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Outreach Opportunities:

- ◆ Technical Feedback Group Meetings
 - Water Management
 - Fisheries Management
 - Restoration Goal
 - Seepage and Conveyance
- ◆ Field Activities
www.restoresjr.net/activities/field/index.html
- ◆ Public Meetings at major milestones
- ◆ Extensive Program information available on the website: www.restoresjr.net
- ◆ Mailing list for regular Program Updates
- ◆ Recorded information on the **Grapevine**, **800-742-9474**; select option 2 for a list of projects; select option 4 for the SJRRP activities and updates.

Website:

www.restoresjr.net

SAN JOAQUIN RIVER RESTORATION PROGRAM



The San Joaquin River Restoration Program (SJRRP)

is a comprehensive long-term effort to restore flows to the San Joaquin River from Friant Dam to the confluence of the Merced River restoring a self-sustaining Chinook salmon fishery in the river while reducing or avoiding adverse water supply impacts from restoration flows.

The Two Primary SJRRP Goals are:

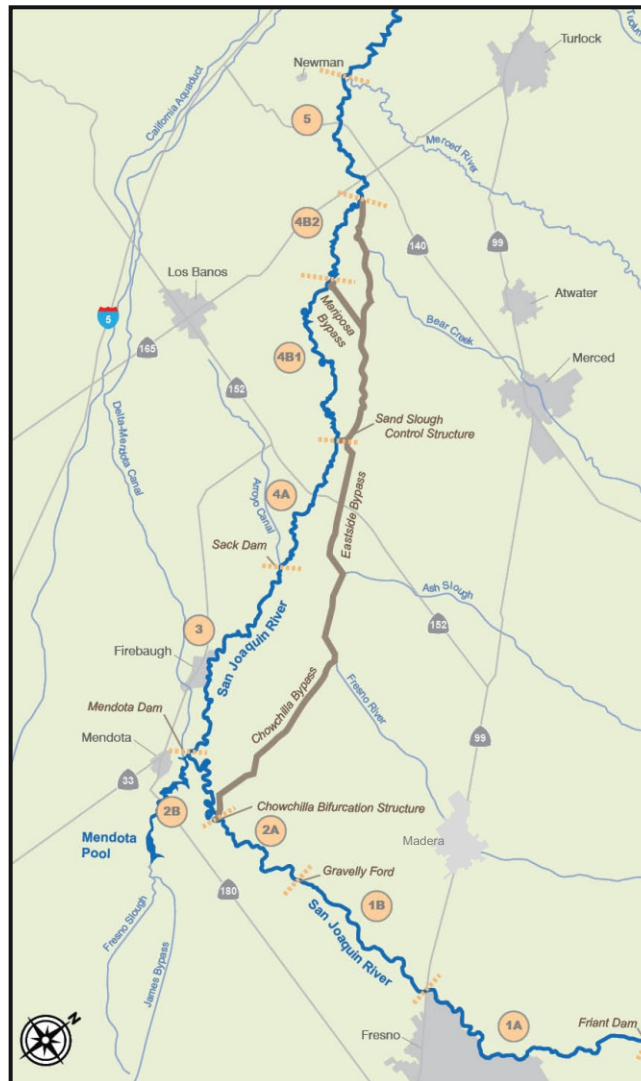
Restoration Goal – To restore and maintain fish populations in "good condition" in the main stem of the San Joaquin River below Friant Dam to the confluence of the Merced River, including naturally reproducing and self-sustaining populations of salmon and other fish.

Water Management Goal – To reduce or avoid adverse water supply impacts to all of the Friant Division long-term contractors that may result from the Interim Flows and Restoration Flows provided for in the Settlement.

The Settlement

After more than 18 years of litigation, a Stipulation of Settlement was reached in September 2006 by the Natural Resources Defense Council, Friant Water Users Authority, and the U.S. Departments of the Interior and Commerce (Settling Parties), and approved by the Court in October 2006. The lawsuit challenged the renewal of long-term water service contracts between the United States and the Central Valley Project Friant Division contractors.

The San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement Act authorizes and directs the Secretary of the Interior to fully implement the Settlement. It was included in the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009, signed by the President on March 30, 2009, and became Public Law 111-11.



Reaches of the San Joaquin River under SJRRP evaluation include the following:

- Reach 1** - Friant Dam to Gravelly Ford
- Reach 2** - Gravelly Ford to Mendota Dam
- Reach 3** - Mendota Dam to Sack Dam
- Reach 4** - Sack Dam to the confluence of Bear Creek and the Eastside Bypass
- Reach 5** - Eastside Bypass/Bear Creek confluence to the Merced River confluence

Major Program Milestones:

October 2009

Initiated Interim Flows and Monitoring Program

April 2011

Released Draft Program Environmental Impact Statement/Report

July 2012

Released Final Program Environmental Impact Statement/Report

October 2012

Issued Record of Decision and Notice of Determination

2013/2014

Continue Water Management actions including water transfer provisions, developing Restoration Flow Guidelines, and developing guidelines for local assistance

2013/2014*

Reintroduce Chinook salmon

2014

Begin Full Restoration Flows

2015/2016*

Complete high priority channel and structural construction activities

* Tentative dates based on revised schedule in the draft Implementation Framework (June 2012)

