



Public Resources Code Section	Program	P-68 Bond Allocation	FY 2018-19 Local Assistance Allocation	FY 2019-20 Local Assistance Allocation	Estimated solicitation timing
		\$275,000	\$71,000	\$133,875	
Chapter 7: Califo					
80100 (a) The sur appropriation by the (commencing with Section 7048 of the enhance urban cre					
80100	Wildlife Conservation Board	\$10,000	\$2,000	\$7,250	
80100 (a)(3)	Of the amount made available pursuant to this subdivision, ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) shall be available to the Lower American River Conservancy Program pursuant to Chapter 10.5 (commencing with Section 5845) of Division 5.	\$10,000	\$2,000	\$7,250	Spring 2019



Chapter 8: State Conservancy, Wildlife Conservation Board, and Authority Funding

80110 The sum of seven hundred sixty-seven million dollars (\$767,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, as described in this chapter.

80110(c) One hundred thirty-seven million dollars (\$137,000,000) shall be available to the Wildlife Conservation Board.

80111	Wildlife Conservation Board	\$137,000	\$39,000	\$64,975	
80111 (a)	Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) shall be available for the development of regional conservation investment strategies.	\$5,000	\$2,000	\$2,625	Continuous solicitation out 1/31/2019
80111 (b)	At least fifty-two million dollars (\$52,000,000) shall be available for the acquisition, development, rehabilitation, restoration, protection, and expansion of habitat that furthers the implementation of natural community conservation plans adopted pursuant to the Natural Community Conservation Planning Act.	\$52,000	\$26,000	\$22,100	TBD
80111 (c)	Up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) may be granted to the University of California Natural Reserve System for matching grants for acquisition of land, construction and development of research facilities to improve the management of natural lands, for preservation of California's wildlife resources, and to further research related to climate change. The Wildlife Conservation Board shall establish a matching grant requirement for grants awarded pursuant to this subdivision.	\$10,000	\$4,000	\$5,250	Working with UC staff to get priorities for this year.
80111 (d)	The remainder of the amount available shall be available to the Wildlife Conservation Board to provide funding for the following projects: (1) Projects to protect and enhance national recreation areas serving heavily urbanized areas or, in coordination with the State Lands Commission, to acquire an interest in federal public lands that may be proposed for sale or disposal. (2) Projects according to the Wildlife Conservation Board's governing statutes for its specified purposes.	\$70,000	\$7,000	\$35,000	TBD. Possible Programs for this money: 1)T & E restoration projects; 2)ERAL Program; 3)Rangeland/grazing/grassland; 4)Oaks; 5)Forest Conservation; 6)Riparian Program.



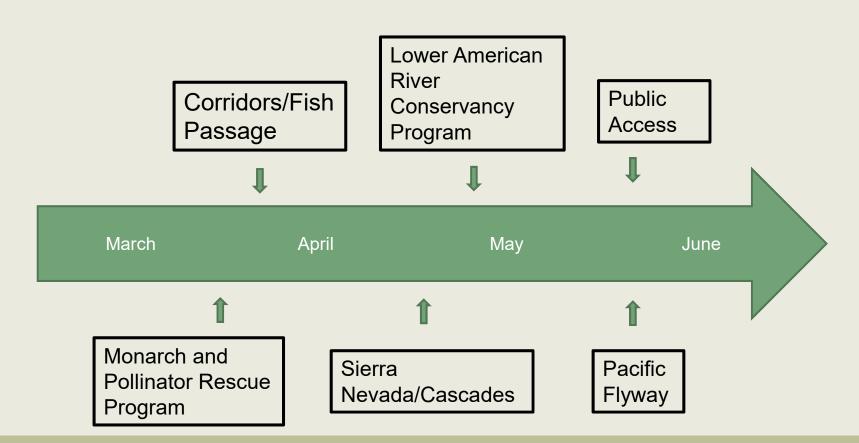
Chapter 10: Climate Preparedness, Habitat Resiliency, Resource Enhancement, and Innovation

80130 The sum of four hundred forty-three million dollars (\$443,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, as competitive grants for projects that plan, develop, and implement climate adaptation and resiliency projects. Eligible projects shall improve a community's ability to adapt to the unavoidable impacts of climate change, improve and protect coastal and rural economies, agricultural viability, wildlife corridors, or habitat, develop future recreational opportunities, or enhance drought tolerance, landscape resilience, and water retention.

80132	Wildlife Conservation Board	\$128,000	\$30,000	\$61,650	
80132(a)	Eighteen million dollars (\$18,000,000) shall be available to the Wildlife Conservation Board for direct expenditures pursuant to the Wildlife Conservation Law of 1947.	\$18,000	\$10,000	\$6,650	Some portion for Public Access. Solicitation this Spring 2019.
80132(c)(1)	Thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) shall be available for the acquisition, development, rehabilitation, restoration, protection, and expansion of wildlife corridors and open space to improve connectivity and reduce barriers between habitat areas and to protect and restore habitat associated with the Pacific Flyway. In awarding grants pursuant to this subdivision, priority may be given to projects that protect wildlife corridors.	\$20,000	\$0	\$10,000	Solictation in May.
80132(e)(1)	Sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) shall be available to the Wildlife Conservation Board for construction, repair, modification, or removal of transportation or water resources infrastructure to improve wildlife or fish passage.	\$30,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	Solicitation in March.
80132(f)	Sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) shall be available to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the protection, restoration, and improvement of upper watershed lands in the Sierra Nevada and Cascade Mountains, including forest lands, meadows, wetlands, chaparral, and riparian habitat, in order to protect and improve water supply and water quality, improve forest health, reduce wildfire danger, mitigate the effects of wildfires on water quality and supply, increase flood protection, or to protect or restore riparian or aquatic resources.	\$60,000	\$10,000	\$30,000	Solicitation in April.



Wildlife Conservation Board Proposal Solicitation Notices

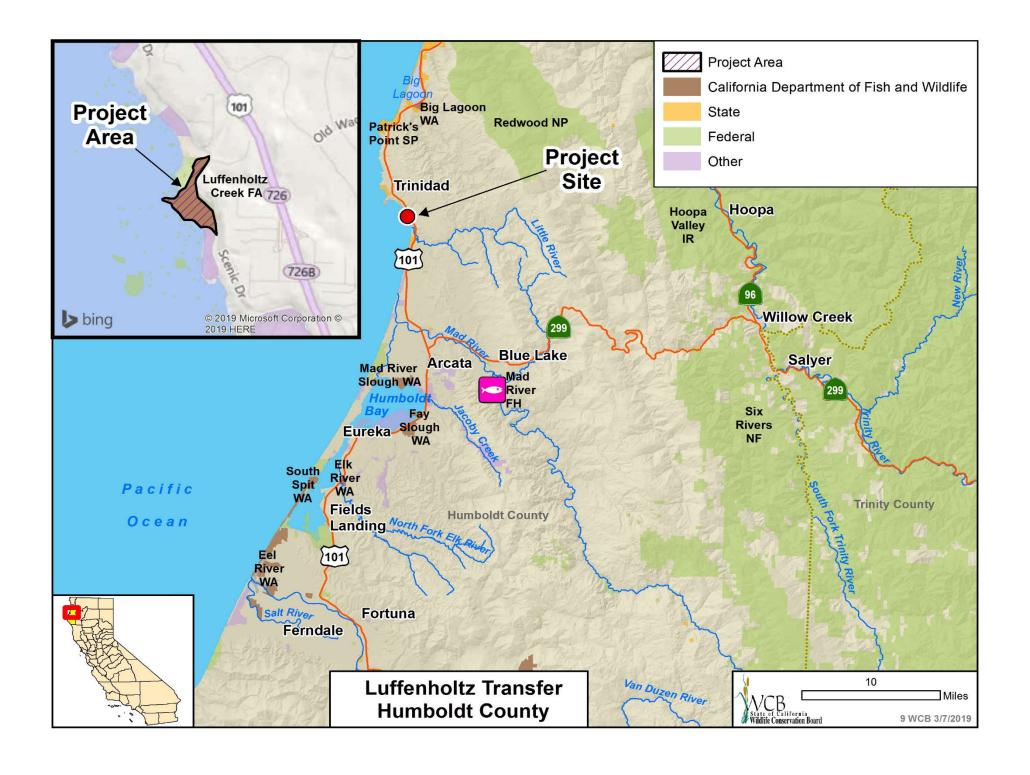


#8. Proposition 68 Program Guidelines – Minor Amendment

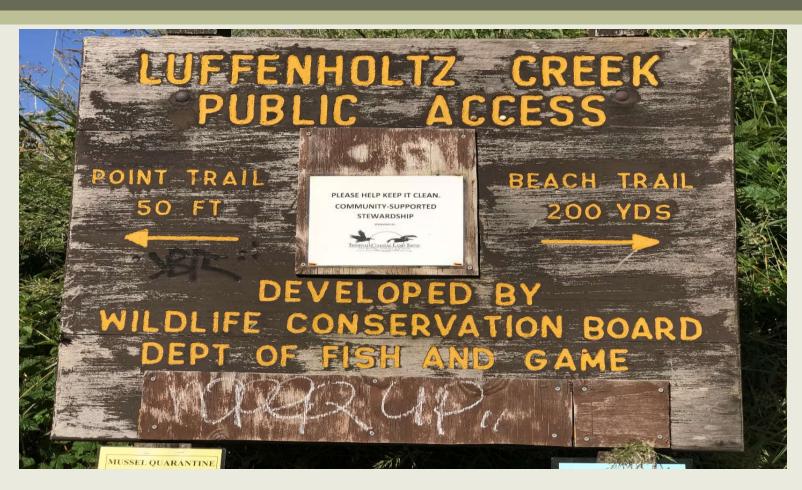


2.4 Support for the University of California Natural Reserve System (PRC section 80111[c])

This existing program within WCB was established specifically to implement the most critical projects within the University of California Natural Reserve System (UCNRS) to provide matching grants for acquisition of land, construction and development of research facilities to improve the management of natural lands, for preservation of California's wildlife resources, and to further research related to climate change. To implement this program, the UCNRS Executive Director, directed by has established an Ad Hoc Bond Act Funds Advisory Subcommittee of the University-wide UCNRS Advisory Committee and informed by the respective campus UCNRS staff, for reviewsing and setsting priorities for project proposals for behalf of the University of California Natural Reserve System. The highest ranking proposals are presented to the WCB for funding approval. WCB will continue to use these existing procedures in support of the UCNRS.







Public access sign





Public Access deteriorating steps from parking lot to Luffenholtz Beach





Closed dilapidated restrooms





Public access outlook over Luffenholtz Beach



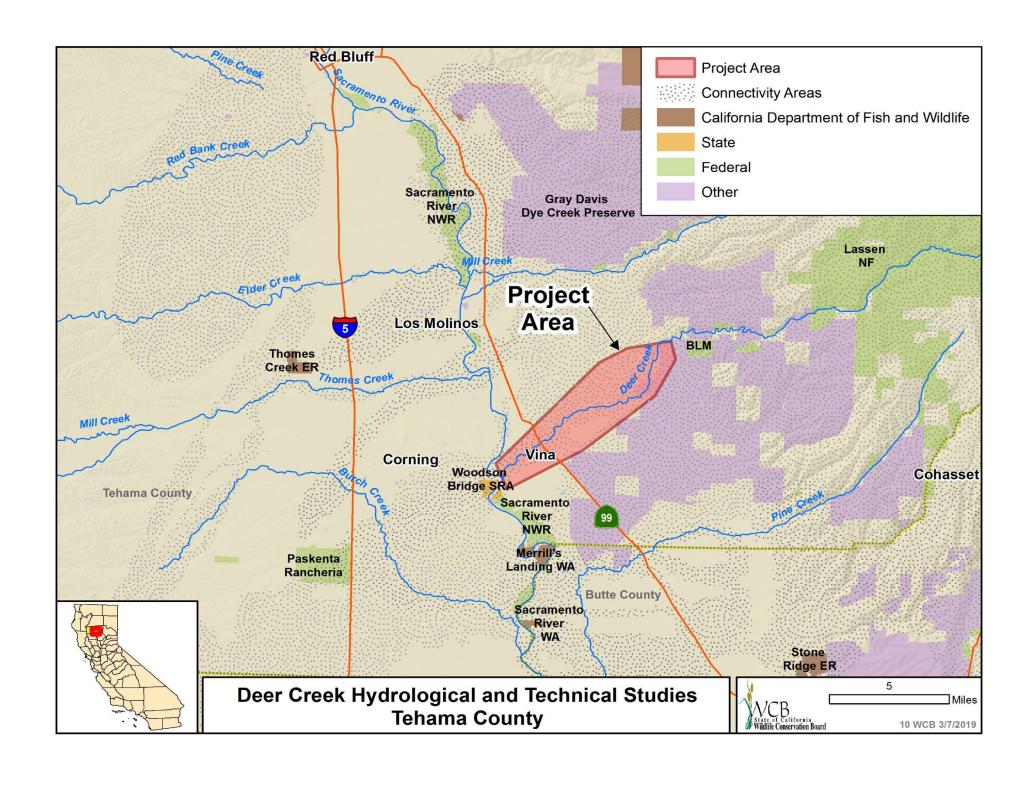


Looking south toward Moonstone Beach from public access outlook



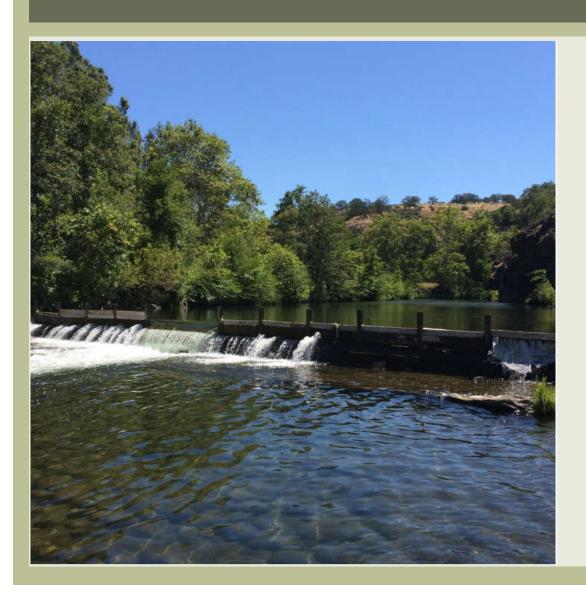


Looking north over Luffenholtz Beach



#10. Deer Creek Hydrological and Technical Studies

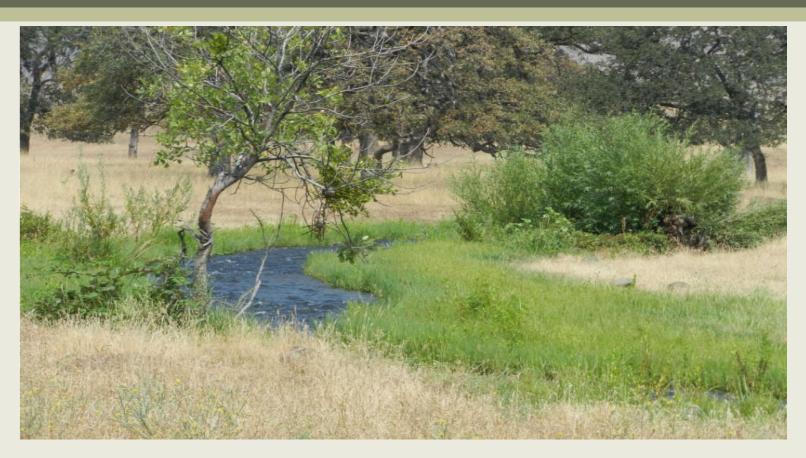




Deer Creek Irrigation
District (DCID)
diversion dam on Deer
Creek

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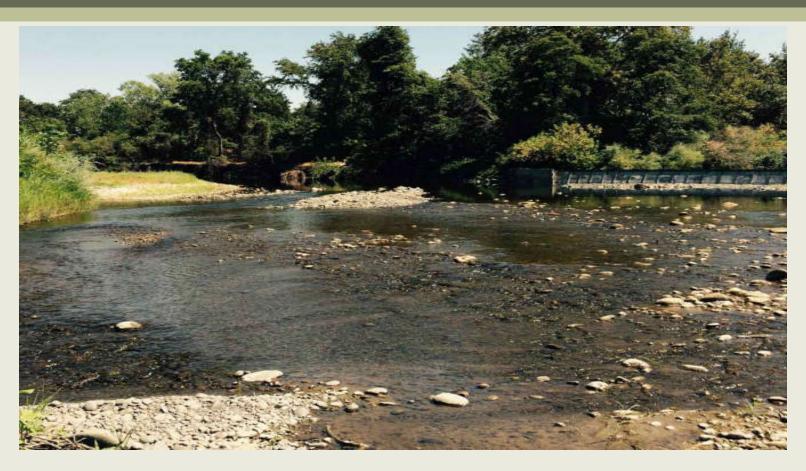




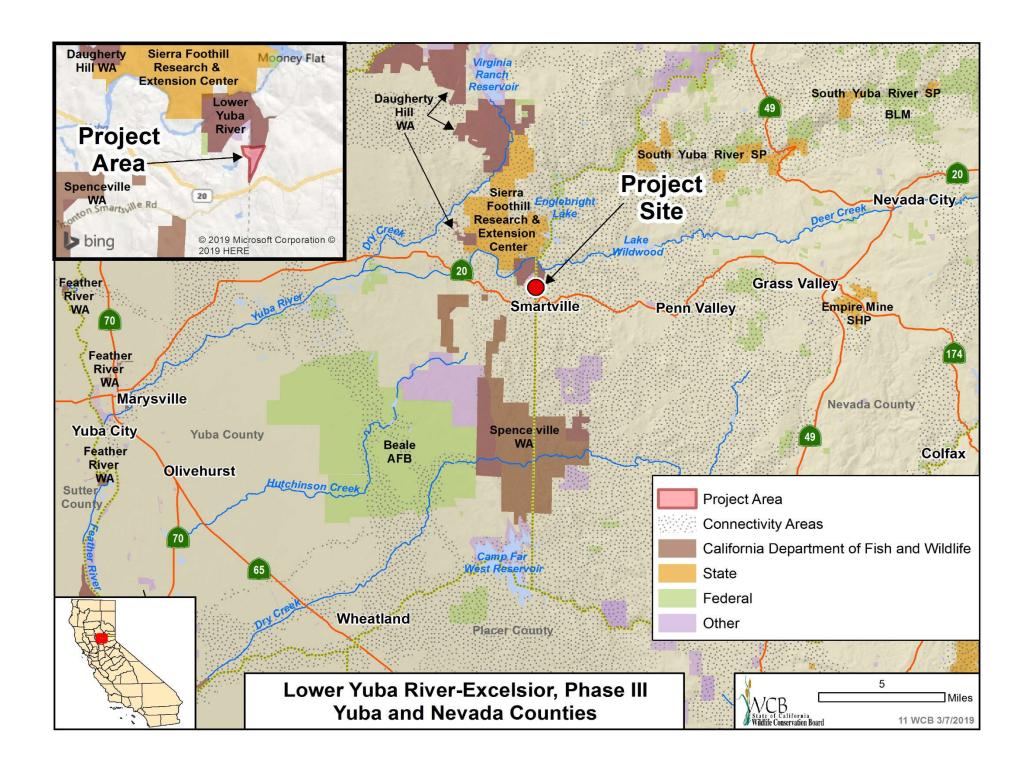
Upper section of the DCID irrigation ditch

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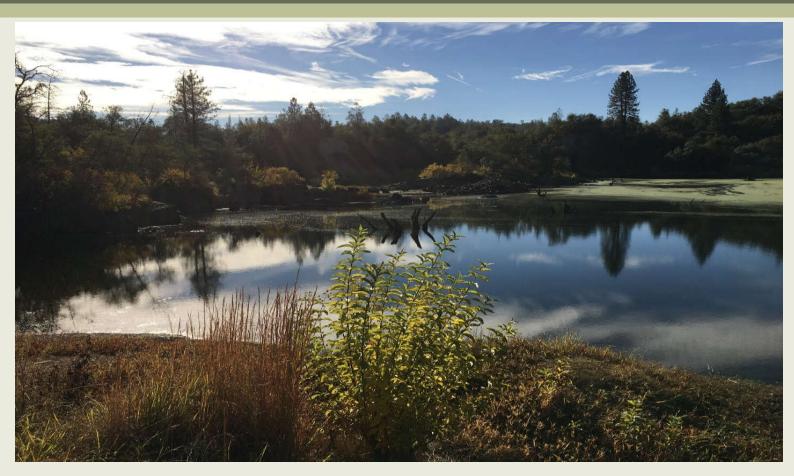


Summer low-flow conditions several miles below the DCID diversion



#11. Lower Yuba River Excelsior, Phase III





Ground-water fed ponds

#11. Lower Yuba River Excelsior, Phase III





View from ridge overlooking the ponds

#11. Lower Yuba River Excelsior, Phase III





Annual grasslands and oak woodland

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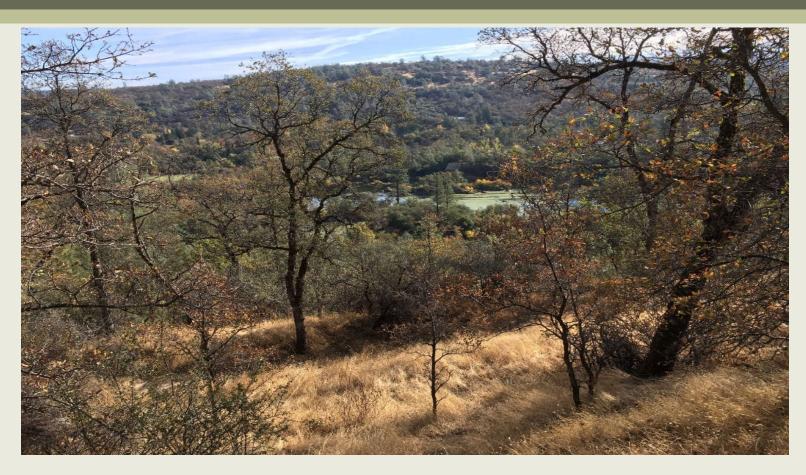




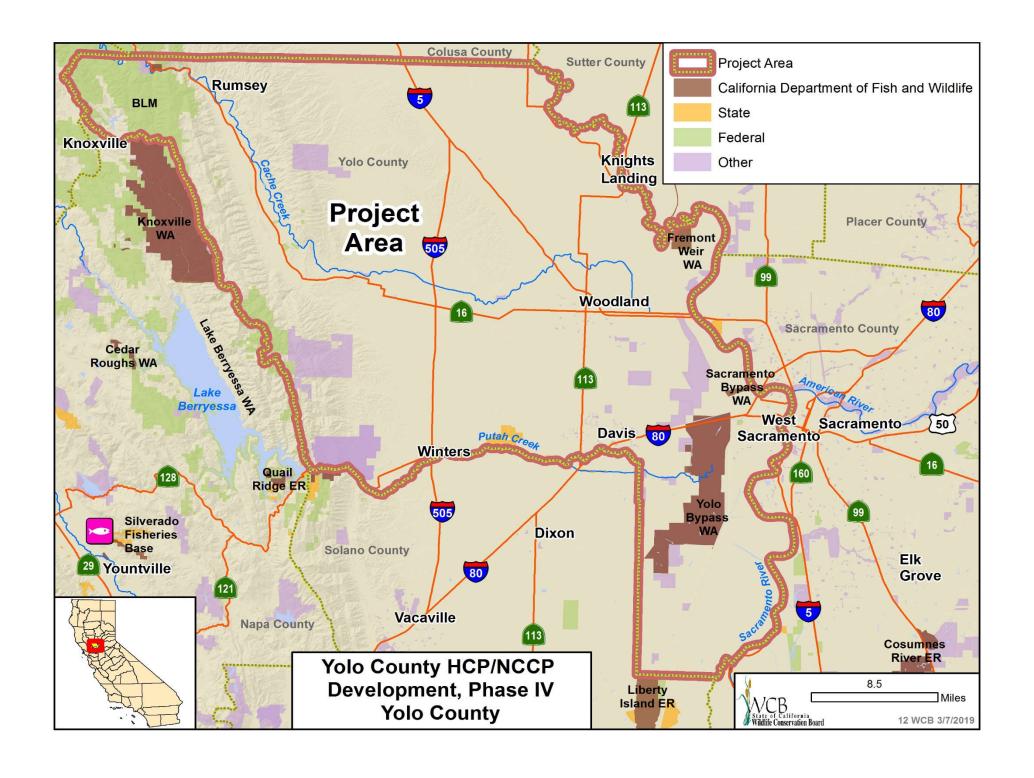
Signage at Black Swan Preserve

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View from Black Swan Trail







Vernal pool and grassland habitats







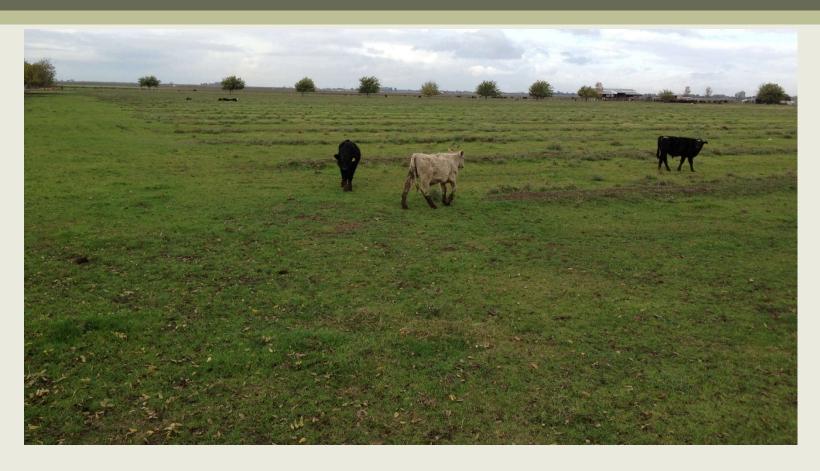
Native Grasslands at Conway Ranch





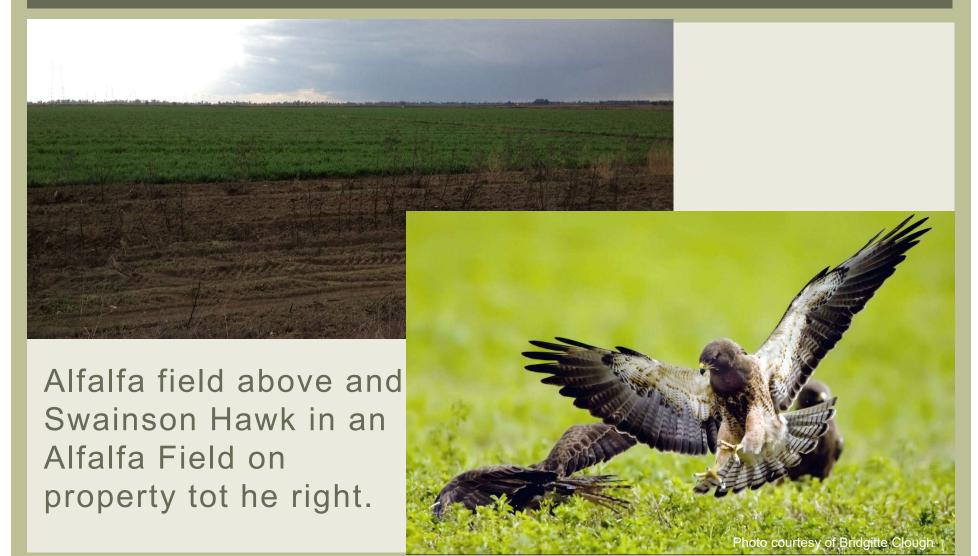
Burrowing Owl in the Bypass





Irrigated pasture

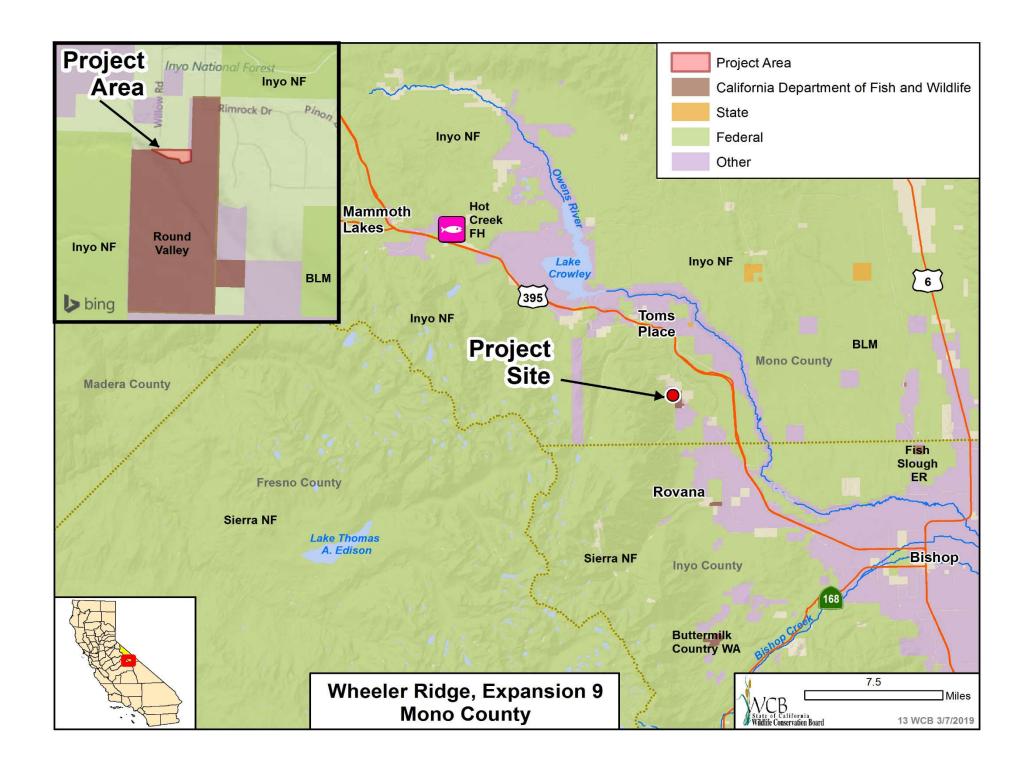






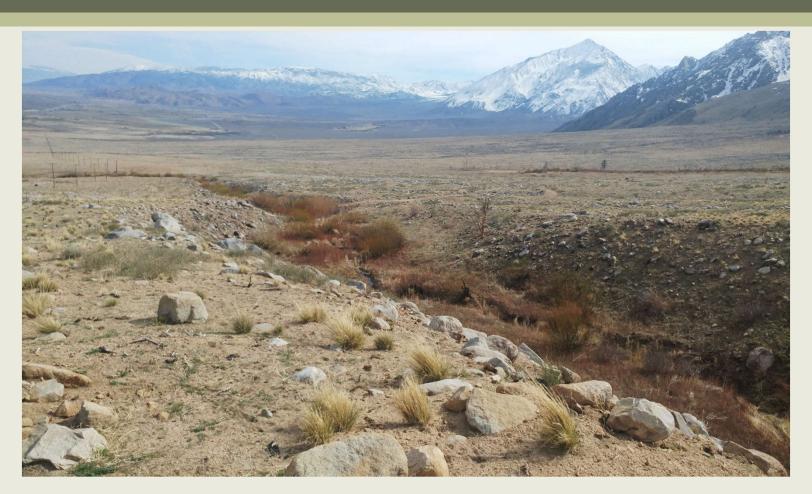


Tri-colored blackbird



#13. Wheeler Ridge, Expansion 9

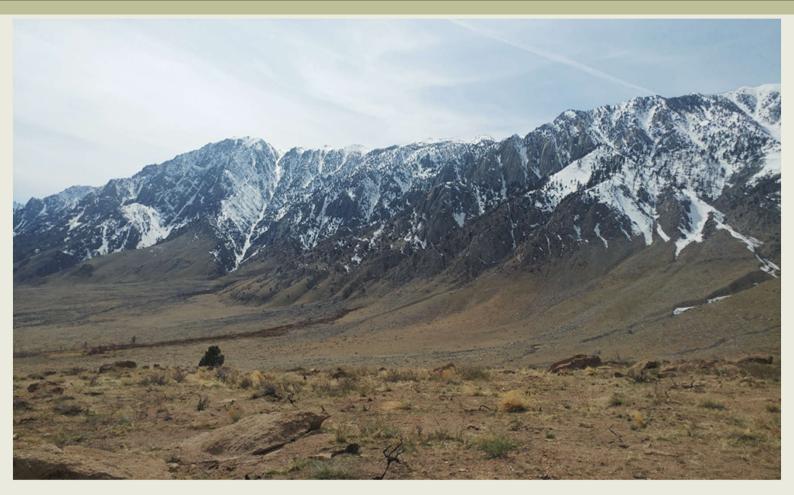




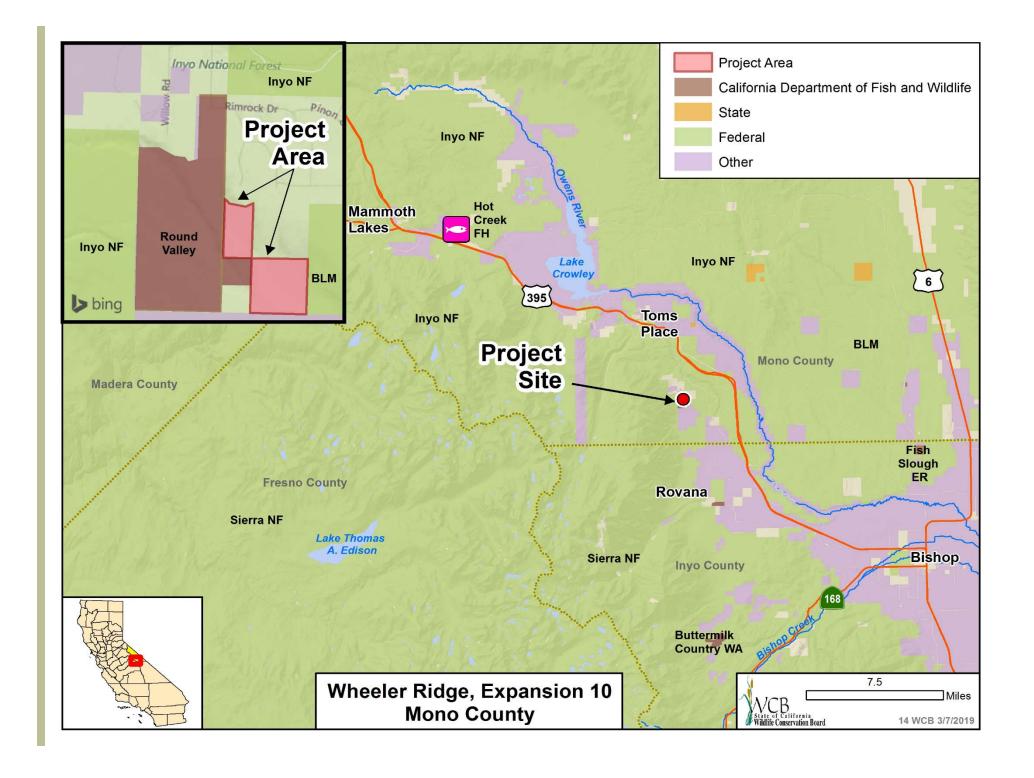
Mt. Tom and Round Valley to the south

#13. Wheeler Ridge, Expansion 9





Wheeler Ridge to the west



#14. Wheeler Ridge, Expansion 10

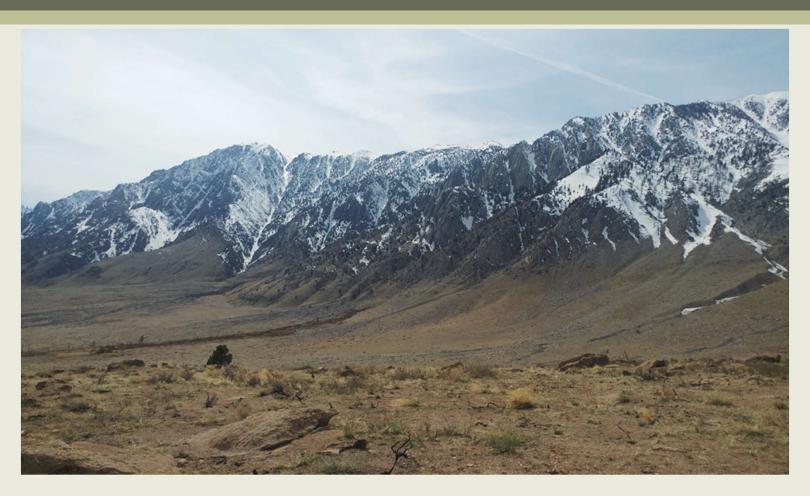




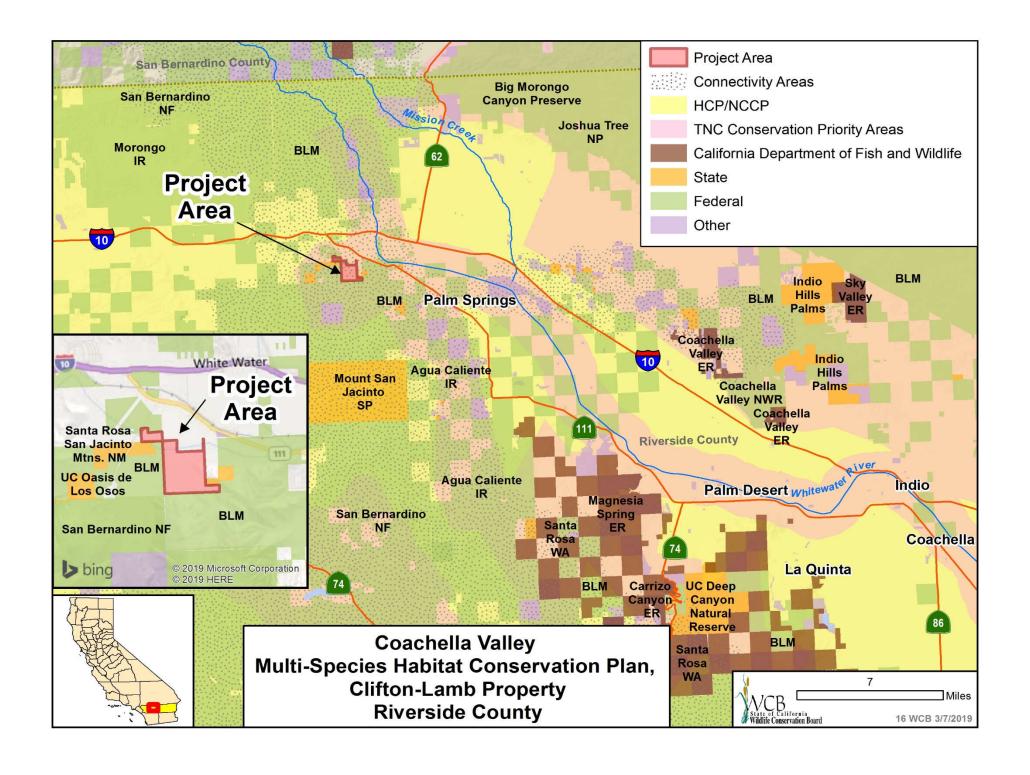
Mt. Tom and Round Valley to the south. Property is in the foreground

#14. Wheeler Ridge, Expansion 10





Wheeler Ridge to the west







Looking northerly across the property with he Morongo Valley in the background.





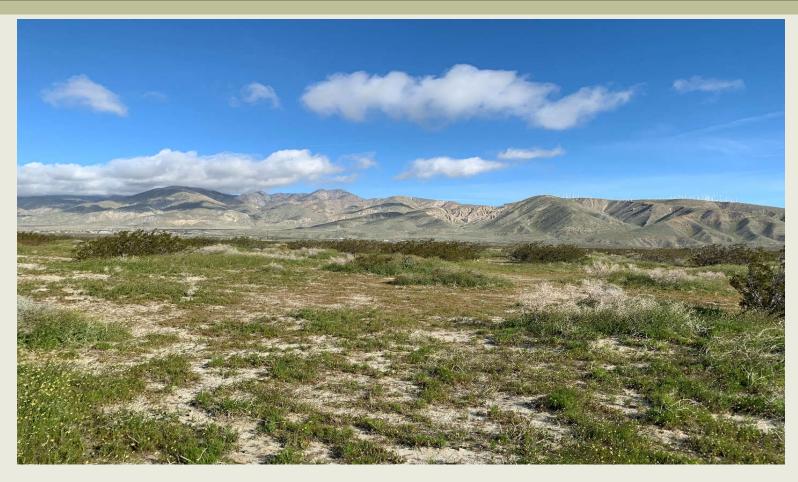
Looking westerly across the property with San Jacinto mountain range in background.



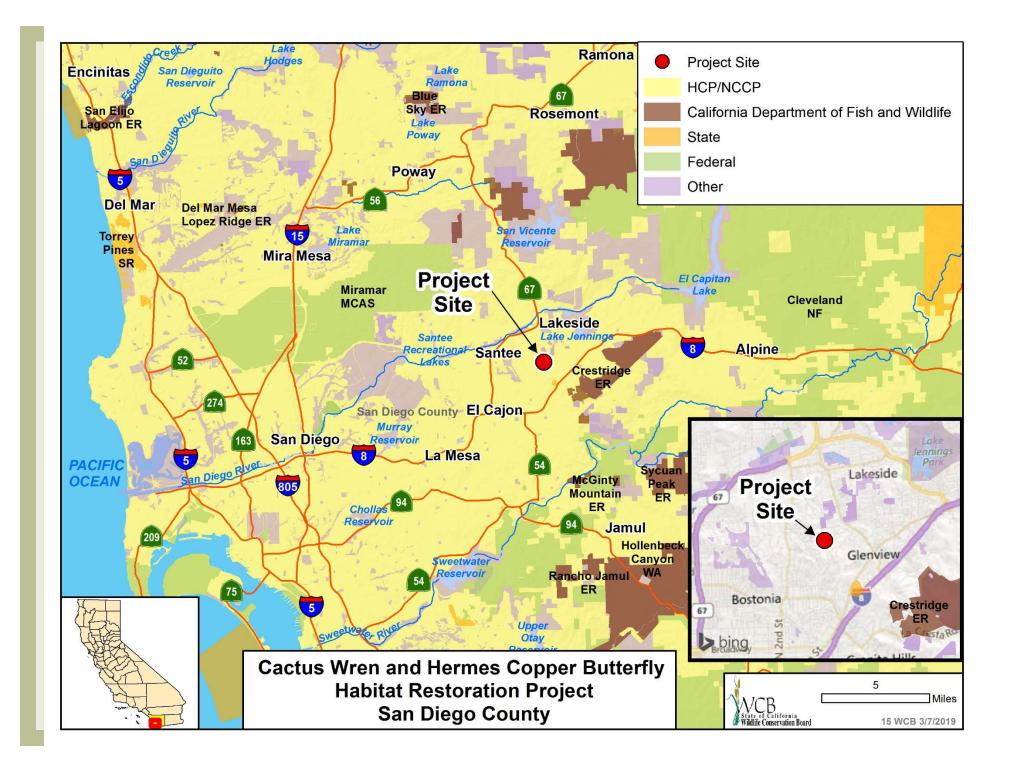


Looking southerly to the property.



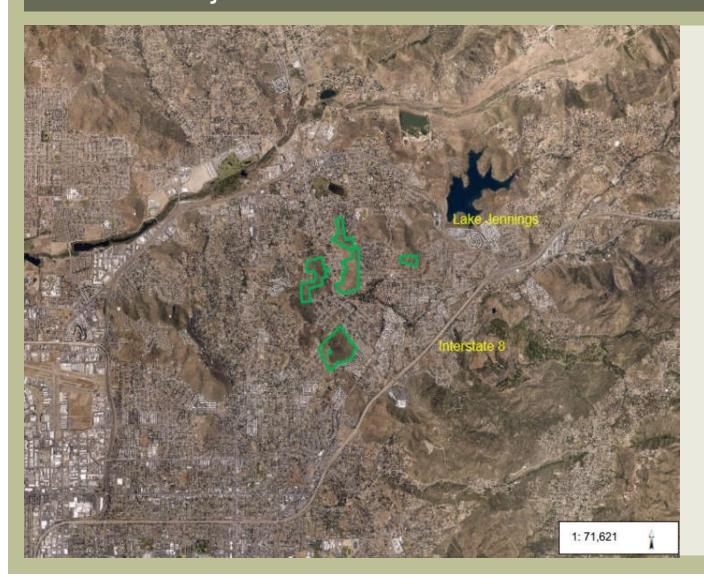


Looking easterly across the property.



#16. Cactus Wren and Hermes Copper Butterfly Habitat Restoration Project

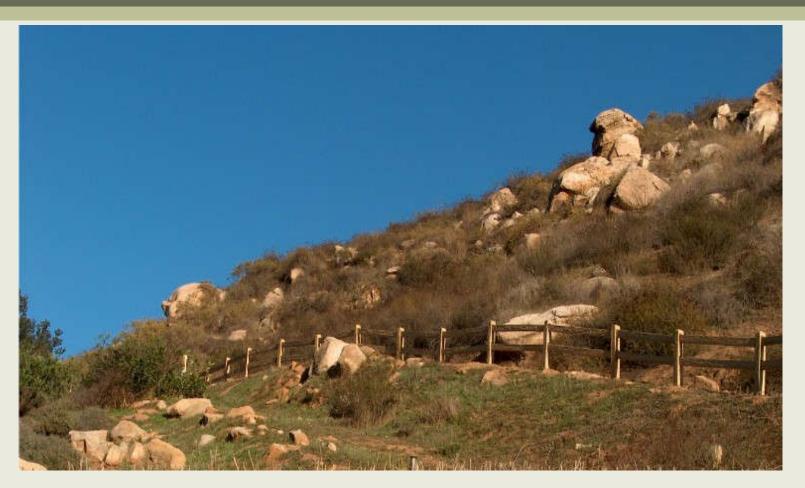




Map of Lakeside Linkage Preserve

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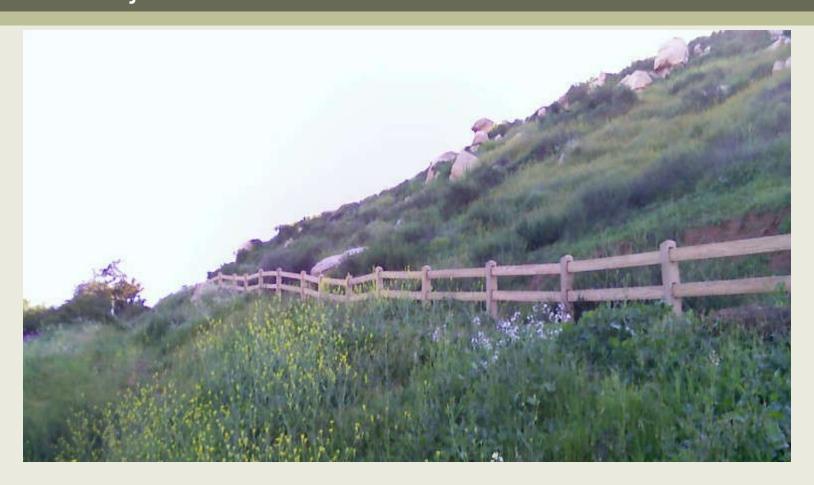




Lakeside Linkage Preserve 1

#16. Cactus Wren and Hermes Copper Butterfly Habitat Restoration Project





Lakeside Linkage Preserve 2

#16. Cactus Wren and Hermes Copper **Butterfly Habitat Restoration** Project





2011 Before clearing and planting



2012 After cactus installation



2013 July

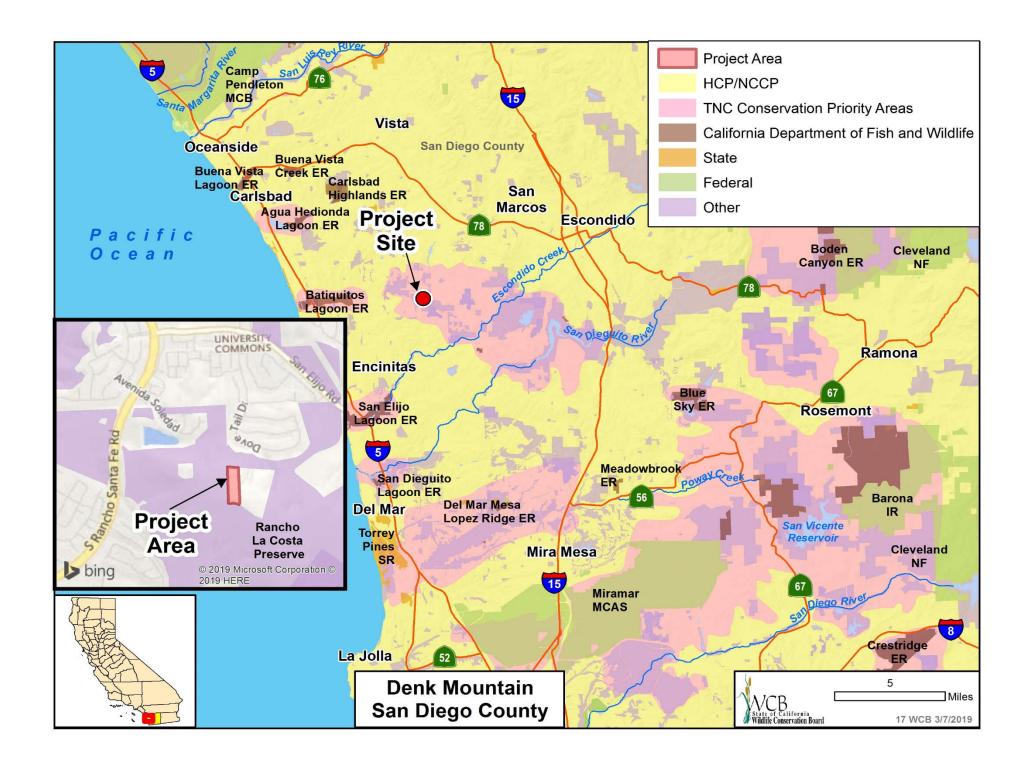


2014 July



2016 July

Previous cactus restoration in Lakeside Linkage Preserve



#17. Denk Mountain





Northeast view of subject property

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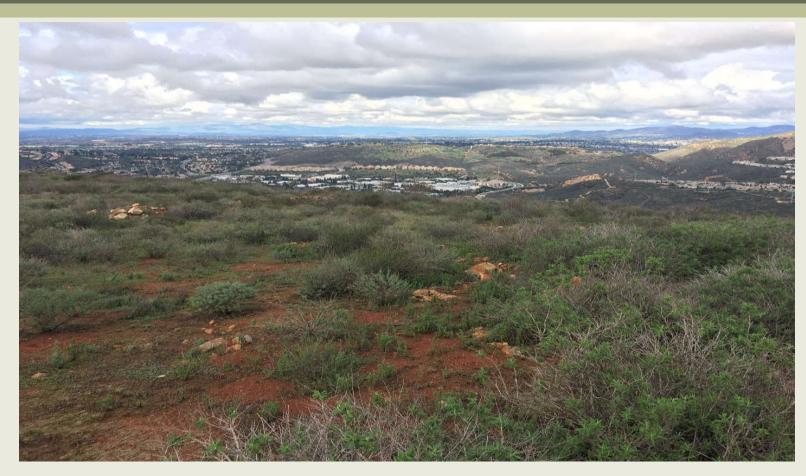




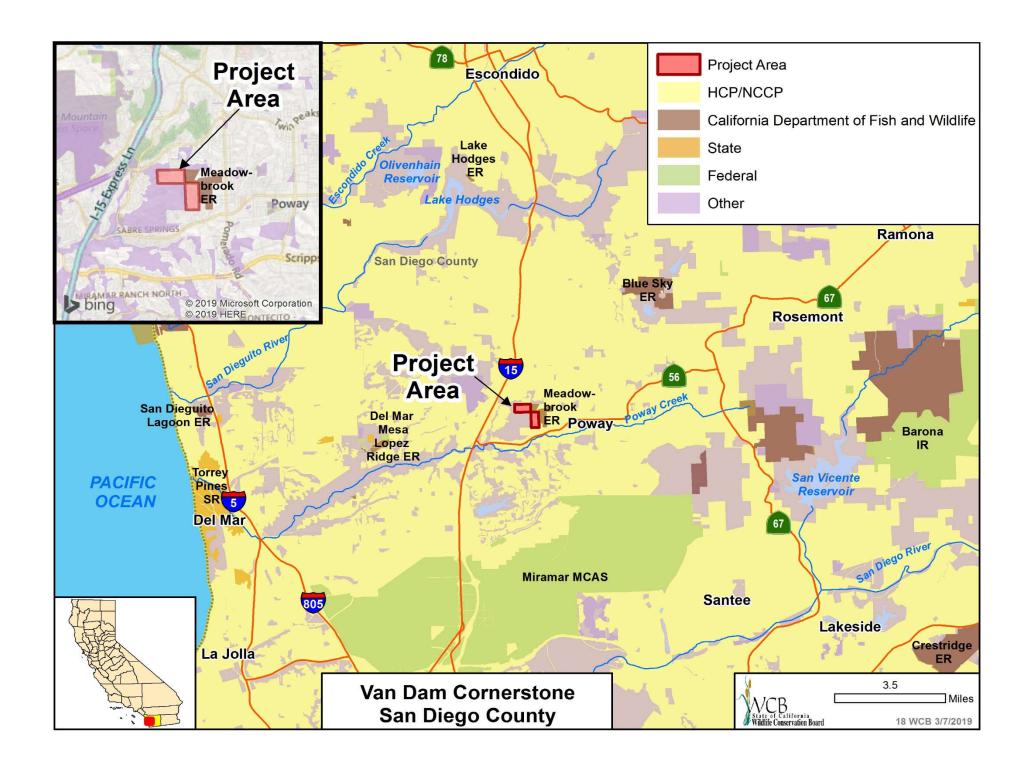
Westerly view of subject property

#17. Denk Mountain





Northerly view of subject property







On parcel -05, observed adult female coastal California gnatcatcher.





Facing south from northerly property line of Parcel -04 over coastal sage scrub habitat.





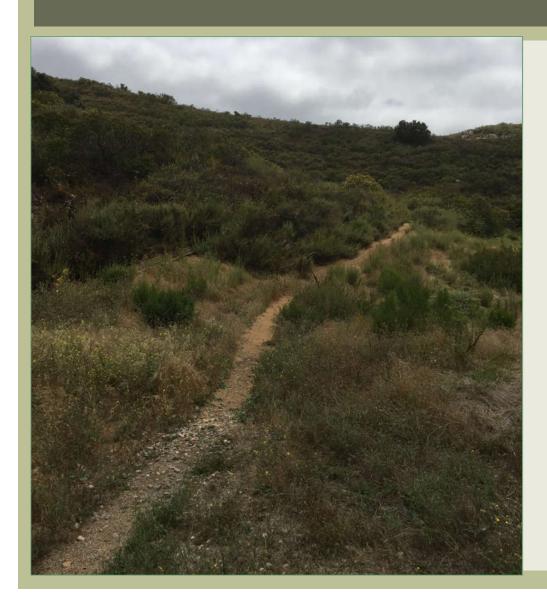
Facing west over eastern property line of Parcel -05 over coastal sage scrub habitat.





Facing north to parcels -20 and -21 from southern property line over coastal sage scrub and chaparral habitat. Note informal trails.





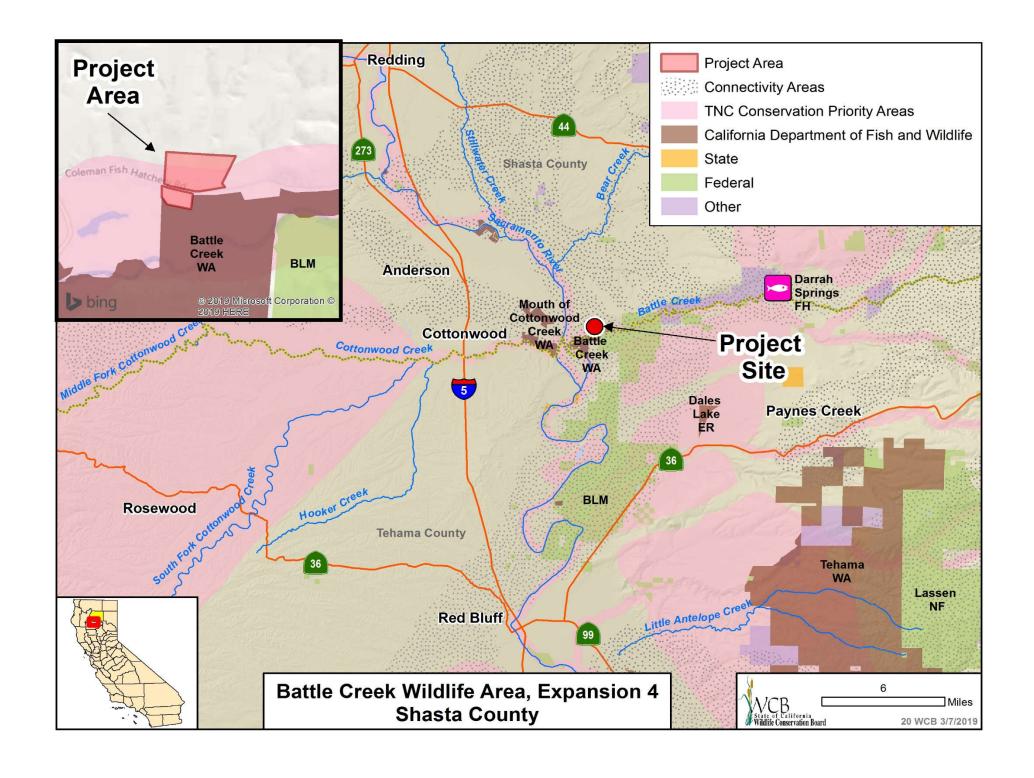
Facing southeast from access point off Shoal Summit Drive; trail enters northern portion of Parcel 21.

#19. Delegation of Authority

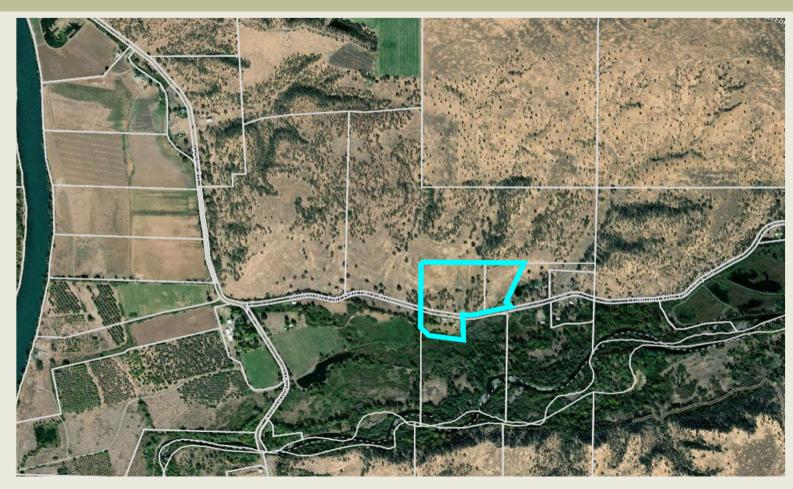


- > Will not involve significant policy decisions.
- > The cost and scope of the project will not change.

- Whether the entity is an eligible applicant under applicable program guidelines.
- Whether the entity has an organizational capacity that is substantially similar to or greater than that of the original grantee.







Battle Creek Expansion 4 parcel map





Yard and irrigation delivery ditch at the Carr Ranch Farm, Battle Creek Wildlife Area Expansion 4





Irrigation ditch from Battle Creek, which delivers water to Carr Ranch and neighboring properties.





Ranch house located on the Carr Ranch





Main barn located on the Carr Ranch



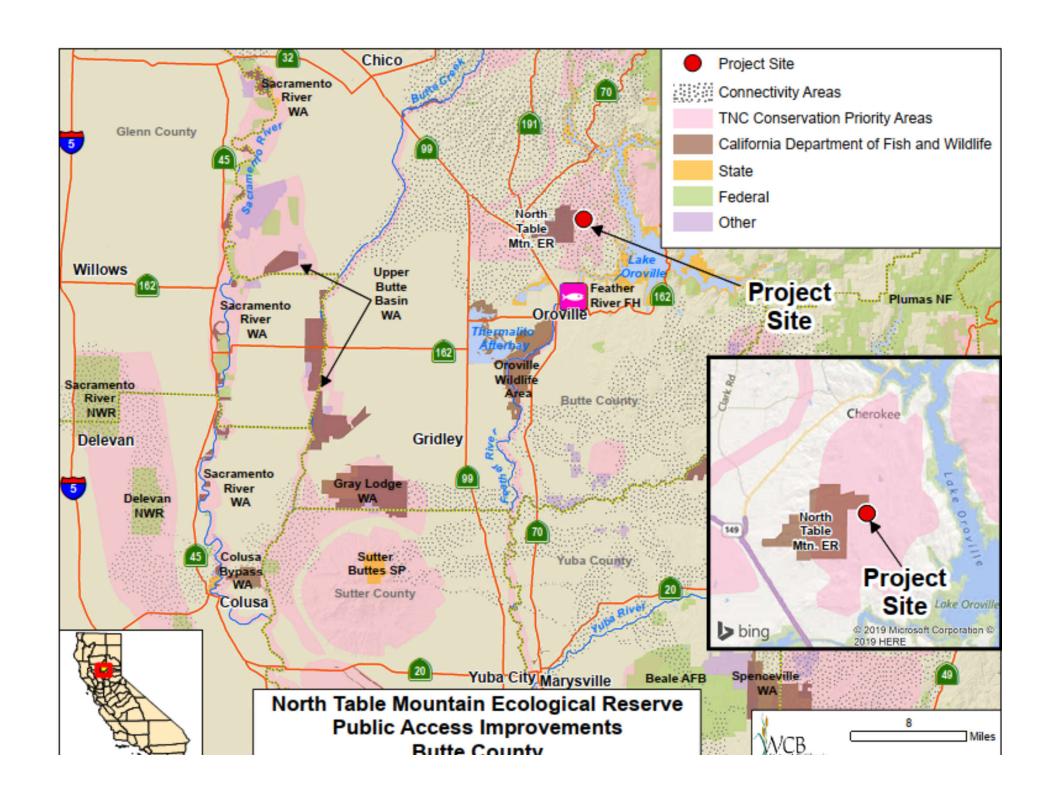


Typical Oak woodlands found on the Carr Ranch





Typical Grasslands found on the Carr Ranch







North Table Mountain Ecological Reserve is a wild flower destination





Existing access road and parking lot







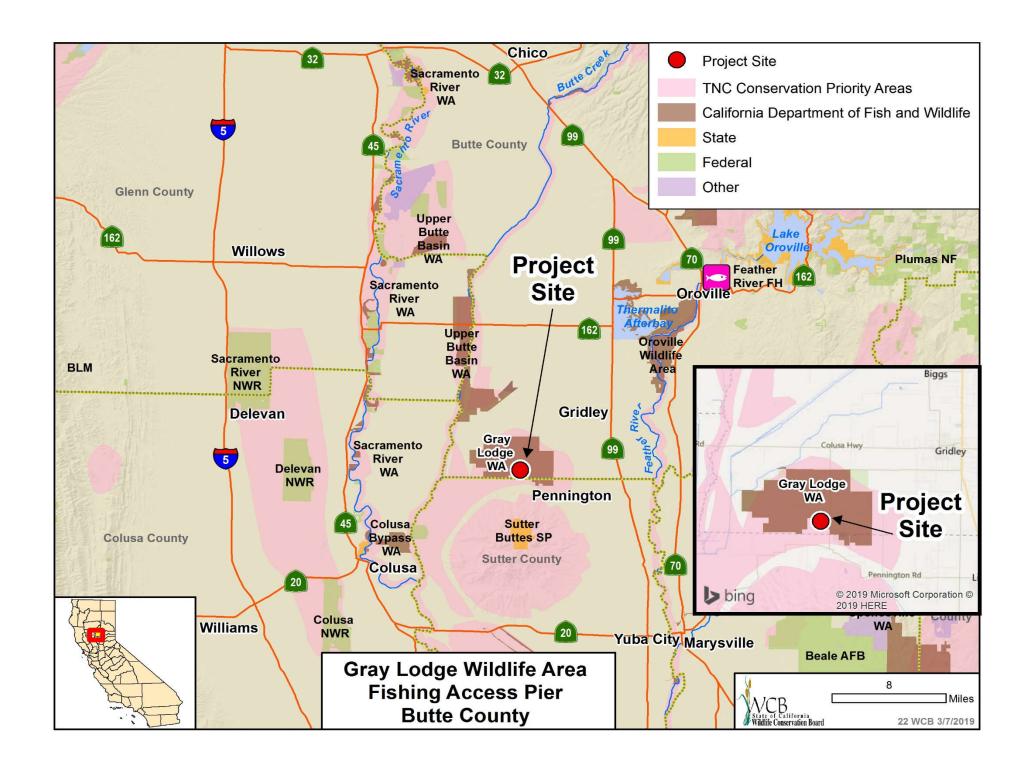


North Table Mountain Ecological Reserve has spectacular spring wild flowers





Public access improvements will make the beauty and diversity of North Table Mountain Ecological Reserve accessible to everyone



#22. Gray Lodge Wildlife Area Fishing Access Pier





Gray Lodge Wildlife Area is a popular bird watching destination

#22. Gray Lodge Wildlife Area Fishing Access Pier





Gray Lodge Wildlife Area facing south towards the Sutter Buttes

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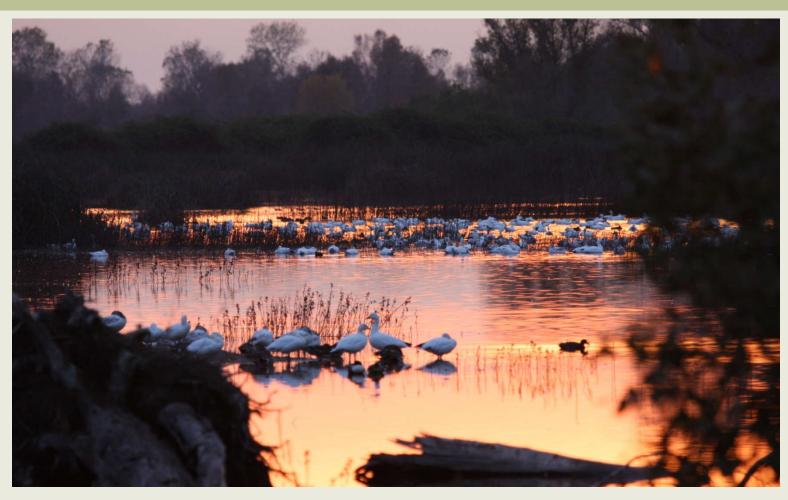




Gray Lodge Wildlife Area provides public access, informational tours, and wildlife viewing

#22. Gray Lodge Wildlife Area Fishing Access Pier





Sunset at Gray Lodge Wildlife Area

WCB Climate Adaptation and Resilience Program (CARP) - Introduction



Created by statute (AB 109) in September 2017 to provide Greenhouse Gas Reduction Funding for local assistance (\$20M).

Purposes of CARP:

- Protect and restore natural ecosystems to provide resilience to climate change
- Assist natural and working lands managers in adapting to and becoming more resilient to climate change
- Facilitate the reduction of GHG emissions
- ➤ Increase carbon sequestration in natural and working lands
- Provide additional social, economic, and environmental benefits

WCB Climate Adaptation and Resilience Program – Project Types



- Acquisitions of conservation easements (60%)
- Implementation
- Planning
- Technical Assistance

WCB Climate Adaptation and Resilience Program – First Solicitation



- Pre-applications: \$105,059,887
- Complete proposals: \$32,275,798
- Finalists: \$18,486,131



#23. Northern California Climate Adaptation Project





Purpose:

Assess climate change impacts on key habitats and species in northwestern California, and develop adaptation options that can be integrated into local and regional plans.

#23. Northern California Climate Adaptation Project - Products





#23. Northern California Climate Adaptation Project - Habitats



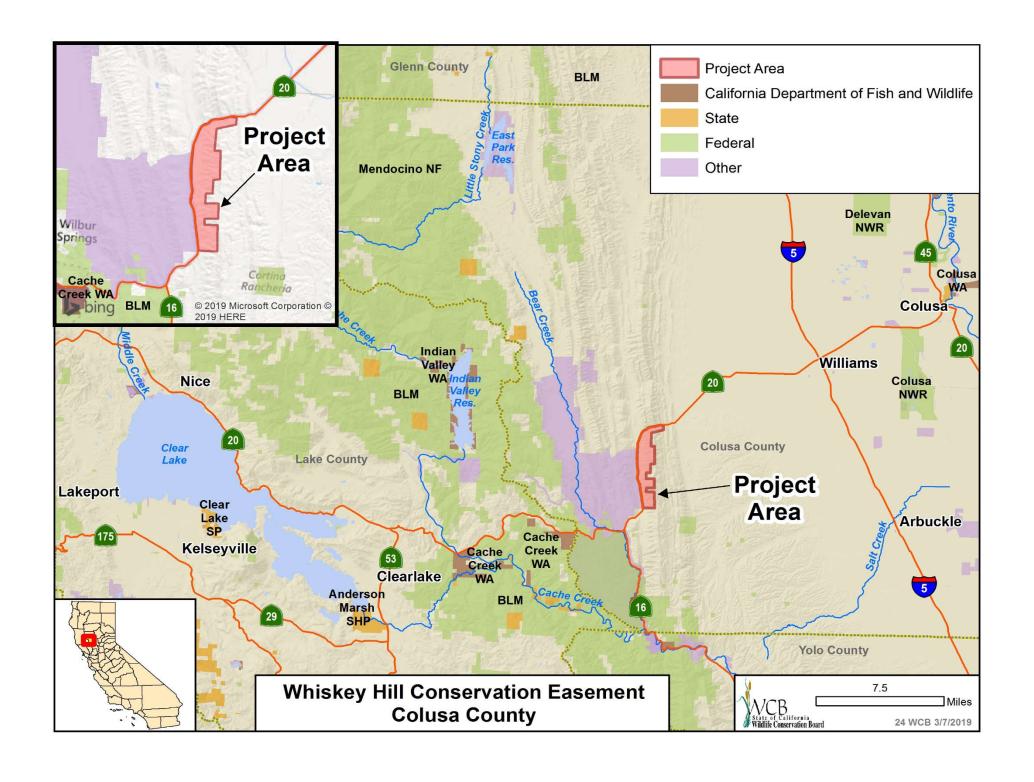


#23. Northern California Climate Adaptation Project - Species







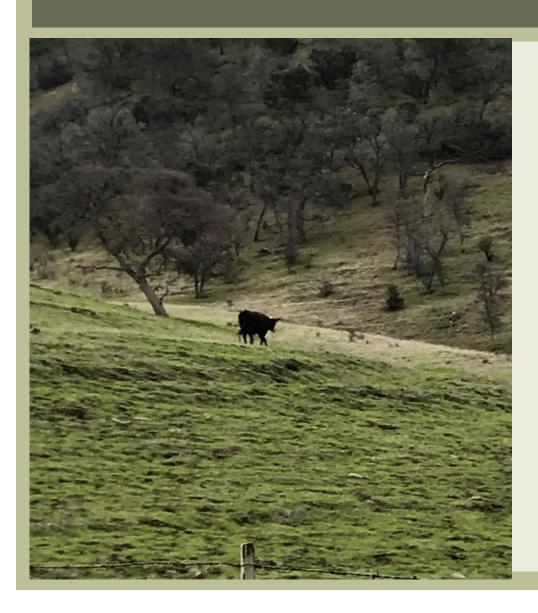






View looking east from main entry





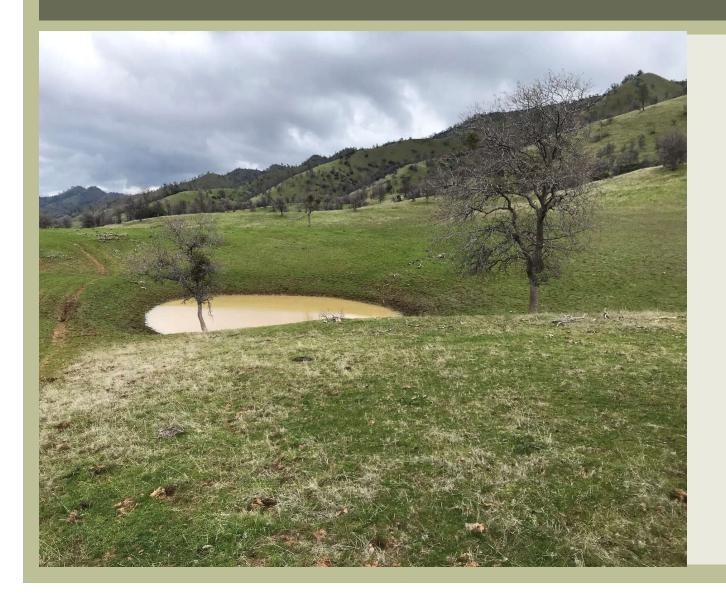
Cattle grazing on property, dense oak woodland in back





Looking north, property runs nearly to the ridgeline.





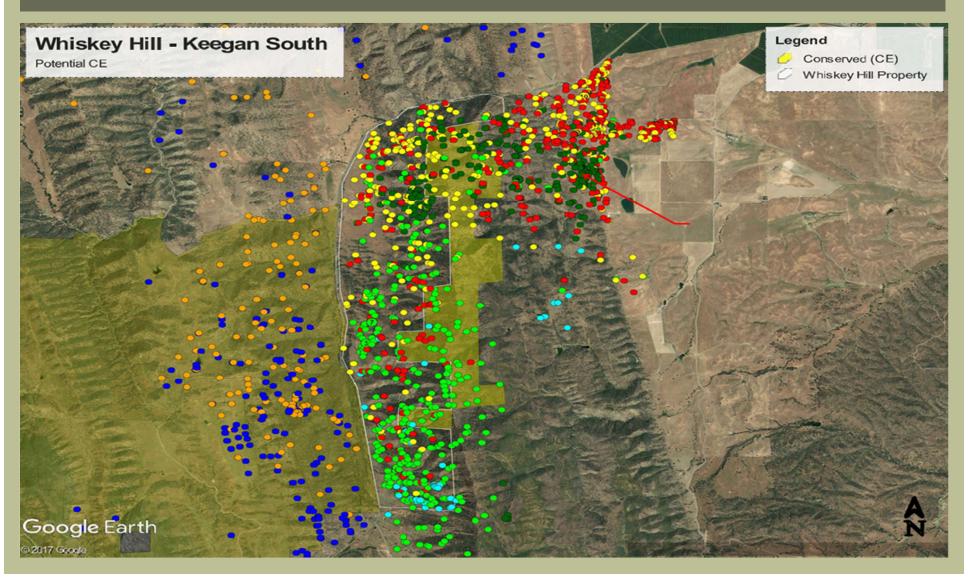
Seasonal ponds on property

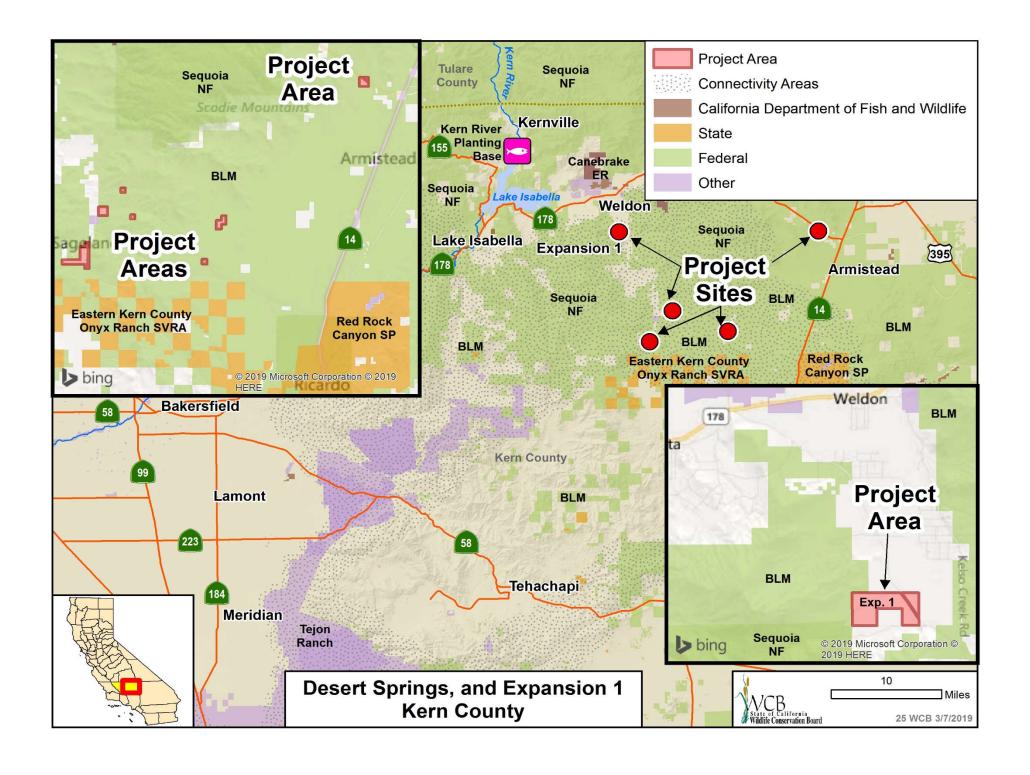




Viewshed from Highway 20











Sage and Joshua trees located on the property





Beginning point of a spring on the property



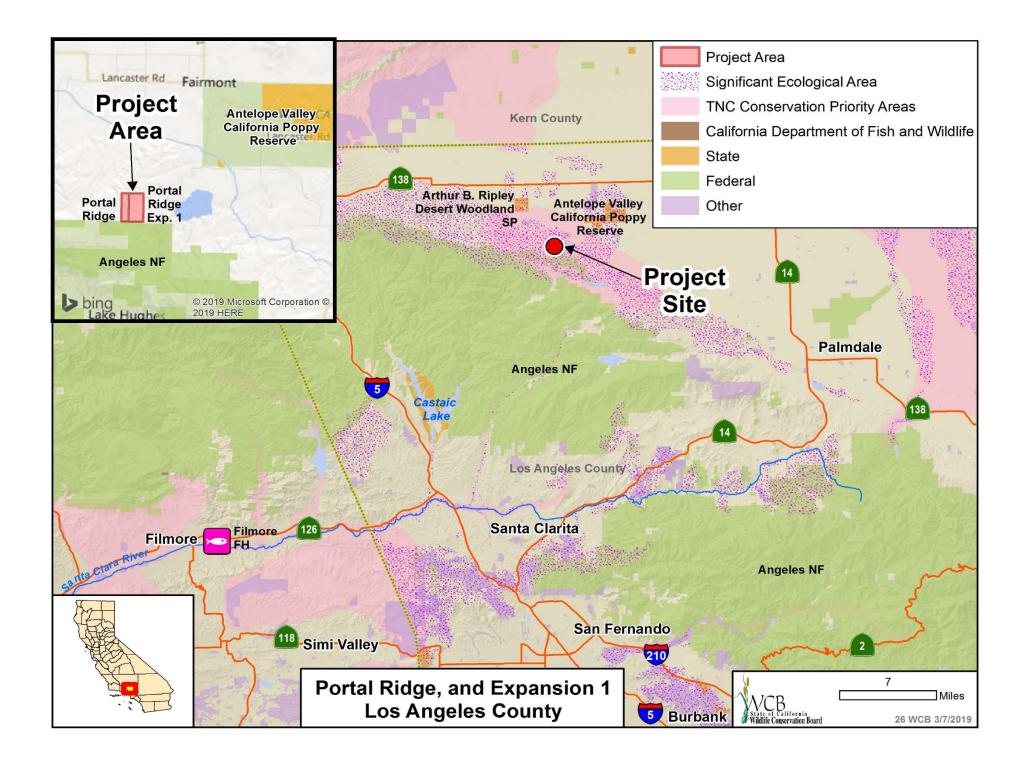


Looking west at the property near Kelso Valley Road





One of the desert springs on the property

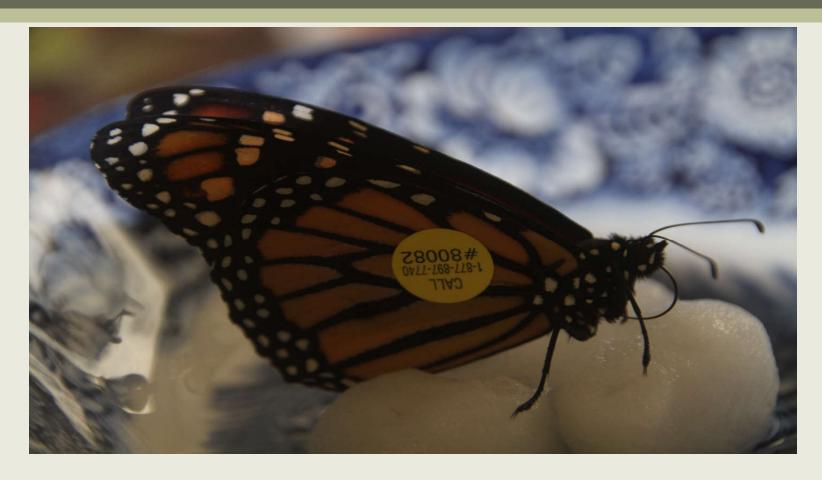






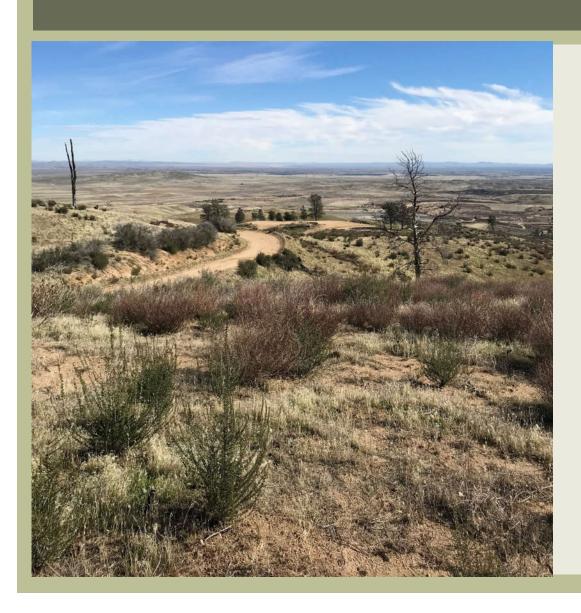
Mountain Lion on western side of property





Monarch Butterfly identification conducted on property





View looking northeast to Antelope Valley California Poppy Reserve



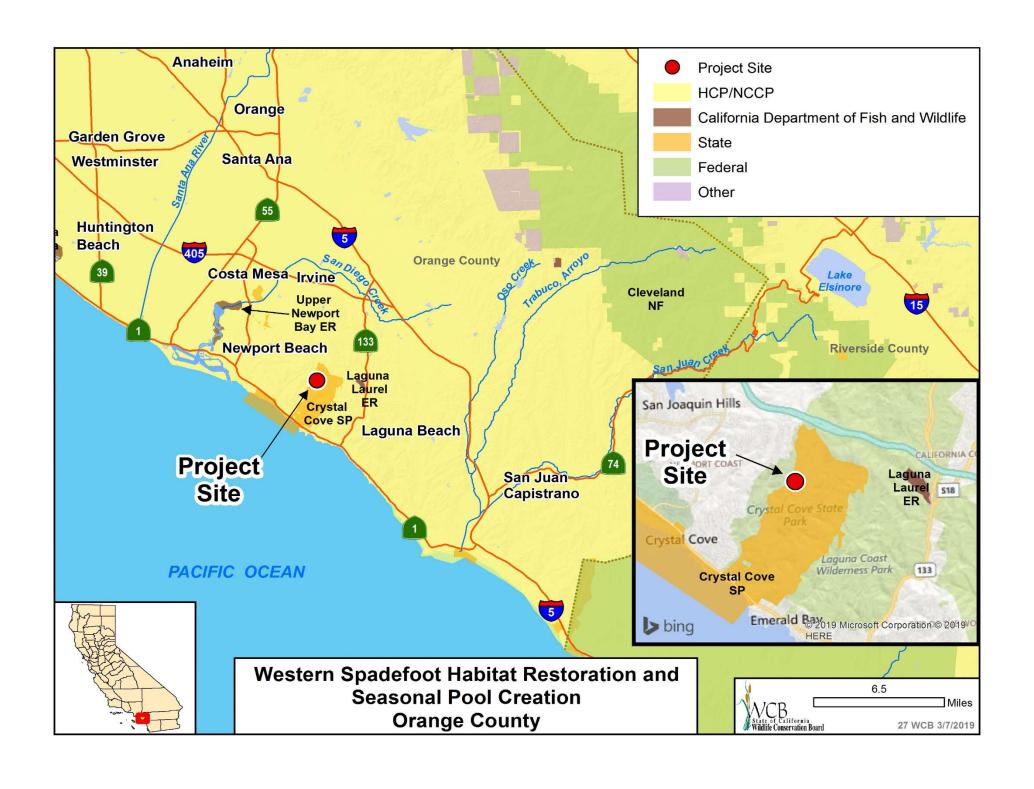


Mother and cub on western slope of Portal Ridge

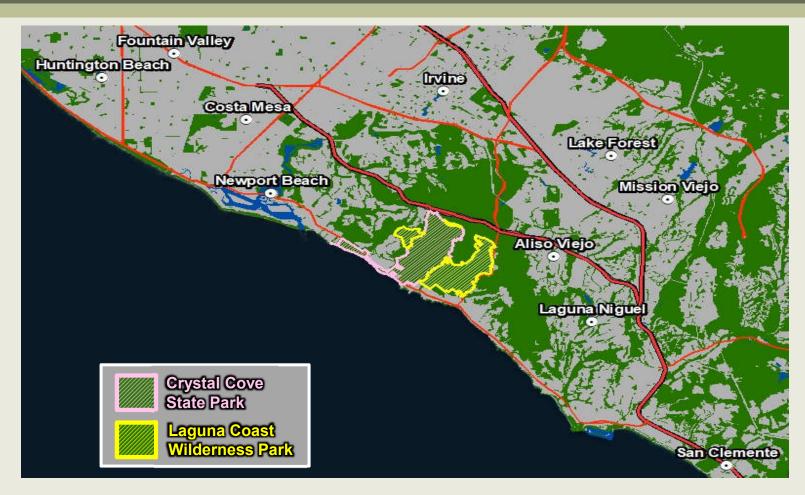




Numerous trail for hikers and horses are located in the area and planned for the property







Southern Orange County





Crystal Cove State Park and Laguna Coast Wilderness Park





Crystal Cove State Park





Laguna Coast Wilderness Park



The Western Spadefoot Toad (Spea hammondii)



- California Department of Fish and Wildlife Priority 1 Species of Special Concern
- Currently being reviewed by the US
 Fish & Wildlife Service for listing under
 the Endangered Species Act (ESA).
- Listed in the County of Orange Central & Coastal Subregion NCCP/HCP, as an "Identified Species", mandating active management of the species as if it were covered under the Federal and California ESAs.









Large seasonal pool with western spadefoot tadpoles







Typical seasonal pools



- The proposed project will result in increased breeding and foraging opportunities through the construction of 16 new breeding pools totaling close to 16,000 square feet of surface water in wet years
- Larval development requires ephemeral pools to persist long enough to complete development,
- Longer periods of larval development resulting in larger juveniles with greater fat reserves at metamorphosis, equating to higher survivorship as adults.
- Construction of 3 to 4 very large pools (with dimensions of 75' by 35' or greater) that will be designed to provide breeding habitat for spadefoot toads in years with normal to modest rainfall
- Smaller constructed pools would be positioned to complement the larger pools and help facilitate dispersal among ponds during big rain events, reinforcing the natural cycle of toad populations increasing in wet years.





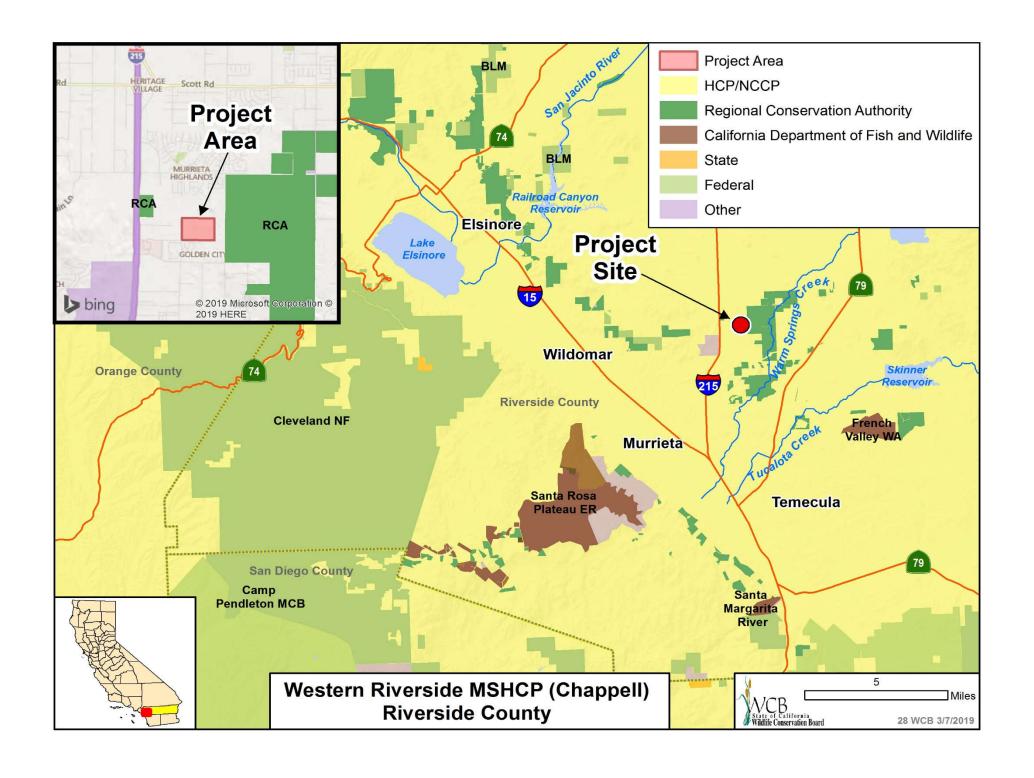


- 15 acres of coastal sage scrub will be restored
- Provides foraging opportunities during the dry season
- Aids toad dispersal from overcrowded pools





- Project area historically supported a number of Cactus Wren, but populations have yet to recover from the 1993 Laguna Fire
- Currently it is one of three "Target Species" for the Coastal Sage Scrub Natural Community Conservation Plan program
- 125-150 mature, 3 ft tall clumps of salvaged prickly pear cactus and 2,000 salvaged cactus pads will be planted







Northeast view of subject property





Southeast view of subject property. Encroaching development to the south. Conserved lands to the east.



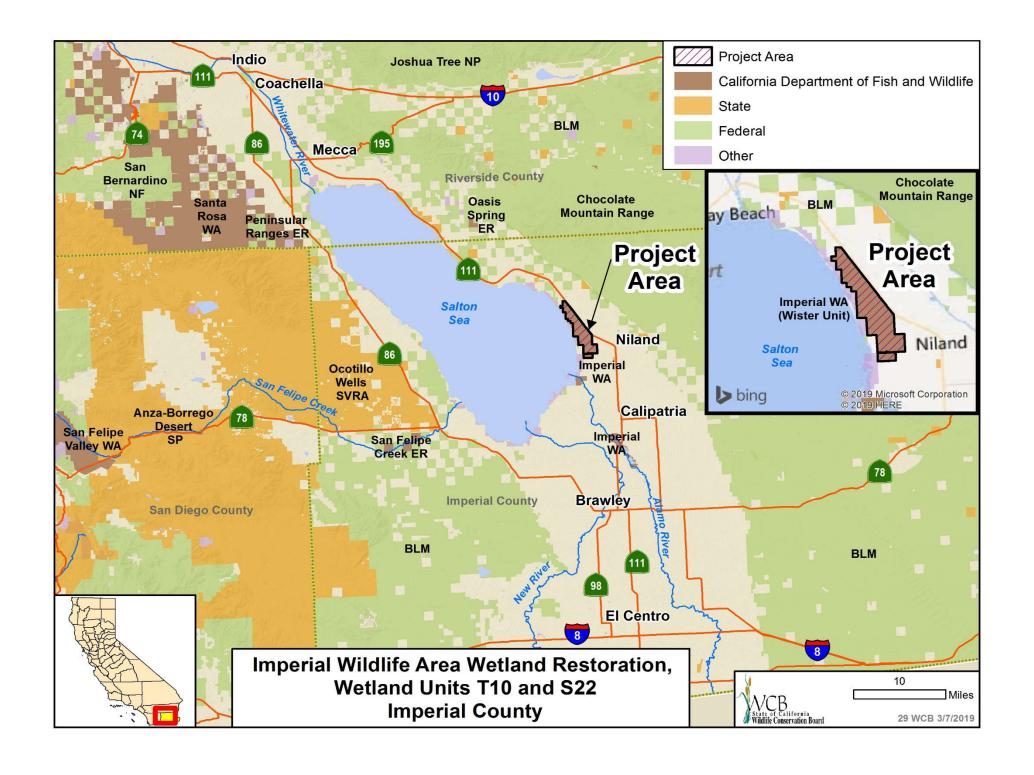


Southwest view of subject property

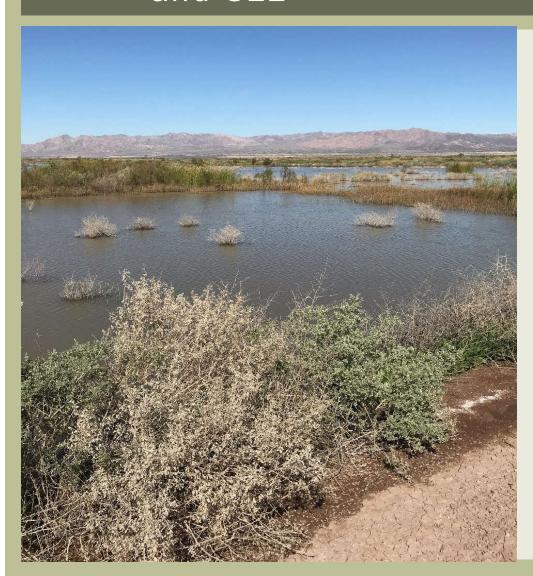




Northwest view of subject property. Encroaching development.







Flooded wetland unit looking east.





Wetland unit T10





Wetland unit S22





Water delivery ditch looking east, choked with vegetation





Water delivery ditch looking west, choked with vegetation





Volunteers participate in the Western Monarch Thanksgiving Count (Photo: Charis van der Heide) The annual Xerces Western
Monarch Thanksgiving Count
showed that the population hit a
record low: 28,429
butterflies. This number is an
86% drop from the previous count

99.4% decline from the numbers present in the 1980s.

done at Thanksgiving 2017, and



Assembly Bill 2421 established the Monarch Butterfly and Pollinator Rescue Program, to be administered by the Wildlife Conservation Board.







A monarch flies over showy milkweed (A. speciosa). (Photo: Xerces Society / Stephanie McKnight)

WCB funds can be directed towards projects that recover and sustain populations of monarch butterflies and other pollinators.



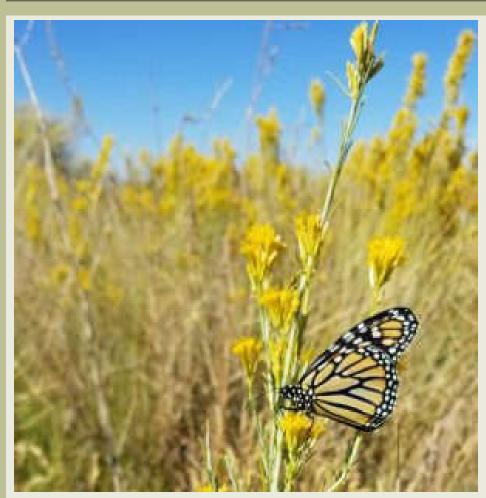


Monarchs cluster on a Monterey pine. (Photo: Xerces Society / Candace Fallon)

Eligible recipients may include:

- Private landowners
- Nonprofit organizations
- Resource conservation districts
- Public agencies



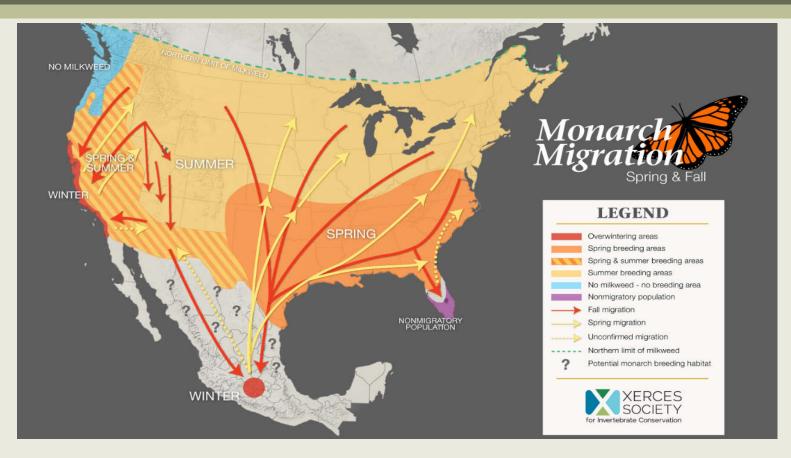


Monarch nectaring on rabbitbrush. (Photo: Xerces Society / Stephanie McKnight)

Examples of project types that may be eligible are:

- Restoration or enhancement of breeding habitat for monarch butterflies and pollinators on private and public lands.
- Restoration or enhancement of overwintering monarch butterfly habitat on private and public lands.
- Projects may be for seasonal or temporary habitat improvements.





WCB will solicit grant proposals with the release of a Public Solicitation Notice made available on the WCB website (www.wcb.ca.gov).





Green lacewings are natural predators of aphids and other crop pests. Conservation biocontrol is an environmentally sound alternative to pesticides. (Photo: Judy Gallagher / Creative Commons 2.0 License)

Applications will be accepted on a year-round basis.

Final funding decisions will be made by the Wildlife Conservation Board at a regularly scheduled Board meetings.





Moneys may be deposited into the account from gifts, donations, funds appropriated by the Legislature, or from federal grants or other sources.

Monarch caterpillar on milkweed. - Photo Credit: USFWS



New Program Funding - 2014-2019

- Proposition 1
 - Enhanced Stream Flows*
- Proposition 68
 - Lower American River Program*
 - NCCP, RCIS*, UC Reserve
 - Existing Programs
 - Pacific Flyway
 - Wildlife Conservation Law Direct Expenditures
 - Wildlife Corridors, Transportation and Water Infrastructure
 - Sierra Nevada and Cascade
- State Budget Allocation
 - Monarch Butterfly and Pollinator Rescue Program*
- Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program*
- * Denotes new program since 2014



Conservation Trends - 2014-2019

- Fire
- Access and Wildlife Oriented Recreation
- Water Conservation and Management
- Land Management
- Habitat Restoration and Acquisition
- Climate Change
- Species Recovery and Management
- Biodiversity



Strategic Plan Update Elements

- Public Access
- Coordination with State Policies
- Ecosystem Services
- Climate Change
- Monitoring and Program Evaluation
- Conservation Goals, Objectives, Priorities
- Natural Resources Leadership



Strategic Plan Update Timeline

- Assessment and Survey (Jan Feb)
- Outreach (Feb April)
 - WCB Managers and staff
 - Board subcommittee
 - Key stakeholders and organizations
 - Legislative/Budget staff
- Administrative draft (May)
- Finalize Update (June July)
- Presentation to Full Board (August)