	443.5	\$725,726.00	1,140	\$17,533,760.00	\$75,000.00		
Marin			737	\$5,171,750.00			
Mariposa	6,801	\$3,314,700.00					
Mendocino	560	\$3,700,000.00	39,704	\$10,619,500.00		236	\$1,400,000.00
Merced	15,620.9	\$13,948,671.00	4,359	\$3,565,000.00	\$35,000.00	10,633	\$1,584,500.00
Modoc			2,080	\$1,332,000.00			
Mono	6,350	\$3,210,000.00			\$42,630.00		
Monterey	27,715	\$6,688,000.00	14,598	\$20,552,000.00		237	\$1,407,260.00
Napa	17	\$1,780,000.00	12,817	\$7,000,000.00		64	\$120,635.00
Nevada			494	\$685,000.00	\$100,000.00		
Orange			6,508	\$83,187,000.00	\$741,900.00	890	\$10,069,135.00
Placer			155	\$175,250.00	\$1,404,610.00	58	\$50,000.00
Plumas	21,137	\$2,958,000.00	279	\$540,000.00			
Riverside	1,324	\$782,000.00	60,926	\$113,968,208.00			\$100,000.00
Sacramento	5,526	\$3,188,000.00	4,819	\$5,585,500.00	\$1,599,780.00	372	\$778,000.00
San Bernardino			572	\$3,617,472.00			
San Diego			54,871	\$117,131,834.00		23	\$1,800,260.00
San Francisco					\$200,270.00		
San Joaquin	3,515	\$1,915,000.00			\$591,270.00	35	\$125,000.00
San Luis Obispo	82,106	\$34,500,000.00	32,551	\$34,029,850.00			
San Mateo	1,000	\$0.00	6,020	\$15,020,000.00	\$99,270.00		\$75,000.00
Santa Barbara	1,406	\$3,031,000.00	948	\$14,837,477.00		25	\$330,000.00
Santa Clara			5,205	\$9,485,000.00			
Santa Cruz	18	\$3,000.00	464	\$5,730,000.00	\$472,000.00		
Shasta	3,784	\$597,000.00	1,524	\$4,495,000.00	\$577,800.00	381	\$1,244,000.00
Sierra	500	\$310,000.00	2,147	\$2,750,000.00			
Siskiyou	2,479	\$105,000.00	118	\$130,000.00	\$55,540.00	4,738	\$1,087,107.00
Solano	535	\$1,018,000.00	5,536	\$3,880,000.00	\$937,210.00	21,819	\$959,600.00
Sonoma	165	\$1,705,000.00	5,484	\$12,500,200.00	\$239,140.00	5,258	\$908,300.00
Stanislaus						837	\$345,000.00
Sutter						348	\$1,327,975.00
Tehama	21,557	\$2,493,000.00	8	\$352,500.00	\$659,800.00		
Tulare	722	\$127,000.00	2,667	\$1,102,150.00		83	\$1,308,539.00
Tuolumne			333	\$100,667.00	\$120,135.00		
Ventura			3,018	\$137,373,500.00	\$400,135.00		
Yolo	6,983	\$2,450,000.00	21,106	\$18,260,000.00	\$158,400.00	836	\$2,428,100.00
Yuba	2,115	\$119,283.34	2,153	\$4,632,216.66		538	\$124,000.00
Multiple Counties in Bay Area							\$40,000,135.00

Note: Map legend color-coding on reverse side corresponds to columns in table.