

# Regulatory Program Brief

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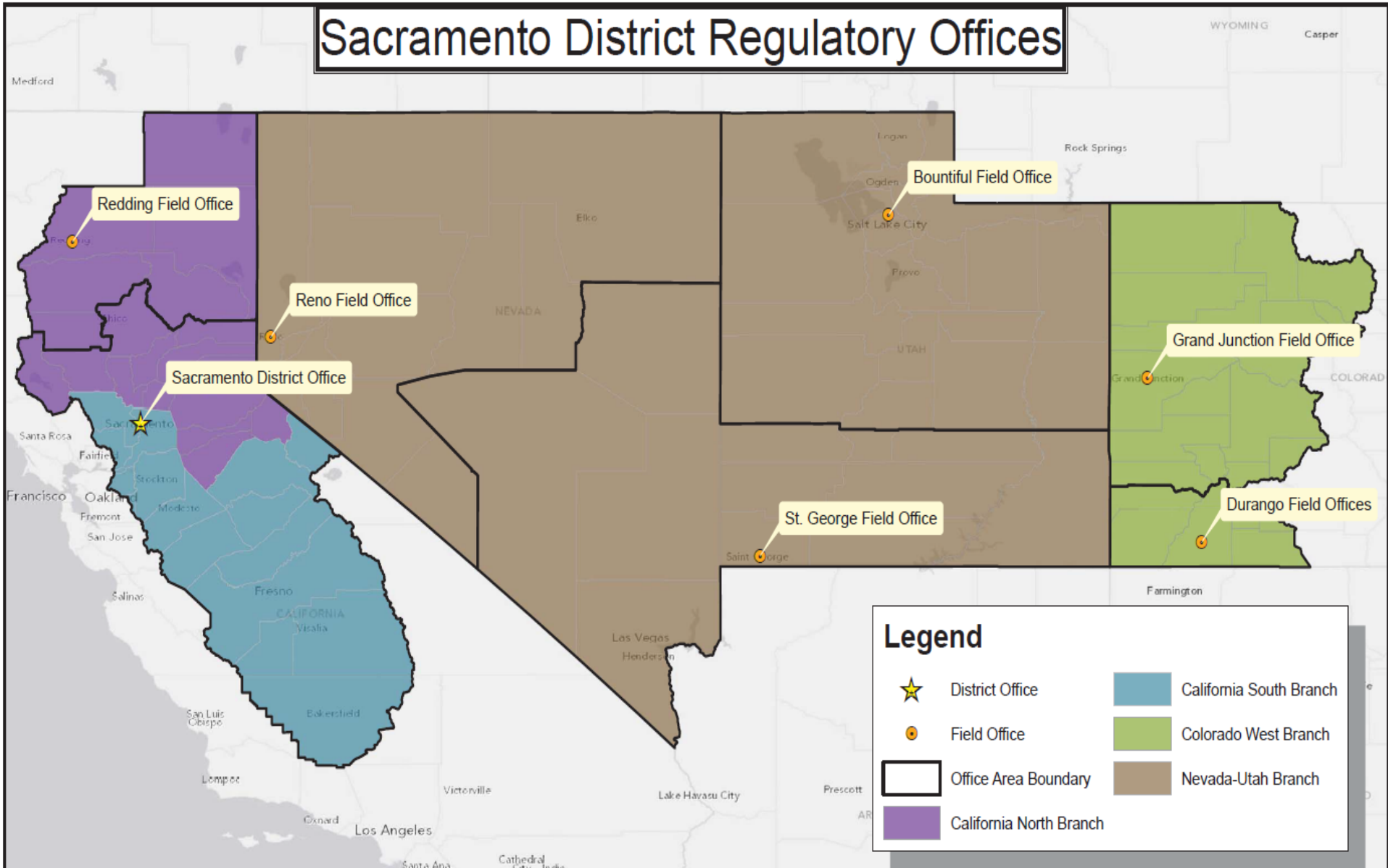


# Overview

- **Area of Responsibility:** CA Central Valley and Sierra Nevada, Nevada, Utah and Western Slope of Colorado
  - ▶ Diverse area with many interests, challenges
- **People:** 45 located in 7 offices
  - ▶ Largest: Sacramento (28), Bountiful UT (6), and Grand Junction CO (6)
  - ▶ Multidisciplinary staff: Engineers, biologists, ecologists, cultural specialists
- **Workload:** Processing 2000-3000 actions per year
  - ▶ Most are simple actions (NWP, GPs)
  - ▶ Several complex, complicated permit and enforcement actions
    - Bay Delta Conservation Plan
    - CA High Speed Train
  - ▶ Last permit denied 2003
  - ▶ Making investments towards streamlined permitting
    - Permit strategies associated with HCPs
    - 404 LOPs and general permits
    - Specific Plans – One EIS for multiple permit applications
- **Funding:** General Regulatory Funds and Section 214 of Water Resources Development Act



# Sacramento District Regulatory Offices



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# Budget and Funding

## ■ General Regulatory Funds

- ▶ Annual Appropriation (in Energy and Water)
- ▶ Funds expire after two years (if not used, must be returned)
- ▶ Funded at Corps HQ level; GRF distributed to Corps Divisions and Districts
- ▶ Sacramento District FY13 distribution = \$6.04M (-5% FY12)
- ▶ Sacramento District FY14 distribution = \$6.52M (+8% FY13)
  - Federal budget passed January 2014, following government shutdown/furlough
  - Additional funds will be used to backfill vacancies, bring on students and temp help
- ▶ Supports about 40 FTE

## ■ Section 214 of Water Resources Development Act of 2000

- ▶ Authority allows the Corps to accept/use of funds from non-federal public entities to expedite permit processing for public projects
- ▶ Can only use funds if there is a permit action
- ▶ Current Agreements: Redding, Roseville, Rancho Cordova, Elk Grove, Sac County Agencies, Butte County Association of Governments, Placer County, CA High Speed Rail, Caltrans, Port of Stockton, DWR BDCP, DWR FMO and DWR FESSRO
- ▶ Supports about 3 FTE





# National Performance Measures

Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Indicator
<b>1. Individual Permit Compliance</b> <i>Inspect XX% of individual permits issued in preceding fiscal year.</i>	10%	7%	●
<b>2. General Permit Compliance</b> <i>Inspect XX% of general permits issued in preceding fiscal year.</i>	10% ↑	1%	●
<b>3. Mitigation Site Compliance</b> <i>Inspect XX% of all active mitigation sites.</i>	10% ↑	0%	●
<b>4. Mitigation Bank and In Lieu Fee Compliance</b> <i>Inspect XX% of all active mitigation banks and in lieu fee programs.</i>	20%	7%	●
<b>5. Resolution of Non-Compliance Issues</b> <i>Resolve XX% of pending non-compliance cases.</i>	20%	5%	●
<b>6. Resolution of Enforcement Actions</b> <i>Resolve XX% of pending enforcement cases.</i>	20%	22%	●
<b>7. General Permit Decisions</b> <i>Decide XX% of general permits within 60-days of a complete application.</i>	80% ↑	85%	●
<b>8. Individual Permit Decisions</b> <i>Decide XX% of standard permits &amp; LOPs within 120-days of a complete application, excluding those with formal ESA consultation.</i>	50%	91%	●

# Questions?



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