



Yolo Habitat Conservancy

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To: Gary Sandy, Chair
Members of the Board

From: Alexander Tengolics
Executive Director

Re: Receive and file transmittal memo recommending the Hawk Creek Site for inclusion in the Yolo HCP/NCCP reserve system; approve the Hawk Creek Site as a candidate Yolo HCP/NCCP conservation easement site

Date: September 19, 2022

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

1. Receive and file transmittal memo recommending the Hawk Creek Site for inclusion in the Yolo HCP/NCCP reserve system (Attachment A)
2. Approve the Hawk Creek Site as a candidate Yolo HCP/NCCP conservation easement site

BACKGROUND:

The 63-acre portion of the Hawk Creek property that is being considered for an HCP/NCCP conservation easement is within the Cache Creek Ecological Corridor, a Priority 1 HCP/NCCP acquisition area within Planning Unit 7. Conservancy and Yolo HCP/NCCP Science and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC) representatives conducted a site visit on the Hawk Creek Site, on May 18, 2022, and concluded that the site contains high value riparian and wetland habitats as well as opportunities for VELB mitigation and habitat restoration at-large. The STAC recommends enrollment of the property in the HCP/NCCP reserve system as summarized in the transmittal memo (Attachment A).

The Executive Director recommends that the Board approve the Hawk Creek Site as a candidate Yolo HCP/NCCP conservation easement site. Following Board approval staff will seek concurrence from CDFW and USFWS that the site be considered a candidate Yolo HCP/NCCP conservation easement site and, if approved, will work with the landowner, CDFW, and USFWS staff to prepare the appropriate conservation easement documents and return to the Board for final action.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A. Transmittal memo recommending the Hawk Creek Site for inclusion in the Yolo HCP/NCCP reserve system

Attachment B. Location map of Hawk Creek Site