

Table ES-3. Summary Evaluation of Species Proposed for Coverage by the East Contra Costa County HCP/NCCP

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Townsend's western big-eared bat <i>Corynorhinus townsendii</i> -/CSC	Initial Urban Development Area (UDA): 40% (13,000 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 54% (16,500 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space	Initial UDA: 7% (2,533 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space and 0% (0 acres) of rock outcrop Maximum UDA: 12% (4,152 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space and 0% (0 acres) to rock outcrop	Landscape Natural Community Species	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Inventory acquired land with potential habitat using a bat detector. Develop a pilot project to evaluate the suitability of artificial hibernacula.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because roosting sites (caves, abandoned buildings, and abandoned mines) will be protected and an estimated 40-56% of suitable foraging habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved. Few recent sightings of this bat species have been reported, and there are no published records of Townsend's western big-eared bat (TBEB) within Contra Costa County. However, the species likely roosts in the inventory area in suitable roosting sites. At least two mines exist in the inventory area (Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve and mines within Antioch adjacent to Black Diamond Mines Regional Park and designed as a high priority for conservation by the HCP/NCCP), but it is unknown if Townsend's western big-eared bat occurs in them. Indirect impacts (Table 4-1), such as increased harassment or disturbance due to overall population growth or recreation within the preserves, may affect small numbers of individual bats that roost in buildings, bridges, or other structures within the inventory area.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Covered activities are not anticipated to directly affect these habitat features. However, planning surveys conducted by HCP/NCCP applicants will identify potential habitat for TBEB. Planning and preconstruction surveys are required in areas with suitable TBEB roosting habitat. If occupied sites are identified, seasonal restrictions on construction are required (Chapter 6, section 6.3.3).

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San Joaquin kit fox <i>Vulpes macrotus mutica</i> FE/ST	Initial UDA: 43% (17,164 acres) of core habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 51% (20,465 acres) of core habitat outside parks and open space	Initial UDA: 7% (2,841 acres) of core habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 11% (4,576 acres) of core habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Test management methods to increase prey in grasslands. Monitor ground squirrel population density as a potential indicator of habitat quality. Estimate relevant demographic parameters such as adult survivorship and age structure, if appropriate.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 43-51% of suitable foraging habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved. The conservation strategy will protect 17,164-20,465 acres of suitable core habitat for San Joaquin kit fox in the inventory area (Table 5-13). A network of core preserves will protect a critical linkage for San Joaquin kit fox between its range outside Contra Costa County and most known locations in Contra Costa County. For example, habitat linkages will be acquired and protected to ensure that kit foxes can continue to move between the Contra Costa–Alameda County line and Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve at the northwestern corner of the species’ entire range. This important regional linkage will be made by connecting existing large protected areas. Annual grassland within preserves will be managed to enhance small-mammal populations (a prey base for kit fox) (Conservation Measure 2.5) and to enhance the native plant component of this vegetation community (Conservation Measure 2.4).

Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (Conservation Measures 1.6 and 1.9). Prior to submission of an application for coverage under the HCP/NCCP, planning surveys will identify active breeding habitat or denning sites for kit fox. Preconstruction surveys are required in areas with burrows or dens. Destruction of occupied dens is prohibited. Protocols are in place for avoiding injury to individuals (Chapter 6, Section 6.3.3). Road undercrossings required on rural covered roads will minimize impacts to this species from habitat fragmentation (Conservation Measure 1.14).

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Tricolored blackbird <i>Agelaius tricolor</i> MBTA/CSC-1	Initial UDA: 14% (126 acres) of core habitat outside parks and open space 27% (16,747 acres) of primary foraging habitat outside parks and open space 84 acres of perennial wetland complexes restored 21 acres of ponds created Maximum UDA: 19% (164 acres) of core habitat outside parks and open space 33% (20,138 acres) of primary foraging habitat outside parks and open space 85 acres of perennial wetland complexes restored 22 acres of ponds created	Initial UDA: 23% (199 acres) of core habitat outside parks and open space 13% (8,086 acres) of primary foraging habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 23% (204 acres) of core habitat outside parks and open space 16% (9,621 acres) of primary foraging habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community Species	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.1 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Monitor predation on nesting colonies by black-crowned night heron. Determine species response to wetland and pond restoration and creation. Map all nest locations to determine likely foraging habitat.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 14-19% of core habitat and 27-33% of primary foraging habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved and breeding habitat will be created or restored. The Preserve System will protect an estimated 126-164 acres of modeled core habitat, 16,747-20,138 acres of primary foraging habitat, and 242-365 acres of secondary foraging habitat within the initial or maximum urban development areas, respectively (Table 5-13 and Conservation Measure 1.1). The Preserve System will also protect at least seven of the 13 ponds in Subzone 2c, all of which provide potential breeding habitat for tricolored blackbird. Wetland and pond creation and restoration will provide additional habitat for tricolored blackbird. An estimated 84-85 acres of perennial wetland complexes will be created or restored as well as an estimated 21-22 acres of pond habitat (Tables 5-16 and 5-17). Conservation easements will be acquired on 250-400 acres of cropland or pasture in Acquisition Analysis Zone 6 under each development area. Conservation easements will require landowners to enhance the value of agricultural lands for tricolored blackbird and other covered species (Conservation Measures 1.3 and 2.11).

Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.9, and 1.10). Project approvals must require avoidance of occupied nests during the breeding season.

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Golden eagle <i>Aquila chrysaetos</i> MBTA, BGEPA/FP	Initial UDA: 28% (24,321 acres) of foraging habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 34% (29,267 acres) of foraging habitat outside parks and open space	Initial UDA: 11% (9,619 acres) of foraging habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 16% (13,491 acres) of foraging habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community Species	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Test methods to increase prey base. Subsequently, monitor small- mammal populations to determine abundance of prey for golden eagle. Map active nests to determine likely foraging habitat.	YES

Details of Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 28-34% of foraging habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved. The Preserve System will protect 24,32-29,267 acres of foraging habitat within the initial-maximum urban development area (Table 5-13 and Conservation Measure 1.1). Nearly the entire Preserve System will provide suitable foraging habitat for golden eagles. New preserves will be linked to existing protected land, which will result in large areas of contiguous foraging habitat for golden eagles. Acquisition of occupied or suitable nest sites will be a priority when assembling the Preserve System (Conservation Measure 3.3).

Conditions on Covered Activities: Project approvals must require avoidance of occupied nests during the breeding season. Development guidelines will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.9, and 1.10). Conservation Measure 1.11 prohibits the take of individual golden eagles due to their status as Fully Protected. Wind turbine leases acquired within the Preserve System will be retired to reduce injury and mortality of golden eagles and other raptors.

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Western burrowing owl	Initial UDA: 38% (16,675 acres) of breeding and foraging habitat outside parks and open space Maximum, UDA: 45% (19,844 acres) of breeding and foraging habitat outside parks and open space	Initial UDA: 9% (3,805 acres) of breeding and foraging habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 13% (5,755 acres) of breeding and foraging habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community Species	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Test methods to increase prey base. Subsequently, monitor small- mammal populations to determine abundance of prey for WBO. Estimate relevant demographic parameters, if appropriate. Determine the most effective artificial-burrow designs and placement strategies. Determine effectiveness of artificial perch sites in attracting WBO.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 38-45% of breeding and foraging habitat outside of parks and open space will be conserved, and habitat will be enhanced (Conservation Measures 3.4 and 3.5). The Preserve System will protect 16,675-19,844 acres of breeding and foraging habitat and 345-703 acres of low-use habitat under the initial and maximum urban development areas, respectively (Table 5-13). A network of preserves will protect large blocks of grassland habitat. New linkages will be created suitable for dispersal and colonization throughout the Preserve System and to existing parks and open space (Conservation Measure 1.1). To attract and retain western burrowing owl, artificial burrows and perches will be installed, where appropriate (Conservation Measures 3.4 and 3.5).

Conditions on Covered Activities: Project approvals must require avoidance of occupied burrows during the breeding season. Development guidelines will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.9, and 1.10). Planning and preconstruction surveys are required in areas with active western burrowing owl burrows. Destruction of occupied burrows is prohibited (Chapter 6, Section 6.3.3).

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Swainson's hawk <i>Buteo swainsoni</i> MBTA/ST	Initial UDA: 9% (12 acres) of breeding habitat conserved outside parks and open space + up to 50 acres of riparian woodland/scrub created or restored 12% (3,614 acres) of foraging habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 12% (16 acres) of breeding habitat conserved outside parks and open space + up to 55 acres of riparian woodland/scrub created or restored 15% (4,451 acres) of foraging habitat outside parks and open space	Initial UDA: Up to 27% (16 acres) of breeding habitat outside parks and open space 13% (3,782 acres) of foraging habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: Up to 27% (16 acres) of breeding of habitat outside parks and open space 16% (4,743 acres) of foraging habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.5 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Test methods to increase prey base. Subsequently, monitor small- mammal populations to determine abundance of prey for Swainson's hawk. Monitor low-elevation grassland to refine mapping of foraging range. Monitor active nests to determine use patterns and specific habitat needs for breeding sites. Monitor species response to riparian restoration.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: The inventory area is at the western edge of this species' range. This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because at least 9-12% of breeding habitat and 12-15% of foraging habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved. The Preserve System will protect at least 12-16 acres of riparian breeding habitat and 3,614-4,451 acres of foraging habitat under the initial/maximum urban development area, or an approximately 1:1 mitigation ratio (Table 5-13). The loss of riparian woodland/scrub, some of which is considered suitable nesting habitat for Swainson's hawk, will be mitigated through in-kind protection of riparian woodland (Conservation Measure 1.1 and Tables 5-5a and 5-5b) and enhancement and restoration of riparian woodland/scrub within preserves (Conservation Measures 2.9 and 2.10 and Tables 5-16 and 5-17). An estimated 50-55 acres of riparian woodland/scrub will be restored within the Preserve System (Table 5-17), much of which will be suitable breeding habitat for Swainson's hawk. 250-400 acres of cropland or pasture for Swainson's hawk foraging along Kellogg Creek, Marsh Creek, or adjacent to Dutch Slough that is suitable for riparian restoration will be acquired. Additionally, acquired conservation easements will require landowners to enhance the value of agricultural lands for Swainson's hawk and other covered species (Conservation Measures 1.3 and 2.11). Extensive areas of cultivated agriculture in the inventory area that provides suitable foraging habitat for Swainson's hawk will continue to be protected through strict zoning within Contra Costa County's Agricultural Core.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.9, and 1.10). Prior to submission of an application for coverage under the HCP/NCCP, planning surveys will identify potentially active Swainson's hawk nest sites, following established Swainson's hawk survey protocols. Preconstruction surveys are required in areas with active nests. Destruction of occupied nests is prohibited, and buffer zones during the nesting season are required (Chapter 6, Section 6.3.3). Non-riparian nest trees lost must be replaced at a ratio of 5:1 per mature tree (saplings will be planted at ratio of 15:1 to ensure this final ratio) on-site or on HCP/NCCP preserves.

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Silvery legless lizard <i>Annieta pulchra pulchra</i> -/SSC	Initial UDA: At least 11% (153 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: At least 12% (166 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space	Initial UDA: 22% (298 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 22% (298 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Verify suitability of modeled habitat with field data.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: An estimated 2,196 acres (62%) of modeled suitable habitat for silvery legless lizard are currently protected in the inventory area, mostly in the Los Vaqueros Watershed, Round Valley Regional Preserve, and Morgan Territory Regional Preserve. This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because at least 11-12% of modeled habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved. The Preserve System will protect an estimated 153-166 acres of modeled habitat under the initial and maximum urban development area, respectively (Table 5-13). Habitat for silvery legless lizard in Subzone 2h will be preserved if pre-acquisition surveys confirm the suitability predicted by models (Conservation Measure 1.1). Little is known about the species, its distribution in the inventory area, and its microhabitat requirements. Development and refinement of management-oriented conceptual models and species-habitat models will guide future efforts at conservation and management.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Restrictions on recreation in protected habitat will minimize disturbance to the species (Conservation Measure 1.5). Also, pesticide use, which threatens this species by affecting its insect prey base, will be controlled in preserves (Conservation Measure 1.2). Buffers between protected habitat and the urban edge will benefit silvery legless lizard by discouraging intrusion by domestic predators (Conservation Measures 1.8 and 1.9).

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Alameda whipsnake <i>Masticophis lateralis</i> <i>euryxanthus</i> T/T	Initial UDA: 53% (1,690 acres) of core and perimeter habitat outside parks and open space 51% (10,564 acres) of movement habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 57% (1,817 acres) of core and perimeter habitat outside parks and open space 59% (12,166 acres) of movement habitat outside parks and open space	Initial UDA: 0% (2 acres) of core and perimeter habitat outside parks and open space 1% (117 acres) of movement habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 1% (29 acres) of core and perimeter habitat outside parks and open space 2% (341 acres) of movement habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.3 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Determine AWS use of grassland for foraging/breeding. Determine habitat function of chaparral for AWS and the need for active management. Monitor response of AWS to fire. Consider new research on the effects of prescribed burning on AWS.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 53-57% of core and perimeter habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved, and chaparral will be studied and managed to benefit the species. The Preserve System will protect 1,690-1,817 acres of core and perimeter habitat, 10,564-12,166 upland movement habitat, and 46-51 miles of stream movement habitat under the initial/maximum urban development area (Table 5-13). An average of 70% of currently unprotected core and perimeter whipsnake habitat in Subzones 2a, 2b, 2c, 3a, and Zone 4 will be preserved (Conservation reply to: on Measure 1.1). Important habitat linkages between chaparral patches will be protected including the linkage in Zone 2 and Subzone 3a between Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve and Mount Diablo State Park. The importance of disturbance (e.g., fire) in maintaining habitat for this species will be investigated and implemented to benefit the species, and diverse canopy-cover stages will be maintained (Conservation Measure 2.8). Movement habitat for Alameda whipsnake will be enhanced through improved management of oak woodland, oak savanna, and annual grassland (Conservation Measures 1.2, 2.4, and 2.6). Wildfire management measures such as vegetation management, fuel breaks, or prescribed burns will be designed to minimize impacts on and enhance habitat for Alameda whipsnake (Conservation Measure 1.2).

Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.9, and 1.10). Control of exotic plants (Conservation Measure 1.4) and recreational uses (Conservation Measure 1.5) may also benefit or minimize impacts to Alameda whipsnake. Recreational controls include prohibiting bicycles in core whipsnake habitat and prohibiting construction of new trails in suitable core habitat.

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Giant garter snake <i>Thamnophis gigas</i> T/T	Initial UDA: <1% (1 mile) of core habitat outside parks and open space + 72 acres of slough/channel habitat will be created or restored Maximum UDA: 2% (3 miles) of core habitat outside parks and open space + 72 acres of slough/channel habitat will be created or restored	Initial UDA: 0% (0.3 miles) of core habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 0% (0.4 miles) of core habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community Species	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.1 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Develop specific monitoring protocols.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 1-3 miles of core habitat outside of parks and open space will be conserved, and 72 acres of slough/channel habitat will be restored. No records of giant garter snake have been documented within the inventory area and little to no impacts are anticipated. Any impacts require additional preservation of habitat according to accepted USFWS procedures (Conservation Measure 3.6). Additional preservation ratios range from 1:1 to 3:1. The restoration of slough/channel habitats on Dutch Slough and in other areas will also benefit giant garter snake. The amount of restoration in these areas is undetermined, but up to 72 acres of slough/channel restoration could occur in the inventory area if suitable restoration sites can be found.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.9, and 1.10). Planning and preconstruction surveys are required in areas with giant garter snake habitat. Seasonal restrictions or buffer zones are required (Chapter 6, Section 6.3.3).

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Western pond turtle	Initial UDA: 21% (675 acres) of non-stream core habitat outside parks and open space + 21 acres of ponds created 18% (6 miles) of stream core habitat outside parks and open space + 0.6 miles of stream habitat restored Maximum UDA: 27% (873 acres) of non-stream core habitat outside parks and open space + 22 acres of pond created 21% (7 miles) of stream core habitat outside parks and open space + 0.8 miles of stream habitat restored	Initial UDA: 15% (467 acres) of non-stream core habitat outside parks and open space 0% (0.1 miles) of stream core habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 16% (498 acres) of non-stream core habitat outside parks and open space 0% (0.1 mile) of stream core habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties.	YES
Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 21-27% of core non-stream habitat and 18-21% of core stream habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved, breeding habitat will be created or restored, and basking habitat will be enhanced. The Preserve System will protect 675-873 acres of core non-stream habitat and 6-7 miles of core stream habitat under the initial and maximum urban development areas, respectively (Table 5-13). A network of core preserves will protect 1,715-1,956 acres of upland breeding and movement habitat for western pond turtle. New preserves will be established adjacent to existing protected land to maintain contiguous wetland-upland complexes (Conservation Measure 1.1). Also, an estimated 21-22 acres of pond habitat will be created (Tables 5-16 and 5-17). Approximately 0.6-0.8 miles of stream habitat will be restored. Pond creation and stream restoration will incorporate habitat requirements for western pond turtles, where appropriate. Additionally, artificial basking substrate and woody debris will be installed in some ponds to increase basking sites for pond turtles (Conservation Measure 3.7). Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines, including stream setbacks, will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.7, 1.9, and 1.10). Road undercrossings required on rural covered roads will minimize impacts to this species from habitat fragmentation (Conservation Measure 1.14).					

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California tiger salamander <i>Ambystoma californiensis</i> T/SSC	Initial UDA: 37% (96 acres) of breeding habitat outside parks and open space 40% (24,047 acres) of migration/aestivation habitat outside parks and open space 21 acres of ponds created 84 acres of perennial wetland complex restored Maximum UDA: 43% (111 acres) of breeding habitat outside parks and open space 51% (28,751 acres) of migration/aestivation habitat outside parks and open space 22 acres of ponds created 85 acres of perennial wetland complex restored	Initial UDA: 19% (50 acres) of breeding habitat outside parks and open space 7% (4,002 acres) of migration/aestivation habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 26% (68 acres) of breeding habitat outside parks and open space 9% (5,571 acres) of migration/aestivation habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.1 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Determine species response to wetland and pond restoration and creation. Conduct pilot project to determine the relative benefit of different pond management treatments. Assess movement to and use of breeding sites. Test management methods to increase burrow availability in grasslands. Subsequently, monitor burrow availability and California tiger salamander use of burrows.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 37-43% of breeding habitat and 40-51% of migration/aestivation habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved, breeding habitat will be created and restored, and migration/aestivation habitat will be enhanced. The Preserve System will protect 96-111 acres of breeding habitat and 24,047-28,751 acres of migration/aestivation habitat (Table 5-13 and Conservation Measure 1.1). A network of core preserves will protect large blocks of aestivation/migration habitat. New linkages will be created in blocks of suitable habitat to facilitate dispersal and colonization throughout the inventory area and movement between breeding sites. Because California tiger salamanders (CTS) require habitat complexes that include both suitable breeding and upland habitat, areas preserved to achieve the biological goals and objectives for CTS will include both habitat elements. In addition, to compensate for loss of aquatic habitats (much of which is likely suitable habitat for CTS), aquatic habitats will be acquired in kind (ratios in Table 5-5). An estimated 21-22 acres of pond habitat will be created to both mitigate for impacts and to contribute to recovery as well as 84-85 acres of perennial wetland complex (Tables 5-16 and 5-17). Ponds will be designed to support the life-history requirements CTS, where appropriate (Conservation Measures 2.2 and 2.3).

Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.9, and 1.10). Surveys for suitable breeding habitat will be conducted prior to submission of application for coverage under the HCP/NCCP. CDFG and USFWS will be notified of any suitable breeding habitat to be filled prior to construction to allow salvage of juveniles (see Chapter 6, Section 3.6.6). Road undercrossings required on rural covered roads will minimize impacts to this species from habitat fragmentation (Conservation Measure 1.14).

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California red-legged frog <i>Rana aurora draytonii</i> T/SSC	Initial UDA: 29% (28 acres) of non-stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space 39% (85 miles) of stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space + 0.6 miles of stream habitat created or restored 35% (24,455 acres) of upland movement habitat outside parks and open space 21 acres of ponds created 84 acres of perennial wetland complex restored Maximum UDA: 38% (36 acres) of non-stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space 45% (98 miles) of stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space + 0.8 miles of stream habitat created or restored 42% (29,467 acres) of upland movement habitat outside parks and open space 22 acres of ponds created 85 acres of perennial wetland complex restored	Initial UDA: 2% (2 acres) of non-stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space 6% (0.5 miles) of stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space 9% (6,199 acres) of upland movement habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: 3% (3 acres) of non-stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space <1% (0.6 miles) of stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space 11% (7,785 acres) of upland movement habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.1 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Determine species response to wetland and pond restoration and creation. Conduct pilot project to determine the relative benefit of different pond management treatments. Assess movement to and use of breeding sites. Test management methods to increase burrow availability and use in grasslands. Subsequently, monitor burrow availability and use by California red-legged frog.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: California red-legged frog (CRLF) will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 29-38% of non-stream breeding habitat, 39-45% of stream breeding habitat, and 35-42% of upland movement habitat outside parks and open space will be conserved. Additionally, breeding habitat will be created and restored and upland movement/aestivation habitat will be enhanced. The Preserve System will protect 21-22 acres of pond habitat, 85-98 miles of stream habitat 24,455-29,467 acres of upland movement habitat (Table 5-13 and Conservation Measure 1.1). Because CRLF require habitat complexes that include both suitable breeding and upland habitat, areas preserved to achieve the biological goals and objectives for CRLF will include both habitat elements. In addition, to compensate for loss of habitat for CRLF, aquatic habitats will be acquired in kind (ratios in Table 5-5). Ponds will be created to both mitigate for impacts and to contribute to recovery (Tables 5-16 and 5-17). Ponds will be designed to support the life-history requirements of CRLF, where appropriate (Conservation Measures 2.2 and 2.3). Stream restoration will also

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enhance habitat for CRLF, where appropriate.					
Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines, including stream setbacks, will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.7, 1.9, and 1.10). Planning surveys for suitable breeding habitat will be conducted prior to submission of application packages for coverage under the HCP/NCCP. CDFG and USFWS will be notified of any suitable breeding habitat to be filled prior to construction to allow salvage of juveniles (see Chapter 6, Section 3.6.6). Road undercrossings required on rural covered roads will minimize impacts to this species from habitat fragmentation (Conservation Measure 1.14).					
Foothill yellow-legged frog <i>Rana boylei</i> -/SSC	Initial UDA: 2% (5.2 miles) of streams outside parks and open space + 0.6 miles of stream habitat restored 50 acres of riparian woodland/scrub will be restored Maximum UDA: 2% (5.6 miles) of streams outside parks and open space + 0.8 miles of stream habitat restored 55 acres of riparian woodland/scrub will be restored	Initial UDA: <1% (0.1 miles) of stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space <1% (0.5 miles) of stream movement habitat outside parks and open space Maximum UDA: <1% (0.1 miles) of stream breeding habitat outside parks and open space <1% (0.6 miles) of stream movement habitat outside parks and open space	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.1 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Precisely map stream reaches with perennial water to improve the species-habitat models. Monitor species response to riparian woodland/scrub and stream enhancement and restoration.	YES
Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered					
Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 5.2-5.6 miles of streams outside parks and open space will be protected, and restoration will create or enhance breeding and foraging habitat for the species. Preserved streams will include both perennial and ephemeral streams; perennial streams provide breeding habitat for foothill yellow-legged frog. Impacts to species habitat are likely to be very small (<1% of available habitat). Impacts on perennial streams, including suitable foothill yellow-legged frog (FYLF) habitat, will be mitigated at a preservation ratio of 2:1 (Tables 5-5a and 5-5b). Stream restoration is also required as mitigation (Tables 5-16 and 5-17). Stream restoration will be attempted on up to 0.8 miles of existing streams (see Conservation Measures 2.3 and 2.10). Up to 55 acres of riparian woodland/scrub will be created or restored. This habitat will be designed to support the life-history requirements of FYLF, where feasible, and will also mitigate impacts to stream habitat. Land acquisition in Zone 4 will be focused along Marsh Creek, especially in the upper reaches, where modeled suitable breeding and dispersal habitat for yellow-legged frog is most extensive and under threat.					
Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines, including stream setback requirements, will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.7, 1.9, and 1.10).					

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Longhorn fairy shrimp <i>Brachinecta longiantenna</i> FE/-	Initial UDA: See below Maximum UDA: See below	Initial UDA: See below Maximum UDA: See below	Landscape Natural Community Species	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.1 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Determine species response to wetland restoration. Evaluate restored seasonal wetlands to determine if shrimp are present at frequencies similar to those in natural complexes. If not, assess feasibility of transplanting species.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: Within the inventory area, longhorn fairy shrimp is known only from the Vasco Caves Regional Preserve. Accordingly, no direct impacts on longhorn fairy shrimp habitat are expected unless additional occupied areas are discovered within the permit area outside the Vasco Caves Regional Preserve. Approximately 129-172 acres of seasonal wetland complexes outside of parks and open space will be conserved, and 104-163 acres of seasonal wetland complexes will be created or restored (Tables 5-5a and 5-5b, 5-16 and 5-17, and Conservation Measures 1.1 and 2.3). Because longhorn fairy shrimp are associated only with rock outcrops in this area, it is unknown whether protection and restoration of wetland complexes will be of any benefit to the species. Similarly, while some impacts to seasonal wetland complexes are anticipated, there are no predicted impacts on the rock outcrops specifically known to support the species.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Prior to submission of an application package, planning surveys will identify suitable habitat for covered shrimp species. Preconstruction surveys are required in areas with suitable habitat. If occupied sites are identified, buffer zones or seasonal restrictions are required (Chapter 6, Section 6.3.3). If seasonal wetlands are occupied by longhorn fairy shrimp, applicants must compensate for impacts to these wetlands according to Conservation Measure 3.8 if sufficient preservation or restoration has not already occurred within the Preserve System. Applicants have the option of assuming presence of covered shrimp in lieu of conducting presence/absence surveys and compensating accordingly.

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Vernal pool fairy shrimp <i>Brachinecta lunchi</i> FT/-	Initial UDA: 129 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² 104 acres seasonal wetland complexes restored Maximum UDA: 168 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² 163 acres seasonal wetland complexes restored	Initial UDA: 43 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² (includes all seasonal wetlands + 25% undetermined wetlands) Maximum UDA: 56 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² (includes all seasonal wetlands + 25% undetermined wetlands)	Landscape Natural Community Species	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.1 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Determine species response to wetland restoration. Evaluate restored seasonal wetlands to determine if shrimp are present at frequencies similar to those in natural complexes. If not, assess feasibility of transplanting species.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 129-168 acres of seasonal wetland complexes outside of parks and open space will be conserved, and 104-163 acres of seasonal wetland complexes will be created or restored (Tables 5-5a and 5-5b, 5-16 and 5-17, and Conservation Measures 1.1 and 2.3), some of which is expected to be suitable for vernal pool fairy shrimp. Restored seasonal wetlands will be evaluated to determine if covered crustaceans are present at frequencies similar to those in natural seasonal wetland complexes. If not, the Implementing Entity will assess the feasibility of transplanting species from occupied wetlands to restored wetlands to establish new populations.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Prior to submission of an application package, planning surveys will identify suitable habitat for covered shrimp species. Preconstruction surveys are required in areas with suitable habitat. If occupied sites are identified, buffer zones or seasonal restrictions are required (Chapter 6, Section 6.3.3). If seasonal wetlands are occupied by covered shrimp, applicants must compensate for impacts to these wetlands according to Conservation Measure 3.8 if sufficient preservation or restoration has not already occurred within the Preserve System. Applicants have the option of assuming presence of covered shrimp in lieu of conducting presence/absence surveys and compensating accordingly.

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Midvalley fairy shrimp <i>Brachinecta mesovallensis</i> -/-	Initial UDA: 129 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² 104 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² restored Maximum UDA: 168 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² 163 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² restored	Initial UDA: 43 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² (includes all seasonal wetlands + 25% undetermined wetlands) Maximum UDA: 56 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² (includes all seasonal wetlands and 25% undetermined wetlands)	Landscape Natural Community Species	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.1 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Determine species response to wetland and pond restoration. Evaluate restored seasonal wetlands to determine if shrimp are present at frequencies similar to those in natural complexes. If not, assess feasibility of transplanting species.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 129-168 acres of seasonal wetland complexes outside of parks and open space will be conserved, and 104-163 acres of seasonal wetland complexes will be created or restored (Table 5-5a and 5-5b, 5-16 and 5-17, and Conservation Measures 1.1 and 2.3), some of which is expected to be suitable for Midvalley fairy shrimp. Restored seasonal wetlands will be evaluated to determine if covered crustaceans are present at frequencies similar to those in natural seasonal wetland complexes. If not, the Implementing Entity will assess the feasibility of transplanting species from occupied wetlands to restored wetlands to establish new populations.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Prior to submission of an application package, planning surveys will identify suitable habitat for covered shrimp species. Preconstruction surveys are required in areas with suitable habitat. If occupied sites are identified, buffer zones or seasonal restrictions are required (Chapter 6, Section 6.3.3). If seasonal wetlands are occupied by covered shrimp, applicants must compensate for impacts to these wetlands according to Conservation Measure 3.8 if sufficient preservation or restoration has not already occurred within the Preserve System. Applicants have the option of assuming presence of covered shrimp in lieu of conducting presence/absence surveys and compensating accordingly.

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Vernal pool tadpole shrimp <i>Lepidurus packardii</i> FE/-	Initial UDA: 129 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² 104 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² restored Maximum UDA: 168 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² 163 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² restored	Initial UDA: 43 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² (includes all seasonal wetlands + 25% undetermined wetlands) Maximum UDA: 56 acres of seasonal wetland complexes ² (includes all seasonal wetlands and 25% undetermined wetlands)	Landscape Natural Community Species	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.1 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Determine species response to wetland and pond restoration. Evaluate restored vernal pools to determine if shrimp are present at frequencies similar to those in natural complexes. If not, assess feasibility of transplanting species.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 129-168 acres of seasonal wetland complexes outside of parks and open space will be conserved, and 104-163 acres of seasonal wetland complexes will be created or restored (Table 5-5a and 5-5b, 5-16 and 5-17, and Conservation Measures 1.1 and 2.3), some of which is expected to be suitable for vernal pool tadpole shrimp. Restored seasonal wetlands will be evaluated to determine if covered crustaceans are present at frequencies similar to those in natural seasonal wetland complexes. If not, the Implementing Entity will assess the feasibility of transplanting species from occupied wetlands to restored wetlands to establish new populations.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Prior to submission of an application package, planning surveys will identify suitable habitat for covered shrimp species. Preconstruction surveys are required in areas with suitable habitat. If occupied sites are identified, buffer zones or seasonal restrictions are required (Chapter 6, Section 6.3.3). If seasonal wetlands are occupied by covered shrimp, applicants must compensate for impacts to these wetlands according to Conservation Measure 3.8 if sufficient preservation or restoration has not already occurred within the Preserve System. Applicants have the option of assuming presence of covered shrimp in lieu of conducting presence/absence surveys and compensating accordingly.

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Mount Diablo manzanita <i>Arctostaphylos auriculata</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 56% (414 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 2 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 61% (447 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 2 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: 0% (0 acres) of modeled habitat 0 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land may be removed by covered activities Maximum UDA: <1% (2 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 0 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land may be removed by covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.3 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Map and monitor stands of Mount Diablo manzanita. Determine age structure of stands and assess ability to reproduce with and without fire.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 56-61% of modeled habitat outside parks and open space and 2 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land will be conserved. The Preserve System will protect 414-447 acres of modeled habitat (Table 5-12 and Conservation Measure 1.1). The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit Mount Diablo manzanita (MDM). Vegetation management actions, including prescribed burning (Conservation Measures 1.2 and 2.8), will ensure that the condition of the chaparral vegetation community that supports MDM will be maintained or enhanced.

Conditions on Covered Activities: No impacts on known occurrences of MDM are expected to result from covered activities. However, if a new population is found that is expected to be removed by covered activities, a comparable population must be protected within HCP/NCCP preserves. Exotic plants and recreational use (e.g., over-collecting) will be controlled within preserves to benefit MDM (Conservation Measures 1.4 and 1.5).

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Brittlescale <i>Atriplex depressa</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 49% (577 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 2 out of 5 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 60% (697 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 4 out of 5 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: 7% (81 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 1 out of 5 known occurrences outside public land may be removed by covered activities Maximum UDA: 7% (81 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 1 out of 5 known occurrences outside public land may be removed by covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Conduct soil sampling to determine precise soil associations. Identify, map, and monitor any occurrences within preserves.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 49-60% of modeled habitat outside parks and open space and 2-4 out of 5 occurrences outside public land will be conserved. The Preserve System will protect 577-697 acres of modeled habitat (Table 5-12 and Conservation Measure 1.1). The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit brittlescale. Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4). Vegetation management and enhancement within alkali grassland and alkali wetlands (Conservation Measures 2.1, 2.2, 2.4, and 2.12) will benefit brittlescale by maintaining or enhancing habitat for this species. Approximately 61 to 67 acres of alkali wetlands will be restored within preserves (Tables 5-16 and 17). One objective of alkali wetland restoration is to restore suitable habitat for brittlescale.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Development guidelines will ensure that impacts on this species from covered activities are avoided or minimized (see Conservation Measures 1.6, 1.9, and 1.10). One population of brittlescale will likely be removed by covered activities. If two populations as healthy or healthier (as defined in Conservation Measure 1.1) cannot be identified and preserved, impacts to brittlescale are not allowed under the terms of the plan.

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San Joaquin spearscale <i>Atriplex joaquiniana</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 60% (900 acres) of alkali grassland outside parks and open space 44% (87 acres) of alkali wetland outside parks and open space + 61 acres of alkali wetland restored 0 out of 1 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 83% (1,250 acres) of alkali grassland outside parks and open space 49% (96 acres) of alkali wetland outside parks and open space + 67 acres of alkali wetland restored 0 out of 1 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: 7% (115 acres) of alkali grassland outside parks and open space 15% (29 acres) of alkali wetland outside parks and open space 0 out of 1 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities Maximum UDA: 7% (115 acres) of alkali grassland outside parks and open space 16% (31 acres) of alkali wetland outside parks and open space 0 out of 1 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Conduct soil sampling to determine precise soil associations. Identify, map, and monitor any occurrences within preserves.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 60-83% of alkali grassland and 44-49% of alkali wetland outside parks and open space will be conserved. Additionally, approximately 61 to 67 acres of alkali wetlands will be restored within preserves (Tables 5-16 and 5-17), some of which may benefit San Joaquin spearscale. Of the 32 known occurrences in the inventory area, 31 are already protected within the Los Vaqueros Watershed. It is expected that other populations will be found within the inventory area, particularly on alkali soils in Zone 5. The Preserve System will protect 900-1,250 acres of alkali grassland (Tables 5-7 and 5-8) and 87-96 acres alkali wetland (Tables 5-5a and 5-5b, Conservation Measure 1.1), much of which is expected to be suitable for San Joaquin spearscale. The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit San Joaquin spearscale. Vegetation management and enhancement within alkali grassland and alkali wetlands (Conservation Measures 2.1, 2.2, 2.4, and 2.12) will benefit San Joaquin spearscale by maintaining or enhancing suitable habitat for this species.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4).

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Big tarplant <i>Blepharizonia plumosa</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 48% (9,300 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 3 out of 5 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 59% (11,395 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 3 out of 5 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: 8% (1,593 acres modeled habitat) outside parks and open space 1 out of 5 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities Max UDA: 12% (2,248 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 1 out of 5 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Conduct soil sampling to determine precise soil associations. Identify, map, and monitor any occurrences within preserves.	YES
Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered					
Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 48-59% of modeled habitat outside of parks and open space and 3 out of 5 known occurrences outside public land will be conserved. The Preserve System will protect 9,300-11,395 acres of modeled habitat and 5,859-6,645 acres of suitable low-potential habitat (Table 5-12 and Conservation Measure 1.1). The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit big tarplant.					
Conditions on Covered Activities: Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4).					

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Mount Diablo fairy lantern <i>Calochortus pulchellus</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 43% (11,178 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 42 acres of oak savanna restored 1 out of 1 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 54% (13,360 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 165 acres of oak savanna restored 1 out of 1 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: 2% (488 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 0 out of 1 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities Maximum UDA: 3% (788 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 0 out of 1 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.3 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Develop pilot projects to determine species response to management actions such as burning. Identify, map, and monitor any occurrences within preserves.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 43-54% of modeled habitat outside parks and open space and 1 out of 1 known occurrence outside public land will be conserved. Additionally, approximately 42-165 acres of oak savanna will be restored within preserves (Tables 5-16 and 5-17 and Conservation Measure 2.7). One objective of oak savanna restoration is to provide additional suitable habitat for Mount Diablo fairy lantern. The Preserve System will protect 11,178-13,360 acres of modeled habitat (Table 5-12 and Conservation Measure 1.1). The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit Mount Diablo fairy lantern. Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4). Vegetation management and enhancement within native grassland (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.4), oak savanna/woodland (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.6), and chaparral (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.8) will benefit Mount Diablo fairy lantern by maintaining or enhancing suitable habitat for this species.

Conditions on Covered Activities: The status of the one occurrence of Mount Diablo fairy lantern outside public lands, in Subzone 4b, is uncertain. If this population is still extant, it will be protected under this HCP/NCCP. If not, no take of this species will be allowed under the HCP/NCCP until a new, high-quality population (as defined in Conservation Measure 1.1) is found within HCP/NCCP preserves. Public access will be controlled and monitored so that the species is not over-collected by visitors (Conservation Measure 1.5).

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Recurved larkspur <i>Delphinium recurvatum</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 23% (389 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 1 out of 3 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 62% (1,064 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 1 out of 3 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: 1% (25 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 2 out of 3 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities Maximum UDA: 1% (25 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 2 out of 3 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Conduct soil sampling to determine soil associations. Identify, map, and monitor any occurrences within preserves.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 23-62% of modeled habitat outside of parks and open space will be conserved. An estimated 389 or 1,064 acres of modeled habitat for this species will be protected within the Preserve System under the initial urban development area or the maximum urban development area, respectively (Table 5-12). The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit recurved larkspur. Approximately 61-67 acres of alkali wetlands will be restored within preserves (Table 5-16 and 5-17 and Conservation Measure 2.7). One objective of alkali wetland restoration is to restore additional suitable habitat for recurved larkspur (e.g., in alkali meadows).

Conditions on Covered Activities: Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4).

Table ES-3. Continued

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Round-leaved filaree <i>Erodium marophyllum</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 50% (2,877 acres) of primary habitat outside parks and open space 2 out of 7 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 52% (2,997 acres) of primary habitat outside parks and open space 2 out of 7 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: 9% (536 acres) of primary habitat outside parks and open space 2 out of 7 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities Maximum UDA: 15% (888 acres) of primary habitat outside parks and open space 2 out of 7 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Conduct soil sampling to determine soil associations. Identify, map, and monitor any occurrences in preserves.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 50-52% of primary habitat and 2 out of 7 known occurrences outside public land will be conserved. The Preserve System will protect 2,877-2,997 acres of primary habitat and 542-633 acres of secondary habitat (Table 5-12 and Conservation Measure 1.1). The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit round-leaved filaree. Vegetation management and enhancement within grasslands (Conservation Measure 2.4) will benefit round-leaved filaree by maintaining or enhancing suitable habitat for this species

Conditions on Covered Activities: Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4).

Table ES-3. Continued

Common Name <i>Scientific Name</i> Status (Federal/State) ¹	Habitat Conserved by HCP/NCCP	Maximum Estimated Impact to Habitat from HCP/NCCP Covered Activities	General Bases for Analysis of Coverage (Conservation Measure Level)	Monitoring Methods (Monitoring Plan and/or Management Plans/Directives)	Meets State & Federal Take Authorization Standards
Diablo helianthella <i>Helianthella castanea</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 46% (6,168 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 42 acres of oak savanna restored 2 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 54% (7,250 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 165 acres of oak savanna restored 2 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: <1% (19 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 0 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities Maximum UDA: 1% (85 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 0 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.3 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Map and monitor populations and develop pilot projects to determine species response to management actions such as burning. Identify, map, and monitor any occurrences within preserves.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 46-54% of modeled habitat outside parks and open space and 2 out of 2 known occurrences outside public land will be conserved. In addition, approximately 42-165 acres of oak savanna will be created or restored in the preserve system (Tables 5-16 and 5-17 and Conservation Measure 2.7). One objective of oak savanna restoration is to provide additional suitable habitat for Diablo helianthella. The Preserve System will protect 6,168-7,250 acres of modeled habitat (Table 5-12 and Conservation Measure 1.1). The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit Diablo helianthella. Vegetation management and enhancement within oak savanna/woodland (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.6) and chaparral (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.8) will benefit Diablo helianthella by maintaining or enhancing suitable habitat for this species.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4).

Table ES-3. Continued

Common Name <i>Scientific Name</i> Status (Federal/State) ¹	Habitat Conserved by HCP/NCCP	Maximum Estimated Impact to Habitat from HCP/NCCP Covered Activities	General Bases for Analysis of Coverage (Conservation Measure Level)	Monitoring Methods (Monitoring Plan and/or Management Plans/Directives)	Meets State & Federal Take Authorization Standards
Brewer's dwarf flax <i>Hesperolinon breweri</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 48% (9,337 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 42 acres of oak savanna restored 3 out of 3 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 55% (10,704 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 165 acres of oak savanna restored 3 out of 3 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: <1% (97 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 0 out of 3 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities Maximum UDA: 1% (255 acres) of modeled habitat outside parks and open space 0 out of 3 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.3 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Map and monitor populations and develop pilot projects to determine each species' response to management actions such as burning. Identify, map, and monitor any occurrences within preserves.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 48-55% of modeled habitat outside parks and opens space and 3 out of 3 known occurrences outside public land will be conserved. Additionally, approximately 42-165 acres of oak savanna will be created or restored in the preserve system (Tables 5-16 and 5-17 and Conservation Measure 2.7). One objective of oak savanna restoration is to provide additional suitable habitat for Brewer's dwarf flax. The Preserve System will protect 9,337-10,704 acres of modeled habitat (Table 5-12 and Conservation Measure 1.1). The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit Brewer's dwarf flax. Vegetation management and enhancement within native grassland (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.4), oak savanna/woodland (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.6), and chaparral (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.8) will benefit Brewer's dwarf flax by maintaining or enhancing suitable habitat for this species.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4).

Table ES-3. Continued

Common Name <i>Scientific Name</i> Status (Federal/State) ¹	Habitat Conserved by HCP/NCCP	Maximum Estimated Impact to Habitat from HCP/NCCP Covered Activities	General Bases for Analysis of Coverage (Conservation Measure Level)	Monitoring Methods (Monitoring Plan and/or Management Plans/Directives)	Meets State & Federal Take Authorization Standards
Showy madia <i>Madia radiata</i> -/CNPS-1B	Initial UDA: 40% (13,000 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space 16% (500 acres) of oak savanna outside parks and open space + 42 acres of oak savanna restored 3% (400 acres) of oak woodland outside parks and open space 0 out of 0 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved Maximum UDA: 54% (16,500 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space 16% (500 acres) of oak savanna outside parks and open space + 165 acres of oak savanna restored 3% (400 acres) of oak woodland outside parks and open space 0 out of 0 known occurrences outside public land will be preserved	Initial UDA: 7% (2,533 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space 1% (42 acres) of oak savanna outside parks and open space <1% (21 acres) of oak woodland outside parks and open space 0 out of 0 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities Maximum UDA: 12% (4,152 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space 5% (165 acres) of oak savanna outside parks and open space 1% (73 acres) of oak woodland outside parks and open space 0 out of 0 known occurrences outside public land may be removed for covered activities	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.3 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Identify populations within the preserves. Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Determine if populations are being sustained or enhanced. Develop species-habitat model, if feasible.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 40-54% of grassland, 16% of oak savanna and 3% of oak woodland outside parks and open space will be conserved. In addition, approximately 42-165 acres of oak savanna will be created or restored in the preserve system (Tables 5-16 and 5-17 and Conservation Measure 2.7). Oak savanna restoration may provide additional suitable habitat for showy madia. The Preserve System will protect 13,000-16,500 acres of grassland, 500 acres of oak savanna and 400 acres of oak woodland (Tables 5-7 and 5-8, Conservation Measure 1.1). Actual preservation of oak savanna and oak woodland is expected exceed 5,000 acres due to the need to acquire extensive areas of grassland and the patchy distribution of oak savanna/woodland. The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit showy madia. Vegetation management and enhancement within native grassland (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.4) and oak savanna (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.6) may also benefit showy madia by maintaining or enhancing suitable habitat for this species.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Showy madia is not currently known to occur in the inventory area (Table 5-20), but suitable habitat exists. Until more populations are found and protected in HCP/NCCP preserves, no impacts on this species will be allowed. Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4).

Table ES-3. Continued

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Adobe navarretia <i>Navarettia nigelliformis</i> ssp. <i>nigelliformis</i> -/-	Initial UDA: 40% (13,000 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space 129 acres of seasonal wetland complexes +104 acres seasonal wetland complexes restored 1 of 3 known occurrences outside public lands will be preserved. Maximum UDA: 54% (16,500 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space 168 acres of seasonal wetland complexes + 163 acres of seasonal wetland complexes restored 1 of 3 known occurrences outside public lands will be preserved.	Initial UDA: 7% (2,471 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space 43 acres of seasonal wetland complexes (includes all seasonal wetlands + 25% undetermined wetlands) 1 of 3 known occurrences outside public lands may be removed for covered activities. Maximum UDA: 12% (4,103 acres) of annual grassland outside parks and open space 56 acres of seasonal wetland complexes (includes all seasonal wetlands + 25% undetermined wetlands) 1 of 3 known occurrences outside public lands may be removed for covered activities.	Landscape Natural Community	Develop and refine species-focused model(s). Develop monitoring approach, and identify critical uncertainties. Develop pilot projects as necessary. For suggested monitoring tasks, see Ch.7 Section 7.5.2 (summarized below). Suggested Tasks: Survey for and identify additional populations. Experiment with different management techniques to benefit the species. Survey populations to refine understanding of suitable microhabitats; determine attributes of habitat. Determine responses to management. Develop species- habitat models, if feasible.	YES

Rationale for Identifying Species as Covered

Conservation: This species will be covered by the HCP/NCCP because 129-168 acres of seasonal wetland and 13,000-16,500 acres of grassland outside parks and open space will be conserved. An additional 104-163 acres of seasonal wetland will be created or restored (Tables 5-5a and 5-5b, Conservation Measure 1.1 and 2.3). The Implementing Entity will initiate a program within the Preserve System to experiment with different management techniques to benefit adobe navarretia. Vegetation management and enhancement within native grassland (Conservation Measures 2.1 and 2.4) may benefit the species.

Conditions on Covered Activities: Exotic plants will be controlled within preserves (Conservation Measure 1.4).

¹ Status:	State
Federal	
FE Federally Endangered	ST State Listed as Threatened
FT Federally Threatened	CSC California Special Concern Species
BGPA Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act	CSC-1 Bird Species of Special Concern; First Priority
MBTA Migratory Bird Treaty Act	FP Fully Protected
	CNPS-1B California Native Plant Society as Rare or Endangered in California and Elsewhere

²Amount of seasonal wetland complex suitable for fairy shrimp species is unknown.