

Issues and Questions surrounding Compensatory Mitigation

- How do you determine the level of impact that must be mitigated for different types of development activities?
- How do you decide which conservation activities should count for compensatory mitigation?
- How do you measure benefit from the activities?
- How do you decide where compensatory mitigation activities should happen?
- What types of ownership (private/state/federal) are eligible to undertake compensatory mitigation?
- How do you decide if a compensatory mitigation action is additional, or is beyond business as usual practices?
- How do you measure the conservation benefit of compensatory mitigation?
- What type of agreement is used to ensure that the compensatory mitigation will persist?
- How long do you require the compensatory mitigation to last?
- How do you deal with situations where the conservation value of compensatory mitigation is unintentionally (e.g. wildfire) or intentionally (new development) decreased?
- Who runs the mitigation program?