

The South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan (SSHCP) addresses issues related to urban development, habitat conservation and agricultural protection throughout much of south Sacramento County. It will consolidate efforts to protect and enhance wetlands (primarily vernal pools) and upland habitats to provide large, interconnected and ecologically viable conservation areas.



## Additional Resources

- ◆ Building Assistance Center at 827 7th Street, First Floor
- ◆ PER website: <http://www.per.saccounty.net/Pages/default.aspx>
- ◆ HCP website: <https://www.southsachcp.com/>
- ◆ Email questions to [SSHCP@saccounty.net](mailto:SSHCP@saccounty.net)

**Office of Planning and  
Environmental Review**

**827 7th Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
E-mail: [SSHCP@saccounty.net](mailto:SSHCP@saccounty.net)**

Published 3/26/19

# South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan (SSHCP)

*Streamlined regulatory permitting  
process for development in South  
Sacramento County*

SACRAMENTO  
COUNTY

a fresh take.  
RANCHO CORDOVA  
CALIFORNIA



CAPITAL | SOUTHEAST  
CONNECTOR  
Connecting Communities

REGIONAL SAN



## What is the SSHCP?

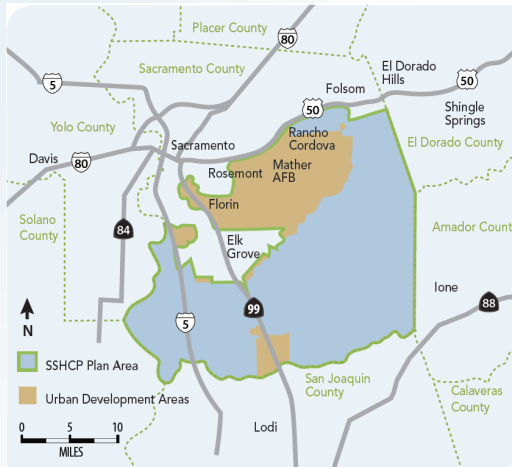
The SSHCP is your central federal regulatory permitting authority. The SSHCP provides a comprehensive plan for the management of existing terrestrial and aquatic habitat. By identifying areas to be urbanized and selective inter-connected preservation of high quality habitat for over 28 species and their natural habitat types, the cumulative conservation efforts will provide the greatest protection to open space and agricultural lands.

The SSHCP has been created to streamline all of your permitting needs.



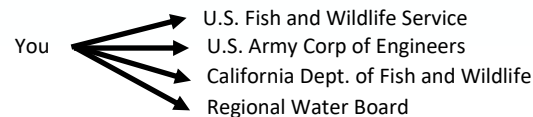
## SSHCP and You

All properties within the SSHCP must comply with the Plan. All covered activities get to use the new SSHCP streamlined permitting process.



If you are planning a new development project or need a building permit, you are encouraged to ask Planning and Environmental Review (PER) staff to determine if your project is subject to the SSHCP. Some smaller projects (i.e., new roof) in the Plan area may be screened out from further review. PER staff will inform you if a Permit Application Form is required. The form is available at: <http://www.per.saccounty.net/Pages/Planning-Applications.aspx>

### Permitting Process Prior to SSCHP



## What does this mean for my project?

You will submit a completed SSHCP Permit Application Form. Information required as part of the application includes a project description, site plan, vicinity map, and applicable technical reports such as wetlands delineation reports, plant surveys, and biological surveys.

As part of permit authorization under the SSHCP, you will likely be subject to SSHCP Avoidance and Minimization Measures (AMM) and payment of mitigation fees.

## How is this different?

Before the SSHCP, projects that required permits from federal or State agencies for impacts to surface waters or endangered species would contact each agency separately. The SSHCP allows your project to be processed at the local level. You will now work with one point of contact at a local jurisdiction (County, Rancho Cordova, or Galt) for required federal permits.

Note: The SSHCP is a habitat based/land cover type Plan; therefore, mitigation fees are based on land cover rather than occurrence of species.

### Permitting Process After SSCHP

