



Yolo Habitat Conservancy

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Yolo Habitat Conservancy Implementation Advisory Committee Framework

Purpose/Role

In recognition of the need to have broad community participation during preparation of the Yolo HCP/NCCP, the Conservancy Board of Directors formed an Advisory Committee, with membership that is representative of the varied interests in Yolo County, including environmental interests, landowners, agricultural interests, member agency representatives, and the community at large. The Conservancy anticipated that these stakeholders may be interested in continuing to participate and provide input regarding HCP/NCCP implementation. As a result, the Yolo HCP/NCP included an Implementation Advisory Committee to ensure continuity between development of the Yolo HCP/NCCP and implementation of the Yolo HCP/NCCP. The Advisory Committee will continue to consist of a range of individuals and entities with an interest in HCP/NCCP-related matters. Members of the Committee may include, but will not be limited to:

- Land developers and others who are seeking use of the permits under the Yolo HCP/NCCP
- Conservation interests
- Agricultural interests
- Landowner representatives, and
- Other stakeholders whose assistance will further the success of HCP/NCCP implementation.

The Conservancy will convene the Advisory Committee at least twice a year. All Advisory Committee meetings will be public meetings.

Duties

The Yolo Habitat Conservancy Implementation Advisory Committee advises the Yolo Habitat Conservancy Board of Directors on the development and management of the reserve system of public and private lands consistent with the biological goals and objectives in Yolo HCP/NCCP Chapter 6, Conservation Strategy. Yolo Habitat Conservancy Board, Minute Order No. 20-36.

To accomplish the duties outlined in Yolo Habitat Conservancy Board, Minute Order No. 20-36, the Yolo Habitat Conservancy Implementation Advisory Committee will perform the following functions:

- Assist Conservancy staff with review of Special Participating Entities (SPEs) requests. SPEs are agencies or individuals that conduct projects that qualify as covered activities within the Yolo HCP/NCCP Plan Area that are not subject to the jurisdiction of the member agencies but may affect listed species that are covered under the Yolo HCP/NCCP and require take authorization from USFWS and/or CDFW. Such organizations may include state agencies and utilities or individuals or entities with activities that may result in take but do not require a discretionary permit from a member agency. Entities that fit this criterion may request coverage through the Yolo HCP/NCCP. The Implementation Advisory Committee will review the request if the take coverage requested exceeds 0.25% of the maximum allowable loss of permanent or temporary acreages of natural communities listed in Table 5-1 and make a recommendation to the YHC Board of Directors whether or not to allow the project to receive coverage as an SPE. The Implementation Advisory Committee will not review projects that request any of the following natural communities because there is no allowable permanent or temporary loss for those natural communities in Table 5-1: *Serpentine, Chamise Chaparral, Mixed Chaparral, Oak and Foothill Pine, Close-Cone Pine-Cypress, Montane Hardwood, Valley Oak Woodland, Vernal pool complex.*

Table 5-1. Maximum Allowable Loss, Natural Communities

Natural Community	Existing Acreage	Maximum Allowable Loss (Permanent Impact)	Maximum Allowable Loss (Temporary Impact)	Acreage thresholds for Committee Review – 0.25% of existing permanent and temporary acreages
Rice	35,724	87	0	- P: 0.22 - T: NA
Cultivated Lands (non-rice)	214,939	9,910	203	- P: 24.78 - T: 0.51
Grassland	80,911	1,734	28	- P: 4.34 - T: 0.07
Blue Oak Woodland	35,891	3	0	- P: 0.008 - T: NA
Alkali Prairie	312	4	0	- P: 0.01 - T: NA
Fresh Emergent Wetland	26,309	88	0	- P: 0.22 - T: NA
Valley Foothill Riparian	12,565	588	0	- P: 1.47 - T: NA
Lacustrine and Riverine	13,493	236	31	- P: 0.59 - T: 0.08

- Assist Conservancy staff, landowners, land trusts, nonprofit organizations, and municipalities with implementation of the voluntary stewardship-driven conservation efforts that support the protection and enhancement of focal species habitat across a



variety of natural communities and compatible agricultural lands, assist in obtaining grants for these efforts, and promote the protection of wildlife corridors outlined in the Yolo Regional Conservation Investment Strategy/Local Conservation Plan (Yolo RCIS/LCP)

Makeup of membership

9 voting members total

- One representative from each member agency jurisdiction (County of Yolo, City of Davis, City of West Sacramento, City of Winters, and City of Woodland).
- One representative from the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation.
- Three representatives from agricultural and wildlife conservation organizations.

6 non-voting members total

- One representative from each member agency jurisdiction planning staff (County of Yolo, City of Davis, City of West Sacramento, City of Winters, and City of Woodland).
- One representative from the University of California, Davis

The six members of the advisory body representing the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation and the five memberagency jurisdictions may be filled directly without subsequent action by the YHC Board of Directors.

