

KEY LANDSCAPES TARGETED BY BLM DRILLING/FRACKING PLAN IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Carpinteria & Cate School—A 40-acre parcel within 2,000 feet of [Cate School](#) and directly adjacent to the Los Padres National Forest. This is a privately-owned parcel with federally-owned subsurface mineral rights.

Santa Ynez Mountains—Two BLM parcels along the crest of the Santa Ynez Mountains. One (217 acres) is on the north face of Bald Mountain. The other (120 acres) is in the headwaters of Nojoqui Creek near [Nojoqui Falls County Park](#). Both are directly adjacent to the Los Padres National Forest.

Scenic Highway 154—Two small Bureau of Reclamation parcels (20 acres total) near Lake Cachuma along Highway 154, a California Scenic Highway.

Lake Cachuma—A 40-acre Bureau of Reclamation parcel on the north side of [Lake Cachuma](#) near Happy Canyon Road, adjacent to the Los Padres National Forest.

Sisquoc River & San Rafael Wilderness—Several parcels totaling 1,766 acres inside the national forest boundary near the Sisquoc River, including one parcel adjacent to the San Rafael Wilderness and another parcel straddling the Sisquoc River, which is critical habitat for endangered steelhead.

Tepusquet Canyon—several BLM parcels totaling 1,793 acres in a rural, remote canyon east of Santa Maria. One of the largest parcels straddles Colson Canyon Road, one of the few gateways into the Los Padres National Forest in northern Santa Barbara County.

Cuyama Valley Foothills—13,375 acres along the foothills of the Sierra Madre Mountains in the Cuyama Valley. Most of these parcels are adjacent to national forest lands proposed for wilderness protection under the Central Coast Heritage Protection Act introduced in the House and Senate earlier this year. Two areas to be opened to drilling and fracking are major gateways into the Los Padres National Forest—Santa Barbara Canyon and Bates Canyon. Both have publicly-accessible trailheads and roads leading into the Los Padres National Forest.

Purisima Hills—several parcels between Los Alamos and Lompoc in the Purisima Hills, including 4 parcels totaling 160 acres owned by the Rancho Santa Rita Preserve, part of the state- and federally-approved [La Purisima Conservation Bank](#). The 853-acre bank—the first of its kind in Santa Barbara County—provides a mechanism for developers and agencies to mitigate their impacts by purchasing mitigation credits at the property. The conservation bank contains a healthy population of endangered California tiger salamanders.

Vandenberg Air Force Base—Nearly the entire [Vandenberg Air Force Base](#)—102,650 acres—is slated as “open” for drilling. This includes Ocean Beach County Park—one of the few coastal access points for residents of the City of Lompoc. Portions of [Point Sal County Park](#) and [Point Sal State Beach](#) are also opened for drilling/fracking under the plan.

City of Lompoc—3,158 acres within city limits of the [City of Lompoc](#), including farmland and open space west of Highway 1 and north of the Lompoc Airport.

Ken Adam Park – The 42-acre [Ken Adam Park](#) near Allan Hancock College features a large group picnic area, a children's playground, individual picnic areas, horseshoes, volleyball, nature trails, six primitive RV campsites, and restroom facilities. It also contains a magnificent three-poled flag monument which sits on a bluff overlooking Lompoc. The flag monument was developed as a project of the former Western Spaceport Museum project. The park is named after Ken Adam, the longtime owner and publisher of the Lompoc Record newspaper. It's part of a larger 118-acre property that contains 76 acres of undeveloped open space. The city's Parks and Recreation Department is developing a comprehensive master plan for the entire property.

Allan Hancock College – The college's [Lompoc Valley Center](#) is a satellite location to the main Allan Hancock College campus in Santa Maria. The Lompoc Valley Center provides courses for 34 degree and certificate programs, along with a Public Safety Training Complex that houses the college's police, fire, emergency medical services, and environmental technology programs. The state-of-the-art complex includes a six-story fire tower, one-mile Emergency Vehicle Operations course, a 'scenario' village, shooting range, fitness track, obstacle course and much more.

Jalama Beach County Park – Most of the federal mineral estate underneath this locally-popular beach are zoned for drilling and fracking. Fossil fuel development here would also affect the adjacent [Jack & Laura Dangermond Preserve](#), which was acquired by The Nature Conservancy in 2017 and covers 8 miles of coastline and 24,000 acres between Hollister Ranch and Vandenberg Air Force Base.