Delta Conveyance Project
Delta Stewardship Council Certification of Consistency Appeals Hearing

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Delta Protection Commission

"[T]he commission is the appropriate agency to identify and provide recommendations to the Delta Stewardship Council **on methods of preserving the Delta as an evolving place as the Delta Stewardship Council develops and implements the Delta Plan."** (PRC, § 29703.5)

Delta Protection Commission Roles

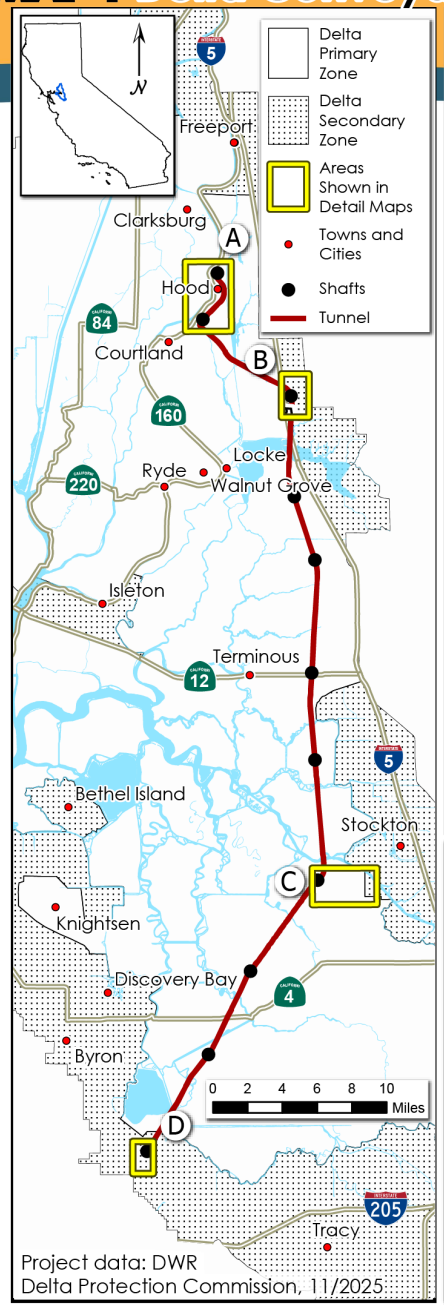
- Appellant – *Water Code § 85225.10; 23 CCR § 5022(a)*
- Commenter on Appeals of Others – *23 CCR § 5028*
- Make Comments and Recommendations to Council on any Significant Project – *PRC § 29773*

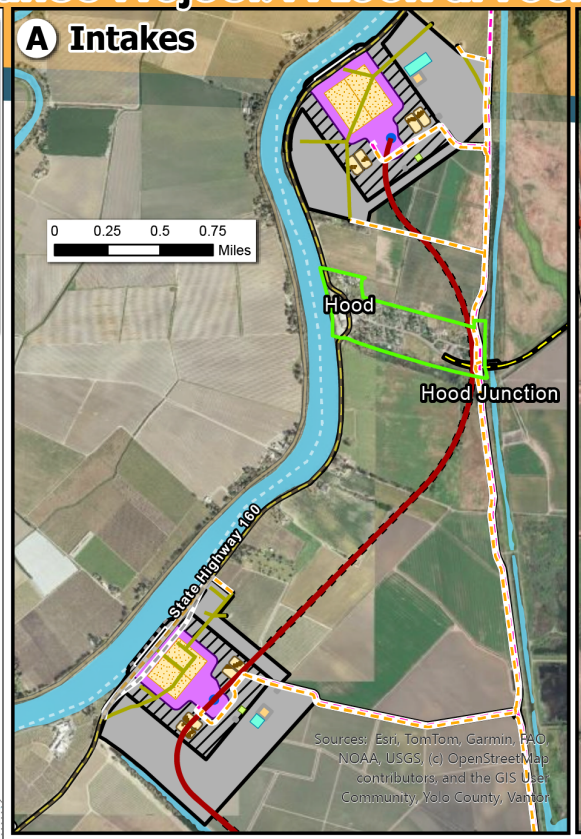
DP P2

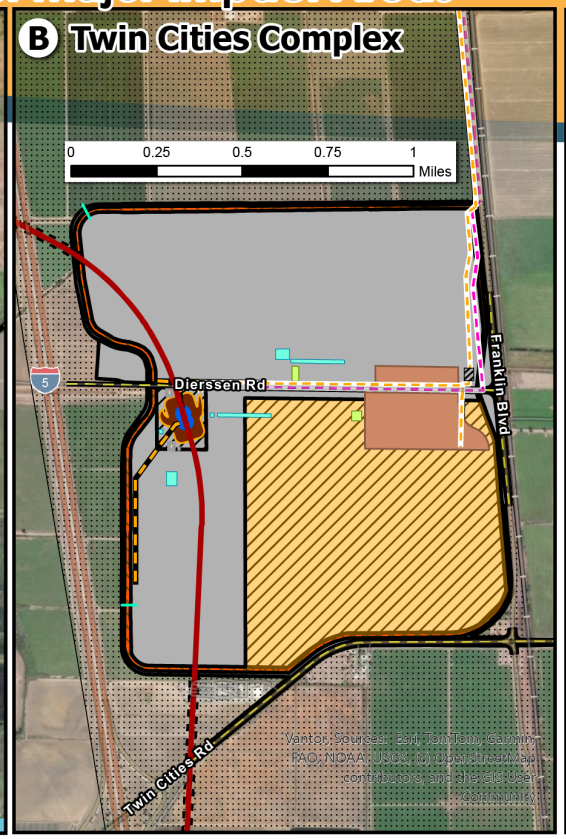
Overview of Impact Areas

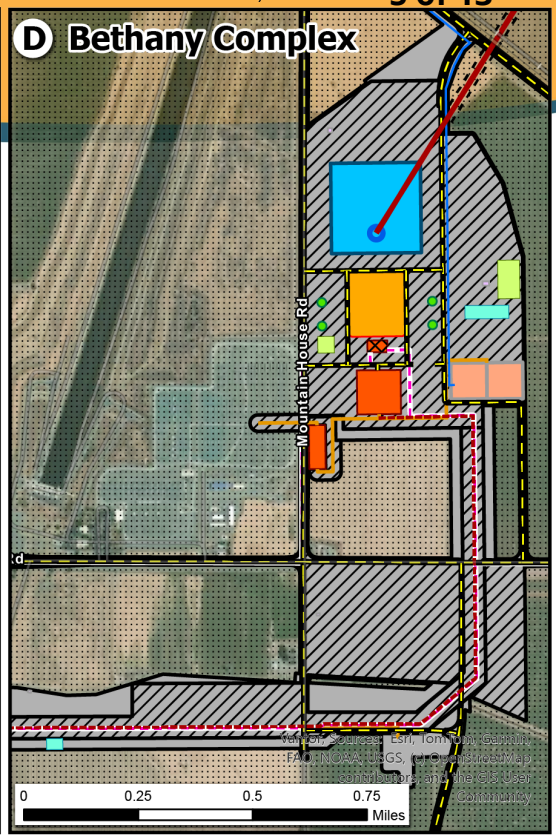
MAP 1 Delta Conveyance Project: A Look at Four Major Impact Areas

Some features may not be visible at this scale.









Town of Hood

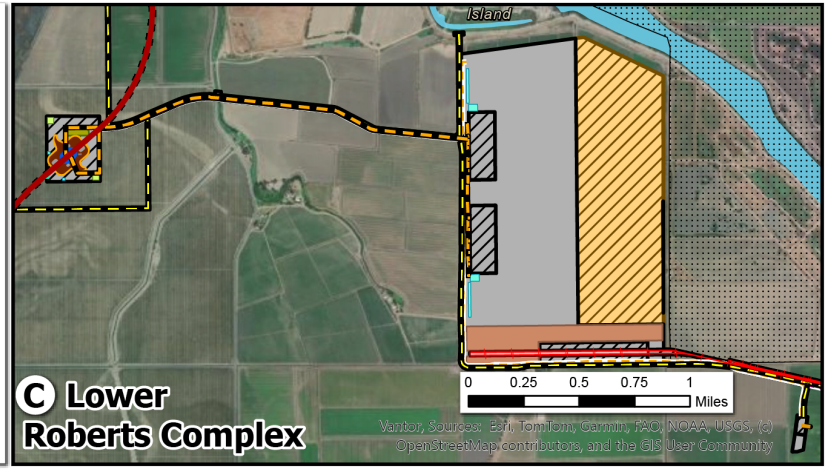
Impact Category
- Permanent Subsurface Impact
- Permanent Surface Impact
- Temporary Subsurface Impact
- Temporary Surface Impact

Power
- Abandoned
- Overhead - Permanent
- Overhead - Temporary
- Underground - Permanent
- Underground - Temporary

SCADA (supervisory control and data acquisition)
- Underground - Permanent

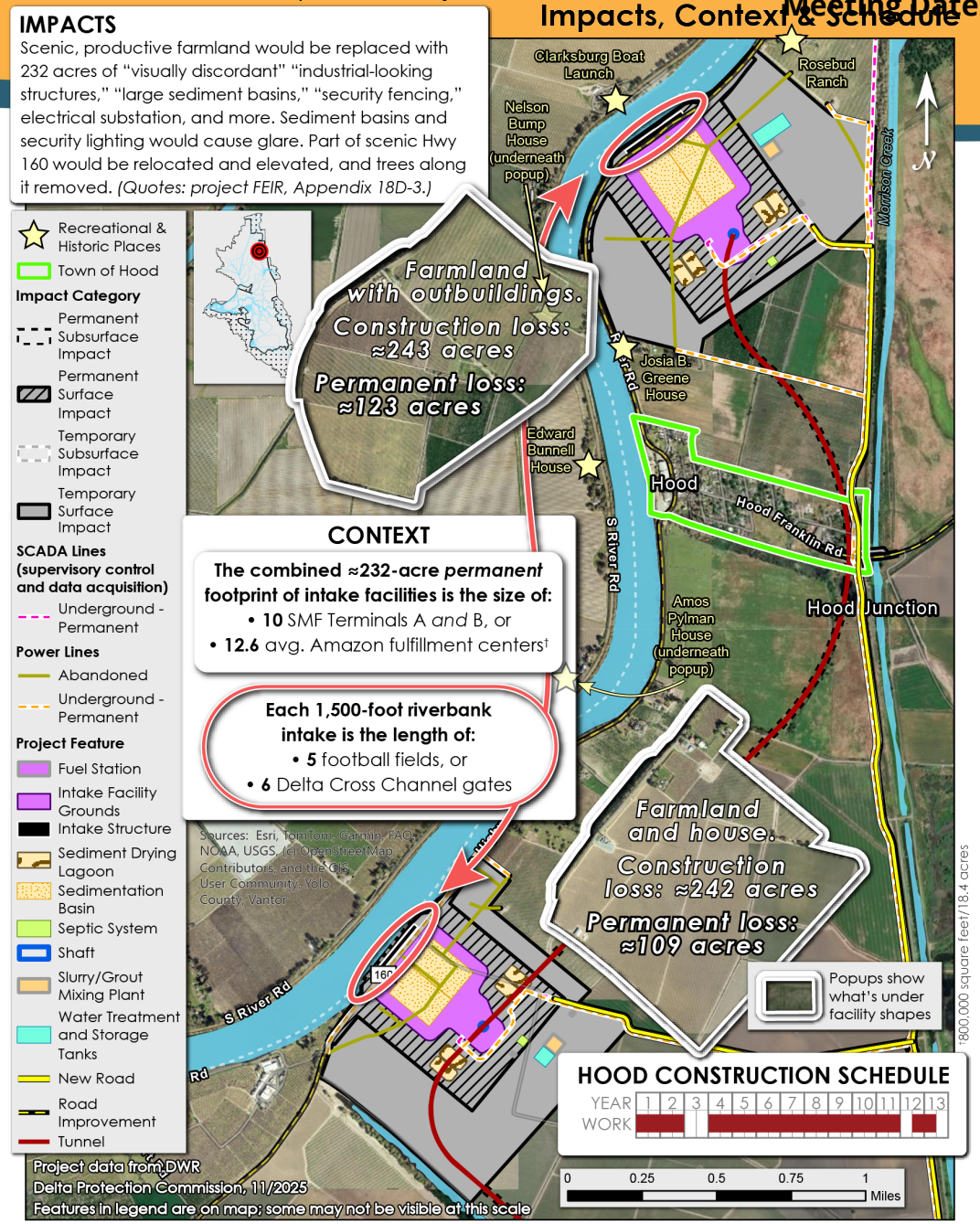
*RTM = Reusable Tunnel Material

Project Feature
- Batch Plant
- Concrete Batch Plant
- Electrical Building
- Fuel Station
- Fuel Storage
- Intake Facility Grounds
- Intake Structure
- Peat Storage
- Pumping Plant
- Rail Depot
- Sediment Drying Lagoon
- Sedimentation Basin
- Septic System
- Shaft
- Shaft Pad
- Slurry/Grout Mixing Plant
- Substation
- Surge Basin
- Surge Tank
- Topsoil Storage
- Water Treatment & Storage Tanks
- RTM* and Ring Levee
- Ring Levee
- RTM* Area
- Road Improvement
- Aqueduct
- Construction Water Pipeline
- RTM* Conveyor
- Rail Spur
- Runoff Discharge Pipe
- Tunnel



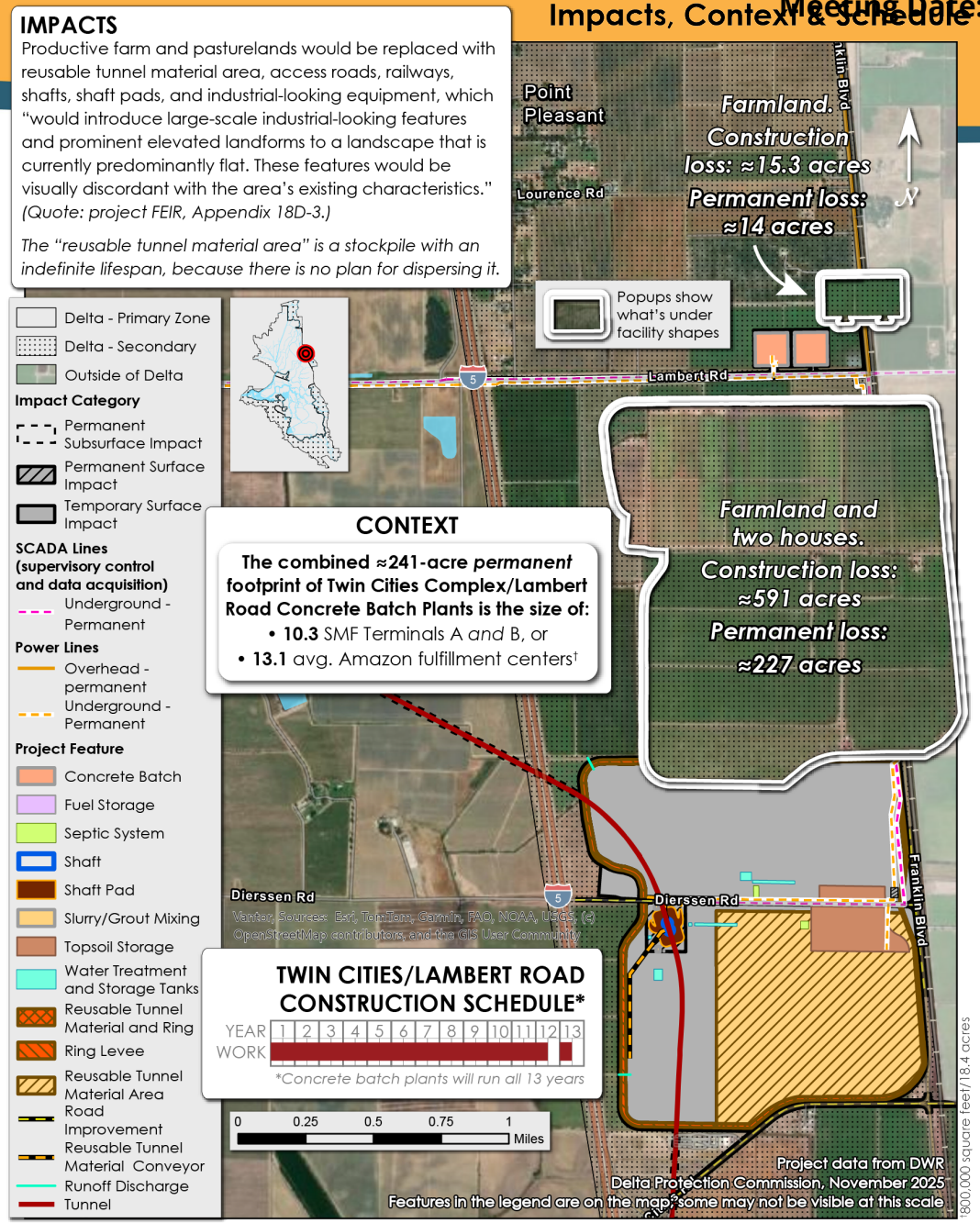
Hood Intakes

MAP 2 Delta Conveyance Project Intakes:
Impacts, Context & Schedule



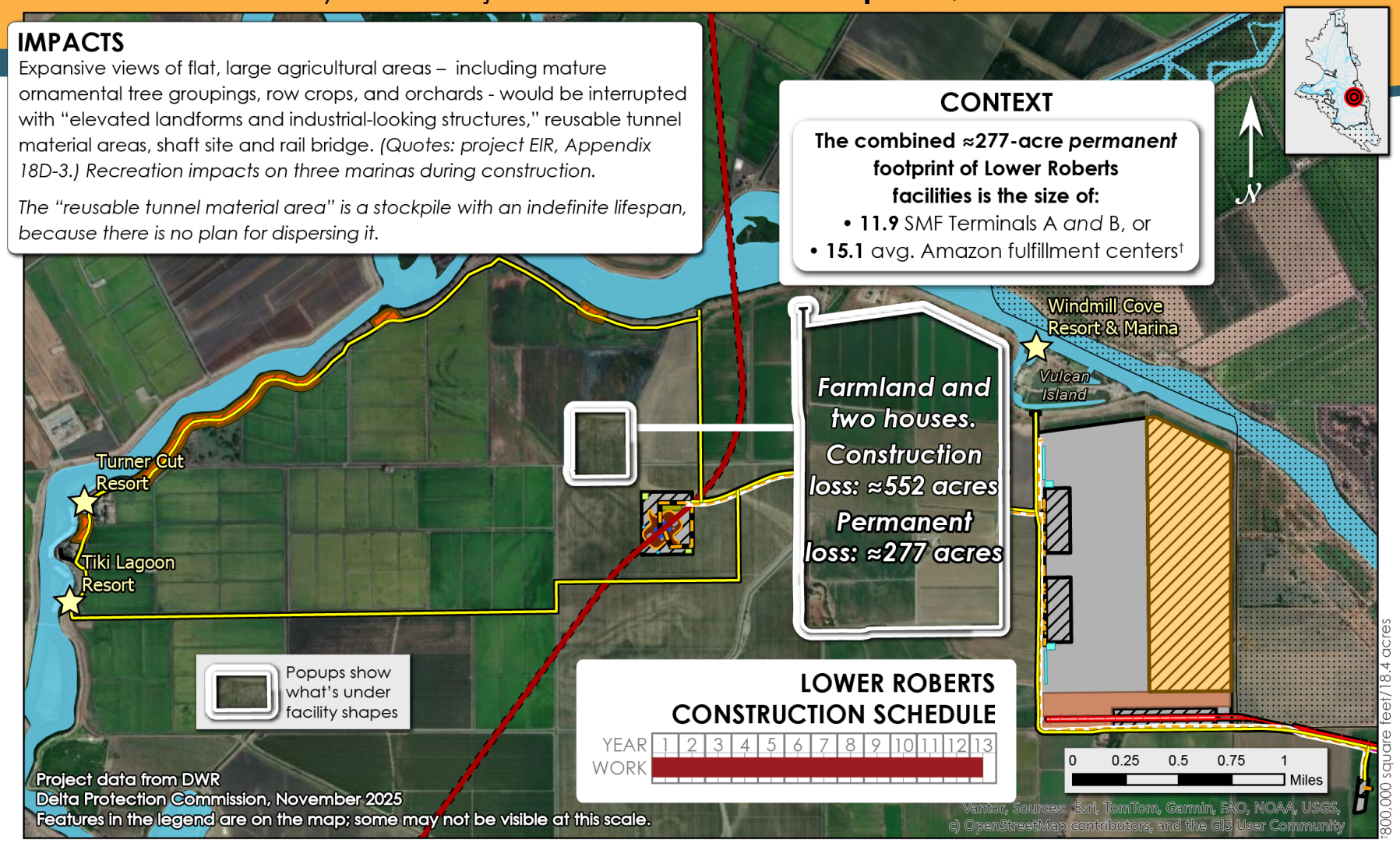
Twin Cities/ Lambert Road

MAP 3 Delta Conveyance Project – Twin Cities/Lambert Road
Impacts, Context & Schedule



Lower Roberts

MAP 4 Delta Conveyance Project – Lower Roberts: Impacts, Context & Schedule



Bethany Complex

MAP 5 Delta Conveyance Project – Bethany Complex: Impacts, Context & Schedule

IMPACTS

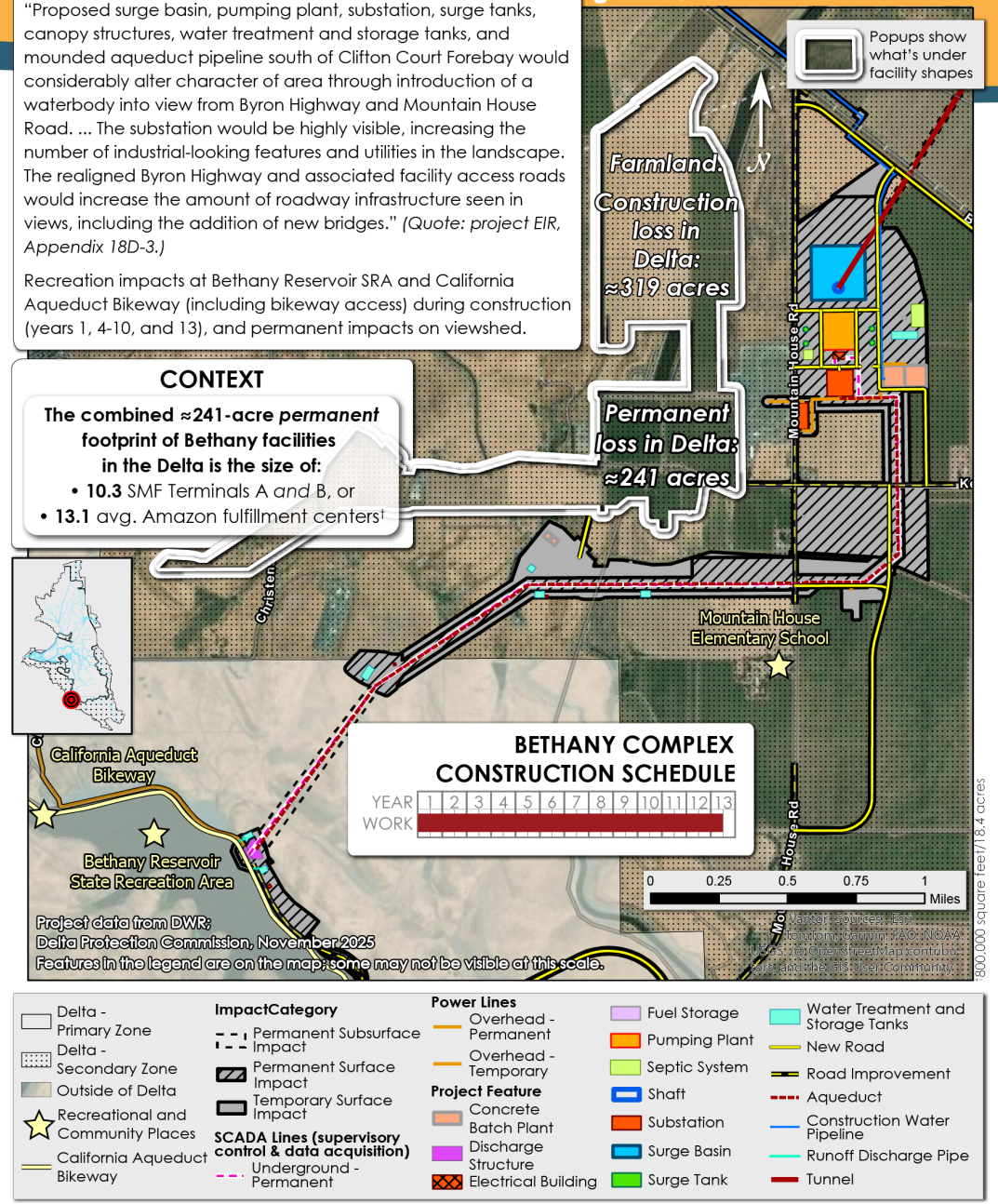
"Proposed surge basin, pumping plant, substation, surge tanks, canopy structures, water treatment and storage tanks, and mounded aqueduct pipeline south of Clifton Court Forebay would considerably alter character of area through introduction of a waterbody into view from Byron Highway and Mountain House Road. ... The substation would be highly visible, increasing the number of industrial-looking features and utilities in the landscape. The realigned Byron Highway and associated facility access roads would increase the amount of roadway infrastructure seen in views, including the addition of new bridges." *(Quote: project EIR, Appendix 18D-3.)*

Recreation impacts at Bethany Reservoir SRA and California Aqueduct Bikeway (including bikeway access) during construction (years 1, 4-10, and 13), and permanent impacts on viewshed.

CONTEXT

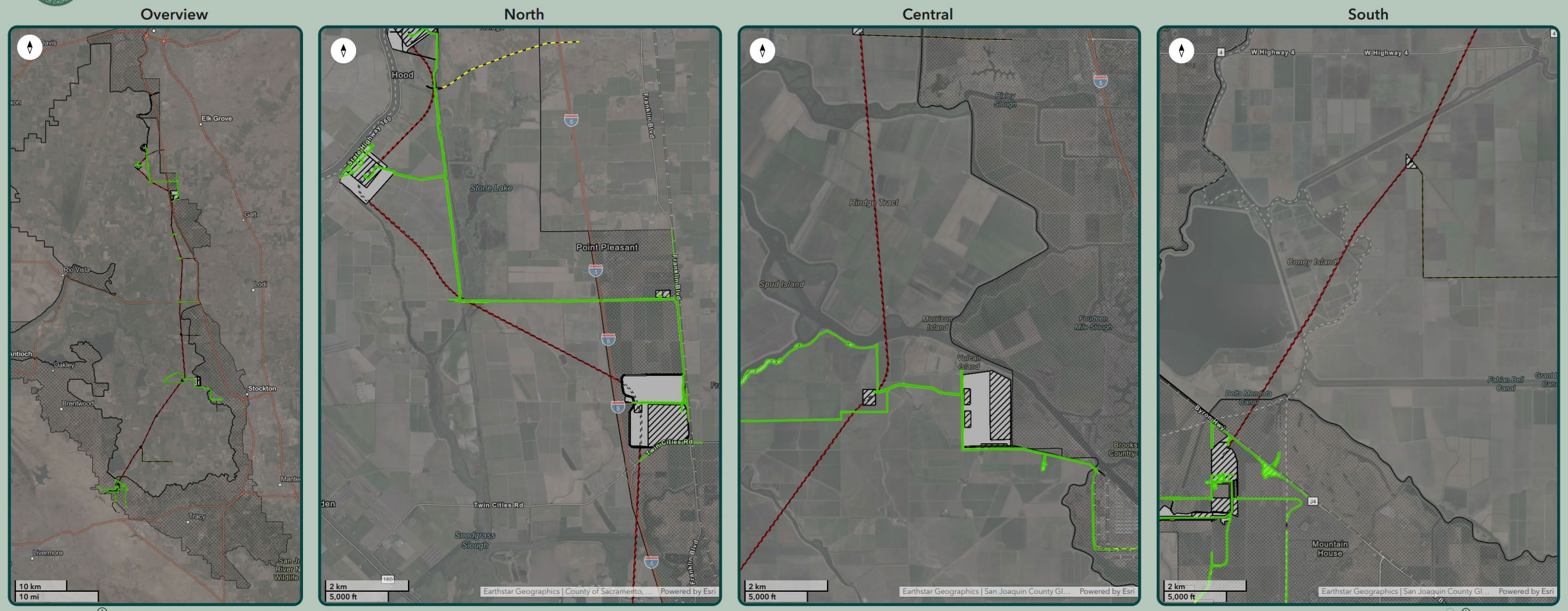
The combined ≈241-acre *permanent* footprint of Bethany facilities in the Delta is the size of:

- **10.3** SMF Terminals A *and* B, or
- **13.1** avg. Amazon fulfillment centers[1]



Construction Timeline

DCP by Year: Few Breaks in Construction over 13 Years at Most Locations (Zoom for Detail)

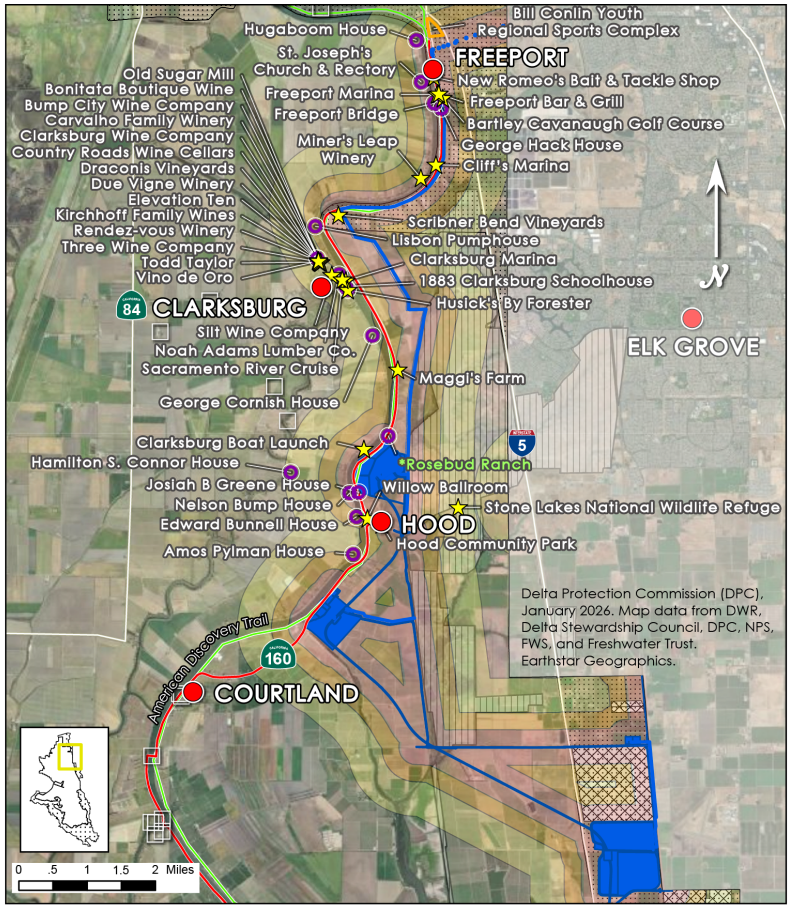


*Lime green-shaded areas indicate where construction activity is planned for the specified half year. These areas are approximate and intended to show general locations of work, not exact limits.

Cultural Resources

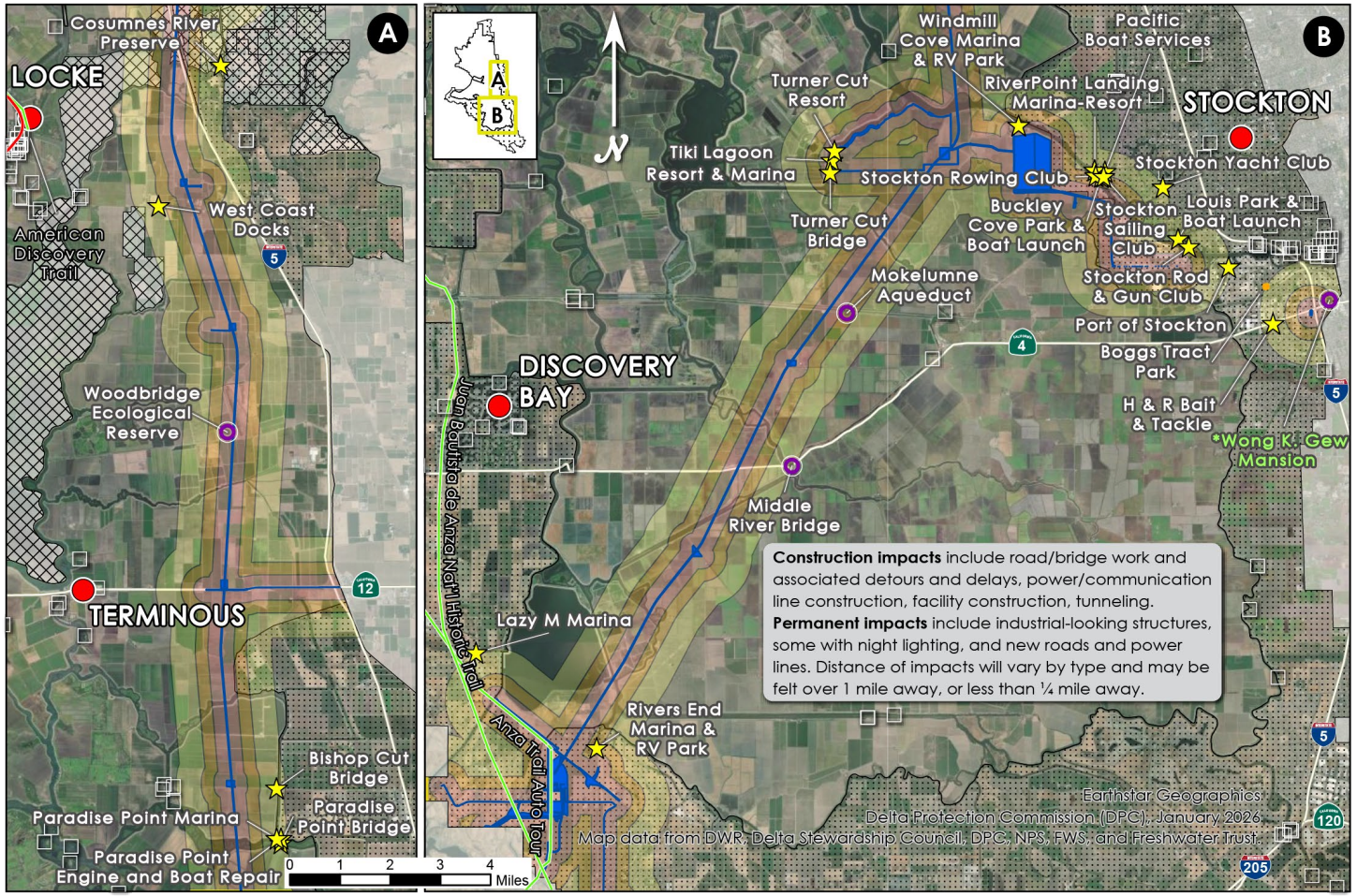
MAP 6 North Delta Cultural, Recreational Resources Within 1 Mile of Delta Conveyance Project Features During Construction

Construction impacts include road/bridge work and associated detours and delays, power/communication line construction, facility construction, tunneling. **Permanent impacts** include industrial-looking structures, some with night lighting, and new roads and power lines. Distance of impacts will vary by type and may be felt over 1 mile away, or less than ¼ mile away.



DCP Project Features
Distance from Project Feature: 0.25 mile, 0.5 mile, 1 mile
Recreation, Business Resources
Cultural, Historic Resources
Nat'l Register of Historic Places
Resources >1Mi. from Project Features
Town
Scenic Hwy
Trails
City Park
Stone Lakes Nat'l Wildlife Refuge
Cosumnes River Preserve
Delta Primary Zone
Delta Secondary Zone
Out of Delta

MAP 7 Central and South Delta Cultural, Recreational Resources Within 1 Mile of Delta Conveyance Project Features During Construction



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Cosumnes River Preserve
Scenic Hwy
Trails
County Park
Delta Primary Zone
Delta Secondary Zone
Out of Delta

Best Available Science *not* done for DCP

ATTACHMENT 2 – TECHNICAL ANALYSIS – CONSISTENCY WITH POLICY G P1(b)(3): BEST AVAILABLE SCIENCE METHODS USED TO ESTIMATE RECREATIONAL USE

LOOKOUT SLOUGH TIDAL HABITAT RESTORATION AND FLOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

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- Consider and propose a project that is consistent with DP P2 and "Delta as an Evolving Place"
- Use a collaborative process that integrates Delta communities
- Adequately assess impacts to Delta's unique value
- Mitigate impacts to Delta Plan standards