



## Memorandum

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## Introduction and Location Setting

ICF International, Inc. (ICF) conducted a general biological evaluation and survey to document vegetation communities, plants, birds, active nests, potential nesting habitat, and potential jurisdictional wetlands and waters for the Port of San Diego Chula Vista CVB/MCTC Project. The survey area is located on Port of San Diego owned parcels of land (approximately 241 acres) located in Chula Vista, California (Appendix A; Figure 1 and Figure 2). The limits of the survey area are south of H Street and west of Bay Boulevard, through the old South Bay Power Plant property and the SDG&E facility. The surrounding land-use consists of commercial/industrial buildings to the east and north, salt ponds to the south, and the San Diego Bay and Chula Vista Marina View Park to the west. This technical memorandum summarizes the findings of the biological evaluation and survey and wetlands and waters assessment, and. The memorandum provides baseline information for land use planning and development.

## Review of Biological Resource Information

A review of biological resource information was conducted prior to the commencement of the surveys to provide information on current and historical biological resources known within the survey area and the surrounding vicinity. This information provides a baseline for assessing the current validity of past documented biological resources and conditions on the property. A California Natural Diversity Data Base (CNDDB) search was conducted to assess the potential occurrence of listed/sensitive plant and wildlife species within the survey area. Other resources

used in the evaluation included U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) designated critical habitat for listed species within the survey area, and the San Diego County Bird Atlas.

## Methods

### Biological Survey

The following describes the methods used to evaluate the biological resources within the survey area. For all surveys ICF biologists walked transects spaced approximately 50-100-feet apart across all parcels comprising the entire survey area, with the exception of a 14-acre area where there is active construction and is currently used as a SDG&E substation. This 14-acre area was visually assessed and determined to be developed. Biological surveys were conducted from June 23 through June 29, 2016. During the surveys, the biologists identified vegetation communities and plant species, documented all bird species, active nests, assessed potential nesting habitat, and evaluated potential jurisdictional resources within the survey area.

### Vegetation Community Mapping

Vegetation communities were delineated and classified according to the *Preliminary Descriptions of the Terrestrial Natural Communities of California* (Holland 1986), as modified for San Diego County (Oberbauer *et al.* 2008). The minimum mapping unit is 0.1 acre for wetland vegetation communities and 0.5 acre for upland vegetation communities. Vegetation communities were mapped in the field on orthorectified digital imagery at a scale of 1 inch equals 200 feet. The vegetation map was digitized in the office using ArcGIS software.

All plant species observed within the survey area were recorded and the location of special-status plant species were mapped with a submeter-accuracy GPS unit. Plant species nomenclature and taxonomy follows the "Checklist of the Vascular Plants of San Diego County 5th Edition" (Rebman and Simpson 2014).

### Avian Surveys and Nesting Habitat

On June 23 and 24, 2016, ICF biologists Shawn Johnston and Marty Lewis conducted surveys to document bird species, active and inactive bird nests and potential nesting habitat within the survey area. Survey dates, times and weather conditions are shown in Table 1 below. Birds and in/active nests were observed through binoculars with 10x42 magnification. A list of all bird species observed during surveys is provided in Appendix B.

**Table 1. Bird Survey Times and Conditions**

Date	Time		Temperature (°F)		Cloud Cover (%)		Precipitation	
	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End
23-Jun-16	9:20	15:00	79	78	40	0	0	0
24-Jun-16	5:50	13:00	67	69	100	95	0	0

## Jurisdictional wetlands and waters

ICF biologists identified all potential jurisdictional features including wetlands and waters that may be regulated under the Clean Water Act Section 404, Section 1602 Streambed Alteration Agreement, and Section 401 Water Quality Certification. All potential jurisdictional features were mapped using a sub-meter accuracy GPS unit. A photo of each potential jurisdictional feature was also taken. No formal jurisdictional delineation was conducted.

## Results

The following summarizes the findings of the biological evaluation and surveys.

### Federally Listed Bird Species and Nesting Potential

Three Federally Endangered bird species were observed during the surveys: California least tern (*Sternula antillarumbrowni*), Belding’s savannah sparrow (*Passerculus sandwichensis beldingi*) and Ridgway’s rail (*Rallus obsoletus levipes*) (USFWS 2016). No USFWS designated critical habitat for listed species occurs within the survey area.

California least tern is recorded as occurring within the survey area by CNDDDB (CDFW 2016a) records, and was observed by ICF biologists during the biological survey. California least terns were observed foraging for food within the open waters within the study area. No California least tern nests or nesting behavior was observed within the survey area. The potential for nesting habitat is low within the study area.

The Belding’s savannah sparrow is recorded as occurring within the survey area by CNDDDB (CDFW 2016a) records, and was observed by ICF biologists during the biological survey. Belding’s savannah sparrow was observed within the coastal salt marsh within the survey area, and also observed foraging within disturbed habitat within the survey area along the periphery of the coastal marsh. High concentrations of this species were observed immediately outside the survey area within coastal salt marsh habitat to the west of the survey area. Potential nesting habitat for this species occurs within the coastal salt marsh of the survey area. No nest were observed during the survey; however, territorial males were observed within the study area.

Ridgeway’s Rail is recorded as occurring within the survey area by CNDDDB (CDFW 2016a) records, and was detected adjacent to the survey area by ICF biologists during the survey. Ridgeway’s rail were heard calling within the coastal salt marsh immediately adjacent to the study area, but were

not observed within the survey area. Suitable nesting habitat occurs within the survey area for areas with salt marsh vegetation; however, no nests were found for this species during the surveys.

## Non-listed Bird Species and Nesting Potential

One California Species of Special Concern (CDFW 2016b), northern harrier (*Circus cyaneus*), was observed during the survey foraging over the open disturbed habitat within the survey area. The northern harrier uses a concealed nest on the ground in marsh and grassland vegetation. Suitable nesting habitat occurs within the survey area within the disturbed and marsh vegetation; however no breeding behavior or nests were observed during the survey.

One inactive burrowing owl (*Athene cunicularia*) burrow was observed in the northern parcel directly east of Marina Parkway (32.62365, -117.09892). This burrow showed signs of previous owl occupation (pellets and bones) and there are numerous other burrows in this location that would serve as suitable owl burrows. Burrowing owl is a California Species of Special Concern (CDFW 2016b). No CNDDDB records for burrowing owl exist for the survey area (CDFW 2016a)

Four species covered under the City of Chula Vista Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP) Subarea Plan (City of Chula Vista 2003) were observed foraging within the survey area and include: Cooper's hawk (*Accipiter cooperii*), Peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus*), Long-billed curlew (*Numenius americanus*), and elegant tern (*Thalasseus elegans*). Long-billed curlew is not known to breed within San Diego County, and elegant tern breeding is rare to San Diego County but known from the salt ponds immediately south of the survey area (Unitt 2004). Suitable nesting habitat for Cooper's hawk exists within the survey area in the form of trees, palms and large shrubs. Peregrine nesting habitat also exists within the survey. Peregrines typically nest on cliff faces; however in the absence of cliffs, falcons will utilize bridges, transmission towers, buildings, and abandoned raptor/raven nests (Unitt 2004). Transmission towers, and old raptor/heron nest occur within the survey area, and would provide potential nesting sites for breeding peregrine falcons; however, no nests or breeding behavior were observed during the survey.

## Raptor Nesting Habitat

Potential raptor nesting habitat within the project area include: large trees (mainly concentrated within the Marina View Park), transmission poles and towers, structures within SDG&E substation, and street and parking lot lights. Four inactive stick nests were observed in a grove of trees near the Chula Vista Boat Launch Ramp in the northwest portion of the survey area. These stick nests may potentially be used by breeding birds of prey such as red-tail hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*), Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*), Cooper's hawk, peregrine falcon, and white-tailed kite (*Elanus leucurus*). However, breeding distribution information from San Diego Bird Atlas indicates very low confirmed breeding numbers for these species within the survey vicinity and these inactive stick nests may be heron nests.

## Heron Nesting Habitat

Two heron species that have been recorded to nest in the general vicinity of the survey area (Unitt 2004) were observed during the survey: great blue heron (*Ardea herodias*) and black-crowned night heron (*Nycticorax nycticorax*). Herons typically nest in large trees such as Eucalyptus or palms, and one or more of the large inactive stick nests observed within the survey area may potentially be old heron nests. Another potential heron nesting habitat is a large stand of ngaio located within the Diegan coastal sage scrub vegetation within the survey area. No nesting herons were observed during the survey.

## General Nesting habitat

The vegetation and land cover found within the survey area provide potential nesting habitat for a wide range of species. Open disturbed habitat may serve as suitable nesting habitat for ground nesting species observed: killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*), mourning dove (*Zenaida macroura*), northern harrier and horned lark (*Eremophila alpestris*). Diegan coastal sage scrub provides nesting habitat for observed passerine species such as California towhee (*Melospiza crissalis*), bushtit (*Psaltriparus minimus*), northern mockingbird (*Mimus polyglottos*), Anna's hummingbird (*Calypte anna*), Bewick's wren (*Thryomanes bewickii*) and house finch (*Haemorhous mexicanus*). Coastal salt marsh provides potential nesting habitat for several observed species including: mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*), black-necked stilt (*Himantopus mexicanus*), Forster's tern (*Sterna forsteri*), and gadwall (*Anas strepera*). Coastal and Valley Freshwater Marsh provides potential nesting habitat for observed species such as: common yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*), song sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*), and mallard. Small buildings and other man-made structures within the study area provide potential nesting habitat for commonly observed species such as: house finch, European starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*), common raven (*Corvus corax*), western gull (*Larus occidentalis*), mourning dove, Eurasian collard dove (*Streptopelia decaocto*), house sparrow (*Passer domesticus*), black phoebe (*Sayornis nigricans*), Say's phoebe (*Sayornis saya*), and rock pigeon (*Columba livia*).

## Active Nest

Two active nests were observed during the survey: one osprey nest with at least two nestlings, and one killdeer nest with three eggs. The osprey nest is located within the northern buffer area of the project boundary on top of a street light fixture (32.627895, -117.101160). The killdeer nest is located near the western project boundary approximately 500ft south of a drainage creek (32.616742, -117.097663).

A list of all bird species observed within the survey area is included as Appendix B.

## Vegetation Communities

Within the survey area, three riparian and wetland communities, two upland communities, and two land cover types were mapped during surveys (Appendix A; Figure 3). The acreages of each

vegetation community and land cover type within the survey area are provided in Table 2. Representative photographs of the vegetation communities are included in Appendix D.

**Table 2. Vegetation Communities and Land Cover Types Occurring within the Survey Area**

<b>Vegetation Communities and Land Cover Types</b>	<b>Holland/OberbauerCode</b>	<b>Total (acres)</b>
<i>Riparian and Wetlands</i>		<i>8.35</i>
Coastal and Valley Freshwater Marsh	52410	0.49
Open Water	64100	3.80
Southern Coastal Salt Marsh	52120	4.06
<i>Uplands</i>		<i>10.84</i>
Diegan Coastal Sage Scrub	32500	0.71
Diegan Coastal Sage Scrub: <i>Baccharis</i> -Dominated	32530	10.14
<i>Land Cover Types</i>		<i>265.06</i>
Disturbed Habitat	11000	198.72
Urban/Developed	12000	66.34
<b>Total</b>		<b>281.44</b>

## Riparian and Wetlands

**Coastal and Valley Freshwater Marsh: 52410 (0.49 acre).** A narrow strip of Coastal and Valley Freshwater Marsh associated with a drainage ditch runs through the middle of the survey area. This is likely the remnant of a rerouted natural drainage feature and should be evaluated as a potential jurisdictional water feature.

**Open Water: 64100 (3.80 acre).** The open water habitat type consists of any open water body including lakes, reservoirs, and bays, and channels. Within the survey area, open water occurs as inlets adjacent to the bay and as channels that traverse the survey area. Open water bodies provide important habitat for a variety of aquatic organisms and water fowl.

**Southern Coastal Salt Marsh: 52120 (4.06 acre).** Southern coastal salt marsh occurred along the western edge of the survey area and extended up to the edge of San Diego Bay.

## Uplands

**Diegan Coastal Sage Scrub: 32500 (0.71 acre).** Diegan coastal sage scrub consisting of a variety of native shrub species occupies a narrow strip along the western edge near the middle of the site just upland from the coastal salt marsh.

**Diegan Coastal Sage Scrub: *Baccharis*-Dominated: 32530 (10.14 acre).** Diegan coastal sage scrub: *Baccharis*-dominated occurred in three patches throughout the survey area. This vegetation was highly disturbed and was only differentiated from the disturbed habitat areas only by the high

cover of broom baccharis (*Baccharis sarathroides*) which is itself a hardy disturbance tolerant native shrub. In many areas broom baccharis was growing out of the degraded pavement.

## Land Cover Types

**Disturbed Habitat 11000 (198.72 acre).** Disturbed habitat was the most dominant vegetation type consisting mostly of areas that have been compacted and paved or graveled over and vegetated primarily with non-native plants. Vegetation in these areas is mostly low growing herbaceous and subshrub plant species.

**Urban/Developed: 12000 (66.34 acre).** Urban/Developed was the second most dominant land cover type consisting mostly of non-native plants colonizing areas that have been compacted and paved or graveled over and vegetated with non-native trees such as *Acacia* spp. and *Myoporum*.

## Special-Status Plants

Approximately 94 plant species were detected within study area; of these species, 53 are nonnative (Appendix C). Two special-status plant species were detected within the survey area and are discussed below and shown in Appendix A, Figure 3.

### **San Diego Sunflower (*Bahiopsis laciniata*)**

San Diego sunflower is a California Native Plant Society (CNPS) Rare Plant Rank (RPR) 4.2 species (uncommon in California). This small-to medium-sized shrub occurs on clay soils within chaparral and coastal sage scrub on south-facing slopes from Orange County south to Baja California and Sonora, Mexico. Two small patches of this species were detected within coastal sage scrub habitat near the western edge of the survey area.

### **Estuary Seablite (*Suaeda esteroa*)**

Estuary seablite is a CNPS RPR 1B.2 species (rare, threatened, or endangered in California and elsewhere). This subshrub occurs within coastal salt marsh habitat from Santa Barbara County south to Baja California, Mexico. One individual of this species was detected within coastal salt near the western edge of the survey area.

## Jurisdictional Waters and Wetland Assessment

On June 24 and 29, 2016 ICF biologists Lance Woolley and Kipp Marzullo assessed landscape features exhibiting characteristics that have potential for delineation as Jurisdictional Features. The biologists identified and mapped all potential jurisdictional features including drainage ditches, drains and culverts as well as wetlands and waters that may be regulated under the Clean Water Act Section 404, Section 1602 Streambed Alteration Agreement, and Section 401 Water Quality Certification. A brief description of each feature and photo (Photo Points 1-30 Appendix D) are included in this report. No formal jurisdictional delineation was conducted. A network of constructed drainage ditches allow water onsite to drain into San Diego Bay through culverts and

drains. Many of the drainage ditches onsite were mapped (Appendix A; Figure 4 ) and photos with descriptions included in this report as potential jurisdictional features (Appendix D). Open water features, Coastal freshwater marsh and southern coastal salt marsh found within the surveyed area (Appendix A; Figure 3 and Figure 4) would likely be subject to regulation under the Clean Water Act Section 404, Section 1602 Streambed Alteration Agreement, or Section 401 Water Quality Certification. Most of the drainage features mapped in Appendix A, Figure 4 would not likely be subject to such regulations since they are ditches with intermittent flow that are not relocated tributaries, excavated in a tributaries, or drain wetlands. (40 CFR §230.3 (o)(1)(iii)(B)).

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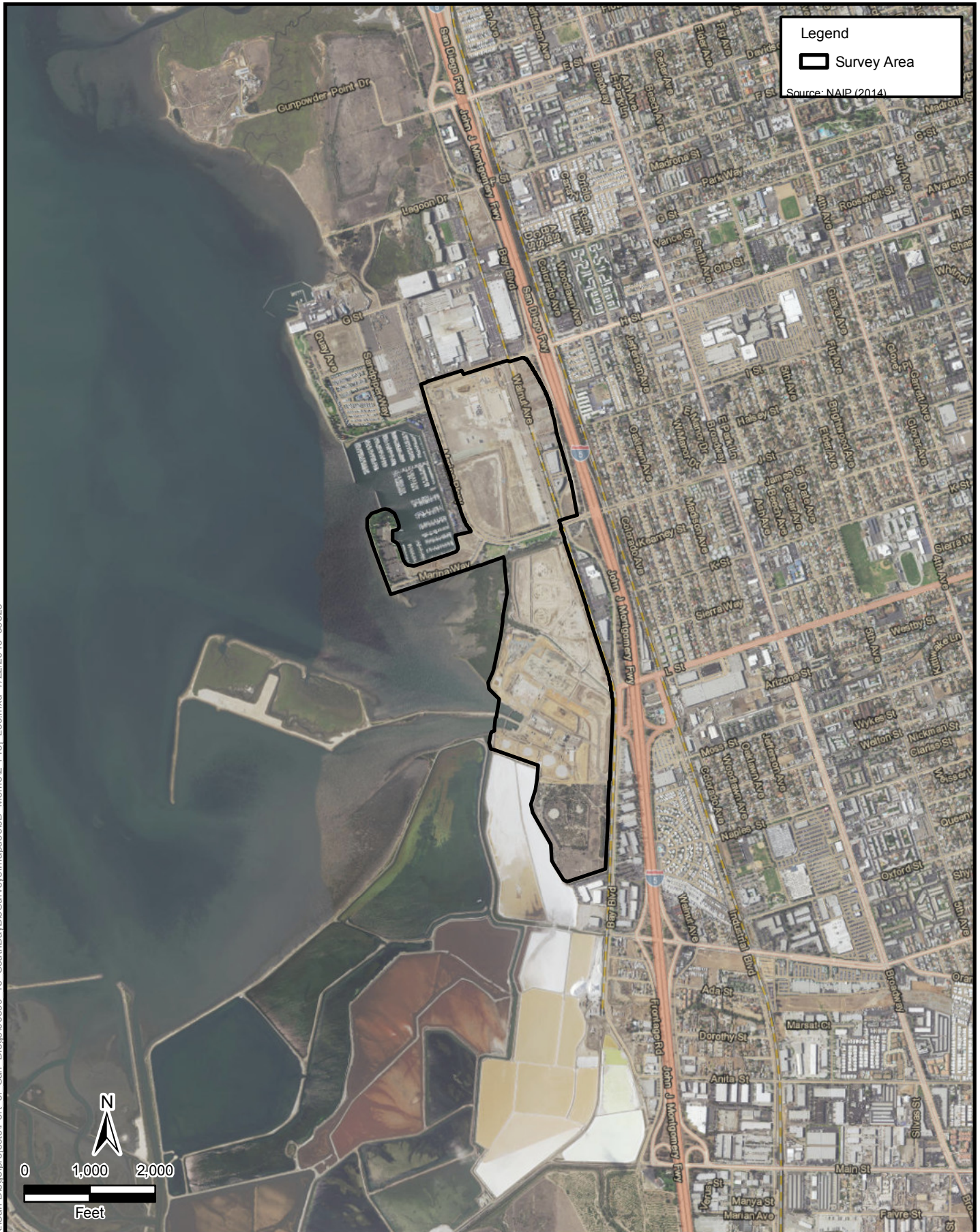
## Appendix A. Figures



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**Figure 1**  
**Regional Vicinity**  
**South Bay Pre-Construction Bio Surveys**





**Figure 2**  
**Project Location Map**  
**South Bay Pre-Construction Bio Surveys**



**Figure 3**  
**Vegetation and Sensitive Biological Resources**  
**South Bay Pre-Construction Bio Surveys**





**Figure 4**  
**Potential Jurisdictional Resources**  
**South Bay Pre-Construction Bio Surveys**

## **Appendix B. List of Bird Species Observed**

## List of Bird Species Observed within the Survey Area

Scientific Name	Common Name	Status <sup>1</sup>
<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>	American crow	
<i>Calypte anna</i>	Anna's hummingbird	
<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	barn swallow	
<i>Passerculus sandwichensis beldingi</i>	Belding's savannah sparrow	FE
<i>Thryomanes bewickii</i>	Bewick's wren	
<i>Sayornis nigricans</i>	black phoebe	
<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	black-crowned night heron	
<i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>	black-necked stilt	
<i>Psaltriparus minimus</i>	bushtit	
<i>Larus californicus</i>	California gull	
<i>Sternula antillarum browni</i>	California least tern	FE
<i>Melospiza crissalis</i>	California towhee	
<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	Caspian tern	
<i>Tyrannus vociferans</i>	Cassin's kingbird	
<i>Petrochelidon pyrrhonota</i>	cliff swallow	
<i>Corvus corax</i>	common raven	
<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>	common yellowthroat	
<i>Accipiter cooperii</i>	Cooper's hawk	MSCP
<i>Phalacrocorax auritus</i>	double-crested cormorant	
<i>Thalasseus elegans</i>	elegant tern	MSCP
<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	Eurasian collared dove*	
<i>Sturnis vulgaris</i>	European starling*	
<i>Sterna forsteri</i>	Forster's tern	
<i>Anas strepera</i>	gadwall	
<i>Ardea herodias</i>	great blue heron	
<i>Icterus cucullatus</i>	hooded oriole	
<i>Eremophila alpestris</i>	horned lark	
<i>Carpodacus mexicanus</i>	house finch	
<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>	killdeer	
<i>Numenius americanus</i>	long-billed curlew	MSCP
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	mallard	
<i>Zenaidura macroura</i>	mourning dove	
<i>Circus cyaneus</i>	northern harrier	CSC
<i>Mimus polyglottos</i>	northern mockingbird	
<i>Selgidopteryx serripennis</i>	northern rough-winged swallow	
<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	osprey	
<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	peregrine falcon	MSCP
<i>Mergus serrator</i>	red-breasted merganser	

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Status <sup>1</sup>
<i>Rallus obsoletus levipes</i>	Ridgway's rail	FES
<i>Columba livia</i>	rock pigeon*	
<i>Sayornis saya</i>	Say's phoebe	
<i>Egretta thula</i>	snowy egret	
<i>Melospiza melodia</i>	song sparrow	
<i>Larus occidentalis</i>	western gull	
<i>Tringasemipalmata</i>	willet	

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\*Non-native or invasive species

<sup>1</sup>Status:

Federal:

FE = Endangered

State:

CSC = California Species of Special Concern

Local:

MSCP = Covered Species under the County of San Diego Multiple Species Conservation Program

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## **Appendix C. List of Plant Species Observed**

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Status <sup>1</sup>
<b>Aizoaceae - Fig-marigold family</b>		
<i>*Mesembryanthemum nodiflorum</i>	Slender-leaved iceplant	
<i>*Tetragonia tetragonioides</i>	New zealand spinach	
<b>Amaranthaceae - Amaranth family</b>		
<i>*Amaranthus albus</i>	Tumbleweed	
<b>Anacardiaceae - Sumac Or Cashew family</b>		
<i>Rhus integrifolia</i>	Lemonade berry	
<i>*Schinus molle</i>	Peruvian pepper tree	
<i>*Schinus terebinthifolius</i>	Brazilian pepper tree	
<b>Apiaceae - Carrot family</b>		
<i>*Apium graveolens</i>	Celery	
<i>*Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Fennel	
<b>Arecaceae - Palm family</b>		
<i>*Phoenix canariensis</i>	Canary Island palm	
<i>*Washingtonia robusta</i>	Mexican fan palm	
<b>Asteraceae - Sunflower family</b>		
<i>Amblyopappus pusillus</i>	Dwarf coastweed	
<i>Ambrosia psilostachya</i>	Western ragweed	
<i>Artemisia californica</i>	California sagebrush	
<i>Baccharis pilularis</i> ssp. <i>pilularis</i>	Coyote brush	
<i>Baccharis salicifolia</i> ssp. <i>salicifolia</i>	Mule fat	
<i>Baccharis sarothroides</i>	Broom baccharis	
<i>Bahiopsis laciniata</i>	San Diego County viguiera	CRPR 4.2
<i>*Bidens pilosa</i>	Common beggar-ticks	
<i>*Centaurea melitensis</i>	Tocalote	
<i>*Dittrichia graveolens</i>	Stinkwort	
<i>Encelia californica</i>	California encelia	
<i>Encelia farinosa</i>	Brittlebush	
<i>*Erigeron bonariensis</i>	Flax-leaved horseweed	
<i>Erigeron canadensis</i>	Horseweed	
<i>*Glebionis coronaria</i>	Crown daisy	
<i>Gutierrezia sarothrae</i>	Matchweed	
<i>Isocoma menziesii</i>	Coastal goldenbush	
<i>*Lactuca serriola</i>	Prickly lettuce	
<i>Pseudognaphalium</i> sp.	Everlasting	
<i>*Sonchus asper</i> ssp. <i>asper</i>	Prickly sow thistle	
<i>Stephanomeria diegensis</i>	San Diego wire-lettuce	
<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	Cocklebur	
<b>Bataceae - Saltwort family</b>		
<i>Batis maritima</i>	Saltwort, beachwort	

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<b>Boraginaceae - Borage family</b>		
<i>Heliotropium curassavicum</i> var. <i>oculatum</i>	Alkali heliotrope	
<b>Brassicaceae - Mustard family</b>		
* <i>Nasturtium officinale</i>	Medicinal water cress	
* <i>Raphanus sativus</i>	Radish	
* <i>Sisymbrium altissimum</i>	Tumble mustard	
* <i>Sisymbrium irio</i>	London rocket	
<b>Cactaceae - Cactus family</b>		
<i>Opuntia ×occidentalis</i>	Western prickly pear	
<b>Chenopodiaceae - Goosefoot family</b>		
<i>Arthrocnemum subterminale</i>	Parish's pickleweed	
<i>Atriplex lentiformis</i>	Big saltbush	
* <i>Atriplex lindleyi</i>	Lindley's saltbush	
* <i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	Australian saltbush	
* <i>Bassia hyssopifolia</i>	Fivehorn smotherweed	
* <i>Chenopodium macrospermum</i>	Largeseed goosefoot	
<i>Chenopodium</i> sp.	Goosefoot	
* <i>Salsola tragus</i>	Prickly russian thistle	
<i>Suaeda esteroa</i>	Estuary seablite	CRPR 1B.2
<b>Cyperaceae - Sedge family</b>		
<i>Schoenoplectus americanus</i>	American bulrush	
<b>Euphorbiaceae - Spurge family</b>		
* <i>Euphorbia maculata</i>	Spotted spurge	
* <i>Ricinus communis</i>	Castorbean	
<b>Fabaceae - Legume family</b>		
* <i>Acacia</i> sp.	Acacia	
<i>Acmispon americanus</i> var. <i>americanus</i>	Spanish-Clover	
<i>Acmispon glaber</i>	Deerweed	
* <i>Melilotus albus</i>	White sweetclover	
<b>Frankeniaceae - Frankenia family</b>		
<i>Frankenia salina</i>	Alkali heath	
<b>Geraniaceae - Geranium family</b>		
* <i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Redstem filaree	
<b>Lamiaceae - Mint family</b>		
<i>Salvia mellifera</i>	Black sage	
<b>Lythraceae - Loosestrife family</b>		
* <i>Lythrum hyssopifolia</i>	Grass Poly	
<b>Myrsinaceae - Myrsine family</b>		
* <i>Anagallis arvensis</i>	Scarlet pimpernel	
<b>Myrtaceae - Myrtle family</b>		
* <i>Eucalyptus</i> sp.	Gum	
* <i>Melaleuca nesophila</i>	showy honey-myrtle	

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<b>Nyctaginaceae - Four O'clock family</b>		
<i>Bougainvillea</i> sp.	Bougainvillea	
<b>Oleaceae - Olive family</b>		
* <i>Olea europaea</i>	Olive	
<b>Onagraceae - Evening Primrose family</b>		
<i>Camissoniopsis robusta</i>	Robust suncup	
<b>Papaveraceae - Poppy family</b>		
<i>Eschscholzia californica</i>	California poppy	
<b>Plumbaginaceae - Leadwort family</b>		
<i>Limonium californicum</i>	California marsh rosemary	
* <i>Limonium duriusculum</i>	Hardened marsh rosemary	
* <i>Limonium perezii</i>	Perez's marsh rosemary	
<b>Poaceae - Grass family</b>		
* <i>Arundo donax</i>	Giant reed	
* <i>Avena barbata</i>	Slender wild oat	
<i>Bromus carinatus</i>	California brome	
* <i>Bromus diandrus</i>	Ripgut brome	
* <i>Bromus madritensis</i>	Compact brome	
* <i>Cortaderia selloana</i>	Pampas grass	
<i>Distichlis littoralis</i>	Shore grass	
<i>Hordeum</i> sp.	Barley	
* <i>Lamarckia aurea</i>	Goldentop grass	
* <i>Melinis repens</i> ssp. <i>repens</i>	Natal grass	
* <i>Phalaris paradoxa</i>	Hood canary grass	
* <i>Polypogon monspeliensis</i>	Rabbit foot beard grass	
* <i>Schismus barbatus</i>	Mediterranean schismus	
* <i>Sorghum halepense</i>	Johnson grass	
<i>Spartina foliosa</i>	California cord grass	
* <i>Stipa miliacea</i> var. <i>miliacea</i>	Smilo grass	
<b>Polygonaceae - Buckwheat family</b>		
<i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i>	California buckwheat	
* <i>Rumex pulcher</i>	Fiddle dock	
<b>Salicaceae - Willow family</b>		
<i>Salix gooddingii</i>	Goodding's black willow	
<b>Scrophulariaceae - Figwort family</b>		
* <i>Myoporum laetum</i>	Ngaio tree	
<b>Solanaceae - Nightshade family</b>		
* <i>Nicotiana glauca</i>	Tree tobacco	
<i>Solanum americanum</i>	White nightshade	
<b>Tropaeolaceae - Nasturtium family</b>		
* <i>Tropaeolum majus</i>	Garden nasturtium	
<b>Typhaceae - Cattail family</b>		

## List of Plant Species Observed within the Survey Area

Scientific Name	Common Name	Status <sup>1</sup>
<i>Typha domingensis</i>	Southern cattail	
<b>Verbenaceae - Vervain family</b>		
* <i>Lantana</i> sp.	Lantana	
*Non-native or invasive species		
<sup>1</sup> Status:		
CRPR – California Rare Plant Rank		
1A. Presumed extinct in California and elsewhere		
1B. Rare or Endangered in California and elsewhere		
2A. Presumed extinct in California, more common elsewhere		
2B. Rare or Endangered in California, more common elsewhere		
3. Plants for which we need more information - Review list		
4. Plants of limited distribution - Watch list		
Threat Ranks		
.1 - Seriously endangered in California		
.2 – Fairly endangered in California		
.3 – Not very endangered in California		

## **Appendix D. Photos**

# Jurisdictional resource map photos



Photo Point 1: Drainage ditch leading to box culvert



Photo Point 2: Drain



Photo Point 3: Culvert out to San Diego Bay



Photo Point 4: Drainage ditch with fresh water marsh vegetation



Photo Point 5: Culvert to drainage ditch with freshwater marsh vegetation



Photo Point 6: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 7: Drain to San Diego Bay



Photo Point 8: Drain



Photo Point 9: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 10: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 11: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 12: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 13: Drain



Photo Point 14: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 15: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 16: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 17: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 18: Culvert to drainage ditch



Photo Point 19: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 20: Drainage ditch 001



Photo Point21: Drainage ditch



Photo Point 22: Drain



Photo Point 23: Drain 006



Photo Point 24: Drain

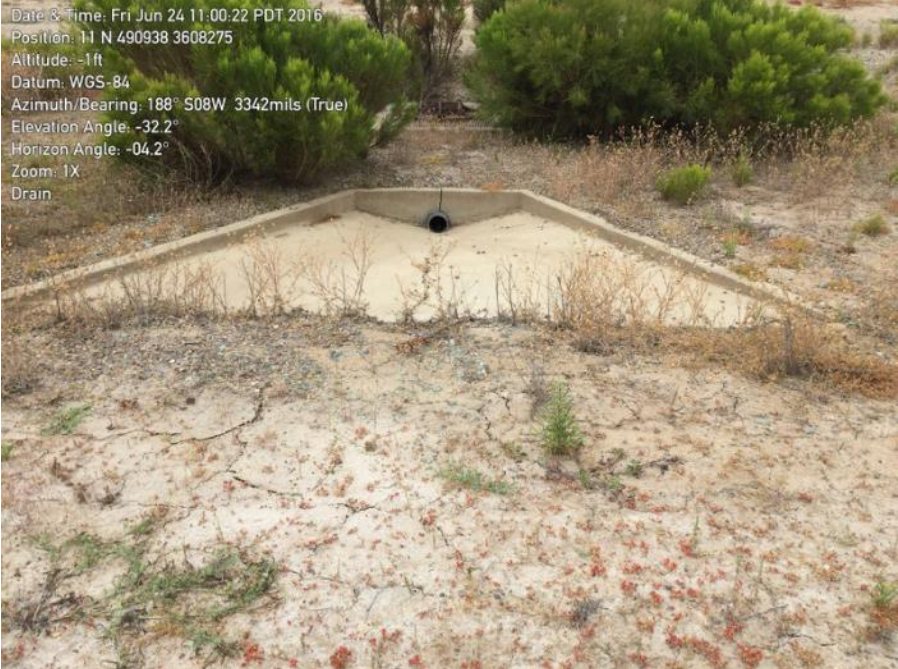


Photo Point 25: Drain



Photo Point 26: Drain



Date & Time: Fri Jun 24 10:51:29 PDT 2016  
Position: 11 N 491003 3608179  
Altitude: -16ft  
Datum: WGS-84  
Azimuth/Bearing: 193° S13W 3431mils (True)  
Elevation Angle: -27.3°  
Horizon Angle: -03.9°  
Zoom: 1X  
009

Photo Point 27: Drainage ditch



Date & Time: Fri Jun 24 10:51:40 PDT 2016  
Position: 11 N 491005 3608181  
Altitude: -8ft  
Datum: WGS-84  
Azimuth/Bearing: 110° S70E 1956mils (True)  
Elevation Angle: -26.7°  
Horizon Angle: -00.9°  
Zoom: 1X  
010

Photo Point 28: Drainage ditch

Date & Time: Fri Jun 24 10:51:11 PDT 2016  
Position: 11 N 491003 3608179  
Altitude: -18ft  
Datum: WGS-84  
Azimuth/Bearing: 292° N68W 5191mils (True)  
Elevation Angle: -37.6°  
Horizon Angle: +02.9°  
Zoom: 1X  
Outlet to bay



Photo Point 29: Drainage ditch outlet to San Diego Bay

Date & Time: Fri Jun 24 10:47:25 PDT 2016  
Position: 11 N 491072 3608169  
Altitude: -12ft  
Datum: WGS-84  
Azimuth/Bearing: 065° N65E 1156mils (True)  
Elevation Angle: -27.6°  
Horizon Angle: -02.0°  
Zoom: 1X  
Culvert



Photo Point 30: Culvert to drainage ditch

## Representative vegetation photos



Photo 1: Salt marsh



Photo 2: Disturbed habitat



Photo 3: Disturbed habitat



Photo 4: Coastal Sage Scrub dominated by *Baccharis sarathroides*



Photo 5: Estuary seablite (*Suaeda esteroa*) near the edge of the saltmarsh



Photo 6: Freshwater marsh