

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

Multiple Species Conservation Program

South County Subarea Plan 2021 Annual Report



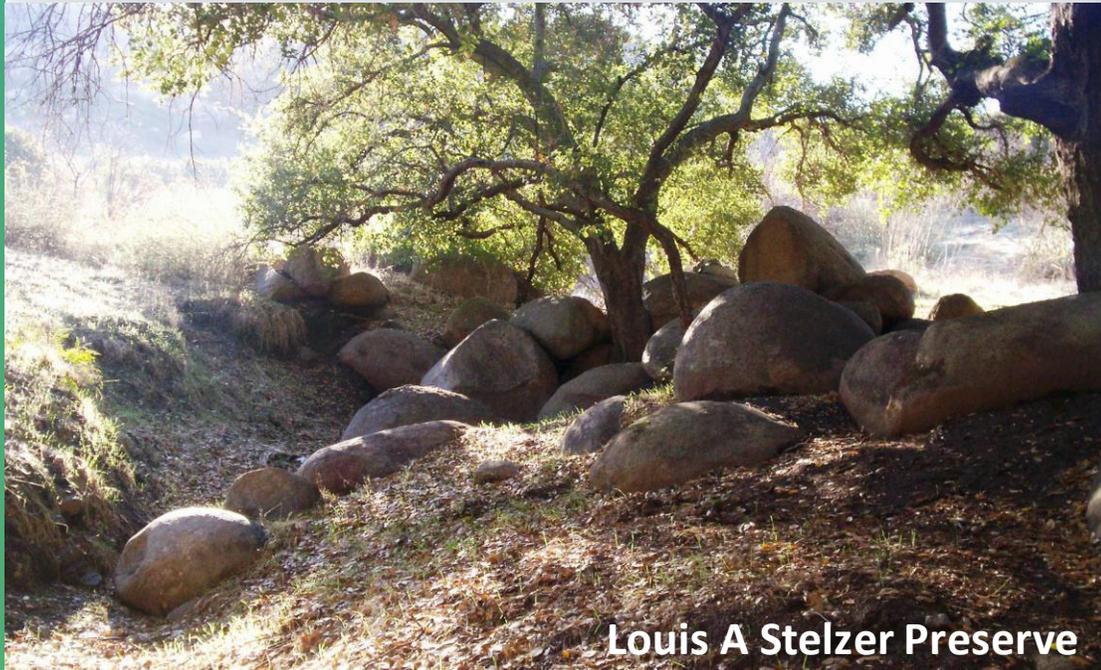
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Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP)

- Acquisition
- Management
- Monitoring
- Environmental Education



Louis A Stelzer Preserve



Preserve Lands Acquisitions

GOAL

- 500 acres/year

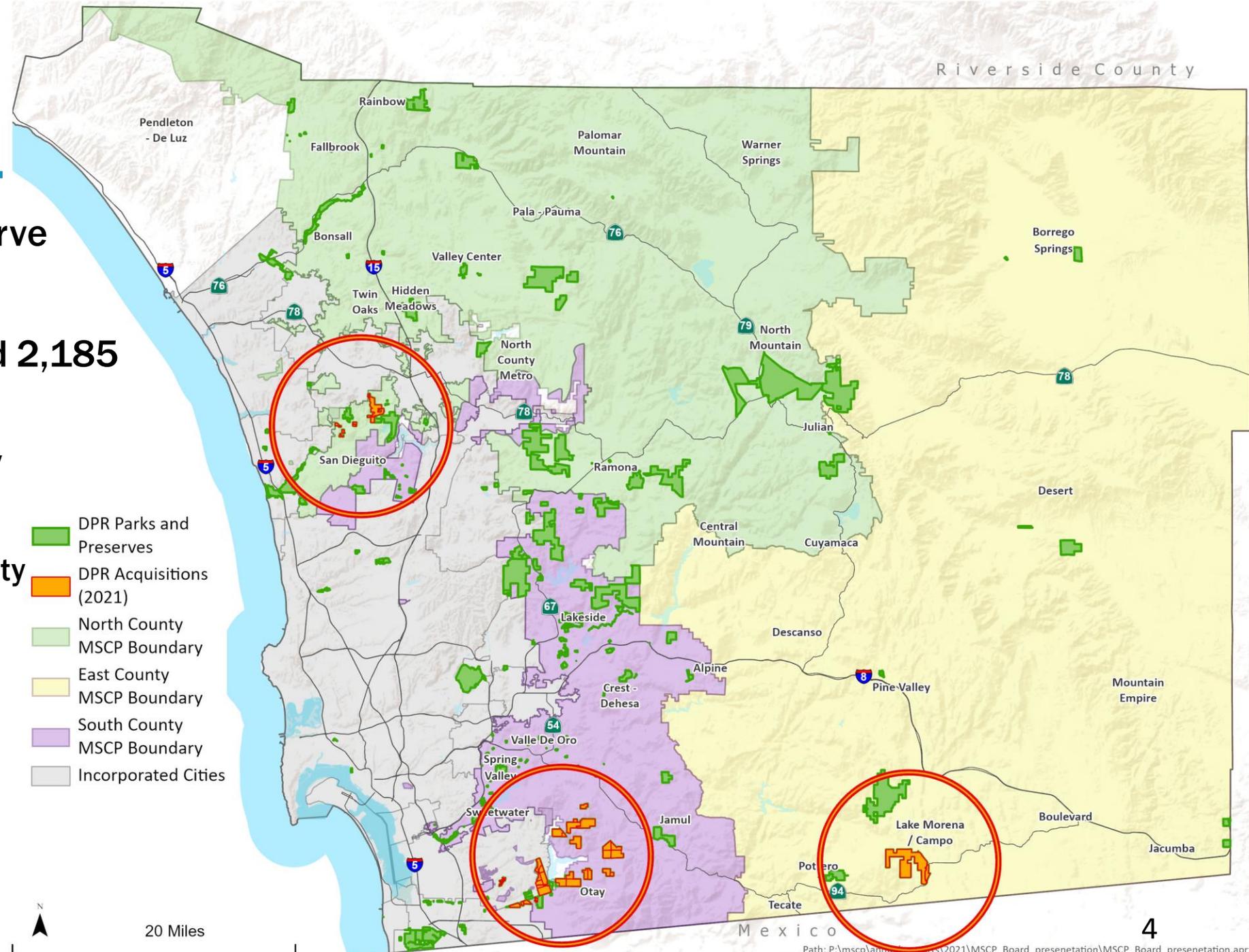
CRITERIA

- Biology
- Connectivity
- Accessibility
- Value



County Acquisitions

- 44,200 acres of preserve lands DPR owned
- In 2021, DPR acquired 2,185 acres
 - 19 acres South County
 - 34 acres North County
 - 2,132 acres East County

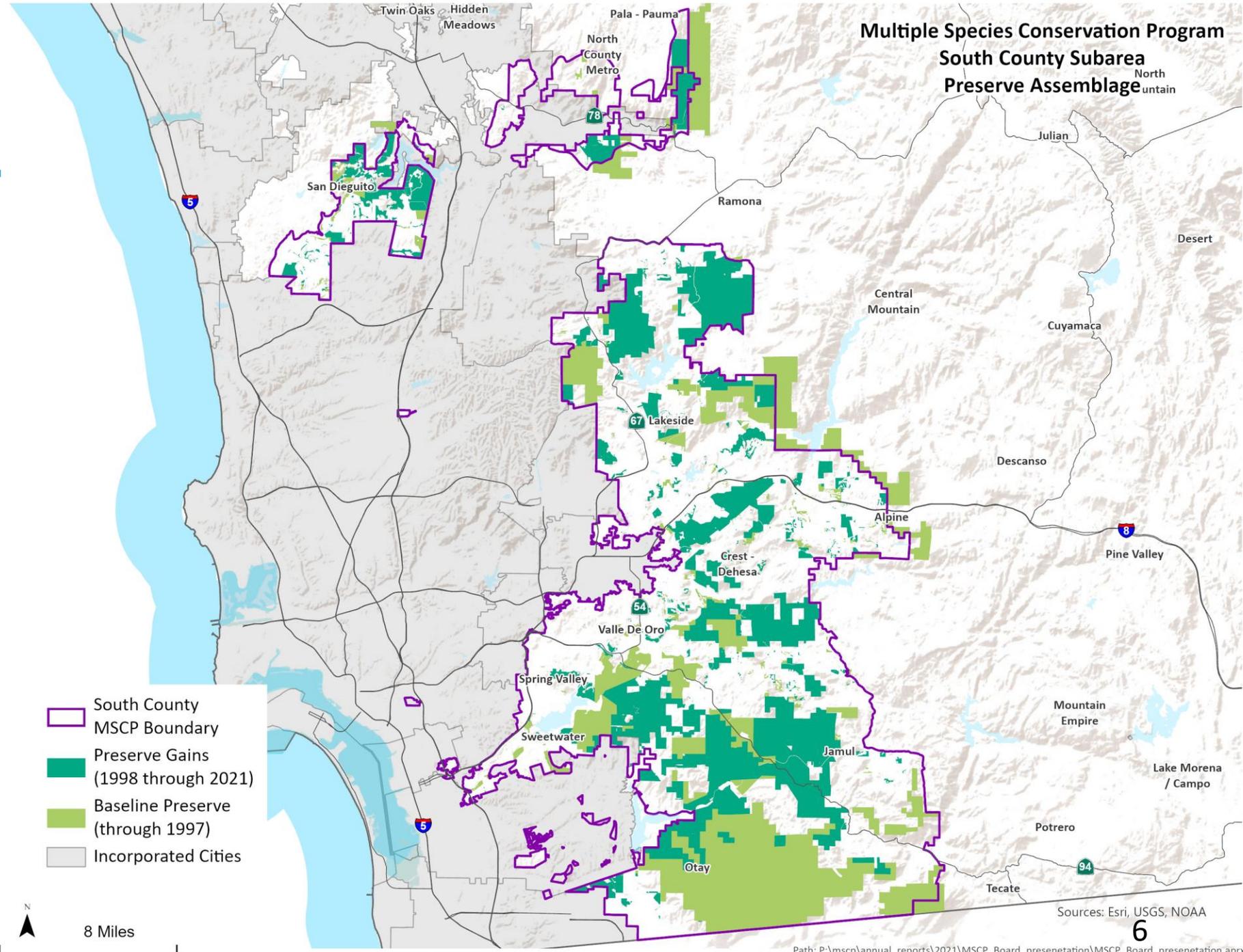


24 Years of County Land Preservation

- **Acquisitions Since 1998**
 - 8,300 acres in South County Plan Area
 - 7,530 acres in draft North County Plan Area
 - 9,630 acres in future East County Plan Area
- **41 County Preserves created or expanded**
- **Since 1998, a total of \$221 million has been spent on acquisitions**
 - \$125 million County funds
 - \$96 million from partnering entities and grants

South County Plan Preserve Assembly

- Preservation Goal: 98,379 acres
- Through 2021:
 - Preserved 79,976 acres
 - 81% of Plan Goal
 - Includes approx. 13,200 acres of County preserve lands
 - Regional partners added 123 acres in 2021



Management & Monitoring Activities

- Management Activities
 - Resource Management Plan
 - Land stewardship
 - Habitat management and restoration

Management & Monitoring Activities

- **Monitoring Program**
 - Inventory surveys
 - Targeted Monitoring Program



Management & Monitoring Accomplishments

- Land Stewardship
- Habitat Restoration
- Comprehensive Tree Planting
- Monitoring
 - Plant and animal species
 - Special-status species
 - MSCP covered species in South County Plan Area
 - Rare Plant Monitoring



Educational Outreach

- Annually, 9,000 participants
- Environmental Education Programs
 - Ranger-led hikes
 - Hawktober
 - Park-ology
 - Discovery Program



Private Development & Mitigation Lands in South County

- **Private Development Projects**
 - Over 4,200 development permits approved since 1998
 - Permitted in 2021:
 - 98 single-family homes
 - 3 industrial projects
- **Private Mitigation Lands**
 - 6,730 acres preserved since 1998
 - 21 acres preserved in 2021



Private Development Resource Management Plans (RMPs)

- **38 Countywide Private RMPs**
 - South – 18 RMPs
 - North – 16 RMPs
 - East – 4 RMPs
- **24 covered species documented**
- **5 Non-compliant RMPs**



San Diego ambrosia



Sticky Dudleya

Going Forward – Future Goals

- Acquire the remaining 19% of the South County Plan Preserve
- Support the goals of the 2018 Climate Action Plan
- Update DPR Resource Management Plans (RMPs)
- Update the County's Private Development RMP Guidelines
- Expand regional monitoring efforts
- Expand partnership opportunities
- Expand education and outreach programs
- Develop and adopt the North and East County Plans



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