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No government agency working alone can ensure the survival of the wildlife resources we all share. The cooperation of private land owners and a wide variety of other interests is essential if we are to conserve our nation's animal and plant species for the future. Yet when people examine the effects of their activities on the environment, they sometimes face what they see as a choice between conservation and the legitimate use of their land. Congress addressed that issue in 1982 when it amended the Endangered Species Act to authorize Habitat Conservation Plans. When carefully implemented, these plans allow resource managers and property owners to carry out their lawful activities while becoming partners in maintaining wildlife habitat.



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Important habitat for the Mojave population of the desert tortoise is the focus of a Habitat Conservation Plan in southwestern Utah.
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Van Dyke's salamander (*Plethodon vandykei*), a species of concern protected by Habitat Conservation Plans in the Pacific Northwest

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