

National HCP Coalition 10th Annual Meeting



When: December 10-12, 2024

Where: Palm Springs, California

Agenda Note: Agenda is subject to change

Updated: 11/22/2024

December 10: Day 1 | Session Topics

Location: Ballroom B

*denotes concurrent session in Ballroom C

Time	Session Topics
7:00 AM	Breakfast: Ballroom A
7:30 AM	Registration Check-In and Tour Sign-Up
8:30 AM	Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians - Bird Song Welcome
8:45 AM	Welcome to Coachella Valley and the National HCP Coalition
9:05 AM	Keynote Speaker: Paul Souza, Southwest Pacific Regional Director, USFWS
10:15 AM	Panel Discussion: Building Bridges Between Indigenous Communities and HCPS
11:00 AM	Session 2a: Protecting Pollinators *
11:30 AM	Lunch: Ballroom A
1:00 PM	Session 3a: Diversity and Inclusion in Conservation Planning *
1:40 PM	Session 4a: Recreation on Conservation Lands *
2:20 PM	Session 5a: Species on the Brink *
3:35 PM	Panel Discussion: Stewardship Opportunities to Manage and Conserve Indigenous Resources on HCP Conservation Lands
4:20 PM	Tour Day Agenda
4:30 PM	National HCP Coalition Year In Review
5:15 PM	End of General Sessions
5:30 PM	"Expanding HCP Voices Across the Nation" Event Hosted by Hogan Lovells
6:30 PM	Trivia Night Hosted by National HCP Coalition

Location: Ballroom C

Time	Session Topics
11:00 AM	Session 2b: Corridor Crossings and Connections
11:30 AM	Lunch: Ballroom A
1:00 PM	Session 3b: Innovative Monitoring Technology and Techniques
1:40 PM	Session 4b: Commitment to Collaboration
2:20 PM	Session 5b: Navigating Water Challenges with HCPs

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Tour Option 1



DESERT ECOSYSTEMS

Tour will visit some of the most beautiful and threatened desert ecosystems, including sand dunes at the base of Mount San Jacinto, and mesquite hummocks and palm oases on the San Andreas fault. Biologists and land managers will highlight listed species of the CVMSHCP, including threats, and implementation issues.

Tour Option 2



RENEWABLE ENERGY & TORTOISE HABITAT

Learn about the successes and challenges of renewable energy projects and desert tortoise conservation with USGS, USFWS, and BLM biologists in the CVMSHCP and DRECP. Sites will include wind generation sites in one of the area's most dense populations of desert tortoise, as well as some of the largest solar arrays east of the Coachella Valley.

Tour Option 3



CONSERVATION IN CALIFORNIA

Join us as we visit locations across San Bernardino and Riverside Counties HCPs. Learn about the innovative approaches underway that have facilitated water infrastructure, transportation, and housing projects while conserving and restoring critical habitat of the San Bernardino kangaroo rat, Santa Ana sucker, least Bell's vireo, and more.

Please select your tour option during registration check-in.

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Time	Session Topics
7:00 AM	Breakfast: Ballroom A
8:30 AM	National HCP Coalition - Business Session
10: 25 AM	Keynote Speaker: Wade Crowfoot, California Secretary of Natural Resources
11:10 AM	Updates from USFWS Headquarters
11:40 AM	Lunch: Ballroom A
1:00 PM	Session 6a: Adapting to Climate Change and Climate Resilience Strategies *
1:40 PM	Session 7a: Focus on Florida HCPs *
2:10 PM	Session 8a: Past Wisdom, Future Goals *
3:20 PM	Session 9a: Golden State Guardians: Exploring California HCPs *
4:00 PM	Closing Remarks
4:20 PM	End of Day

Location: Ballroom C

Time	Session Topics
11:40 AM	Lunch: Ballroom A
1:00 PM	Session 6b: The 3 Cs: Conservation, Compliance, and Coordination for Sustainable Success
1:40 PM	Session 7b: Conservation in California: Safeguarding Nature and Wildlife
2:10 PM	Session 8b: Permitting Power and Protecting Species
3:20 PM	Session 9b: HCPs and Agency Partnerships
4:00 PM	Closing Remarks
4:20 PM	End of Day