# STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION 2011 - 2015

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#### **SDMMP Administrator's Goals for 2015**

- Complete/Update SDMMP Base Documents
  - Management Strategic Plan (update)
  - Connectivity Strategic Plan (update)
  - Wildfire Strategic Plan (to be completed)
  - Invasive Plant Species Strategic Plan (status update)
  - Monitoring Strategic Plan (to be completed)
- Update SDMMP Website and Develop an Integrated Web Portal Tool
- Complete Incorporation of Existing Data

## **Completed Strategic Plans Documents**

Connectivity Strategic Plan (CSP) Jan 2011

> Connectivity Monitoring Strategic Plan For the San Diego Preserve System



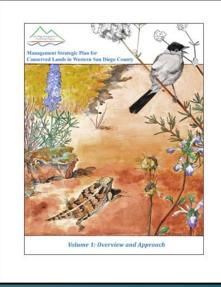
January 11, 2011

Implementation well underway; Workshop held in July 2014 to update objectives -Invasive Plant Strategic Plan (IPSP) Sept 2012

Management Priorities for Invasive Non-native Plants A Strategy for Regional Implementation, San Diego County, California



Implementation to start 2015 ; No plans for revision at this time <del>Management</del> Strategic Plan (MSP) Aug 2013



Implementation started 2014; Revisions planned for 2015

## **Additional Strategic Plans**

**2015 Goal:** Complete Draft Components for

- Fire and Wildlife Strategic Plan (FWSP)
  - USGS has completed workshop, analysis, & overall goals & objectives for before, during, & after fire
  - Need specific MSP species goals and objectives
- Monitoring Strategic Plan (MNSP)
  - MSP has many elements of monitoring
  - Implementation already underway (CAGN, CAWR, rare plant IMG, etc.)
  - Need regional vegetation monitoring study & background/overview/approach

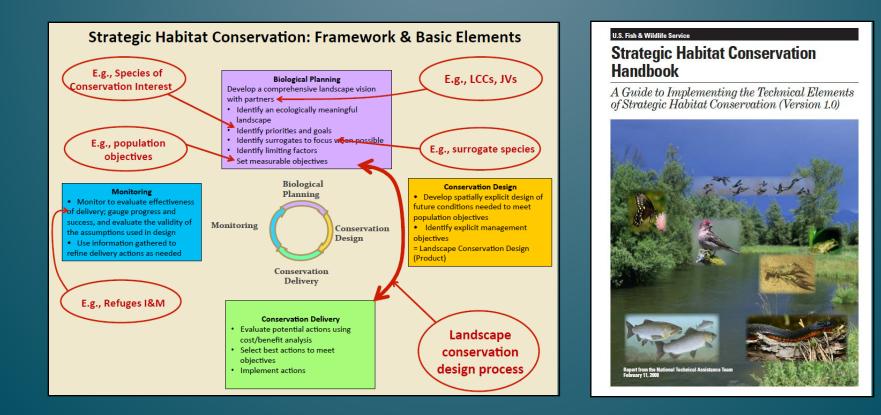


FIRE AND WILDLIFE STRATEGIC PLAN WORKSHOP SAN DIEGO COUNTY - CALIFORNIA



#### **USFWS Strategic Habitat Conservation Framework, 2008**

- The essence of SHC is setting explicit objectives for populations and then figuring out how to attain these objectives most efficiently using our own resources and by working with partners
- Tied to Landscape Conservation Cooperatives (LCCs)



#### How About 1 Strategic Plan instead of 5?

- Why? To set an example for national efforts, potentially access more funding opportunities, and put management & monitoring info in one place
- Title: Strategic Habitat Conservation Roadmap for Conserved Lands in Western San Diego County (The "SHC Roadmap")
- Include all strategic plan elements into one document:
  - Monitoring, Management, Connectivity, Invasive Species, Fire and Wildlife
  - Background Volume with Intro, Process, Methods, Species Info, Mgmt/Monitoring Rationale, and MU Description section to include core and linkage maps
  - Goals and Objectives Volumes: Species, Vegetation, Threats & Stressors

#### **Partnering on Implementation**



- Current Opportunities
  - Monthly Monitoring & Management Coord. Meetings
  - Quarterly Land Manager Meetings
    - North County, North Coast, South County
  - MSP Workshops, April 2014
  - Trainings (GIS Viewer, Databases, Protocol)
  - Project level meetings (Rare Plants, BUOW, Eagles, etc)
  - Transnet Land Mgmt Grants
- 2015: Focus on completing the SHC Roadmap
- <u>2016</u>+: Re-evaluate meetings based on support needed
  - Some monthly meetings focused on implementation, rotating MU meetings, continued training & project level meetings

## **Technical Support/Infrastructure**

- SDMMP Regional Support
- Centralized Website (www.sdmmp.com)
- Conserved Lands Database (CLD)
- Master Occurrence Matrix DB (MSP-MOM)
- Online GIS Map Viewers
- South Coast Multi-Taxa Database (SC-MTX)
  - Query and download data
  - Enter data and create reports
- Online Library
- Strategic Plan Tracking Database (SP-Tracker)



#### **SDMMP.com**

- Completed/Ongoing
  - Library search and retrieval system added
  - GIS viewers added
  - Web portal input system started
  - Species profiles
  - Reports and products/databases updated
  - Events and announcements
- 2015 Goals
  - Reorganize and redesign entire site
  - Create an integrated map viewer and SP-tracker system



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#### Upcoming Events

Mgmt/Monit Coord Mtg - June 2014 june 25, 2014

MSCP Annual Report Workshop july 22, 2014

Mgmt/Monit Coord Mtg - July 2014 july 23, 2014

EMP Working Group August 2014 Meeting august 12, 2014

**Events** Calendar



#### **Quick Links**

SC-MTX

**Document Library** 

**Online Map Viewer** 

**Grant Opportunities** 

**Highlighted Projects** 

**Species List** 

**Strategic Plans** 



South Coast MTX

**Online Maps & GIS** 



**Document Library** 

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UR Documents Grant for Fire and Ecology partment of Defense 14 The De has a call for projects regarding Ecologically Sustainable Fire Risk Reduction.

Applications are due 6/23/14. For more information, click here and search under Keyword: N62473-14-2-0006.

«Monthly Meeting Materials posted: The materials used and discussed in the monthly management and monitoring meeting have been posted, (click here).

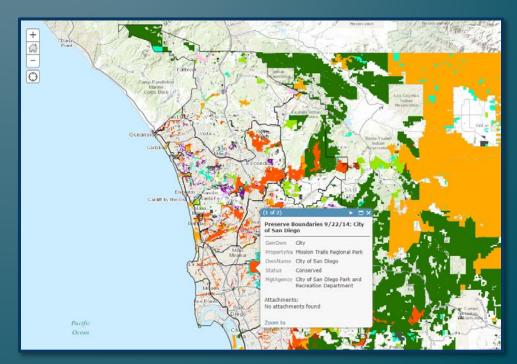
«SW Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation Annual Meeting: The PARC annual meeting will take place in San Diego from June 9th to June 14th. See the SDMMP calendar for additional information and links to register (click here)

All Annoucenments



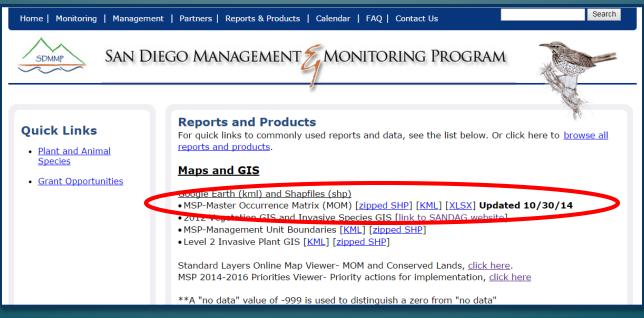
#### **Conserved Lands Database**

- Completed
  - Updated public and non-profit lands
  - Latest version on SanGIS 1/2015
- 2015 Goals
  - Continue updating with new information
  - Add new acquisitions



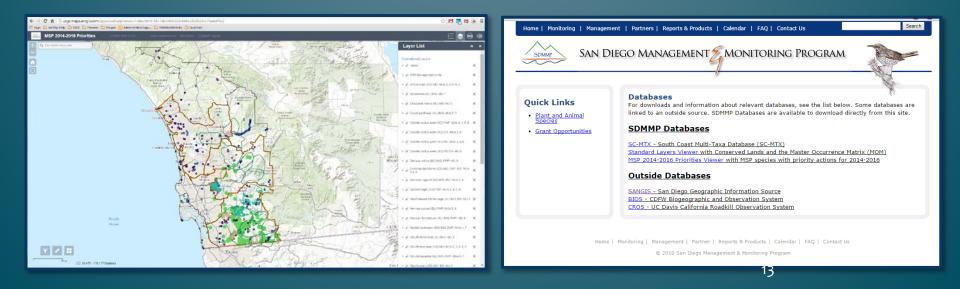
#### **MSP-MOM**

- Completed
  - SL, SO, SS Plant species occurrences in the MSPA
  - Information on yearly location and size (where available)
- 2015 Goals
  - Add animal species and plant polygons
  - Add new occurrences and new annual survey information



#### **Online Map Viewers**

- Completed
  - Created Standard Layers Viewer
  - Created MSP 2014-2016 Priorities Viewer
- 2015 Goal
  - Incorporate SP-Tracker for live queries of Goals,
     Objectives, and Actions





#### South Coast Multi-Taxa Database --query and download data

#### http://mtx.sdmmp.com/index.php

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### South Coast Multi-Taxa Database --enter data and create reports

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SDMMP Projects	near
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Restoration of southwestern pond turtles to Rancho Jamul ER Image: Data Description: Descripti	

### South Coast Multi-Taxa Database generate & export reports: CNDDB, USFWS 45-day, CA Scientific Collecting, SanBIOS

Mail to: California Natural Diversity Database	For Office Use Only		
California Dept. of Fish & Wildlife 1807 13th Street, Suite 202	Source Code	Quad Code	
Sacramento, CA 95811 Fax: (916) 324-0475 Email: CNDDB@wildlife.ca.gov	Elm Code	Occ. No.	
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#### California Native Species Field Survey Form

Scientific Name: Emys marmorata pallida						
Common Name: Southwestern pond turtle						
Species found?     O     Reporter: Chris Brown       Total No. Individuals: 1     Subsequent visit? O Yes     © No       Is this an existing NDDB occurrence?     O     O       Yes, Occ.#     O     San Diego, CA 92101       Collection? No     If yos:     Museum / Herbartum						
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Habitat description (plants & animals): plant communities, dominants, associates, substrates/soils, aspects/slope: Animal behavior: (Describe observed behavior, such as territoriality, foraging, singing, calling, copulating, perching, roosting, etc., especially for avifauna): Please fill out separate form for other rare taxa seen at this site.						

Overall site/occurrence quality/viability (site + population): Excellent

Visible disturbances: Threats: invasive species - test

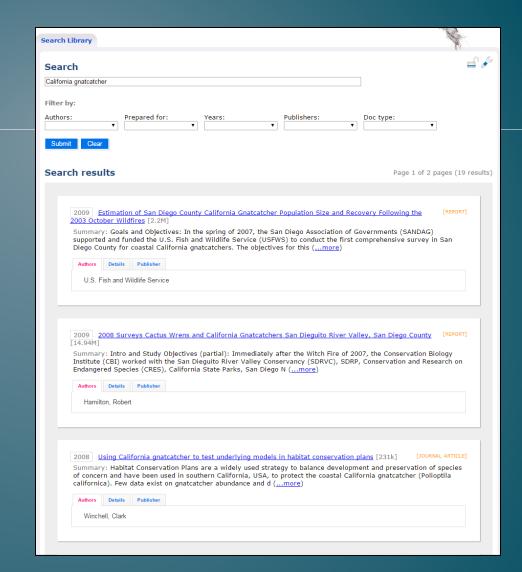
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#### **Online Library**

--approx. 200 reports and increasing

--to upload reports to share, contact Sharon for instructions and assistance



http://mtx.sdmmp.com/library.php

### Strategic Plan Tracking Database ("Tracker")

Management Strategic Plan for Conserved Lands in Wettern Star Diego County		SPECIES OBJECTIVES and MSP 2014-2016 implem		
A A A		Sticky dudleya Objective category: IM	G Inspect and manage occur	rences as necessary
		Objective:	on Conserved Lands in MU6 (Tai	ect the four known occurrences of sticky dudleya ole 2-3.5), collect covariate data on abundance agement actions as necessary, and submit to SC-MTX.
		MUs MU6		Years: 2014, 2015, 2016
		Status 2014:	available_for_implementation	Implementing_entity: Land Managers, Contractors
Volume 1: Overview and Approach	, ,		Conduct regional monitoring prot- quantify potential threats. Based upon occurrence status and more intensive management is wa	ocol surveys to assess occurrence status and threats, determine if routine management or manted.

Document: 100's of pages

Query output: 10's of pages on a specific topic

- MS Access database with "guts" of MSP -- outputs of goals, objectives, actions, implementation, monitoring, etc.
- Currently provides output for in-house and stakeholder use
- Envisioning an online version with all components of SHC Roadmap

## **Status of Implementation - CSP**

• 2009-2014:



- Mountain Lion GPS Telemetry Study (LA1) UCD WHC
- American Badger Occupied Habitat Study (LA1) USGS
- Linkage Evaluation Study (LA1) USGS, CBI
- Deer Genetics Study (LA2) SDSU
- Bobcat Telemetry Study (LA2) SDSU
- Cactus Wren Genetic Connectivity Study (B1) USGS
- California Gnatcatcher Genetic Connectivity Study (B1) USGS

Existing Connectivity Projects Not Originally Included in CSP:

- SW Pond Turtle Genetics Study (Small Animals) USGS
- Native Bees and Fragmentation Study (Pollinators) UCSD
- Small Vertebrate & Undercrossings (Small Animals) USGS
- San Diego Fairy Shrimp Genetics (Small Animals) SDSU

## **Status of Implementation - CSP**

#### • <u>2015</u>:



Photo City of San Diego

- Continue American Badger Study USGS
- Continue Mtn Lion Study NoCo + Genetics UCD WHC
- SD Horned Lizard Genetic Connectivity Study USGS
- SR94 & SR67 Wildlife Crossings Analysis and Implementation of Recommendations - CBI, SDSU?
- Arroyo Toad Genetics Study USGS
- SW Willow Flycatcher Surveys of SLR USGS
- Quino Checkerspot Niche Model SDMMP
- Deer Genetics USGS

#### **Status of Implementation - IPSP**

- 2014 SANDAG Agreement with County of San Diego's Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures (AWM), Jason Giessow will coordinate project
- 2015 Goals:
  - Workplan developed includes treatment of 10 of 12 plants from IPSP plus 3 plants; tracking of 17 other plant spp.

Invasive Plant Species Annual Work Plan, Implementation of Invasive Species Plan Recommendations

Field season 2015

Prepared for: San Diego Association of Governments

Prepared by:

County of San Diego AWM

January 2015

Ageratina adenophora (eupatory) Carrichtera annua (Ward's weed) Centaurea solstitialis (yellow star thistle) Centaurea stoebe (spotted knapweed) Elymus caput-medusae (medusahead) Enchylaena tomentosa (ruby saltbush) Genista monspessulana (French broom) Hypericum canariense (Canary Island St. John's wort) Iris pseudacorus (yellow flag iris) Limonium duriusculum (European sea lavender) Limonium ramosissimum (Algerian sea lavender) Lythrum salicaria (purple loosestrife) Retama monosperma (bridal broom)

#### **Status of Implementation – MSP/Roadmap**

#### 2011-2014:

- American Badger Study (GN, RS) USGS
- Cactus Wren Implementation Plan (PIP) TNC, SDMMP
- Rare Plant Inspect and Manage (IMG) Objective, 29 species LMs
- Dehesa Nolina Survey (ISV) CBI
- Golden Eagle Research Study (PIP, RS) USGS
- Nuttall's Acmispon (BMP) development SD Audubon
- Orcutt's Spineflower Management (SB, PIP, ITR, IEX) CLC
- Otay tarplant (BMP) development CBI/TNC/Land IQ
- San Diego thornmint (BMP, GN) CBI, CNLM
- SW Pond turtle survey and translocation (PIPa, ISV, ITR) USGS
- Burrowing Owl Life-History study (PIP, RS) ICR
- San Pasqual Cactus Wren Habitat Restoration (IEX) ICR
- SR94 Infrastructure Plan SDSU Engineering students
- Del Mar Mesa Enforcement Study City SD, CDFW
- Recreation & Wildlife Study, Phase 1 CSU



#### **Status of Implementation – MSP/Roadmap**

#### 2015:

- Rare Plant Inspect & Manage (IMG) Obj, 29 species LMs
- Rare Plant Genetics (GN), 5 species USGS
- South County Cactus Wren Monitoring USGS
- Regional CA Gnatcatcher Monitoring USGS
- Arroyo Toad Surveys (ISV) USGS
- SW Pond Turtle Translocation Study (ITR) USGS
- Pallid and Townsend's Bat Status and Distribution Study (RS) – SDNHM, USGS
- San Diego Ambrosia (BMP) development City San Diego
- Recreation & Wildlife Study, Phase 2 CSU
- Feral Pig Eradication USDA APHIS

#### **Other Implementation**

- Preserve Mmgt Plans Otay Mesa W. & So. Crest CBI, AECOM
- Rapid Assessment Protocols & Protocol Optimization USGS
- Least Tern Predator Management, Mission Bay USDA APHIS
- Current and upcoming Transnet LMG funded projects multiple entities
- Harbison's Dun Skipper & Hermes Copper Surveys SDSU
- Salt Creek and Rice Canyon Cactus Restoration RECON, Co.
- Coastal Dune Restoration SELC





Assessing Presence of Argentine Ants Using the Bait Method

Survey Proto

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY WEITHENFOR OFFICIAL SURVEY

#### **Coastal California Gnatcatcher**

- Developing regional monitoring program So CA in 2016
  - Status & trend
  - Factors affecting occupancy

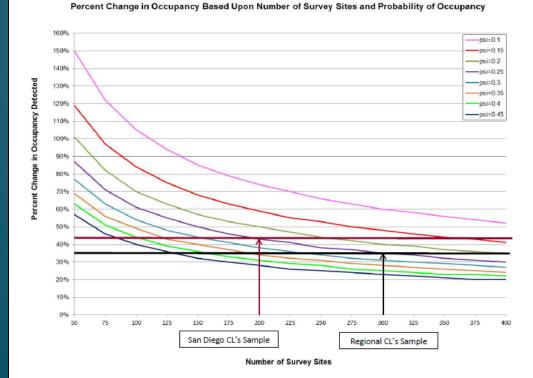


Photo Bonnie Peterson USFWS

#### **Coastal California Gnatcatcher**

• Fire study - San Diego Co 2015

• Vegetation & gnatcatchers recovered from 2003 & 2007 fires?

2014 fires - track post-fire vegetation & gnatcatcher occupancy

#### **Coastal Cactus Wren**

- Otay Genetic Unit ↓ in 2014 to
   ~10 prs & 3 flgs on CLs in ORV
- Outlying territories unoccupied
- Drought likely 1 factor in  $\downarrow$

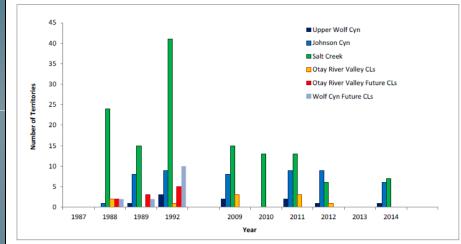


Fig. 4. Estimated number of cactus wren territories between 1988 & 2014 at various sites within the Otay Valley.

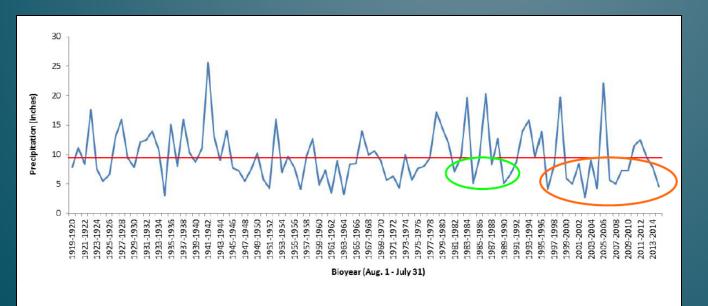


Fig 2. Bioyear precipitation in Chula Vista from 1921-2013. The red line represents average bioyear rainfall, the green circle shows drought years in the 1980s, and the orange circle highlights drought years from the mid-1990s to 2014.

#### **Coastal Cactus Wren**

- 2015 Monitoring
  - Wrens & Habitat in South County
  - Banding study fitness , veg & arthropods- ORV & L. Jennings
  - Factors associated with food  $\rightarrow$  manage for  $\uparrow$  resilience





### **Coastal Cactus Wren**

- 2015 Mgmt
  - Continue improving habitat at Lake Hodges ICR
- MSP Implementation Plans (IPs):
  - So San Diego Co Conservation Plan Trish Smith (TNC) with SDMMP & USGS
  - San Pasqual Valley Restoration Recommendations ICR modeling & coord w/land owners & mgrs



#### **Rare Plants**

- 2014-2015 MSP Inspect
   & Manage Objective
  - Protocol → assess plant status, habitat & threats
  - Data → prioritize mgmt & funding
  - Coord mtg:

Feb. 17, 10-noon, USGS conf rm 103

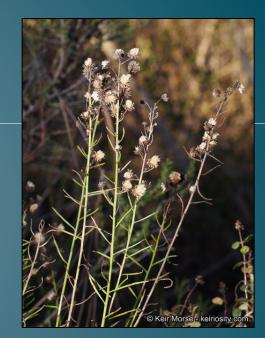
 Protocol training to be scheduled Rare plant species identified by the Management Strategic Plan (MSP) for "Inspect & Manage" monitoring in western San Diego County in 2015.

Scientific Name	Common Name	MSP Starting
A	Den Diese die service	Year
Acanthomintha ilicifolia	San Diego thornmint	2015
Acmispon prostratus	Nuttall's acmispon	2014
Agave shawii varshawii	Shaw's agave	2014
Ambrosia pumila	San Diego ambrosia	2014
Aphanisma blitoides	Aphanisma	2014
Baccharis vanessae	Encinitas baccharis	2014
Bloomeria clevelandii	San Diego goldenstar	2014
Brodiaea filifolia	Thread-leaved brodiaea	2014
Brodiaea orcuttii	Orcutt's brodiaea	2014
Brodiaea santarosae	Santa Rosa brodiaea	2015
Chloropyron maritimum ssp maritimus	Salt marsh bird's-beak	2014
Chorizanthe orcuttiana	Orcutt's spineflower	2014
Clinopodium chandleri	San Miguel savory	2014
Dicranostegia orcuttiana	Orcutt's birds-beak	2014
Dudleya blochmaniae	Blochmann's dudleya	2015
Dudleya brevitolia	Short-leaved dudleya	2014
Dudleya variegata	Variegated dudleya	2014
Dudleya viscida	Sticky dudleya	2015
Erysimum ammophilum	Coast wallflower	2014
Fremontodendron mexicanum	Mexican flannelbush	2014
Hazardia orcuttii	Orcutt's hazardia	2014
Lepechinia cardiophylla	Heart-leaved pitcher sage	2014
Monardella stoneana	Jennifer's monardella	2015
Monardella viminea	Willowymonardella	2014
Nolina cismontana	Chaparral nolina	2014
Nolina interrata	Dehesa nolina	2014
Packera ganderi	Gander's ragwort	2014
Rosa minutifolia	Small-leaved rose	2014
Tetracoccus dioicus	Parry's tetracoccus	2014

#### **Rare Plants**

- 2015 MSP Genetics Study Objective
   SDNHM collect samples & vouchers :

   Salt marsh bird's-beak
   Orcutt's bird's-beak
   Willowy monardella
   Encinitas baccharis
   Otau tamplant
  - Otay tarplant









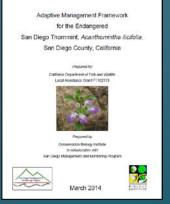
#### **Rare Plants**

- 2015 MSP Genetics Study Objective
  - USGS next generation DNA sequencing & cytological screening to determine:
    - Mixed ploidy among or w/in popns?
    - Popn genetic structure? Genetic drift & loss of diversity? Gene flow among popns?
    - Genetic bottlenecks? Evidence of local adaptation?
    - Rec. for common garden & reciprocal transplant expts, collecting, bulking & distributing seed for enhancing exist occur & establishing new occur.



## San Diego thornmint framework

- 2014 CBI created adaptive mgmt framework
- To be included in SHC Roadmap as model for other species
- Framework approach:
  - Obtain data & interview LMs & experts
  - Conceptual model
  - Habitat suitability models
  - Model climate influences & potential impacts climate change
  - Hypothesize regional popn structure & habitat connectivity
  - Prioritize enhancement & connectivity opportunities
  - Prioritize mgmt actions & BMPs





## **Roundtable Discussion**

- Suggestions for
  - SHC Roadmap Format and content?
  - Meetings?
  - Implementation Process?
- How can we implement across preserve complexes?
- What are your technical support needs?
- Do you have priority data sets for integration?