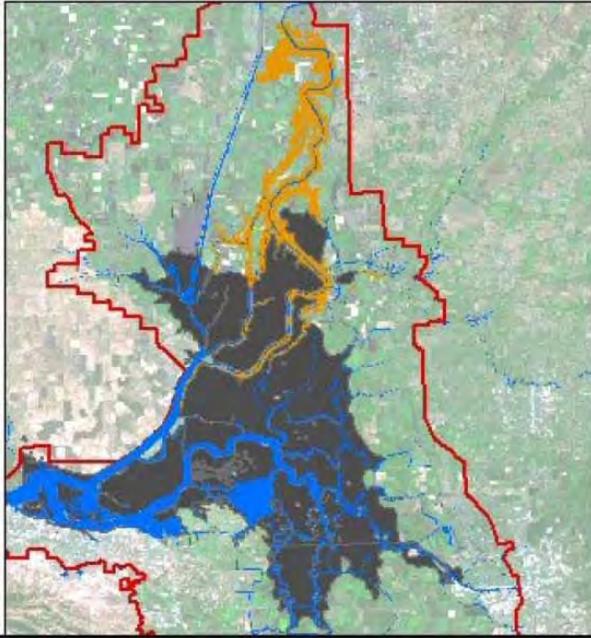


The current national atlas eliminates Sutter and Miner Sloughs. Why?

Delta Area - 1850



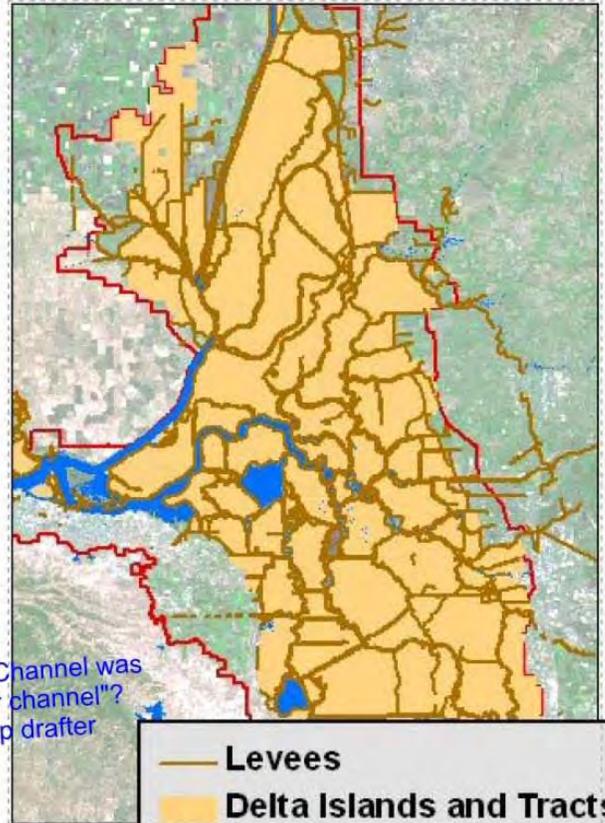
Tidal wetlands and natural levees 1850

Unit

- Natural Levees
- Peat and Muck - Tidal Wetlands
- Major Channels - 1850
- Delta Area

Really? The Sacramento Ship Channel was in existence in 1850 as a "major channel"? Who's history book was this map drafter reading?

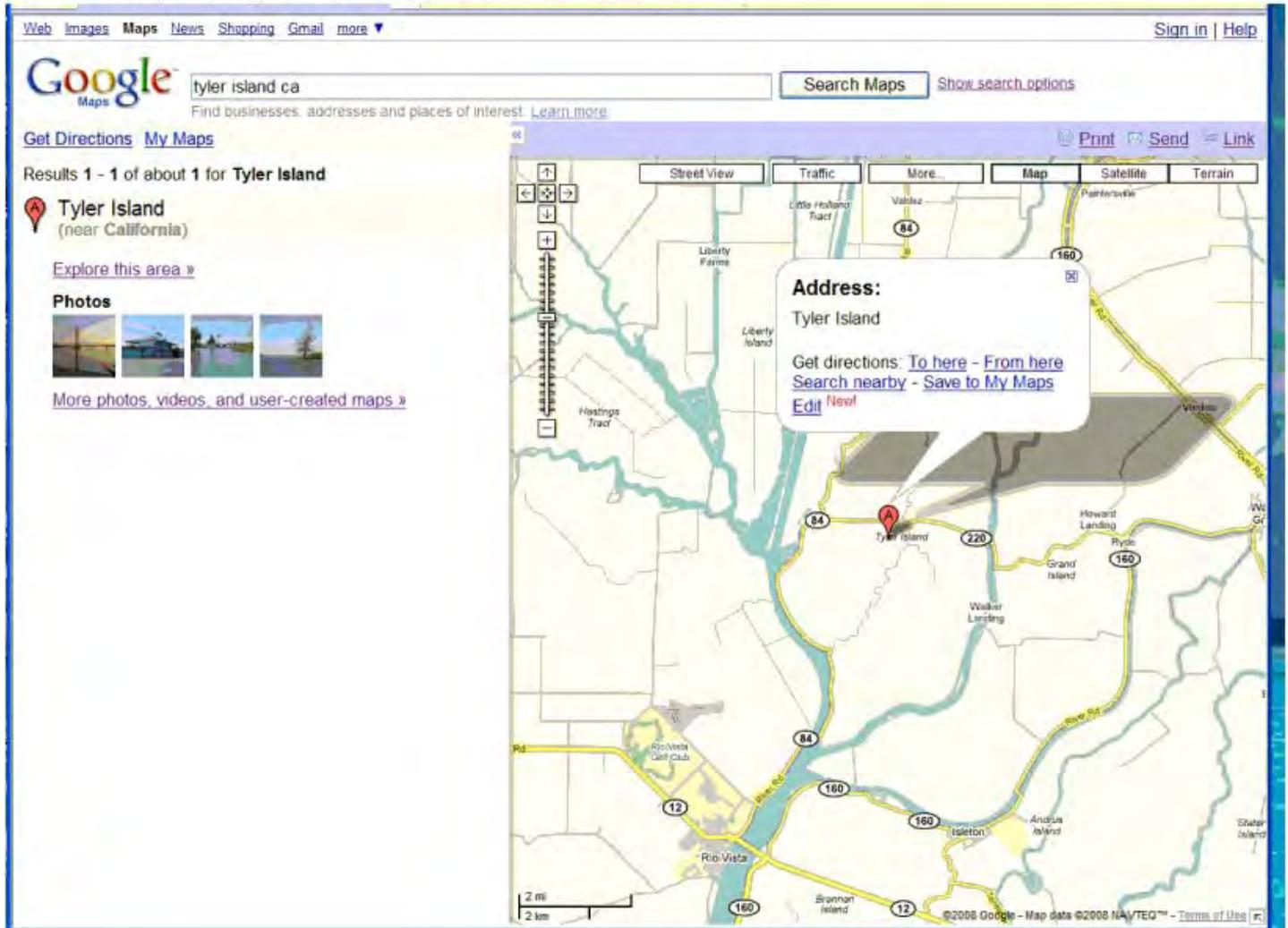
Delta Area - 2006



- Levees
- Delta Islands and Tracts
- Delta Area

Another example of using graphics to convey false data.

Google maps listing the Real Ryer Island as "Tyler" Island



Part of the problem with wrong Delta island and waterway names is that Google has been incorrectly labeling islands and waterways since at least 2005. Google apparently has a contract with several governmental mapping agencies, which might explain why normally accurate organizations like NOAA is currently displaying incorrect Delta location names online.

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Delta Vision Strategic Plan



Even after the Delta Vision representatives were notified of the incorrect labeling of some of the Delta islands, the final version was published with several mistakes. The island circled is called “Ryer”.

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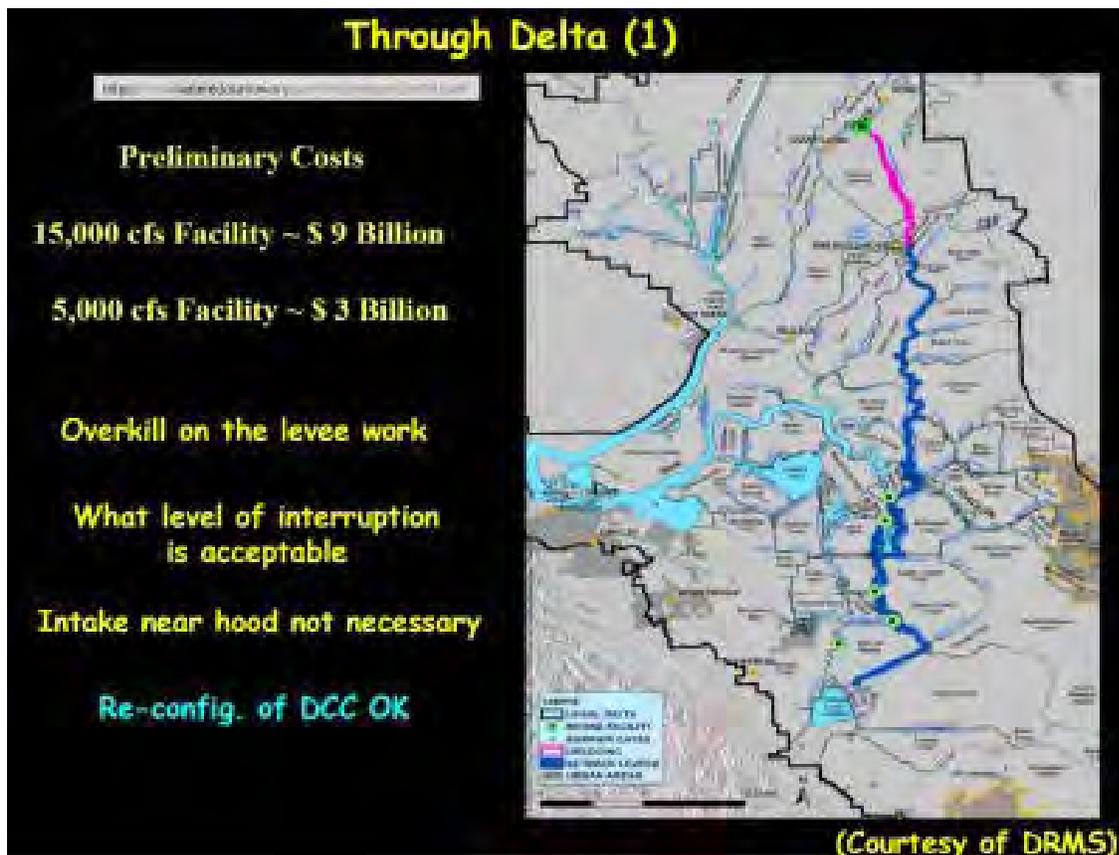
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- Descending Orbits
- > 100,000 PS targets



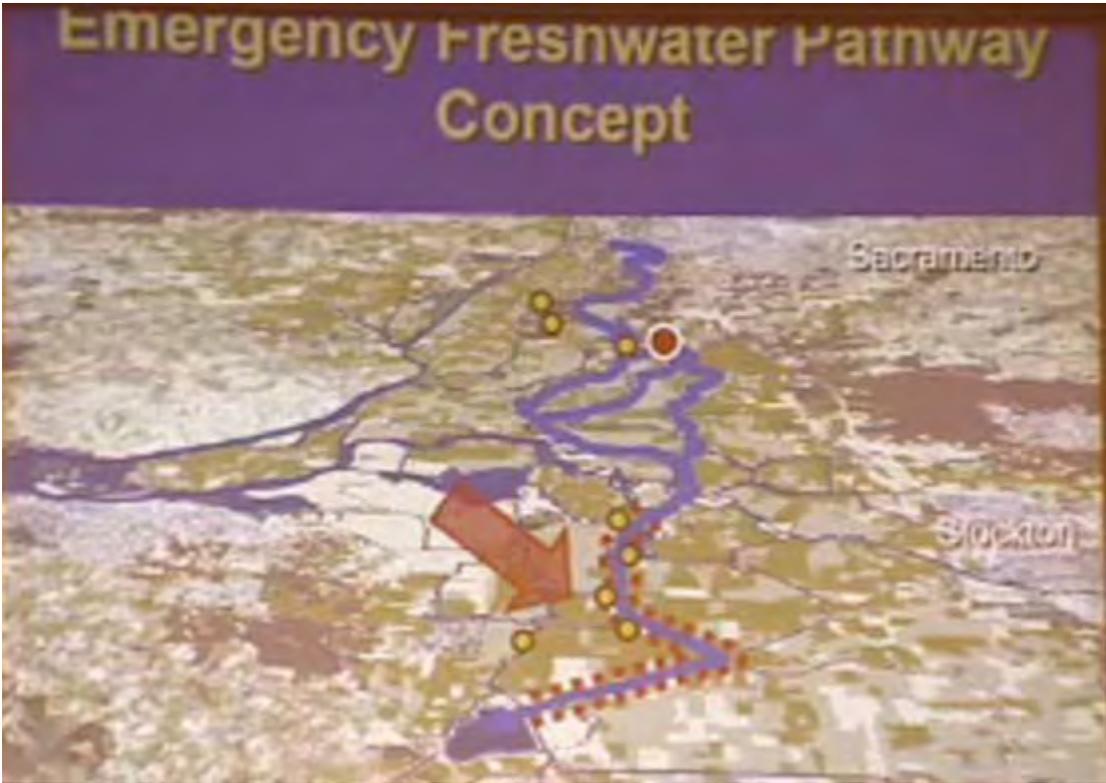
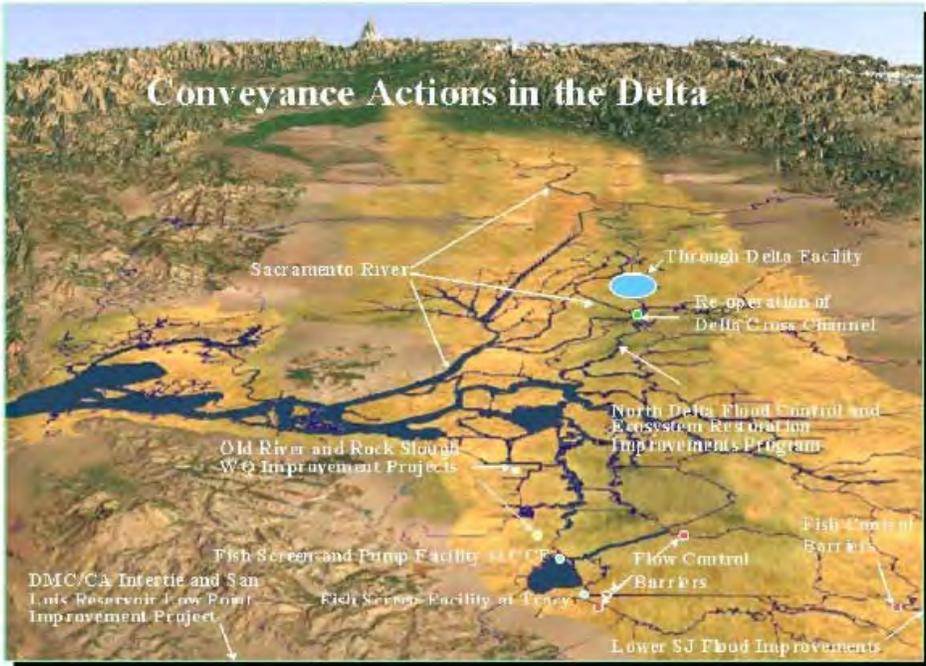
The result is that many Delta-related speakers, including professors from UCD, continue to use incorrect Delta names in their presentations.

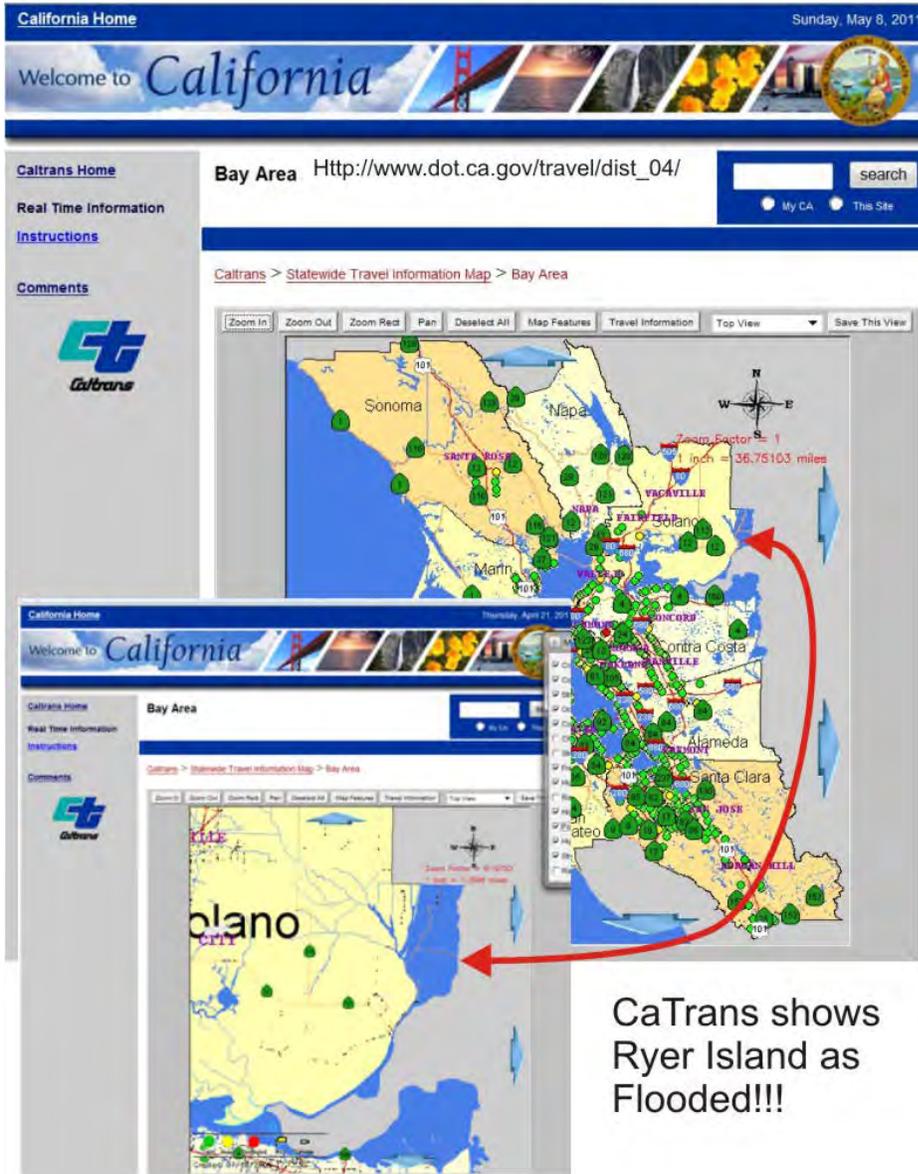
CalFed did not “fail” in 2003 regarding the conveyance portion of the plan, as construction has continued to move forward as “regional projects”. It appears most of the elements of the CalFed 2000 ROD “preferred alternative” are complete or almost complete.

D Question for BDCP or DWR speaker: Is it expected the central conveyance or “preferred alternative” which includes reoperation of the DCC, expanded capacity of Freeport pumps, revision to McCormack/Williamson Tract, dredging around the area of DCC and Dead Horse island to facilitate greater water flow down the Mokelumne Rivers, etc will be operational by the end of 2012 or earlier? Will it include use of Staten Island for In-Delta water “detention” or other Delta islands and if so, which islands are planned to be IDS? There are detail studies regarding the restoration of Ryer Island in the Suisun marsh area. What is the plan for the Ryer Island north of the Rio Vista bridge bordered by Steamboat Slough? The following maps express graphically the ongoing CALFED conveyance project pathway, and the continuing confusion regarding restoration and the two Ryer Islands.



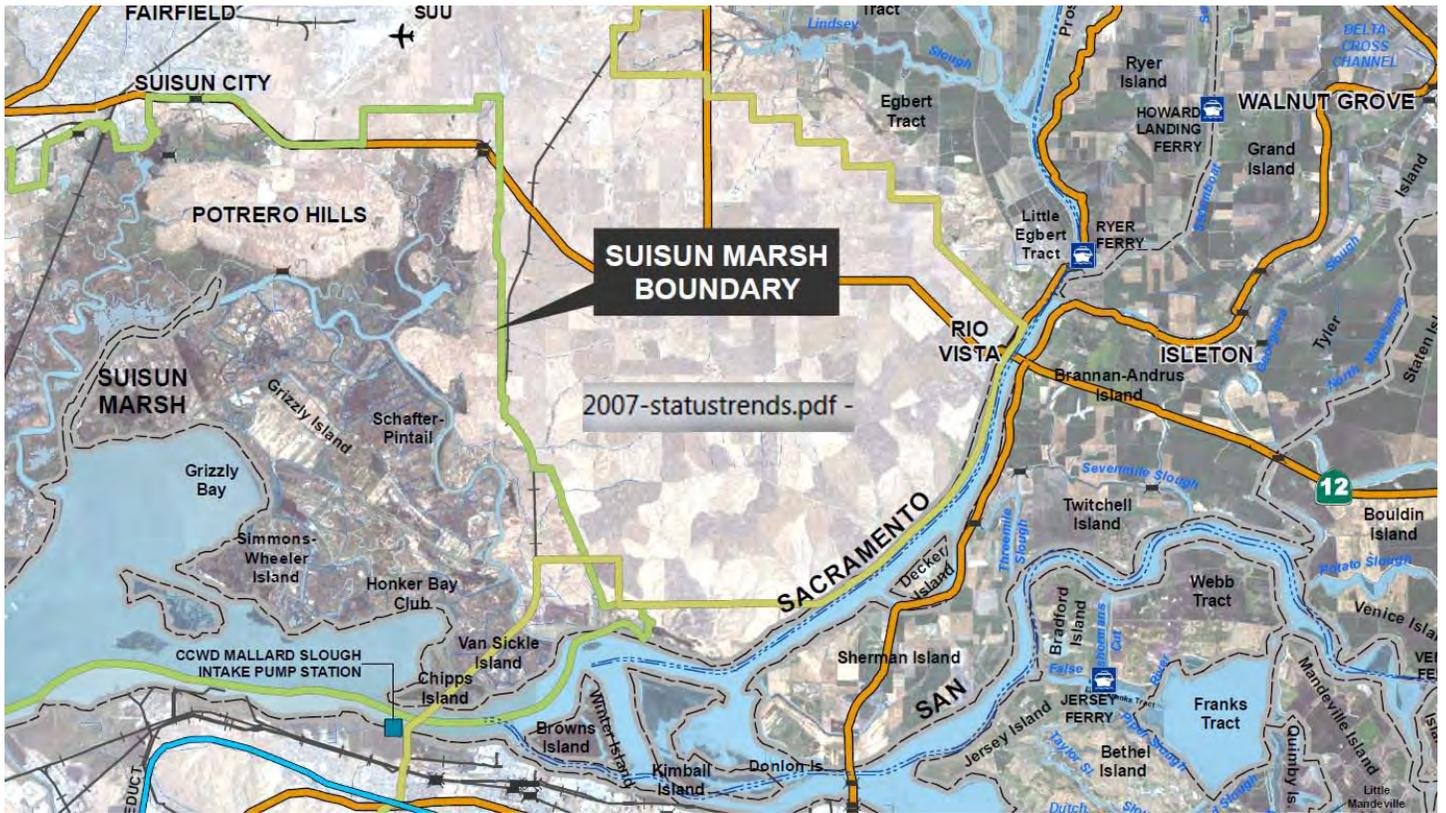
Project Map





CaTrans shows Ryer Island as Flooded!!!

The above map is part of section 4 of this paper, but is also an example of another erroneous Delta map.



Map above is another example of an erroneous Delta map, as it omits important labeling.

Since URS has conducted extensive studies regarding the Suisun Marsh area, including “Ryer Island” which is not named in the planning map, are the detail studies actually intended to be focused on the “Ryer Island” north of the Rio Vista bridge, bordered by Steamboat Slough?

Thank you in advance for your time and attention to my concerns and questions regarding plans for the Sacramento San Joaquin Delta in general, Steamboat Slough and Ryer Island in particular.

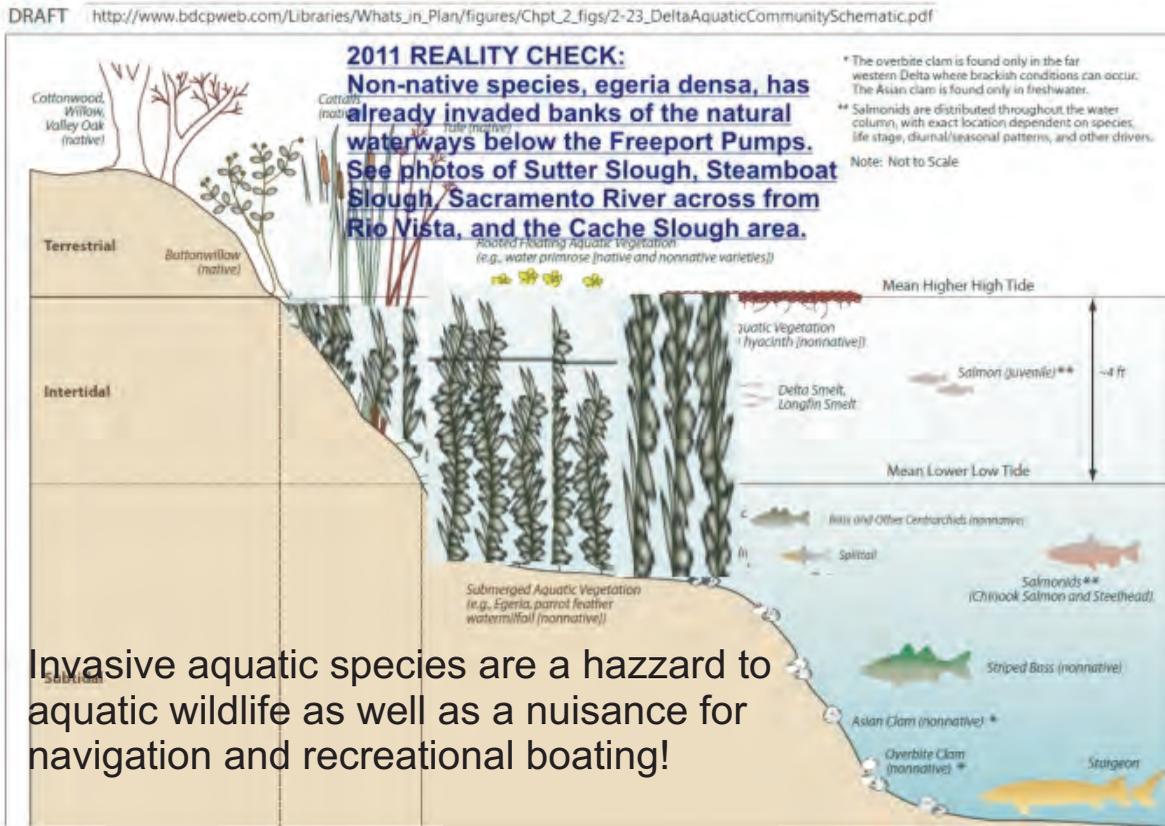
Respectfully submitted,

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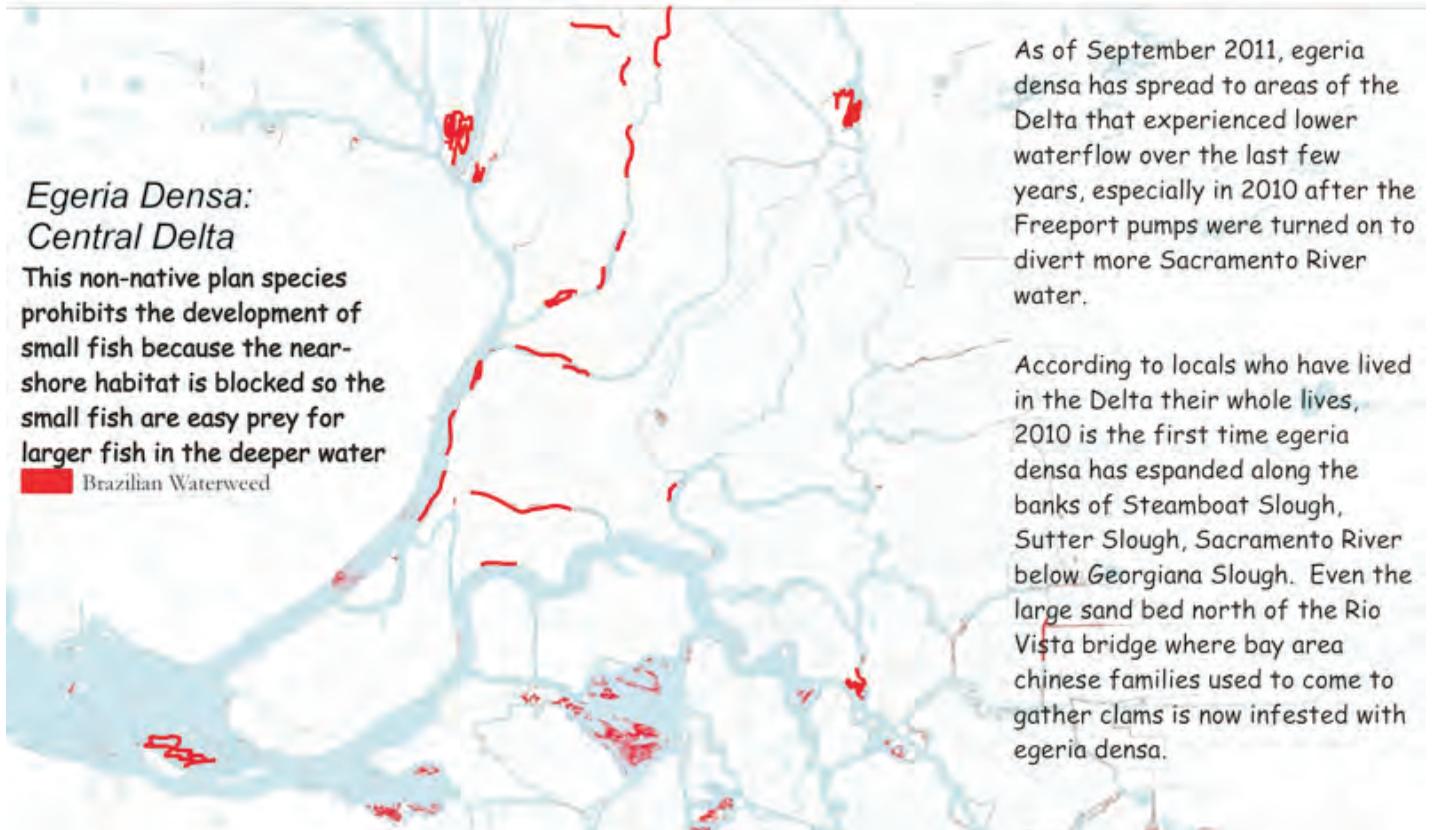
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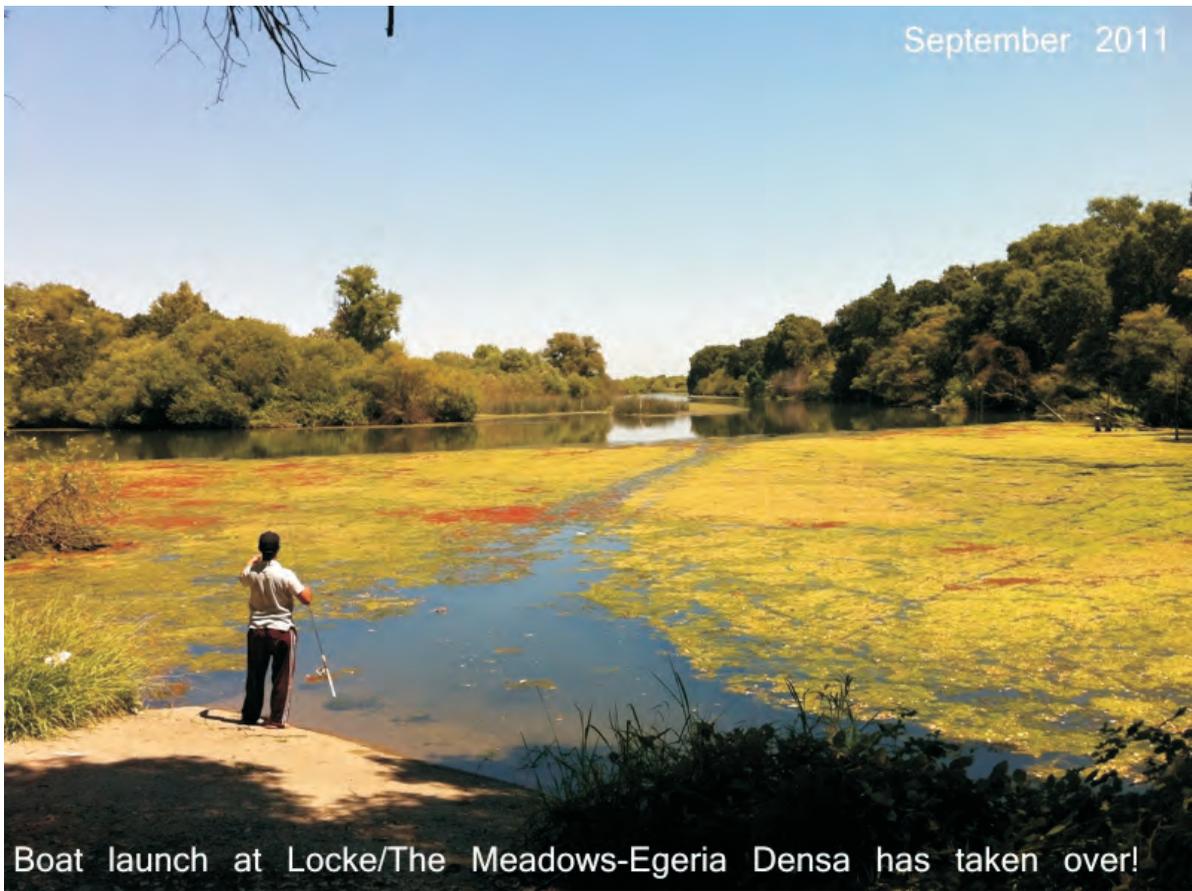
ATTACHMENT G TO DELTA PLAN COMMENTS

Examples of invasive aquatic species invading the Delta fall 2011
 Photos by Nicky Suard, Esq. Snug Harbor Resorts, LLC

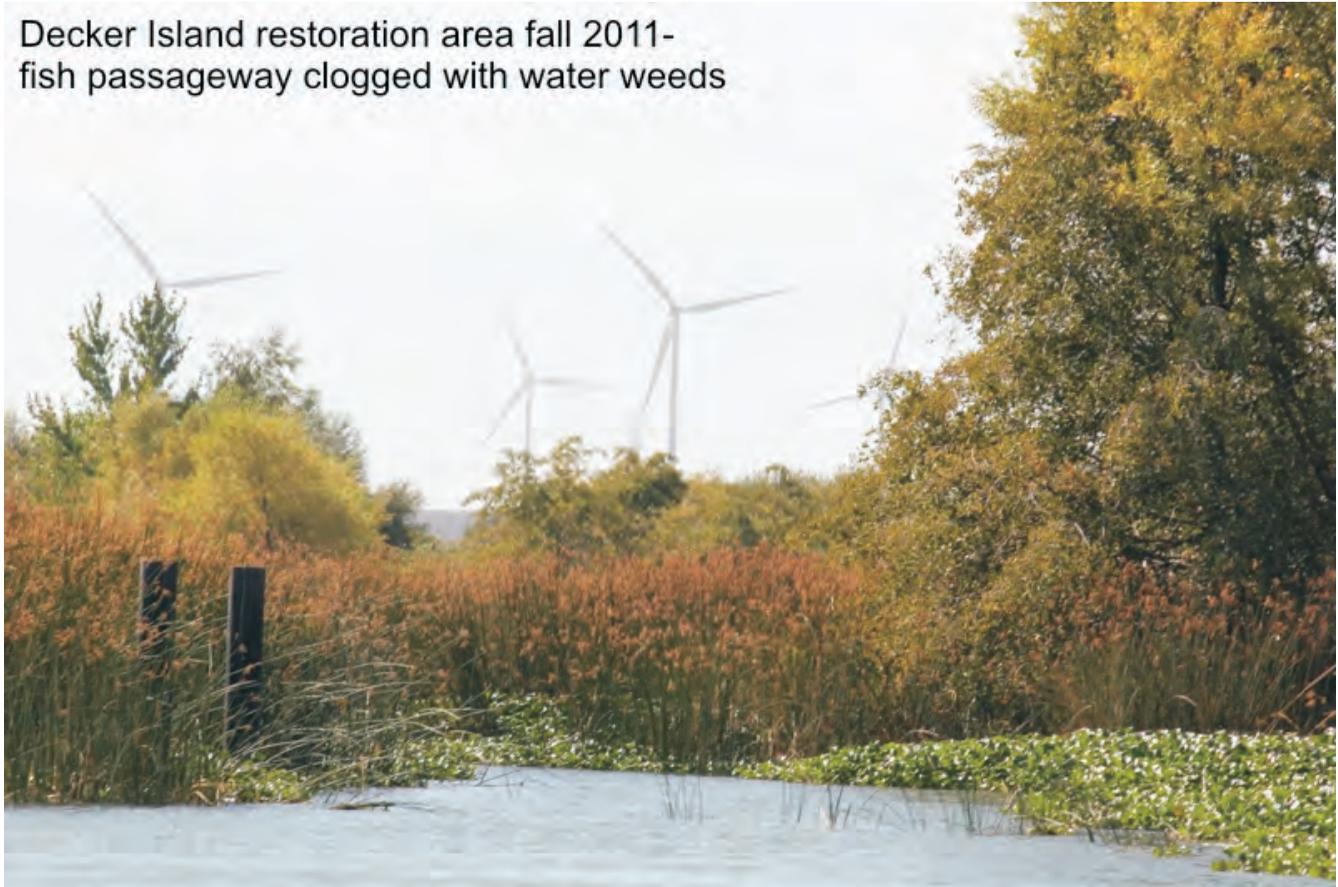


Invasive aquatic species are a hazard to aquatic wildlife as well as a nuisance for navigation and recreational boating!





Decker Island restoration area fall 2011-
fish passageway clogged with water weeds



By Decker Island fall 2011

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There are 193 known introduced species in the Delta. These species dominate many Delta biological communities in both number and biomass.

http://www.water.ca.gov/floodmgmt/dsmo/sab/drmisp/docs/Status_and_Trends-PRD.pdf

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Introduced waterweed can overwhelm low velocity channels



Sacramento River off Brannan Island Fall 2011

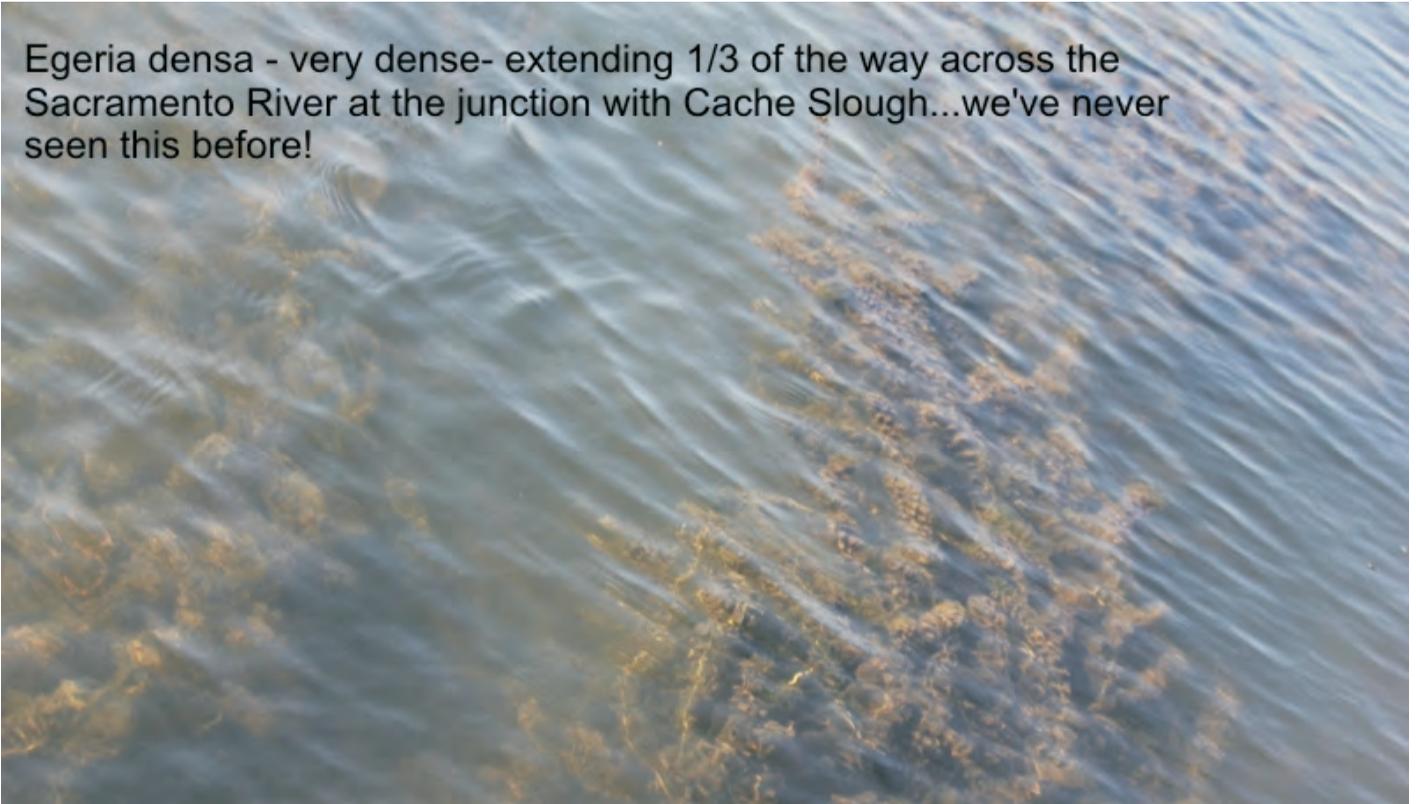


3 Mile Slough at the banks of Brannan Island Fall 2011



Cove off Steamboat Slough where turtles and river otter used to live...

Egeria densa - very dense- extending 1/3 of the way across the Sacramento River at the junction with Cache Slough...we've never seen this before!



Unless funding and an annual plan to control invasive aquatic species is included as part of the Delta Plan, the Delta will eventually become clogged, limiting use of exports pumps, limiting use of in-delta irrigation pumps, limiting smaller fish to access to saffer shallow habitat, limiting recreation boating and fishing, which will also negatively impact local economies.

It's a simple fact that lower water flows allow for increase in aquatic species growth. How will the Delta Plan deal with this serious Delta-wide issue?

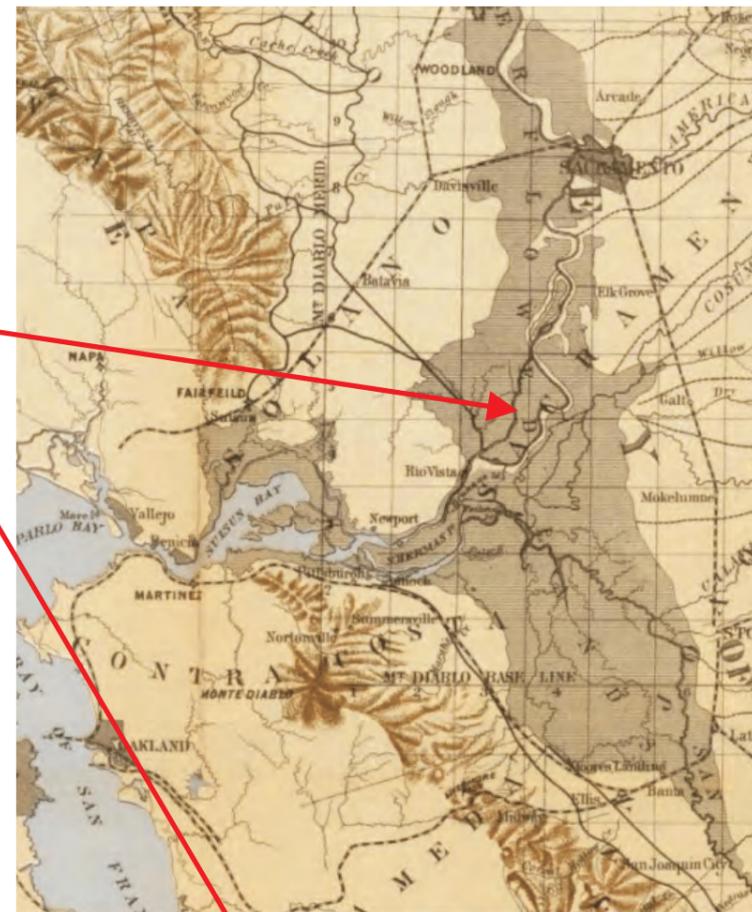
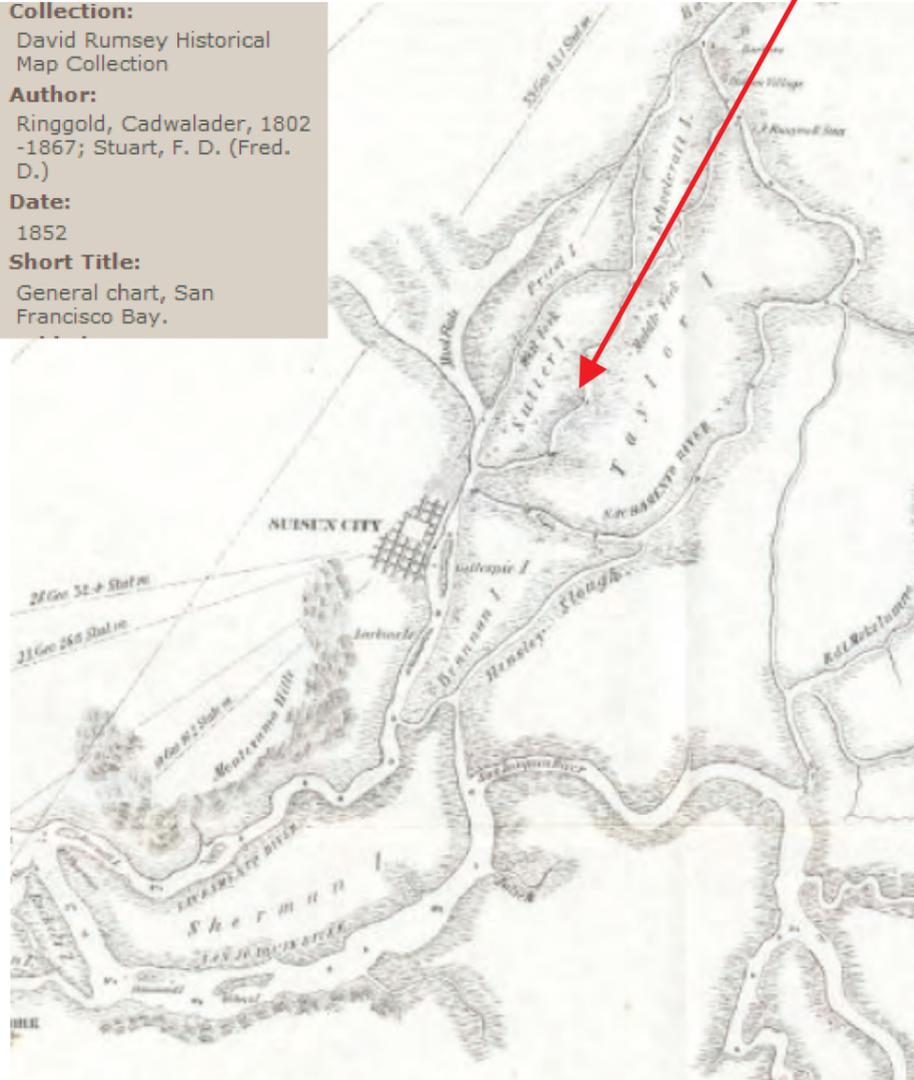
ATTACHMENT H

DELTA HISTORY VS THE DELTA PLAN: Original or natural North Delta waterways

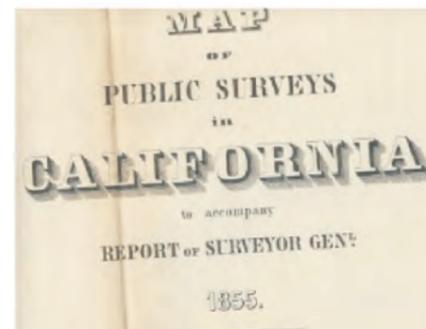
Section of 1852 survey of navigation on the Sacramento River. For a short video describing navigation and scenes http://snugarbor.net/old_sacramento_river-video.html or <http://snugarbor.net/oldriversacramento.html> Steamboat Slough was the primary navigation route for steamships transporting passengers to and from Sacramento. More historic

Steamboat Slough location

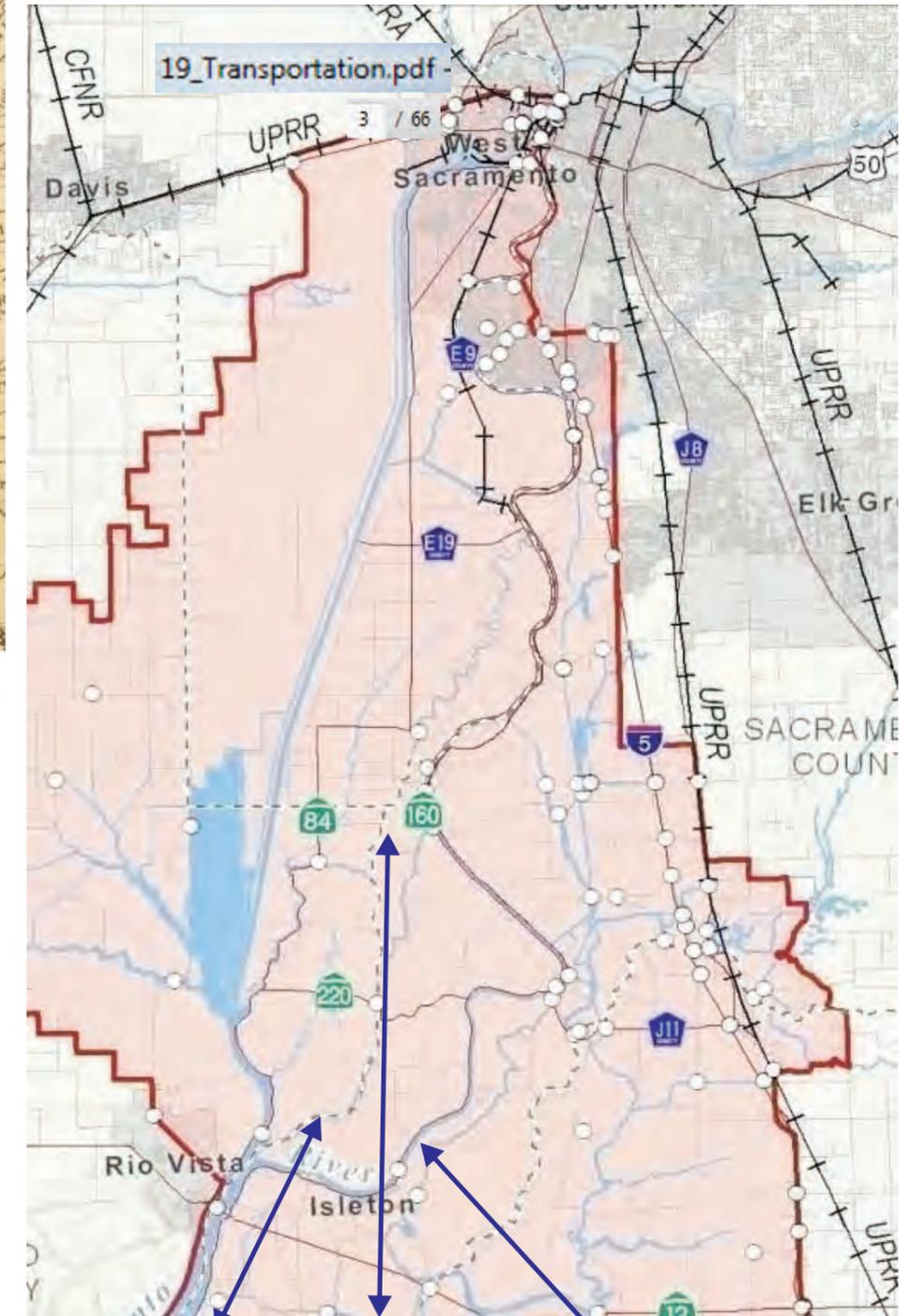
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Portion of 1873 Irrigation map



The Delta Plan for Transportation appears to eliminate the original natural transportation routes of the North Delta, to be replaced with the Sacramento Ship Channel-a man-made waterway. This violates previous laws and codes, and renigs on previous assurances to Delta land owners and California boaters.

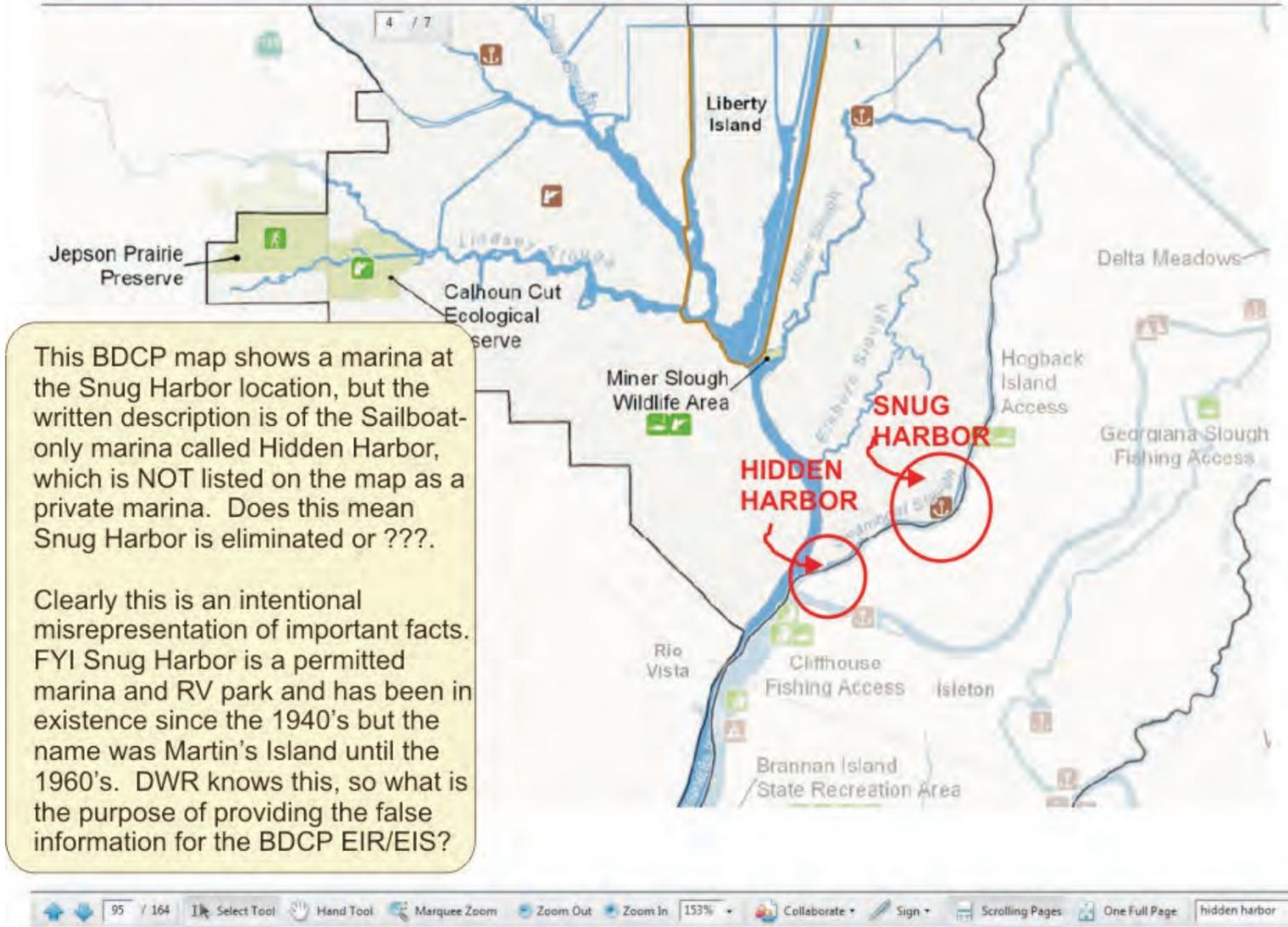


Steamboat Slough Sutter Slough Sacramento River

The following maps and report sections show the quality of work currently produced by the BDCP. If the drafters of the BDCP, who have boated by Snug Harbor and some have actually visited the peninsula still confuse its location, how can anyone trust the accuracy of other data provided in the BDCP?

CURRENT BDCP MISTAKES

http://baydeltaconservationplan.com/Libraries/Dynamic_Document_Library/Chapter_15_-_Figures.sflb.ashx



Note to Reader: This is a preliminary draft prepared by the BDCP EIR/EIS consultants and is based on partial information/data. It has not been reviewed or approved by the Lead Agencies and does not reflect the Lead Agencies' or Consultant's opinion that it is adequate for meeting the requirements of CEQA or NEPA. This document is expected to go through several revisions prior to being released for formal public review and comment in 2012. All members of the public will have an opportunity to provide comments on the public draft of the revised version of this document during the formal public review and comment period. Responses will be prepared only on comments submitted in the formal public review and comment period.

Recreation

1 **Hidden Harbor Marina**

2 Hidden Harbor Marina is an all-sailboat facility located at the junction of Cache and Steamboat
 3 sloughs, just west of the Alternative 1C canal alignment. Vehicular access to the marina would be
 4 maintained using SR 84 or a detour. Traffic levels on SR 84 may increase because of construction.
 5 On-water access to the marina would also be maintained, and use of the marina's boating facilities
 6 would not be affected by construction. Boating opportunities would still be available at the marina
 7 during canal tunnel construction; however, the recreation experiences of marina users may be
 8 affected by construction activities. Construction activities in Steamboat Slough would not be visible
 9 to marina users. Marina users may be able to hear construction noise, however, which could

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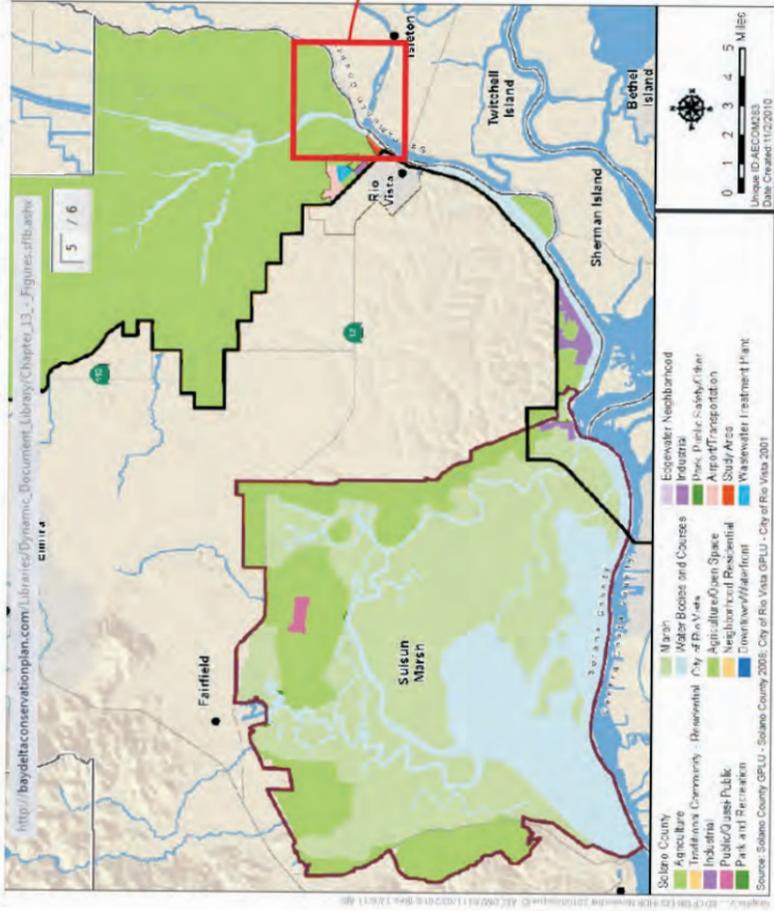
6 Table 15-12 lists the recreation sites that fall within the construction right-of-way, within the CPA,
 7 or are within 1,000 feet of the CPA limits. Specific effects are discussed below. See Chapter 17 Visual
 8 Resources and Chapter 27 Noise, for additional visual- and noise-related effects on recreationists.

9 **Table 15-12. Recreation Sites Potentially Affected during Construction of Alternative 1C**

Sites in the Right-of-Way	Sites in the CPA	Sites within 1,000 Feet of the CPA Limits
Numerous Marinas or Houses with Docks	Cliff's Marina	Clarksburg Marina
Twitchell Island	Clarksburg Fishing Access	Stone Lakes NWR
	Arrowhead Harbor	Vieira's Resort
	Hidden Harbor Marina	New Anchor Marina
	Cliffhouse Fishing Access	Hennis Marina
	Jersey Island	Sunset Harbor
	Bridgepoint Marina	San Joaquin Yacht Club
	Viking Harbor	Wood's Yacht Harbor
	Harris Marina	Greg's Harbor
	Sea Horse Marina	Carol's Harbor
	Orwood Resort	Sam's Harbor
	Clifton Court Forebay	Rivers End Marina
	Lazy M Marina	Twitchell Island
	Twitchell Island	Jersey Island

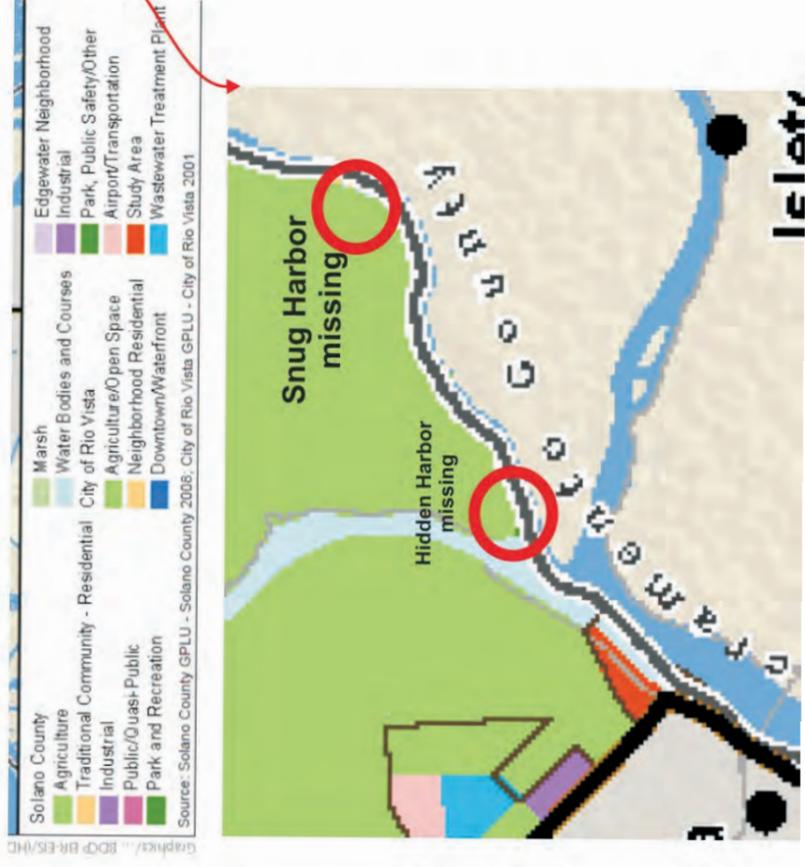
Source: Compiled by DHCCP in 2010.

BDCP 12/2011 version of the Solano County General Plan does not match what Solano County website says:

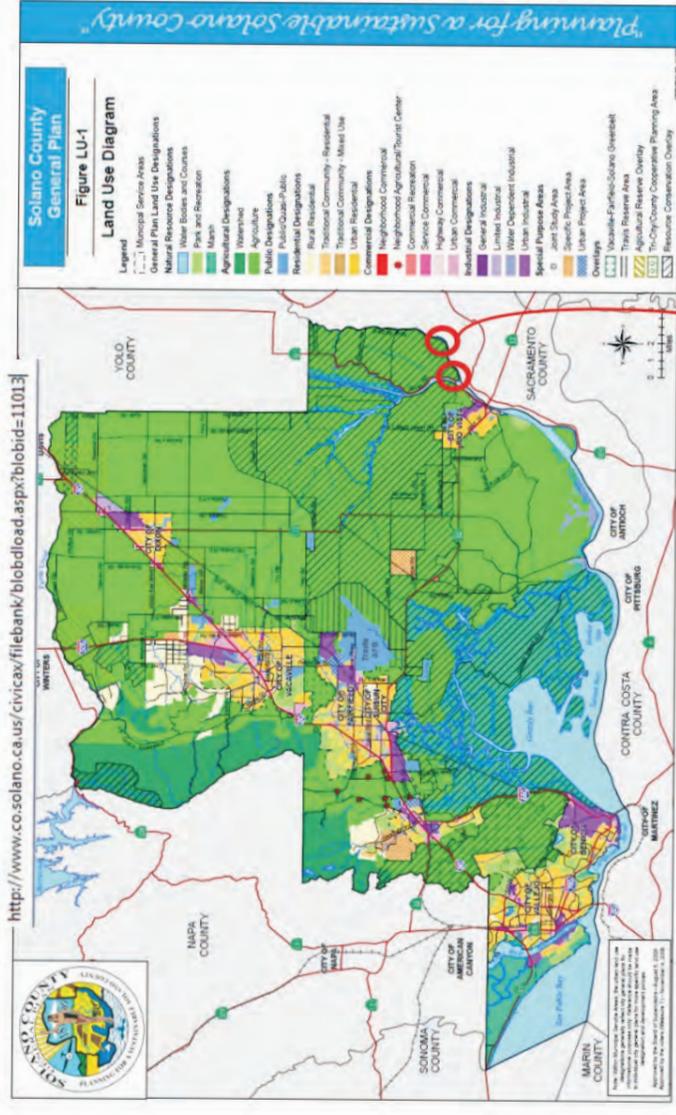


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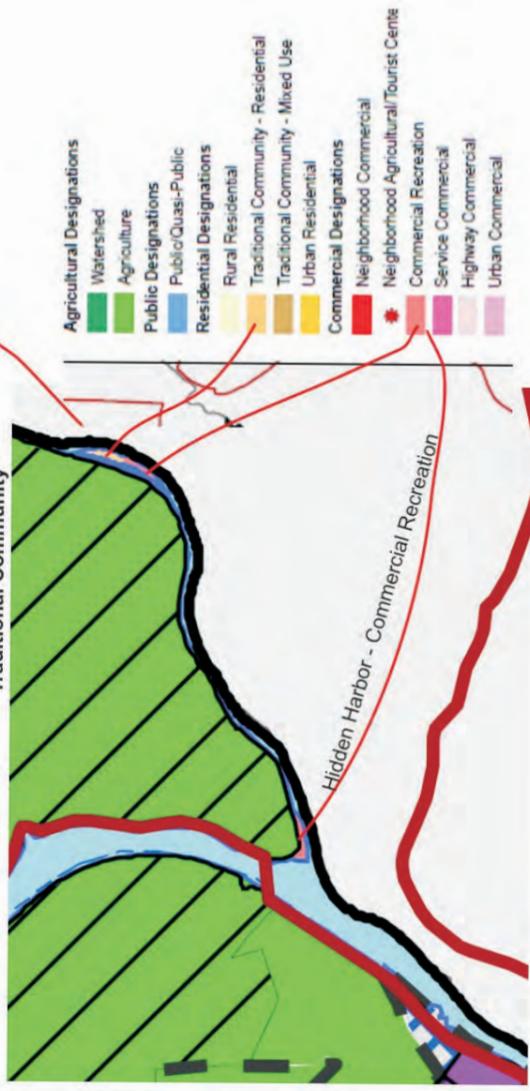
Figure 13-5 Solano County General Plan Land Use Designations

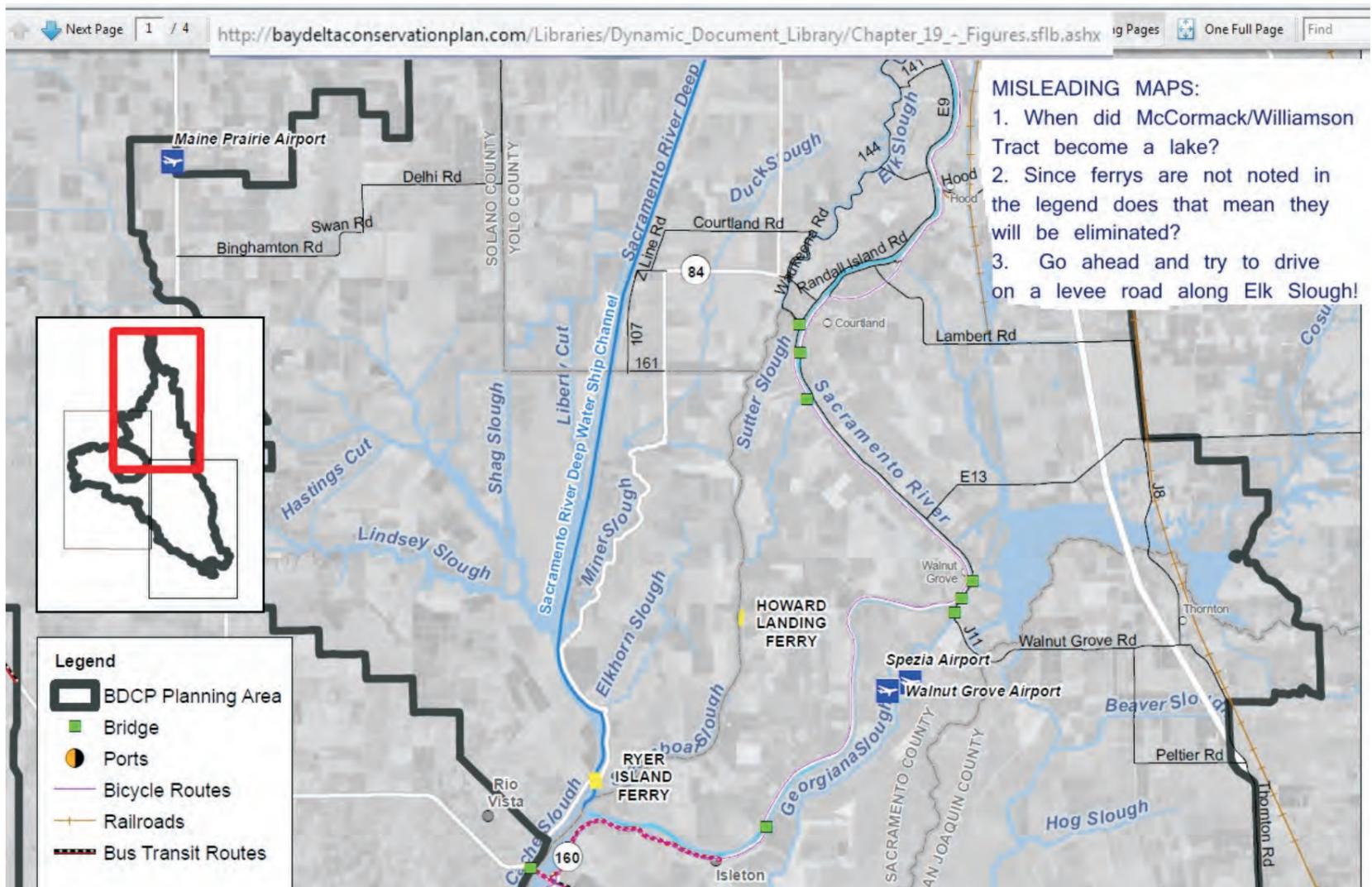


The real solano county general plan



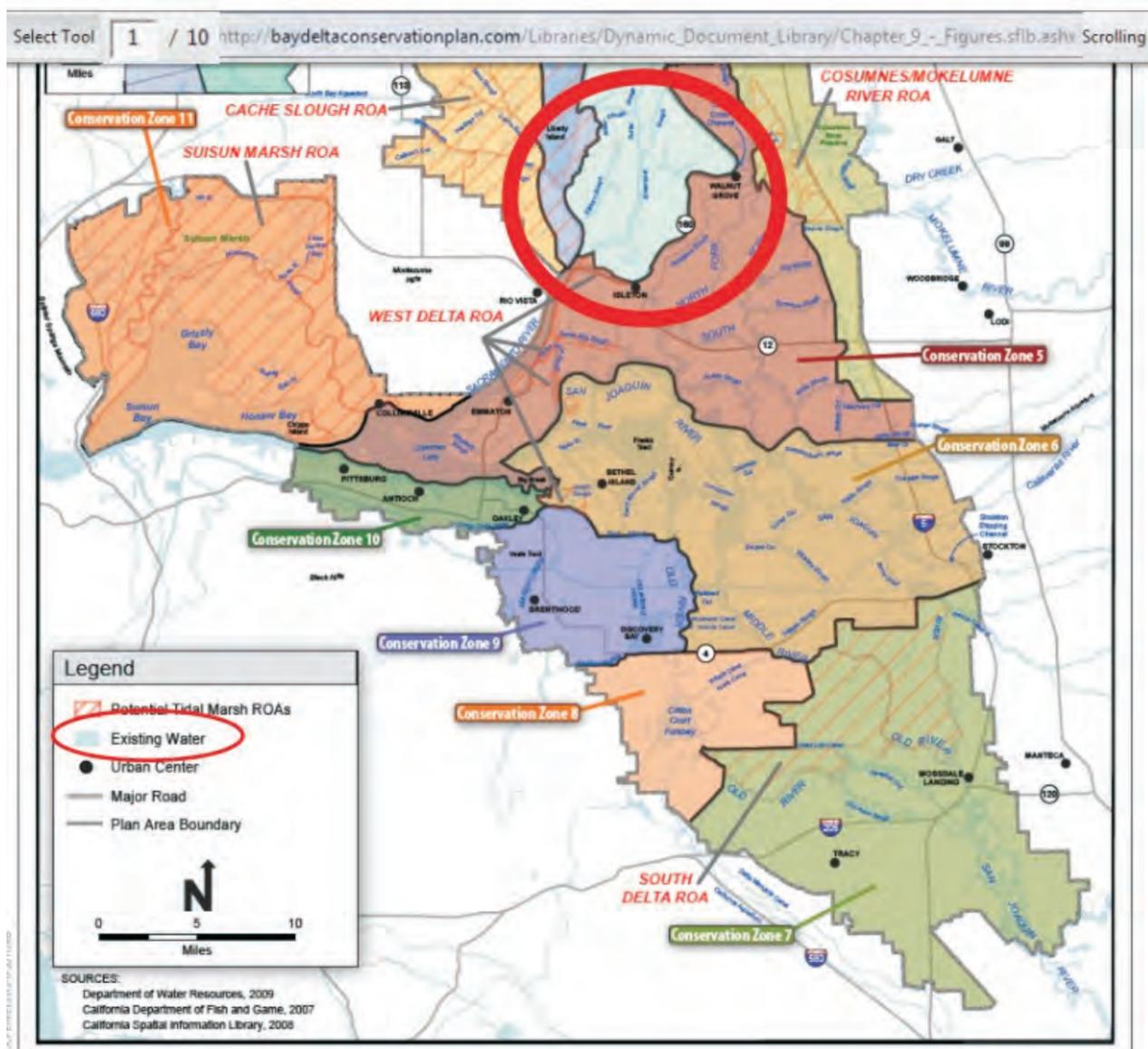
Snug Harbor Resort - Commercial Recreation and Residential Traditional Community





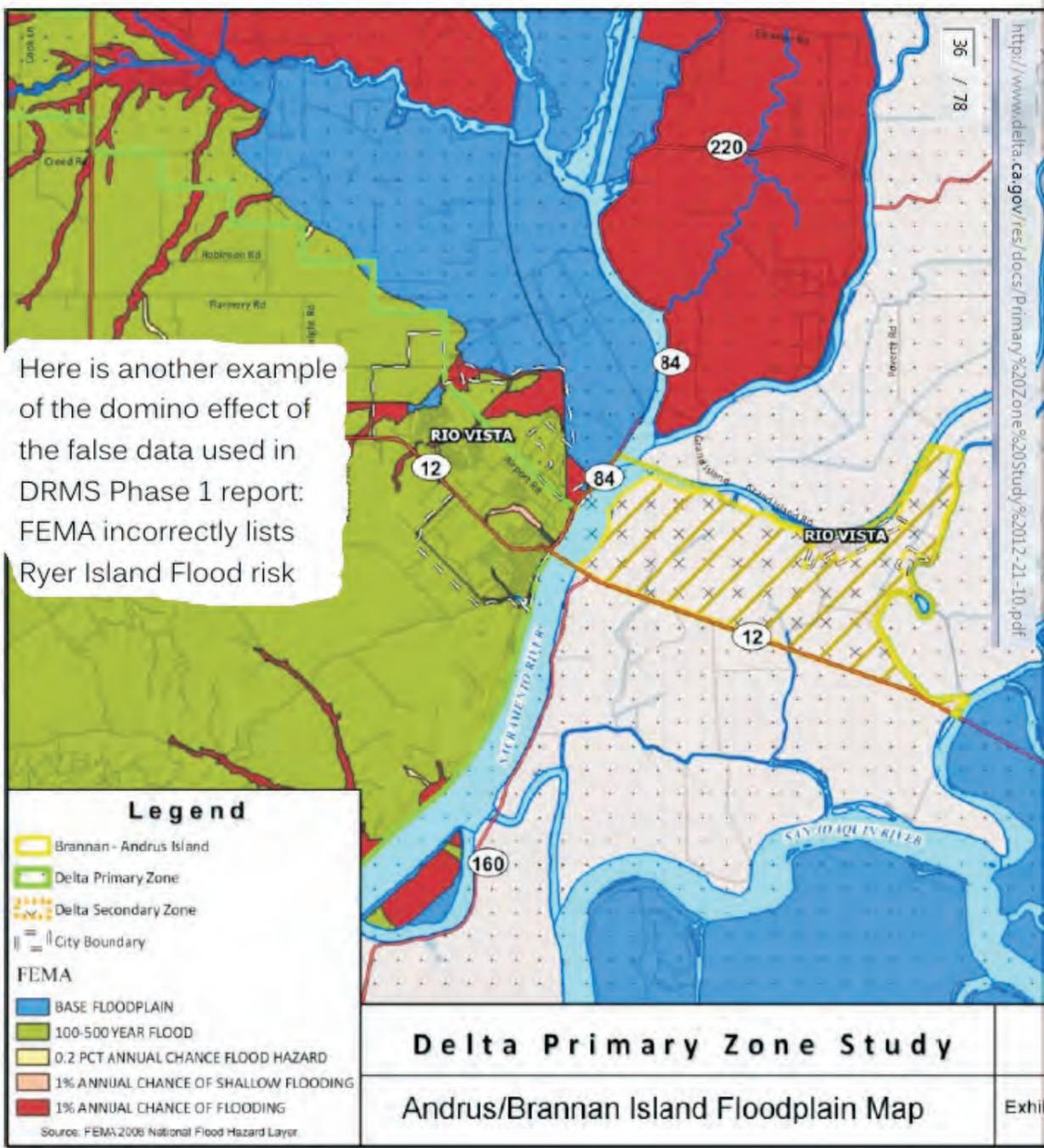
Another example of a misleading map from BDCP:
The map key says the blue color is "existing water"

Last time we looked out the window Ryer Island was not
A lake and neither was Grand, Sutter or Merritt Islands.



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Figure 9-1
Restoration Opportunity Areas



Note that the above BDCP map was based on a FEMA map that was based on false Ryer Island flood history which FEMA was provided by DWR as part of the DRMS Phase 1 technical studies.

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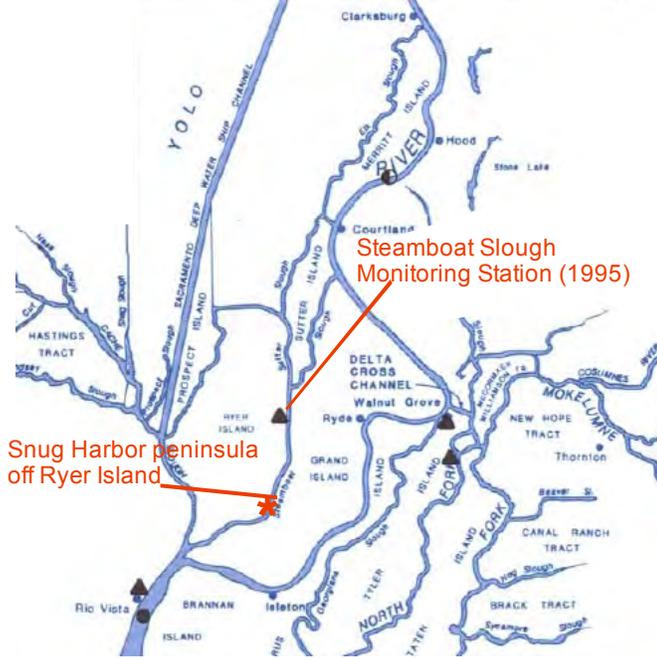
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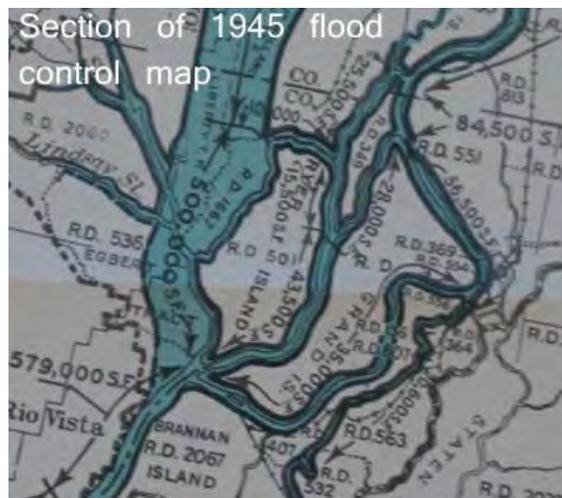
This letter is written to request review and revision of the proposed flood control plan for select locations within the Delta region, with a focus on the proposed flood flow capabilities for Steamboat Slough, between river miles 15 to 26, as shown on the CVFMP map, from the State Plan for Flood Control¹. "Public safety is the top priority for the CVFPB" according to your website, so you appear to be the ones to address a potential public safety issue due to the proposed flood flow design capability of Steamboat Slough, Sutter Slough and the Main Stem of the Sacramento River, as shown in current documents online. Below is a map of the area of the Delta that is the topic of my concern, which is flow on Steamboat Slough and the effect of that flow on the landowners of Snug Harbor.

¹<http://www.water.ca.gov/cvfmp/docs/SPFCDescriptiveDocumentNov2010.pdf>



Location of Snug Harbor on Steamboat Slough

Snug Harbor is a peninsula off Ryer Island, on Steamboat Slough about river mile 17.5. (Solano County 1961 survey map refers to the land as Martin's Island)². The SPFC indicates 43,500 cfs flood capacity flow for Steamboat Slough, the same flow as proposed in the 1945 Sacramento River Flood Control Project. However, the 1945 plan assumed Steamboat Slough would be maintained at a much deeper depth than it is today; no dredging of the silt has been done since 1977 according to local records. **Based on observation and experience over 14 years of ownership of property on Steamboat Slough, I believe the flood flow capacity of Steamboat Slough is more in the range of 15,000 cfs to 20,000 cfs total.**



Note how the section of the 2011 draft flow map (left) matches the 1945 Sacramento River Flood Control Project map of the same area. (right)

²http://snugharbor.net/historic_steamboat_slough.htm

Steamboat Slough – Sac River to Sutter Slough	10	7	28,000	28,000	28,000
Steamboat Slough – Sutter Slough to Sac River	7	0	43,500	43,500	43,500

<http://www.water.ca.gov/cv/fmp/docs/SPFCDescriptiveDocumentNov2010.pdf> (44 of 154)

Is the existence of Snug Harbor land owners and others along Steamboat Slough considered in the SPFC flood flow capacity assessment? Does the state realize it causes high water events on the properties of Steamboat Slough, at Snug Harbor, when flow is not even at 20,000 cfs and other factors are present? The SPFC does not appear to account for impact to Snug Harbor landowners or business.

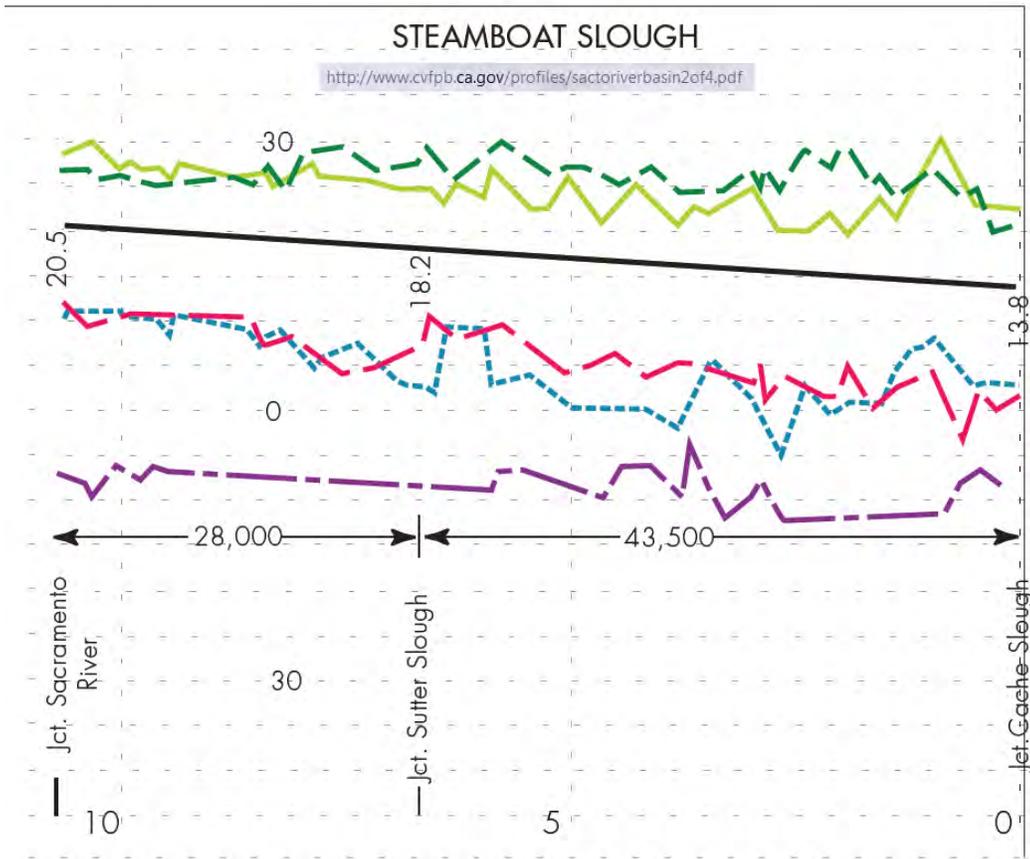


In addition, even when flows are lower on Steamboat Slough, high water flow on Cache Slough can back up into Steamboat Slough, then into Snug Cove area, and cause flooding on the peninsula even when no other are of the Delta is flooding. I believe the Sacramento River (approximately River miles 15 to 35) is both wider and deeper, yet the SPFCmap below limits proposed flood flow to 35,000 cfs on the Sacramento River. Why does SPFC propose higher flow on Steamboat Slough, which has less physical capacity than the main stem of the Sacramento River? I added red

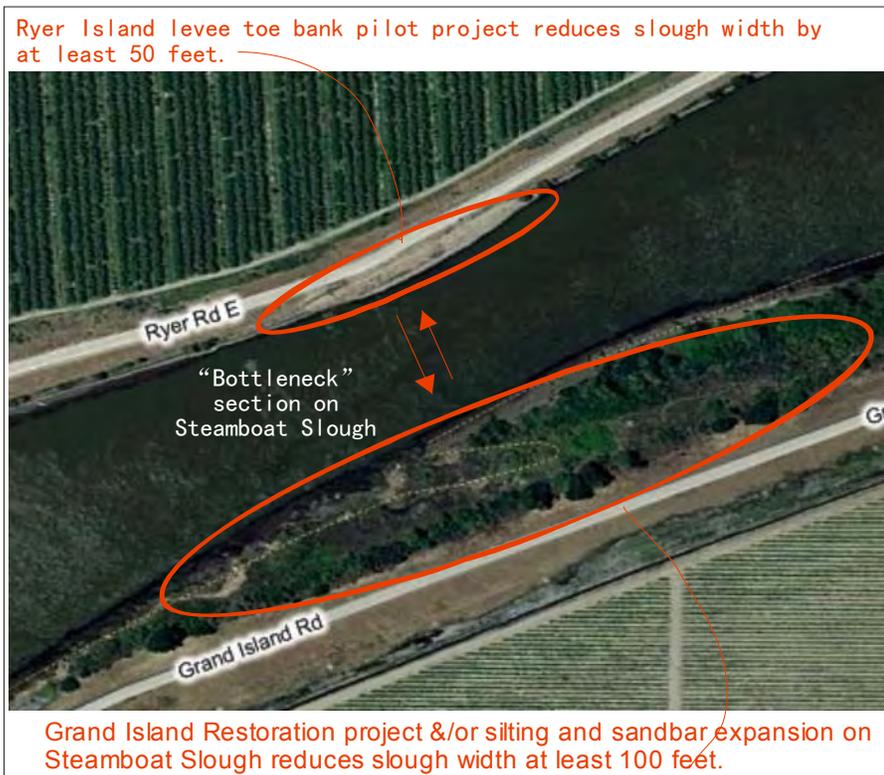
arrows to the photograph of the Snug Harbor peninsula to show how flood flows and the back up of flood flows reaches Snug Cove on the east side on the peninsula.

Perhaps in the past when Steamboat Slough was regularly dredged, it had the extra flow capacity. However, since 1976 or 1977, the last time it was dredged, Steamboat Slough has been filling in with silt at specific areas, which reduces the flow capacity. Noted silt or growing sandbar areas can be seen at approximate river miles 15, 17, 18 19, and 23 to 26 at the north end of Steamboat Slough. I believe the slough bed has changed since the last dredging and the last depth survey also. (survey screen print on the next page).

Based on conversations with land owners along the northern portion of Steamboat Slough, they have seen a stark increase in silting in that area *in just the last two years*. By summer 2011 sandbars infested with non-native egeria densa have been seen on both sides of Steamboat Slough at all normal tide levels.



This graphic shows an estimated profile for Steamboat Slough that does not appear to account for current channel margin changes observed summer 2011.



In addition, the riparian restoration project off Grand Island south of Snug Harbor, combined with the levee toe & restoration project on the opposite side of Steamboat Slough, along Ryer Island, at about river mile 16.5, are creating a "bottle neck" effect that further causes back up of water flow onto Snug Harbor. If you consider flood water exiting Steamboat Slough as an important flood control "structure" then the importance of the continued water flow restriction in this area becomes more clear, as it is a known fact that sedimentation upstream from flood control structures obstructs flow and reduces capacity. The turbidity or particles in the water settle to the

bottom if the velocity of flow is slowed, thereby causing more silting in or raising of the slough bed, further reducing flood flow capacity.

In addition, the *reduction* of flow during summer and fall appears to have created an environment where the invasive aquatic plant species like egeria densa has flourished greatly along both sides or banks of Steamboat Slough for the entire length of the slough. Both the egeria densa infestation and the expansion of the tules on the growing sandbars will create further water flow hindrance, which further reduces flood capacity on Steamboat Slough. Basically, Steamboat Slough is receiving too much flow during high water times, and not enough fresh water flow during the summer and fall months.

Another problem has been the extreme ebb and flood tides on Steamboat Slough during the “fish studies” of the last few years. The “pulse flows” on Steamboat Slough from January through May, particularly in 2011, have been washing away the banks of Snug Harbor, especially the area at the north end of the peninsula, which is the sole access road for the 28 private home parcels and resort property which comprise Snug Harbor. (see photo on page 3 to locate north end of road) I do not know why the pulse flows of 2011 would cause so much erosion damage to the Snug Harbor banks, but they did.

For example, February through May 2011 we noticed sections of north bank along Snug Harbor Drive were washing away during the times when the extreme ebb and flood tides were present. I contacted Solano County public works and the representative for Reclamation District 501, Ryer Island. Several times we had to place sandbags along the banks. By April 2011, the road bank at the north end of Snug Harbor Drive had eroded to the edge of the pavement, and in one area had eroded as much as three feet under the pavement. We had to add substantially more sandbags, and I again contacted Solano County and Reclamation District 501 office, since if our road completely washed away, it could threaten the levee in that area as well. I also contacted the California Flood Control representative, as advised by



501 representative and Solano County office of Emergency services. By early May 2011, the road pavement was cracking and it looked like we could lose at least a quarter of the width of our one-lane road, which could cause risk to persons using the road, especially large emergency vehicles and large recreational vehicles. I contacted Solano County, Fish & Game and RD 501, but no one could provide assistance. In order to make sure the road



would not continue to erode (which might cause a risk hazard), I had “riprap” rock placed along the bank of the road, at low tides, over a two day period. A crane with a long arm was used to place the rock carefully so as to minimize water disturbance. I was not able to recapture the full width of the washed out bank, but the riprap did stop road erosion. I also had riprap placed on the inside curve of the road, as the excess flows on Steamboat Slough had been backing into Snug Cove and eroding the road bank on the inside curve as well. Costs to protect from road bank erosion exceeded \$54,000 in spring 2011.



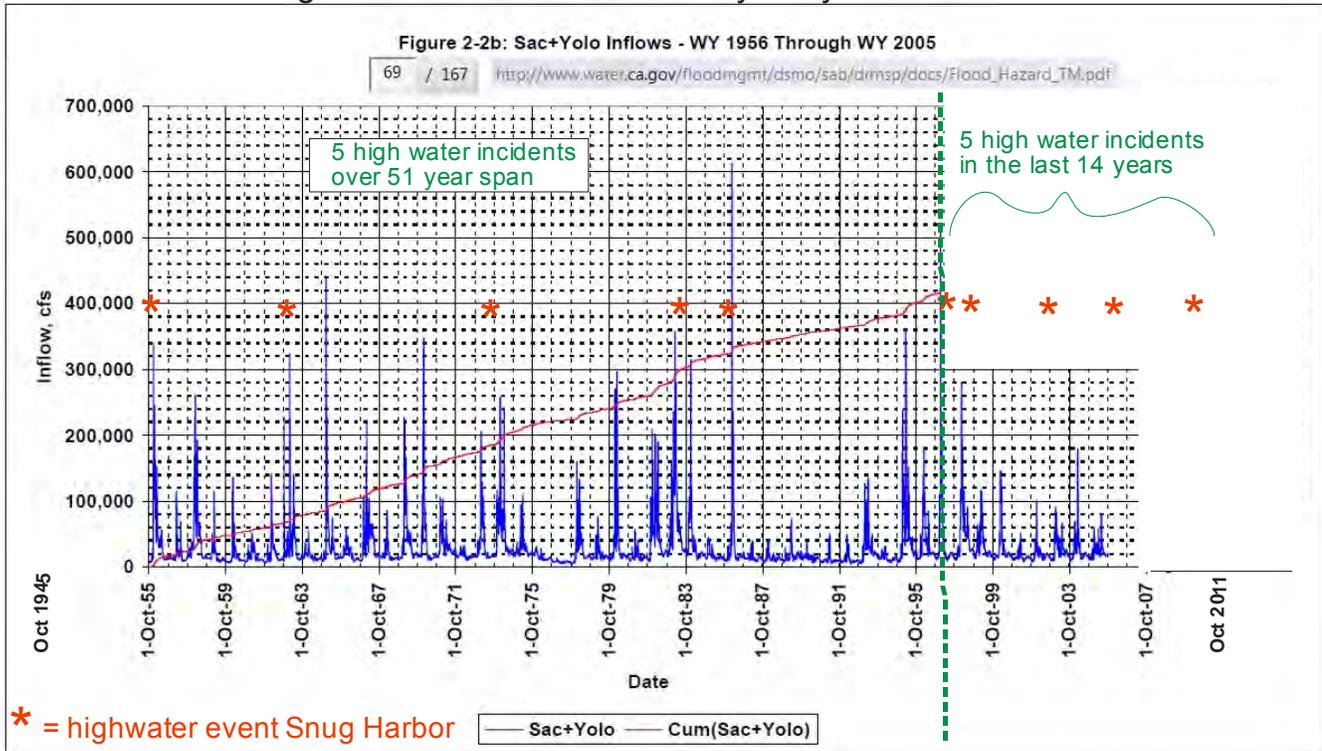
In addition, several sections of our bank within the park grounds experienced substantial erosion and we lost some very tall and healthy trees that fell into the water due to bank erosion during the extreme ebb and flood flows that seemed to coincide with DCC closure and fish “pulse flows”. The cost of cutting up and hauling out the trees was in excess of \$1500 each.

In addition, I have been collecting the historical records of “high water” events at Snug Harbor (Martin’s Island) since the property was developed into a marina, RV park and private home parcels starting in the early 1940’s when it was reconfigured into a peninsula under written agreement with state & federal authorities at that time, as recorded with resort parcel. (The island was purchased from the state in a land patent recorded 1878) Many of the original home owners along Snug Harbor Drive still have the properties in the same family, and some of seasonal visitors to the resort have been coming here since the 1950’s. Written records show that from 1945 to 1996 the only incidents of flooding any portion of the lands of Snug Harbor coincided with major floods Delta-wide: 1955/56, 1962, 1973, and 1986 were the years where flood waters came onto portions of Snug Harbor Drive, at least 6 inches deep, for at least 1 tide cycle. Five “high water” events over a 56 year span, each of which coincided with area-wide high water flow, indicates an average of once per every ten years the park should plan for flood clean up expenses.

However, from 1997 to spring of 2011, a span of 14 years, we have experienced high water events at Snug Harbor in 1997, 1998, 2002/2003, 2006 and spring 2011. **That is a new average of high water events every 2.8 years over a span of just 14 years!** Some of the high water incidents of the last 14 years have NOT coincided with high flow and precipitation levels on the Sacramento watershed system. Since other areas of the Delta have not had a similar increase in high water incidents, there must be a reason the state is sending excess flows onto Steamboat Slough at specific intervals, even during “dry” or low precipitation winters. The chart below was made by

combining DWR Sacramento River + Yolo Bypass inflows for 1956 through 2005³ with the local Snug Harbor documented incidents of high water on Snug Harbor Drive, 1956 through spring 2011, to graphically show the substantial increase in high water incidents over the last 14 years, which did not necessarily correlate to system-wide excess water flow.

1945 to 1996 = 5 highwater events or once every 10 years
 1997 to 2011 = 5 highwater events or once every 2.8 years



Note: Steamboat Slough/Snug Harbor highwater events added to DWR chart of historic flows



Note that I've been onsite for most of the high water events of the last 14 years. Photos to the left are from the 2006 high water event, where we had up to 12" of water onsite, and from 2011, where a portion of Snug Harbor Drive was affected. I've observed that it is not fast-flowing water that invades the peninsula land, but instead we see a slow rise of the water, like filling a bath tub, as the flow from Cache Slough backs up into Steamboat Slough, and the water flowing down Steamboat Slough gets trapped by the bottleneck around river mile 17 to 18, or blocked by the flow of Cache Slough.

³http://www.water.ca.gov/floodmgmt/dsmo/sab/drmsp/docs/flood_hazard_TM.pdf page 69 or 167.

Clearly, there has been some change in how flow is directed onto Steamboat Slough in the last 14 years. Clearly, flow *capacity* of Steamboat Slough is declining as the slough bed is allowed to continue to silt in and restoration projects create further flow hindrances, all of which increases the average incidents of high water at Snug Harbor during winter or early spring months. It does not appear that the current proposed flood control plan for this area takes into account the above when calculating channel flow flood capacity.

(In addition, I've noted a pattern whereby closure of the Delta Cross Channel gates tends to increase flow on Steamboat Slough, and higher water flow seems to coincide with the "fish studies" regarding salmon and smelt runs, so perhaps when the fish agencies stop doing the studies, the flow issues will also cease?)



Note that the resort infrastructure was upgraded over the last 10 years to make sure we are ready and able to withstand the high water events, but that does not mean we are willing to be intentionally flooded for fish studies, Yolo Bypass annual inundation experiments, or water diversion for other reasons. State flow experiments for fish or export studies should not be allowed to negatively affect private land owner use, even if the properties are able to withstand the more frequent high water incidents. The state does not compensate for the repairs and clean up

costs, nor loss of revenue, when all of us on the Snug Harbor peninsula experience high water events due *not* to natural disasters, but due to the state water flow manager's intentional diversion of excess water into Steamboat Slough for studies and other non-natural disaster purposes.

I firmly believe the damage to Snug Harbor road and banks noted above is due to the state's assumption that Steamboat Slough flow capacity is higher than current physical configuration and experience shows, for the above reasons. I have expressed these same concerns to several DWR representatives since 2008, but my concerns have been ignored. I therefore specifically request that the following actions be considered by the CVFPB in conjunction with the SPFC study:

- (1) That a new monitoring station for flow, water level and salinity be installed and maintained on the lower end of Steamboat Slough between approximately river mile 16 to 17; all data shall be reported online through the state website⁴ and costs for installation, maintenance and monitoring shall be borne by DWR or the state water contractors;
- (2) that the stated flood flow capacity of Steamboat Slough be reviewed and reduced to a reasonable, prudent level to protect land owners along the waterway;
- (3) that the state consider removal of the restoration project(s) that hinder flood flow capacity of Steamboat Slough;

⁴<http://www.water.ca.gov> on the "dayflow" page or other page accessible to the general public.

- (4) that the entire length of Steamboat Slough be dredged to the 1977 depth if the state plans to continue to allocate so much flood water flow to Steamboat Slough;
- (5) that Ryer Island and Grand Island be closely inspected during one of the extreme low tides (if not already done) so that the areas where the soil under the levee rocks are being undermined will be noted, and repaired, (at least 5 areas along Ryer Island levee adjacent to Snug Cove need attention and repair);
- (6) that funding be provided to the Department of Boating and Waterways in sufficient amount to eradicate flow-hindering invasive species, including egeria densa, along all banks of Steamboat Slough and the Main Steam of the Sacramento River;
- (7) that a fund be set up, paid by the water exporters, administered by NDWA, to compensate Steamboat Slough property owners and other NDWA landowners for damages caused by restoration projects and any "fish studies" made necessary due to ongoing and planned revision of water exports from the Sacramento River system, and that DWR, USBR and state water contractors assume all liability for damages to property and persons caused by the ongoing revisions to flows on Steamboat Slough and any other lands affected with the legal Delta region;
- (8) and I also request that if any more "fish studies" or other experiments affecting flood flow are conducted on Steamboat Slough, which result in damage to resort property, that funding be available to cover the cost of all such damage. Damage control funding should be included as part of the budget of the flow-affecting studies.

If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please email me at sunshine@snugharbor.net. For full copies of the maps referenced in this letter, please go to http://snugharbor.net/california_delta_water_wars.html or follow the links starting from <http://www.snugharbor.net>

Respectfully submitted,

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Sacramento, CA 94236

Sent by email to: BDCPcomments@water.ca.gov

March 13, 2009

This letter is written to provide comments regarding the scope of the EIR/EIS for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan.

1. General comment: The whole notice is written so broadly that it could include almost anything anyone in BDCP would want to say is included as part of the notice; it is not specific enough regarding which properties or areas of California, which lie within the legal Delta region, will or will not be affected. This, therefore, makes it very difficult for individual property owners within the Delta (those who are or will be most negatively affected by decisions of the BDCP) to know what might or might not impact them, and to know if comments should, or should not be submitted.
2. Notice to land owners within the Delta: as all land owners within the Delta region will or may be affected by the decisions made by the BDCP during the EIR/EIS process, all land owners should receive written notice of the process and also receive written documentation which clearly states with words and visual aids like maps and charts the facts and anticipated results. If the BDCP is not equipped to provide such notice, the counties with lands affected by the BDCP EIR/EIS should be charged with the responsibility to send out legal notice to land owners. Government agencies can not assume all farmers, home owners and businesses in the Delta have access to the internet to be able to print out or read related documents. At the very least, hard copies of all stages of documentation, including all referred reports, should be provided to the city or chamber of commerce offices of each Delta town, or to the reclamation offices for the islands, and notice sent to land owners that documentation is available for viewing. Other locations in the Delta could also be designated as a documentation viewing site for local land owners, so that all those who do not have access to the internet could at least review copies at a location more convenient to their homes and businesses.
3. Setting limits: (#8, page 5: Planning Goals and page 8, #6) All natural resources have limits. Since the state's current water system cannot meet the demands it has now, all state water agencies should be directed to not accept any *new* water contracts that would *increase* demand for water from the Delta region, including the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers. There should be no new water contracts allowed until such time as the conflicts between demand vs supply,

environmental impact vs conveyance, is resolved. And as reductions are required, the Delta region, and those with historic/deeded riparian water rights should be the last area to be impacted by limits when enforcement.

4. Balancing Potential Environmental Effects: (Page 8, item 10) against Land Use & just compensation: Land owners within the legal Delta should not be limited in use of their property in order to provide for the benefit of land owners in other areas of the state, without just compensation. Creating excessive limits on existing Delta land use or future development (including existing riparian water rights) is, in effect, attempting to exercise a form of eminent domain over the Delta properties without just compensation. When analysis of land use is made, compensation for limited current uses as well as lost future land values should be considered as a part of the cost of the overall project. Perhaps a specific formula could be developed to avoid excess litigation between Delta land owners and the state or BDCP. For example: For farm lands, determine the market value per acre using 2005 sales, plus add future value for at least a 10 year period of loss of income, to determine the compensation to the farmer if his/her land is or will be negatively affected by the take of water or institution of mitigation measures in trade for the take of water elsewhere in the Delta. For commercial or retails businesses that may be negatively impacted by decisions of the BDCP or DWR in their effort to increase water take from the Sacramento River, a similar formula could also be used, except that capital improvement costs assumed with commercial businesses warrant use of 20 or more years of loss of income calculations. In addition, the state could make special provisions that the state will waive state capital gains taxes on sales to the state or conservation agencies or nonprofits, if such property sale is directly related to conservation efforts for the benefit of the State of California and its population. Note that I suggest the base year of 2005 for valuations because after that year BDCP and DWR reports and activities may have already begun to negatively impact normal land values in the Delta area.
5. Environmental issues related to Steamboat Slough and other sloughs listed in draft BDCP documents: (Page 8, items #5,6 and 10) Various draft documents and maps from the BDCP refer to potential restoration actions suggested for Steamboat, Miner and Sutter Sloughs and the Yolo Bypass area. As the EIR/EIS is prepared, please note that Steamboat Slough in particular can be negatively impacted by actions taken on the Yolo Bypass regarding backup of water flow, and that increase in salinity of the fresh water on Steamboat Slough may negatively impact the beautiful shady banks or riparian habitat found naturally on these sloughs. In addition, preliminary studies or documents seem to indicate an assumption that boat wakes cause damage to levees, but there is no study comparing the damage caused by the waves of winter and wind storms. Prior to boating being limited on any current or historically navigable waterway in the Delta, a study must be conducted to verify it is the boat wakes, not naturally occurring wind and storm waves, actually causing most of the levee or bank damage. If large "no wake" zones are established in the Delta, as some draft maps suggest, clear enforcement measures and ongoing enforcement funding must also be determined at the same time. In addition, the economic effect on the community and land owners affected by the decision to limit boating in a specific area of the Delta should be considered, and just compensation provided to the affected land owners based on current and future loss of value. (Comments

regarding limiting motorized boating apply to all areas of the Delta; the above sloughs are used as a specific example because draft documentation refers to these sloughs.)

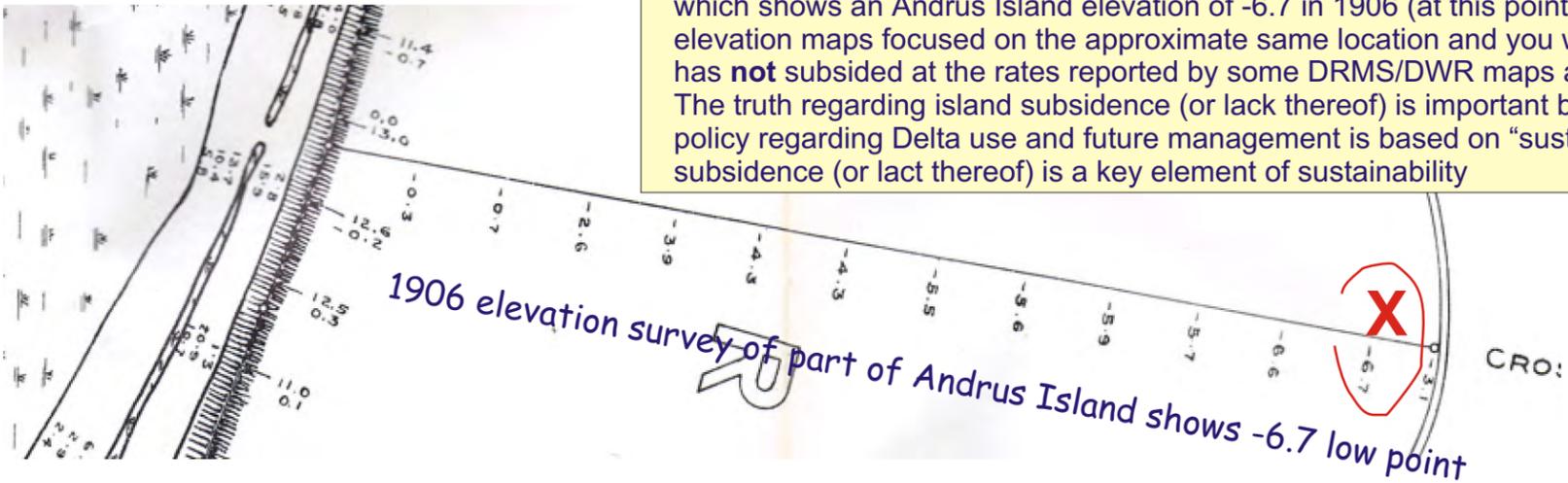
Thank you for consideration of my concerns. If documentation review locations are determined to be a benefit for the community in this process, I am volunteering the office at Snug Harbor as a viewing site during normal business hours, for residents of Ryer Island , if our reclamation district office is not available as a document viewing site.

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**COMPARING ELEVATION MAPS
1906 TO 2007 Focus: Andrus Island**

The first graphic below is a section of sheet 9 of the 1906 official survey of the San Joaquin River for a report to the U.S. Congress. The red "x" was added to show location on Andrus Island on other maps below and on page 2. Compare this map, which shows an Andrus Island elevation of -6.7 in 1906 (at this point) with other elevation maps focused on the approximate same location and you will find this area has **not** subsided at the rates reported by some DRMS/DWR maps and studies. The truth regarding island subsidence (or lack thereof) is important because public policy regarding Delta use and future management is based on "sustainability" and subsidence (or lack thereof) is a key element of sustainability



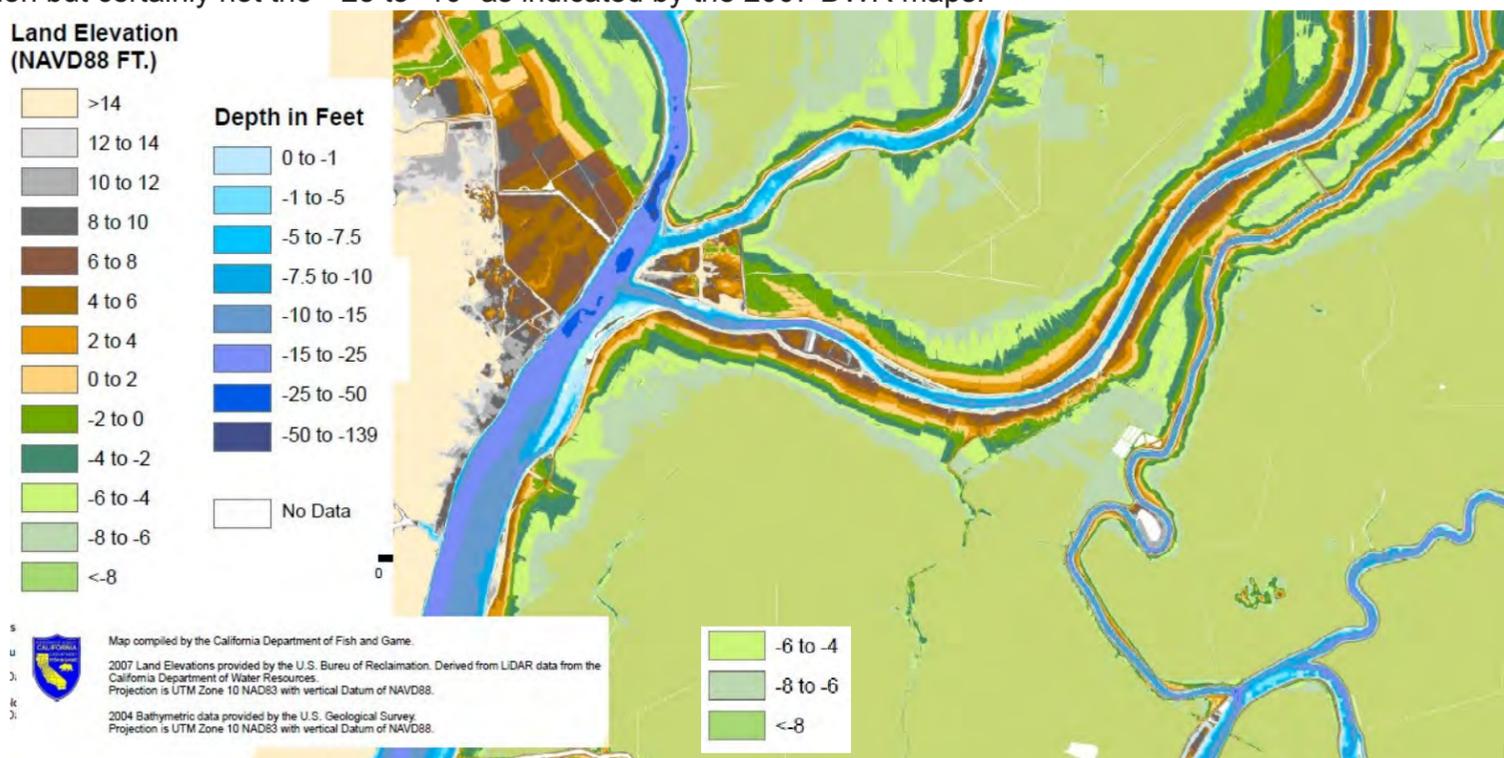
A section of this 2001 Elevation Map shows the same area of Andrus Island as -5 to -10 feet, or Less. At most, this shows an elevation change from 1906 to 2001 of -3.3 at the lowest point.



Here is an enlargement of the 2007 DWR/URS map which most observers would assume indicates this area of Andrus Island is -25 to -10 feet, which does not match any other elevation records found so far, and in fact inflates the elevation data a minimum of -2 feet and a maximum of -17 feet. See Attachment called 2007_DWR_Subsidence.pdf for full map

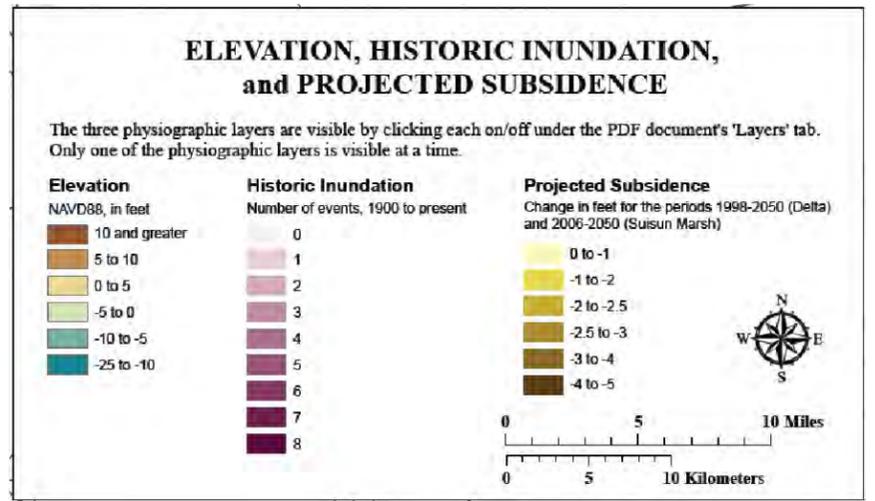


This 2007 is a section of the Fish & Game Yolo Bypass elevation map, which used increments of 2 feet. It did not cover the Andrus Island focus point, but comparison of land levels on Grand and Brannen would indicate -8 to -4 elevation but certainly not the "-25 to -10" as indicated by the 2007 DWR maps!

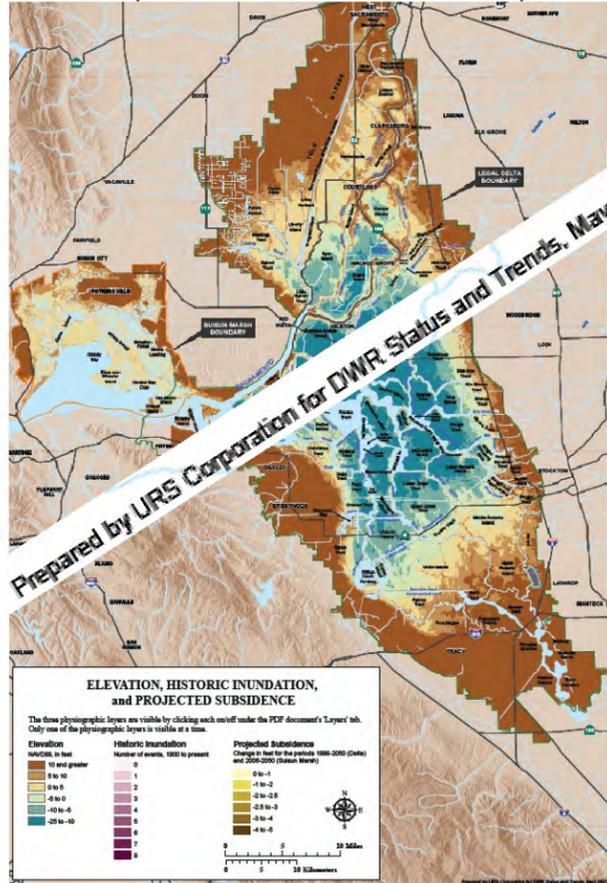


HOW MANY WAYS CAN A MAP BE WRONG?

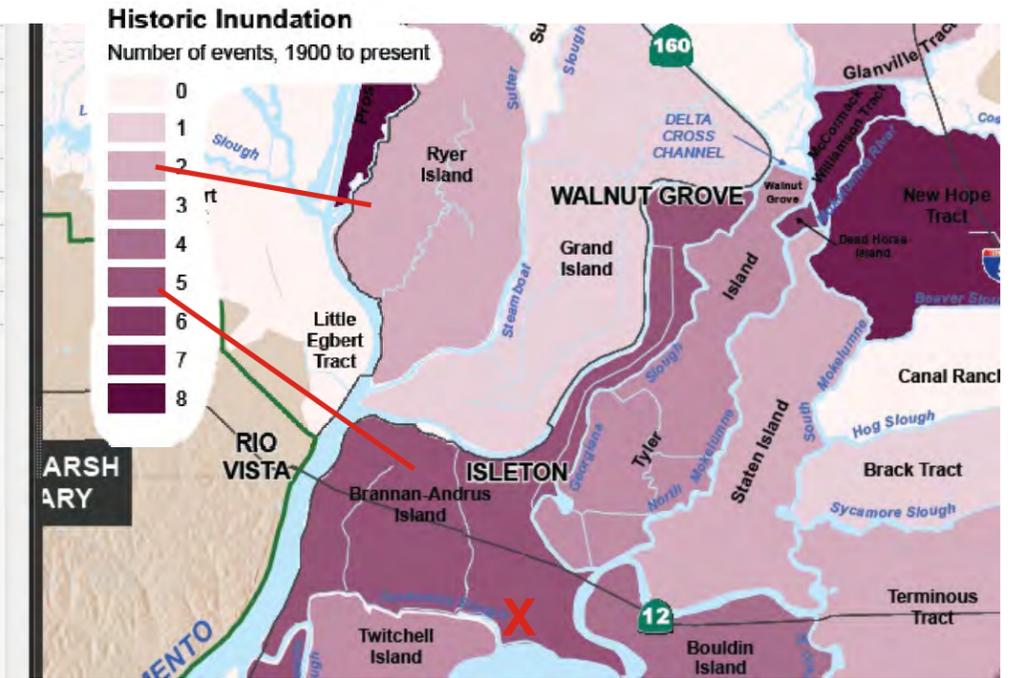
The DWR 2007 Elevation, Historic Inundation and Projected Subsidence map (small size below) reports WRONG data for historic inundation and elevations, as shown the previous sheet. It also uses confusing map key increments for no known or explained reason. It is an interactive map found online that *looks* impressive but uses incorrect underlying data to produce the various maps depending on the selections made by the viewer. (Full map in pdf provided as separate attachment, called *2007_DWR_subsidence.pdf*). Here are three examples of how the data and map are wrong:



1 URS combines the records of 3 islands and reports it as a single island, thereby inflating the actual totals of all 3 islands. This is just one example.



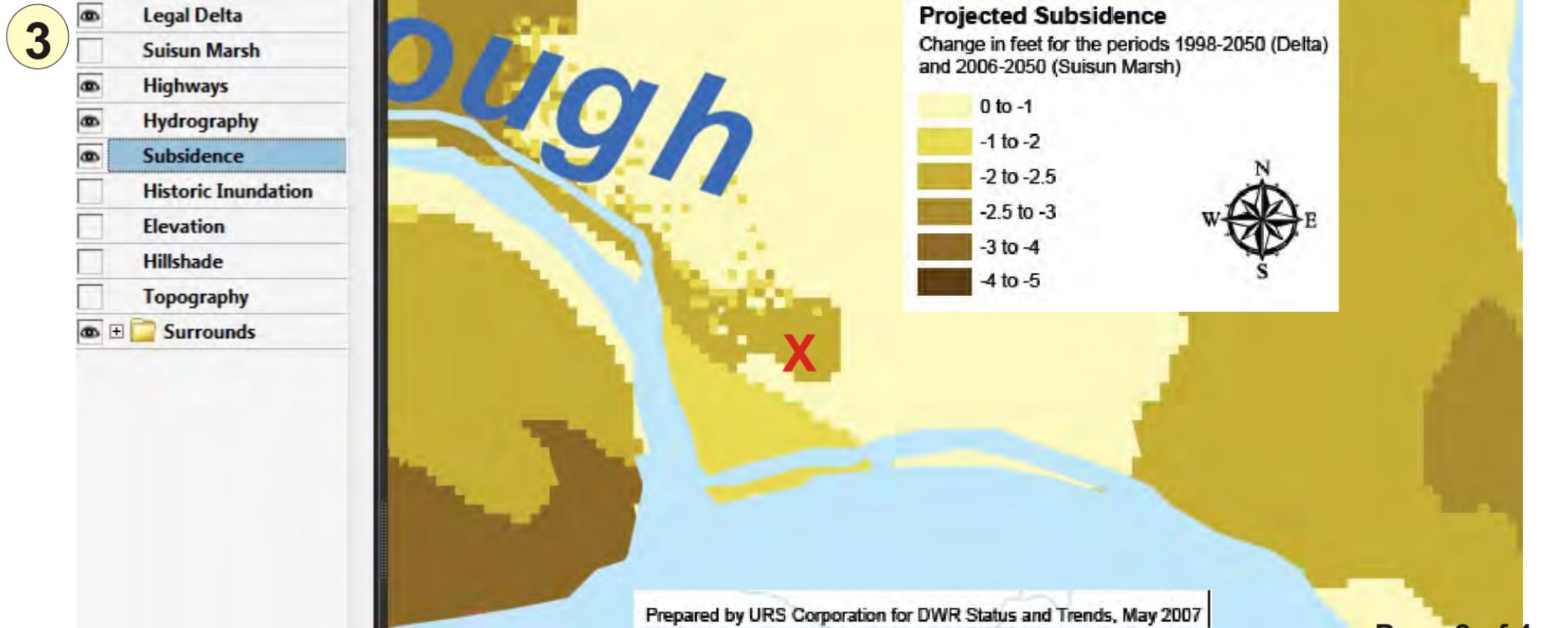
- Suisun Marsh
- Highways
- Hydrography
- Subsidence
- Historic Inundation
- Elevation
- Hillshade
- Topography
- Surrounds



The map key uses increments of 5 feet, then jumps to 15 foot increment, and based on other elevation maps its not correct anyway. The data is available in increments of 1-2 feet or less. Why not provide that data?



When you ask for subsidence information, you get the "projection" for future subsidence, not the facts. However, the subsidence information for each island is known. Why isn't this provided and why is the map misleading?



Comment:

Reference information listed with the 2007 DWR/URS map which displays incorrect data for Delta Island Inundation History and current elevations. The logical assumption is that if the underlying data regarding historic flooding is wrong, and the underlying data regarding elevation changes over time is wrong, then most likely the projected subsidence map is also wrong. In any case, Mr. Dudas of DWR is aware of the data inconsistencies regarding island inundation histories, at a minimum, and says the data will be corrected and posted at DWR website.

**METADATA FOR ELEVATION, HISTORIC INUNDATION,
AND PROJECTED SUBSIDENCE**

Elevation

Info: Elevation in the Delta-Suisun region
Source: IFSAR (NAVD 88, feet, March 2002) for the Delta and LIDAR (NAVD88, feet, September and October 2005) for Suisun Marsh
Date: 2002/2005
Contact: Sarah Lewis, URS Corporation
sarah_lewis@urscorp.com

Historic Inundation

Info: Historic inundation of islands in the Delta region 1900 - Present
Source: URS Corporation 2006. Island inundation data provided by Joel Dudas of DWR to URS Corp (12 Jun 2006).
Date: 02/2007
Contact: Sarah Lewis, URS Corporation
sarah_lewis@urscorp.com

Projected Subsidence

Info: Delta region projected subsidence 1998-2050 and Suisun Marsh projected subsidence 2006-2050
Source: Supplied to URS by Dave Leighton of Hydrofocus (Jan 2007).
Date: 2007
Contact: Sarah Lewis, URS Corporation
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Legal Delta

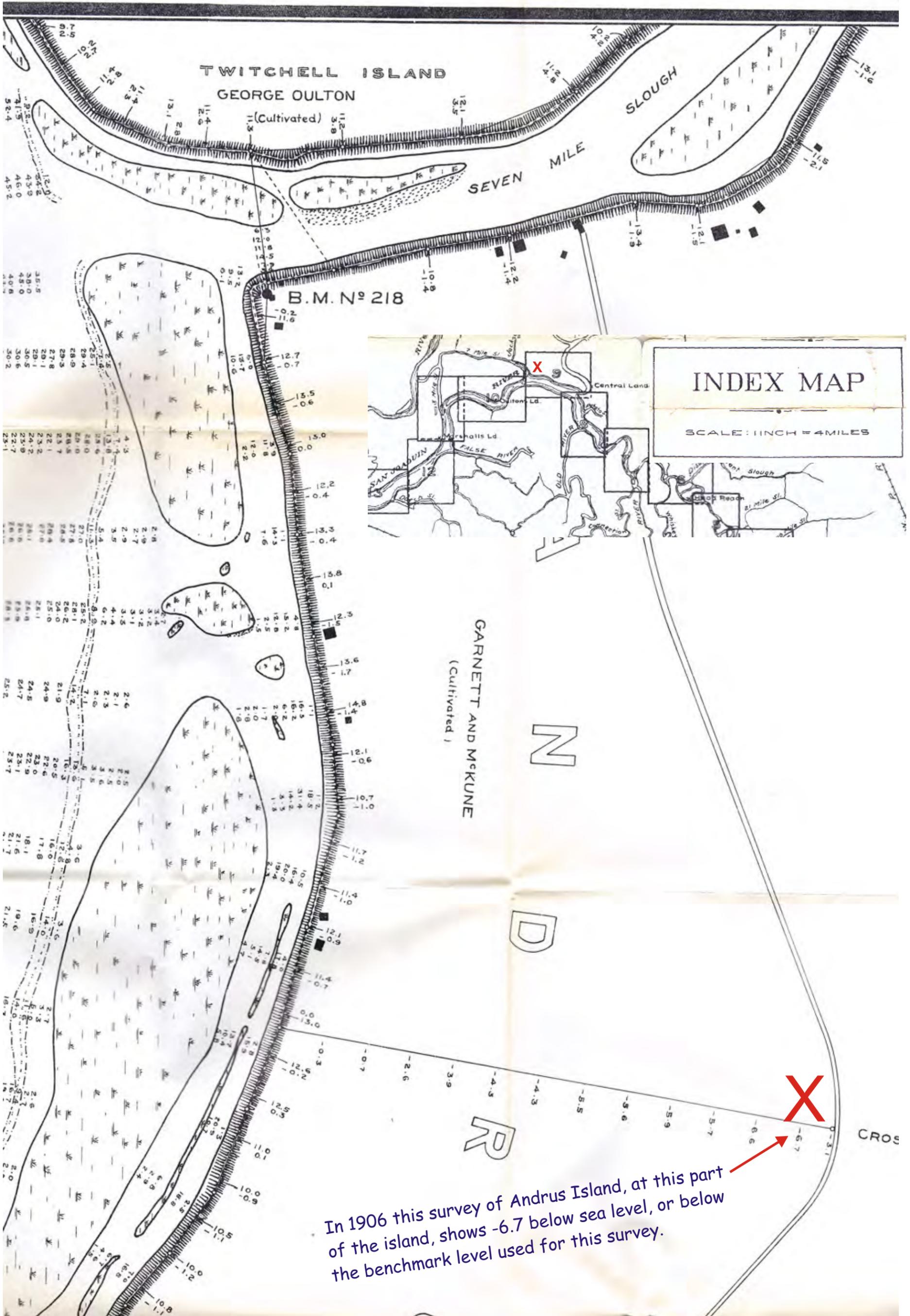
Info: Legal Delta boundary version 2002.4 - delineates the legal Delta established under the Delta Protection Act (Section 12220 of the Water Code) passed in 1959.
Source: DWR Delta Levees Program.
Date: 04/2002
Contact: Joel Dudas, DWR

Status and Trends of Delta-Suisun Services

Suisun Marsh

Info: Suisun Marsh boundary
Source: "Suisun Marsh Protection Plan Map" published by San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission in December of 1976.
Date: Paper - 1976; Digital - 2006
Contact: Amy Keeley, URS Corporation
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Scan of one section of sheet 9 of the 1908 survey of the San Joaquin River, including island elevations. This full size scan is provided as an example of the information that is available to DWR and scientists; so why not provide the data to the public so others can assess for themselves the facts regarding Delta island subsidence?



In 1906 this survey of Andrus Island, at this part of the island, shows -6.7 below sea level, or below the benchmark level used for this survey.

ATTACHMENT-N COMMENTS ON DELTA PLAN Prior to 2010 the Real McCoy Ferry saw peak traffic of about 700 vehicles per day

District	Route	County	PostMile Prefix	Post Mile	Description	Peak Hr	Peak Mo	AADT
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<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/saferesr/trafdata/2002all/r082-86i.htm>

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4	84	ALA		26.91	LIVERMORE, STANLEY BOULEVARD	1800	24500 23600	2050 28500 27500
4	84	ALA		27.37	LIVERMORE, ARROYO ROAD (L STREET)	2000	27500 26500	2000 27500 26500
4	84	ALA	R	27.76	LIVERMORE, 2ND/1ST STREETS	2750	37000 36000	2800 37500 36500
4	84	ALA		28.65	LIVERMORE, PORTOLA AVENUE	2950	39500 38500	3000 40000 39000
4	84	ALA	R	29.71	LIVERMORE, JCT. RTE. 580	3650	49000 47500	
4	84	ALA			(BREAK IN ROUTE)			
4	84	SOL			SOLANO COUNTY			
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4	84	SOL		12.08	MINER SLOUGH BRIDGE/RYSER ROAD	35	360 280	40 390 300
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					CACHE SLOUGH FERRY			
					MINER SLOUGH ROAD	180	1400 1200	190 1700 1600
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3	84	YOL		22.06	WEST SACRAMENTO, WEST CAPITOL AVENUE	2100	22500 21400	2050 21000 20200
3	84	YOL		22.5	WEST SACRAMENTO, TRIANGLE COURT/F STREET	2000	20000 19400	1950 22000 20200
3	84	YOL		22.68	WEST SACRAMENTO, KEGLE/ SACRAMENTO AVENUES	1950	22000 20200	1650 15300 15100
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3	84	YOL		23.67	WEST SACRAMENTO, HARRON BOULVARD	1250	11700 11100	1700 17400 16200

Flood map inconsistencies

September 2, 2008

Comparative study of the data and sources used for the Delta Vision Plan, specifically the studies regarding flooding and seismic activity protections. **DRAFT**

Information compiled by Nicole, S. Suard, Esq., Snug Harbor Resorts, LLC for discussion purposes until written verification is received.

Preliminary findings to be verified:

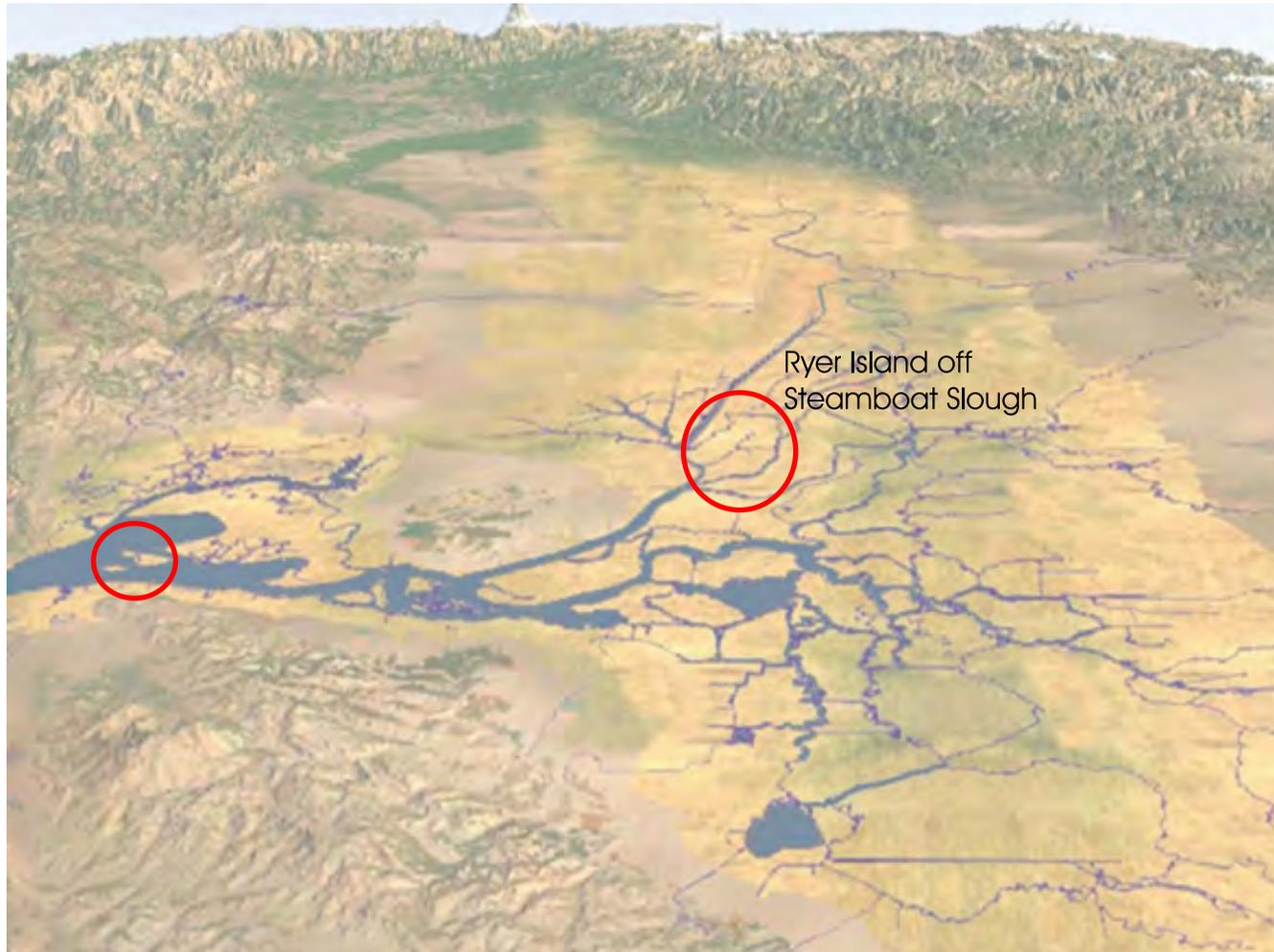
1. **There are two islands named Ryer located in Solano County.** One island is located in the Suisun/Grizzley Bay area and the other is borderer by Cache and Steamboat Sloughs. The duplication of island names may have led to inadvertent incorrect application of data regarding one island applied to the other island.
2. **Seismic activity reports:** Some of the reports referenced by the Delta Vision use data regarding Ryer Island in the Suisun/Grizzley Marsh area, yet apply the same data to the OTHER Ryer Island off Steamboat Slough, contrary to similar governmental reports.
3. **Flood hazzard reports:** Flood hazzard map data does not appear to match reports regarding risk of flood activity in the Delta for the Steamboat Slough Ryer Island area, based on records of actual floods over the last 100+ years.

Why is this important now?

Decisions regarding the future of the island of the Delta are under discussion. Decisions should be made based on accurate information in all cases. Since it appears at least some of the data for one island was transposed to the other island, it makes sense to take the time to verify the information is correct prior to making final decisions regarding either of the Ryer Islands in Solano County.

According to local records, Ryer Island in the Suisun Bay has flooded, but Ryer Island off Steamboat Slough does NOT have flooding records over the last 100 years.

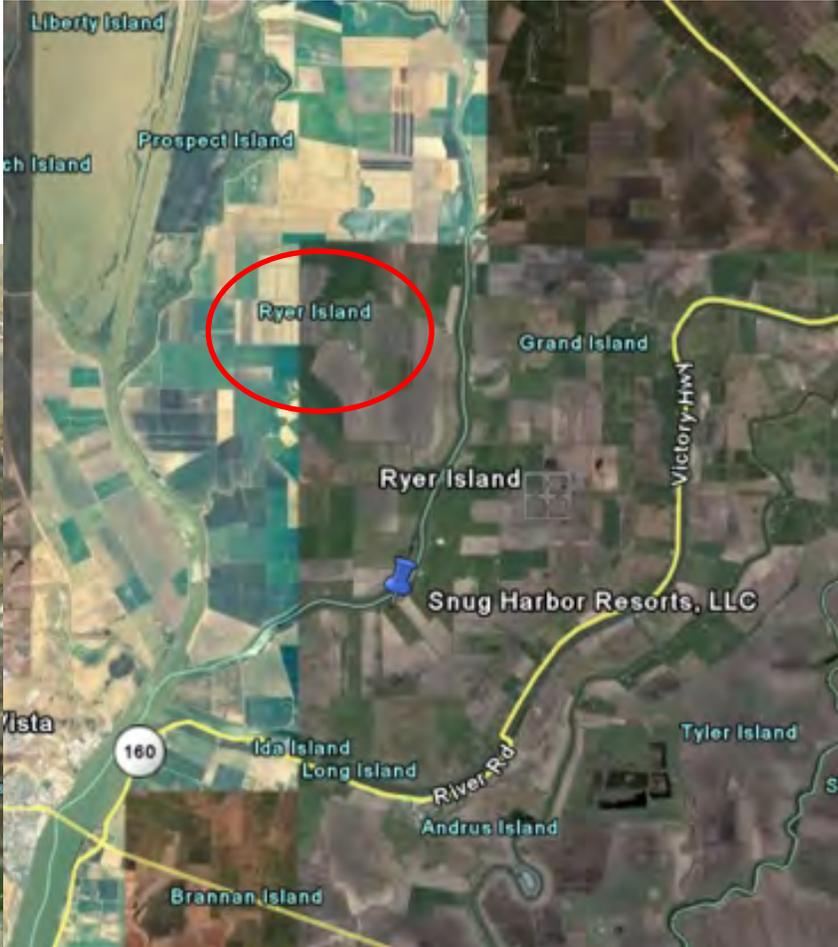
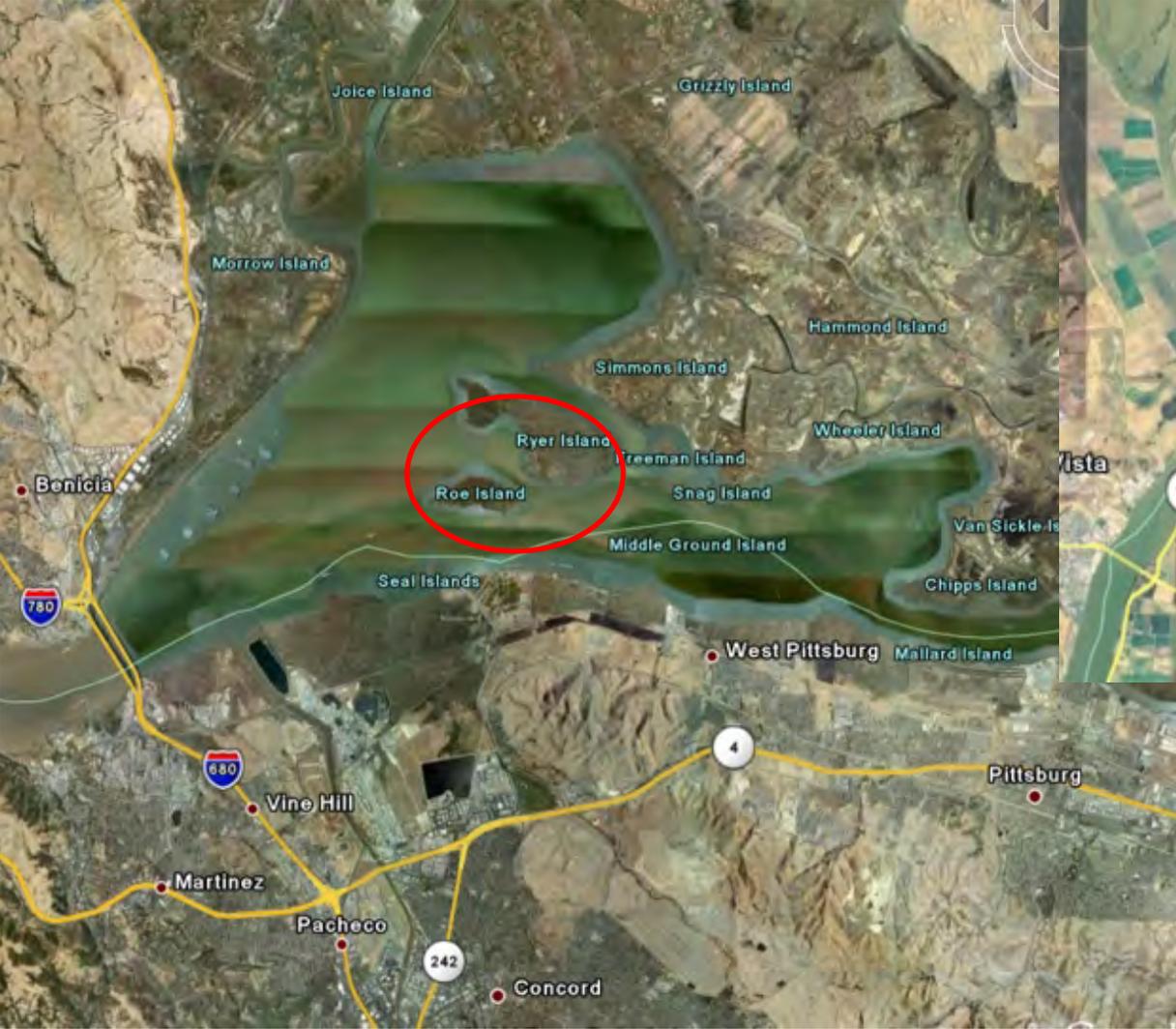
Ryer Island in
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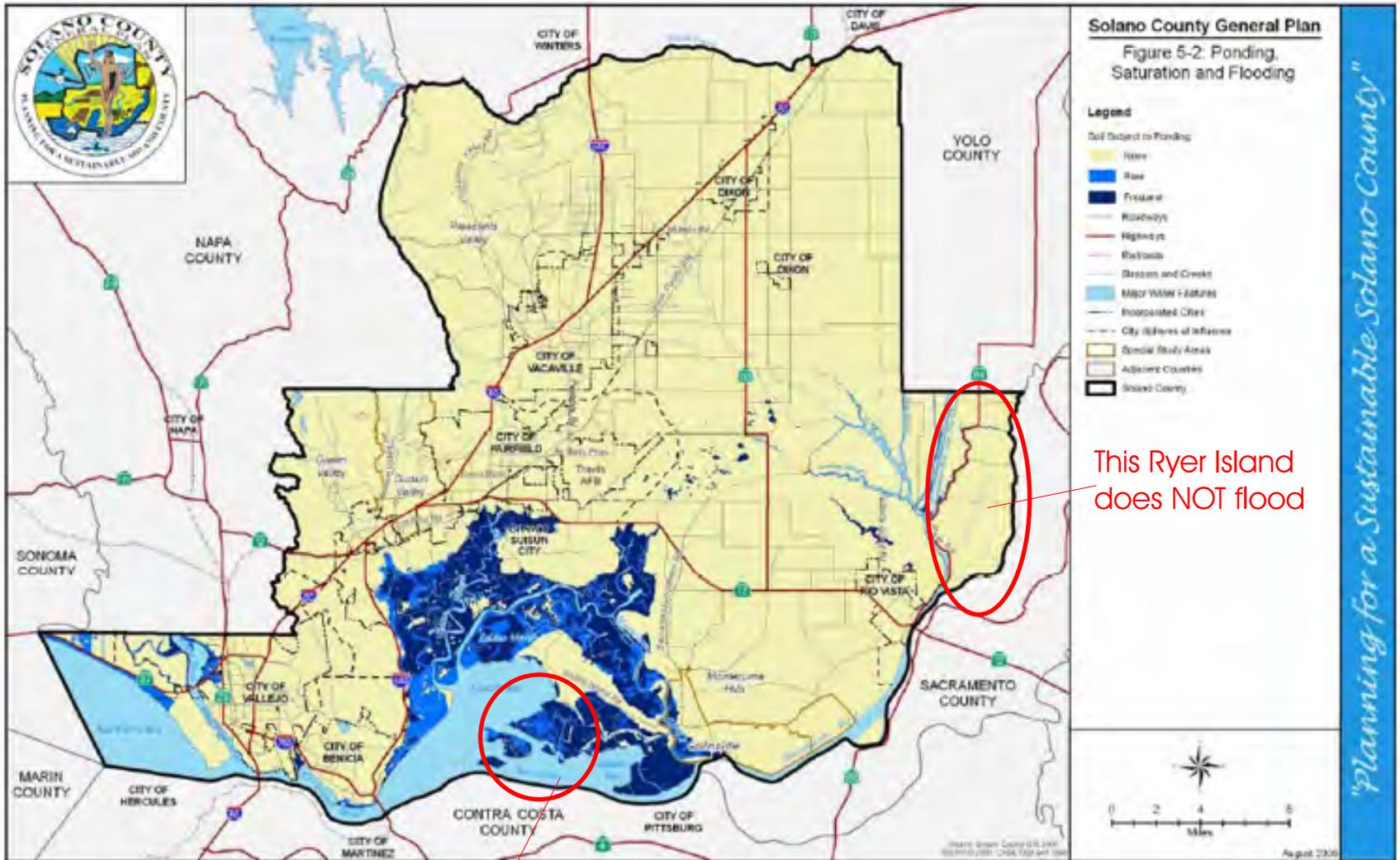


Ryer Island off
Steamboat Slough

Two Ryer Islands in Solano County

Ryer Island in Grizzley Bay/Suisun area
Ryer Island off Cashe Slough and Steamboat Slougy





"Planning for a Sustainable Solano County"

This Ryer Island does NOT flood

This Ryer Island is prone to flooding based on records

Table B.1 - Summary of Annual Failure Probabilities for Delta Islands

Zone	NAME	Flood	Seismic	Flood + Seismic	Flood PL 84-99	Flood + Seismic PL 84-99	PL 84-99 + 1' Raise Flood	PL 84-99 + 1' Raise Flood + Seismic
Central	Bacon Island	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.05
Central	Bouldin Island	0.06	0.03	0.09	0.05	0.08	0.05	0.08
Central	Empire Tract	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.05
Central	Mandeville Is.	0.04	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.06
Central	McDonald	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.05
Central	Medford Is.	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.04
Central	Quimby Island	0.04	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.06
Central	Rindge Tract	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.03
Central	Venice Island	0.07	0.04	0.11	0.06	0.10	0.06	0.09
Eastern	King Island	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02
Eastern	Terminus	0.04	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.04
Eastern	Wright-Elmwood	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02
Northern	Brack Tract	0.04	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.04
Northern	Canal Ranch	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.05
Northern	Dead Horse	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.03
Northern	Grand Island	0.02	0.05	0.07	0.02	0.07	0.02	0.07
Northern	Bethel Island	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.04	0.07	0.03	0.07
Northern	Ryer Island	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.05
Northern	Staten Island	0.04	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.06
Northern	Tyler Island	0.04	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.08	0.03	0.08
Southern	Coney Island	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.04
Southern	Jones Tract	0.05	0.03	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.04	0.07
Southern	Orwood Tract	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.04
Southern	Palm Tract	0.05	0.03	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.04	0.07
Southern	Roberts Island	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.05
Southern	Union Island	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.04
Southern	Victoria Island	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.05
Southern	Woodward	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.04
Western	Bradford Is.	0.04	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.08	0.03	0.08
Western	Brannan-Andrus Is.	0.03	0.05	0.08	0.03	0.08	0.02	0.07
Western	Holland Tract	0.05	0.03	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.04	0.07
Western	Hotchkiss	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.04
Western	Jersey Island	0.05	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.09
Western	Sherman Is.	0.02	0.05	0.07	0.02	0.07	0.02	0.07
Western	Twitchell Is.	0.03	0.05	0.08	0.03	0.08	0.02	0.07
Western	Webb Tract	0.05	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.09

* Which Ryer Island?

Source: Author calculations, using data from Draft DRMS Phase 1 Risk Analysis (J.R. Benjamin and Associates, 2007).

Notes: "PL 84-99" denotes scenarios in which levees are upgraded to meet the higher federal levee

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Seismic map inconsistencies

Comparative study of the data and sources used for the Delta Vision Plan, specifically the studies regarding flooding and seismic activity protections. **DRAFT**

Information compiled by Nicole, S. Suard, Esq., Snug Harbor Resorts, LLC for discussion purposes until written verification is received.

Preliminary findings to be verified:

1. **There are two islands named Ryer located in Solano County.** One island is located in the Suisun/Grizzley Bay area and the other is borderer by Cache and Steamboat Sloughs. The duplication of island names may have led to inadvertent incorrect application of data regarding one island applied to the other island.
2. **Seismic activity reports:** Some of the reports referenced by the Delta Vision use data regarding Ryer Island in the Suisun/Grizzley Marsh area, yet apply the same data to the OTHER Ryer Island off Steamboat Slough, contrary to similar governmental reports.
3. **Flood hazzard reports:** Flood hazzard map data does not appear to match reports regarding risk of flood activity in the Delta for the Steamboat Slough Ryer Island area, based on records of actual floods over the last 100+ years.

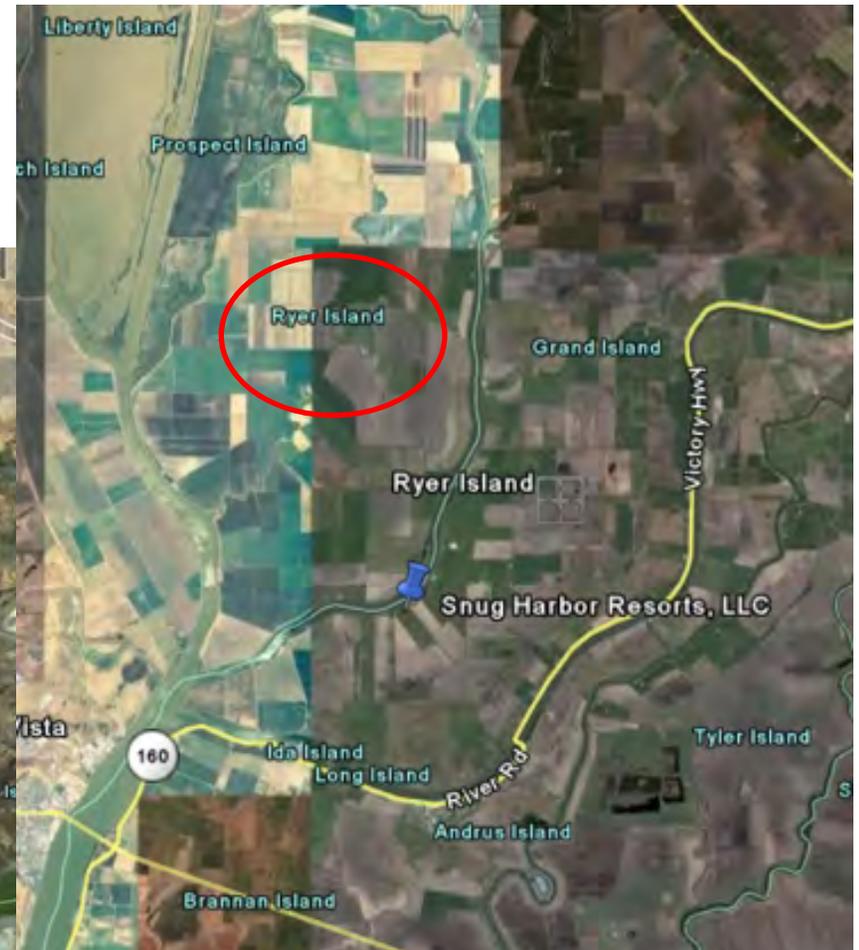
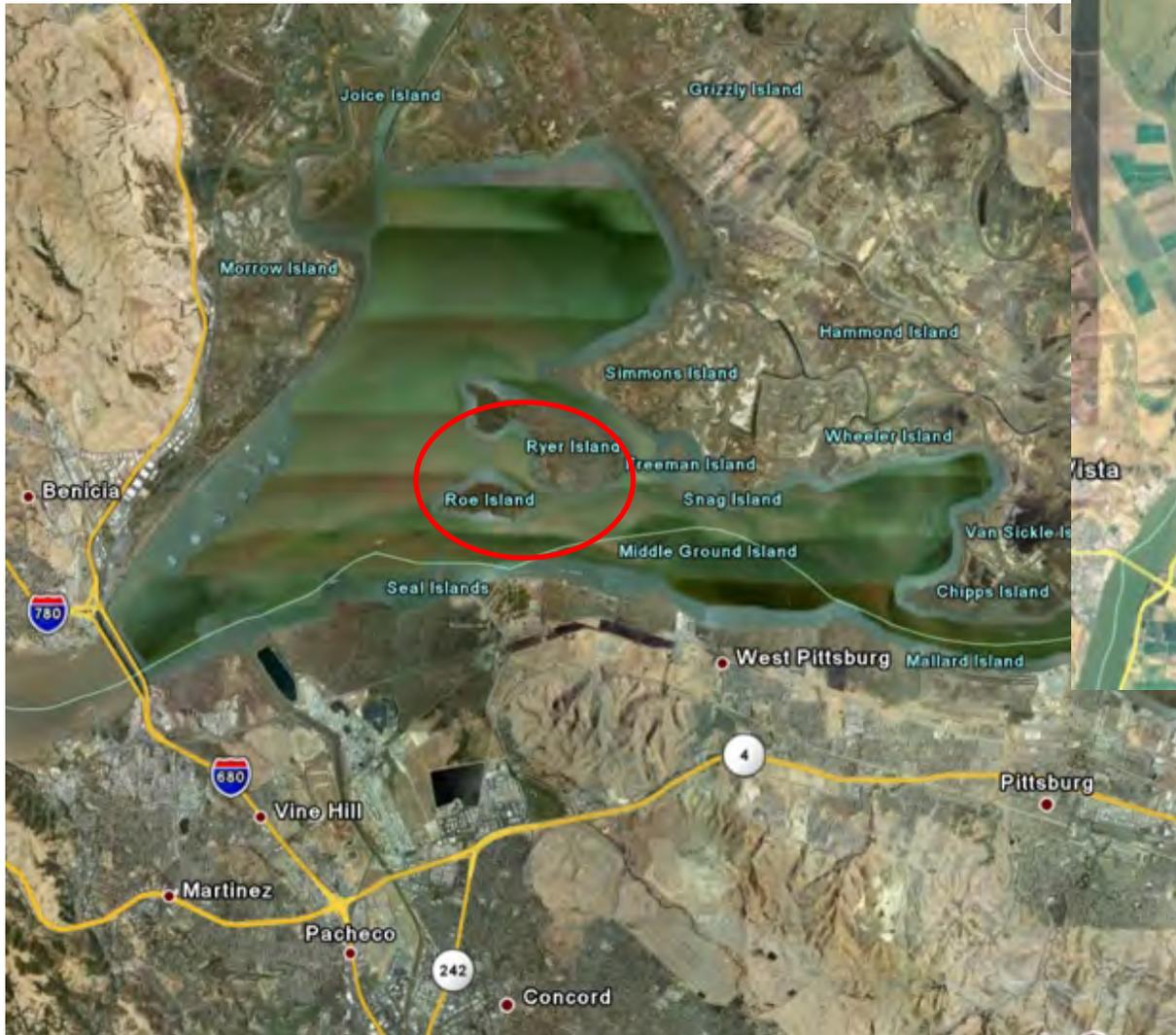
Why is this important now?

Decisions regarding the future of the island of the Delta are under discussion. Decisions should be made based on accurate information in all cases. Since it appears at least some of the data for one island was transposed to the other island, it makes sense to take the time to verify the information is correct prior to making final decisions regarding either of the Ryer Islands in Solano County.

Two Ryer Islands in Solano County

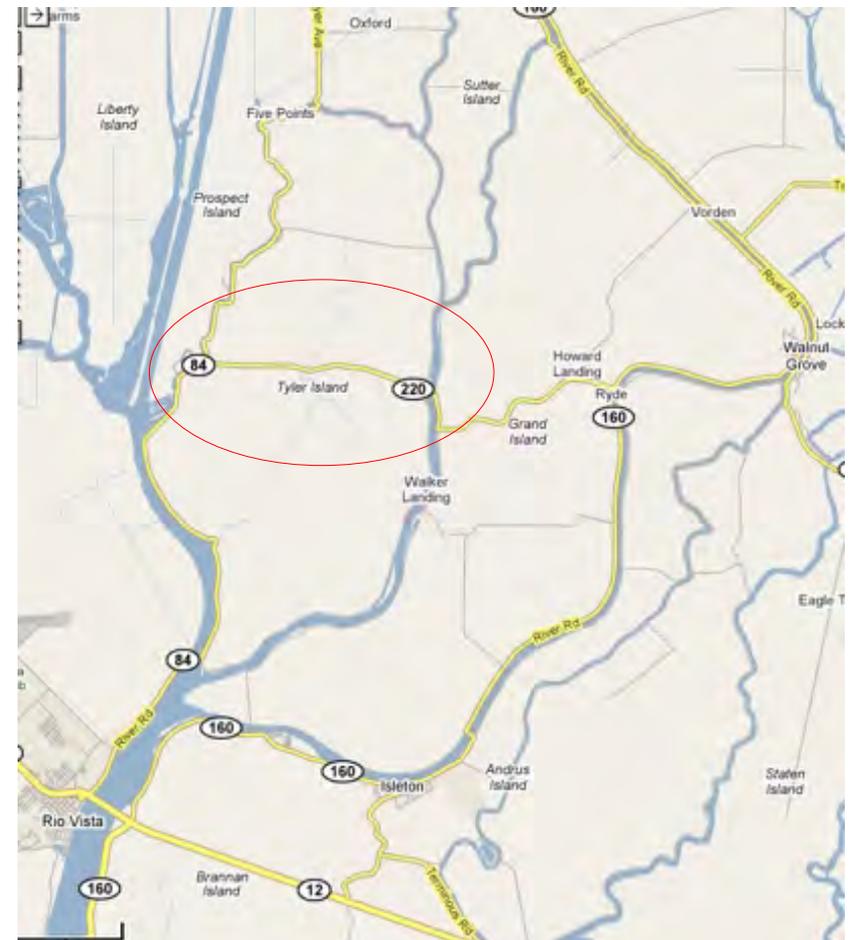
Ryer Island in Grizzley Bay/Suisun area

Ryer Island off Cashe Slough and Steamboat Slougy





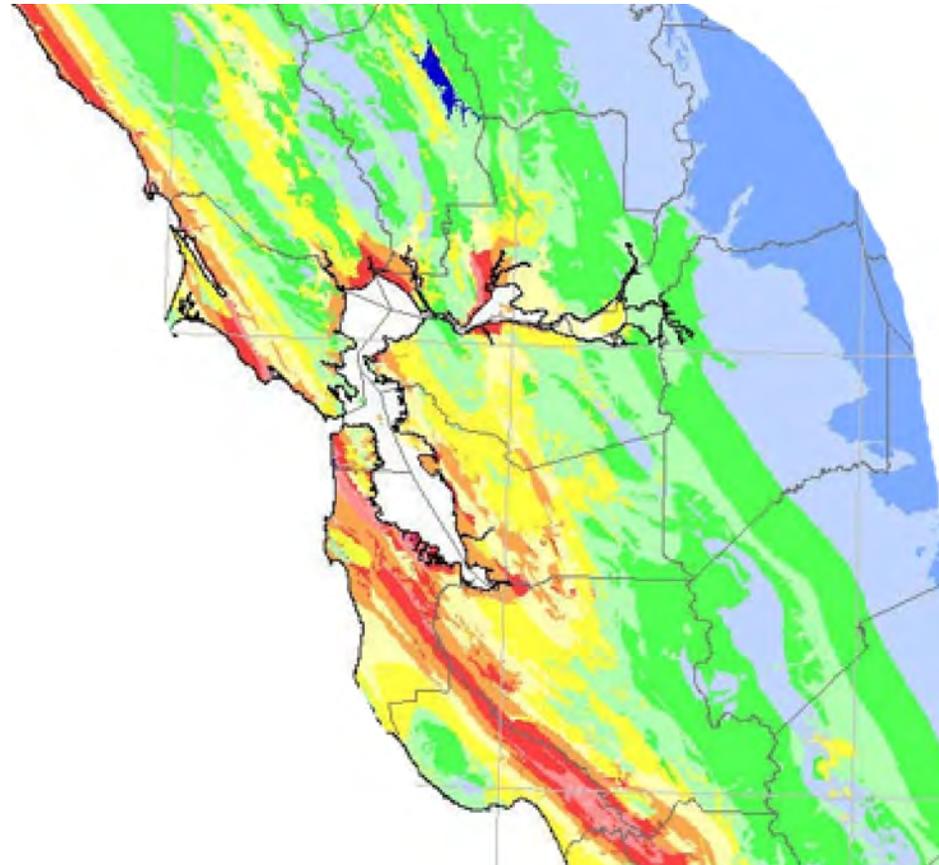
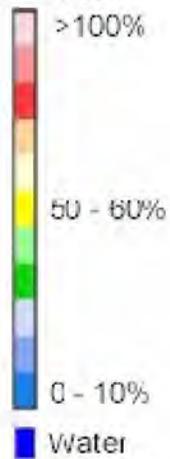
Even though Google currently lists the island by Cashe and Steamboat Sloughs as "Tyler Island", virtually all other maps do recognize the island as Ryer, as noted in last page.



Peak Ground Acceleration

10% probability of being exceeded in 50 years

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Ryer Island off Suisun/Grizzley Bay

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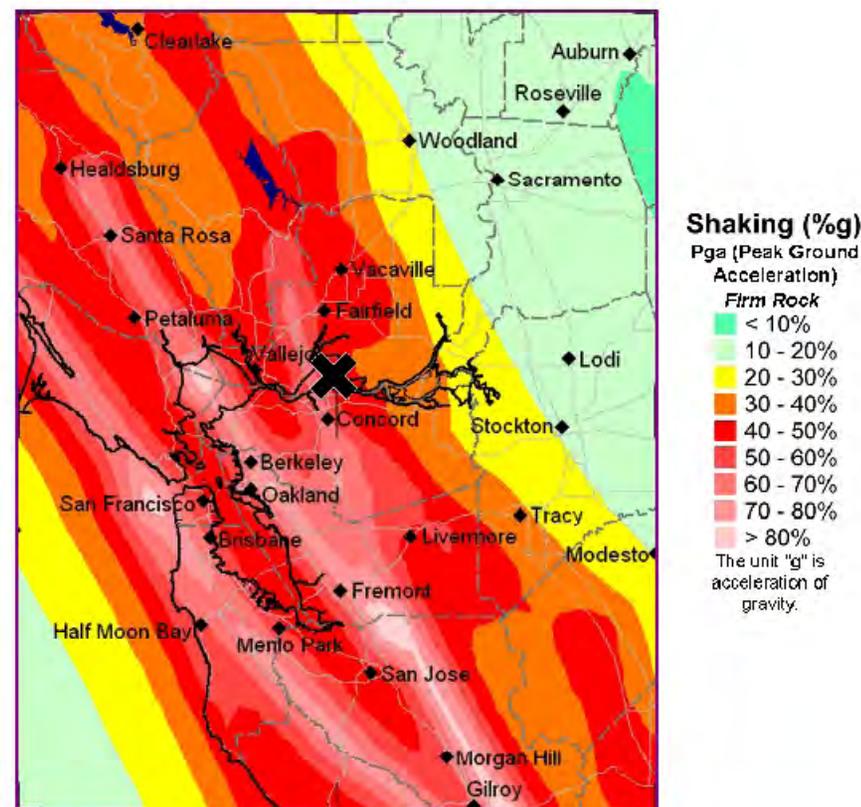
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Ground Motion	Firm Rock	Soft Rock	Alluvium
Pga	0.492	0.492	0.496
Sa 0.2 sec	1.168	1.168	1.206
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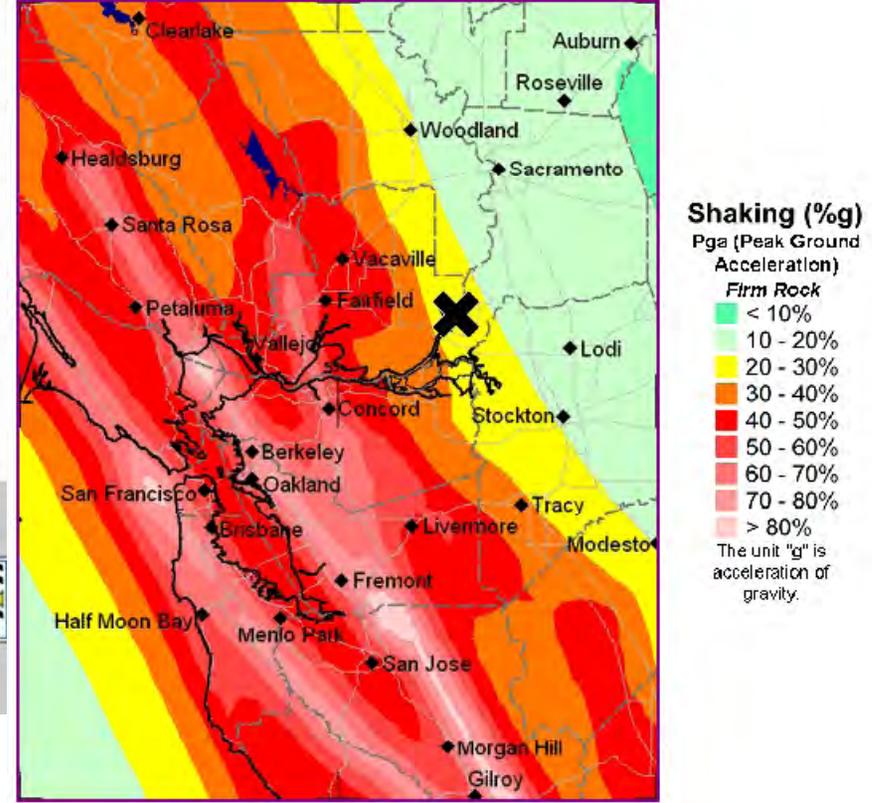
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Ground Motion	Firm Rock	Soft Rock	Alluvium
Pga	0.245	0.267	0.306
Sa 0.2 sec	0.586	0.641	0.74
Sa 1.0 sec	0.212	0.268	0.351

NEHRP Soil Corrections were used to calculate Soft Rock and Alluvium. *Ground Motion values were interpolated from a grid (0.05 degree spacing) of calculated values. Interpolated ground motion may not equal values calculated for a specific site, therefore these values are not intended for design or analysis.*



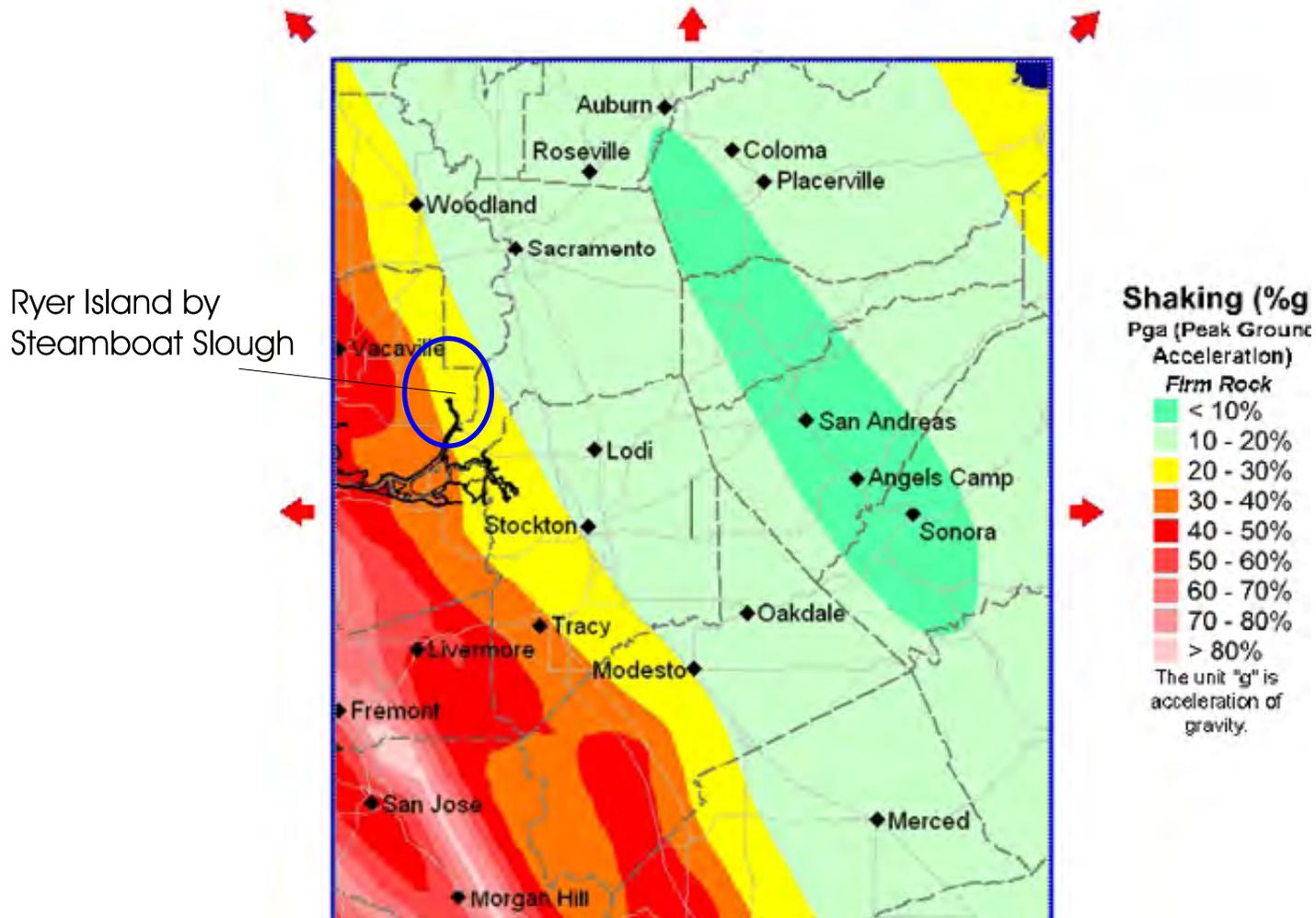


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Interactive Ground Motion Map - Centered on 121° W (Longitude); 38° N (Latitude)

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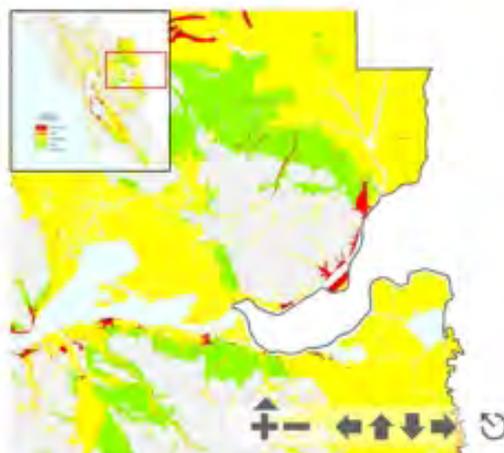
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Susceptibility Map of the San Francisco Bay Area

(**Note:** The following map below requires the Shockwave player to view. You can [download the Shockwave player here](#). 🌐)



How to use the online map:

Use the + and - buttons to zoom in and out

Slide the triangle to zoom in and out

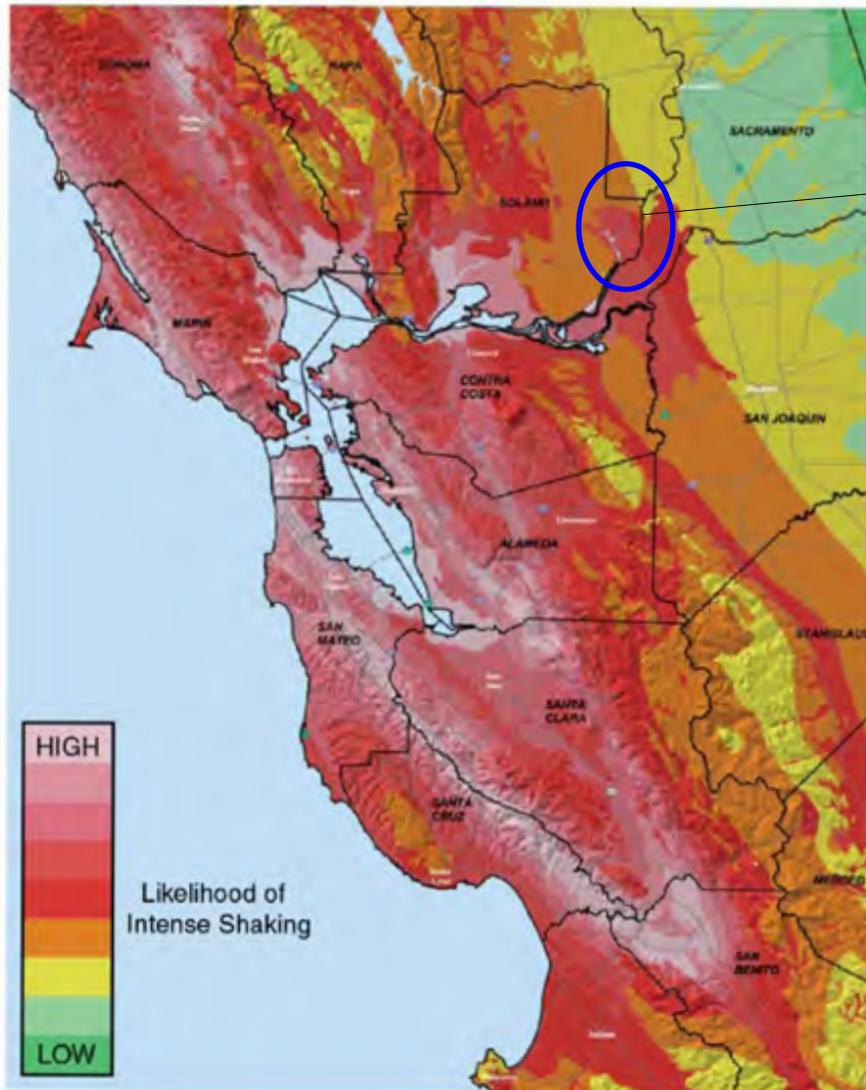
Click and drag on the map to slide the map

Click and drag the red rectangle in the inset map to

Roughly one quarter of the San Francisco Bay region may be exposed to liquefaction with the [shaking that has been forecast](#). The area mapped in the Very High, High and Moderate categories makes up about 25% of the 9-county region. Some of the most hazardous areas are beneath our urban core!

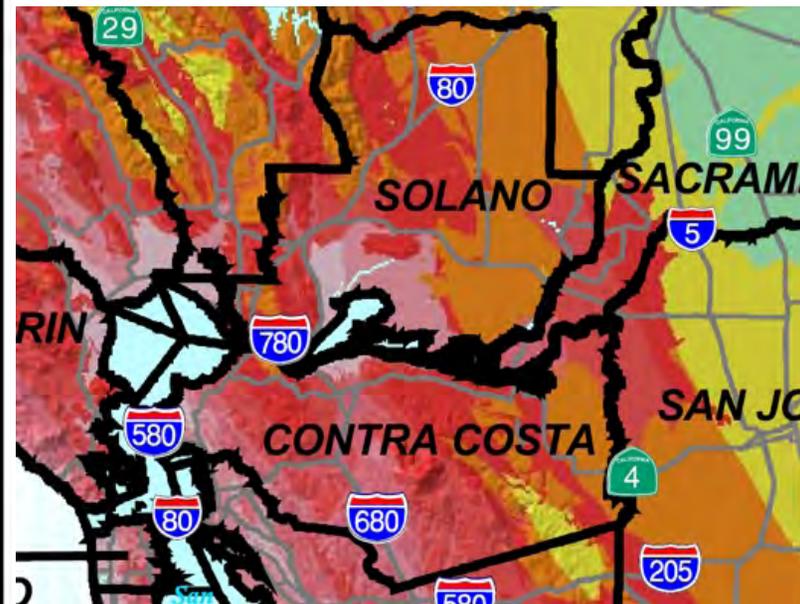
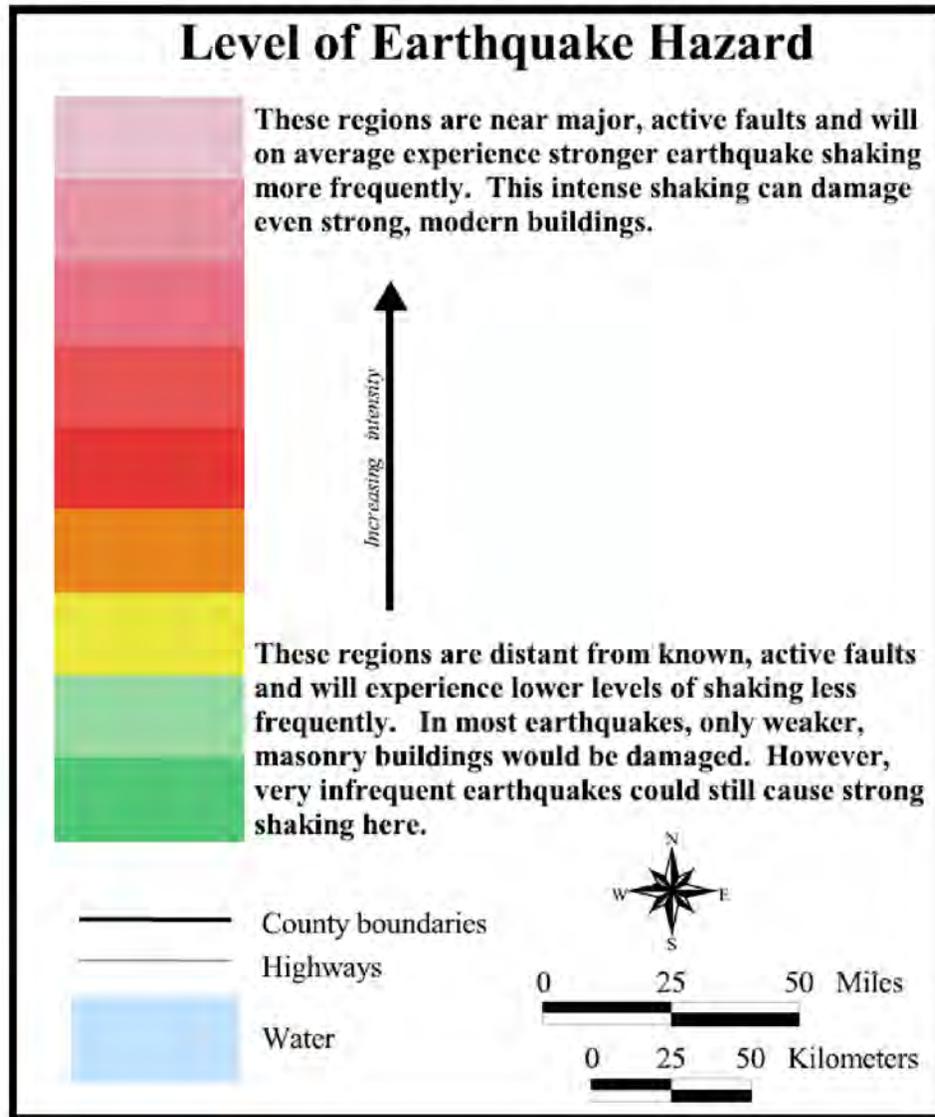
The liquefaction susceptibility mapping is based on assessments of the potential for liquefaction in

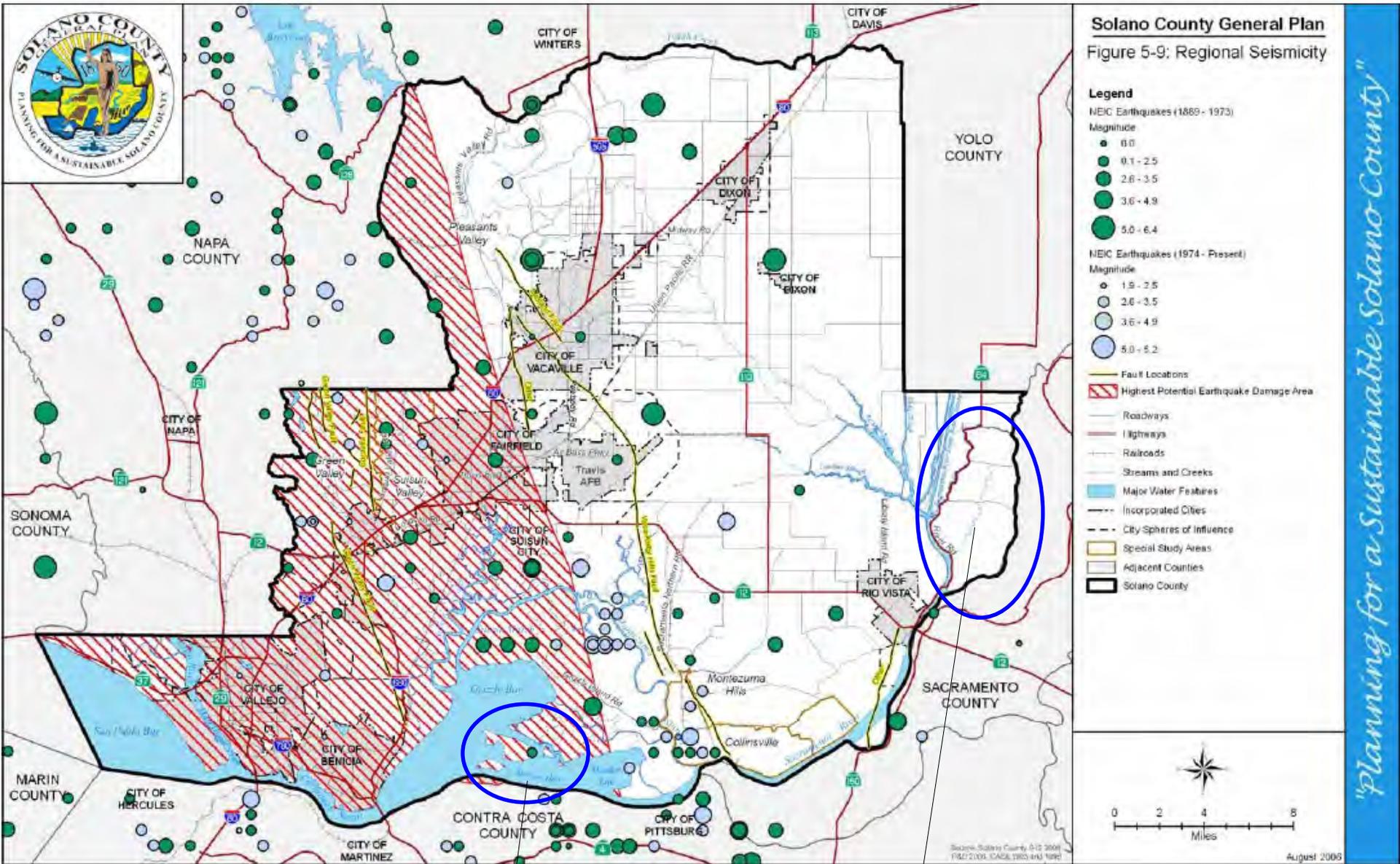
Map of expected levels of shaking from future earthquakes based on anticipated earthquakes and general geology. Bands of highest expected shaking generally follow the active faults; shaking levels are also influenced by the type of materials underlying an area - soft sediment, like that around the Bay margin, tends to amplify and prolong shaking. Note that much of the Bay region has the potential to be shaken very strongly during future earthquakes. Figure modified from U.S. Geological Survey, General Information Product 15, 2005 and, in turn, from <http://www.consrv.ca.gov/cgs/rqhm/psha/index.htm>



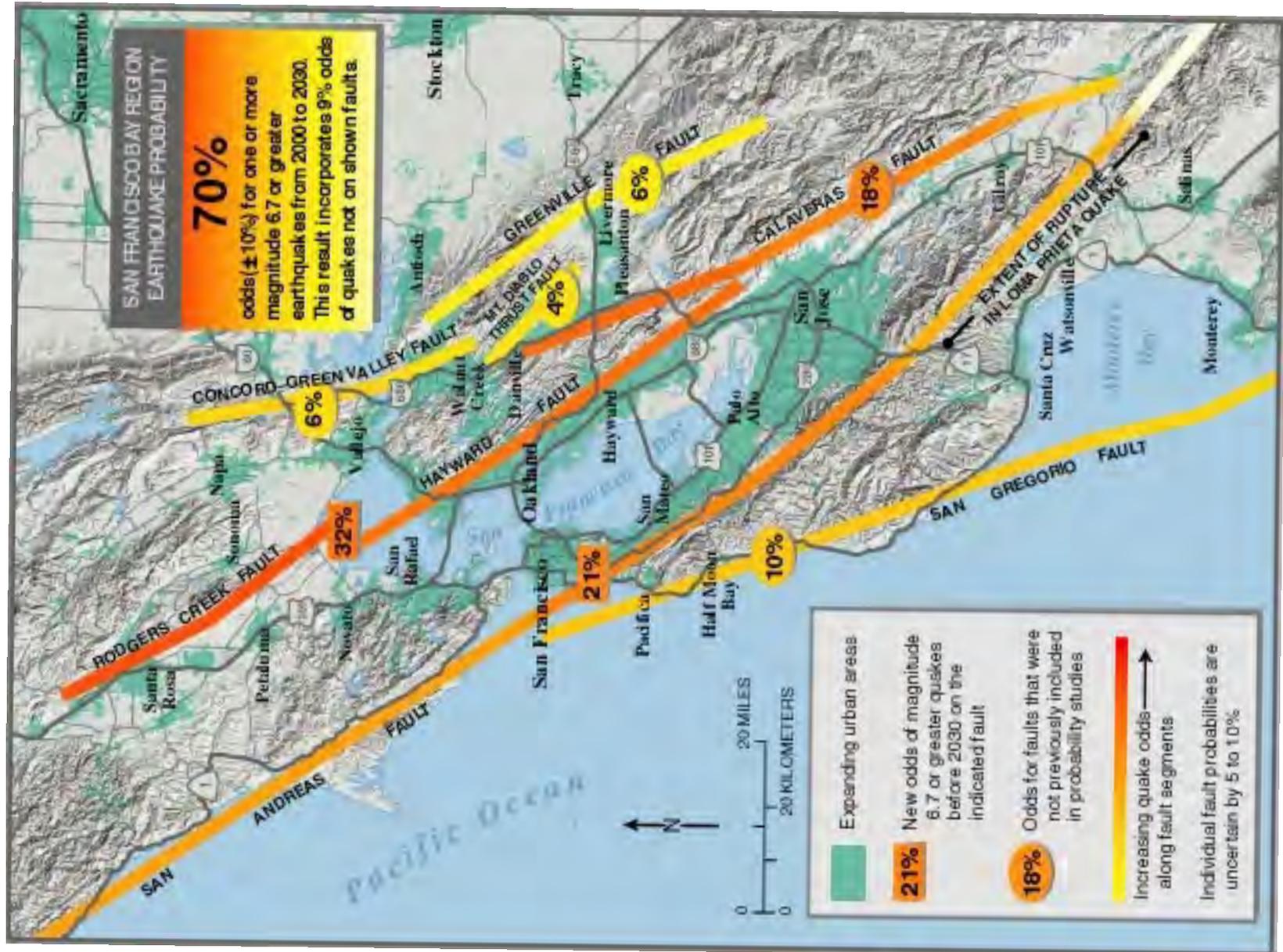
Example of one map currently being used to evaluate levee maintenance and repairs: Ryer Island on Steamboat Slough is categorized wrong based on USGS data previously shown.

Information used by Delta Vision and the various agencies assessing the future of the Delta islands: Ryer Island should be yellow color instead of red based on USGS data shown on previous pages.





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This map show a fault not far from Ryer Island in The Suisun/Grizzly area but no fault near Ryer Island on Steamboat Slough

Table B.1 - Summary of Annual Failure Probabilities for Delta Islands

Zone	NAME	Flood	Seismic	Flood + Seismic	Flood PL 84-99	Flood + Seismic PL 84-99	PL 84-99 + 1' Raise Flood	PL 84-99 + 1' Raise Flood + Seismic
Central	Bacon Island	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.05
Central	Bouldin Island	0.06	0.03	0.09	0.05	0.08	0.05	0.08
Central	Empire Tract	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.05
Central	Mandeville Is.	0.04	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.06
Central	McDonald	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.05
Central	Medford Is.	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.04
Central	Quimby Island	0.04	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.06
Central	Rindge Tract	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.03
Central	Venice Island	0.07	0.04	0.11	0.06	0.10	0.06	0.09
Eastern	King Island	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02
Eastern	Terminus	0.04	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.04
Eastern	Wright-Elmwood	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02
Northern	Brack Tract	0.04	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.04
Northern	Canal Ranch	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.05
Northern	Dead Horse	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.03
Northern	Grand Island	0.02	0.05	0.07	0.02	0.07	0.02	0.07
Northern	Bethel Island	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.04	0.07	0.03	0.07
Northern	Ryer Island	0.02	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.05
Northern	Staten Island	0.04	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.06
Northern	Tyler Island	0.04	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.08	0.03	0.08
Southern	Coney Island	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.04
Southern	Jones Tract	0.05	0.03	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.04	0.07
Southern	Orwood Tract	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.04
Southern	Palm Tract	0.05	0.03	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.04	0.07
Southern	Roberts Island	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.05
Southern	Union Island	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.04
Southern	Victoria Island	0.03	0.03	0.06	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.05
Southern	Woodward	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.04
Western	Bradford Is.	0.04	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.08	0.03	0.08
Western	Brannan-Andrus Is.	0.03	0.05	0.08	0.03	0.08	0.02	0.07
Western	Holland Tract	0.05	0.03	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.04	0.07
Western	Hotchkiss	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.04
Western	Jersey Island	0.05	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.09
Western	Sherman Is.	0.02	0.05	0.07	0.02	0.07	0.02	0.07
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Which Ryer Island data was used for this rating?

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