



# **Classification and Recovery Actions**

**Carlsbad & Palm Springs  
Fish and Wildlife Offices**

**Spring Biannual Tribal Coordination Meeting**

**May 7, 2024**

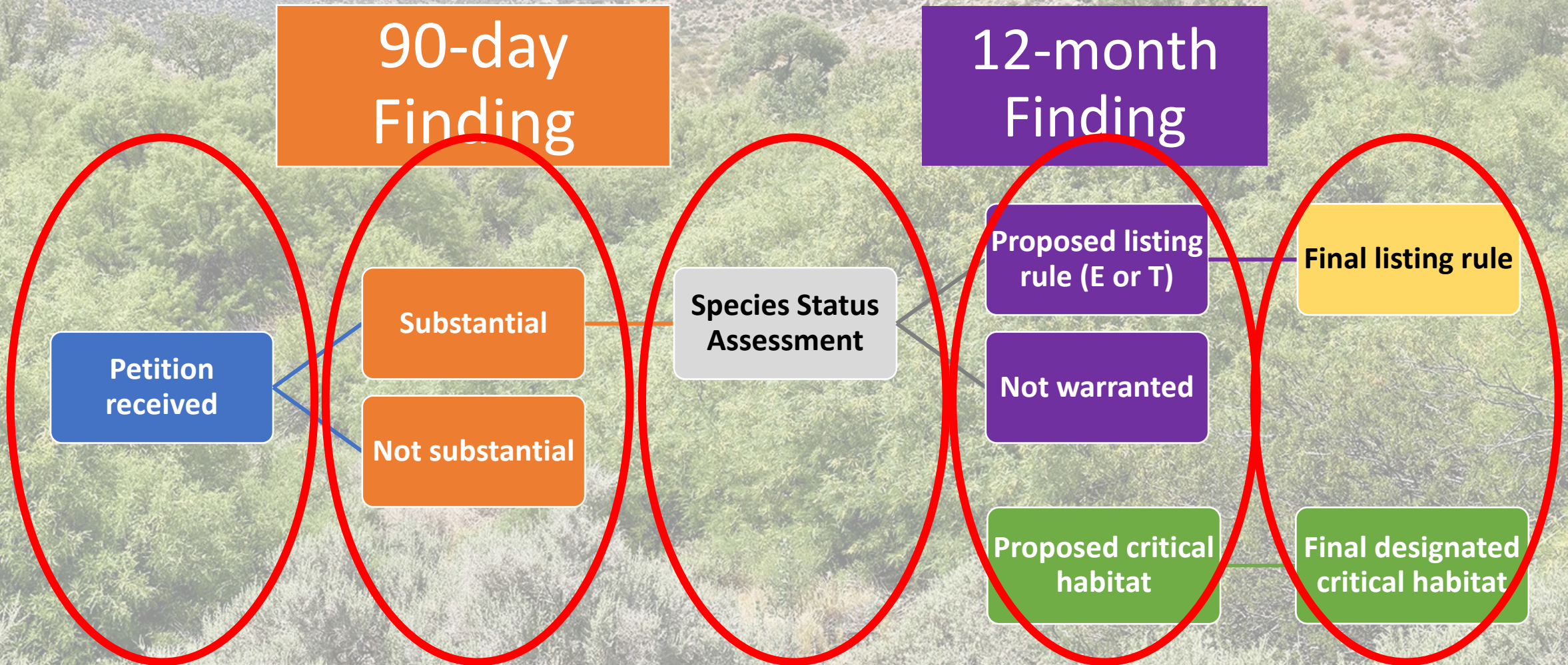
# Overview

**1. Listing Actions**

**2. Delisting and Downlisting (Endangered to Threatened) Actions**

**3. Recovery Planning**

# Typical Listing Process



# Listing Actions

Species	Listing Action	Publication Date	Citation
California spotted owl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12-month: Not warranted [subsequent lawsuit]</li> <li>• 12-month: Proposed to list Endangered (southern DPS)</li> <li>• Final rule</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• November 8, 2019</li> <li>• February 23, 2023</li> <li>• <b>Expected 2024</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>84 FR 60371</li> <li>88 FR 11600</li> </ul>
Joshua tree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12-month: Not warranted [subsequent lawsuit]</li> <li>• 12-month: Not warranted [2<sup>nd</sup> review]</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• August 15, 2019</li> <li>• March 9, 2023</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>84 FR 41694</li> <li>88 FR 14536</li> </ul>
Western pond turtle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Substantial 90-day petition finding</li> <li>• 12-month: Proposed to list as Threatened (SW pond turtle)</li> <li>• <b>Comment period re-opened (closed May 6, 2024)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 12, 2015</li> <li>• October 3, 2023</li> <li>• <b>April 4, 2024</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>80 FR 19259</li> <li>88 FR 68370</li> <li>89 FR 23534</li> </ul>
Western spadefoot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Substantial 90-day petition finding</li> <li>• <b>12-month: Proposed to list as Threatened (southern DPS)</b></li> <li>• Final rule</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• July 1, 2015</li> <li>• <b>December 5, 2023</b></li> <li>• <b>Expected 2024</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>80 FR 37568</li> <li>88 FR 84252</li> </ul>
Santa Ana speckled dace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Substantial 90-day petition finding</li> <li>• 12-month listing status-review</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• June 17, 2021</li> <li>• <b>Expected 2024</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>86 FR 32241</li> </ul>
Inyo Rock Daisy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Substantial 90-day petition finding</li> <li>• 12-month listing status-review</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March 21, 2023</li> <li>• Expected 2026</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>88 FR 16933</li> </ul>
White-margined penstemon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Substantial 90-day petition finding</b></li> <li>• 12-month listing status-review</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January 25, 2024</b></li> <li>• TBD</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>89 FR 4885</li> </ul>

# California spotted owl

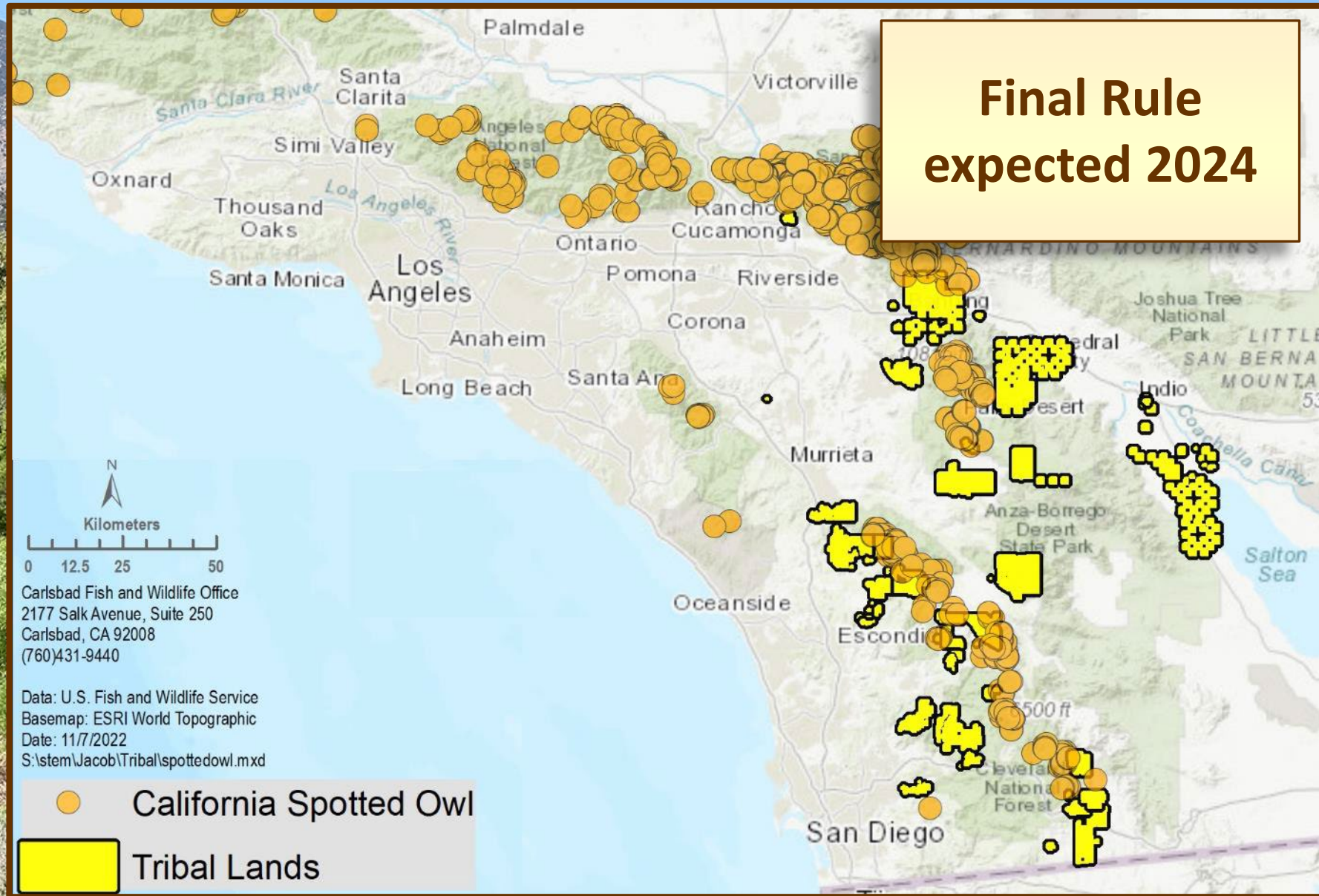
## Revised 12-month finding



## Two distinct population segments (DPS)

# California spotted owl

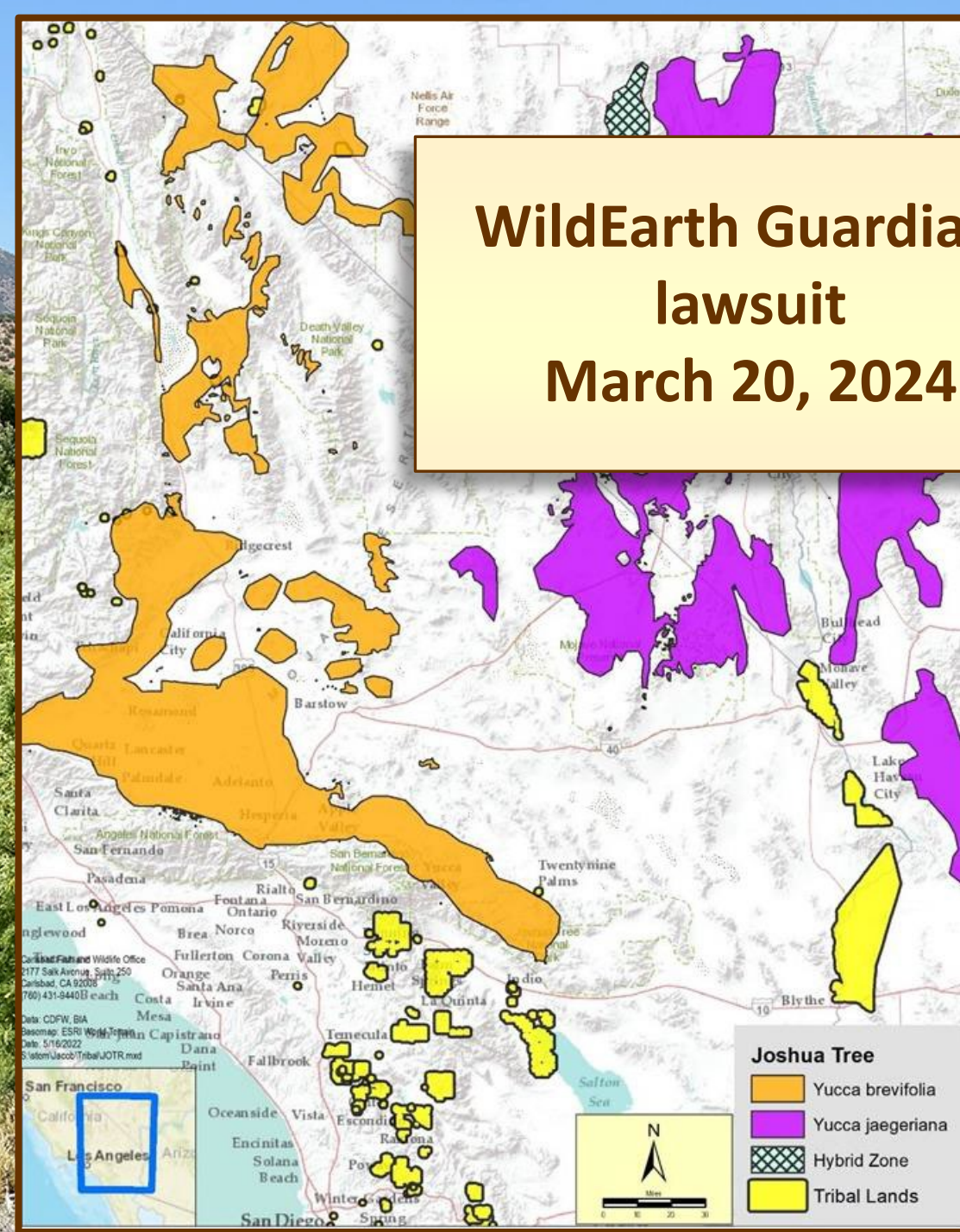
## Revised 12-month finding (continued)



# Joshua Tree Revised 12-month finding



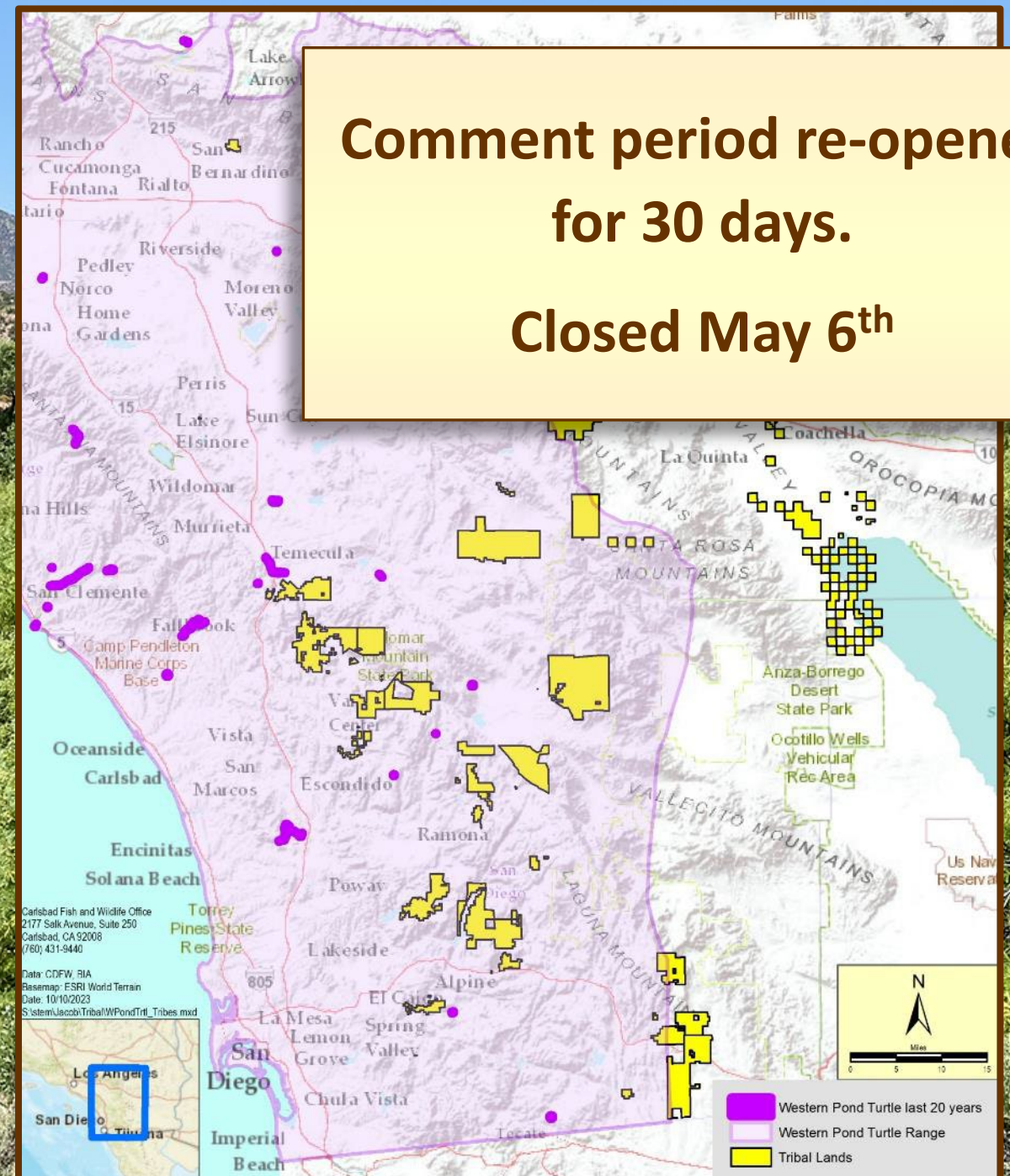
**WildEarth Guardians  
lawsuit  
March 20, 2024**



# Southwestern pond turtle 12-month finding



Comment period re-opened  
for 30 days.  
Closed May 6<sup>th</sup>



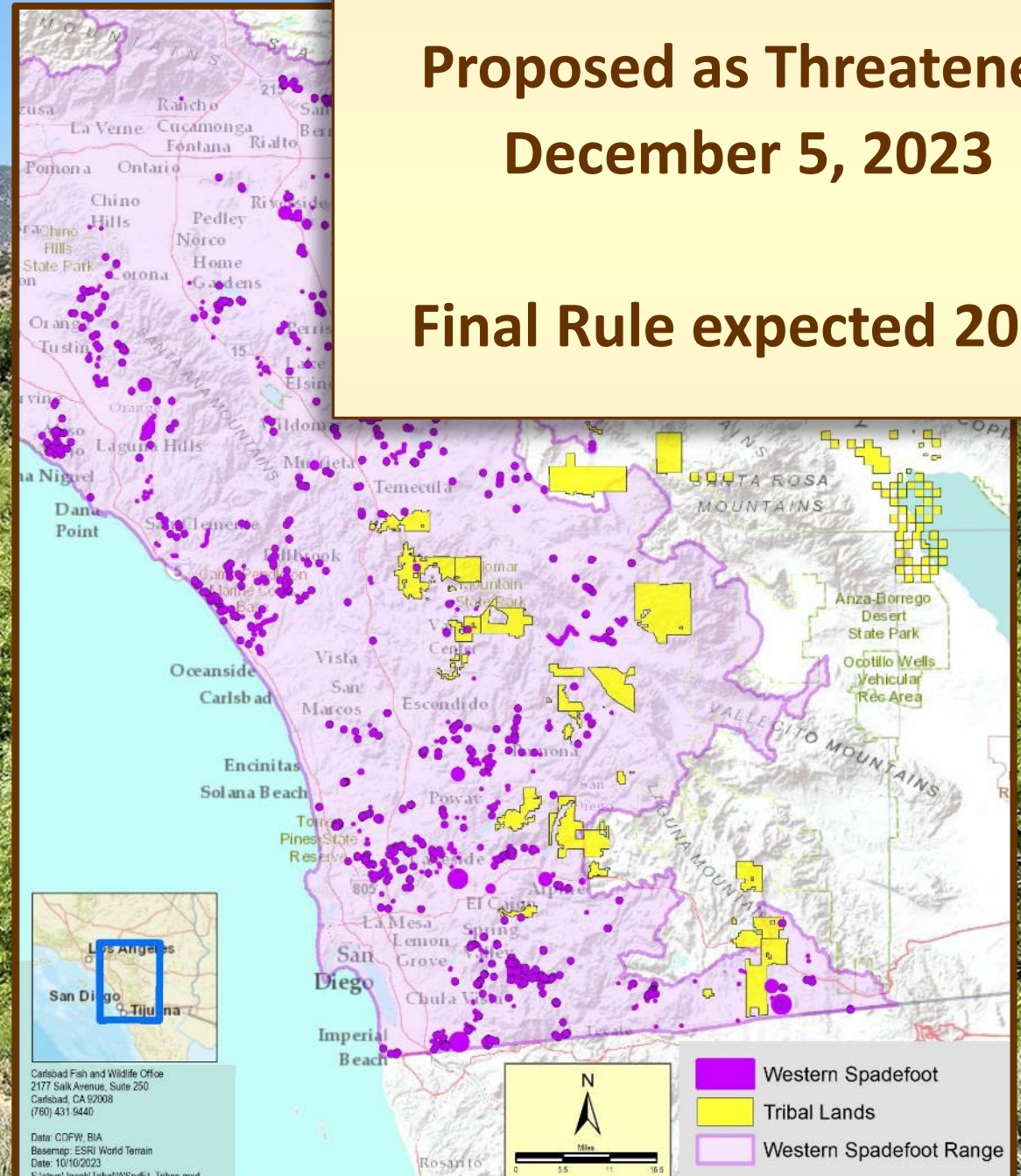


# Western spadefoot southern DPS 12-month finding

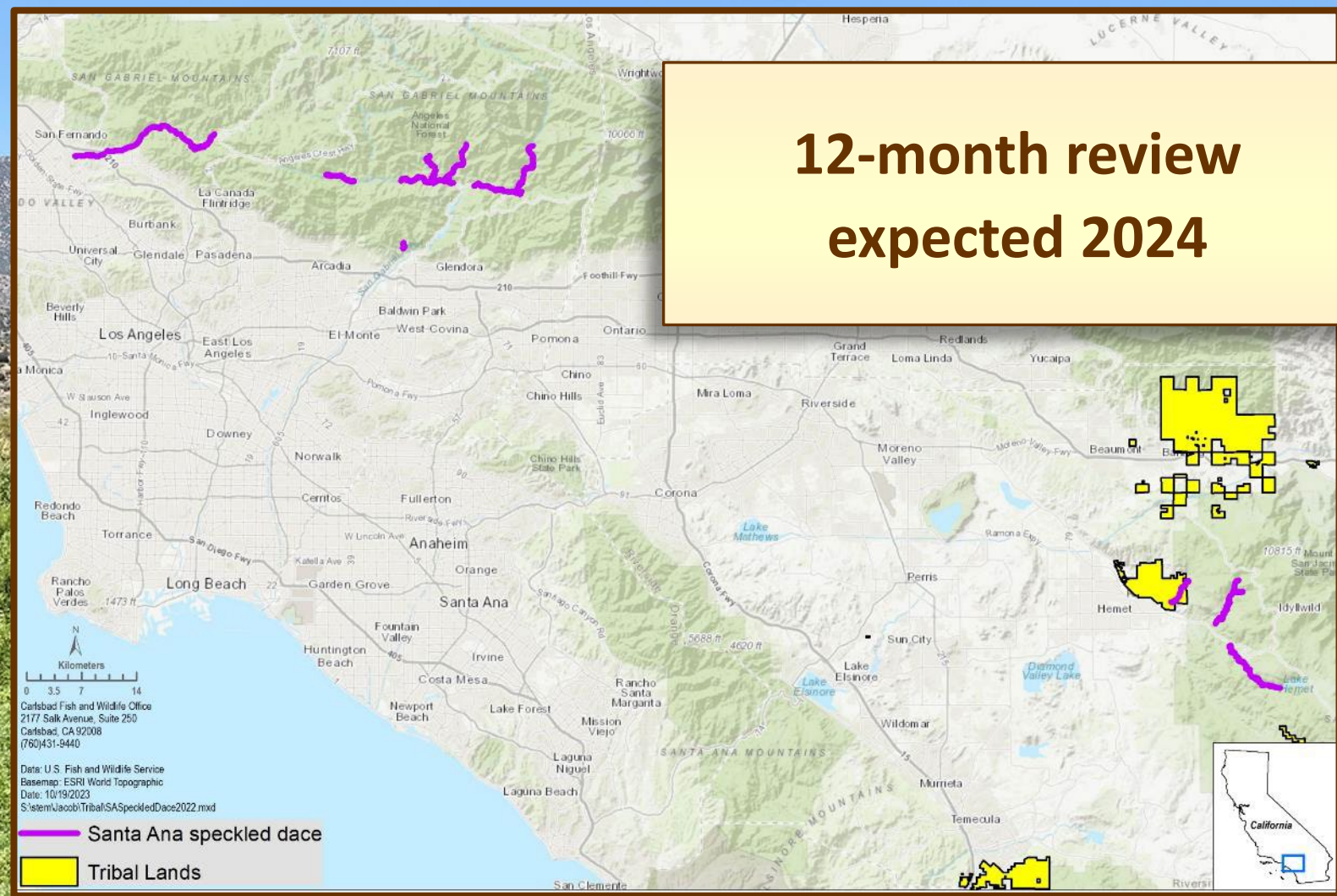


Proposed as Threatened  
December 5, 2023

Final Rule expected 2024



# Santa Ana speckled dace 12-month finding



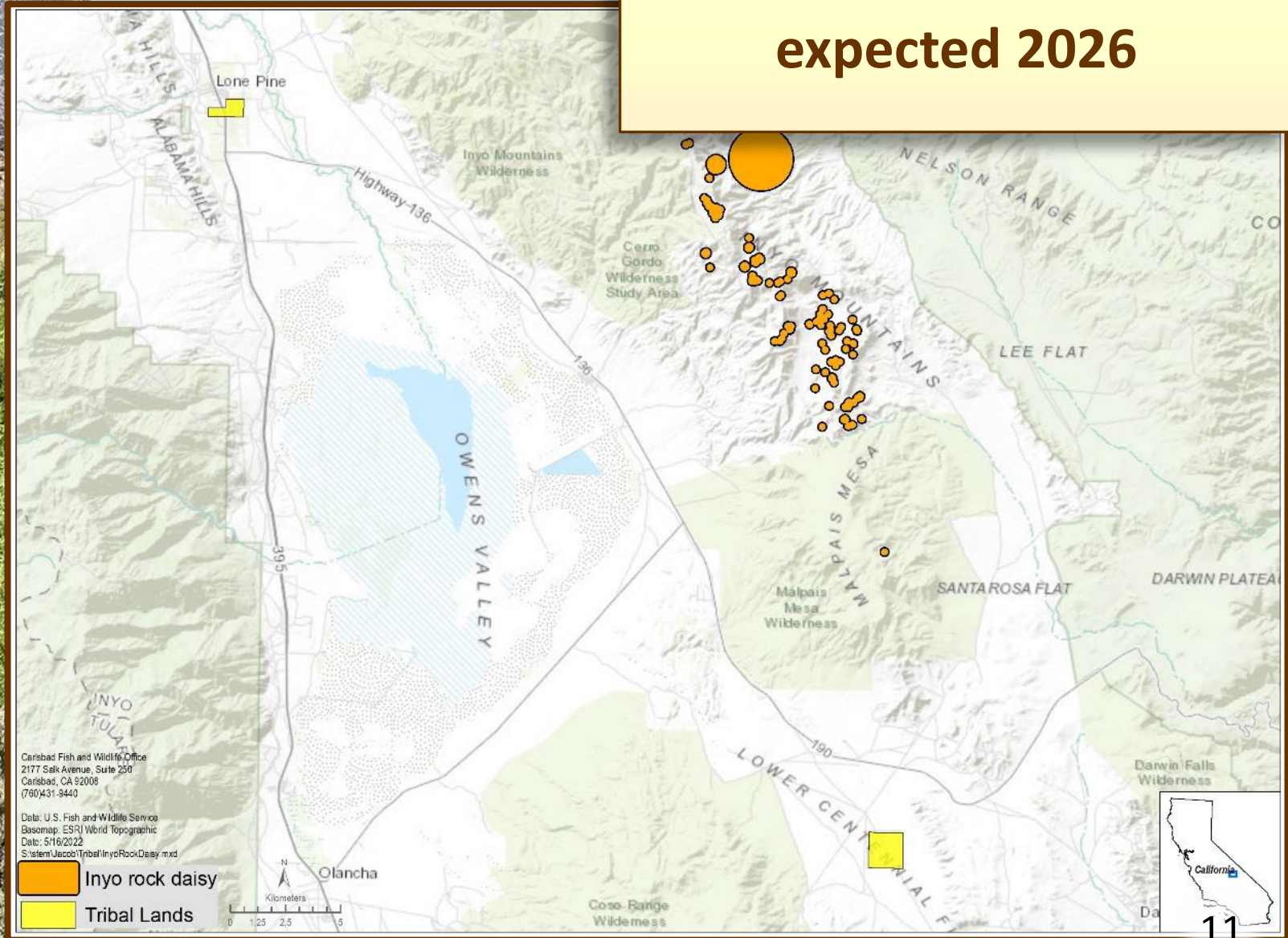
12-month review  
expected 2024



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Dave (Gio) Giordano

# Inyo rock daisy 12-month finding

12-month review expected 2026



# White-margined penstemon

BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR

PETITION TO THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE TO LIST THE WHITE-MARGINED PENSTEMON (*Penstemon albomarginatus*) AS THREATENED OR ENDANGERED UNDER THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT AND TO CONCURRENTLY DESIGNATE CRITICAL HABITAT



Photo by Duncan Bell.

CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

March 16, 2023

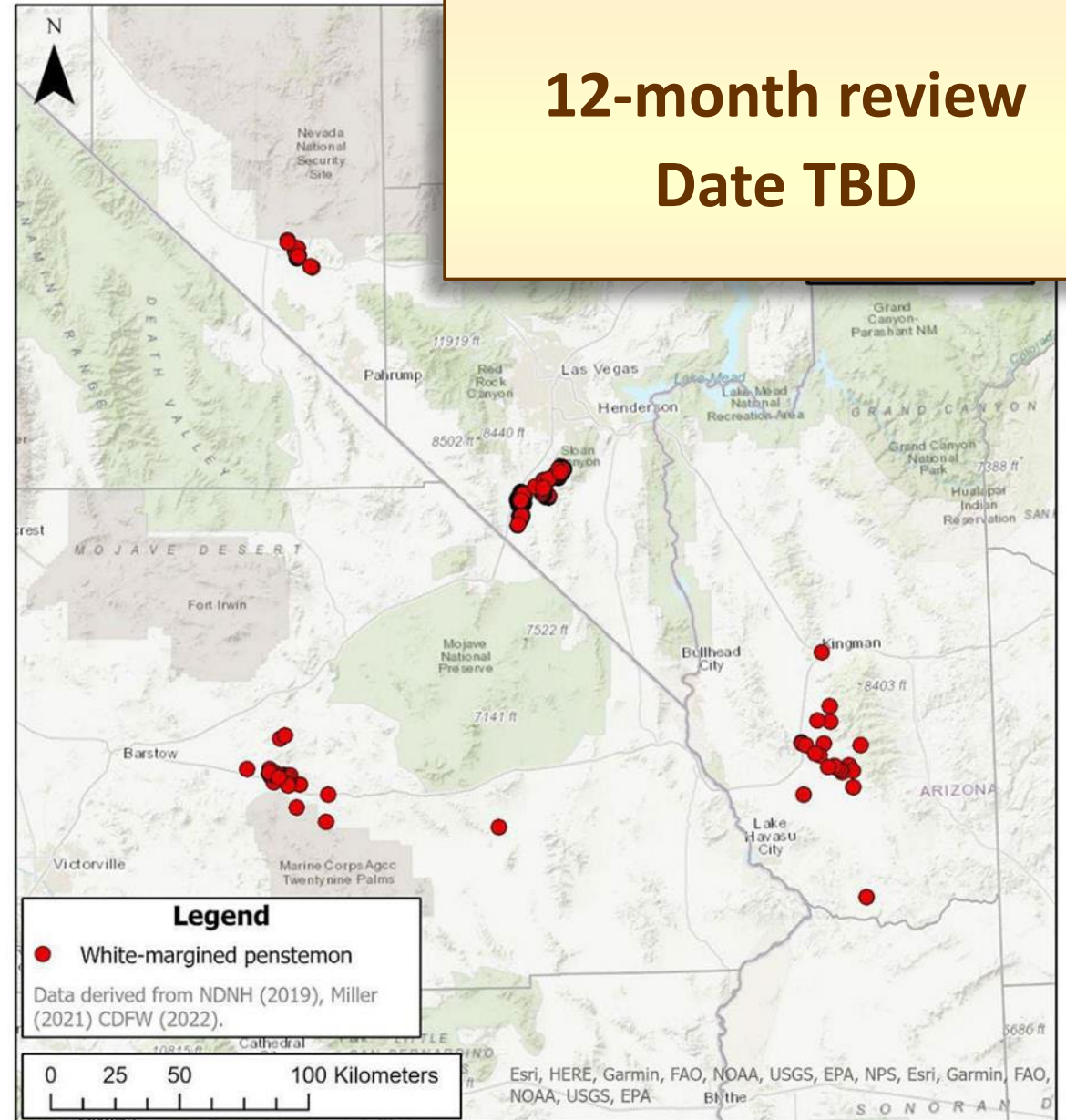
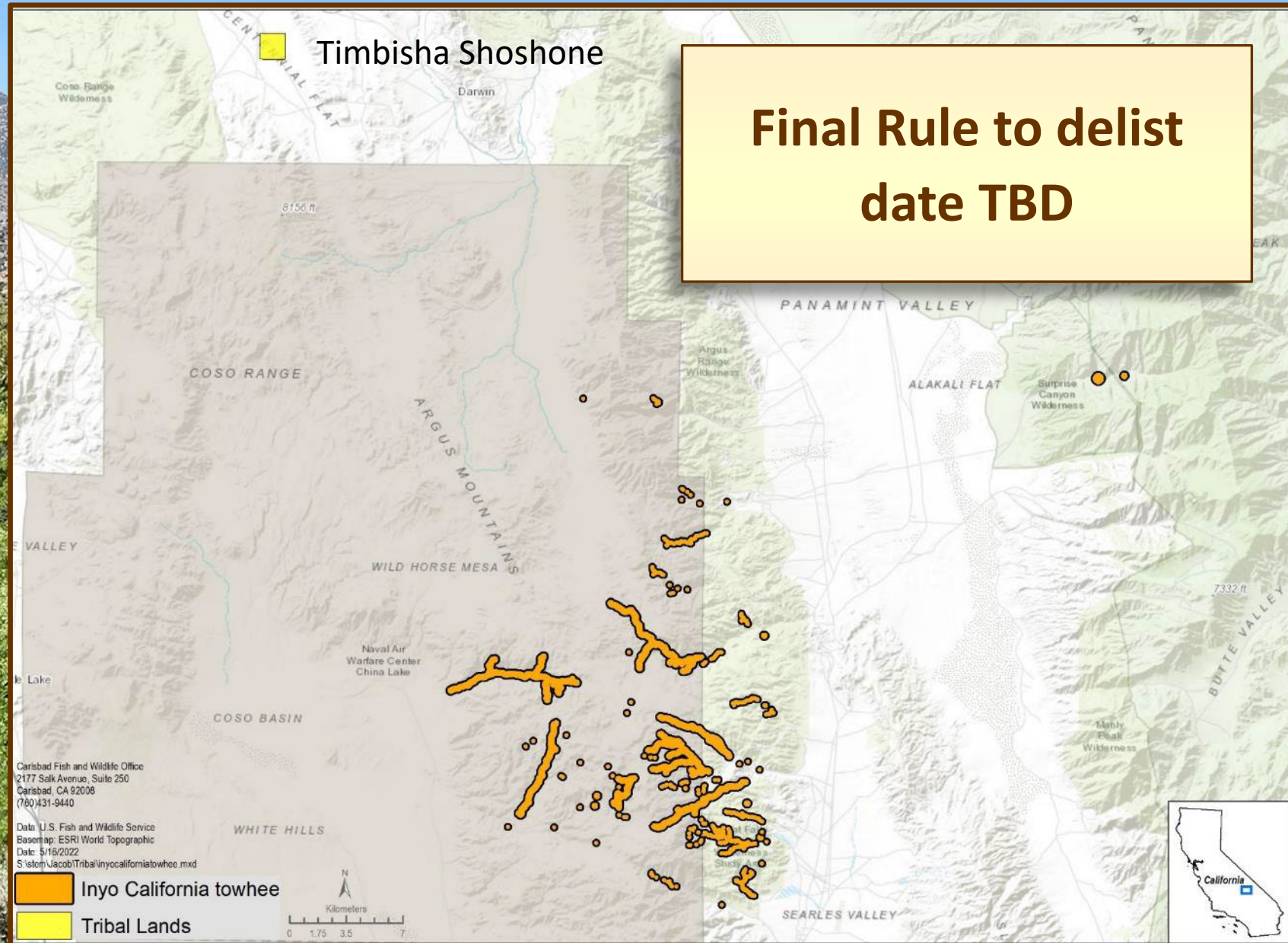


Figure 2. Map of all reported occurrences of white-margined penstemon.

# Downlisting and Delisting Actions

Species	Listing Action	Publication Date	Citation
Inyo California towhee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proposed rule to delist</li><li>• Final rule</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• November 4, 2013</li><li>• <b>Expected 2029</b></li></ul>	78 FR 65938

# Inyo California towhee



# Recovery Plans

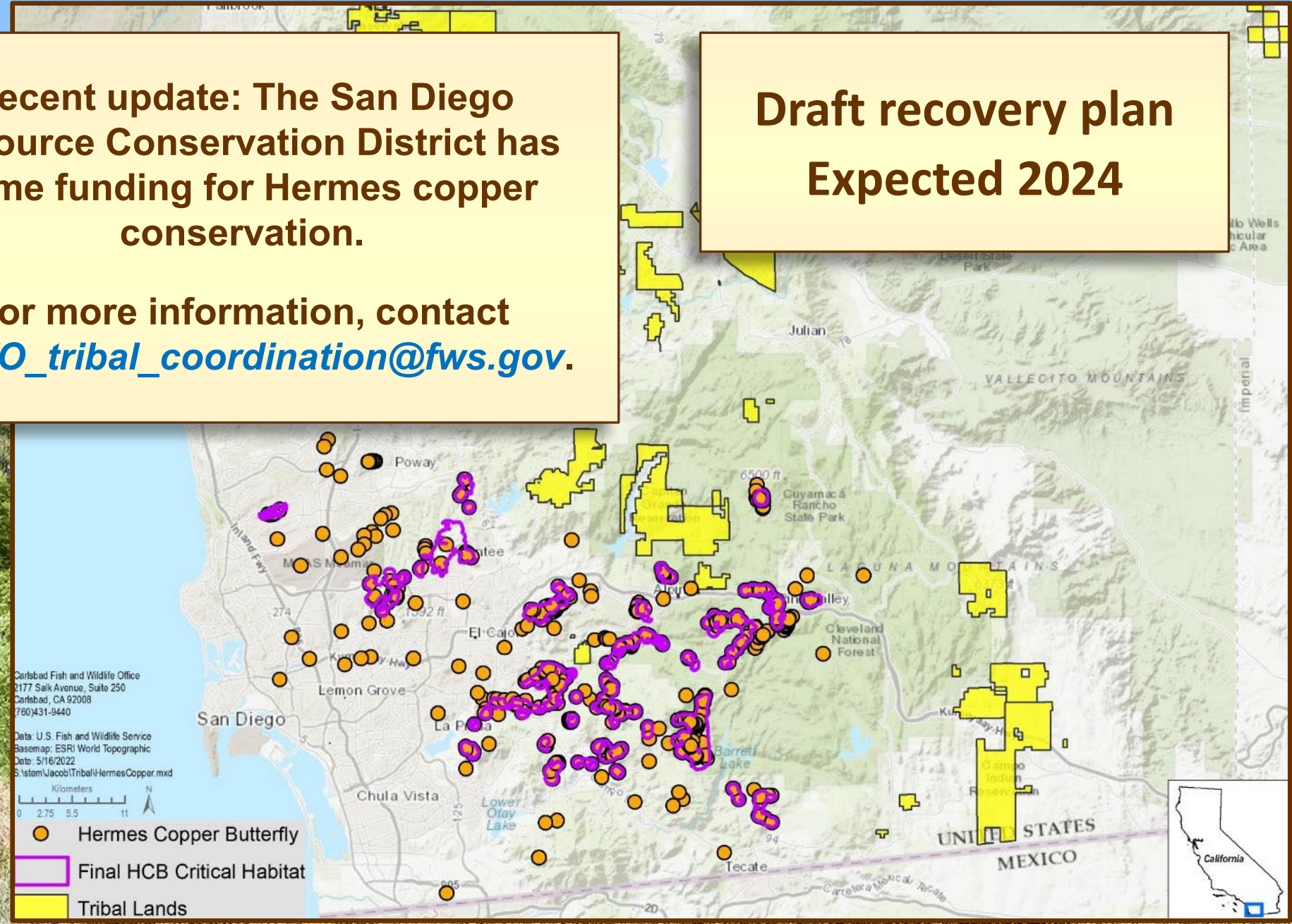
Species	Action	Expected Publication Date
Hermes copper butterfly	Draft Recovery Plan	2024
San Bernardino kangaroo rat	Draft Recovery Plan Final Recovery Plan	December 15, 2023 2024
Coastal California gnatcatcher	Draft Recovery Plan	2024
Casey's June beetle	Draft Recovery Plan	2024
San Bernardino bluegrass	Draft Recovery Plan	2025
Triple-ribbed milk-vetch	Draft Recovery Plan	2024

# Hermes Copper Butterfly

Recent update: The San Diego Resource Conservation District has some funding for Hermes copper conservation.

For more information, contact [CFWO\\_tribal\\_coordination@fws.gov](mailto:CFWO_tribal_coordination@fws.gov).

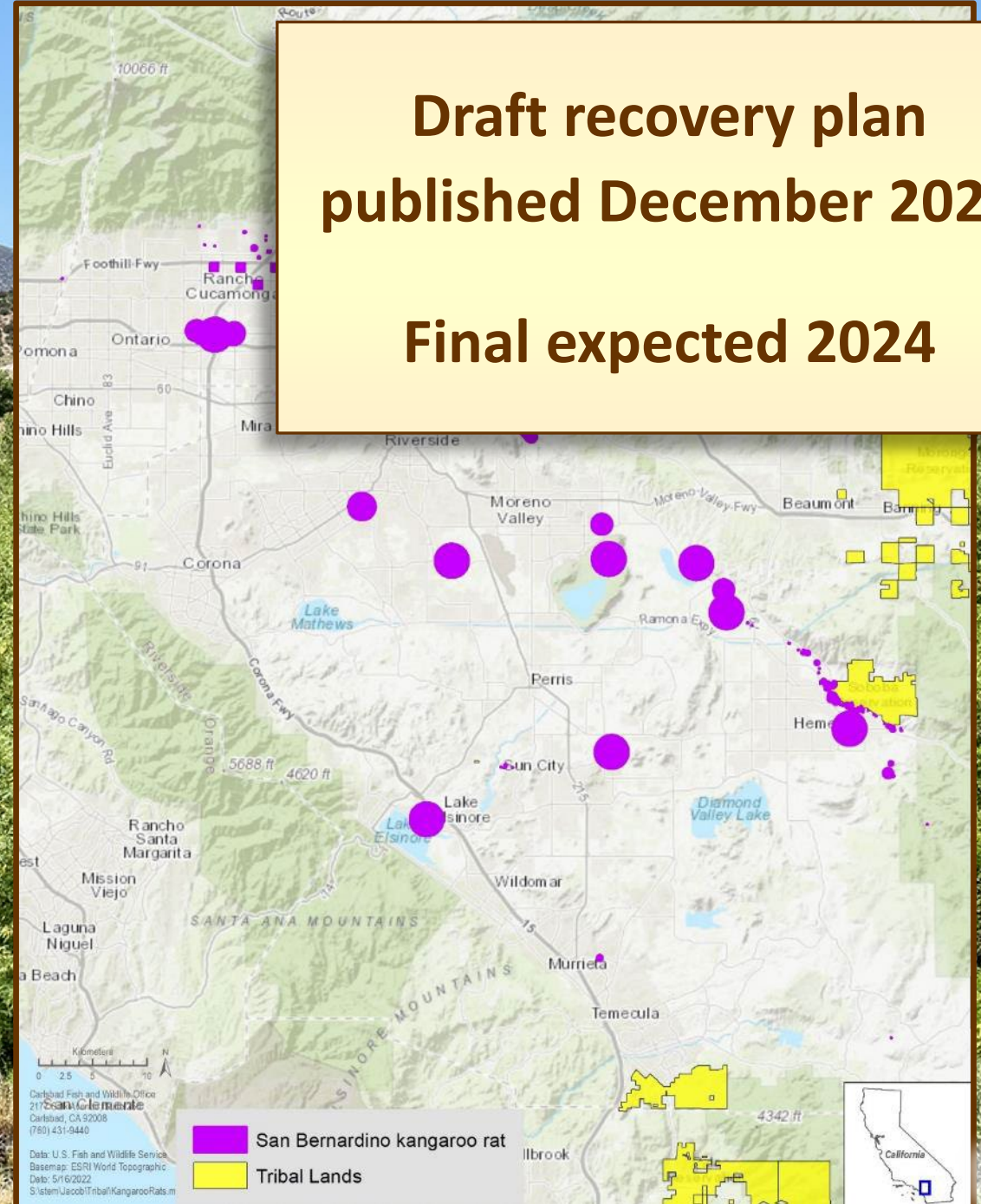
Draft recovery plan  
Expected 2024





# San Bernardino kangaroo rat

Draft recovery plan  
published December 2023  
Final expected 2024

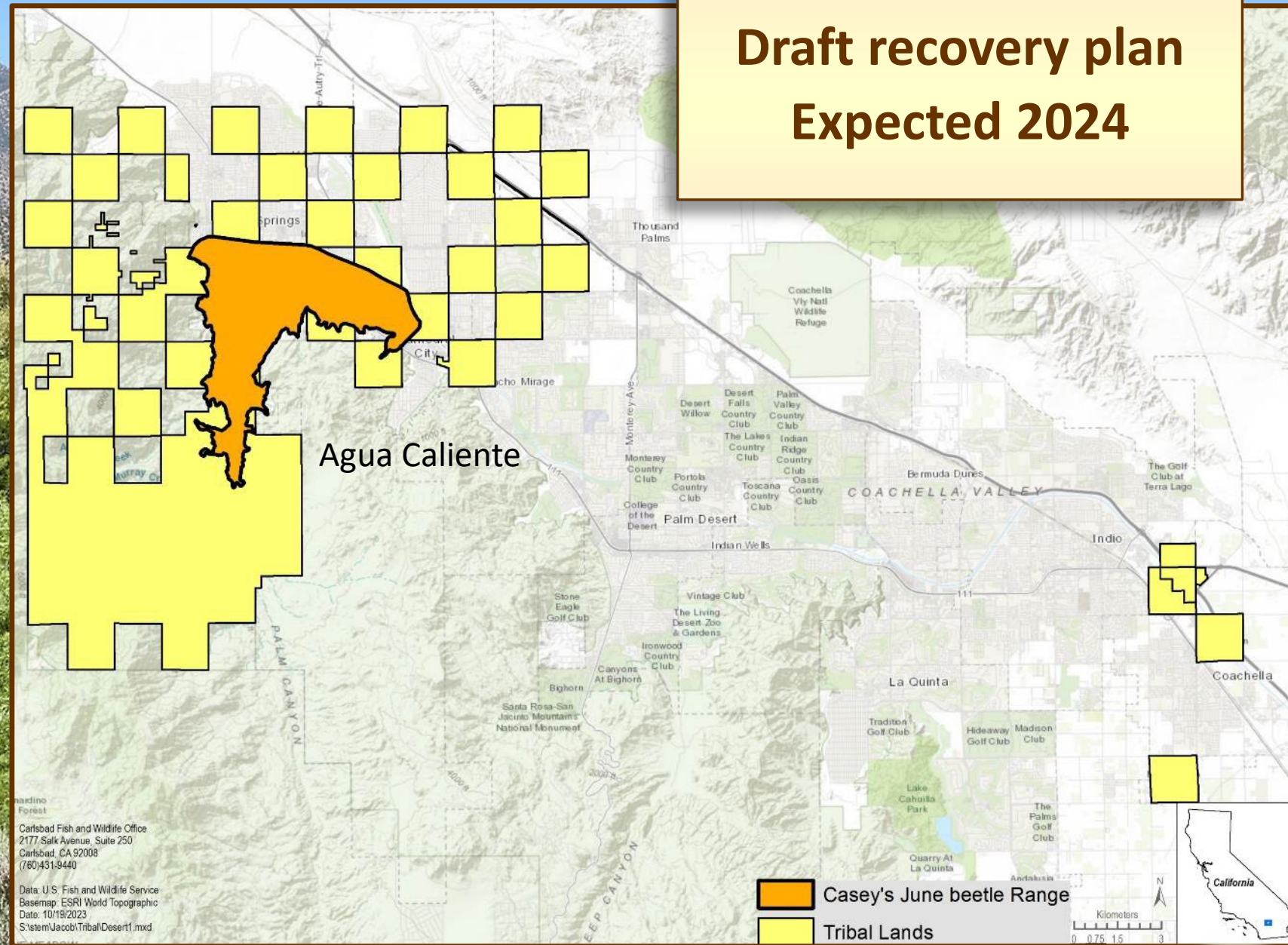




# Casey's June Beetle



Draft recovery plan  
Expected 2024



# San Bernardino Bluegrass

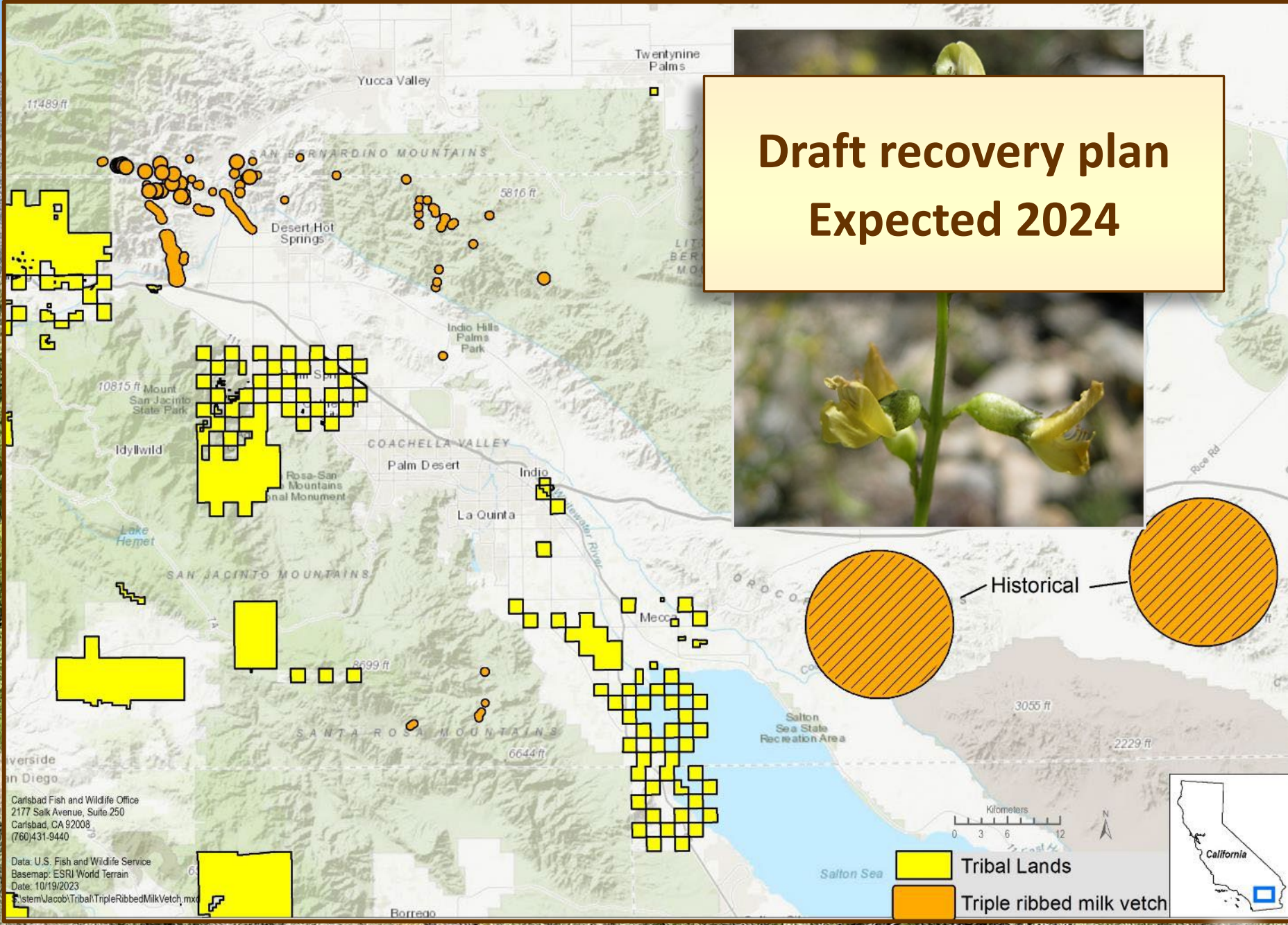
(*Poa atropurpurea*)

Draft recovery plan  
Expected 2025



# Triple-ribbed milk-vetch (*Astragalus tricarinatus*)

Draft recovery plan  
Expected 2024



# Five-year status reviews

## Completed in 2023

Quino checkerspot butterfly

Coachella Valley milk vetch

Santa Ana River woolly-star

Santa Ana sucker

California Orcutt grass

Spreading Navarretia

Lane Mountain milk-vetch

Thread-leaved brodiaea

Del Mar manzanita

Otay tarplant

Coachella Valley fringe-toed lizard

San Diego button-celery

San Diego mesa-mint

## To be completed in 2024

Laguna Mountains skipper

Mountain yellow-legged frog

Peirson's milk-vetch

Eureka dune grass

San Bernardino bluegrass

Casey's June beetle

San Bernardino kangaroo rat

Coastal California gnatcatcher

Inyo California towhee

Santa Cruz Island rockcress

# Five-year status reviews

If you would like to share any information about the upcoming review species, please let us know.

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# Questions?

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