



Valley Water

Clean Water • Healthy Environment • Flood Protection



Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program
Priority D – Project D7

Partnerships for Conservation of Habitat Lands: Sargent Ranch



Priority D

Restore wildlife habitat
and provide open space access

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D7: Partnerships for the Conservation of Habitat Lands*

Select a Grants and Environmental Protection Proj

Funding from this project helps the community acquire and protect habitat to preserve local ecosystems.

KPI #1: Provide up to \$8 million per 15-year cycle for acquisition or enhancement of property which:

- Protects, enhances, and restores natural resources
- Contributes to the recovery of special status species
- Reduces habitat fragmentation



Completed Partnership Agreements

2018: Baird/Tilton Ranch

- \$8 million
- 834-acre parcel
- Coyote ceanothus
- Valley Habitat Agency



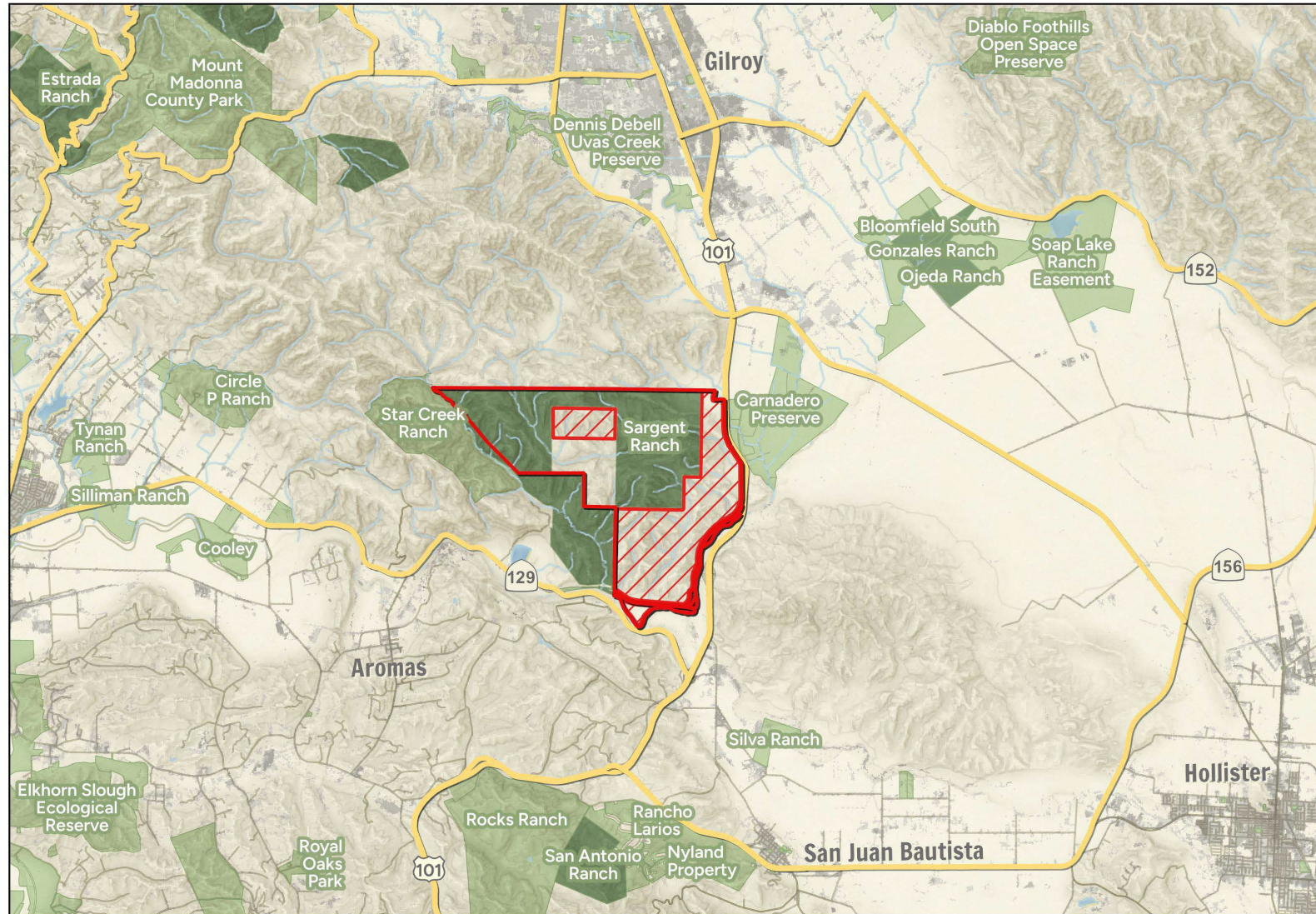
Completed Partnership Agreements

2024: Richmond Ranch

- \$4 million
- 944-acre parcel (partial)
- Headwaters of Thompson and Silver Creeks
- Valley Habitat Agency/County Parks



Proposed Partnership: Sargent Ranch



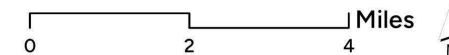
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Sources: ESRI, POST, CPAD, San Benito/Santa Cruz/Santa Clara/Monterey County.



Sargent Ranch

-  Property Boundary
-  Phase 2
-  POST-Protected Land
-  Other Protected Land



Special-Status Species at Sargent Ranch

- South-Central California Coast steelhead
- California tiger salamander
- California red-legged frog
- Northwestern pond turtle
- American badger
- Bald eagle
- White-tailed kite
- Prairie falcon
- Long-eared owl
- Western burrowing owl
- Least Bell's vireo
- Pink cream-sacs
- Hoover's button celery

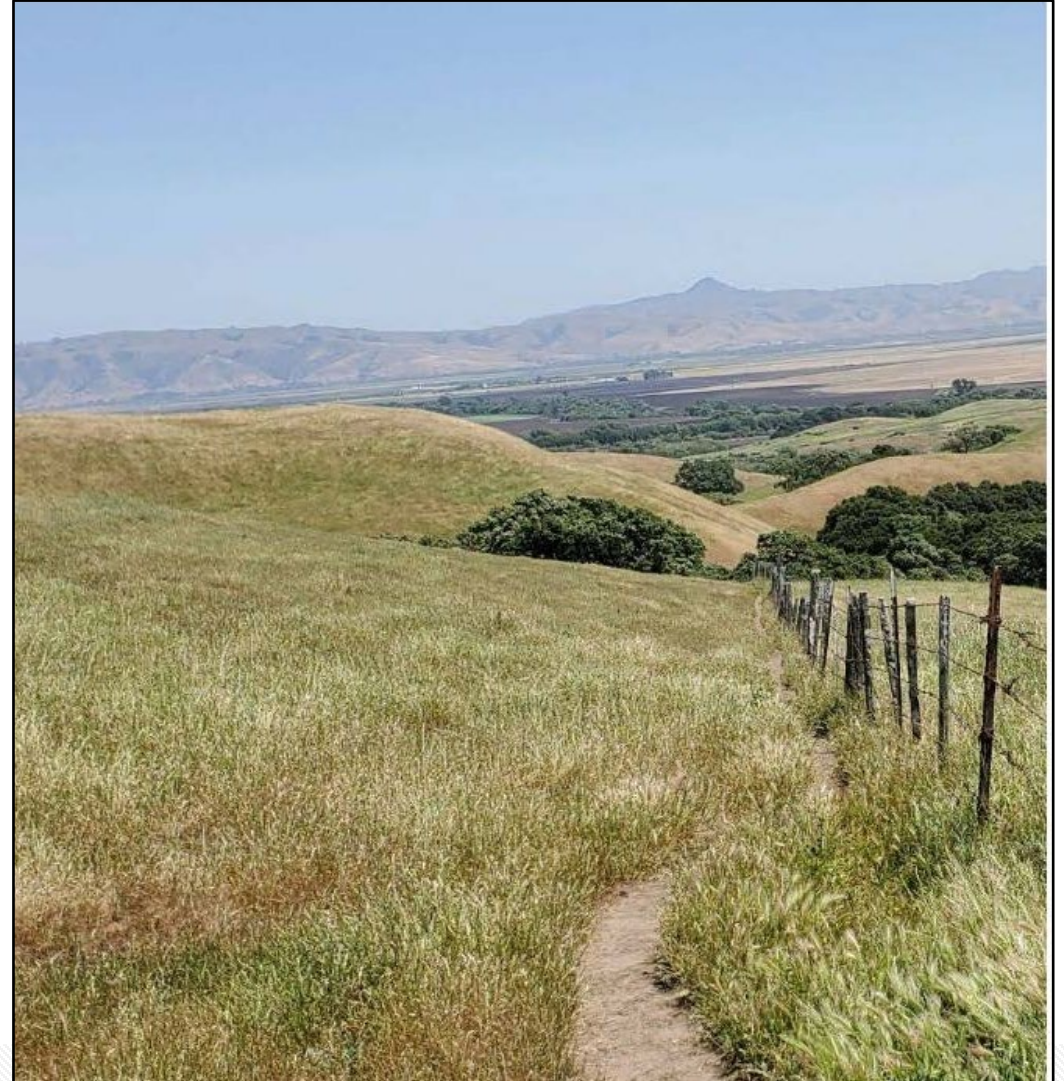
Juristac Tribal Cultural Landscape

Most sacred landscape of the Amah Mutsun people



Proposed Partnership: Sargent Ranch

- \$3.95 million
- 5,254 acre parcel (partial)
- Largest and highest priority conservation property
- Regionally-significant natural and cultural resource values
- Peninsula Open Space Trust



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<https://www.valleywater.org/safe-clean-water-and-natural-flood-protection-program>

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Questions & Answers

