

Announcing the

California/Nevada Amphibian Populations Task Force 2025 Meeting

-To be held at-

California State University Channel Islands
Grand Salon
1 University Drive
Camarillo, CA 93012



California Red-legged Frog (*Rana draytonii*) from Ventura River, Ventura County, California. Photographed by Chris Evelyn.

January 9–10, 2025
Field Trip on Saturday, January 11

Meeting Sponsors

Amphibian and Reptile Conservancy
Biology Program, School of Arts and Sciences,
California State University Channel Islands

Please register right away! Early registration is extremely helpful for organizing, and meeting costs must often be paid in advance. We are a volunteer organization that depends on *your* participation and support!

Required Participant Agreement

All participants are required to complete a Participant Agreement form as a condition of attending the meeting. Completing the Agreement is a separate process from registering for the meeting. Please complete the form prior to arrival at the meeting. Below are the options for completing the form, in order of our preference:

You will not be allowed to attend the meeting without the Agreement even if you have paid the registration fee. In such a case, we will issue a partial refund.

Most preferred: Use the link below to complete online. This is a Google Docs form, meaning you will need to be signed into a Google account (gmail) to complete it. The form can be completed anytime, regardless of when you register, so the sooner the better. Here is the link:

<https://forms.gle/h5zWQZnoirE5ntg6>

Second option: Fill out the PDF attached to this email, then print, sign, scan, and email to Dave Bradford (dbradfo@herpconbio.org).

Least preferred: Complete the form when you arrive. We will have forms available.

Meeting Registration

Register online at: <https://cvent.me/Glz77b>

Early registration fee **\$105.⁰⁰**, closes December 15th, 2024 (**register earlier, please!**)

Late registration fee **\$120.⁰⁰**, available after December 15th, 2024 through online registration or at the meeting. Late registration at the door may be paid by credit card, cash, or check (payable to *Amphibian and Reptile Conservancy*).

Registration includes refreshments at the beginning of the meeting, and during mid-morning and mid-afternoon breaks on Thursday and Friday.

We will have a no-host meet and greet on Wednesday night and a no-host “congregation” (mixer) on Thursday night, but we do not yet have agreements with the venues.

Cancellation Policy: Contact Dave Bradford (dbradfo@herpconbio.org) if you need to cancel. We can usually give a full refund if requested by December 15. Thereafter, refund amount depends on when we have to commit funds for meeting expenses; we cannot refund after expenses have been invoiced.

Meeting Contacts

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Call for Presentations

Please consider presenting your work on conservation-related issues for amphibians in California, Nevada, or more broadly. Regular presentations are allotted 20 minutes (15 minutes for presentations, 4 minutes for Q&A, 1 minute transition). If a shorter time is desired, please request it in advance for scheduling purposes. A limited number of poster presentations will be accepted. Poster size will be limited to 36 x 48 inches; we cannot support larger formats.

Topic areas for presentations include: population studies and distribution, active management of populations, evaluations or management of threats (e.g., invasive species, habitat alteration, disease, chemical contamination), agency programs and perspectives, legal actions, new methods and tools, population genetics, phylogeography, and ecology. If space is available, we accept presentations on amphibious reptiles, e.g., turtles and garter snakes.

For viewability by the audience, please avoid multiple image panels or small print on your slides. Full slide images are preferred.

Presenters: Please send your *NAME, ADDRESS, and TENTATIVE TITLE* of your presentation as soon as possible to Dave Bradford (dbradfo@herpconbio.org) to reserve your slot. If we run out of time slots, priority will be given to talks in the order in which they are received.

Presentation abstracts are due by December 15, 2024.

Abstract Submission (Microsoft Word doc) – Please follow the example abstract format below:

Authors: DOE, JANE Q.^{1*}, and JOHN M. DOE². ¹Knowledge Quest Corp., San Francisco, CA, jdoe@pacbell.net; ²Department of Science, University of California, Berkeley, CA

Title: Re-establishment of Extirpated Populations of the Red-legged Frog (*Rana draytonii*) in the San Joaquin Valley, California.

Text of Abstract: 200 words

Presentation type: Indicate oral or poster presentation.

**Indicates which author will be presenting.
Only one email address per presentation.*

Schedule (Pacific Time Zone)

Wednesday, January 8, 2025 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm	Informal, no-host Meet and Greet Details to be determined
Thursday, January 9, 2025 7:45 am – 8:30 am 8:30 am ~ 5:00 pm 6:30 pm – ?	Meeting, Cal. State Univ. Channel Islands, Grand Salon Registration and Refreshments Presentation Sessions No-host Congregation (mixer), details to be determined
Friday, January 10, 2025 7:45 am – 8:30 am 8:30 am ~ 5:00 pm	Meeting, Cal. State Univ. Channel Islands, Grand Salon Registration and Refreshments Presentation Sessions
Saturday, January 11, 2025 8:30 am ~ 1:00 pm	Field Trip Meet-up location and details to be determined

Field Trip

Saturday January 11 will feature at least two field trip options:

- (1) Tour of the Turtle Conservancy's Conservation Center and skeletal collection in Ojai, CA (<https://www.turtleconservancy.org/>).
- (2) Trip(s) to local areas with amphibians.

A potential all-day trip is being investigated to Santa Cruz Island to seek the Channel Island Slender Salamander – This trip would involve a separate cost.

Further information for all these possibilities is pending.

Accommodations

We recommend the Sonesta Select Camarillo. Discount rates are being negotiated. Details will be provided shortly.

Other suggested hotels within short driving distances of the meeting site include:

Residence Inn, Camarillo

Hampton Inn and Suites, Camarillo

Food and Dining

Coffee, beverages, and snacks are included with registration and will be available both Thursday and Friday mornings and during mid-morning and mid-afternoon session breaks. Extended lunch breaks will be scheduled both Thursday and Friday afternoons to allow time to go off campus.

We will have a no-host Meet and Greet on Wednesday night and a no-host Congregation (mixer) on Thursday night. Details are pending.

Location and Parking

Meeting Location: California State University Channel Islands, Grand Salon.

Parking: The University is recommending parking in Lot A3 off of University Drive on the north side of campus. Signage will lead from this lot to the meeting location in the Grand Salon.

You will need to buy a parking permit each day from a kiosk upon arrival (\$6/day).

Interactive campus Map Link: <https://maps.csuci.edu/>

New California Field Guide Available at Meeting

Hot-off-the-press copies of the field guide—California Amphibians and Reptiles by Robert Hansen and Jackson Shedd—will be available at the meeting. These can be purchased directly from the authors, who will be on hand to sign books as well. Cost is \$35 (cash, Venmo, Paypal).
