

San Diego Association of Governments Quarterly Progress Report #19

Reporting Period: Quarter 1 (January 1st to March 31st) 2026 ✓
SANDAG Contract Number: S833005 – Nature Collective Invasive Plant Treatment

Work Performed This Period:

Task 1- Project Management, Admin and Meetings

Communications occurred with SANDAG, partners, contractors, and consultants to ensure compliance with agreements and contracts. The field contractor is under contract and registered under the labor compliance program. Invoicing and Quarterly reporting to SANDAG is occurring. MOUs, ROEs, and other agreements required for project reviewed and signed. Meetings, preparation for field work, and continuation of work on tasks 2, 3 and 4 occurred.

Task 2 and Task 7- Oncosiphon Treatment for Priority Sites

Co-ordination and planning:

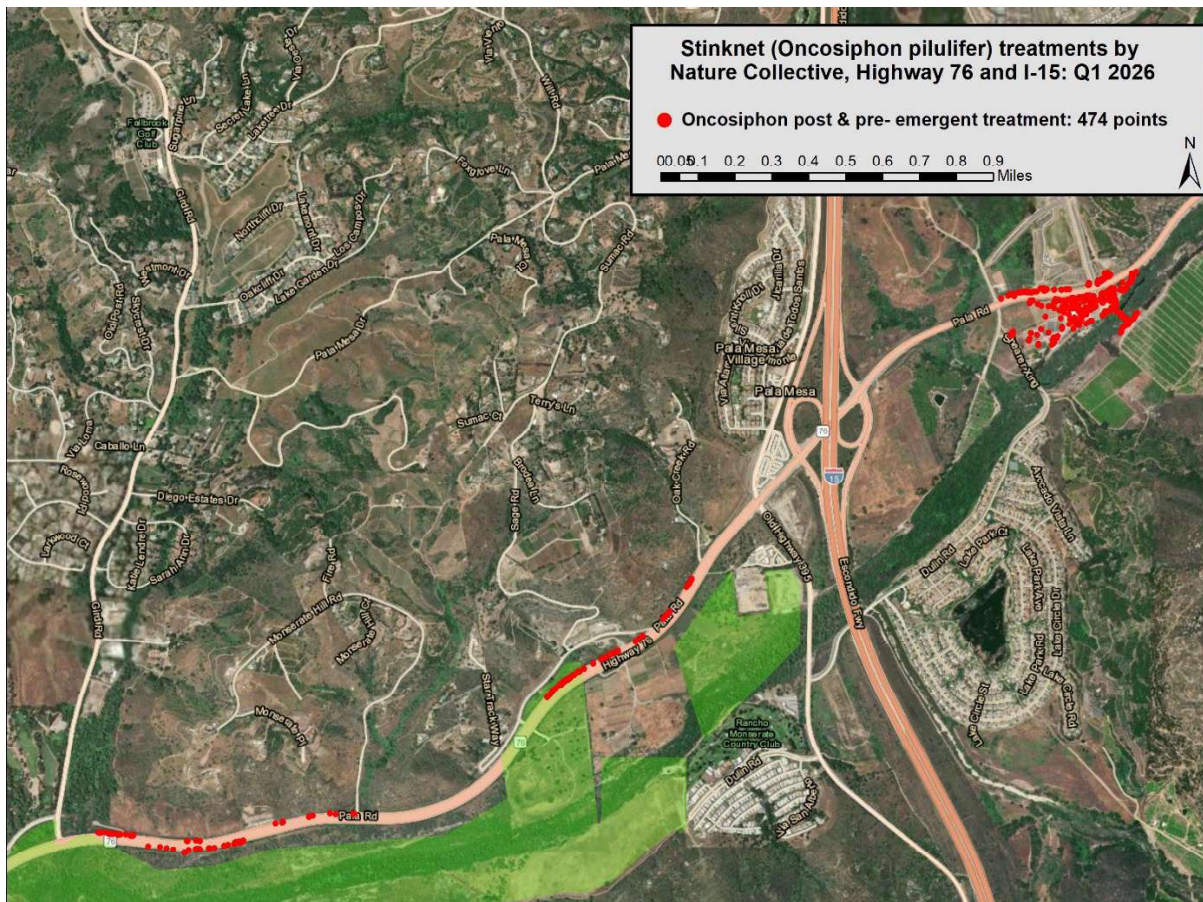
Rains started very early, with the first storms in October. Additional rains in November began to trigger germination of stinknet by the end of the month. Most of Chula Vista had pre-emergent applied to control stinknet in November. Rains were moderate in January and February, overall, it was a favorable but very early year for stinknet. Follow up at all previously treated sites occurred in February and March. This included Highway 76, Keyes Creek, Buena Vista Lagoon, Carlsbad Oaks, San Pasqual Valley, Chula Vista and Otay west/Enright Rd.

ROE or MOU work:

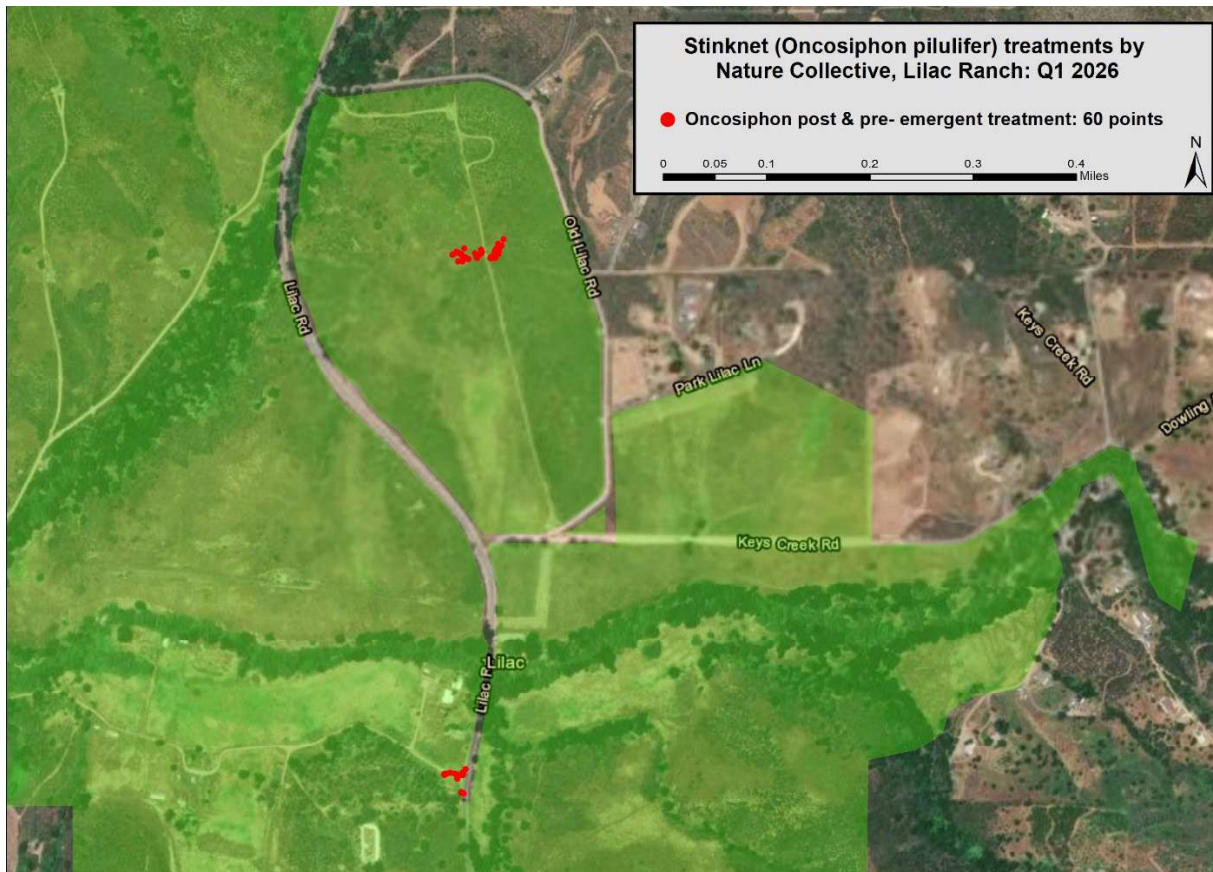
Co-ordination with Caltrans, City of SD, City of Chula Vista, and CDFW occurred.

Field work:

Highway 76, Keys Creek, Buena Vista Lagoon, Carlsbad Oaks, San Pasqual Valley, Chula Vista and Otay west/Enright Rd.



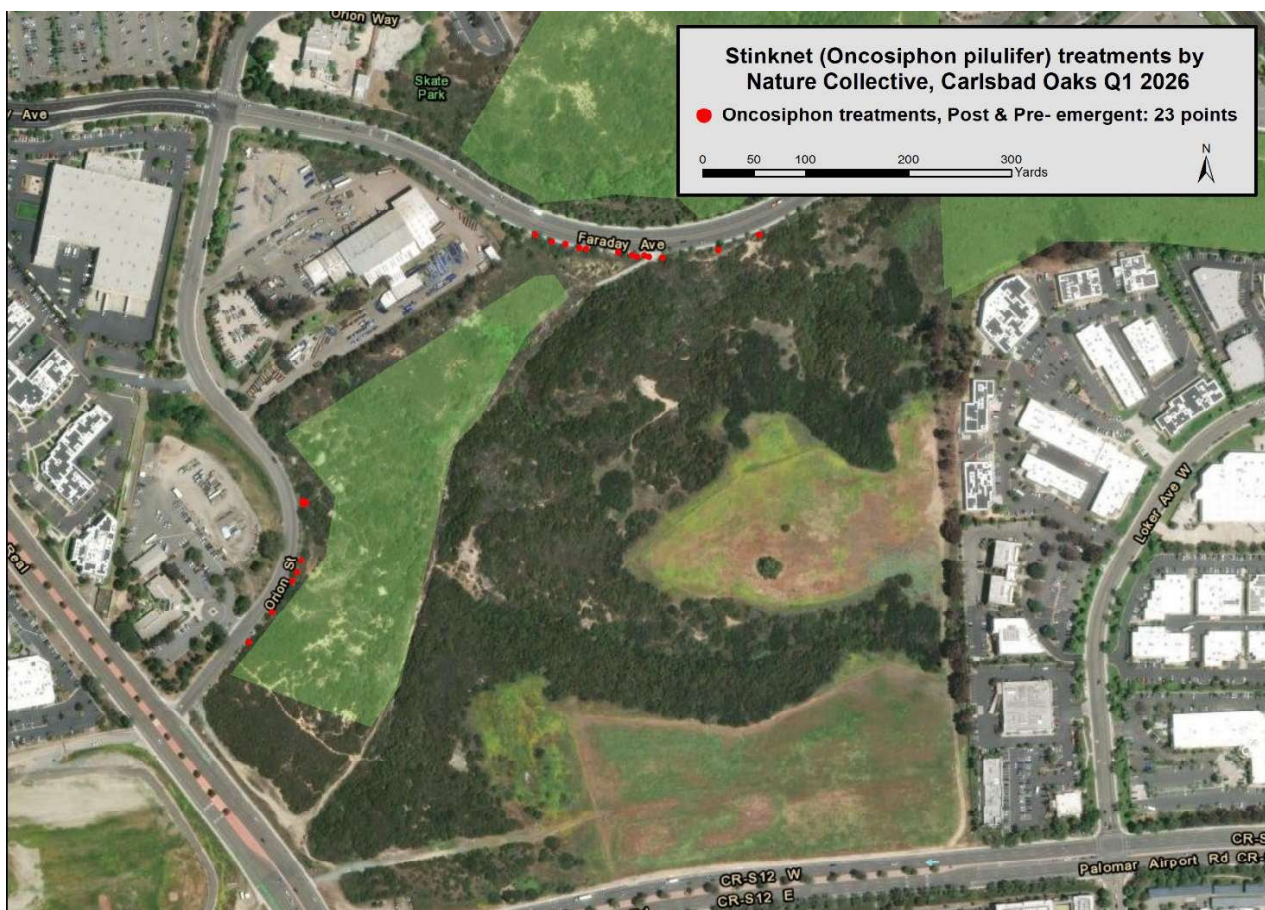
Stinknet numbers were lower, 474 treatment points were recorded in 2026, versus 1,124 in 2025.



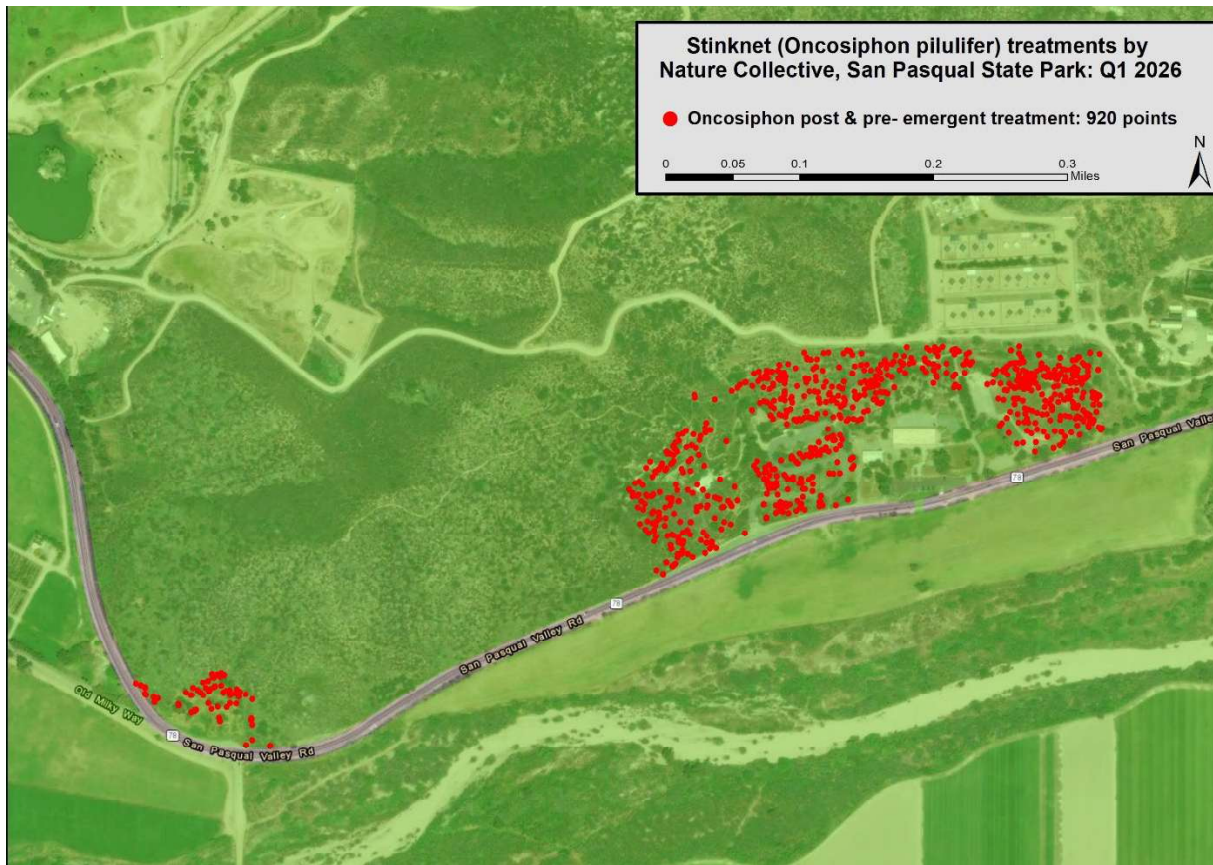
Stinknet numbers were higher, 50 treatment points were recorded in 2026, versus 27 in 2025.



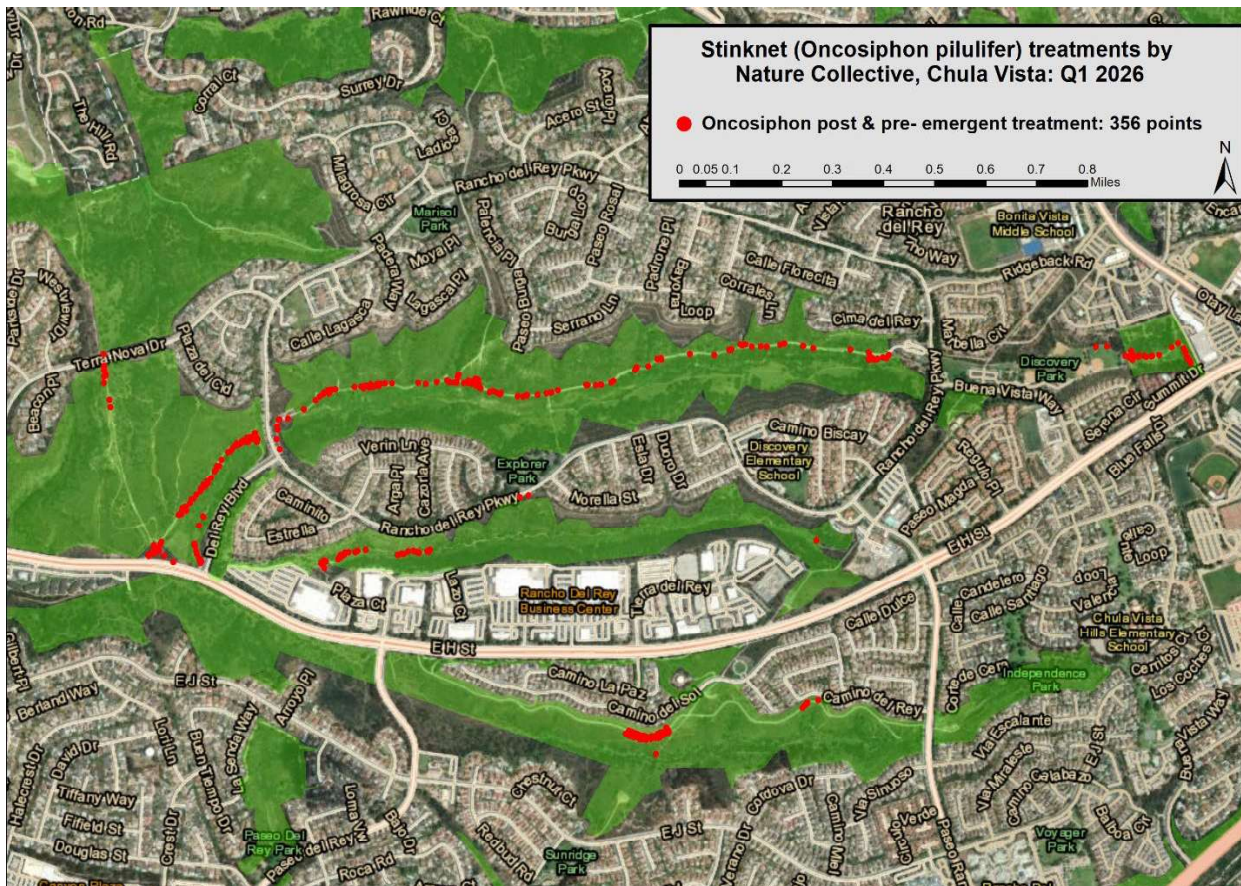
Stinknet numbers were lower, 75 treatment points were recorded in 2026, versus 120 in 2025.



Stinknet numbers were low on the west side of the site, but plants expanded to the north.



Stinknet numbers were higher, 920 treatment points were recorded in 2026, versus 609 in 2025.



Stinknet numbers were higher, 356 treatment points were recorded in 2026, versus 80 in 2025.





Stinknet numbers were low with 37 treatment points recorded in 2026.

Task 7- Arundo Re-treatments

Co-ordination and planning: ✓

Work on amending CDFW SAA was completed. Hopefully this will allow re-treatments to occur on Santa Margarita and San Luis Rey Watersheds this fall.

ROE or MOU work:

Work setting up re-treatments occurred.

Field work:

None.

Task 7- EDRR Level 2 sites

Co-ordination and planning:

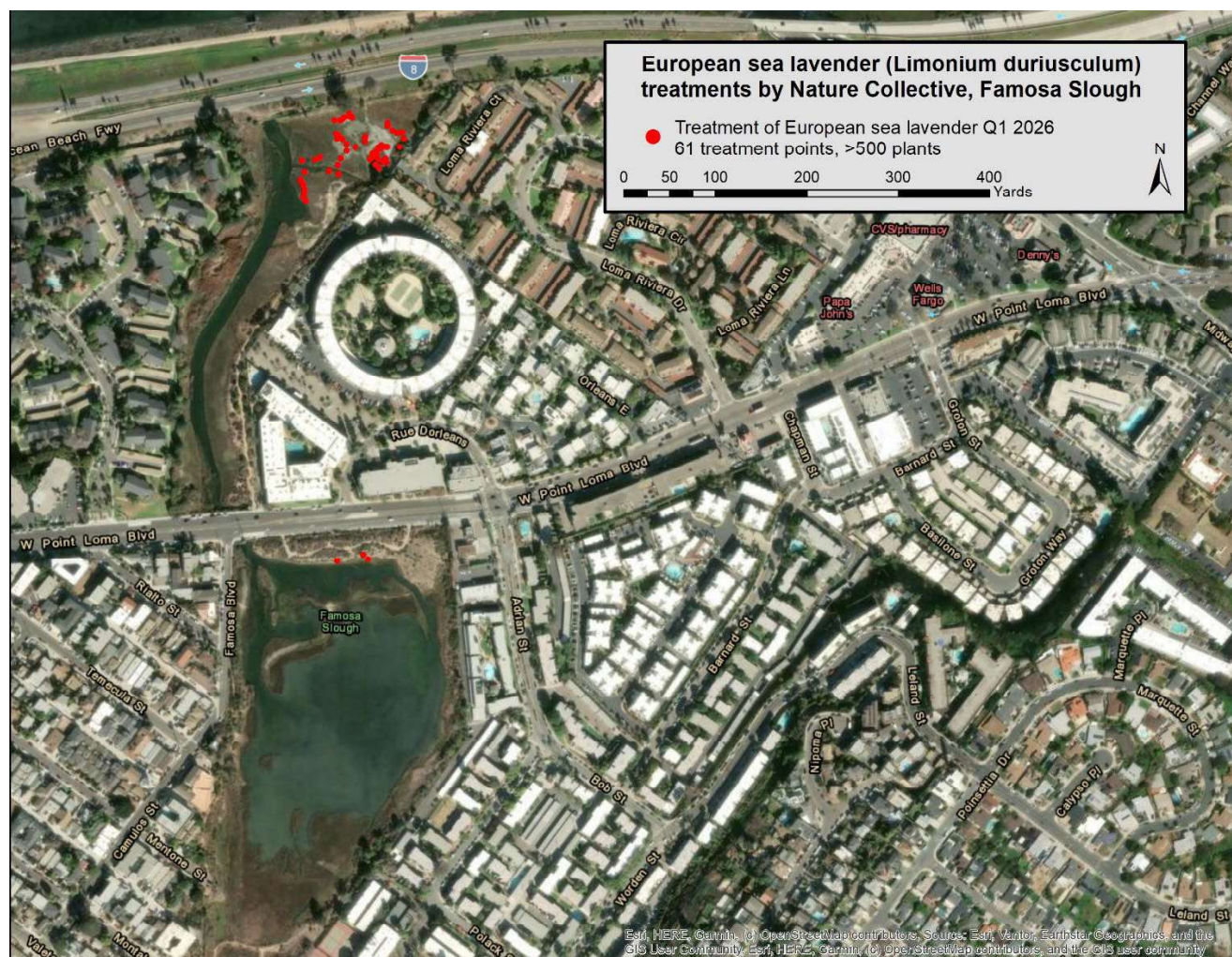
Three EDRR targets were worked on: Ward's weed, European sea lavender, and carnation spurge. Caltrans, the Port of San Diego, and private property owners were coordinated with.

Field work:

Ward's weed (*Carrichtera annua*) was treated with granular pre-emergent on Nov 12th 2025. The site was re-visited in early February (no plants seen) and again in early March, when 100 new seedlings were pulled at one location.



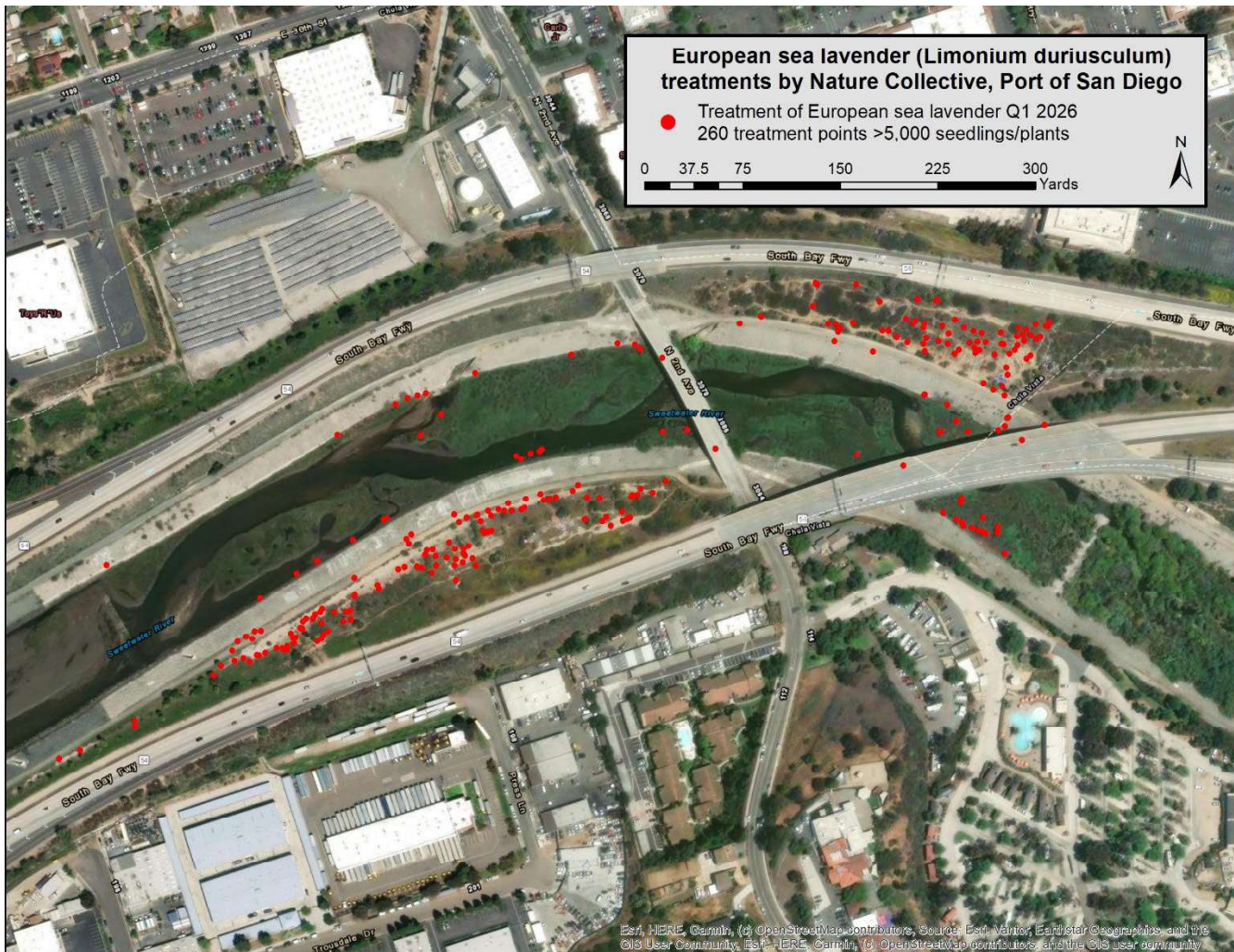
European Sea lavender was treated at Famosa Slough. This area was last treated in 2024.



European Sea lavender was treated at Port of San Diego. This area has not been treated in over 8 years. The Port will try to do follow up treatments in future years. Development of the non-estuary areas will occur, but it may be many more years until it occurs.



European Sea lavender was treated at Sweetwater. This area has been treated multiple times, the area is difficult to control. The Limonium team will take over treatments in 2026 of some if not all areas. County AWM may also do spot treatment.



Carnation spurge numbers were lower, 22 treatment points were recorded in 2026, versus 460 in 2025.



Carnation spurge numbers were about the same, 15 treatment points were recorded in 2026, versus 17 in 2025.



Work Anticipated Next Period: Q2 2026 ✓

Task 1- Project Management, Admin and Meetings ✓

Work will continue work on this task.

Task 7

- Oncosiphon Treatment for Priority Species

No work.

-Arundo Re-treatment

Permitting, access and sites are being examined.

- EDRR Level 2 sites ✓

Several sites and species will be worked on with post emergent: Canary Island St John's wort (City Heights, Presidio, Tecolote, Kate Sessions, Lone Jack, Switzer Canyon, and Mission Center) and Red Sesbania (Tecolote Canyon).