

Field Activity Advisory Revegetation Reconnaissance Surveys June 17, 2014

The Bureau of Reclamation plans to conduct a reconnaissance survey of portions of Reach 2A, 2B and 3 the week of July 21-22, to facilitate revegetation planning efforts proposed for the Mendota Pool Bypass and Reach 2B Channel Improvement Project (Project). The timing is subject to the duration of releases from Friant Dam to fulfill water rights of San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors. Surveys will occur via the public right-of-way or on private property with landowner permission.

Who: Bureau of Reclamation

What: Reconnaissance surveys of the vegetation, landforms, and general layout of the Project will be conducted from the river and shorelines or from landside of riparian vegetation areas accessible by vehicles where allowed by the landowner. River access will be conducted by a two-person crew via hard-shell kayaks. Where views are obscured from the water, crews may walk the riverside slope of the private levees up to the levee crown. No access will occur on the landside slope of private levees in the area. Where access to private lands is not available, crews will stay within areas held in public trust by the California State Lands Commission. Other Reclamation staff may be in the area for support and oversight. Ground crews will be in government-marked vehicles.

When: July 21-22, 2014, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where: See Figure 1 for approximate locations of each reconnaissance survey sites. Surveys above the Chowchilla Bifurcation will be conducted by vehicle. Launch/retrieve sites for the hard-shell kayaks include the following primary locations:

- Below San Joaquin River control gates at Chowchilla Bifurcation Structure.
- At the San Mateo Crossing low water crossing
- Mendota Pool, near Mendota Dam
- San Joaquin River, below Mendota Dam

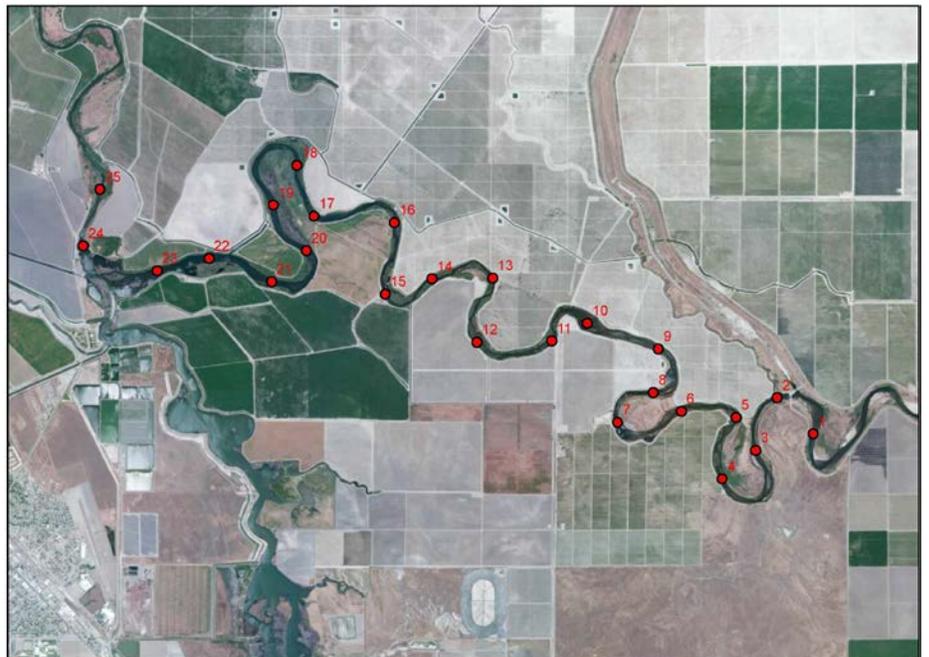


Figure 1: Reconnaissance Survey Sites

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