



CPAD 2015b Release Notice

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An update to the California Protected Areas Database (CPAD) has just been published by GreenInfo Network (www.GreenInfo.org). CPAD is the statewide GIS database of all of California's protected areas, from the smallest urban parks to the largest national park and wilderness areas.

CPAD only contains data about lands that are protected for open space purposes and owned in fee by agencies and organizations. A total of 49,320,000 acres of protected open land are now inventoried in CPAD (just under half of California's total land area) – this total is made up of 57,900 separate holdings or parcels, that are grouped into 14,500 “parks” or preserves, and are owned by just over 1,000 governmental agencies and non-profit and other organizations. For lands conserved with easements, see www.CALands.org to learn more about the California Conservation Easement Database (CCED).

What's New

This is a major update to CPAD - see more about the new data release in the **CPAD Manual**, available on CALands.org. Significant edits made include:

- Substantial improvements in Los Angeles County:
 - Over 3,000 holdings were revised or added, with improvements made to the spatial alignment and attributes of lands
 - Nearly 700 new units covering over 15,000 acres
 - Updates to over 130 agency units in Los Angeles County - major agency updates for SMMC/MRCA, County lands, LAUSD lands, cities of: Los Angeles, Long Beach, Santa Clarita, Azusa, Palmdale, Glendale
 - Inclusion of many parks covered by joint use school agreements
 - Core attribute improvements
- Significant improvements to the boundaries and names of properties held by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy in the Los Angeles region
- In San Diego County, over 900 holdings were revised or added.
- Improvements to large-scale parks and open space in San Diego County, including Otay Ranch Preserve and San Dieguito River Park
- Minor fixes to Bureau of Land Management, CalFire, and the San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge holdings
- Incorporated over 50 user-submitted edits across the state through our MapCollaborator™ application
- Standardization for naming unknown or unnamed protected lands in all CPAD data
- SUPERUNITS are now based on managing agency, not owner, and continue to extend across county boundaries – this is mainly to support recreation applications of the data

What YOU Can Do to Improve CPAD

Review CPAD data and propose edits or additions using **MapCollaborator™**, an easy-to-use web mapping application, available at: www.calands.org/revise

SUBSCRIBE to the Calif. Protected Areas Data NEWS

Stay in touch with CPAD updates and related program information by subscribing to the periodic our e-newsletter – go to www.CALands.org to sign up (we won't sell or trade your email address).

CPAD SUPPORTERS: The updates in this version of CPAD were supported by funding from the Natural Resources Agency/DWR, the Resources Legacy Fund and the USGS Gap Analysis Program.

GET THE DATA: CPAD is available for download or as a web service at the California Natural Resources Agency's Data Portal – learn more at www.CALands.org

USES OF CPAD: CPAD is suitable for general planning and analysis by government agencies, non-profits, private businesses, planning consultants and many other users, including individuals with access to GIS technology.

NOT OFFICIAL OWNERSHIP DATA: CPAD data is not a replacement for and does not override official land ownership data for any individual agency – users needing the most up to date, or official boundaries must contact relevant agencies for that information. CPAD data may not be fully up to date or accurate in relation to owning agency data and is provided “as-is” to users – see the CPAD Disclaimer for more information.

NATIONAL PROGRAM: CPAD is also an element in a national program to improve protected land inventories – learn more about the Protected Areas Database of the United States (PAD-US, of which CPAD is a part) at the US Geological Survey's Gap Analysis Program website (<http://gapanalysis.usgs.gov/padus>).

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CALIFORNIA'S TOP 50 PROTECTED AREAS OWNERS – CPAD, December 2015

Total Acres in CPAD: 49,319,911

Percent acres owned by top 50 owners: 98.7%

Agency Name	Acres	Rank
United States Forest Service	20,712,272	1
United States Bureau of Land Management	15,150,187	2
United States National Park Service	7,600,003	3
California Department of Parks and Recreation	1,348,026	4
California Department of Fish and Wildlife	671,517	5
California State Lands Commission	582,445	6
Los Angeles - Department of Water and Power, City of	405,071	7
United States Fish and Wildlife Service	315,608	8
United States Bureau of Reclamation	245,197	9
The Nature Conservancy	149,876	10
The Wildlands Conservancy	135,536	11
Imperial Irrigation District	103,369	12
East Bay Regional Park District	99,016	13
California Department of Water Resources	87,096	14
The Conservation Fund - California	74,124	15
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection	72,702	16
United States Army Corps of Engineers	69,180	17
San Diego, City of	68,835	18
San Francisco - Public Utilities Commission, City and County of	63,082	19
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District	55,976	20
East Bay Municipal Utility District	48,885	21
Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Dept., County of	46,946	22
Santa Catalina Island Conservancy	41,975	23
Vista Irrigation District	40,961	24
Other State	40,126	25
San Diego, County of	39,978	26
University of California	37,018	27
Orange, County of	35,892	28
Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority	35,396	29
Riverside, County of	22,455	30
Marin Municipal Water District	21,605	31
United States Department of Defense	20,356	32
Contra Costa Water District	19,006	33
Santa Clara County Open Space Authority	17,739	34
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California	17,508	35
Monterey, County of	16,568	36
Los Angeles, City of	16,024	37
Marin County Open Space District	15,639	38
Truckee Donner Land Trust	15,024	39
San Mateo County Parks and Recreation Dept., County of	14,914	40
National Audubon Society	14,692	41
Anza-Borrego Foundation	14,188	42
Los Angeles, County of	13,641	43
California Rangeland Trust	12,786	44
Sonoma Land Trust	12,603	45
Monterey County Water Resources Agency	12,460	46
Central Valley Flood Protection Board	12,452	47
Center for Natural Lands Management	11,786	48
American River Conservancy	11,633	49
Peninsula Open Space Trust	11,358	50
TOTAL ACRES	48,700,733	

CPAD ACRES BY COUNTY – December 2015

COUNTY	OPEN Access	RESTRICTED Access	NO Access	Unknown	Grand Total
Alameda	68,566	41,301	9,205		119,072
Alpine	437,460	6,601			444,061
Amador	92,006	53	4,354		96,412
Butte	185,858	37,267	141	3	223,269
Calaveras	139,040	697	8,406		148,143
Colusa	112,369	13,265	2,223	305	128,161
Contra Costa	87,101	34,647	16,471		138,220
Del Norte	489,038	6,305	14	4	495,361
El Dorado	554,535	1,342	1,112	77	557,066
Fresno	1,519,617	20,064	4,269	738	1,544,689
Glenn	220,218	28,565	10,511	700	259,994
Humboldt	577,960	19,903	1	1,786	599,649
Imperial	1,520,602	11,379	31,521	6,838	1,570,341
Inyo	5,999,515	2,568		604	6,002,686
Kern	1,116,555	181,836	14,606	18,332	1,331,330
Kings	10,487				10,487
Lake	393,165	5,995		1,865	401,025
Lassen	1,723,287	43,159		2,780	1,769,226
Los Angeles	832,066	48,398	7,552	15,140	903,156
Madera	512,573	474	1,216	967	515,230
Marin	154,531	5,054	3,129		162,714
Mariposa	495,163	120	899	117	496,298
Mendocino	400,202	23,202	42,026	829	466,260
Merced	40,757	62,517	7,263		110,537
Modoc	1,676,868	48,986			1,725,854
Mono	1,837,690	18,162	113	40	1,856,004
Monterey	397,826	35,580	28,686	1,059	463,152
Napa	73,721	44,850	12,200		130,771
Nevada	221,962	8,644	686		231,291
Orange	113,980	12,617	59	11,269	137,924
Placer	421,842	1,174	1,470		424,486
Plumas	1,195,915	3,267	338	1,241	1,200,761
Riverside	2,666,455	150,429	18,734	16,284	2,851,902
Sacramento	26,056	17,678	16,955	6,363	67,054
San Benito	113,307	4		375	113,685
San Bernardino	8,523,699	89,573	804	3,819	8,617,894
San Diego	1,254,402	62,402	32,391	5,122	1,354,317
San Francisco	5,627	9	112		5,747
San Joaquin	6,457	1,630	10,274		18,360
San Luis Obispo	475,201	55,547	2,729	29	533,506
San Mateo	52,786	34,209	24,903		111,898
Santa Barbara	669,288	132,236	1,781	1,243	804,548
Santa Clara	141,803	41,169	29,475		212,446
Santa Cruz	58,823	6,529	19,255		84,608
Shasta	1,008,323	7,020	21		1,015,365
Sierra	429,769	21,449			451,217
Siskiyou	2,533,568	24,067	5,829	61	2,563,524
Solano	10,654	41,348	9,934		61,936
Sonoma	61,659	44,431	33,200		139,290
Stanislaus	45,229	9,911	28,882	5	84,027
Sutter	481	8,399	4,793	5	13,678
Tehama	453,134	91,339	1,265	608	546,345
Trinity	1,561,658	618			1,562,276
Tulare	1,533,490	10,964	13,366		1,557,820
Tuolumne	1,096,873	2,891			1,099,763
Ventura	635,504	3,870	3,268	877	643,519
Yolo	31,218	21,442	786	7,991	61,436
Yuba	57,034	21,483	4	1,597	80,117
TOTALS	47,074,970	1,668,638	467,232	109,071	49,319,911