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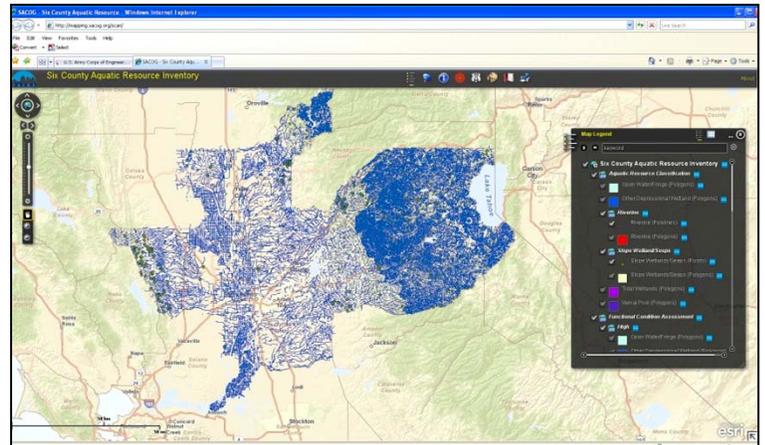
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Preserving water, wetlands easier with new Corps map

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Sacramento District launches a new online map called the Six County Aquatic Resources Inventory today that shows most water features in six California counties: Sacramento, Yolo, Sutter, Yuba, El Dorado and Placer. SCARI is a free public resource to help landowners and developers identify wetlands, streams, lakes, ponds and other bodies of water in their area that may require a Corps permit if they plan to do construction.

“Before the inventory, you had to check dozens of maps, many often outdated,” Sacramento District Deputy Regulatory Chief Michael Nepstad said. “This map will save you time and give everyone a more accurate idea of what waters are on their land.”



The inventory is the first of its kind in the Corps and can be used by local, state and federal agencies to make better-informed and more efficient decisions regarding proposed development and other activities that affect aquatic resources in the area.

The inventory is also a living document, updated as regulatory actions and landscape changes occur. Historic records of aquatic resources lost or gained since 2004 are mapped and marked.

SCARI was funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and was developed by an advisory team consisting of representatives from the Sacramento Area Council of Governments, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The inventory does not determine federal jurisdiction and additional consultation with the Corps is required.

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Map: <http://mapping.sacog.org/scari/>

Website: <http://bit.ly/oXf6K1>

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