### Hamilton City Flood Damage Reduction & Ecosystem Restoration Project Status Report

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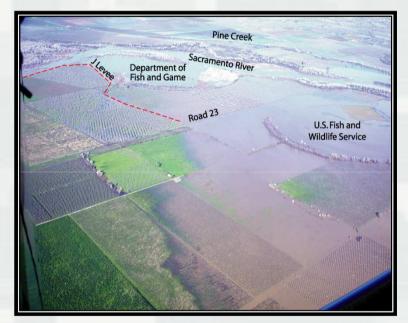


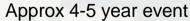
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### **Project History**

- Currently protected by degraded "J" levee
- Hamilton City has been evacuated 6 times in 30 years
- In 2001 new planning policies offered an opportunity to combine flood damage reduction and ecosystem restoration projects in a way that could make this project feasible.







## **Project History**

**Project Partners and Stakeholders** 

**Reclamation District 2140** Sacramento River Conservation Area Forum The Hamilton City Community Services District Hamilton City Citizens in Action **Glenn County Butte County** local agricultural interests The US Army Corps of Engineers US Fish and Wildlife Service The Central Valley Flood Protection Board **Department of Water Resources** Department of Fish and Game The California Bay-Delta Authority The Nature Conservancy



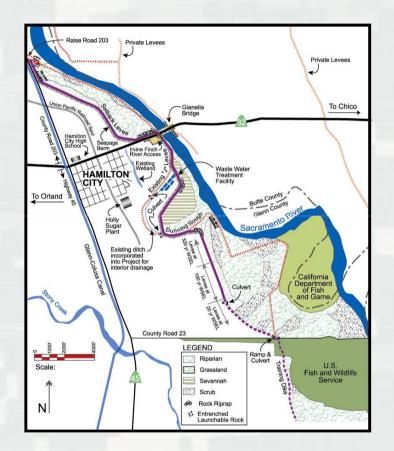
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## **Project Highlights**

#### **Project Components**

- Remove degraded "J" Levee.
- Construct 6.8 miles of set back levee (90% chance of safely passing the 75 year flood event).
- Restore 1500 acres of native habitats.





## **Current Status**

- Project was authorized for construction in the Water Resources Development Act of 2007
- 90% Designs completed in October 2009
- Designated in FY2012 President's budget as 1 of only 2 new construction starts in the Nation for \$8 Million.



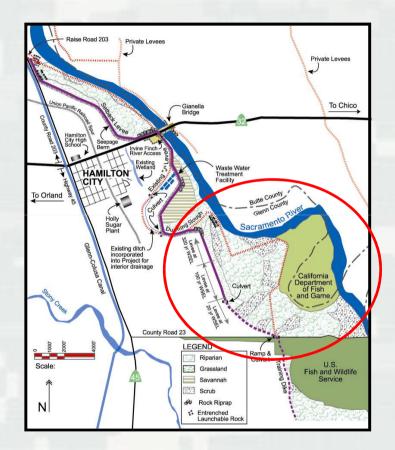
# **Funding Next Steps**

- President's 2012 budget was released in February and had \$8M for the Hamilton City Project
- The House and Senate must still develop the Energy and Water Appropriations bill that the President will sign into law, or veto.
- It is the language in the E&W bill that determines the final appropriations amount in 2012
- Very unlikely that the E&W bill will have a lesser amount for the project then what was in the President's Budget
- Project will be "phased" according to the amount of appropriations



### **The First Phase**

- Project is a Multi-Benefit project with joint use components
- Project must be constructed so as to not induce flooding





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## **Project Next Steps**

Once E&W bill is signed and funding received:

- Sign Project Partnership agreement with RD 2140
- Complete Plans and Specs to 100% design level and release for Requests for Proposals
- Construction expected to begin late summer 2012

