

Priority Conservation Area Application Form

Enter information in the spaces provided. E-mail this completed application form and attachments requested as part of this form to joannab@abag.ca.gov by **May 30, 2015**. If e-mailing is not possible, a hard copy of materials can be mailed to PCA Applications, Association of Bay Area Governments, P.O. Box 2050, Oakland, CA 94604-2050.

PART 1: AREA INFORMATION

Proposed Name	Carmel Open Space
Description	The Carmel Open Space is located in Novato's well-known Northwest Quadrant Neighborhood, which is home to a mix of small, single-family homes and two-story apartment buildings. While the area is primarily residential, the Carmel Open Space provides this neighborhood with outdoor recreation amenities, as well as a sweeping view of Novato and Mount Burdell.
Location (include map and text description)	The Carmel Open Space is located just a few blocks north of Downtown Novato. It's located south of Carmel Drive and north of Vallejo Avenue. The City of Novato owns two parcels in the Carmel Open Space area, which comprise a total of 2.08 acres. The third parcel being nominated for Priority Conservation Area designation is a privately owned parcel of approximately 3.3 acres. While there was no formal written notification process established for nominating privately owned land, both the City Manager of Novato, as well as Novato's Mayor Pro Tem reached out to this property owner to talk to him about the PCA designation, and he is in full support of the City submitting an application that includes his property.
Total Acreage	5.38

PART 2: SPONSOR(S)

Lead Nominating Agency/Organization	City of Novato
Staff Person	Heather Hafer
Address	922 Machin Avenue, Novato, CA 94945
Phone Number(s)	(415) 899-8991
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Partnering Agency(ies)/Organization(s)	

PART 3: DESIGNATION

Selected Designation – Select one or more designation for the proposed PCA

Natural Landscapes **Agricultural Lands** **Urban Greening** **Regional Recreation**

PART 4: BENEFITS

Primary Benefit(s) – Select one or more benefits and co-benefits for the proposed PCA

Primary Benefits: Recreation, Terrestrial Ecosystems.

Co-Benefits: Compact Growth.

PART 5: ATTACHMENTS

Required

1. Copy of adopted resolution by City Council, Board of Supervisors, or Open Space or Park District Board.
2. Attach a map showing the proposed general area boundaries and location. Include other relevant information, such as topography or an aerial photograph, to show the context for protection of this area.
3. Provide text, data/maps that demonstrate primary benefit(s) of the relevant designation and co-benefit(s).
4. Copy of public notification of meeting at which resolution was adopted
5. Copy of notification of PCA nomination to jurisdictions in which PCA is located

Optional

6. Letters of Support from partner agencies or organizations (*not required*)
7. Additional data, maps, supportive local policies (*not required*)

For questions regarding the application form, please contact JoAnna Bullock at 510 464-7968 or joannab@abag.ca.gov.