



Welcome

Spring 2024 Tribal Coordination Meeting

May 7, 2:00 to 4:00 PM

Carlsbad and Palm Spring Fish and Wildlife Office
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

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National & Local Updates

Eldon Brown & Stephanie Prevost

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) Native American Program Updates

Indigenous Knowledge	FWS (Service) Headquarters	FWS FY24 Tribal Wildlife
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DOI Guidance (301 DM 7)• Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DO 227• Native American Policy• Indigenous Knowledge• Regional Guidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$200,000 Maximum• Tribal Projects• CFWO Technical Assistance• Closes: June 21, 2024

Tribal Wildlife Grant Link

[FY24 FWS Tribal Wildlife Grant Funding Opportunity](#)

Region 8 USFWS Contacts

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- Eldon Brown, Regional Native American Liaison
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New centralized website for federal conservation grants!

Conservation.gov



Financial Assistance

<https://www.conservation.gov/pages/get-involved/#financial-assistance>

Financial Assistance Matchmaker Tool

Welcome! Begin by selecting your eligibility type...



Government

State, City or Township, County, Special District



Tribes and Tribally-Affiliated Organizations

Federally Recognized, Non-Federally Recognized, Organization

State Grants Website

California Department of Fish and Wildlife has a website for grants as well

<https://wildlife.ca.gov/Grants>



Field Survey Opportunities with USGS

- Arroyo toad
- Mountain yellow-legged frog
- Western pond turtle

Reach out to us (CFWO_Tribal_Coordination@fws.gov) if Tribe members or staff are interested and we will get you in touch with the right person at USGS



Pond Turtle Restoration Project at Santa Ysabel



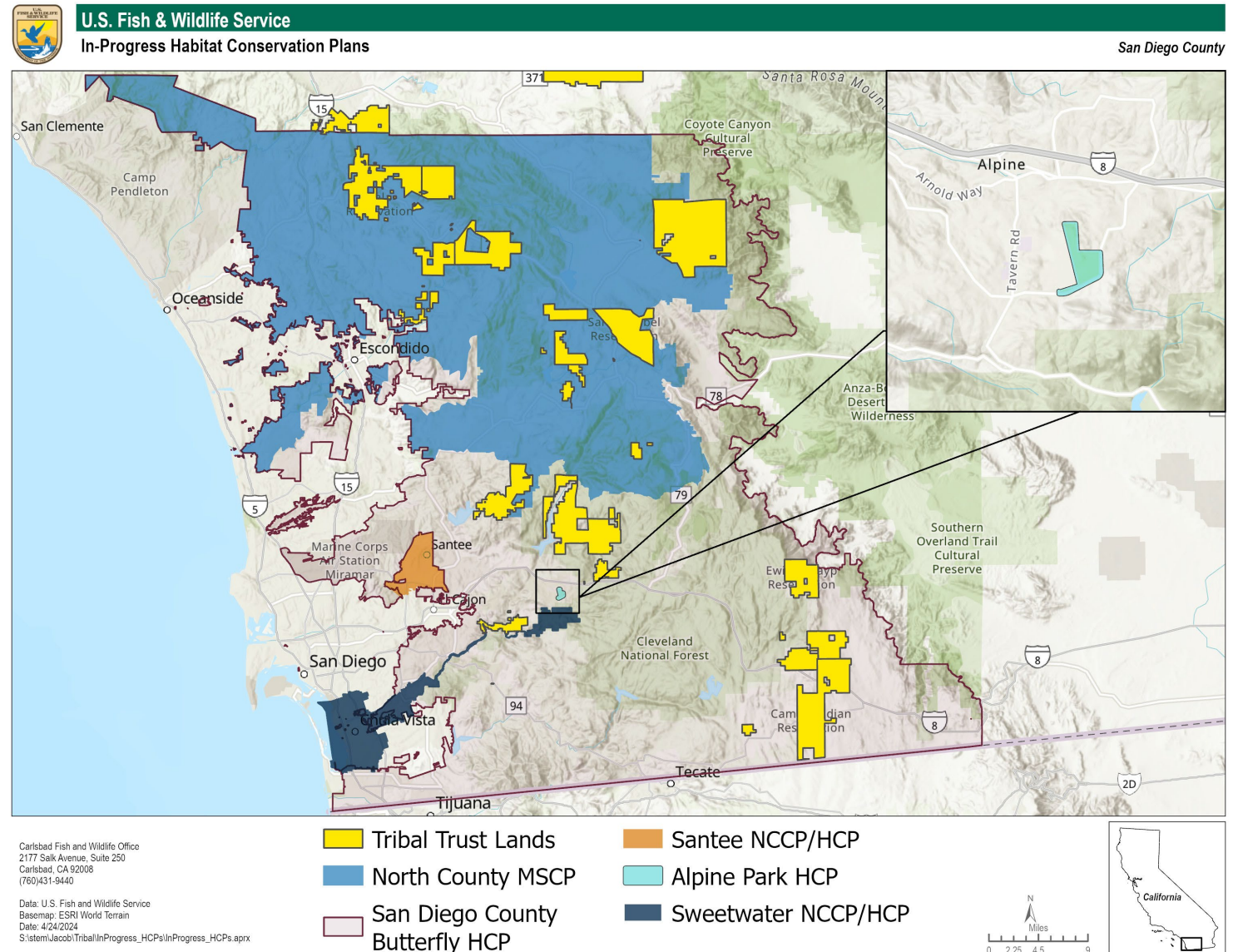
Thank you for your Earth Day invitations!



Carlsbad & Palm Springs Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Updates

HABITAT CONSERVATION PLANS IN CARLSBAD FWO'S JURISDICTION

- **North SD County MSCP:** Covers development activities in most of northern San Diego County and addresses multiple species, not including butterflies.
- **SD County Butterfly HCP:** Covers development activities throughout unincorporated San Diego County and addresses Quino checkerspot, Laguna Mountains skipper, Hermes copper, and Harbison's dun skipper.
- **Santee NCCP/HCP:** Covers development activities in the City of Santee and addresses multiple species.
- **Sweetwater Authority NCCP/HCP:** Covers operation and maintenance within the Sweetwater Authority's jurisdiction from Sweetwater Reservoir down to San Diego Bay.
- **Alpine Park HCP:** Covers park facilities on 25 acres of Wright's Field in Alpine and addresses Quino checkerspot butterfly and western spadefoot.

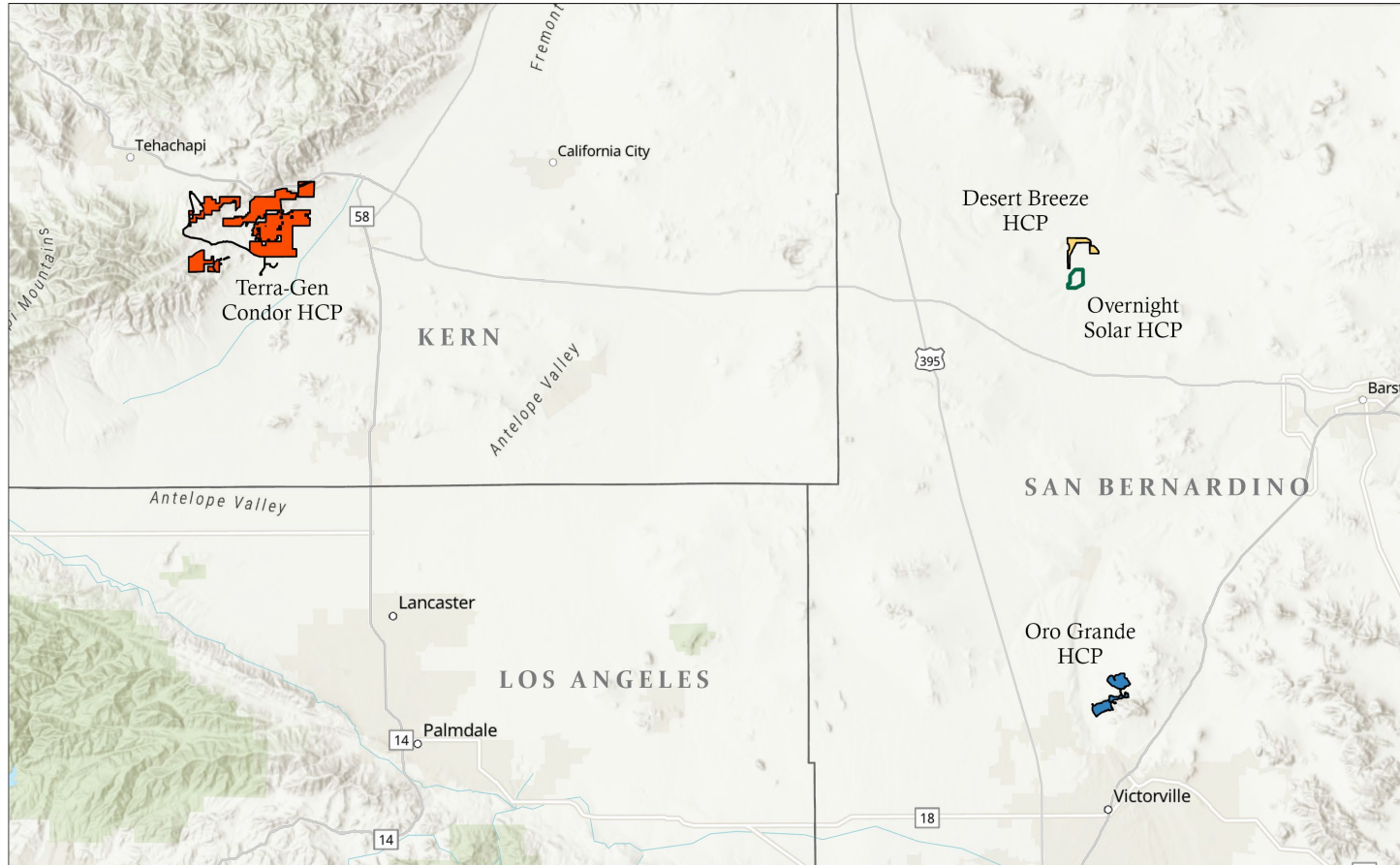


HABITAT CONSERVATION PLANS IN PALM SPRINGS (MOJAVE) USFWS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION



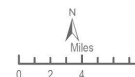
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Mojave Desert



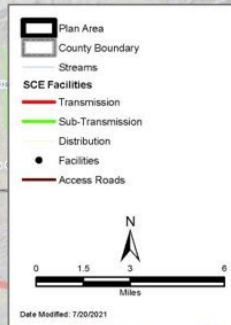
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- **Desert Breeze Solar Project HCP**: 677-acre area located in the community of Hinkley, San Bernardino County. Applicants seeking an ITP for desert tortoise. HCP/EA available for public review shortly.
- **Overnight Solar/Atlantica Sustainable Infrastructure HCP**: 596-acre area located in San Bernardino County. Applicants seeking an ITP for desert tortoise. HCP/EA are in draft stages.
- **CalPortland Oro Grande Cement Mining HCP**: 285-acre area located in unincorporated San Bernardino County in the Community of Oro Grande. Applicants seeking an ITP for desert tortoise. HCP/EA are in draft stages.
- **Terra-Gen Wind Energy Projects HCP**: 11,378-acre area located in the Tehachapi Wind Resource Area, Kern County. Applicants are seeking an ITP for California condor associated with the operation of 14 existing wind energy projects. HCP/EA are in draft stages.

Low-Effect Habitat Conservation Plan for Southern California Edison Operations and Maintenance Activities in the San Bernardino Valley, California. Approximately 253,000 acres, including Rancho Cucamonga to the west, Lytle Creek and Cajon Wash to the north, Mentone/Mill Creek to the east, and Jurupa Hills to the south. Species included are the Delhi sands flower-loving fly, coast California gnatcatcher, and San Bernardino kangaroo rat. HCP draft currently in review.



**Figure 1-1
Plan Area**

Southern California Edison Operations and Maintenance Activities Low-Effect HCP: Approximately 253,000 acres located in the San Bernardino Valley. Applicants are seeking an ITP for the Delhi sands flower-loving fly, coastal California gnatcatcher, and San Bernardino kangaroo rat. Draft HCP is currently in review.

HABITAT CONSERVATION PLANS IN PROCESS CONTACT INFORMATION

- North San Diego County MSCP (NCCP/HCP): Dimitri Pappas (dimitri_pappas@fws.gov) and Susan Wynn (susan_wynn@fws.gov)
- San Diego County Butterfly HCP: Eric Porter (eric_porter@fws.gov) and Susan Wynn (susan_wynn@fws.gov)
- Santee MSCP Subarea Plan (NCCP/HCP): Jonathan Snyder (jonathan_d_snyder@fws.gov)
- Sweetwater Authority NCCP/HCP: Eric Porter (eric_porter@fws.gov)
- Alpine Park HCP: Eric Porter (eric_porter@fws.gov)
- Desert Breeze Solar Project HCP: Jeremy Bisson (jeremy_bisson@fws.gov) and Brooke Su (brooke_su@fws.gov)
- Overnight Solar/Atlantica Sustainable Infrastructure HCP: Peter Sanzenbacher (peter_sanzenbacher@fws.gov)
- CalPortland Oro Grande Cement Mining HCP: Richard Tung (richard_tung@fws.gov) and Brooke Su (brooke_su@fws.gov)
- Terra-Gen Wind Energy Projects HCP: Peter Sanzenbacher (peter_sanzenbacher@fws.gov)
- Southern California Edison Operations and Maintenance Activities Low-Effect HCP: Amanda Swaller (amanda_swaller@fws.gov)

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The background is a soft, misty landscape with teal and light blue tones. It features rolling hills or mountains in the distance, partially obscured by a light fog or mist. In the foreground, there is a calm body of water, likely a lake, which reflects the surrounding landscape and the sky. The overall atmosphere is serene and ethereal.

Open Discussion and Q&A