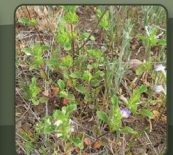


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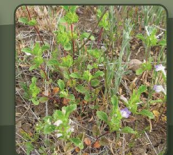
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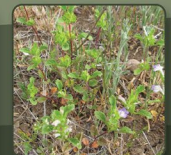


Agenda

- North County Plan Summary
- EIR Overview
- Project Timeline
- Your Input on Scope of the North County Plan EIR



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How to Participate



Submit Comments/Questions
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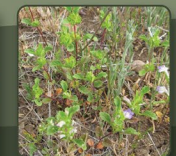


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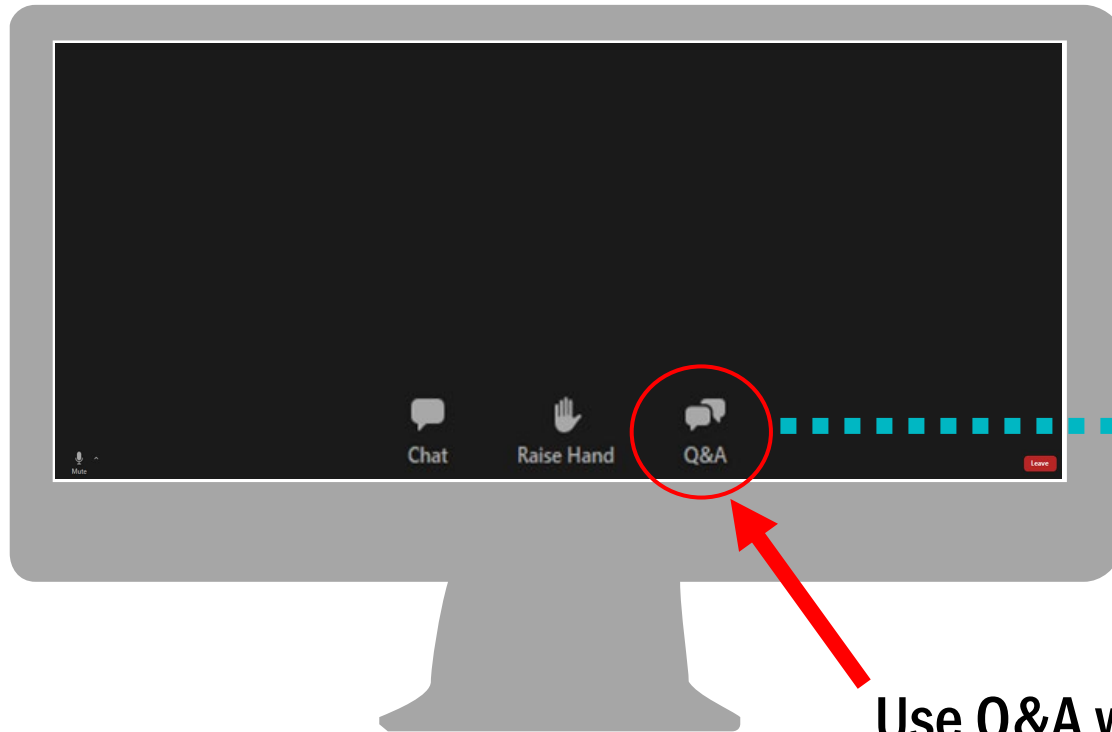


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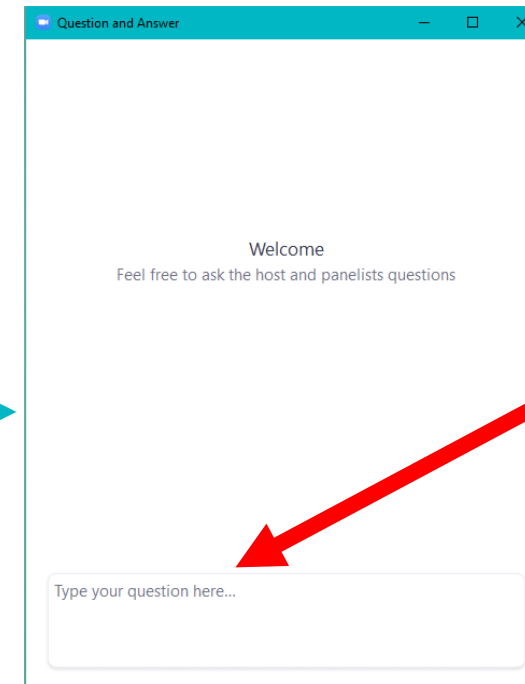


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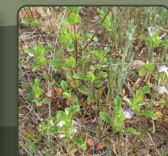
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Send questions to everyone or choose your recipient here



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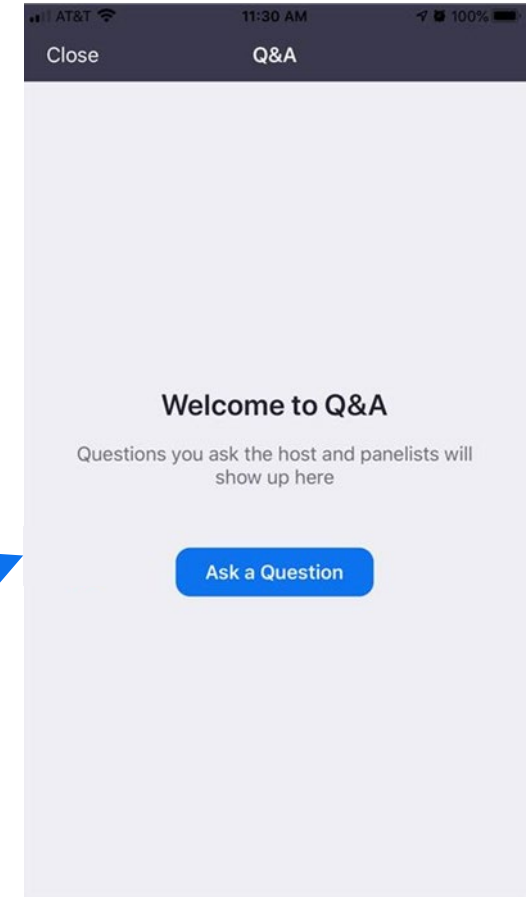
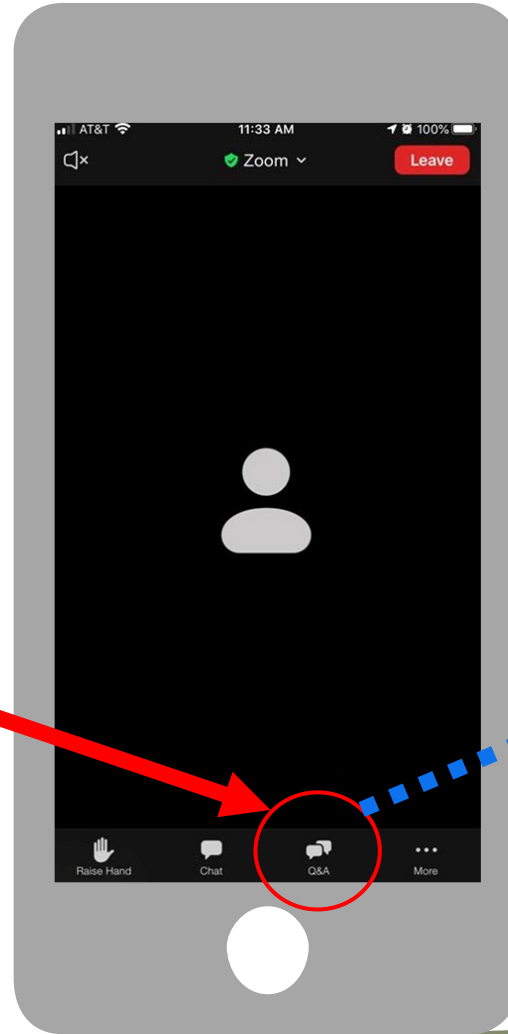


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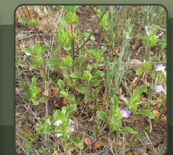
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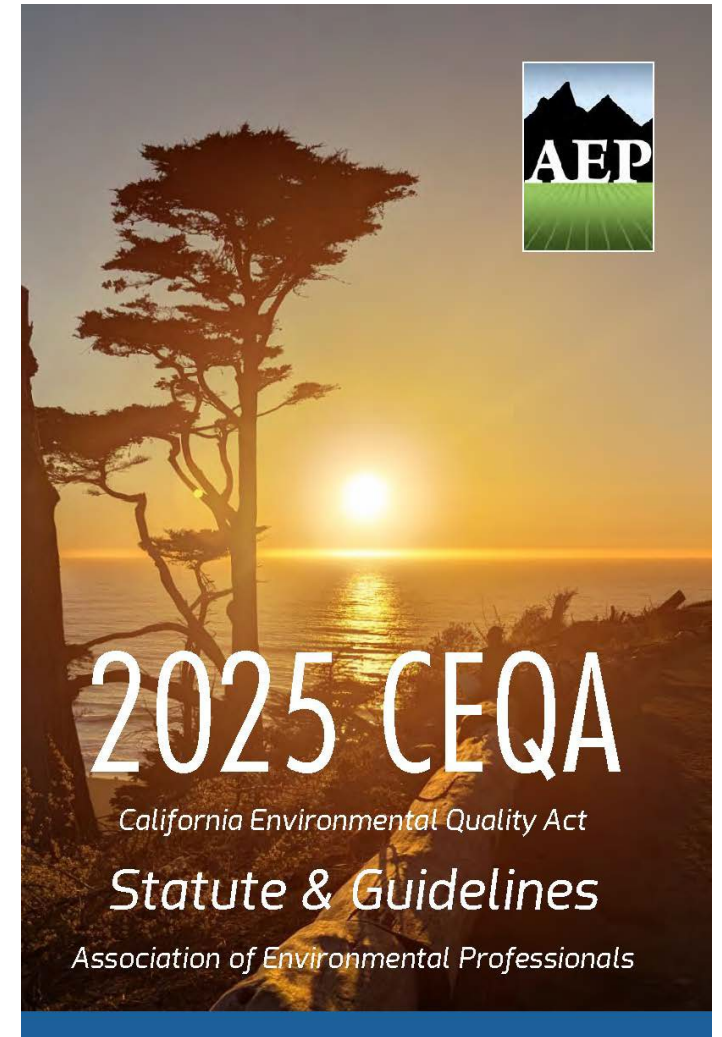


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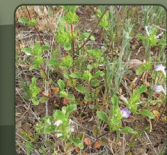


Purpose of the Scoping Meeting

- **Provide information about the North County Plan** early in the CEQA process
- **Articulate the CEQA process**, next steps, and opportunities for public input and comment on the Plan and EIR
- **Solicit your input** on the scope of the environmental analysis, including environmental issues, alternatives, and mitigation measures we should study in the EIR

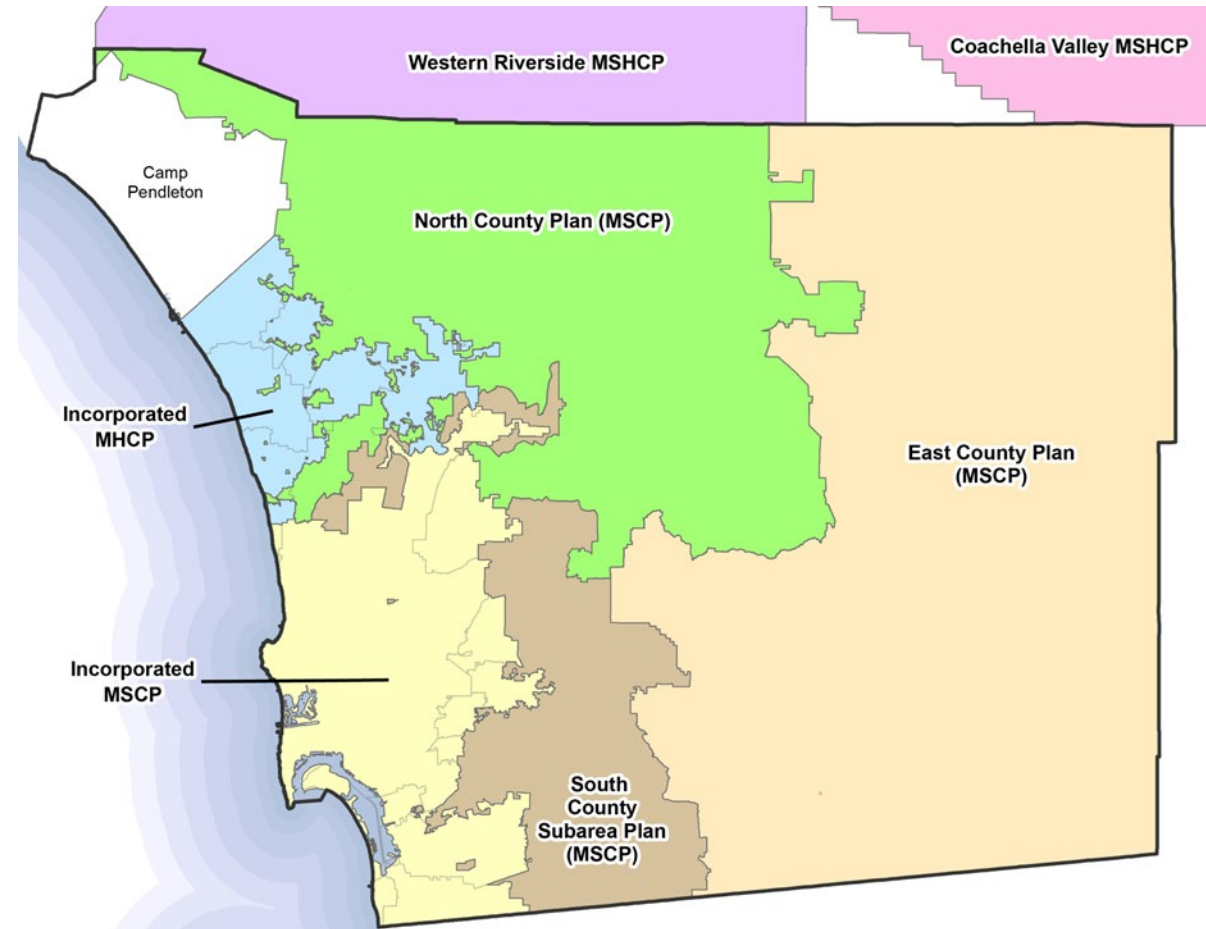


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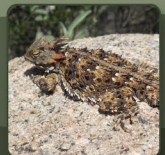
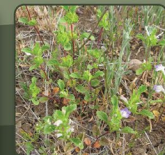


Project Summary: North County Plan

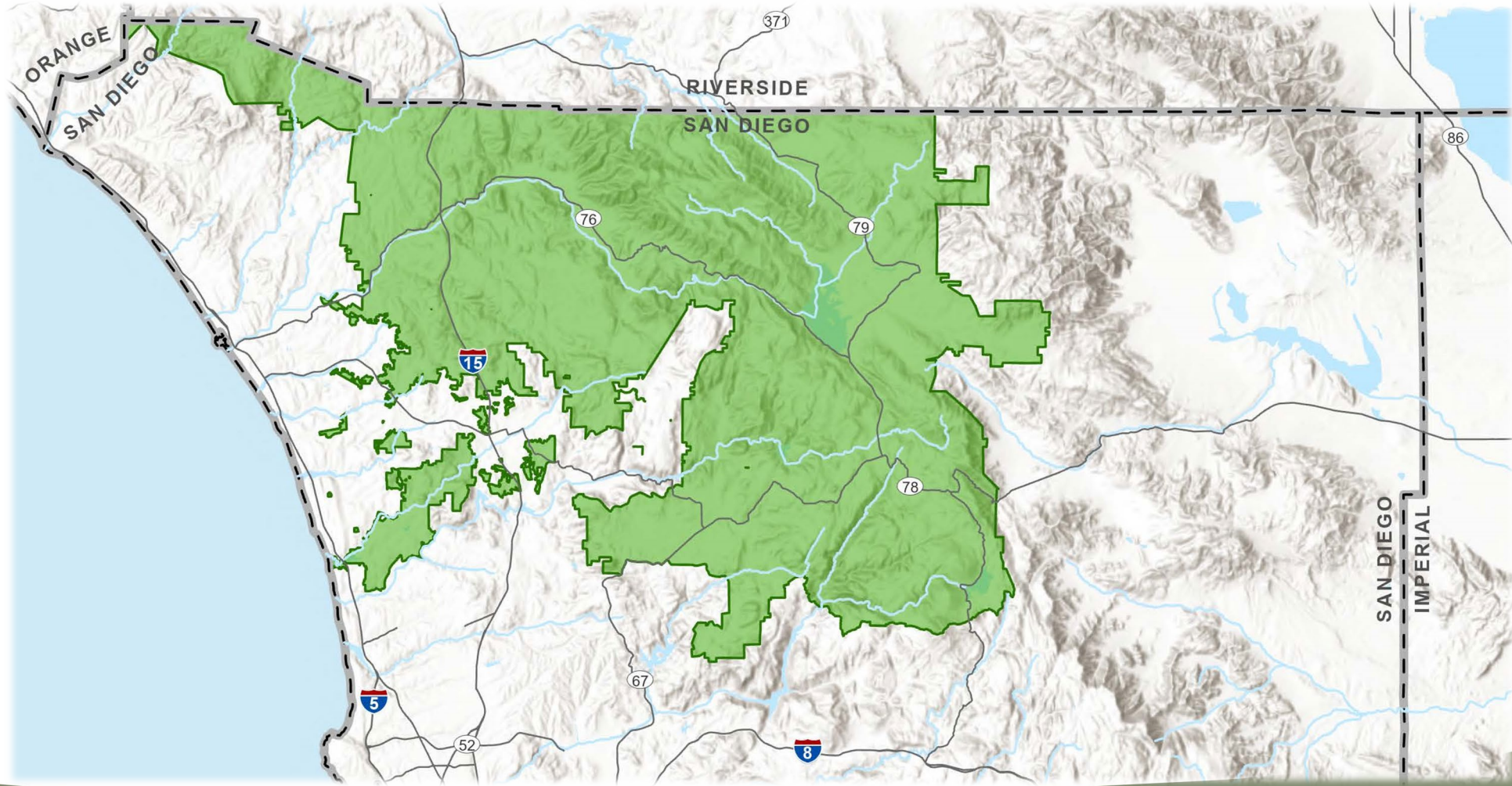
- Long-term, regional habitat conservation program for transfer of permit issuing authority
- Balance protection of biological resources with development and infrastructure
- Streamlines development process



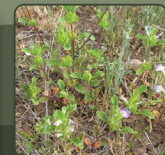
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Project Location: North County Plan



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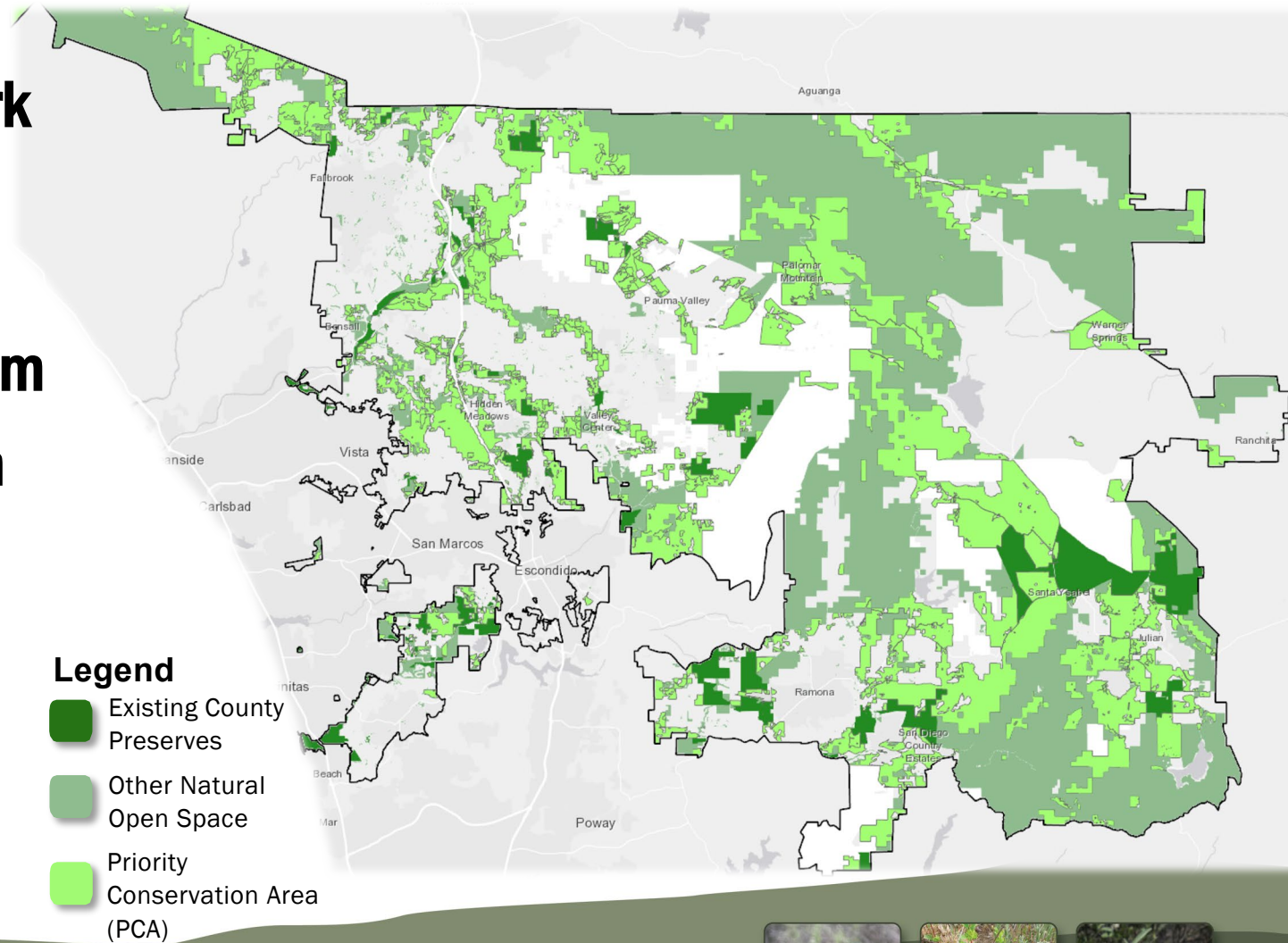
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North County Open Space Network

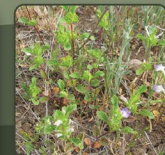
- Includes all existing and future conserved lands

North County Plan Preserve System

- Includes conserved lands within County's land use jurisdiction managed to Plan requirements
- Future conservation within the PCA will contribute



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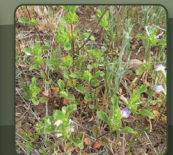
Project Summary: North County Plan (Cont.)

Plan would facilitate creation and management of the North County Plan Preserve System, which would:

- Conserve the natural communities and 40 covered species (31 animals and 9 plant species) by the Plan
- Establish monitoring and adaptive management
- Allow species to move freely and maintain ecological processes
- Benefit other sensitive species



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Project Summary: North County Plan (Cont.)

The North County Plan **would**:

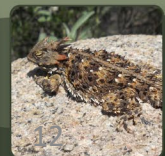
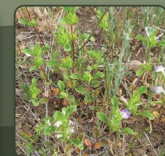
- Facilitate a streamlined permitting process for development
- Identify parcels most suitable for potential future conservation (i.e., PCA)

The North County Plan **would not**:

- Authorize additional development beyond that in the General Plan
- Preclude vegetation clearing for fire protection and suppression when authorized by the County's Consolidated Fire Code or local fire agency



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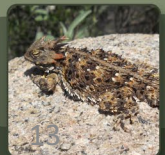
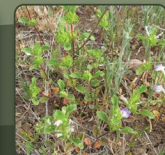
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Covered projects and activities would include:

- Private development projects
- County projects and activities
- Implementation of the conservation actions within the North County Plan Preserve System



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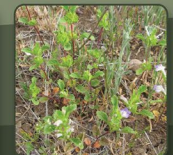
Fire clearing is currently exempt from the County's Grading, Clearing, and Watercourses Ordinance when authorized in writing by the local fire agency, thus **does not** require a clearing permit

The North County Plan fire clearing policies would include:

- On improved properties, by-right clearing of up to 2 acres (inside PCA) and 5 acres (outside PCA) are exempt from the Biological Mitigation Ordinance
- On improved and unimproved property, additional vegetation clearing as authorized in writing by the local fire agency are exempt from the Biological Mitigation Ordinance
- Lands within the North County Plan Preserve System must plan for fire management



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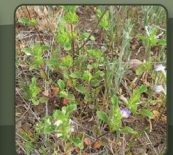


EIR Scope of Issues

- Notice of Preparation (NOP) issued March 6, 2025, for a 30-day public review period with comments due on April 5, 2025
- Project Initial Study (attachment to the NOP) prepared for the Project to evaluate potential impacts of Plan implementation, which is available at:
https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/ceqa_public_review.html
- Initial Study identified potentially significant impacts requiring further study in the EIR



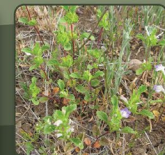
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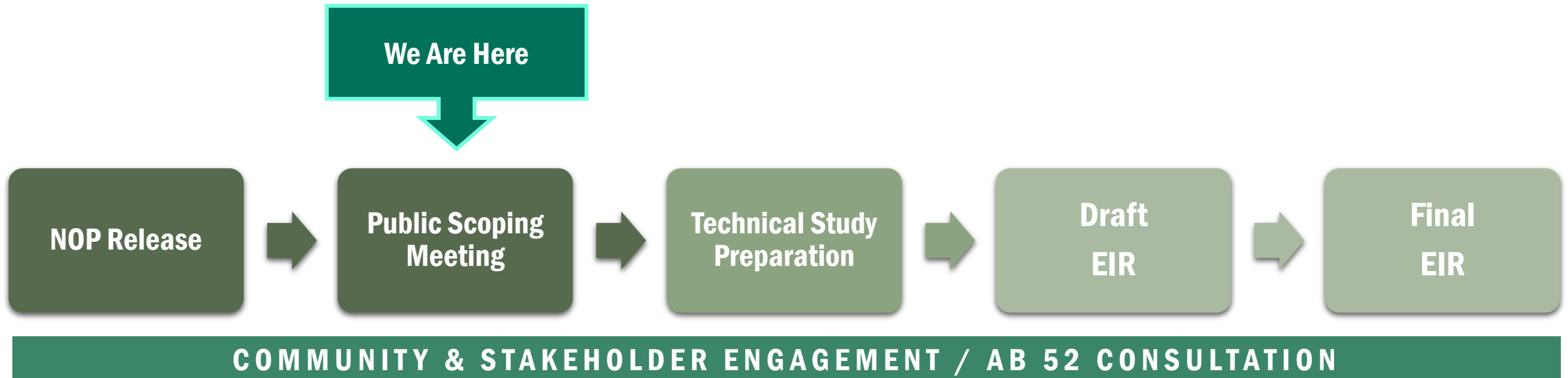
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20 Potential Environmental Factors

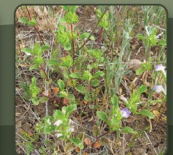
- Aesthetics
- Agriculture and Forestry Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Geology, Soils (Paleontological Resources)
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards & Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use and Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services (Parks)
- Recreation
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems
- Wildfire



Project Timeline



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Step 1- Join Us!



**WE WANT TO HEAR
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**PLEASE SHARE
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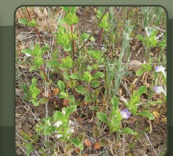


ASK QUESTIONS

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Engagement portal: engage.sandiegocounty.gov/northcountyplan
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Step 2- Submit Your NOP Comments

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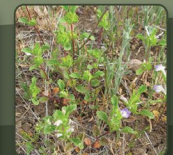
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