

2024 SJMSCP Development Fees Annual Adjustment

City Council Meeting, November 13, 2023 Item 5.4

Background



- November 6, 2001 Lathrop City Council adopted Resolution No. 01-194 establishing the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP).
- The Plan allows project applicants to mitigate for impacts to covered species resulting from new development.
- Participation in the Plan fulfills ESA, CESA NEPA & CEQA requirements and provides a streamlined process saving time and money.

2024 Annual Fee Update



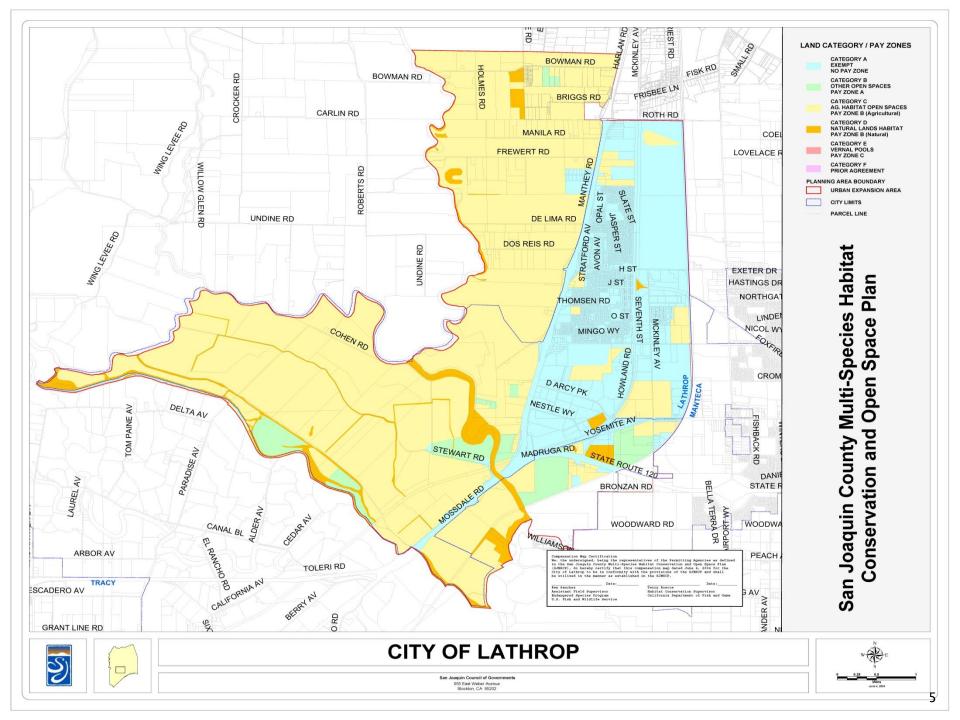
- The SJMSCP (Habitat) fees are adjusted annually.
- On August 24, 2023, SJCOG Board Inc. approved the annual adjustment to the Habitat fees.
- The final calculation of the 2024 fees shows an approx. <u>decrease of 7.4%</u> in the most commonly impacted categories of Agricultural and Natural habitat classifications compared to 2023.
- All participating cities and the County are required to adopt the annual adjustment of fees.

Proposed 2024 Fees

SJMSCP Fees	2023	2024
Habitat Type	Current Fee Per Acre	New Fee per Acre
Multi-Purpose Open Space	\$9,629	\$8,918
Agriculture or Natural	\$19,255	\$17,833
Vernal Pool – grasslands	\$75,320	\$69,408
Vernal Pool – wetted	\$176,878	\$177,724

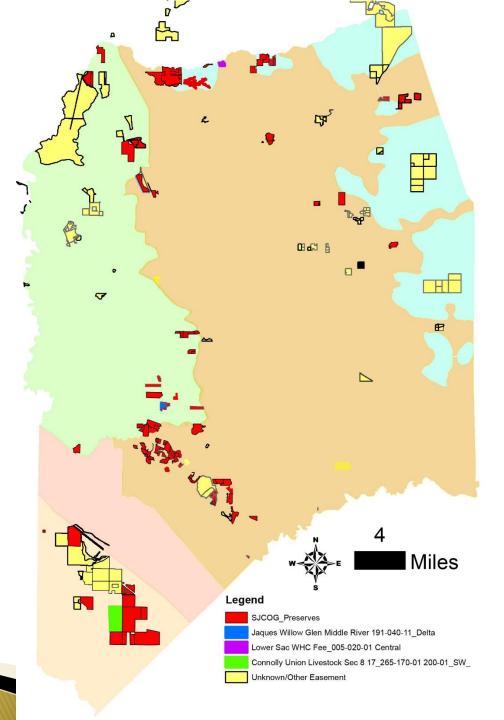
Note: Lathrop has no Vernal Pool – grasslands or wetted areas





Existing Habitat Preserves in San Joaquin County as Of 2021

20,196 acres





Recommendation



SJCOG and Staff recommend the City Council take the following actions:

Hold a Public Hearing; and

 Adopt a Resolution approving the annual adjustment to the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan (SJMSCP) Development Fees for 2024.