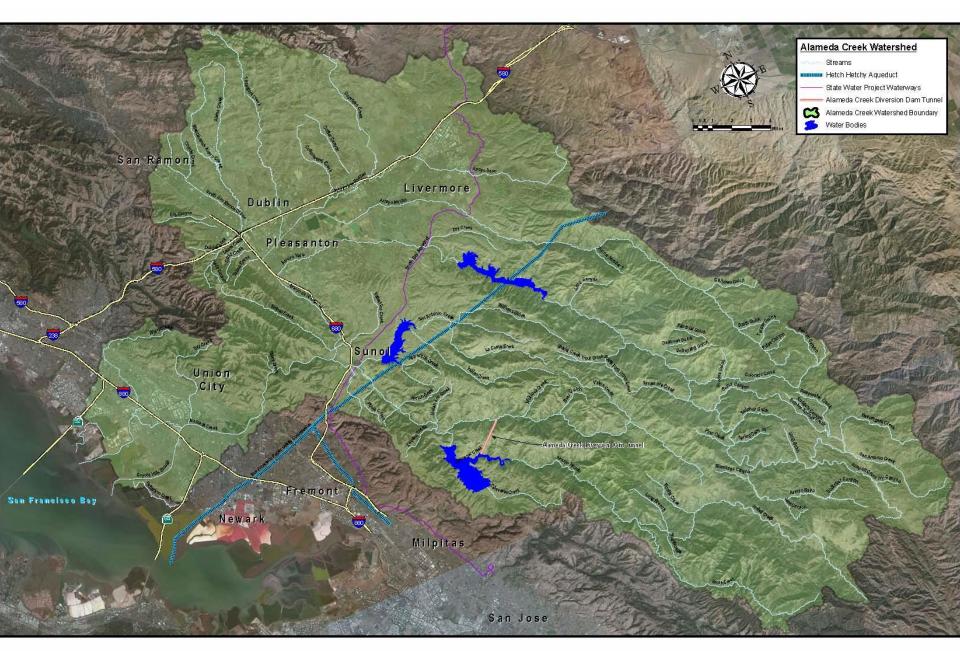


### Alameda Creek Restoration 1997-2023



## **Alameda Creek Watershed**



## Historical Anadromous Fish Runs



Calaveras Creek early 1920s



#### Sinbad Creek 1940s



#### Sinbad Steelhead 1953



#### Niles Steelhead 1959

Sinbad Coho? 1950s



## **Diverse Native Fish**

### <u>Remaining Native</u> <u>Fish Species</u>

**Rainbow/Steelhead Trout** Pacific Lamprey **Brook Lamprey River Lamprey** California Roach Hitch Sacramento Blackfish Hardhead Sacramento Pikeminnow Sacramento Sucker Three-spined Stickleback **Prickly Sculpin Tule Perch** 



### **Extirpated Species**

Coho Salmon Native Chinook Salmon Speckled Dace Riffle Sculpin

# Alameda Creek Alliance



- Publicity
- Outreach
- Advocacy
- Creek Cleanups
- Habitat Restoration
- Fish Rescue
- StreamKeepers

### **25 Years Protecting and Restoring Alameda Creek**

## **Alameda Creek Fisheries Restoration Workgroup**



Coastal

Conservancy



CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP ALAMEDA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT & USDA NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

#### SAN FRANCISCO Public Utilities Commission



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### **Science Supporting Restoration**

An Assessment of the Potential for Restoring a Viable Steelhead Trout Population in the Alameda Creek Watershed

prepared for the

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Population Genetic Structure of Alameda Creek Rainbow/Steelhead Trout - 2002

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## **Fish Rescue**





# Fish Transport and Release



## **Steelhead Tagging 1998-2019**

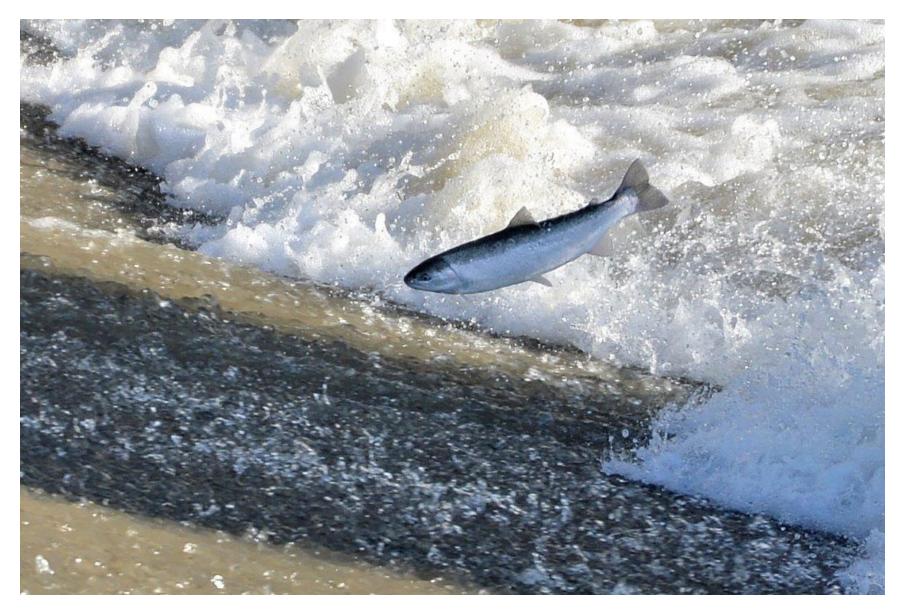


Radio Tagged Fish (35)

- 1998 10
- 1999 3
- 2000 1
- 2001 1
- 2002 1
- 2003 3
- 2005 1
- 2006 6
- 2007 1
- 2008 2
- 2017 5
- 2019 1

Radio-tagged steelhead trout in Stonybrook Creek, 2008

### **Two Decades of Fish Passage Projects**



Steelhead at the BART weir – February 19, 2019

## **Dam Removals**



#### **EBRPD Sunol Swim Dams Removed 2001**





### SFPUC Removed Niles Dam 2006







### SFPUC Removed Sunol Dam 2006







#### Rubber Dam 2 Decommissioning And Foundation Modification Project

This project is part of a broader effort to restore Steelhead Trout to the Alameda Creek Watershed. The fish ladder being installed will help Steelhead migrate upstream.

Consulting Engineer CH2MHILL, Inc. Contractor: Valentine Corp. San Rafael, Ca.

For additional information, please call (510) 668-4474

Project in Partnership with : National Fish and Wildlife Foundation National Marine Fisheries Service

#### ACWD Removed Lower Rubber Dam 2009



# FISH PASSAGE BARRIER REMOVALS



LLNL Road Crossing on Arroyo Mocho Replaced With Bridge 2004





Zone 7 Removed Castlewood Drop Structure Arroyo de la Laguna 2013



#### Zone 7 Removed Isabel Drop Structures Arroyo Mocho 2013



#### Alameda County Stonybrook Creek Culverts

#### Lower Culvert Retrofitted with Baffles Upper Culvert Replaced with Bridge 2016





Figure 26. KVP-5 - Existing Condition at Stonybrook Creek Culvert, seen from south of SR-84



Culvert Replaced with Bridge

Niles Canyon Safety Improvements Project



# Caltrans Fish Passage Stonybrook Creek Completed 2022



Former Road Crossing Sill

# **FISH LADDERS**

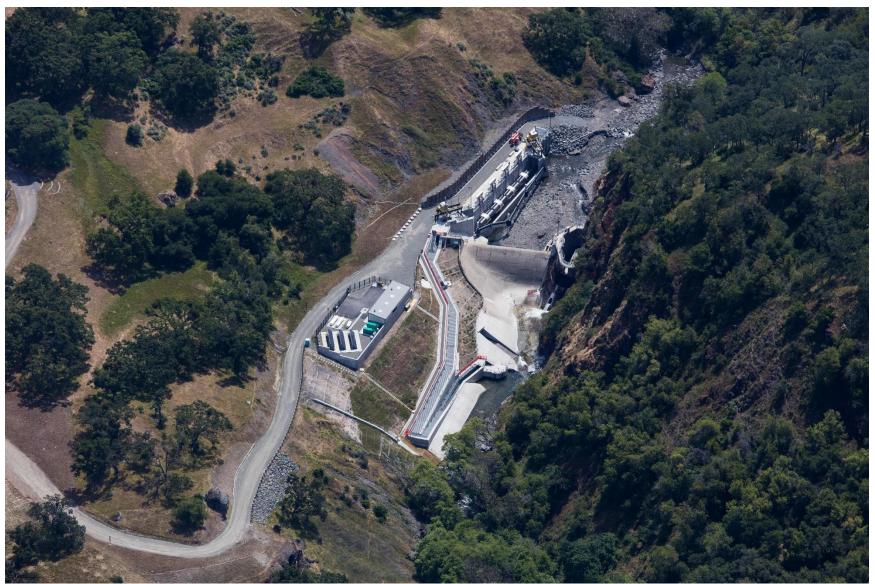
#### Zone 7 Arroyo Mocho Arroyo las Positas





Creek Realignment and Fish Ladders 2003

### SFPUC Alameda Creek Diversion Dam Fish Ladder Completed 2019



### ACWD Upper Rubber Dam Fish Ladder Completed 2019



#### ACWD and Alameda County BART Weir and Middle Rubber Dam Fish Ladder



Critical Fish Ladder Completed 2021

# **FISH SCREENS**





ACWD Fish Screens in Lower Creek Installed 2008, 2010, 2014, 2022



#### **Calaveras Dam Rebuild Project – Completed 2018**



#### Calaveras Dam Cold Water Flow Releases Began 2020 ↓





Т Bypass Flows, Fish Ladder, and Fish Screen at Diversion Dam

### Fish Passage Progress 1997-2023

#### <u>Alameda Creek Mainstem</u>

10 barriers removed/remediated 3 more in planning stages

### Northern Arroyos

6 barriers removed/laddered 4 more on Zone 7 project list

#### **Stonybrook Creek**

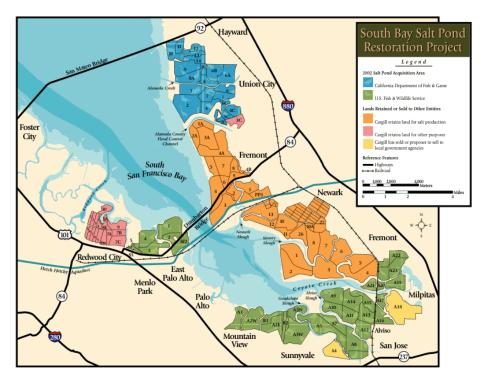
**3 culverts removed/modified** 

Several remaining smaller County and private culverts and road crossings



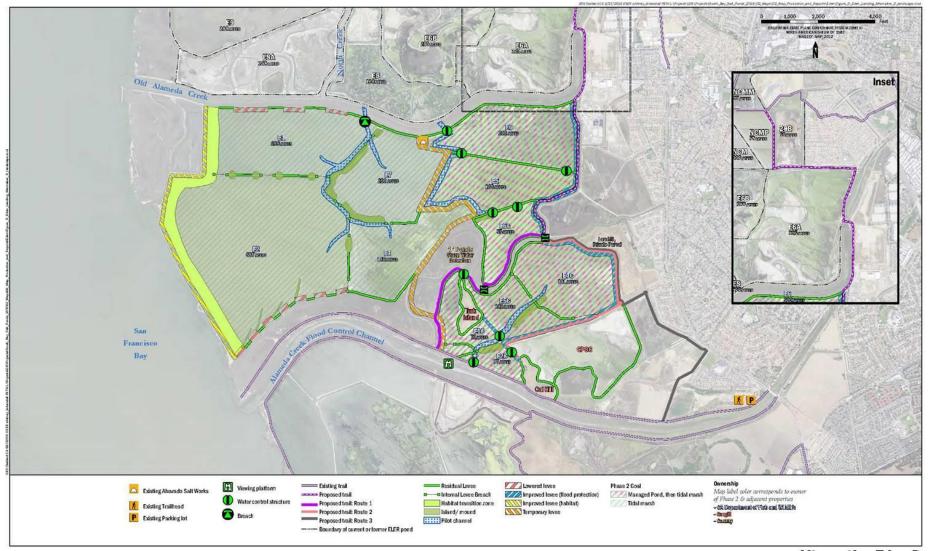
## Alameda Creek Mouth







#### Coming Soon: Salt Pond Restoration To Tidal Marsh



#### **Alternative Eden D**

#### Lower Alameda Creek Fish Passage Restoration in Flood Control District Zone 5, Cities of Fremont and Union City, Californi

#### DRAFT

Initial Study with Mitigated Negative Declaration/ Environmental Assessment



Alameda County Flood Control Channel Improvement Project from Ardenwood Boulevard Downstream to BART Weir/RD1 Complex Upstream, City of Fremont, Alameda County, California



Figure 1. Project Location Map

January 2016



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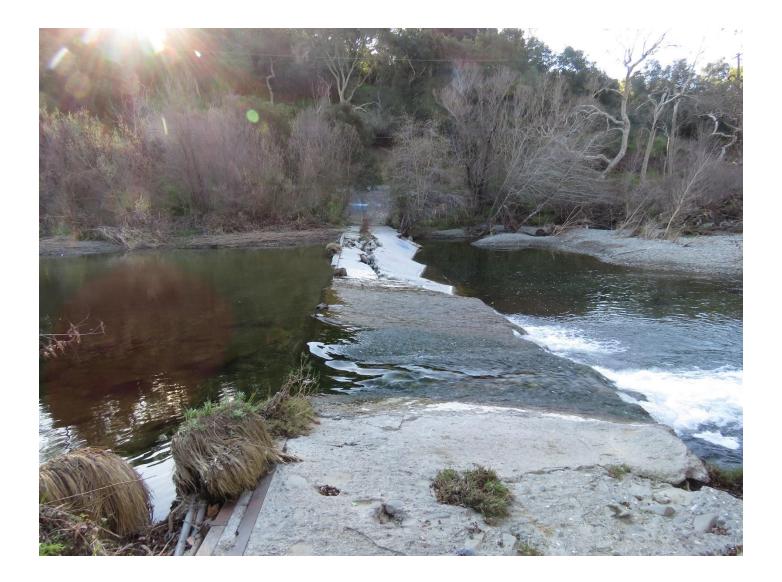
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January 30, 2020

#### Prepared by

Alameda County Flood Control & Water Conservation District 399 Elmhurst Street Hayward, California 94544-1395 & Hanson Environmental, Inc., 446 Green View Court Walnut Creek, CA 94596

## **Alameda County Sediment Management** and Fish Passage Project in Flood Control Channel



### **Failing Cement Apron at USGS Gaging Station**



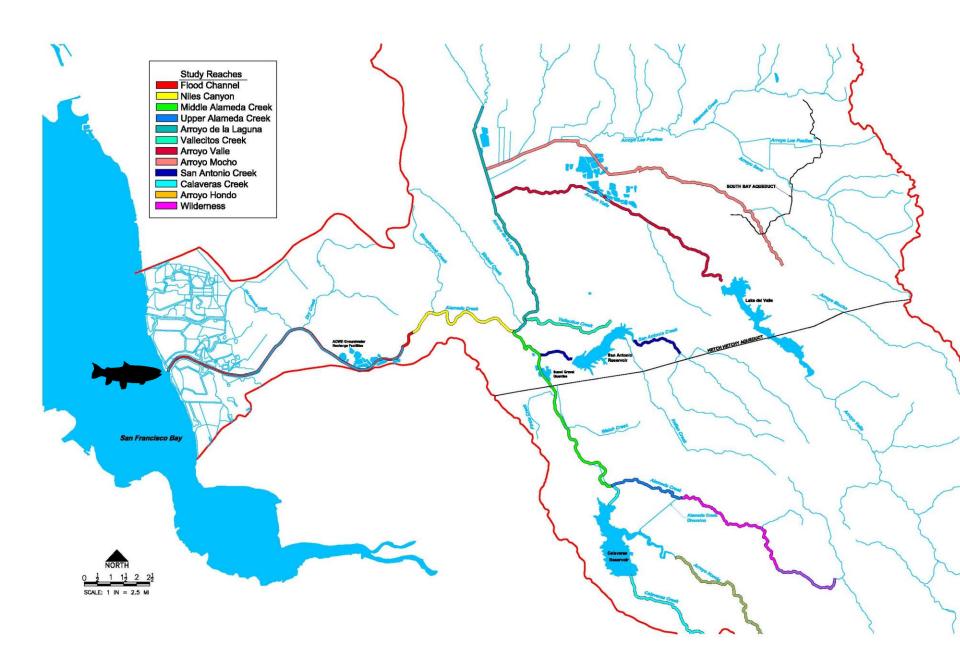
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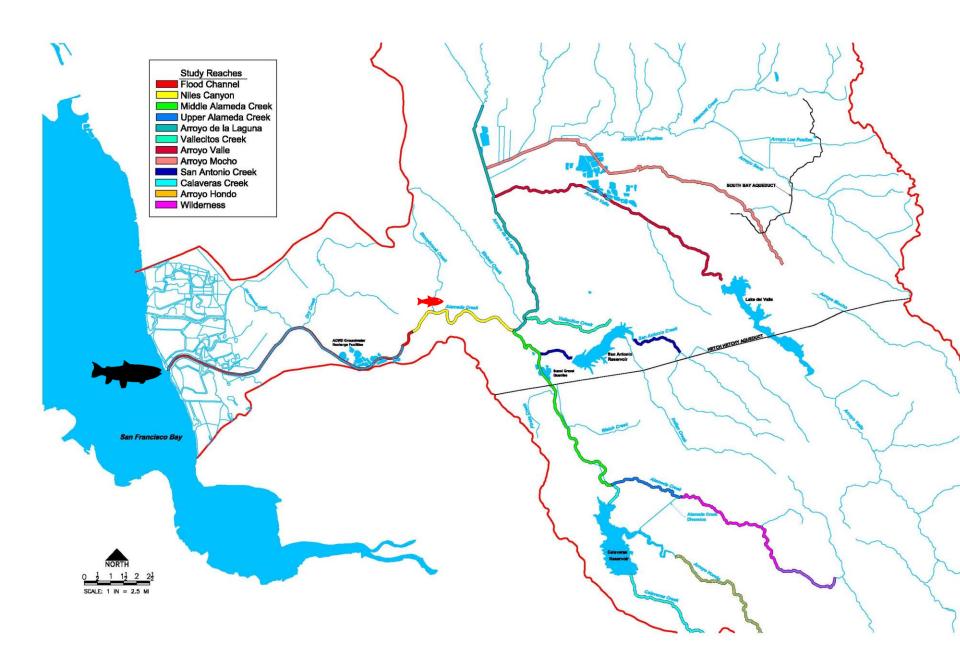


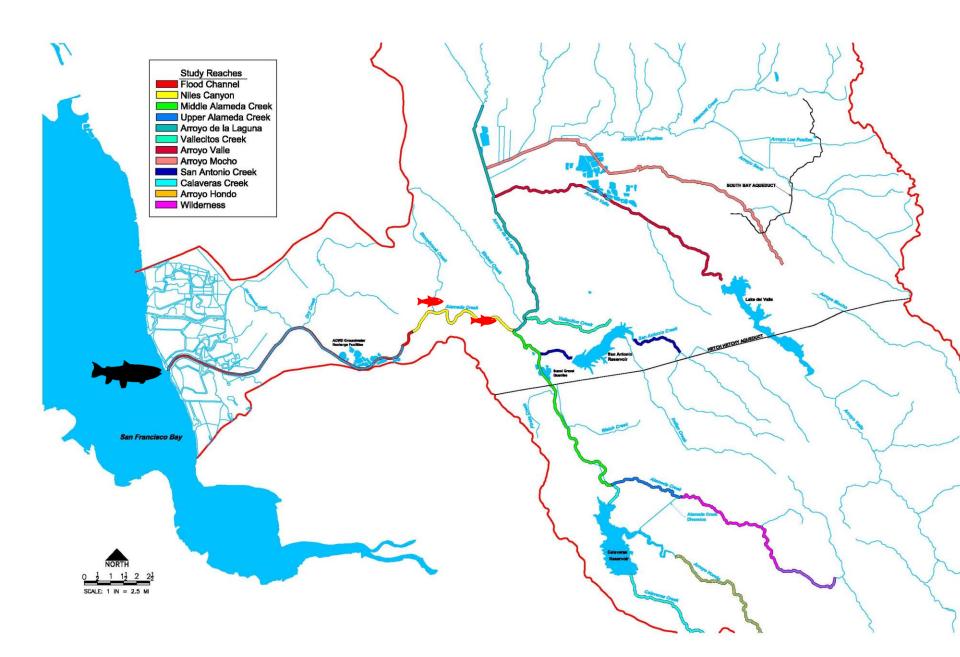


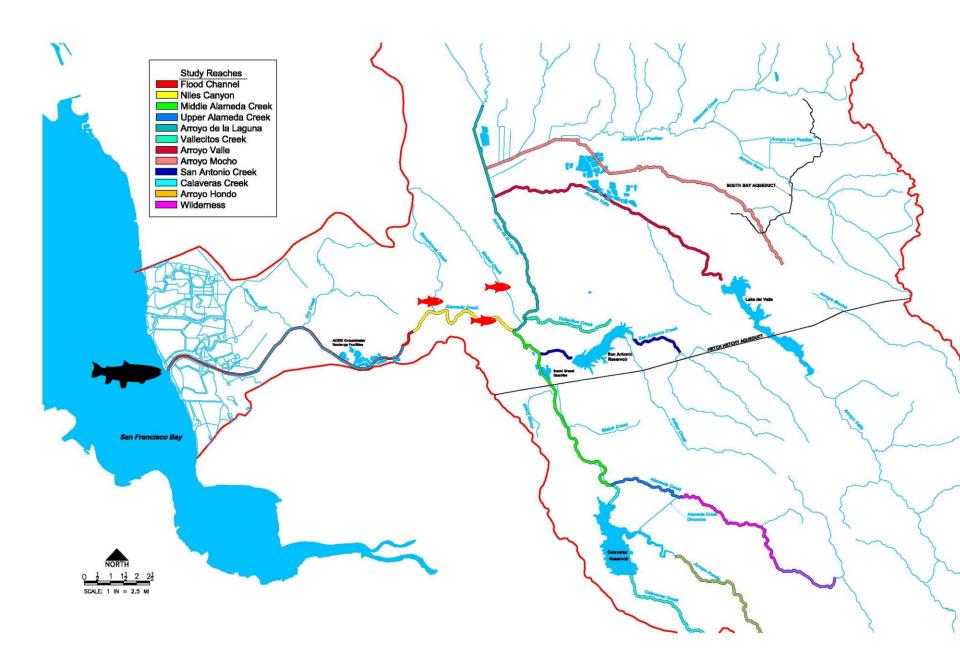
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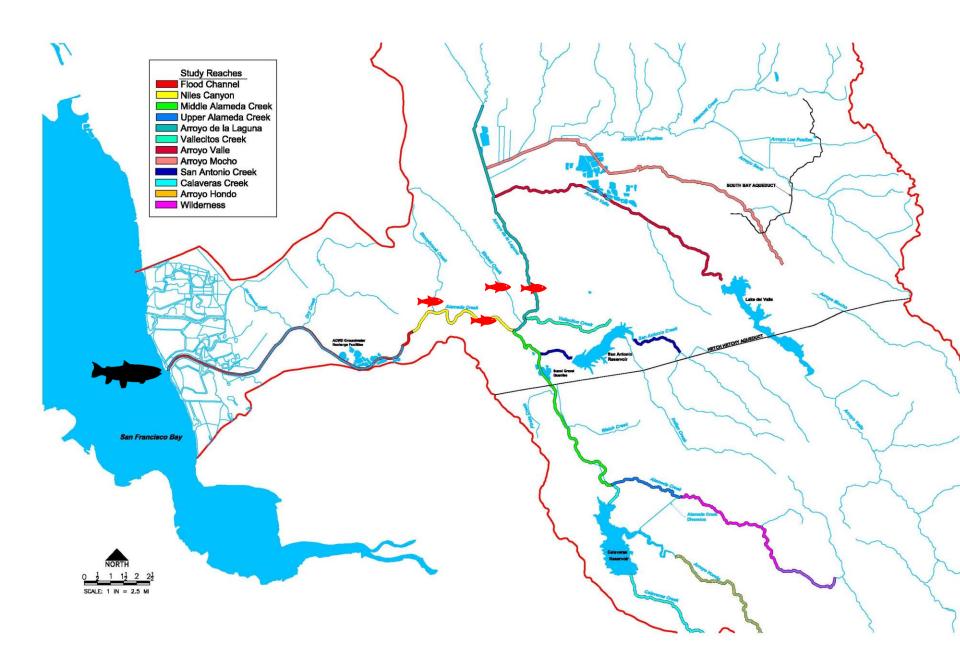


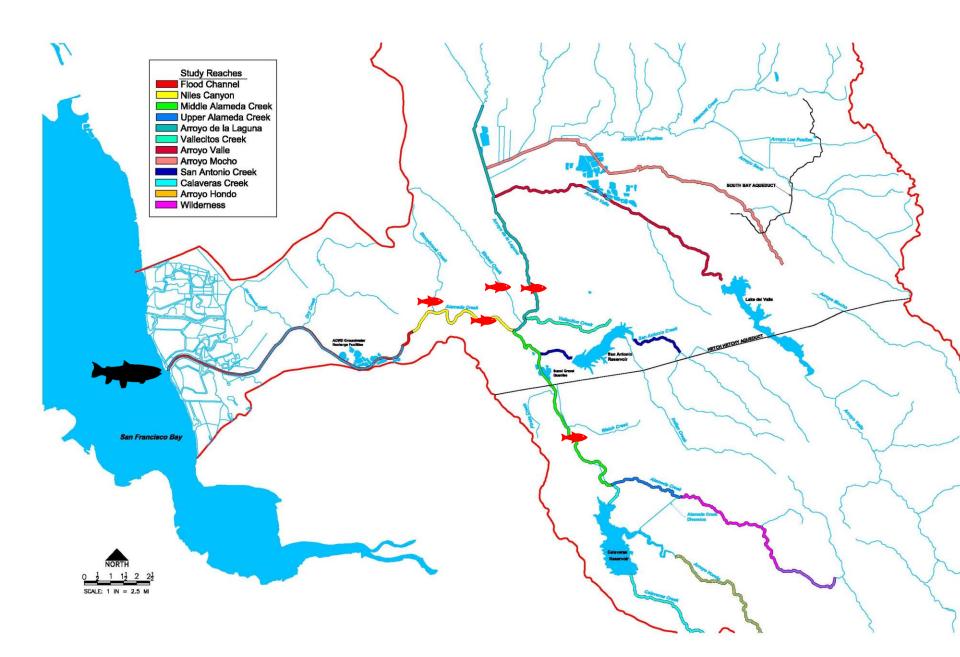


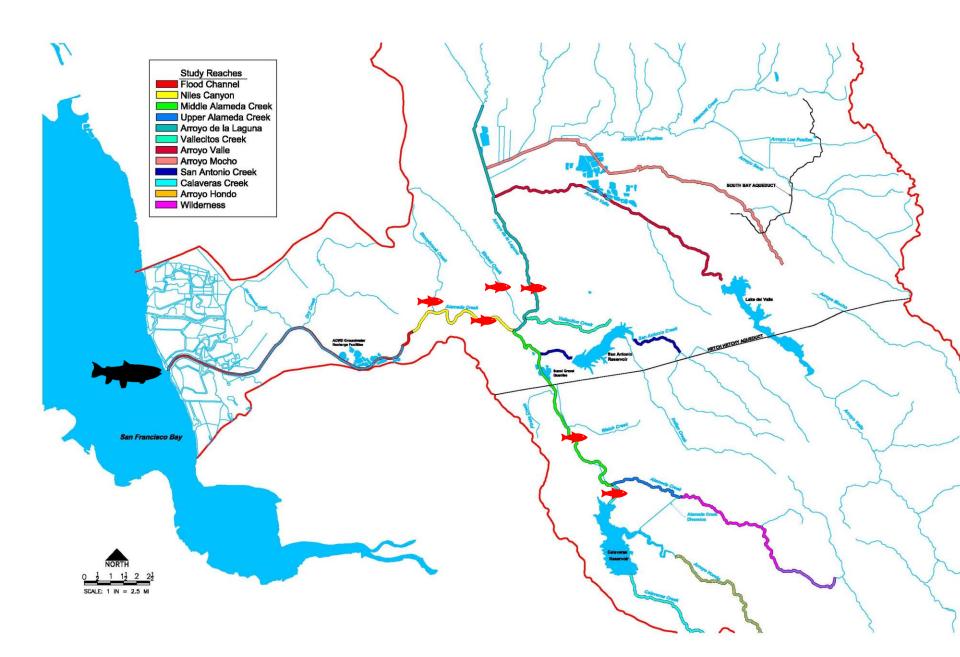


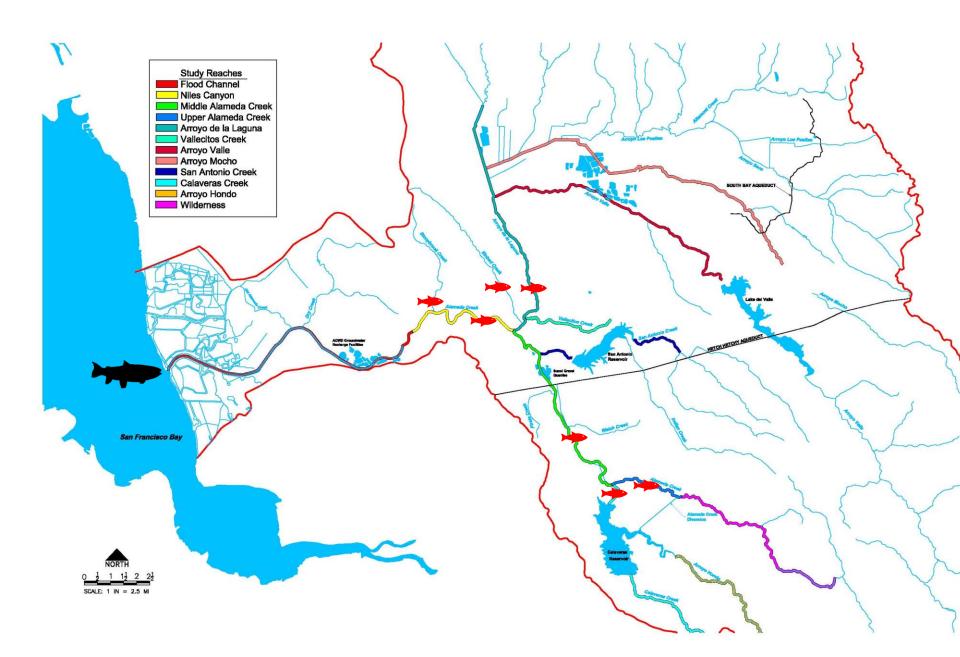


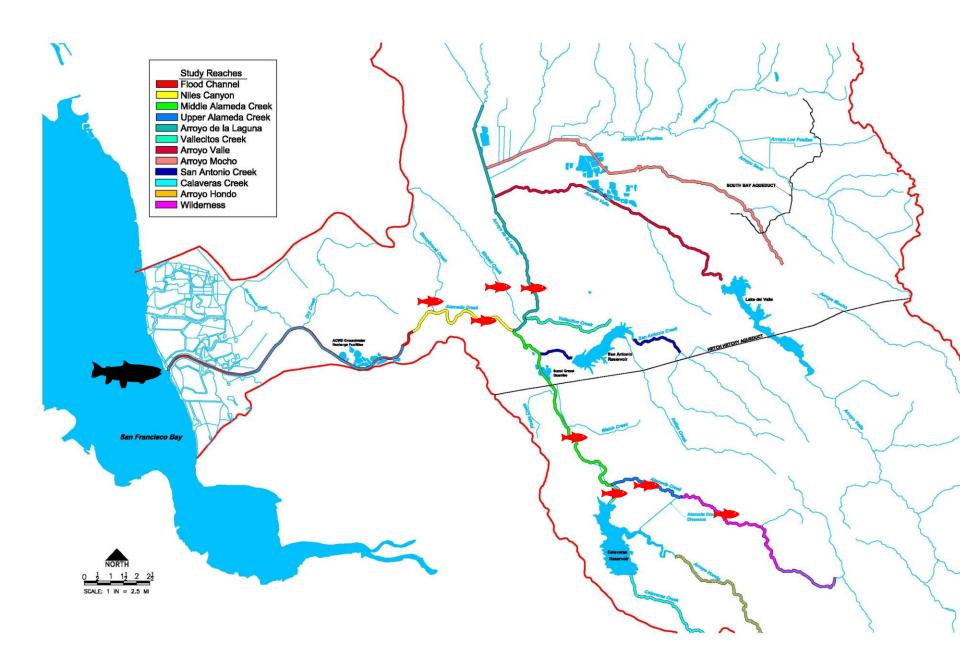














Chinook salmon at BART weir December 2022 Two dozen made it through new fish ladder

Pacific lamprey in new fish ladder, February 2023



## **Steelhead jumping at BART weir February 2019**

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