



DWR Geotechnical Studies in Support of SJRRP

**Overview and Status of the
San Joaquin Levee Evaluation (SJLE) Project
and the
Non Urban Levee Evaluation (NULE) Project
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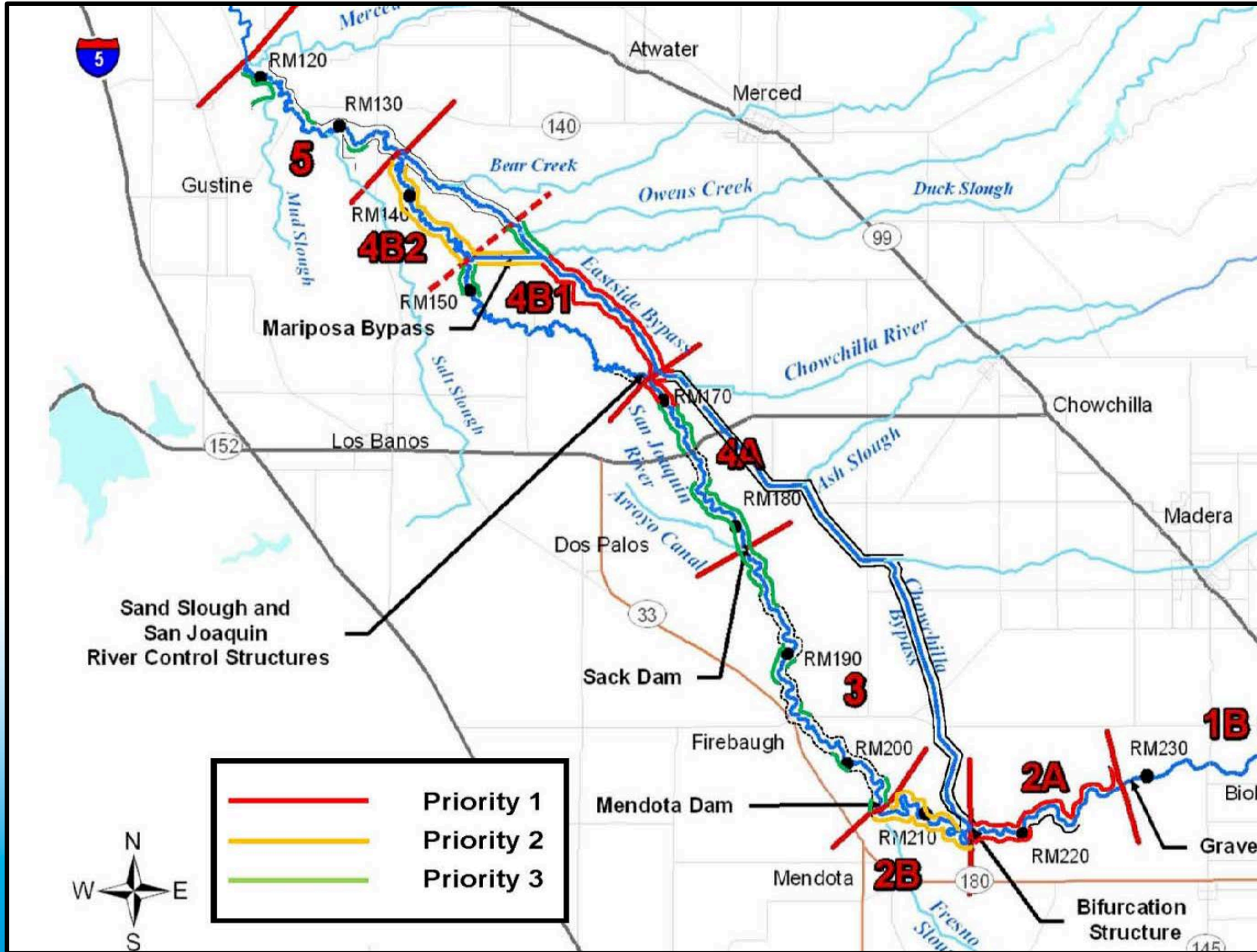
San Joaquin Levee Evaluation (SJLE) Project

- Goal: Assist SJRRP in assessing flood control system integrity associated with levee seepage and stability
- Scope
 - Task 1 - Levee prioritization based on channel capacity
 - Task 2 - Geotechnical explorations
 - Task 3 - Geotechnical analyses using Corps criteria
- Limitations
 - Analyses limited to levee seepage and stability

SJLE Task 1 – Levee Prioritization

- DWR Geotechnical Analysis findings:
 - High flood hazards for most SJRRP levees
 - Significant levee segments with limited geotechnical data
- Levees prioritized for geotechnical exploration based on:
 - Current channel capacity limitations
 - Relationship to Prior DWR explorations
 - Anticipated Restoration Flow routing

SJLE Task 1 - Levee Evaluation Priorities

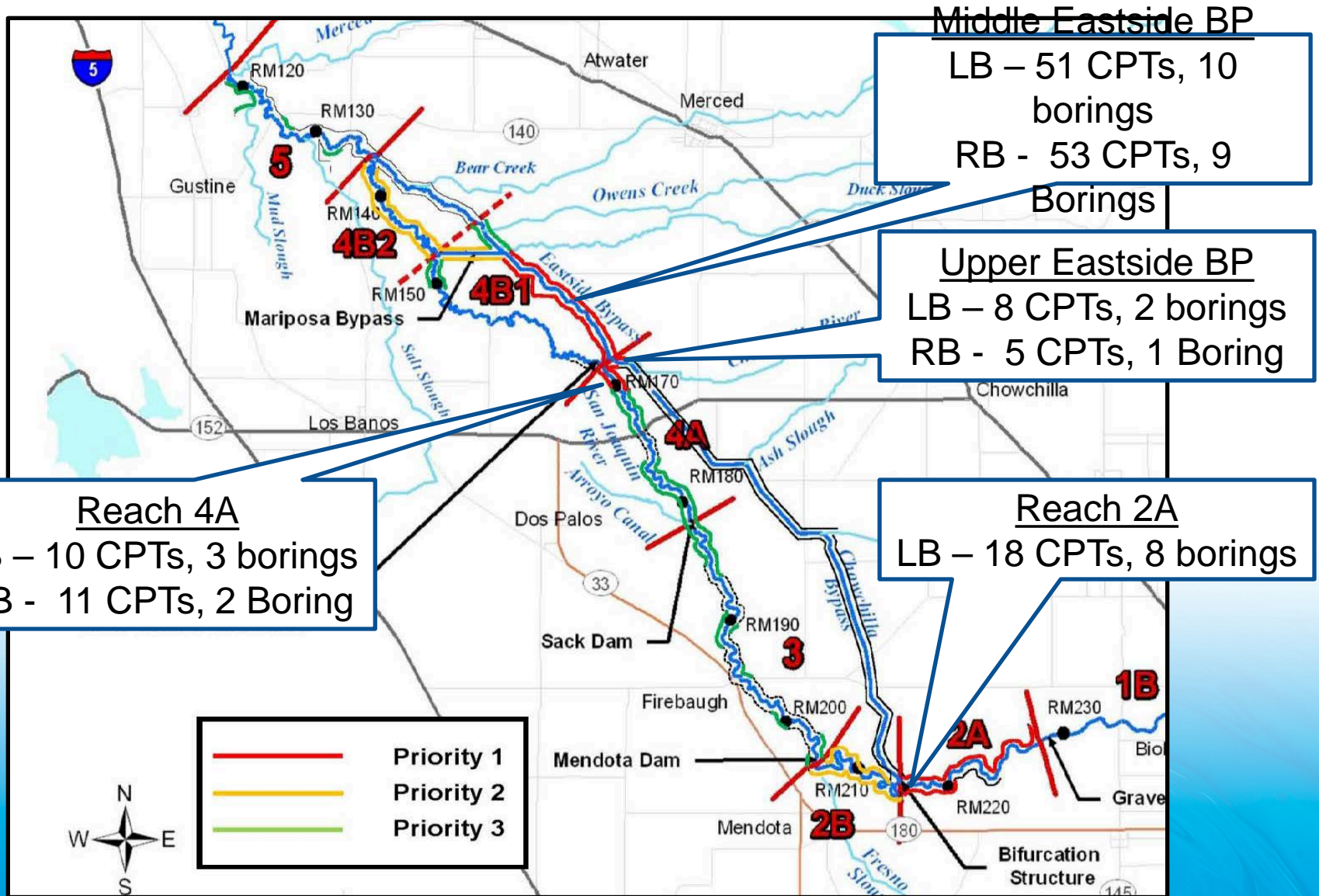




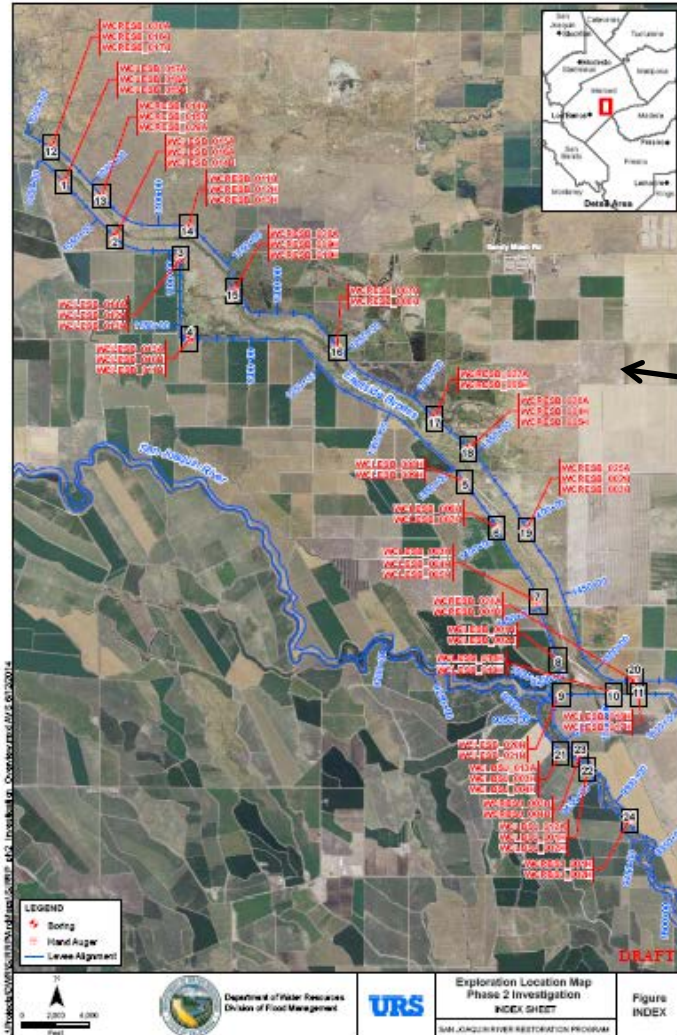
SJLE Task 2 – Geotechnical Explorations

- Phased exploration of Priority 1 levee segments consistent with DWR levee evaluations protocol
- Initial Phase completed May 2013
 - Cone Penetrometer Tests (156)
 - Exploratory Borings (35)
- Supplemental Explorations Underway
 - Geophysical surveys
 - Hand auger borings
 - Exploratory borings

SJLE Task 2 – Geotechnical Explorations completed



SJLE Task 2 – Geotechnical Explorations in 2014



- Eastside Bypass
 - Geophysical surveys (completed June 2014)
 - Hand augers (completed July 2014)
 - Borings (underway)
- Reach 2A
 - Geophysical surveys (completed June 2014)
 - Hand augers (completed July 2014)
 - Borings (est. Fall 2014)



SJLE Task 3 – Geotechnical Analysis

- Geotechnical analyses of Priority 1 levees
 - Limited to seepage and stability
 - Applied USACE levee performance criteria
- Key subtasks
 - Development of geotechnical analysis methodology (complete)
 - Analyses of low channel capacity sites in Eastside Bypass (completed in 2013)
 - Geomorphology analyses (estimated completion September 2014)
 - Geotechnical analyses and reporting (estimated completion April 2015)

SJLE – Schedule

Phase	Task	2012				2013				2014				2015		
		1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	
1	Identification/Prioritization of Levee Segments		[Light Blue Bar]													
2	Geomorphic Studies		[Yellow Bar]													
	Middle EB/Reach 2A Explorations		[Yellow Bar]													
	Reach 4A/Upper EB Explorations					[Yellow Bar]										
	Supplemental Geotechnical Explorations									[Yellow Bar]						
	Geotechnical Data Reporting					[Yellow Bar]										
3	Eastside Bypass Low Capacity Site Analysis						[Green Bar]									
	Data Gap Analysis								[Green Bar]							
	Develop Analytical Methodology								[Green Bar]							
	Geotechnical Analysis and Reporting									[Green Bar]						



SJLE – Next Steps

- Complete Priority 1 levee evaluation
- Support SJRRP in:
 - Assessing channel capacity revisions
 - Identifying levee remediation needs
 - Identify monitoring needs for flood management under Restoration flows
- Continue coordination with SJRRP and Reclamation on Priority 2 and 3 needs
- Identify future funding availability for additional evaluations



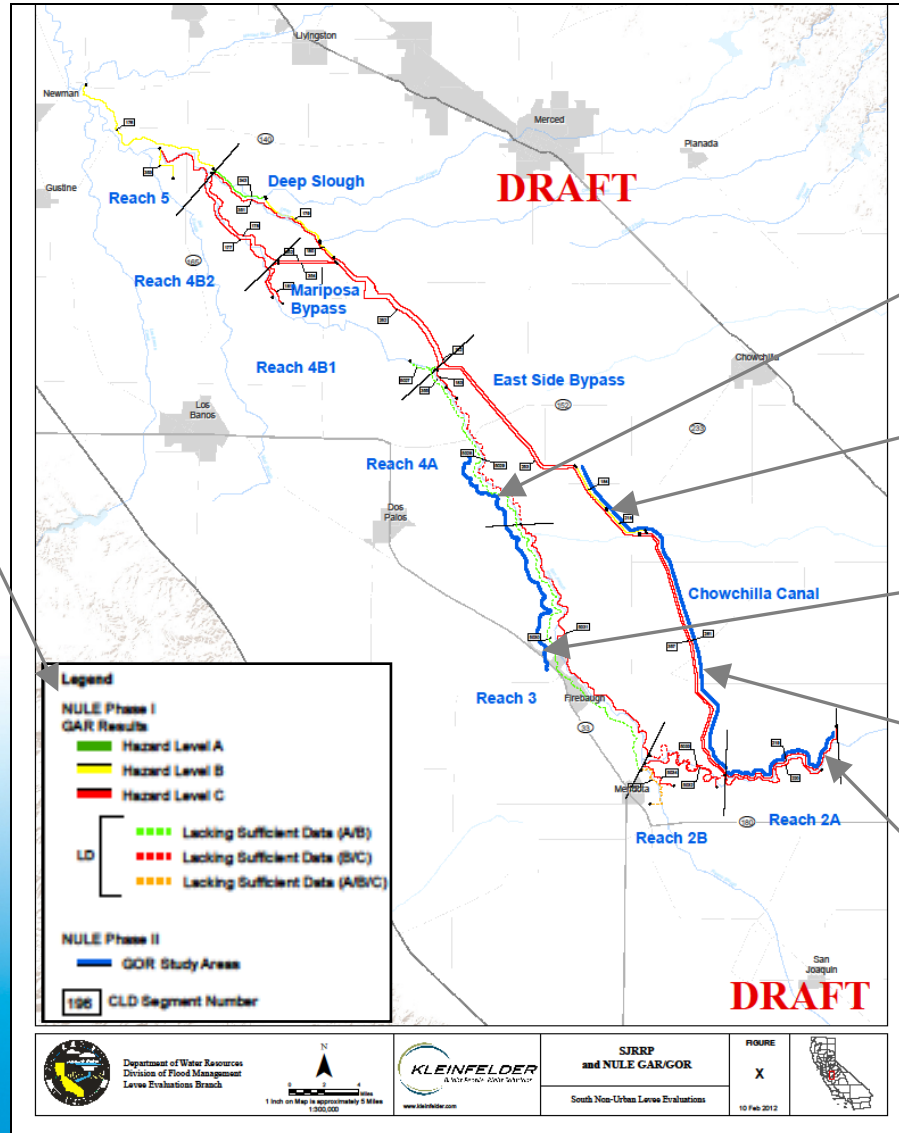
DWR NULE Project

- **Goals**
 - Support CVFPP in evaluating levee integrity and remedial needs
 - Study Area expanded to include all SJRRP reaches to support SJRRP
- **Phased Approach**
 - Phase 1 - Preliminary Evaluations Using Existing Data
 - Completed June 2011
 - Phase 2 - Targeted Geotechnical Exploration/Analyses
 - Scope limited to levees protecting > 1,000 people
 - Data collection completed 2013
 - Analyses scheduled for completion by December 2014

NULE Activities to Date

Phase 1 GAR Results

Levee Hazard Assessments of all SJRRP levees



Phase 2 Explorations

- Reach 4A
45 CPTs
10 Borings
- Eastside Bypass
35 CPTs
11 Borings
- Reach 3A
69 CPTs
12 Borings
- Chowchilla Canal
90 CPTs
35 Borings
- Reach 2A
40 CPTs
18 Borings

Summary

Questions and Summary