## FISH COMMUNITY AND DREDGE ENTRAINMENT MONITORING IN THE FEDERAL NAVIGATION CHANNELS IN CALIFORNIA'S SACRAMENTO AND SAN JOAQUIN RIVER DELTA AND PORT OF STOCKTON

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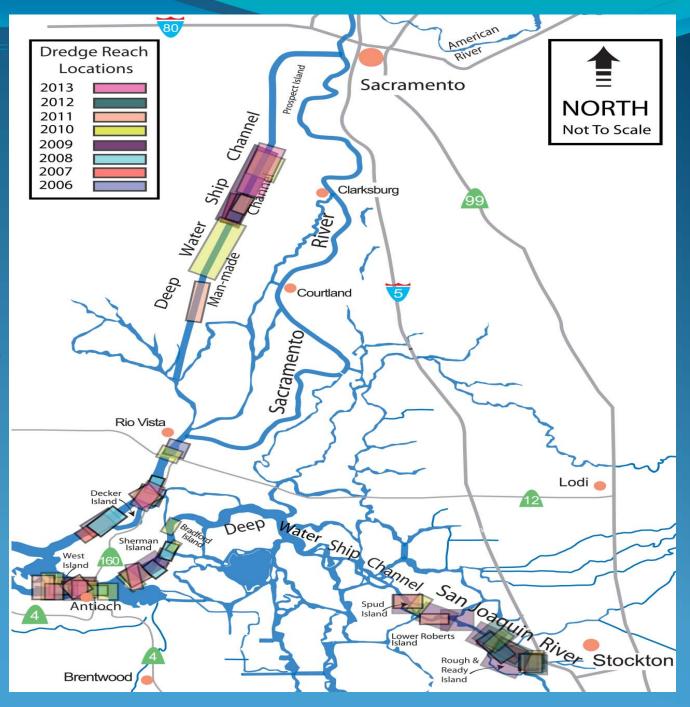
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Cutter Head Dredge

Map of SRDWSC and SDWSC dredge reaches from 2006 – 2013



The monitoring methods were selected based on the need to:

Ensure compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations including section 7 of the ESA and the clean water act.

Quantify the level of incidental take of special-status fish species.

Assess linkages between the fish species around the dredge and the numbers and types of species entrained by the dredge.

Provide feedback to USACE, NMFS, other (regulatory) agencies and Ports allowing them to assess and implement adaptive strategies designed to diminish negative effects of the annual maintenance dredging in the SRDWSC, SDWSC and Port of Stockton.



**USACE Fish Entrainment Screen** 



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Port of Stockton Fish Entrainment Screen



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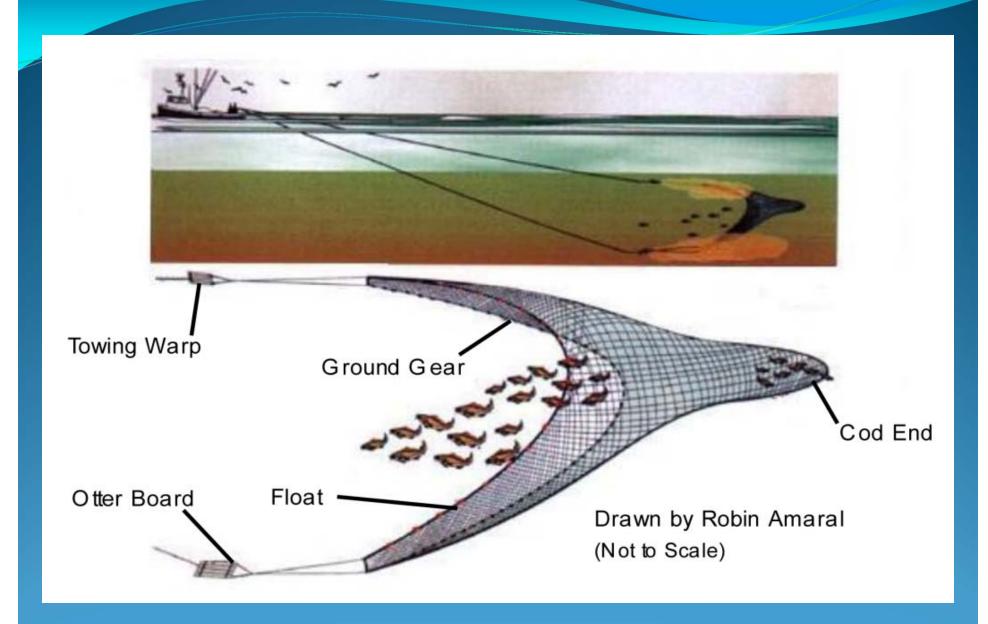
Port of Stockton Fish Entrainment Screen



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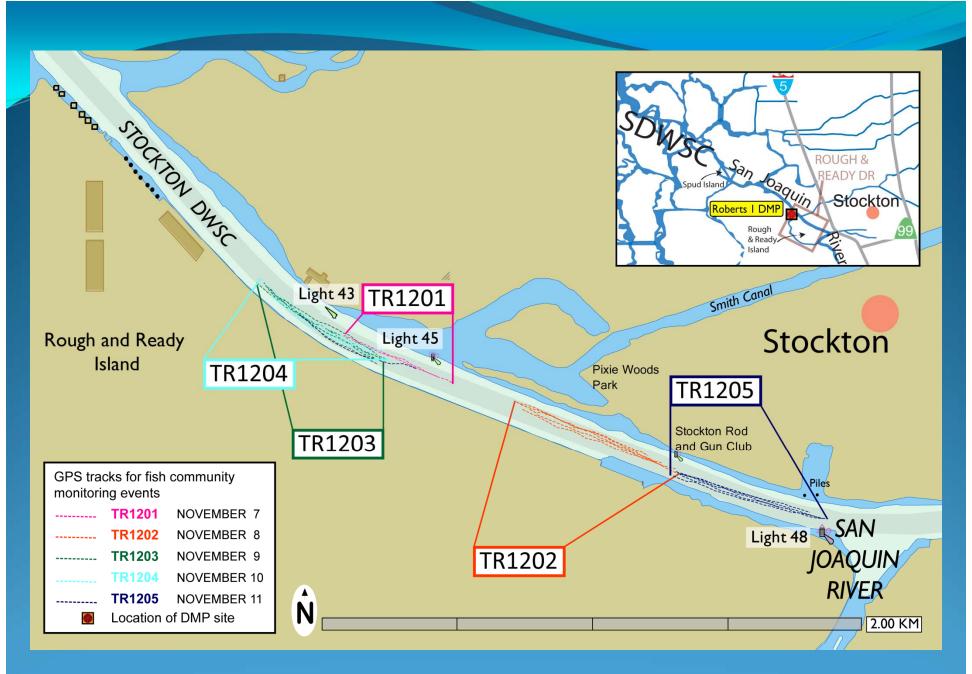
Valve for Port of Stockton Fish Entrainment Screen



**Otter Trawl** 



Research Vessel

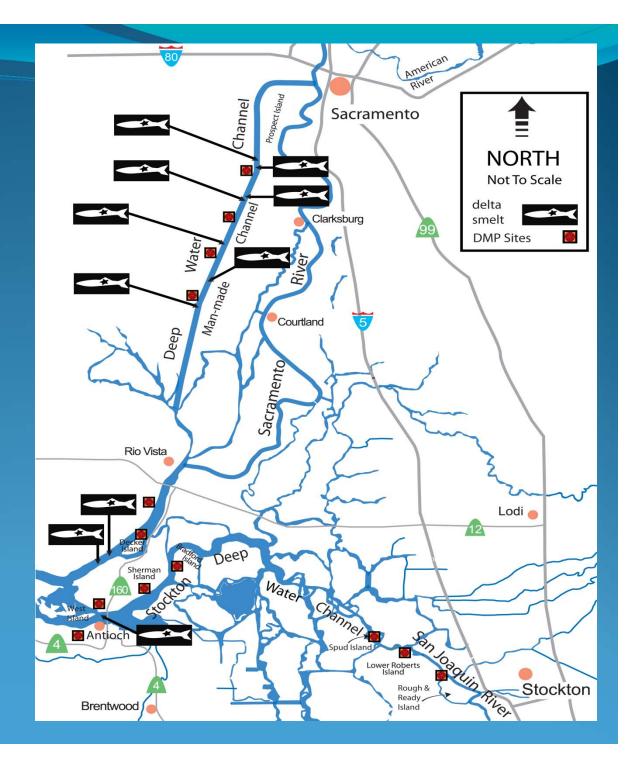


Series of trawl logs from 2012



delta smelt Hypomesus transpacificus (adult)

SRDWSC and SDWSC locations where delta smelt were encountered during monitoring from 2006 – 2013.



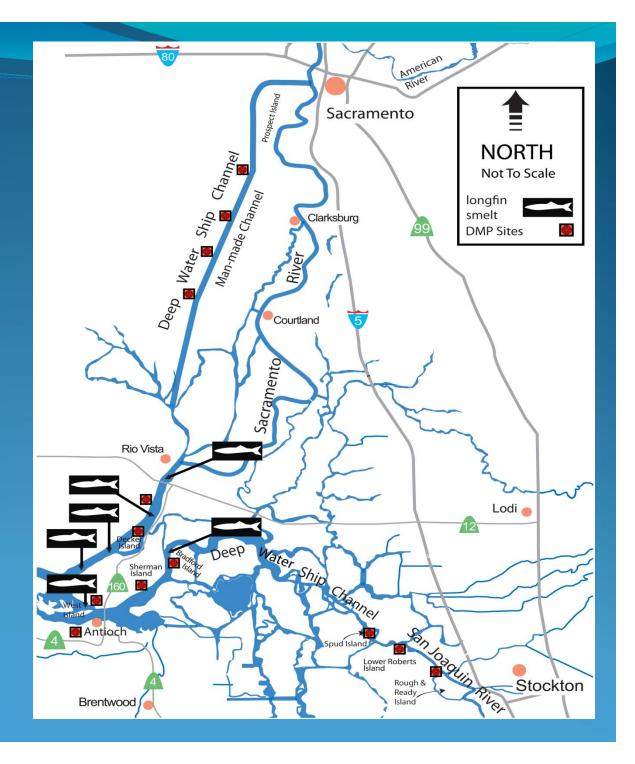


longfin smelt Thaleichthys pacificus (adult)



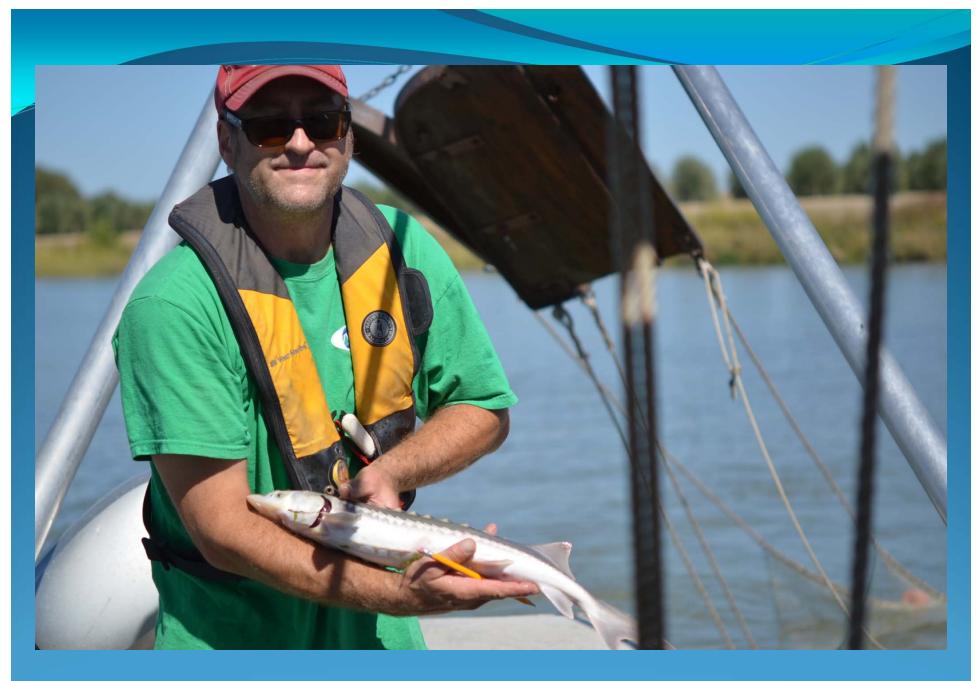
longfin smelt (juveniles, San Francisco Bay)

SRDWSC and SDWSC locations where longfin smelt were encountered during monitoring from 2006 – 2013.





white sturgeon Acipenser transmontanus (sub-adult)

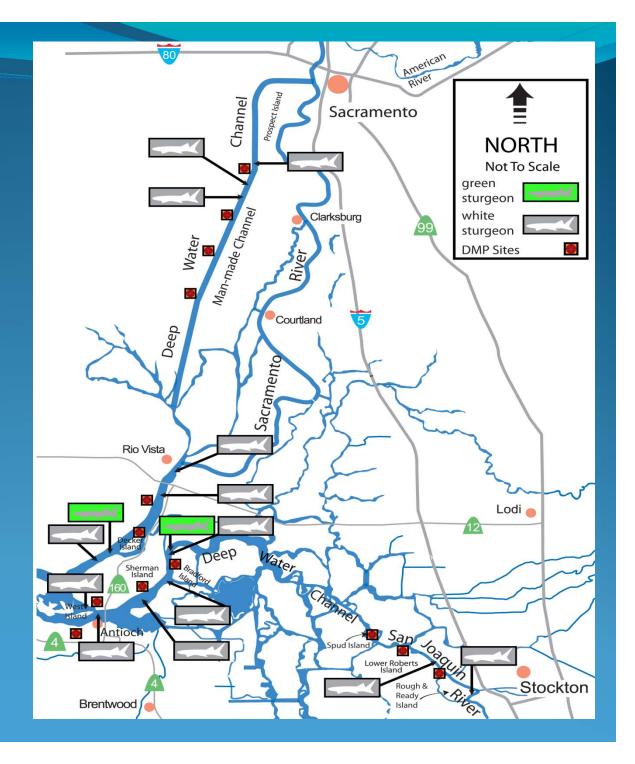


white sturgeon (juvenile)



green sturgeon Acipenser medirostris (juvenile)

SRDWSC and SDWSC locations where white and green sturgeon were encountered during monitoring from 2006 – 2013.





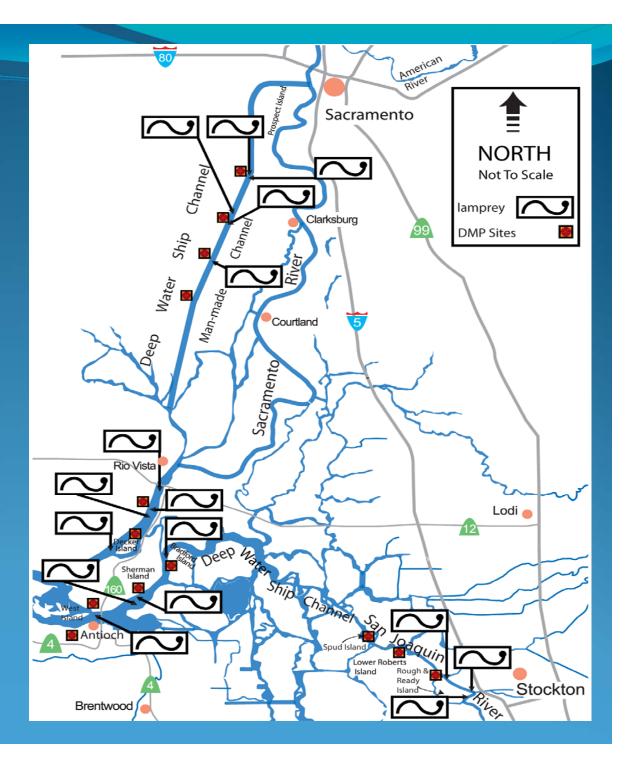
river lamprey Lampetra entosphenus (adult)

Photograph by David Rogowski



river lamprey (macropthalmia stage)

SRDWSC and SDWSC locations where lampreys were encountered during monitoring from 2006 – 2013.



Fish encountered
during fish
community and
entrainment
monitoring
(TR and ES)
in the SRDWSC
and SDWSC
2006 – 2013.

<sup>•</sup>Prior to 2009, lamprey species were lumped. Since then, only a single Pacific lamprey has been encountered; all others have been identified as river lamprey.

ES Rank	% ES Fish	TR Rank	% TR Fish	n ES	<i>n</i> TR	Common Name	Origin	Demersal/Pelagic
1	56.48	8	0.62	1,198	275	shimofuri goby	Introduced	Demersal
2	12.82	5	5.16	272	2,301	channel catfish	Introduced	Demersal
3	11.17	23	0.03	237	13	lamprey, species undet. *	Native	Demersal
4	3.77			80		river lamprey	Native	Demersal
5	3.2	3	12.13	68	5,412	striped bass	Introduced	Pelagic
6	2.68	9	0.47	57	210	yellowfin goby	Introduced	Demersal
7	2.21	14	0.23	47	101	Shokihaze goby	Introduced	Demersal
8	1.7	1	48.2	36	21,508	white catfish	Introduced	Demersal
9	1.41	20	0.09	30	42	prickly sculpin	Native	Demersal
10	1.27	7	0.84	27	374	wakasagi	Introduced	Pelagic
11	0.94	2	20.77	20	9,266	threadfin shad	Introduced	Pelagic
12	0.71	17	0.103	15	46	brown bullhead	Introduced	Demersal
13	0.61	4	7.36	13	3,285	American shad	Introduced	Pelagic
14	0.28	18	0.101	6	45	delta smelt	Native	Pelagic
15	0.19	24	0.02	4	9	Pacific staghorn sculpin	Native	Demersal
16	0.14	16	0.16	3	71	bluegill	Introduced	Pelagic
17	0.09	26	0.02	2	9	bigscale logperch	Introduced	Demersal
17	0.09	19	0.096	2	43	common carp	Introduced	Demersal
17	0.09	21	0.062	2	28	warmouth	Introduced	Pelagic
20	0.05	10	0.39	1	175	Sacramento splittail	Native	Pelagic
20	0.05	11	0.29	1	128	white sturgeon	Native	Demersal
		6	2.06		918	longfin smelt	Native	Pelagic
		12	0.26		118	redear sunfish	Introduced	Pelagic
		13	0.24		107	starry flounder	Native	Demersal
		15	0.19		85	tule perch	Native	Pelagic
		22	0.038		17	blue catfish	Introduced	Demersal
		25	0.016		7	black crappie	Introduced	Pelagic
		26	0.011		5	unidentified goby	Introduced	Demersal
		27	0.009		4	Sacramento blackfish	Native	Pelagic
		27	0.009		4	green sturgeon	Native	Demersal
		29	0.007		3	Sacramento pikeminnow	Native	Pelagic
		29	0.007		3	white crappie	Introduced	Pelagic
		31	0.002		1	Chinook salmon **	Native	Pelagic
		31	0.002		1	golden shiner	Introduced	Pelagic
		31	0.002		1	largemouth bass	Introduced	Pelagic
		31	0.002		1	Mississippi silverside	Introduced	Pelagic
Total				2,212	44,616			

<sup>\*\*</sup> The adult Chinook salmon was dead prior to encounter during fish community monitoring.

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