

Bay Area Wetland Project Map

Public Access to Information about Wetland Habitat Projects In San Francisco Bay

The San Francisco Estuary Institute (www.sfei.org), Wetlands and Water Resources (www.swamphing.org), and the Point Reyes Bird Observatory (www.prbo.org) are developing a map of wetland restoration, mitigation, creation, and enhancement projects in San Francisco Bay. The mapping effort is funded by the San Francisco Foundation (www.sff.org) and the San Francisco Estuary Project (www.abag.ca.gov/bayarea/sfep/sfep.html). The wetland project map will be available to the public in spring 2003.

The project will produce an interactive online map that provides free public access to information about the location, size, sponsors, contact persons, and completion dates of wetland projects within the historical boundaries of the tides in San Francisco Bay, south of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge. This map will be combined with an existing map of San Pablo Bay wetland projects to create an up-to-date public map of all the wetland projects downstream of Carquinez Straits. The digital files of the maps (raster images and GIS files) and the accompanying information will be available to the public for free download. This project will also produce a way for government agencies and project sponsors to update the map with information about new projects in the future.

The primary goal of this project is to improve public access to information about wetland projects in the Bay Area. Meeting this goal will also allow the San Francisco Estuary Project, the Bay Area Joint Venture, and many other conservation organizations to measure wetland conservation progress in the Bay Area.

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