## **Regulatory Program Brief**

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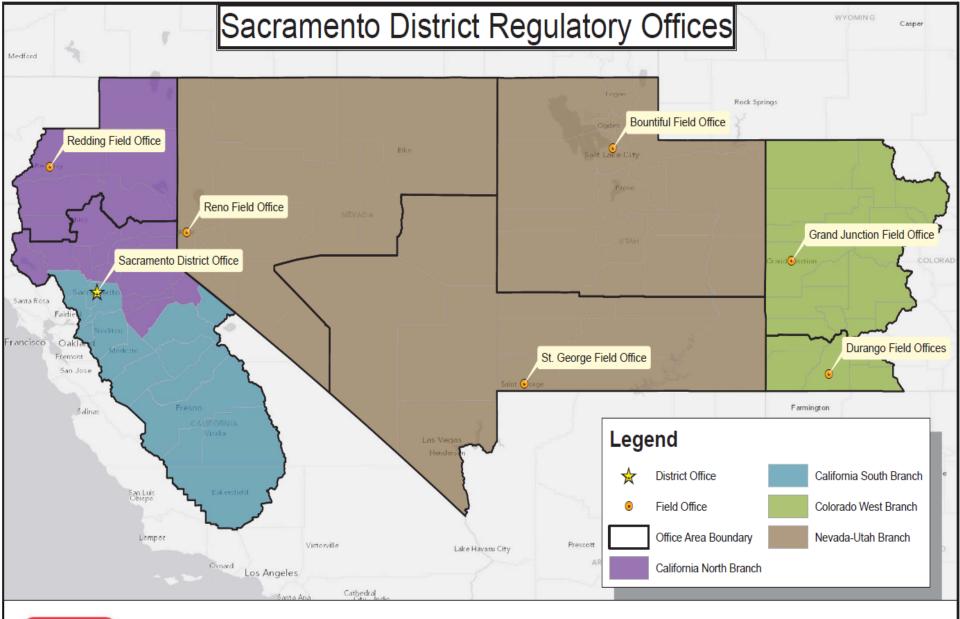
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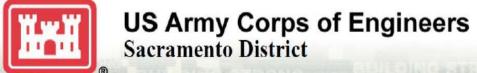
# Overview

- Area of Responsibility: CA Central Valley and Sierra Nevada, Nevada, Utah and Western Slope of Colorado
  - Diverse area with many interests, challenges
- People: 58 located in 7 offices
  - ► Largest: Sacramento (32), Bountiful UT (7), and Grand Junction CO (6)
  - Multidisciplinary staff: Engineers, biologists, ecologists, cultural specialists
- Workload: Receive 2,000-3,000 actions/year, Finalize 1,500-2,250/year
  - Most are simple actions (NWPs, GPs)
  - Several complex, complicated permit and enforcement actions
    - West Davis Corridor
    - 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



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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; National budget of approx. \$200 Million
- ► GRF distributed to Corps Divisions (8) and Districts (38)
- Supports about 50 FTE

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

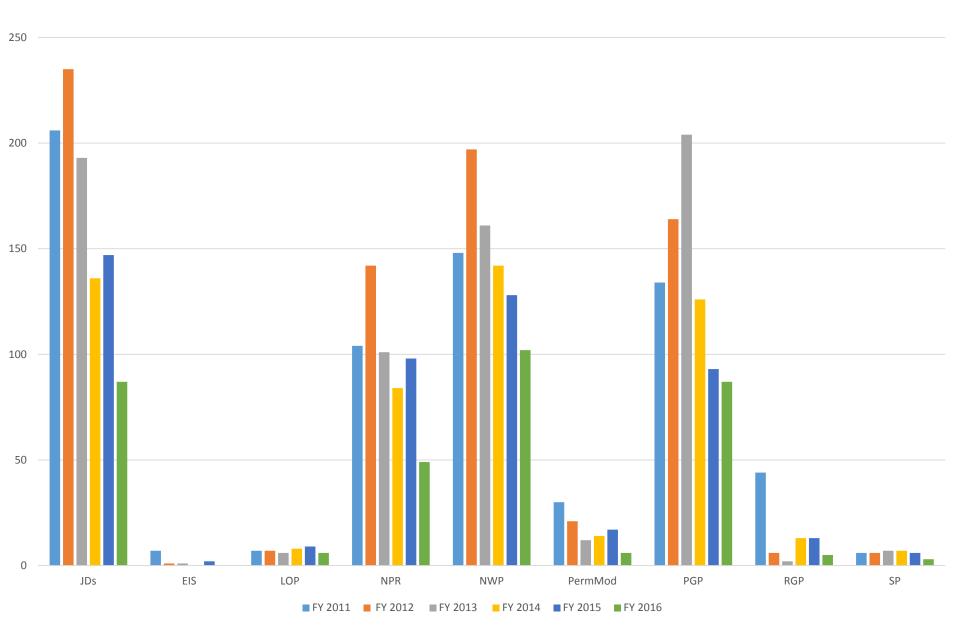
- Authority allows the Corps to accept/use of funds from non-federal public entities to expedite permit processing for public projects
- Can only use funds if there is a permit action
- Current Agreements: Redding, Roseville, Rancho Cordova, Elk Grove, Sac County Agencies, Butte County Association of Governments, Placer County, CA High Speed Rail, Caltrans, Port of Stockton, DWR BDCP, DWR FMO and DWR FESSRO
- Supports about 5 FTE



# **National Performance Measures**

Performance Measure	Target	Actual	Indicator
<b>1. Individual Permit Compliance</b> Inspect individual permits issued in preceding fiscal year.	10%	13%	•
2. General Permit Compliance Inspect general permits issued in preceding fiscal year.	10%	11%	•
3. Mitigation Site Compliance Inspect all active mitigation sites.	10%	3%	•
<b>4. Mitigation Bank and In Lieu Fee Compliance</b> Inspect all active mitigation banks and in lieu fee programs.	20%	33%	•
5. Resolution of Non-Compliance Issues Resolve pending non-compliance cases.	20%	29%	•
6. Resolution of Enforcement Actions Resolve f pending enforcement cases.	20%	35%	•
<b>7. General Permit Decisions</b> Decide general permits within 60-days of a complete application.	80%	78%	•
8. Individual Permit Decisions Decide standard permits & LOPs within 120-days of a complete application, excluding those with formal ESA consultation.	50%	89%	•

## Utah/Nevada Branch Workload



# Updates

- 2017 Nationwide Permits (NWP)
  - No significant changes to existing
  - ► 2 new NWPs proposed
    - Removal of low-head dams
    - Living Shorelines
  - Public comments
  - SPK Regional Conditions some changes
  - ▶ Reissued on March 18, 2017
  - Any work started or under contract has additional year to complete.



# Questions?