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San Elijo Lagoon **RESTORATION**





Presentation overview



- Purpose
- Role of Nature Collective
- Restoration Monitoring



Purpose

Enhance and restore the physical and biological functions of San Elijo Lagoon.



Objectives

- Increase tidal flow
- Add intertidal and transitional habitat
- Ensure long-term viability of the restoration
- Improved recreational and educational opportunities



Schedule

Construction Period: December 2017 – February 2021

Plant Establishment Period: August 2020-July 2021

Post Construction Monitoring: August 2020-2031

Long Term Monitoring: 2031-2071



December 2017 – August 2020





December 2017 – August 2020

Before



After





August 2018 – February 2019

New channel connection to East of I-5





August 2018 – February 2019

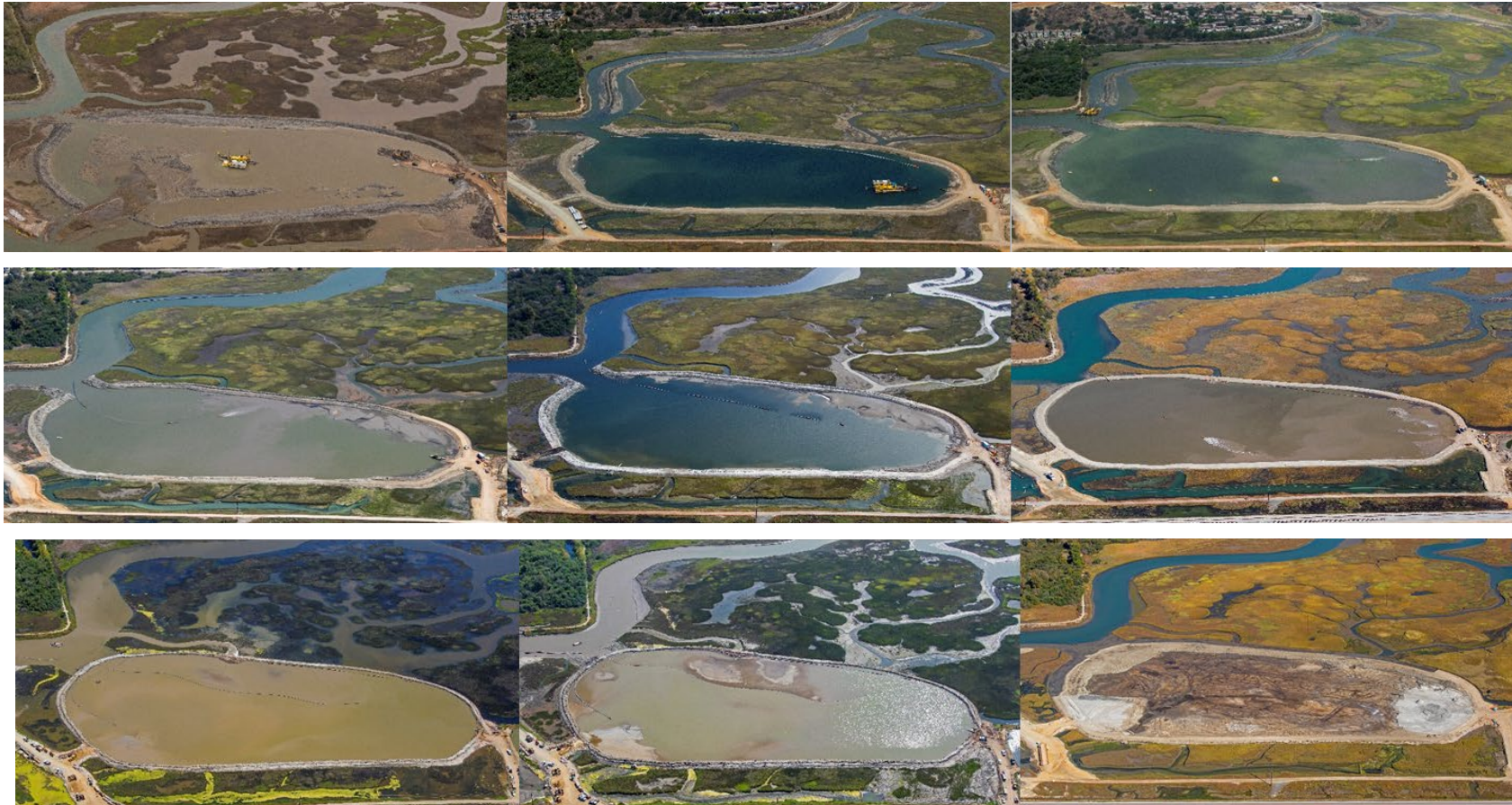
Filling the overdredge pit during excavation





June 2019 -Present

Overdredge pit restoration





August 2020

Overdredge pit



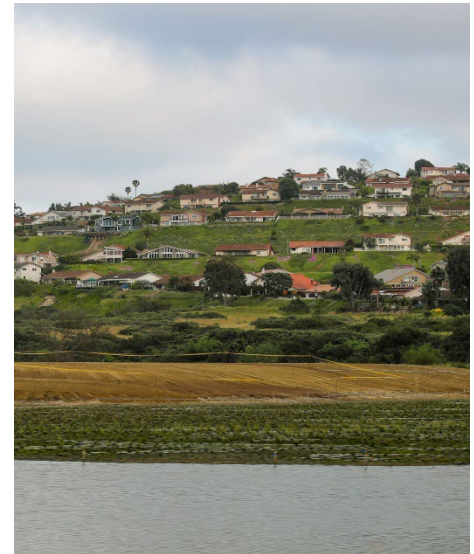


East Basin Cordgrass Planting





Transitional Areas





Project Monitoring 2031-2071

What is success?

How do we measure success?





Project Monitoring 2031-2071

What is success?

- No environmental impacts
- Improved wetland ecosystem





Project Monitoring 2031-2071

How do we measure for success?

- Marine monitoring for 5 years

Restoration + reference beaches

Restoration & Reference Beaches

Sandy Beach
Rocky Intertidal
Rocky Subtidal

Habitat Mapping
&
Ecosystem Changes





Project Monitoring 2031-2071

How do we measure for success?

Lagoon Monitoring - 50 years

10 years to meet project success standards

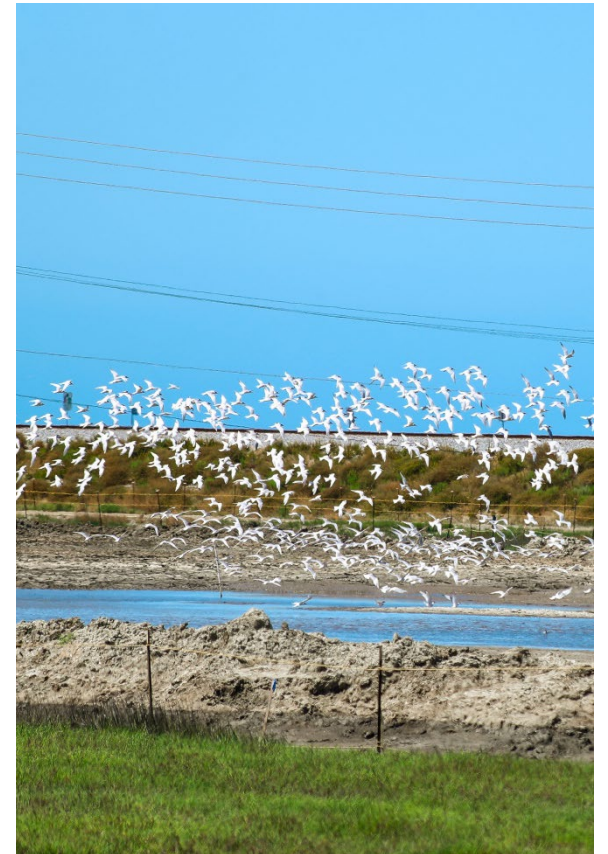
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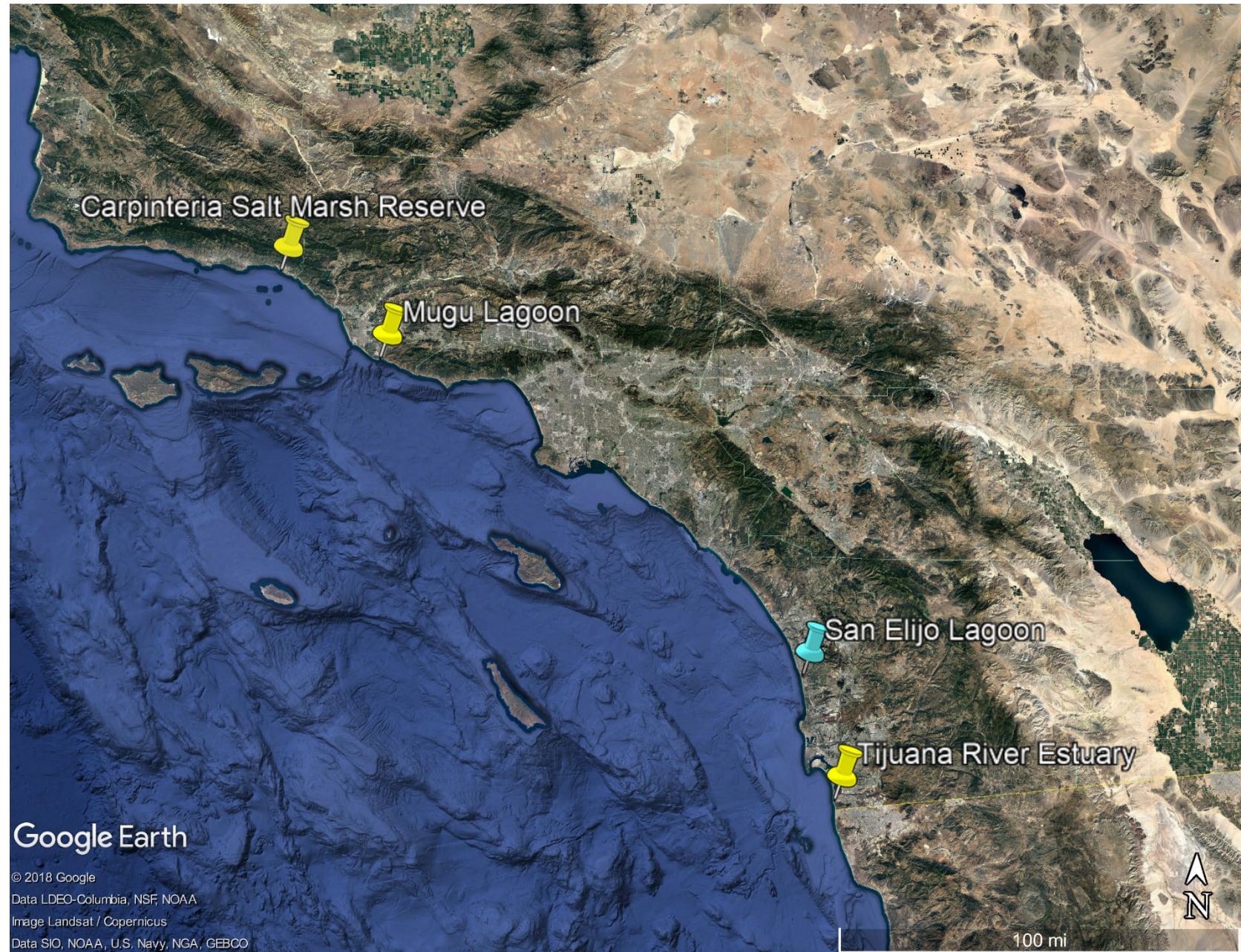
(San Elijo functions like similar SoCal wetlands)

Absolute Standards

(San Elijo is the same or better than it was before)

50 years of resiliency to climate change







Project Monitoring 2031-2071

- Sandy Beach Habitat and Ecosystems
 - Rocky Intertidal Habitat and Ecosystems
 - Rocky Subtidal Habitat and Ecosystems
 - Topography
 - Bathymetry
 - Tidal Elevations
 - Wetland Habitats
 - Vegetation Cover
 - Sediments
 - Invasive Species
 - Birds
 - Eelgrass
 - Water Quality
 - Benthic Invertebrates
 - Spartina (cordgrass)
 - Fish
- Key:**
Marine Standard
Absolute Standard
Relative Standard



Project Monitoring Schedule

Pre-Construction Monitoring: January 2017 - July 2018

Marine Monitoring: July 2018 - July 2023

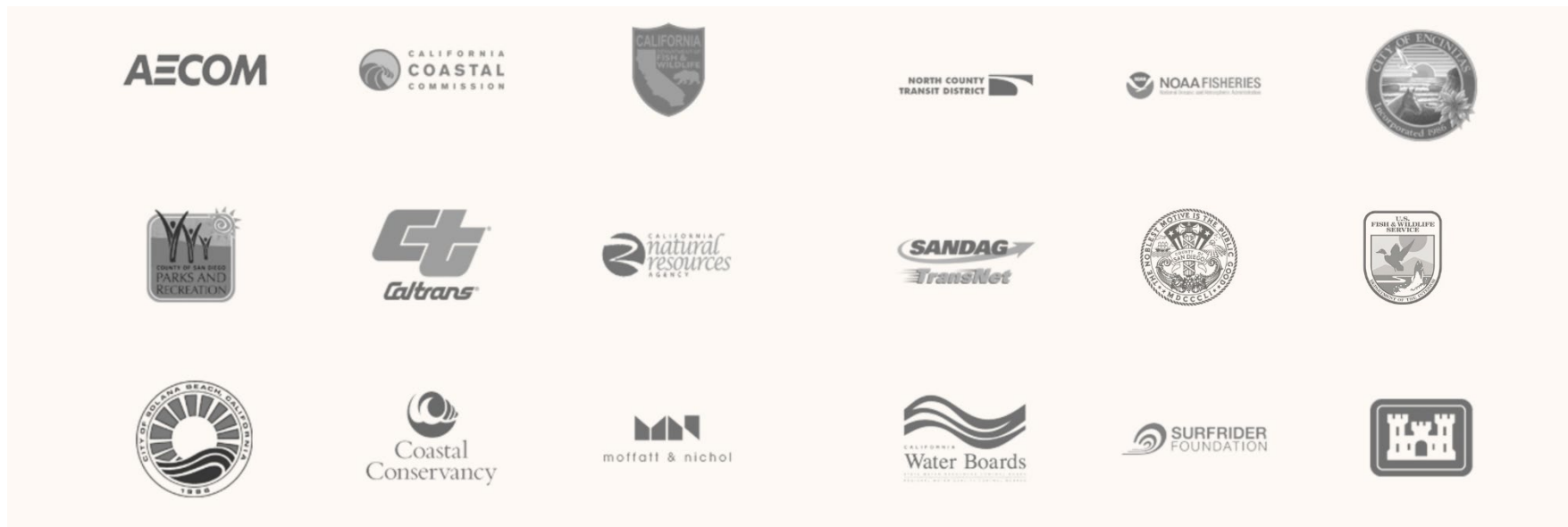
Lagoon Performance Monitoring: 2020 - 2030

Lagoon Long Term Monitoring: 2030 - 2070





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