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California's State Wildlife Action Plan¹ (SWAP 2015) establishes a strategic vision of the integrated conservation efforts needed to sustain the tremendous diversity of fish and wildlife resources found in the state. More specifically, the SWAP assesses the condition of California's wildlife and habitats, identifies the problems they face, and outlines the actions that are needed to conserve them over the long term. By compiling scientific data, the SWAP identifies what needs to be done in California to conserve wildlife and the natural lands and waters where they live—with benefits for both wildlife and people. In addition, the SWAP is meant to visualize, support, complement, and unite the plans of the multiple conservation and management entities within California. Much of the content of the SWAP came from SANDAG planning efforts within our region; therefore, the strategies identified within San Diego Forward: The 2021 Regional Plan to implement the Sustainable Communities Strategy promote the protection of sensitive habitats and resource areas consistent with the overall goal of the SWAP. Appendix AA describes details of the Regional Habitat Conservation Vision and the history of conservation planning in the San Diego region.

¹ "State Wildlife Action Plan," California Department of Fish and Wildlife, wildlife.ca.gov/SWAP.