

PLM Management Plan Outline

This outline is intended as a simplified reference to assist in the development of a PLM Management Plan. It incorporates all **Required** components specified in **Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 601(b)(1)**; however, applicants should refer to *Chapter 4. The PLM Management Plan* for detailed guidance on developing each section. While not all components included in this outline are **Required**, they are strongly recommended to support the development of a clear, complete, and effective management plan. All **Required** elements must be included in the final plan.

1. Introduction and Purpose

- a. Purpose of the management plan
- b. Overview of the property and participation in the PLM Program
- c. Summary of short-term and long-term management goals

2. Property Description

- a. Location (county, nearest town, access routes)
- b. Total acreage and parcel information
- c. General description (topography, elevation, features)
- d. **Legal description of the property (Required)**
- e. **Maps of property boundaries and key features (e.g., USGS quadrangle maps) (Required)**

3. Ownership and Contact Information

- a. Landowner(s)
- b. Operator (if different)
- c. Contact information (mailing address, phone, email)

4. Land Use Practices (Past and Present)

- a. Historic land use (e.g., grazing, farming, timber, recreation)

- b. Current land use practices
- c. County General Plan land use designation (Required)**
- d. Discussion of how land use may affect wildlife and habitat

5. Habitat Inventory and Conditions

See *Appendix N* for resources.

- a. Description of major habitat types (e.g. grassland, woodland, riparian)
- b. Estimated acreage or extent of each habitat type
- c. General habitat condition and quality
- d. Notable ecological features or special-status species
- e. Habitat assessment consistent with CWHR Database System (Required)**

6. Wildlife Resources Inventory

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- a. Target species (harvested and/or managed for)
- b. Other wildlife species present
- c. Estimate of wildlife populations and distributions consistent with the CWHR Database System (Required)**
- d. Survey methods used (e.g., camera surveys, spotlight counts)
- e. Key habitat use (foraging, bedding, water sources)

7. Historic Harvest Information

- a. Summary of harvest over previous years (if available)
- b. Number of hunters utilizing the property
- c. Observed trends in harvest or wildlife populations

8. Management Objectives (5-Year Period)

- a. Statement of management objectives (Required)**
 - b. Wildlife population objectives
 - c. Habitat improvement objectives
 - d. Land stewardship objectives (e.g., erosion control, invasive species management)
 - e. Identification of limiting factors
 - f. Proposed actions to address limiting factors
- 9. Proposed Habitat Improvement Projects (5-Year Schedule)**

See *Chapter 8. Habitat Improvement Projects*, for examples of project types

 - a. Detailed description of habitat enhancements and management actions (Required)**
 - b. Location and methods for each project
 - c. Expected outcomes and measures of success
 - d. Statement that projects are commensurate with PLM tag allocation
- 10. Harvest Strategy**
 - a. Species to be harvested
 - b. Proposed tag numbers
 - c. Proposed season timing
 - d. Rationale based on population data and habitat conditions
- 11. Monitoring and Reporting**
 - a. Methods for monitoring wildlife populations
 - b. Methods for tracking habitat improvements
 - c. Data collection and reporting approach
- 12. Statements and Agreements**

- a.** Agreement to allow Department access for monitoring and compliance
- b.** Confirmation of landowner notifications
- c.** Commitment to maintain required records
- d.** Compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and permit requirements

13. Appendices (as applicable)

- a.** Maps (property boundaries, habitat types, project locations)
- b.** Wildlife survey data
- c.** Notification letters and documentation
- d.** Required permits
- e.** Photo documentation of habitat conditions and projects