

A. MSHCP Conservation Area Description



**TABLE 1
ACREAGE OF GENERALIZED VEGETATION COMMUNITIES
TO BE CONSERVED WITHIN THE MSHCP CONSERVATION AREA**

Vegetation Community	MSHCP Conservation Area Acres	Percentage Conserved	Cumulative Percentage
Chaparral	272,280	54.5	54.5
Coastal Sage Scrub	81,720	16.3	70.8
Grassland	42,820	8.6	79.4
Woodlands and Forests	23,500	4.7	84.1
Montane Coniferous Forest	20,500	4.1	88.2
Agricultural Land	20,020	4.0	92.2
Riparian Scrub, Woodland, Forest	11,190	2.2	94.4
Playas and Vernal Pools	6,750	1.3	95.7
Water	10,340	2.1	97.8
Riversidean Alluvial Fan Sage Scrub	5,230	1.0	98.8
Desert Scrubs	4,990	1.0	99.8
Meadows and Marshes	510	0.1	99.9
Cismontane Alkali Marsh	40	<0.1	100.0
TOTAL¹	499,890	100.0	

¹ Approximately 1,240 acres in the MSHCP Conservation Area are mapped as “unknown.” This acreage is omitted from this analysis. Developed also is omitted from the table because it does not contribute to the MSHCP Conservation Area.

Although most of the MSHCP Conservation Area is comprised of relatively few generalized vegetation types, it does represent the distribution of generalized vegetation types within the entire Plan Area, as illustrated by the comparison in *Table 2* of the relative percent distribution in the MSHCP Conservation Area and the relative percent distribution in the Plan Area. For example, the relative distribution of chaparral in the MSHCP Conservation Area is 55% of the total acreage in the