

Reynen & Bardis Property

Date Acquired	June 5, 2007
Easement Size	14.75 acres
Location	Southeast of Grant Line Road and northeast of Freeman Road in southern Sacramento County.
Property Description	The Conservation Easement is situated within the 360-acre Reynen and Bardis Property. Deer Creek flows through the center of the property, which divides the property into two separate agricultural field areas that is referred as Fields A and B. The 14.75-acre conservation easement is situated in the east central portion of Field B.
Conservation Value	The property consists of grassland habitat, which is high-quality foraging habitat for hawks. The low-lying field crop provides excellent foraging habitat for Swainson's hawks as it allows for clear visibility and accessibility of prey items within the fields. According to California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) California Natural Diversity Data Base (CNDDDB) records, there are 72 previously recorded occurrences of Swainson's hawk within a ten-mile radius of the property (CDFG 2009). Since numerous Swainson's hawk nests have been recorded in the surrounding area, it is reasonable to assume that Swainson's hawks nest in the vicinity of the property site and could use the property as foraging habitat. In addition, the large oak, cottonwood and willow trees within and surrounding the property represent suitable nesting habitat for Swainson's hawk.

