## San Dieguito Lagoon Wetland **Restoration Project Phase II**

Fact Sheet



## **Project Benefits**

The San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project Phase I was complete in 2012. Phase II, which began in January 2022, expands restoration and by 2024, this phase will:



Restore 64 acres of tidal salt marsh. 15 acres of brackish wetlands (a mixture of saltwater and freshwater) and five acres of riparian habitat.

That's 63 football fields worth of land!



Create new coastal and brackish wetlands by removing 1.1 million cubic yards of soil.

That equates to 333 olympic-sized swimming pools!



Create a new trail paralleling El Camino Real and improve connectivity to the Dust Devil Nature Trail.



Mitigate construction impacts from the North Coast Corridor Program construction, the City of San Diego's El Camino Real Bridge Project and the San Dieguito River Park, Coast to Crest Trail.



Remove invasive vegetation and replant native coastal wetland and upland species.



Create transitional habitat between the restored salt marsh and the existing San Dieguito River channel to protect the newly established wetlands and provide resiliency for future sea level rise.



Create and restore habitat for federally endangered and threatened species including the Light-footed Ridgway's Rail, Least Bell's Vireo, Coastal California Gnatcatcher, and Belding's Savannah Sparrow.



Coastal California **Gnatcatcher** 



**Belding's Savannah** Sparrow



Least Bell's Vireo



Light-footed Ridgway's Rail













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