

East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy

Conserving Natural Resources and Facilitating Economic Development



Defining HCP and NCCP

HCP (Habitat Conservation Plan): A federally-approved mitigation plan to conserve and permit impacts to endangered species.

NCCP (Natural Community Conservation Plan): Similar to HCP, but approved by the State. Has a higher standard for conservation. Plan must contribute to the recovery of species.

The East Contra Costa County HCP/NCCP enables the County, the Cities of Brentwood, Clayton, Oakley and Pittsburg, EBRPD and Flood Control to control species permitting for their jurisdiction until 2037.

SOLANO

SACRAMENTO

HCP/NCCP Plan Area

CONTRA
COSTA

SAN
JOAQUIN

Walnut
Creek

Oakland

San Francisco

Livermore

Tracy

ALAMEDA

SAN
MATEO

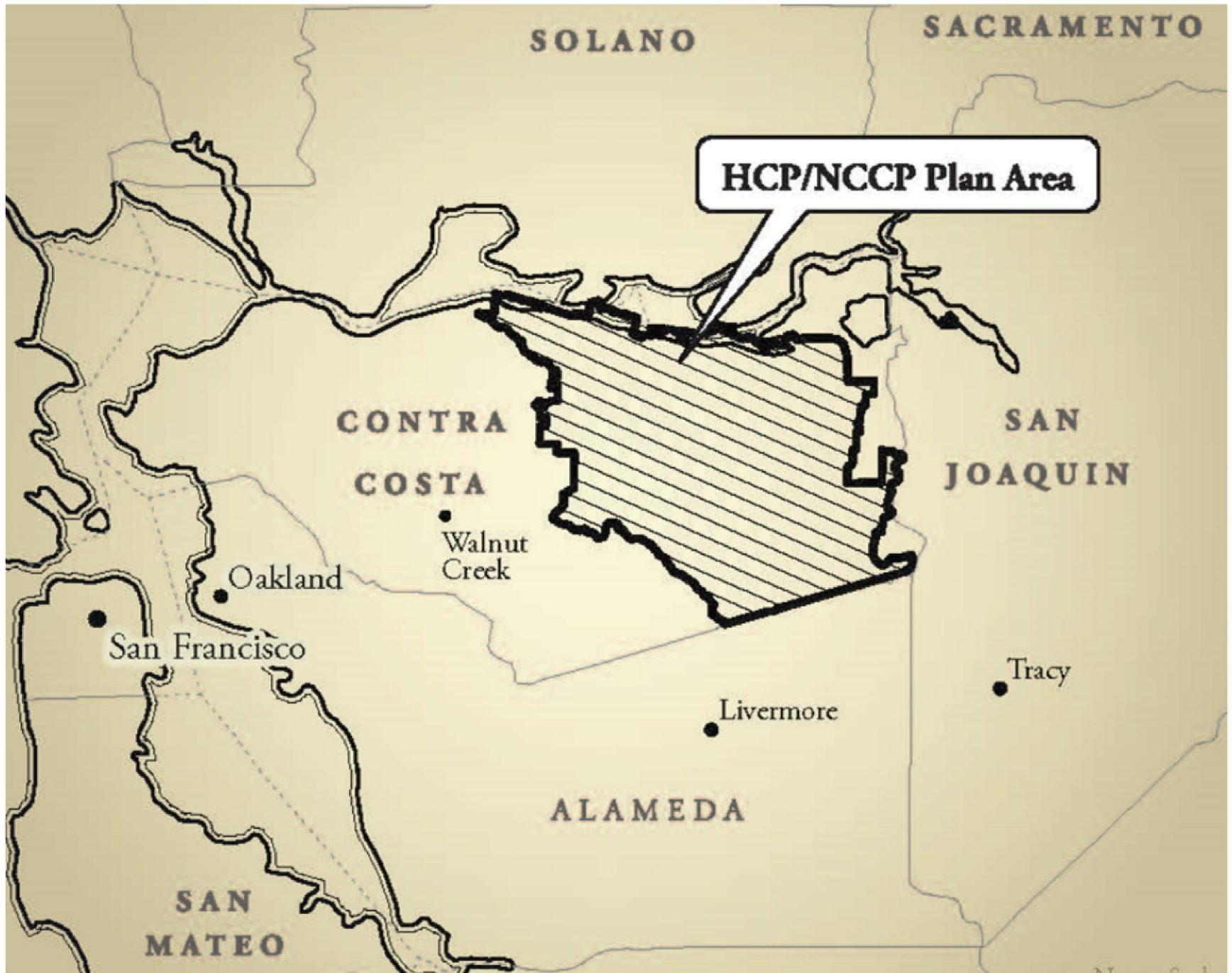
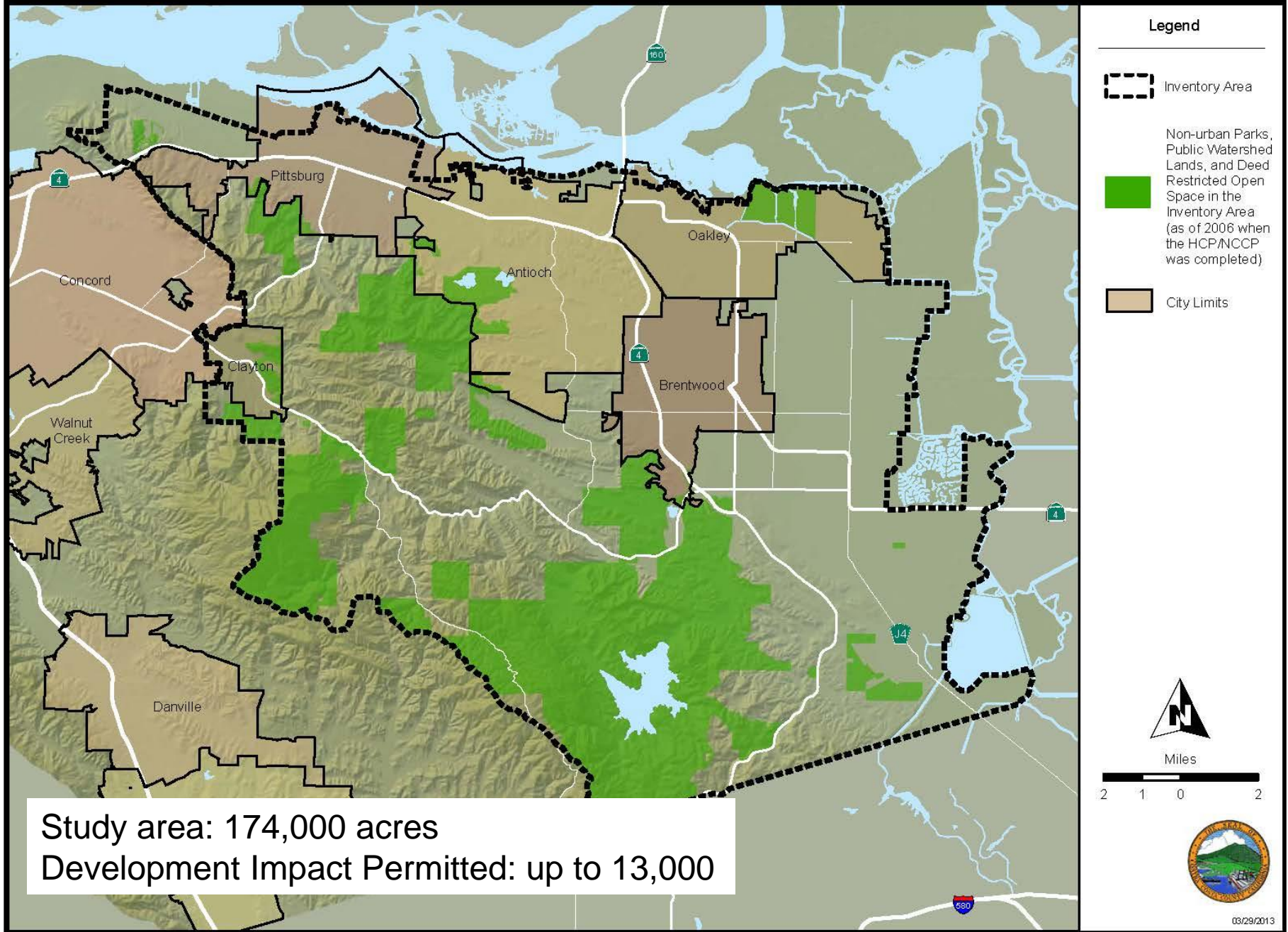


Figure 1 East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservation Plan Inventory Area



Milestones

2000/2001	Local agencies initiate HCP/NCCP planning process
October 10, 2006	Final HCP/NCCP & EIR/EIS released
August 6, 2007	Approval by all local, state & federal agencies
January 15, 2008	HCP/NCCP Implementing Ordinances take effect
May 2012	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approves Regional General Permit that is a companion to the HCP/NCCP
2017	10 Year Anniversary of the HCP/NCCP's approval



Conservancy Activities



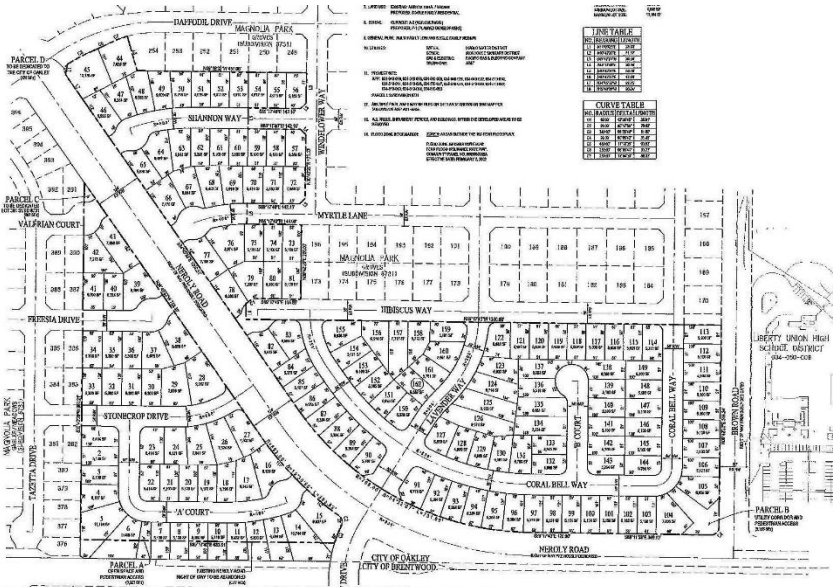
Project Permitting, Land Acquisition,
Habitat Restoration and Management

Streamlined Project Permitting

Infrastructure

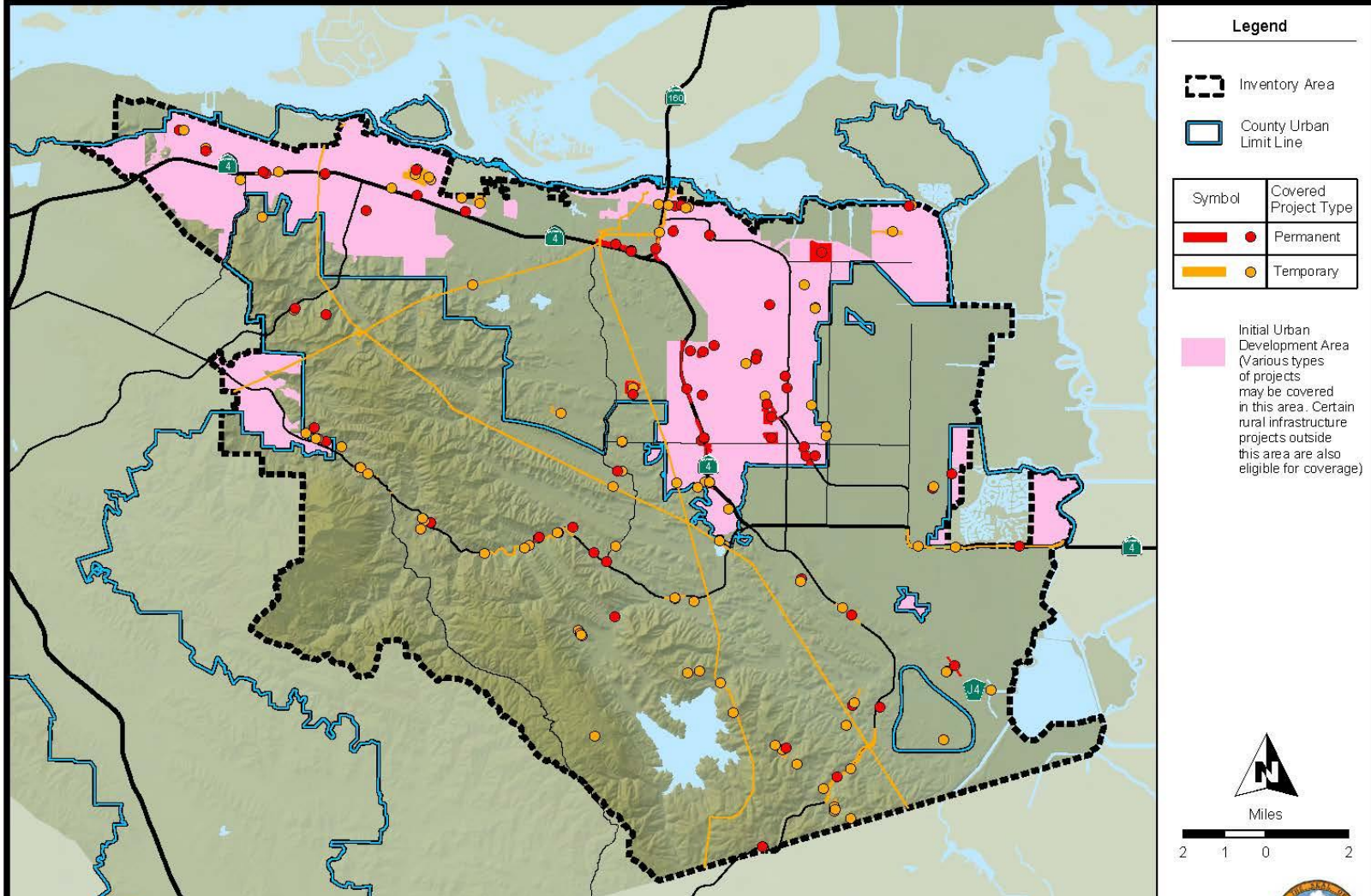
- eBART to Antioch
- Vasco Road Safety Improvements
- Balfour/Hwy 4 interchange

Residential/Commercial development



Streamlined Project Permitting

Figure 3b. Location of Covered Projects to-date (2008-2016)



140 projects have received take coverage for state and federal species
12 projects have also received USACE 404 permits through the program



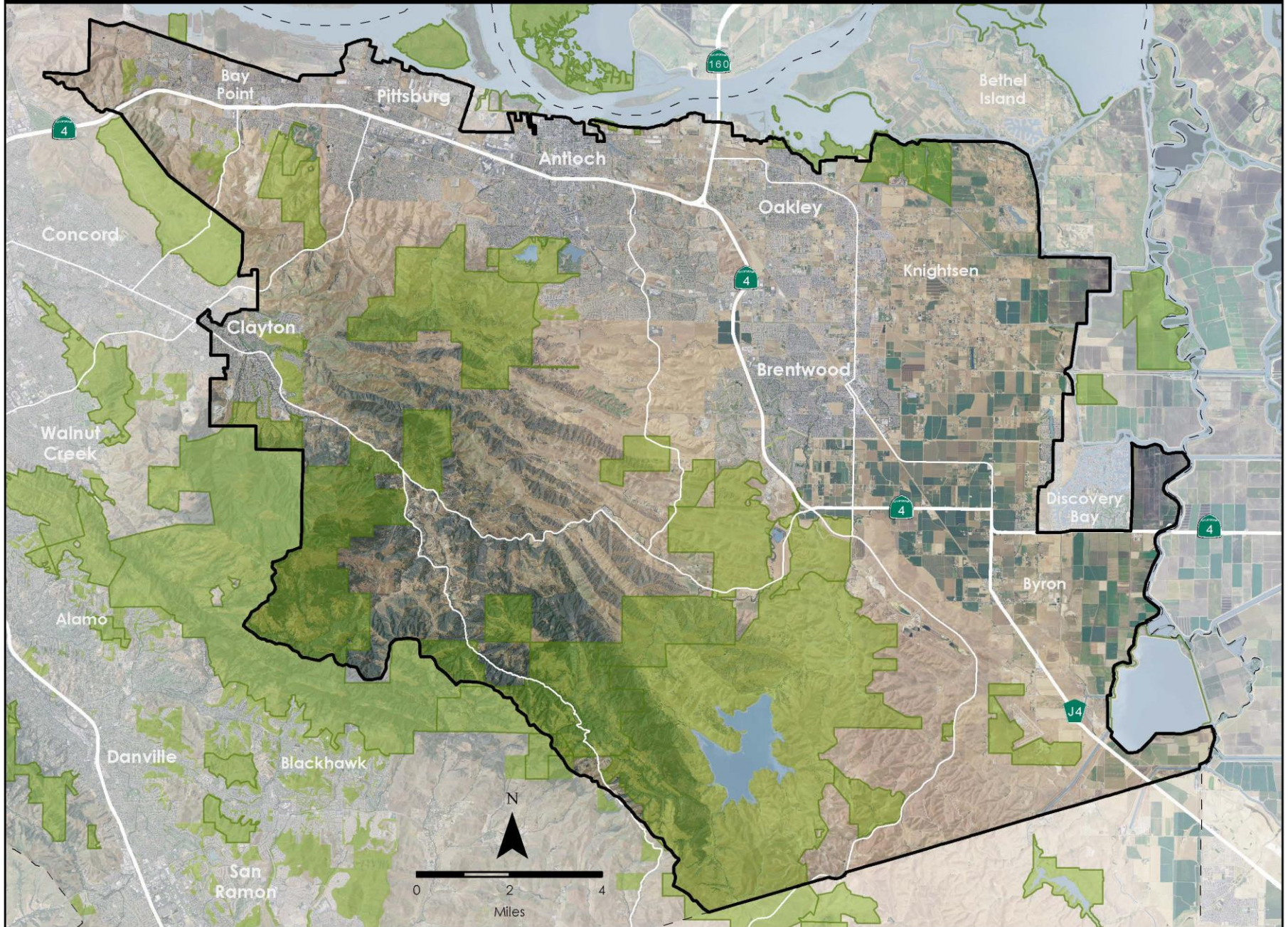
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Land Acquisition!

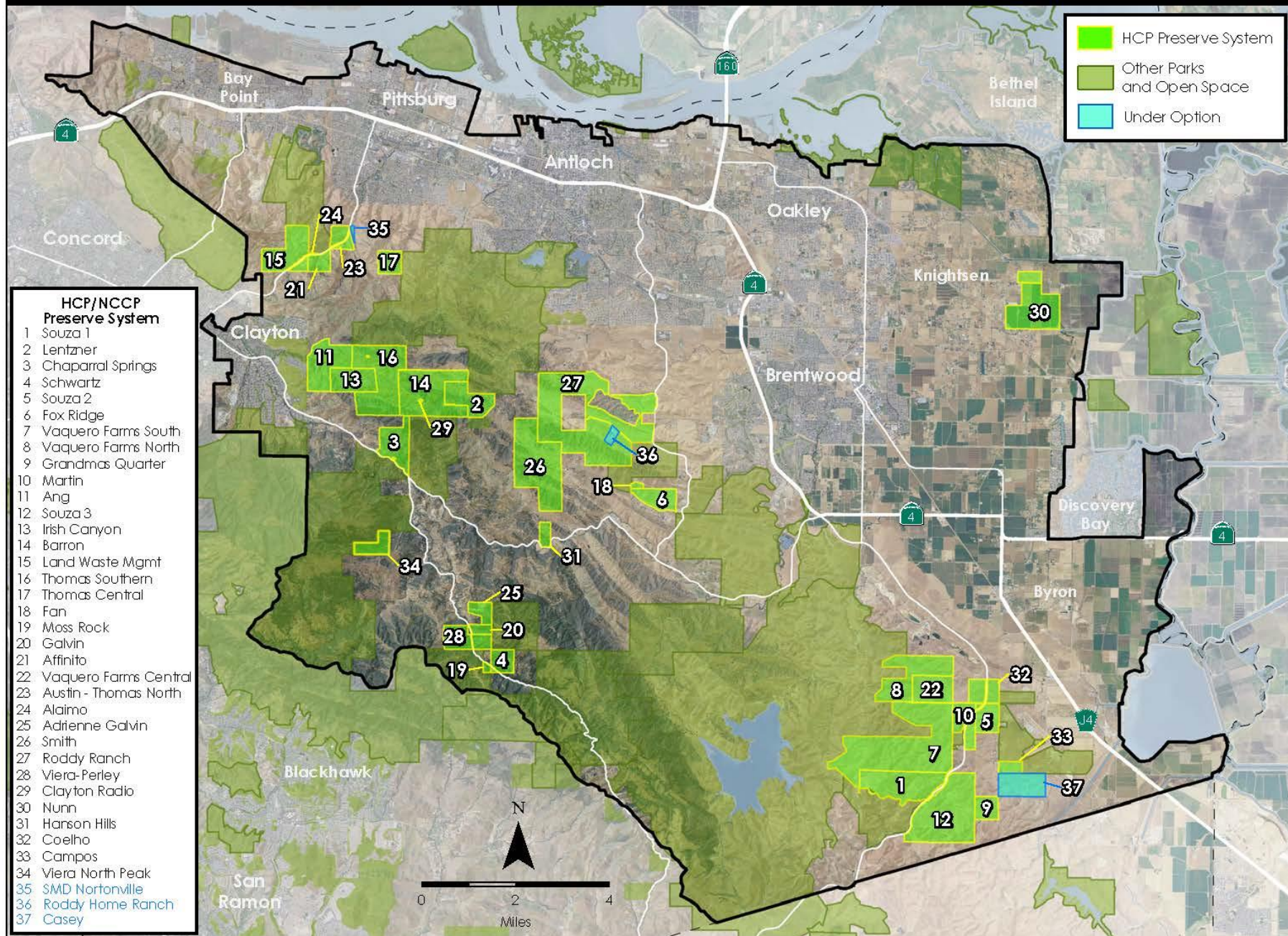
>13,000 acres acquired to date (~\$77M)
Anticipate ~30,300 acres to be conserved



East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy Preserve System Area at Plan Adoption (2007)



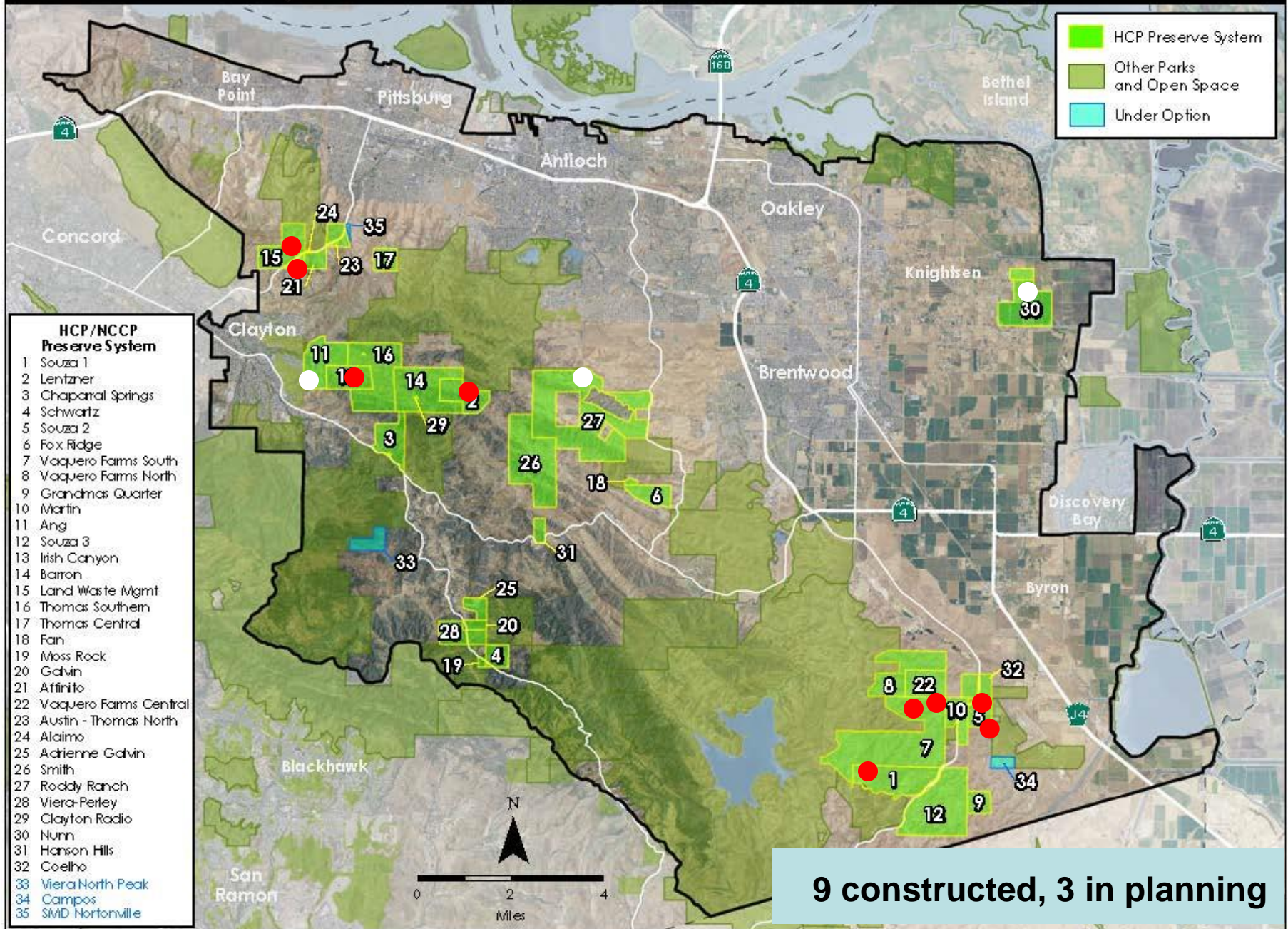
East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy Preserve System Lands as of 07/24/2017



Habitat Restoration



East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy Preserve System Lands as of 01/01/2017



Vaquero Farms Vernal Pools



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There is a lot to celebrate!











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Questions?

