

Field Activity Advisory Mendota Pool Bypass and Reach 2B Improvements Project Pre-Construction Surveys April – May 2018

The San Joaquin River Restoration Program (SJRRP) is preparing to conduct pre-construction surveys for the first phase of the Mendota Pool Bypass and Reach 2B Improvements Project (Project). While construction activities for this project are not currently anticipated to begin until 2019,

these pre-construction surveys are required environmental commitments as per the 2016 Project Record of Decision and are needed to inform Project planning efforts.

The surveys will include pedestrian surveys for San Joaquin kit fox suitable habitat, nesting migratory birds, and pedestrian and trenching surveys for cultural resources. San Joaquin kit fox and migratory bird surveys are anticipated to take one day and are anticipated to occur in April. Cultural resource pedestrian surveys are anticipated to take one week, also anticipated to occur in April. Cultural resource trenching activities are anticipated to take one month and are tentatively scheduled for May, dependent on the weather.



Survey Area is hatched

Who:	U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and Fa	r Western Anthropological Researc	h Group, Inc.
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- What: Reclamation and Far Western staff will conduct biological and archaeological preconstruction surveys
- When: April and May 2018
- Where: The surveys will occur on the parcel of land, previously owned by Mitigation Lands Trust, recently acquired by Reclamation for the Project. Survey access will occur on public roads.

Questions about this activity should be directed to Becky Victorine. Questions about activities on private land should be directed to the SJRRP Landowner Coordinator, Craig Moyle.

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