

# Natural Community and Covered Species Habitat Conservation Targets

BDCP Steering Committee

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- ▶ Restore 72,400 acres of tidal (65,000ac), riparian (5,000ac), grassland, non-tidal marsh, and vernal pool terrain habitats that support covered and other native species habitats
- ▶ Preserve 8,700 acres of existing grassland, vernal pool complex, and alkali seasonal wetland complex that support covered species habitats
- ▶ Preservation targets for agricultural and managed wetland communities are under development

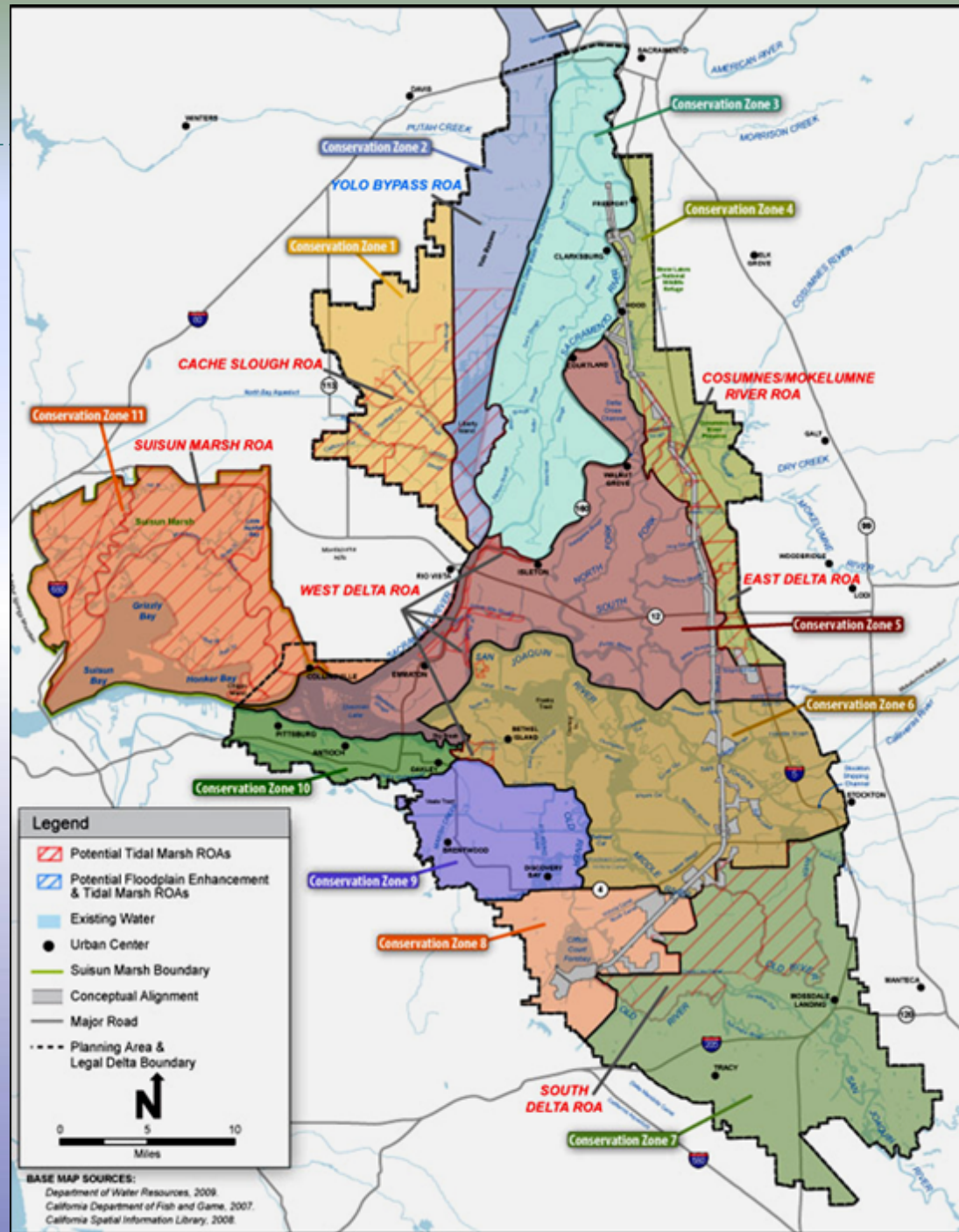
## ► Conservation Strategy Efficiencies

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- Focus on locations that are occupied or support habitat near known occurrences of associated covered species
- Focus on preservation of habitats that will achieve multiple covered species habitat conservation objectives
- Focus on maintaining connectivity with other habitat areas
- Coordinate with surrounding local HCPs and NCCPs in achieving species conservation

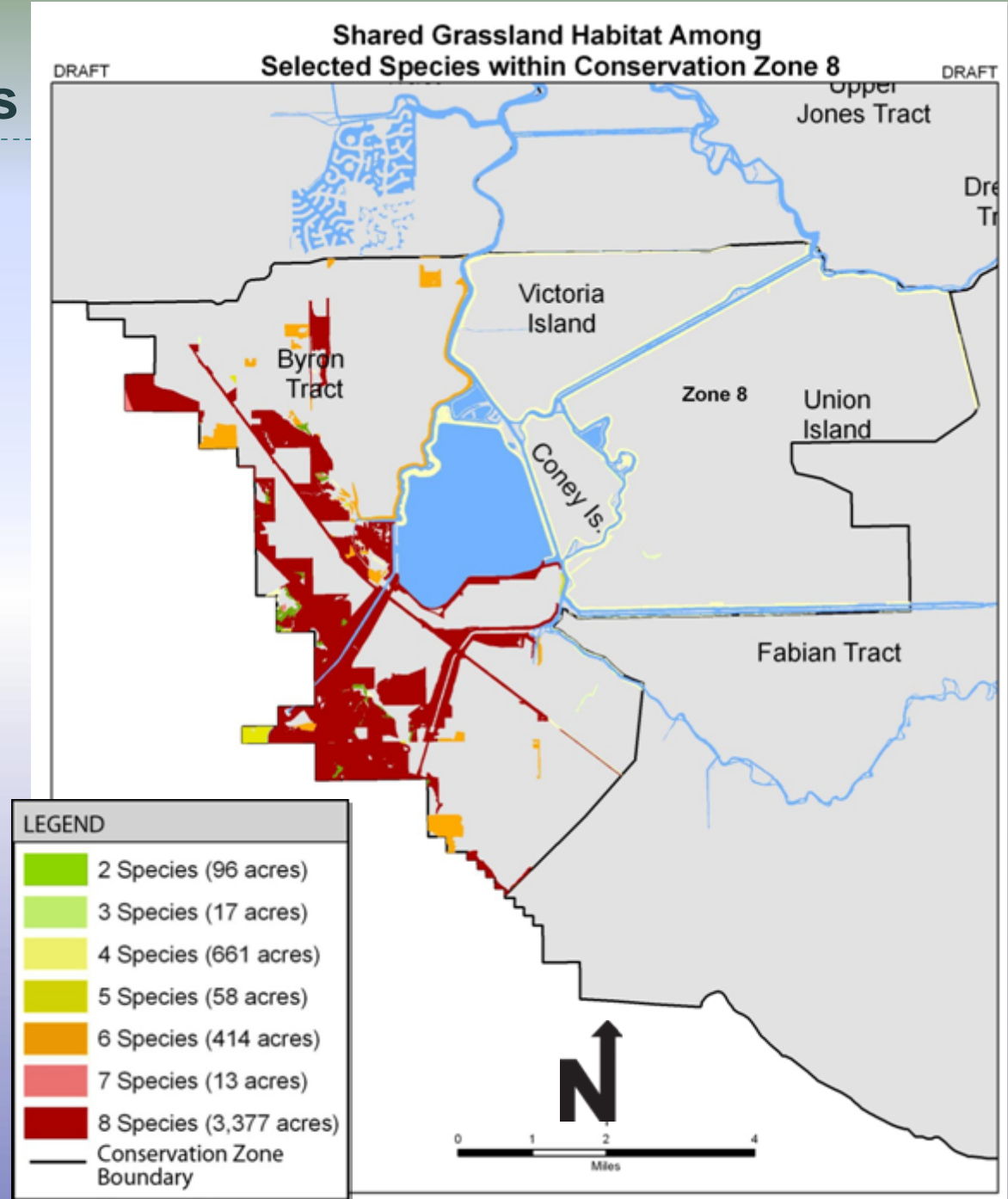
# Conservation Zones

- ▶ Use conservation zones to distribute preserved and restored habitats to meet covered species objectives
- ▶ Natural community-based approach allows for achieving multiple habitat objectives on the same land base
- ▶ Include flexibility to conserve habitat outside the Plan Area in coordination with local HCPs and NCCPs

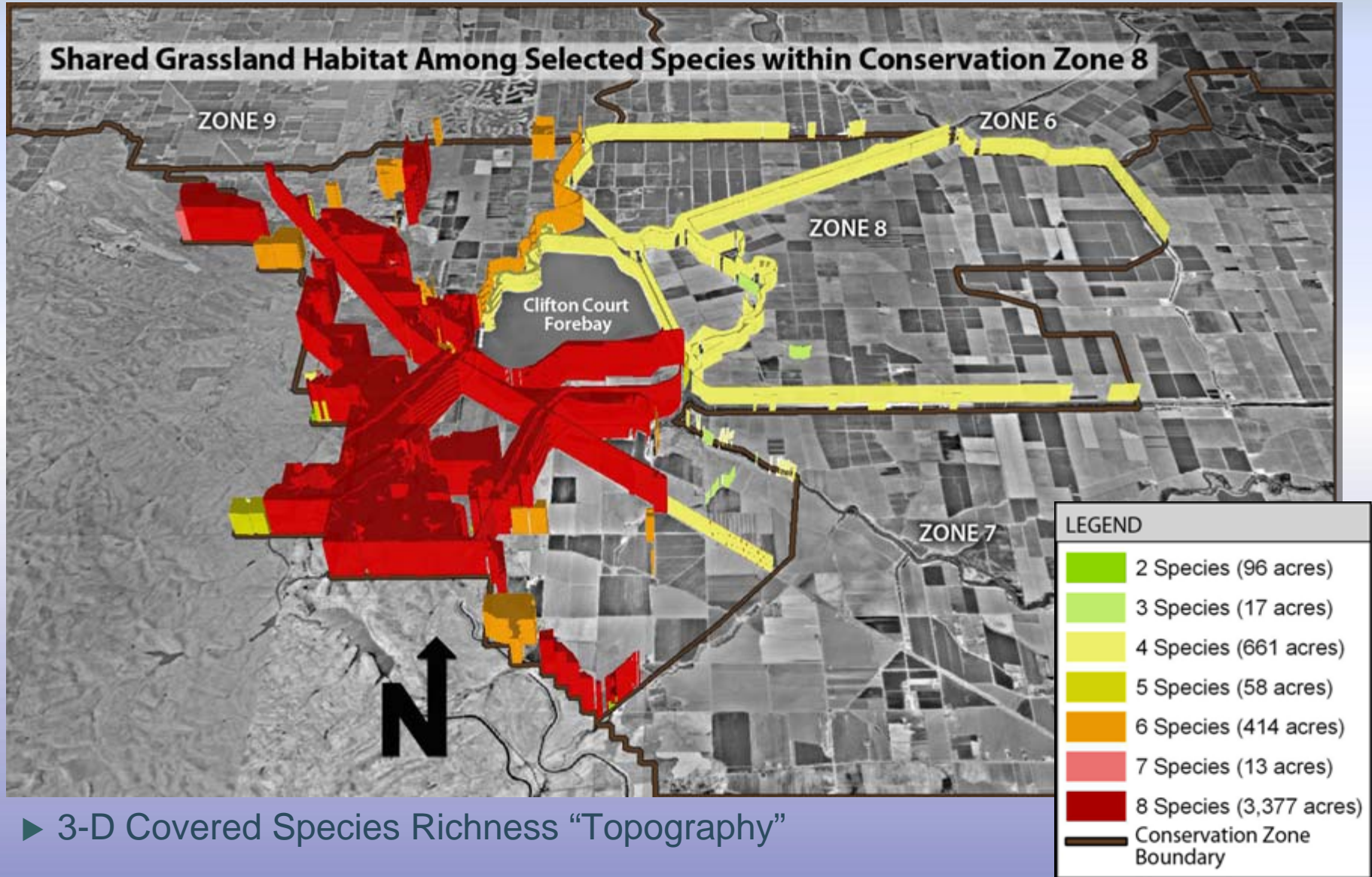


# “Stacking” Species Conservation

- ▶ Focus implementation on preservation of lands that serve to achieve multiple covered species habitat objectives



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## ▶ Next Steps for Targets

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- ▶ Complete species conservation strategy descriptions
- ▶ Technical review of conservation strategies
- ▶ “Tee-up” agricultural and managed wetland targets
- ▶ February 25 SC Meeting – “Decision” on conservation measures for natural communities and covered wildlife and plant species to evaluate in the Effects Analysis

# Questions & Discussion