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California Borderlands



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Border Agency Fire Council Binational Outreach

- **Two Spanish Educational Campaigns About Wildfires, Outdoor Survival, and Protection of Natural Resources**
- **Documentaries in Spanish and English**
- **Radio and Television Public Service Announcements**
- **Flyers**
- **Signs**



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2005 Border 50 Fire near Tecate



Border Fence and Infrastructure - The Laws

- **Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996**
- **Real ID Act of 2005**
- **Secure Fence Act of 2006**



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Pedestrian Fence Design



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New Border Fence Across Imperial Sand Dunes



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Vehicle Fence Designs



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Assailing The New Border Fence



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Border Patrol / BLM Cooperation



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Field Work Party



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Interdiction Techniques



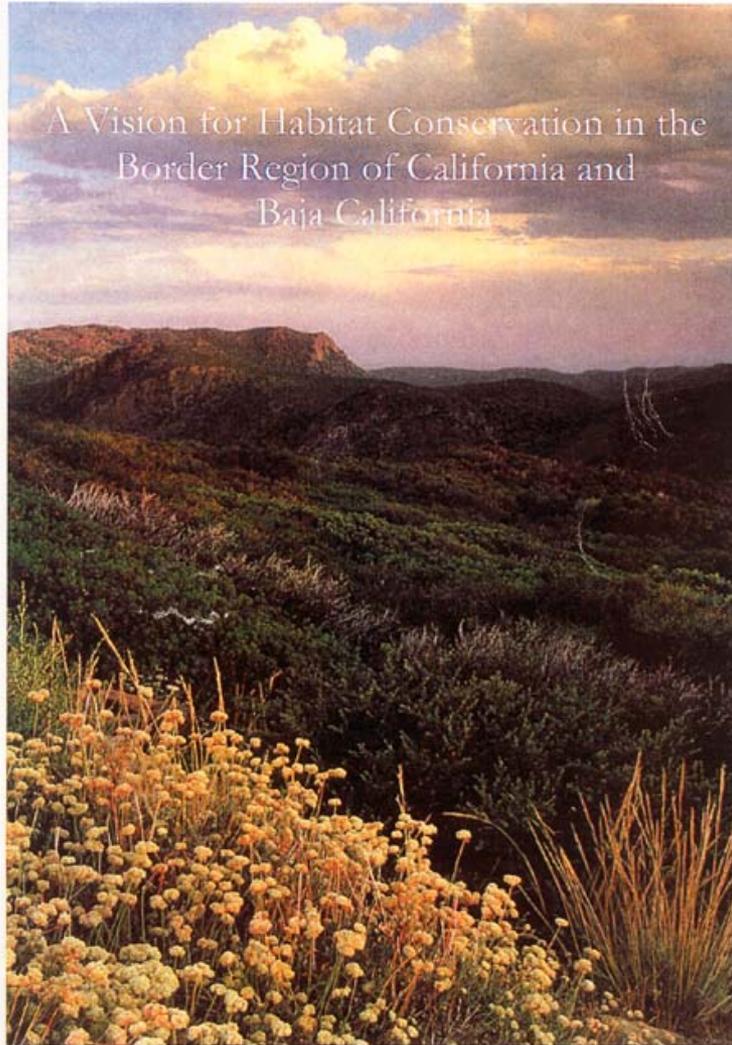
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BORSTAR Helping at the Sand Dunes



Las Californias Binational Conservation Initiative



A Vision for Habitat Conservation in the
Border Region of California and
Baja California

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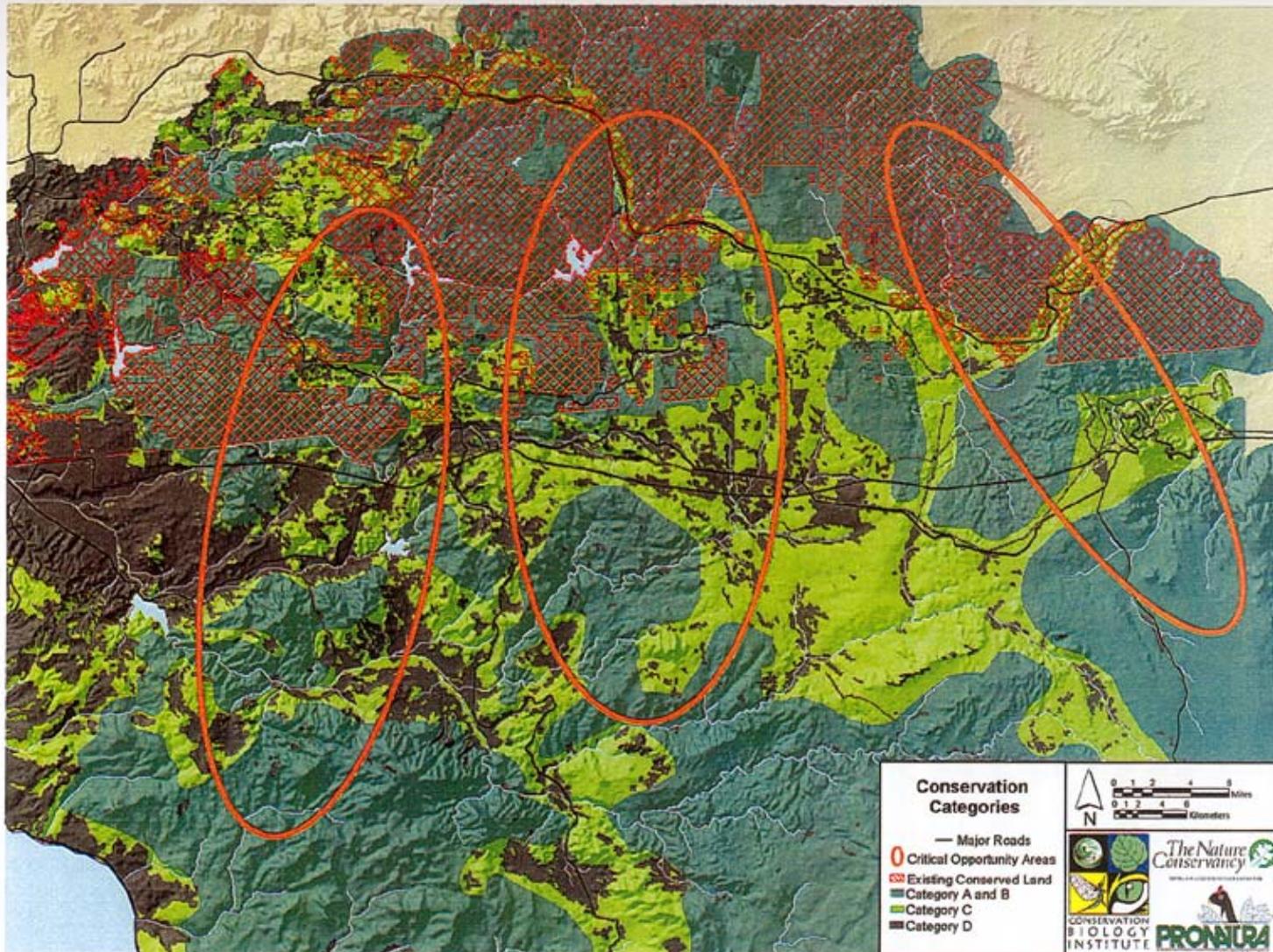


Figure 10. Critical opportunity areas along the U.S.-México border.

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California Biodiversity Tour in Tijuana



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Border Safety Concerns



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Dangers of Abandoned Mines

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Form 1112-5 (May 2001)		UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT RISK MANAGEMENT WORKSHEET				BLM			
1. Organization and Location Border Regions of Southern California: Palm Springs-South Coast Field Office						2. Page ____ of ____			
3. Operation / Task Field Operations International Border with Mexico			4. Beginning Date: On-going		5. Ending Date:		6. Date Prepared July 20, 2007		
7. Prepared by (Name / Duty Position) John Kalish, Field Manager									
8. Identified Hazards: PPE Required: Field Going attire for operations in Border Regions of Southern California		9. Assess the Hazards Initial		10. Control Measures Developed for Identified Hazards: (Specific measures taken to reduce the probability of a hazard.)		11. Assess the Hazard's Residual's Risk	12. How to Implement the Controls: (Include SOP's, references, etc.)	13. Supervision and Evaluation Method: (Continuous Leader Checks, Buddy System, etc.)	
(Be Specific)		L M H E		(Be Specific)		L M H E		(Be Specific)	(Be Specific)
DRIVING – High speed driving and law enforcement pursuits, distracted drivers, sudden changing weather conditions		X		1. Always drive defensively. 2. Use additional caution in border area. 3. Be especially alert on narrow roads with blind curves. Slow down and stay as far right as possible. Expect to meet oncoming vehicles traveling at high speeds on the wrong side of the road. 4. Keep close watch in your rear view mirrors. 5. Expect to find vehicles traveling at night without lights on to avoid detection.		X		Inform field going employees/volunteers/contractors of driving hazards. Ensure they receive a defensive driving class every 3 years and that they know the BLM's policies on vehicles and driving.	Continuous Leader/Supv. Checks
14. Remaining Risk Level After Control Measures Are Implemented: (CIRCLE HIGHEST REMAINING RISK LEVEL)				LOW (Line Supervisor)	MEDIUM (Branch Chief)	HIGH (District Manager)	EXTREMELY HIGH (Must be State Director/Associate)		
15. RISK DECISION AUTHORITY: (Approval/Authority Signature Block) (If Initial Risk Level is Medium, High or Extremely High, Brief Risk Decision Authority at that level on Controls and Control Measures used to reduce risks. NOTE: if the person preparing the form signs this block, the signature indicates only that the appropriate risk decision authority was notified of the initial risk level, control measures taken and appropriate resources requested; and that the risk was accepted by the decision authority.)									
_____ (Signature)									

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EMERGENCIES
Medical, "Extreme" Employee/Public Safety Issues
PRIORITY
Public Safety — extreme unsafe shooting, off road traveling Resource Crimes — theft/collecting, damaging, dumping UDAs — traveling in vehicles, groups on foot
OTHER
Reporting — trash piles, cut fences/damaged signs, abandoned vehicles Information — new "UDA Layup Areas" areas cleaned, new information Events — Scheduling, patrols, repairs, cleanups, meetings, etc.

BLM EMERGENCY CONTACT GUIDE

Federal Interagency Communications Center (FICC) (609)383-5652
Cal Fire Montavista Dispatch (619)593-0384
U.S. Border Patrol, El Centro Sector (760)352-3241
U.S. Border Patrol, San Diego Sector (619)662-7321
Emergencies ** Call 911** Adm. Dispatch Priority Ranger Cell Phone Radio (Adm. Channel) Adm. Dispatch (phone) Other Information Ranger Cell Phone Email

*** Determine if Rangers will be in the area prior to working if possible***

Bureau of Land Management
California
BORDERLAND SAFEGUARDS

California Desert District

BLM <http://www.blm.gov/ca>

Border Safety Wallet Card

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

*BE AWARE THAT YOU ARE IN BORDER AREAS OF SAFETY CONCERN
 BE CAUTIOUS OF THE FOLLOWING:*

1. High speed driving/law enforcement pursuits
2. Language barriers increase risks
3. Risk of contact with unknown personnel
4. Radio and cell phone 'dead spots'
5. Unknown personnel in vehicles/on foot
6. Use only trained responses
7. Unattended BLM vehicles are at risk
8. Vehicles found unattended
9. Biological hazards may be present
10. Know where you are/describe your location
11. Let dispatch know your trip plan
12. Expect the unexpected!

INTERNATIONAL BORDER WATCHOUTS

1. No communication link with others, dispatch, and/or law enforcement
2. Working in a Law Enforcement Area of Concern
3. Armed confrontations either by law enforcement and/or illegal entrants
4. Small or large groups of people being transported either on foot or in a vehicle
5. Accidental witnessing of (large) quantities of drug deals and drug transportation
6. High-speed driving and law enforcement pursuits in your work areas
7. Aircraft trying to avoid detection and frequent law enforcement aircraft operations due to these illegal activities
8. Historical, administrative, and cultural sites that have been vandalized and broken into
9. Locks and fences deliberately knocked down or cut
10. Large numbers of footprints—these may be headed to your work area
11. Abandoned vehicles either intact or set on fire
12. Wildfires caused by abandoned warming and cooking fires
13. Individuals that appear ill
14. Trash and high concentrations of human fecal material in heavily used illegal entrants staging areas and routes
15. Methamphetamine labs either occupied or abandoned. Chemical dumping
16. Marijuana field protected by growers
17. Workers alone and/or working at night
18. Leaving your BLM vehicle unattended



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Tracker says...

Be COOL...

Know the Rules!

***The International Boundary is just
another line in the sand.***

True or False?

border awareness

Public Safety



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**Border Field Coordinating Committee
Briefing**



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Flat-tailed Horned Lizard Rangewide Management Strategy, 2003 Revision

An Arizona-California Conservation Strategy



Prepared and edited by the

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Lizard Monitoring

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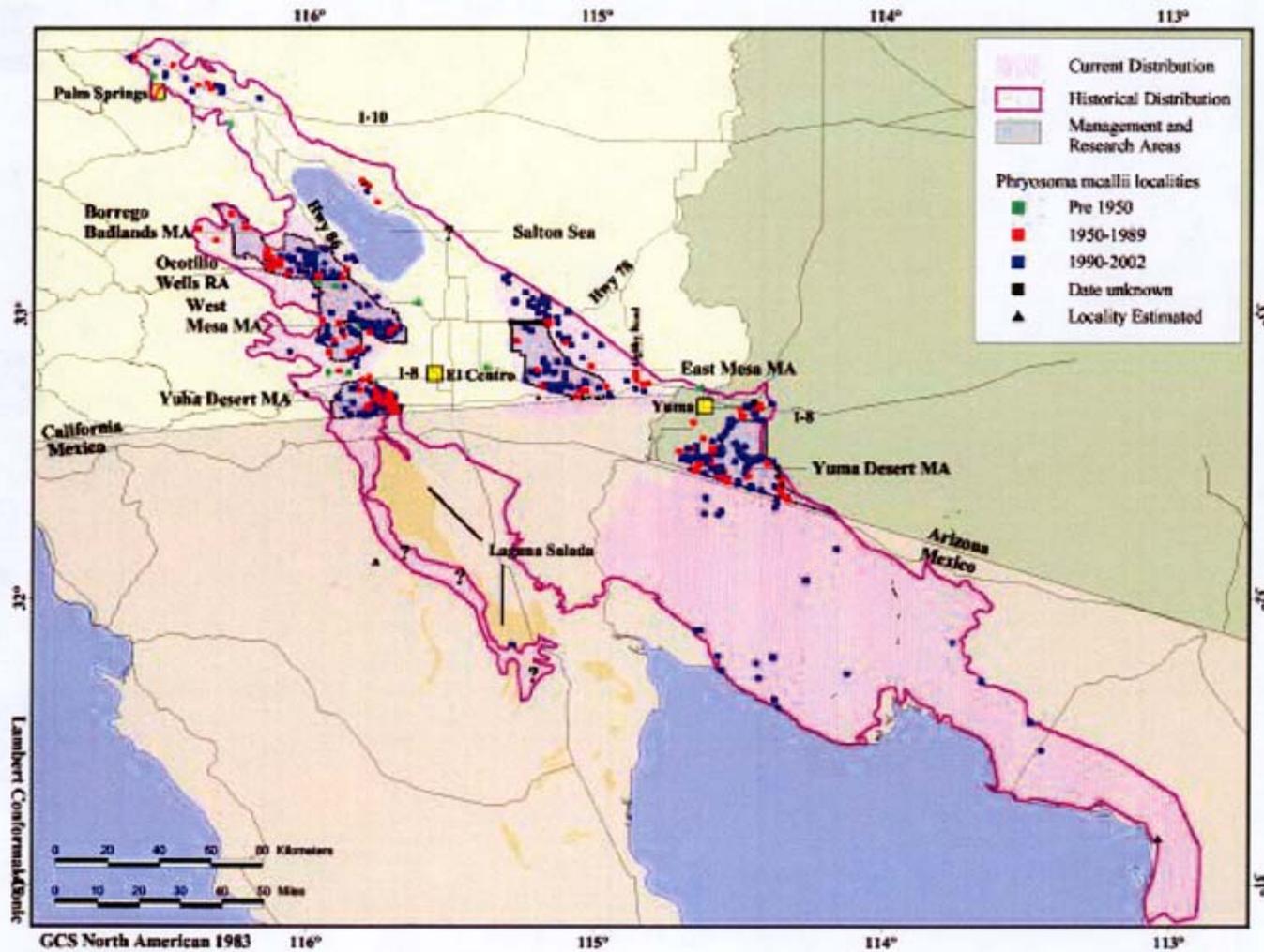


Figure 2. Approximate current and historical distribution of the flat-tailed horned lizard.

Flat-Tailed Horned Lizard Habitat Knows No Border



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**Working as Partners
with Mexico**

