



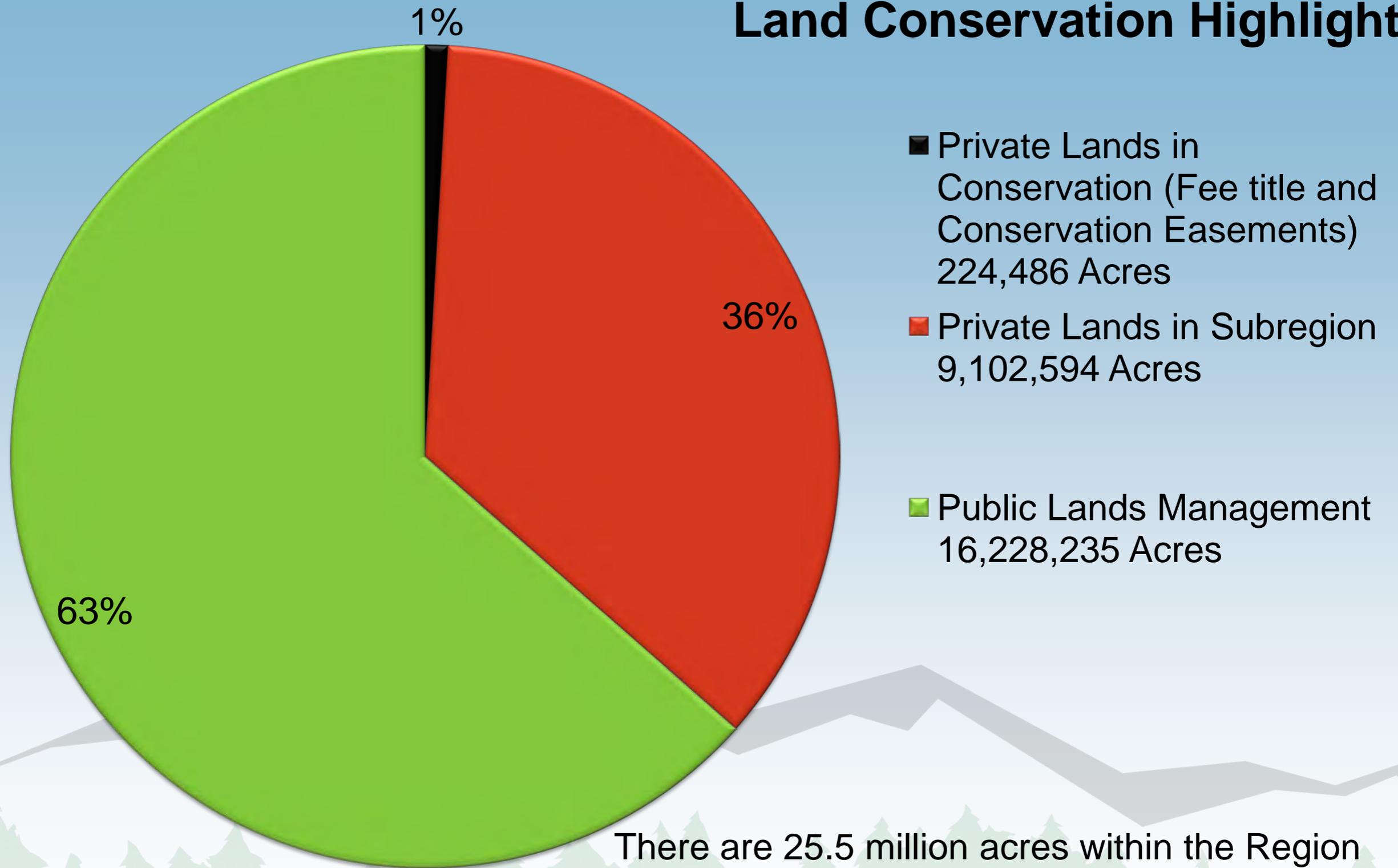
Agenda Item X

Land Conservation and Wildlife Habitat System Indicators Report

System Indicator Reports

1. Demographics and Economy
2. *Land Conservation and Wildlife Habitat*
3. Water and Air Quality and Climate
4. Agricultural Lands and Ranches
5. Forest Lands

Land Conservation Highlights



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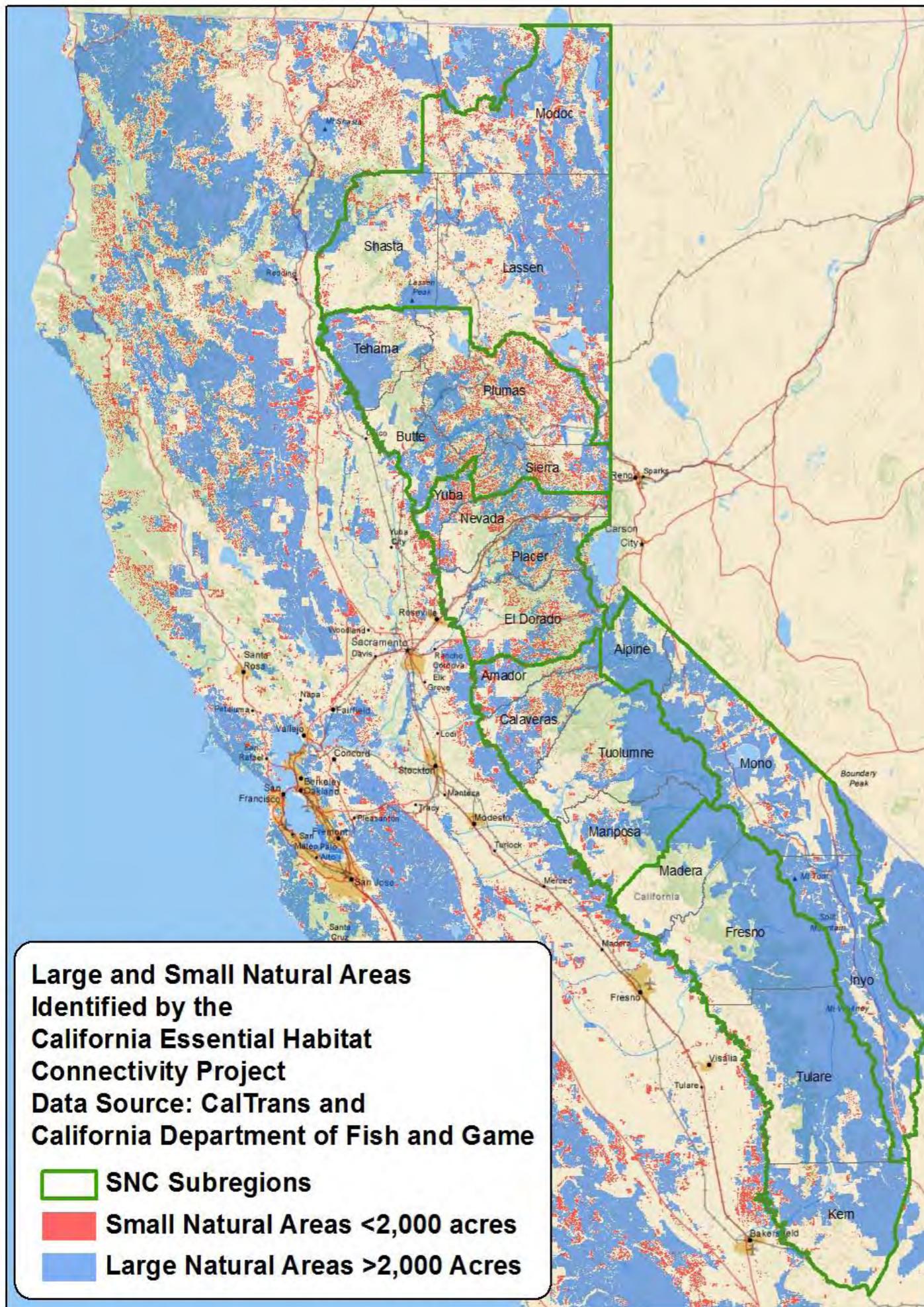
- 16.4 million acres conserved
- Public lands:
 - 64.3% US Forest Service
 - 19.3% US Bureau of Land Management
 - 10.6% National Park Service
- Public lands dominate above 3,000 (74%) and private lands below (76.5%)

Variance Among Subregions

- Acres conserved:
 - East has 98.3%
 - Central has 47.2%
- Portion of Subregion that is public lands
 - East is 94.2%
 - North is 53.8%
- Portion of private lands in conservation
 - North Central has 8.8%
 - South Central has 0.5

Wildlife Habitat Highlights

- 11.6 million acres (49%) are large natural areas and the proportion increases with elevation (68.6% of the land >6,000')
- 74% of land between 3,000' and 6,000' is public lands, but only 37% are large natural areas, due to higher road density
- Land below 3,000' on the west side has experienced greatest degree of fragmentation



Large Natural Areas (>2,000 acres)

- Below 3,000': 26% of land
- 3,000' to 6,000': 37% of land
- Above 6,000': 69% of land

Small Natural Areas (<2,000 acres)

- Below 3,000': 7% of land
- 3,000 to 6,000': 8% of land
- Above 6,000': 4% of land

Areas Not Identified as Large or Small Natural Areas:

- Below 3,000': 67% of land
- 3,000 to 6,000': 55% of land
- Above 6,000': 27% of land

Next Steps

- Post info on Web site
- Update over time
- Bring in new sources of data
- Share info and additional detail with others

Staff Recommendation

Approve report after making any revisions resulting from Board review.

