con•ser•van•cy
(ken-sûr´ven-se) n. An organization or area designated to conserve and protect natural resources.

the NATOMAS BASIN conservancy

→ **A PRIVATE, NON-PROFIT, PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION**

→ **GOVERNED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

CITY OF SACRAMENTO:
5 Members

COUNTY OF SUTTER:
5 Members

serves as

op•er•a•tor
(˜op´e-ra´ter) n. One who operates; as one that operates a business.

PLAN OPERATOR

→ **ACQUIRE**

→ **MANAGE**

→ **MITIGATION LAND**

for the

plan
(plan) n. To devise or project the realization or achievement of a program.

NATOMAS BASIN HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN*

→ **PARTIES TO:**

CA Department of Fish and Wildlife
City of Sacramento
County of Sutter
The Natomas Basin Conservancy
U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Metro Air Park*

→ **A COMPLEX, MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL, MULTI-SPECIES HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN (HCP)**

which is designed to

hab•i•tat
(hab´i-tat´) n. The place or environment where a plant or animal naturally or normally lives and grows.

PRESERVE HABITAT

→ **MITIGATION LAND** → **ACQUIRED ACCORDING TO NBHCP GUIDELINES:**

(in the following proportions)

Rice	50%
Upland Reserve	25%
Managed Marsh	25%

for

spe•cies
(spe´shez, -sez) n. A class of individuals having common attributes and designated by a common name.

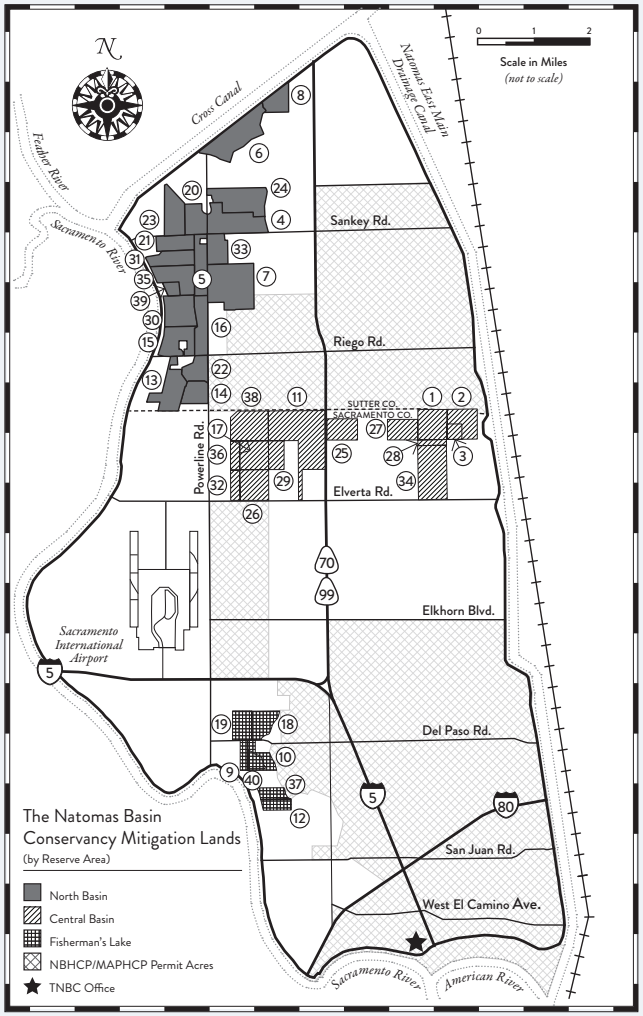
"SPECIAL STATUS" SPECIES

→ **PRIMARY**

Giant garter snake
Thamnophis gigas

Swainson's hawk
Buteo swainsoni

→ **SECONDARY**



The purpose of the NBHCP is to promote biological conservation along with economic development and the continuation of agriculture within the Natomas Basin. The NBHCP establishes a multi-species conservation program to mitigate the expected loss of habitat values and incidental take of protected species that would result from urban development, operation of irrigation and drainage systems, and rice farming. The goal of the NBHCP is to preserve, restore, and enhance habitat values found in the Natomas Basin while allowing urban development to proceed according to local land use plans.

Other Covered Wildlife:
Aleutian cackling goose, Bank swallow, Burrowing owl, California tiger salamander, Loggerhead shrike, Midvalley fairy shrimp, Northwestern pond turtle, Tricolored blackbird, Valley elderberry longhorn beetle, Vernal pool fairy shrimp, Vernal pool tadpole shrimp, Western spadefoot, White-faced ibis

Covered Plants:
Boggs lake hedge-hyssop, Colusa grass, Delta tule pea, Legenere, Sacramento orcutt grass, Slender orcutt grass, Valley arrowhead

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**Metro Air Park operates under a separate HCP. The Conservancy serves as its Plan Operator as well.*

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