

HAWI-VALLECITO CULTURAL PRESERVE

Purpose and Intent of Cultural Preserve Zone

The purpose of cultural preserves is to preserve culturally significant sites, buildings, or zones that represent significant places or events in the flow of human experience in California (PRC 5019.74)

Hawi-Vallecito is located in the south-central portion of Anza- Borrego Desert State Park (ABDSP). Two major portions of the proposed cultural preserve are divided by Highway S-2. *Hawi*, in the Kumeyaay language means “the place where tules (bulrushes) grow;” *Vallecito* in Spanish means “little valley.” Both names are historic place names mentioned in early diaries and by anthropologists Malcolm J. Rogers, John Peabody Harrington, and Edward Davis. *Hawi*-Vallecito was a well-watered and well-known location on desert travel routes as well as being an ideal residential setting for indigenous Peoples. The water available at this location, in the form of marshlands (*ciénega*), seasonal drainages, and springs provides habitat for plants and animals and made the location a focal point for desert travelers as well as residents. Documented historic trails lead to the *Hawi*-Vallecito Cultural Preserve: one between the Laguna Mountains and the proposed cultural preserve zone; another the Southern Overland Trail – the main historic travel corridor from the Colorado River to coastal California, used from prehistoric times to the present by indigenous Peoples, explorers, Mexicans, Europeans, early U.S. militia, the mail, and pioneer settlers in wagons and stage coaches, as well as by gold-seekers, cattlemen, ranchers, and other pioneer travelers.

Three important, extensive, and highly sensitive Kumeyaay village sites occur within the proposed cultural preserve. The proposed cultural preserve is directly adjacent to the restored Vallecito Butterfield Stage-Overland Mail Station in a San Diego County Park. The proposed cultural preserve zone also contains the 19th century homestead of James E. Mason, after whom Mason Valley was named. The Olin Bailey Earthen Structure, a rammed-earth-construction homestead of the early 20th century, recently has been stabilized, protected, and interpreted. The Campbell Ranch Historic Complex of the mid-20th century, located at the western end, has recently been assessed as eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places as a Historic District.

Primary Goal

The Primary goal for this and all Cultural Preserves is to protect and preserve the numerous cultural resources located here.

“Complete integrity of the resources shall be sought, and no structures or improvements that conflict with the integrity shall be permitted.” (P.R.C. 5019.74)

Guideline

HV-G 1

Projects, activities or facility development that may affect the integrity of cultural resources or impact the cultural landscape and/or the historic viewshed within the Cultural Preserve zone will not occur.

Roads and Parking

Goal:

“The use of motor vehicles in units of the state park system is subject to the following limitations: In state wildernesses, natural preserves, and cultural preserves, use is prohibited.”
(P.R.C. 5001.8)

Guidelines:

HV-G2

- A new road has been established, in non sensitive areas, from the Focused Use Zone and Campbell Ranch Historic Complex to a parking area west of Troutman Mountain. The road and parking area will be excluded from and adjacent to the Cultural Preserve.

HV-G3

- Automobile access to a proposed Heritage Center Learning Facility, and an adjacent parking/staging area, as designated as a Focused Use Zone in the ABDSP General Plan of 2005, will be provided by an existing short spur road from Highway S-2. The spur road, the existing house facility, and the parking/staging area will be excluded and adjacent to the cultural preserve zone.

HV-G4

- Automobile access to a proposed equestrian day-use and staging area on an existing concrete runway as designated as a Focused Use Zone in the ABDSP General Plan of 2005 will be provided by a short spur road into the area from Highway S-2. This spur road and the parking/staging area will be excluded from and adjacent to the preserve zone.

HV-G5

- An ADA access road will be established adjacent to the cultural preserve zone north of S2 to provide an opportunity for disabled park visitors to interpret and experience a cultural preserve.

Camping

Goal:

The open camping policy at ABDSP has the potential to cause damaging or degrading impacts to known and unknown historic and archaeological resources. Cultural Preserve designation will allow for further protection of these sensitive resources. Camping will not be allowed in this cultural preserve zone. Camping will be available as facilities are developed in adjacent areas within the Focused Use Zones, and alternative camping opportunities are provided by other nearby agencies and private camping outfitters.

Guidelines:

HV-G6

- No camping or campfires will be permitted in the cultural preserve zone.

HV-G7

- Camping will be in designated areas within the Focused Use Zones 1 and 2, as identified in the ABDSP General Plan of 2005, outside of and adjacent to the Cultural Preserve..

Facilities

Goal:

Within the proposed cultural preserve zone, “**complete integrity of the cultural resources will be sought and no additional structures or improvements that conflict with that integrity shall be allowed.**” (PRC 5019.74)

Guidelines:

HV-G8

- No new facility development that conflicts with the integrity of the resources, the cultural landscape or the historic viewshed will be permitted in this cultural preserve zone.

HV-G9

- The existing 1980s Hoffman Ranch House, designated as Focused Use Zone 2 in the ABDSP General Plan of 2005, will be developed as a Heritage Center Learning Facility.

HV-G10

- The existing elements of the early 20th century Campbell Ranch Complex will be interpreted in an appropriate manner so that the visiting public will understand its placement, elements, functions, and history.

Social Experiences and Activities

Goal:

“**Areas set aside as cultural preserves shall be large enough to provide for the effective management and interpretation of the resources**” (PRC 5019.74)

Guidelines:

HV-G11

- The proposed Hawi-Vallecito Cultural Preserve shall encompass approximately 4386 acres

HV-G12

- Visitors shall continue to have the opportunity to experience the proposed cultural preserve zone in a manner that does not compromise the integrity of the existing significant resources by accessing established trails for hiking, biking or equestrian use. Authorized vehicles may access trail system excluded from the preserve in the eastern portion of the cultural preserve zone.

HV-G13

- Interpretive signs at appropriate and strategic locations such as entrances to the proposed cultural preserve zone, trailheads, and at major cultural features will enhance the visitor experience while recognizing the previous inhabitants and encouraging respectful visitation as well as alerting visitors to the sensitivity of both the cultural and natural resources.

HV-G14

- Interpretation shall include the vital marsh and riparian ecosystem within the proposed cultural preserve zone and explain the interaction of humans with this ecosystem through time.

HV-G15

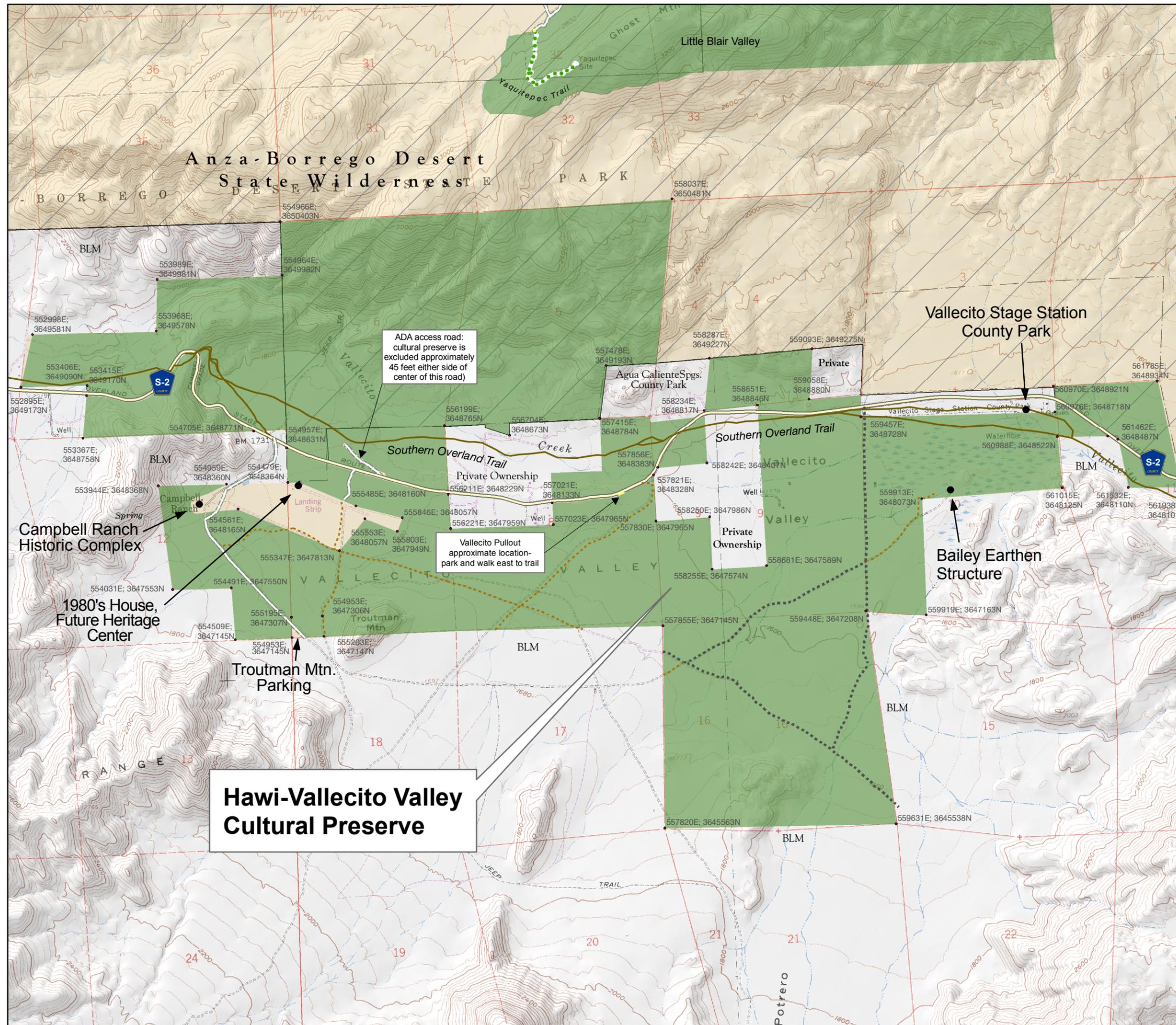
- Efforts shall be made to re-establish native vegetation where it has been heavily impacted.

HV-G16

- Trained archaeological site stewards shall make regular periodic visits to particularly sensitive areas and report any continuing impacts so that management of the proposed cultural preserve zone may be adjusted as needed.

ANZA-BORREGO DESERT STATE PARK

Hawi - Vallecito Cultural Preserve 4,383 Acres

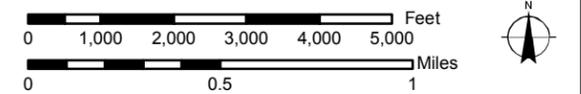


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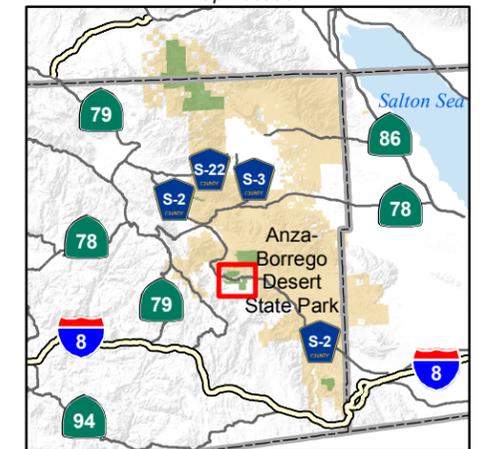
- Proposed Cultural Preserves
 - Anza Borrego Desert State Park
 - Existing Wilderness
- Regional Roads
- Highway
 - Local Rd
 - Horse, Bike, Hike, Public vehicle
 - Horse, Bike, Hike, Authorized Vehicle
 - Horse, Bike, Hike, No Vehicles
 - Southern Overland Trail

UTM 11, NAD 1983 Eastings, and Northings shown at points

Base Map: USGS 1:24,000
 Contour Interval: 40'
 Representative Fraction: 1:30,139
 1 inch = 2,512 feet



Map Location



NOTES:
 Parcel boundaries are approximate and should not be considered legal descriptions. Maps are intended for study purposes only.

PLANNING DIVISION

GENERAL PLAN SECTION

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 Sources:
 Calif. Dept. of Parks & Recreation,
 Colorado Desert District

