

DFG Roles and Responsibilities

Options for Conserving Fish and Wildlife Resources



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DFG Mission

- To manage California's diverse fish, wildlife, and plant resources, and the habitats upon which they depend, for their ecological values and for their use and enjoyment by the public.



DFG Authorities

- Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (“1600 Agreement”)
- CESA Incidental Take Permit
- CEQA
- Responsible/Trustee agency

Fish and Game Code Section 1602(a)



- An entity must notify the Department if they are proposing to substantially divert or obstruct the flow of any river...

Other Activities Requiring Notification



Incidental Take Permit

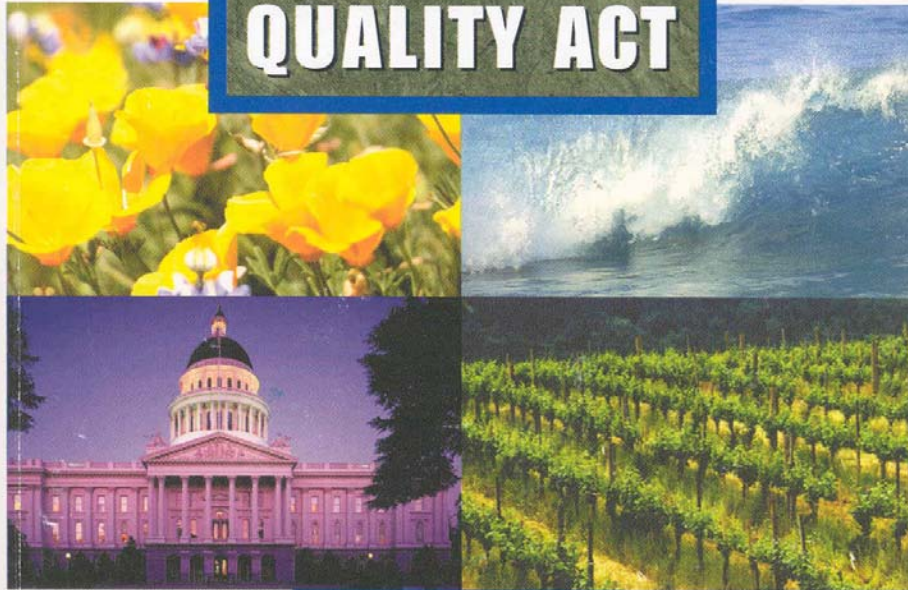


CEQA

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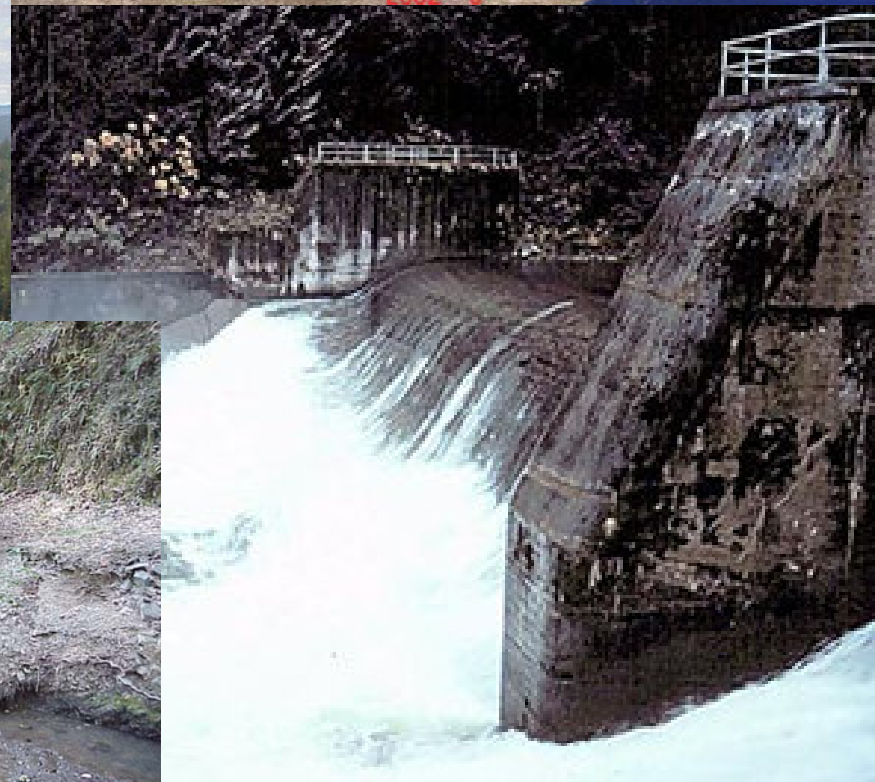
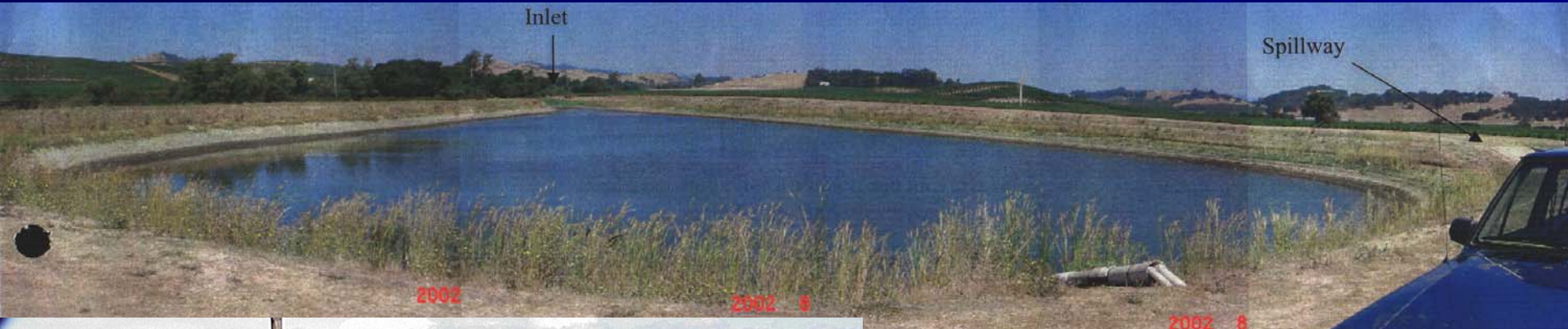
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QUALITY ACT**



C E Q A

STATUTES AND GUIDELINES

Responsible/Trustee Agency



Landowner Incentive and Assistance Programs

Regulatory Options-Advantages:

- Permit Conditions Are Project/Site-specific
- Project effects considered as a whole



Regulatory Options - *Disadvantage*:



- Individual permits often are reactive and not effectively coordinated spatially or temporally to address trends

Options Summary

- DFG is obligated to ensure the protection of fishery resources
 - 1600 Notification
 - CESA Incidental Take Permits
 - Environmental Review
 - Responsible/Trustee Agency

DFG Supports SWRCB Actions that:

- Protect fish
- Prevent habitat degradation
- Sensitive to all uses



DFG Commitment

- Assist SWRCB and others with:
 - Reviewing
 - Providing recommendations
 - Developing effective strategies and actions
 - Implementation
 - Monitoring