

DRECP Framework Conservation Strategy Report

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Kim Delfino and Jeff Aardahl on the behalf of Defenders of Wildlife, NRDC, California Council of Land Trusts, California Audubon, and Friends of the Desert Mountains	14	2	II.D.3.1	II-107	2		Type 1 protected areas may serve as core areas for DRECP conservation goals only to the degree that further analysis of these areas demonstrates that they are important to meeting the biological goal and objectives of the conservation plan.
Kim Delfino and Jeff Aardahl on the behalf of Defenders of Wildlife, NRDC, California Council of Land Trusts, California Audubon, and Friends of the Desert Mountains	15	2	II.D.3.1	II-107	3		Any area designated as part of the conservation strategy must have permanent protections in place for the species and habitats that are supposed to benefit from those lands.
Kim Delfino and Jeff Aardahl on the behalf of Defenders of Wildlife, NRDC, California Council of Land Trusts, California Audubon, and Friends of the Desert Mountains	16	2	II.D.3.1	II-107	4		Type 3 managed open space lands cannot be reasonably expected to remain intact for the foreseeable future as they do not have any protections in place. As we have seen with the rush of solar and wind applications on these lands, these areas are subject to extensive development pressures.
Kim Delfino and Jeff Aardahl on the behalf of Defenders of Wildlife, NRDC, California	17	2	II.D.3.1	II-108	1		It is not clear what the intent is for Type 4 lands. These areas should be considered for the conservation strategy to the extent they fulfill the biological goals and objectives of the plan and can be subsequently permanently protected.

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Kim Delfino and Jeff Aardahl on the behalf of Defenders of Wildlife, NRDC, California Council of Land Trusts, California Audubon, and Friends of the Desert Mountains	18	3	III.A.	III-1	2		The discussion of “conservation areas” and the conservation strategy needs to be more definitive. The conservation strategy “will” be implemented with conservation areas and “will” include a variety of conservation actions. Further, there needs to be a definition of what is a “conservation area.” Also, the discussion of the “conservation reserve system” needs to note that the conservation areas and actions will be in-perpetuity.
Kim Delfino and Jeff Aardahl on the behalf of Defenders of Wildlife, NRDC, California Council of Land Trusts, California Audubon, and Friends of the Desert Mountains	19	3	III.A.	III-3	3		The discussion re: maintaining connectivity needs to include a discussion about what to do in the face of climate change.

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