

## Stakeholder Benefits:

The South Sacramento HCP coordinators have compiled a list of benefits that a Habitat Conservation Plan provides to each stakeholder group.

A copy of this chart can be found at: <http://www.planning.saccounty.net/habitat-conservation/overview.html>

| Developers  | Agriculturists   | Environmentalists  | Public  |
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| <p><b>Streamlined Regulatory Compliance:</b><br/>A single programmatic solution greatly reduces the complexity of meeting regulatory requirements.</p>  | <p><b>Eliminate Endangered Species Liability:</b><br/>Landowners concerned about liability from endangered species' use of their lands can receive assurances under the HCP.</p>                                       | <p><b>Large scale conservation:</b><br/>Effective landscape-scale conservation avoids postage stamp preserves that will not retain biological values over the long-term.</p> | <p><b>Regional Economics:</b><br/>Communities with open space amenities attract businesses that provide jobs to maintain a strong economy.</p>                          |
| <p><b>Reduced Costs:</b><br/>Comprehensive regional mitigation plans reduce time spent, analysis carried out and discussions with regulatory agencies by developers to achieve individual project mitigation, which in turn reduces costs to the developer.</p> | <p><b>Varied Opportunities For Participation:</b><br/>Landowners are offered opportunities to voluntarily sell land, obtain conservation easements, transfer development rights and participate in other programs.</p> | <p><b>Multi-species and Habitat Protection:</b><br/>Regional HCPs protect a broad diversity of species and habitats and encompass large geographic areas.</p>                | <p><b>Community Aesthetics:</b><br/>Large preserves will protect view sheds and will provide buffers so that communities can maintain their distinctive identities.</p> |
| <p><b>Planning Costs:</b><br/>Costs of achieving mitigation are documented, allowing developers to incorporate costs into early project planning and financing.</p>   | <p><b>Funding Opportunities:</b><br/>The HCP provides direct funds for conservation easements on agricultural lands that provide a source of income to landowners.</p>   | <p><b>Effective Conservation:</b><br/>Will provide an effective means to protect and manage species and habitat resources.</p>   | <p><b>Present &amp; Future Generations:</b><br/>The HCP will protect biological resources for future generations to enjoy.</p>  |

**Unlisted Species****Protection:**

HCPs include mitigation for plant and wildlife species not yet federally listed and may prevent the need for future listing. If any of these species are listed in the future there will not be additional conservation needs.

**Adaptive****Management:**

Mitigation measures that do not meet their goals can be modified under the adaptive management program.

**Grant Funding****Opportunities:**

The HCP provides opportunities for combining mitigation and preservation efforts to attract grant funding and assistance from national and regional nonprofit organizations.