

Habitat Management Plan 18th Annual Public Meeting

Environmental Sustainability Department March 2, 2023 10:00 am - 12:00 pm



Housekeeping Items

- The meeting will start at 10:00 and be recorded
- Please keep cameras off and microphones muted
- Q&A after each presentation as time permits
- Type questions in Chat or raise the hand icon
- The recording will be posted on the city's website https://www.carlsbadca.gov/departments/environmentalsustainability/habitat-protection/hmp-reports-studies
- Contact: Rosanne.Humphrey@carlsbadca.gov

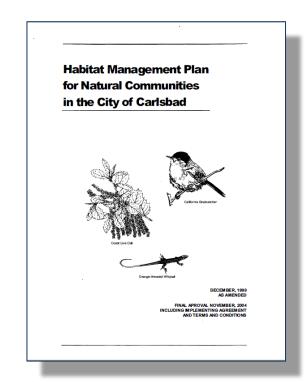


1. Citywide conservation program

- Ecosystem-level plan
- Science-based, adaptive management and long-term biological monitoring

2. Regulatory document

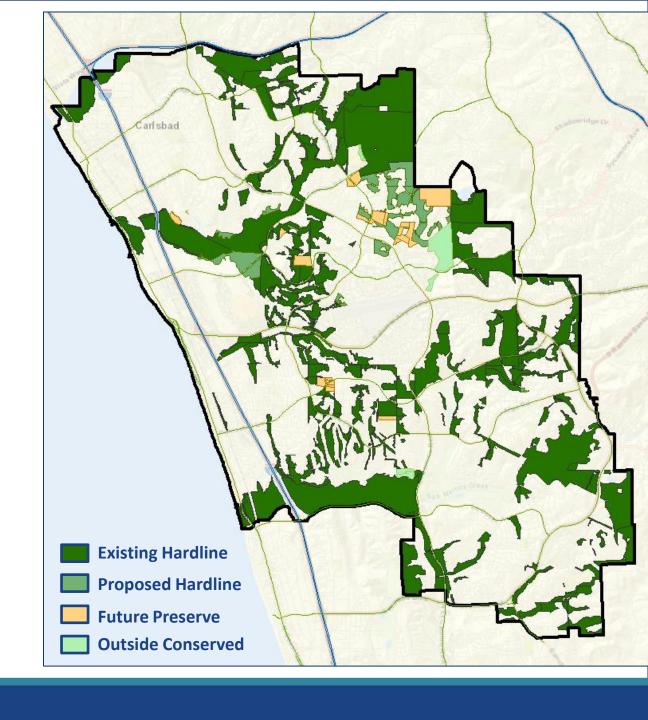
- Multiple Habitat Conservation Program
- State/Federal Endangered Species Acts
- ❖ NCCP/HCP Plan



November, 2004

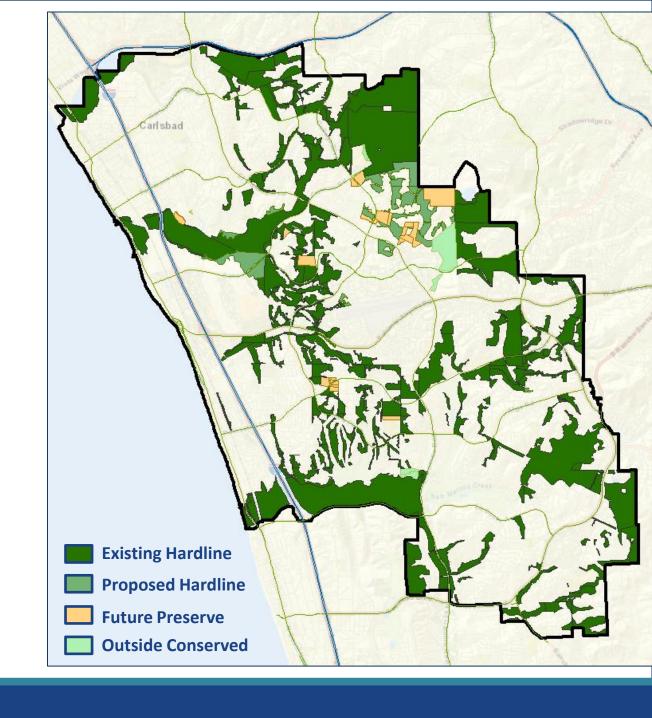
Goals

- Conserve all native habitat types and "covered" sensitive species
- Establish core habitat areas and wildlife movement corridors
- In return, development is allowed to occur following Growth Mgmt Plan
- Recreation/public use = secondary;
 must be compatible with HMP
 conservation goals



Preserve System Status

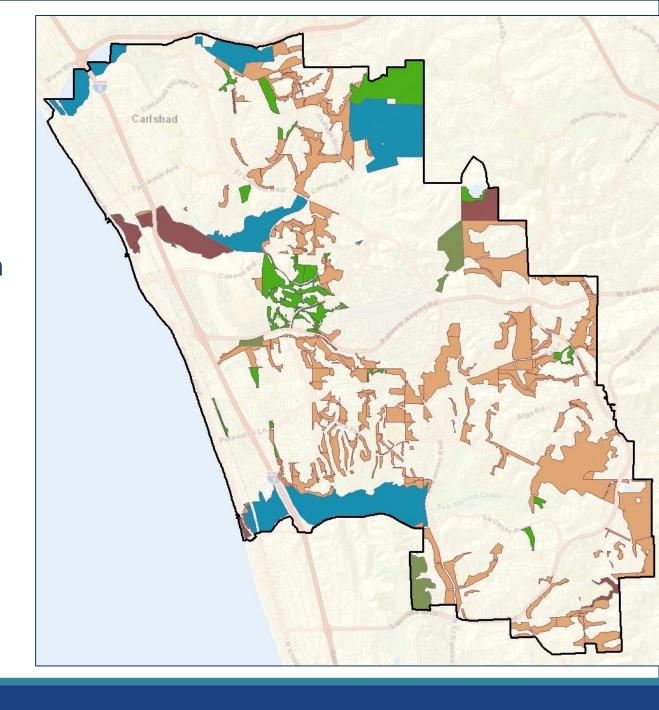
- Currently at 6,195 acres
 - = 96% target



Land ownership

- Started with pre-existing preserves
- Post-HMP: new preserves added through development process
- Landowners

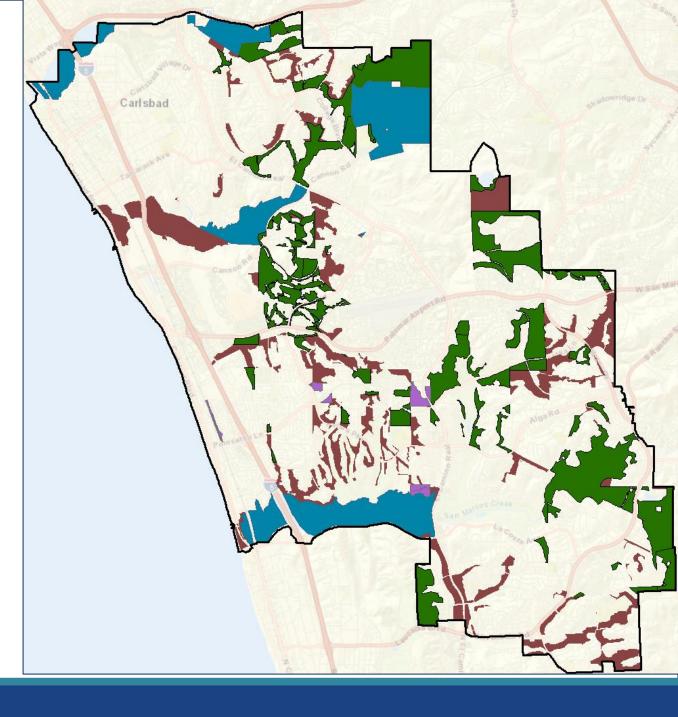




Land Management

- Pre-HMP preserves: unmanaged
- Post-HMP: non-profit land managers, mostly CNLM; also SDHC, UC
- Land Managers





Coastal California Gnatcatcher Surveys

- Flagship species that started HMP Program
- Federally Threatened
- Citywide long-term monitoring
- Restricted to coastal sage scrub



Coastal California Gnatcatcher Surveys

Year	Acres Surveyed	No. Pairs	No. Single Males
2010	1,805	85	42
2013	1,985	122	33
2022	2,060	134	41

- Stable or increasing
- Found in all patch sizes
- Small patches can provide stepping stones for dispersal and refugia after catastrophic events such as fire

Questions?

- Annual report, presentations and meeting recording will be posted on city's website
- Google: Carlsbad HMP Reports & Studies



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