

## **3.0 Conservation Planning Process/ Description And Area Plan Criteria of the MSHCP Conservation Area**

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data overlays using GIS. Initial refined concepts were developed for review and comment by the Wildlife Agencies and their comments were addressed in the refined concepts. A more detailed description of the organizing framework and methodology used to develop the Conceptual Reserve Design/Criteria-Based Plan is presented in *Section 3.3.1* of this document.

### **3.1.10 Description and Analysis of MSHCP Conservation Area**

The process described in *Sections 3.1.1 through 3.1.8* resulted in identification of an MSHCP Conservation Area that could be described and analyzed. The description and analysis of the MSHCP Conservation Area have two primary purposes: **(1)** to provide a complete enough description of the Conservation anticipated under the MSHCP such that Reserve Assembly can be adequately measured and monitored over the long-term MSHCP implementation process, while at the same time incorporating sufficient flexibility to allow appropriate response to new information and changing conditions; and **(2)** to provide a sufficient level of detail to permit analysis of Covered Species consistent with regulatory requirements. A generalized description and analysis of the MSHCP Conservation Area is presented in *Section 3.2* of this document and in *Section A* of the *Reference Document - Volume II of the MSHCP Plan*. The detailed species accounts are included in *Section B* of the *Reference Document - Volume II of the MSHCP Plan* and summary species accounts are provided in *Section 9.0* of this document.