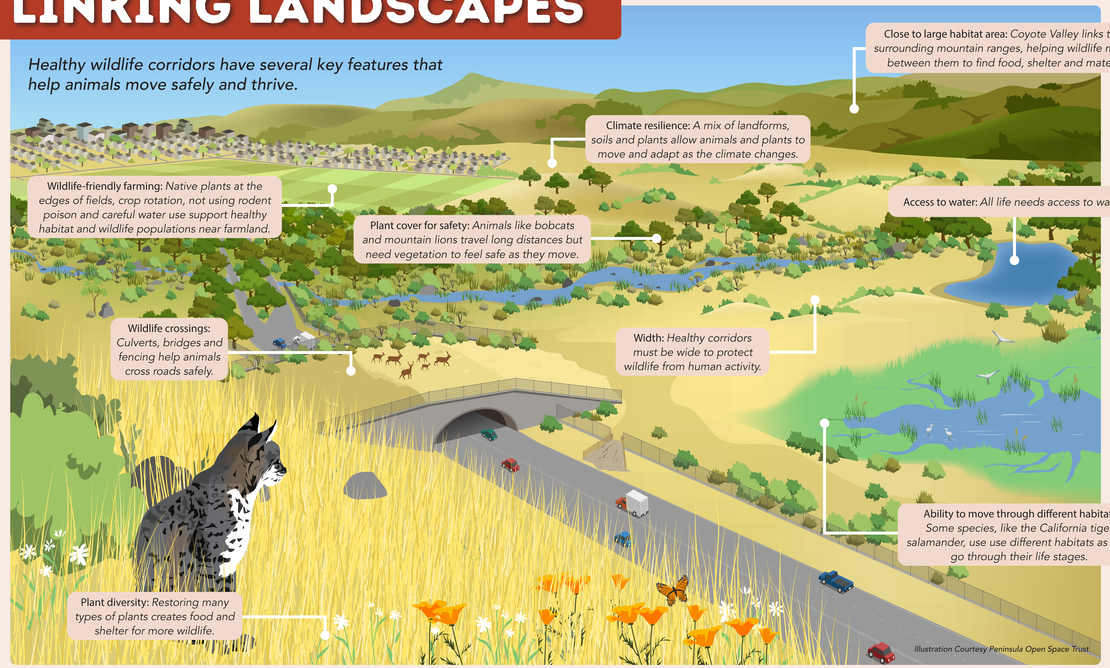
A LAST-CHANCE LANDSCAPE FOR WILDLIFE

Coyote Valley is where the Santa Cruz Mountains and Diablo Range meet. It is one of California's most important natural corridors, giving wildlife the open space they need to move between the mountains and keep their populations healthy.

LINKING LANDSCAPES

Healthy wildlife corridors have several key features that help animals move safely and thrive.



MEET ELDERBERRY

Courtesy Pathways for Wildlife

Elderberry was a bobcat living in Coyote Valley, who was tracked in a 2018 wildlife study.

Her movements showed us how vital open space and healthy creeks are for bobcats to survive.

Sadly, she was struck and killed on Monterey Road. By tracking bobcats like Elderberry, we know protected and connected open space is very important for wildlife.

Stories like this make the need for safe wildlife crossings impossible to ignore. Better road design, fencing, and dedicated crossing structures can prevent tragedies like hers and help wildlife move safely through Coyote Valley.

Meet Coyote Valley's WILD NEIGHBORS

These animals are the "focal species" of habitat restoration in Coyote Valley. They were chosen by local science experts to be representative of the unique needs of the wide range of wildlife that live in Coyote Valley.

Why Does Movement Matter?

Biodiversity is all the different kinds of life including plants, animals, insects, fungi - everything - and how they interact. Wildlife movement keeps populations healthy by preventing species from getting trapped in small, isolated areas.