

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

Multiple Species Conservation Program

South County Subarea Plan 2022 Annual Report



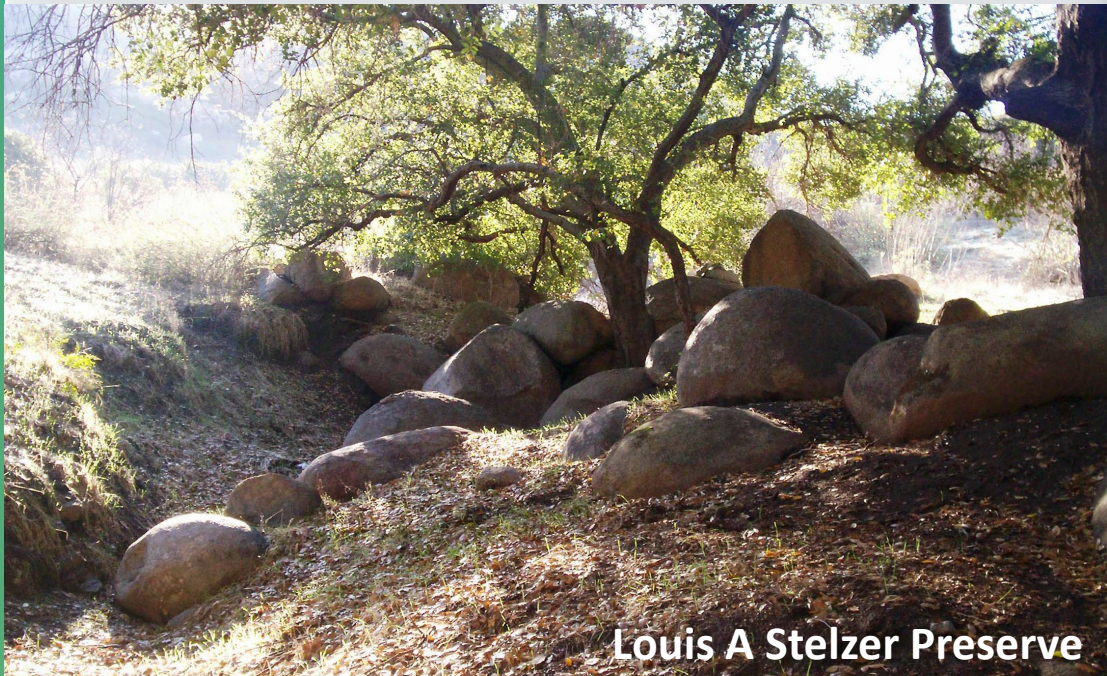
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Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP)

- Acquisition
- Management & Monitoring
- Environmental Education

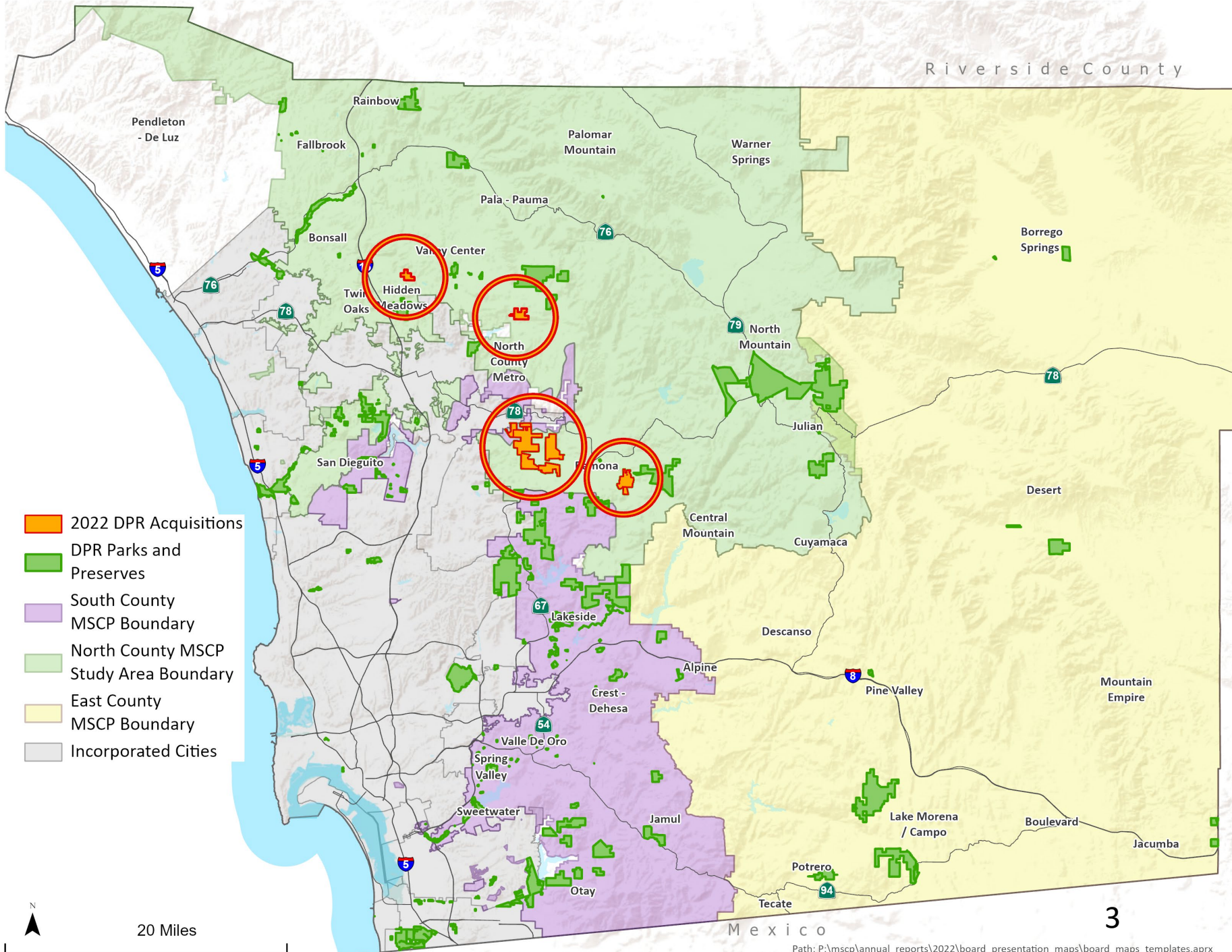


Louis A Stelzer Preserve



County Acquisitions

- 45,000 acres of DPR owned preserve lands
- In 2022, DPR acquired 1,020 acres
 - 228 acres South County
 - 792 acres North County



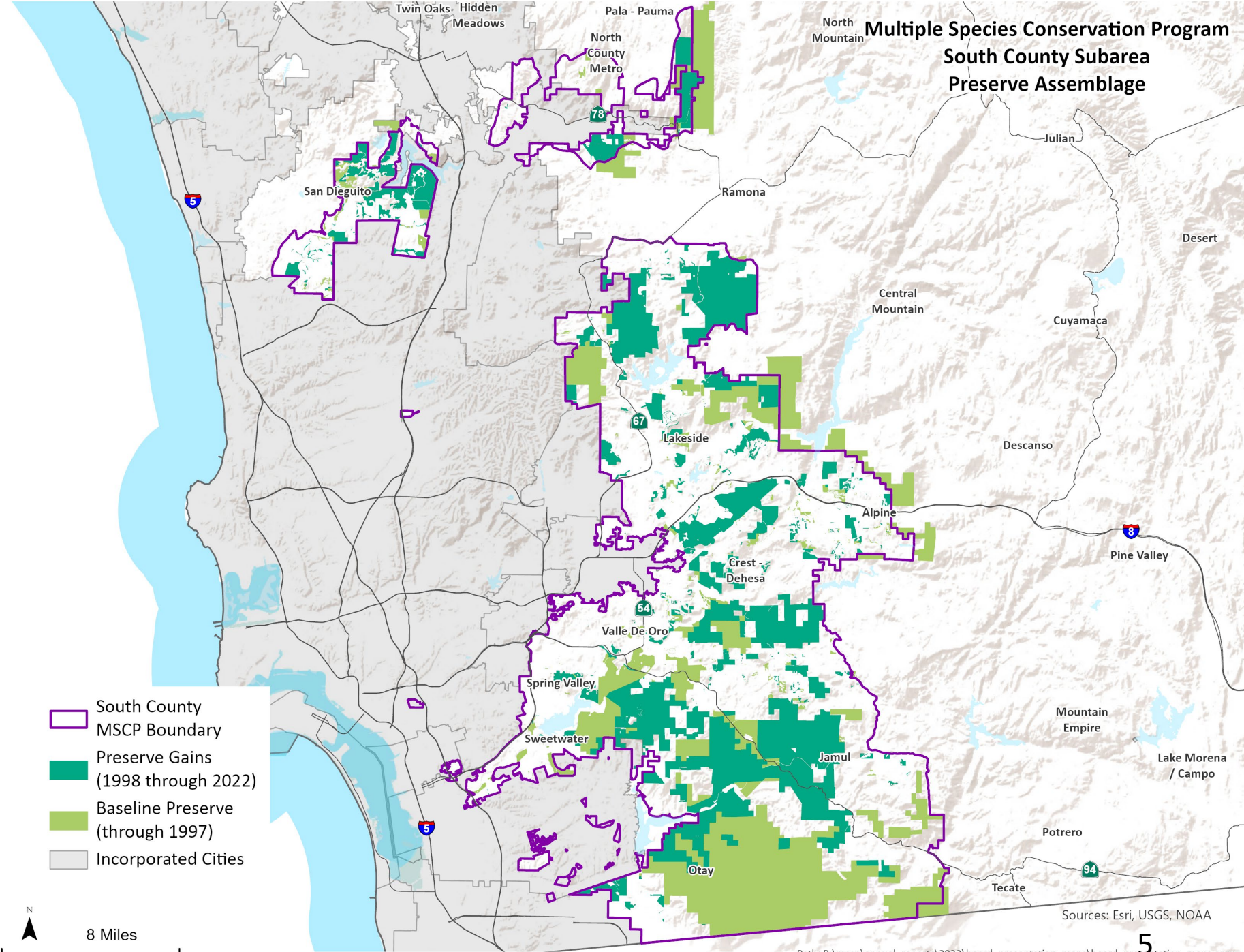
25 Years of County Land Preservation

- **Acquisitions Since 1998: 26,670 acres**
 - 8,480 acres in South County Plan Area
 - 15,370 acres in draft North County Plan Area
 - 2,820 acres in future East County Plan Area
- **43 County Preserves created or expanded**
- **Since 1998, a total of \$233 million has been spent on acquisitions**
 - \$136 million County funds
 - \$97 million from partnering entities and grants



South County Plan Preserve Assemblage

- Preservation Goal: 98,379 acres
- Through 2022:
 - Preserved 80,108 acres
 - 81% of Plan Goal
 - Includes approx. 13,383 acres of County preserve lands
 - County and regional partners added 132 acres in 2022

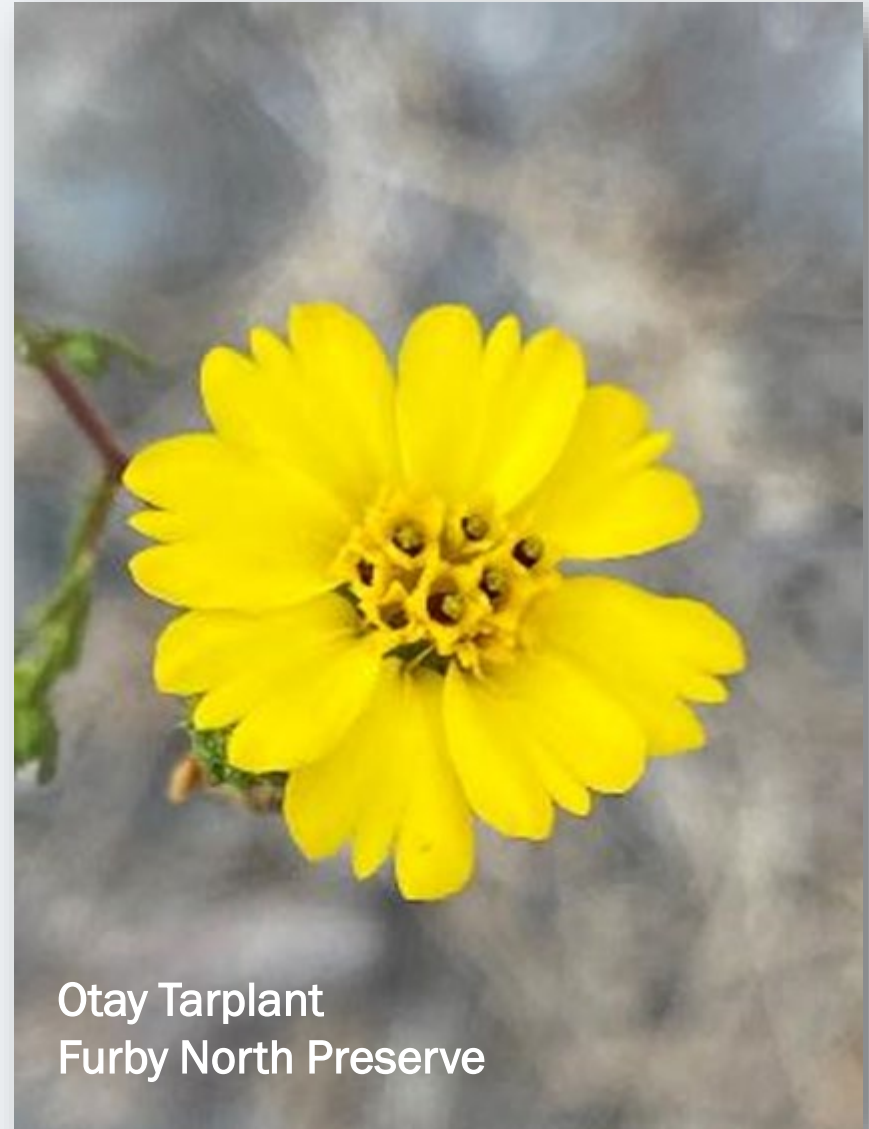


Management & Monitoring Activities

- **Management Activities**
 - Resource Management Plan
 - Land stewardship
- **Monitoring Program**
 - Inventory surveys
 - Targeted Monitoring Program
 - Regional partnerships

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, 21,000 participants
- Environmental Education Programs
 - Ranger-led hikes
 - Hawktober
 - Park-ology
 - Discovery Program



Private Development & Mitigation Lands in South County

- **Private Development Projects**

- Over 4,300 development permits approved since 1998
- Permitted in 2022:
 - 63 single-family related projects
 - 1 industrial project

- **Private Mitigation Lands**

- 6,562 acres preserved since 1998
- 48 acres preserved in 2022



Private Development Resource Management Plans (RMPs)

- **54 Countywide Private RMPs**
 - South - 27 RMPs
 - North - 22 RMPs
 - East - 5 RMPs
- **17 covered species documented**



Going Forward – Future Goals

- Acquire the remaining 19% of the South County Plan Preserve
- Support the goals of the Climate Action Plan
- Update DPR Resource Management Plans (RMPs)
- 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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