

Attachment 1 to request for USACE hearing regarding DWR
proposal to place barriers across Steamboat and Sutter Sloughs

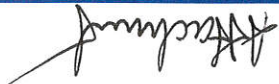
Unexplained Gaps in waterflow data reporting March 2014 CDEC website

Review of flow under-reporting for

- *Freeport
- *Sutter Slough
- *Steamboat Slough
- *Georgiana Slough
- *Below Georgiana Slough
(DCC closed)

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March 15 to 30, 2014 review shows important gaps in flow reporting online at CDED website that may indicate under-reporting of both flow and experiments in process on Steamboat and Sutter Slough, and under-reporting of diversions through Georgiana Slough.

Since there was unreported flow or gaps in data at each of the CDEC monitoring stations of the North Delta reviewed, one should question if there are also gaps in data and reporting for the earlier months. Is there actually more flow on the waterways than reported or do the gaps hide experiments on flow?

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(note the 3/26 gap represents sudden flow change from 8,210 cfs to -1760 in just three hour span-not a natural tide timeframe. Look at the data gaps from downstream gages)

Sutter Slough data gaps: 3/18 between 8:15 to 9:30; 3/29 between 19:15 to 20:30

Steamboat Slough data gaps: 3/16 between 14:00 to 15:15; 3/20 between 11:00 to 12:15; 3/26 between 11:00 to 12:15; 3/26 between 13:00 to 14:15; 3/27 between 19:00 to 20:15.

Georgiana Slough data gaps: 3/16 between 17:15 to 18:30; 3/18 between 8:15 to 9:30.

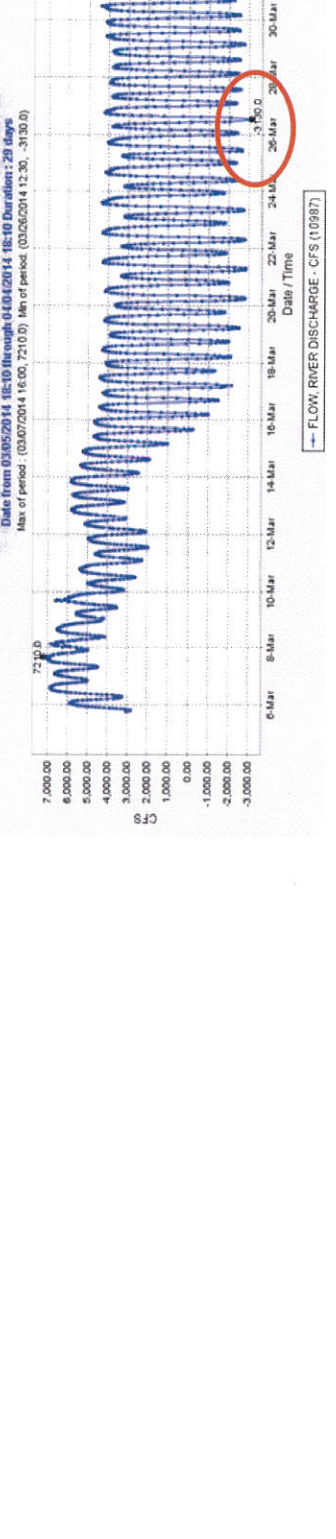
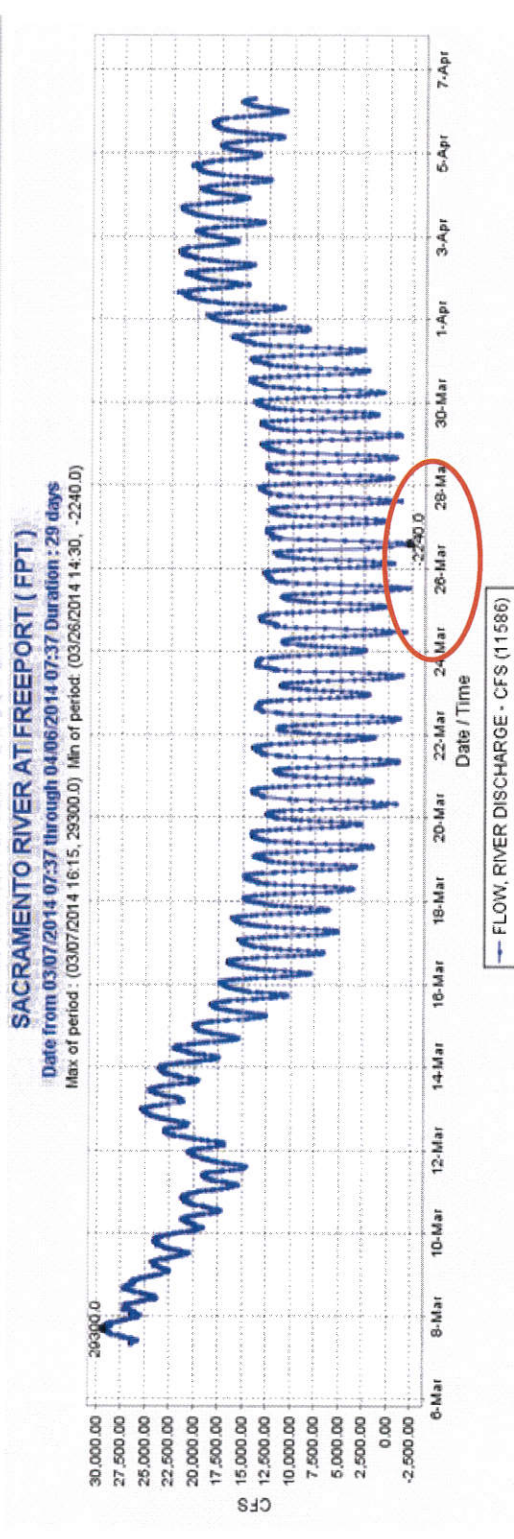
Below Georgiana Slough on the Sacramento River: 3/18 between 8:15 to 9:30; 3/28 between 13:15 to 14:30.

4/8/2014

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The process used to discover missing data:

1. Go to online CDEC site for the monitoring station to be reviewed.
2. Define a time frame such as 30 days and click on the button to show the flow graphic.
3. Below the graphic look for the link that provides the data in time series of 15 minute increments, not the daily averages or total flows.
4. Copy the flow data and timing from the cdec and paste into an excel spread sheet.
5. Next to the timing per hour and day, create a complete baseline day & 15 minute interval collum. Compare the baseline collum to the data from CDEC and the times there are data gaps will be easier to find.
6. Move the CDEC data to the correct 15 minute increments compared to the baseline to specify the exact timing of the gaps in data per each day reviewed.



Example: Data gap on 3/26/14 for Freeport and Steamboat Slough

From 10:45 to 12 noon Sacramento River flow drops over 6000 cfs, from 8210 to 2180. Flows continue to drop to -1760 in just a 3 hour time. This indicates all flow on the Sacramento River at Freeport had been cut off

Impact to Steamboat Slough from flow cut-off is hidden due to gap in data reporting. What does show is that Steamboat Slough was already not receiving freshwater inflow, and the cutoff of flow created a more drastic low tide at this time. Impact to Sutter Slough shows less drastic low water impact.

Section of review of flow data from CDEC which exposed missing data and experimental flow timing:

	A	B	C	F	H	I	K	L	O
		FREEPORT	SUTTER	STEAMBOAT	GEORGIANA				
1100		3/26/2014 9:45	11300	2190	1200	3/26/2014 9:45	3370	3/26/2014 9:45	3/26/2014 9:45
1101		3/26/2014 10:00	10500	1910	510	3/26/2014 10:00	3180	3/26/2014 10:00	3/26/2014 10:00
1102		3/26/2014 10:15	10100	1610	-129	3/26/2014 10:15	2990	3/26/2014 10:15	3/26/2014 10:15
1103		3/26/2014 10:30	9260	1420	-842	3/26/2014 10:30	2830	3/26/2014 10:30	3/26/2014 10:30
1104		3/26/2014 10:45	8210	1200	-1770	3/26/2014 10:45	3050	3/26/2014 10:45	3/26/2014 10:45
1105	11:00 AM	3/26/2014 11:00	DATA	1190	-2030	3/26/2014 11:00	2960	3/26/2014 11:00	3/26/2014 11:00
1106		3/26/2014 11:15	DATA	966	DATA	3/26/2014 11:15	3100	3/26/2014 11:15	3/26/2014 11:15
1107		3/26/2014 11:30	DATA	714	DATA	3/26/2014 11:30	3010	3/26/2014 11:30	3/26/2014 11:30
1108		3/26/2014 11:45	DATA	240	DATA	3/26/2014 11:45	2840	3/26/2014 11:45	3/26/2014 11:45
1109	NOON	3/26/2014 12:00	2180	-7	DATA	3/26/2014 12:00	2750	3/26/2014 12:00	3/26/2014 12:00
1110		3/26/2014 12:15	1140	-242	-3000	3/26/2014 12:15	2620	3/26/2014 12:15	3/26/2014 12:15
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1113	1:00 PM	3/26/2014 13:00	DATA	-931	-3050	3/26/2014 13:00	2320	3/26/2014 13:00	3/26/2014 13:00
1114		3/26/2014 13:15	DATA	-1040	DATA	3/26/2014 13:15	2220	3/26/2014 13:15	3/26/2014 13:15
1115		3/26/2014 13:30	DATA	-1230	DATA	3/26/2014 13:30	2110	3/26/2014 13:30	3/26/2014 13:30
1116		3/26/2014 13:45	DATA	-1260	DATA	3/26/2014 13:45	1890	3/26/2014 13:45	3/26/2014 13:45
1117	2:00 PM	3/26/2014 14:00	-1760	-1310	DATA	3/26/2014 14:00	1830	3/26/2014 14:00	3/26/2014 14:00
1118		3/26/2014 14:15	-1950	-1260	-2070	3/26/2014 14:15	1620	3/26/2014 14:15	3/26/2014 14:15
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1120		3/26/2014 14:45	-1880	-959	-588	3/26/2014 14:45	1130	3/26/2014 14:45	3/26/2014 14:45
1121	3:00 PM	3/26/2014 15:00	-1320	-635	302	3/26/2014 15:00	732	3/26/2014 15:00	3/26/2014 15:00
1122		3/26/2014 15:15	-855	-194	1260	3/26/2014 15:15	731	3/26/2014 15:15	3/26/2014 15:15

Example: Comparison of splits of flow between the different tributaries of the Sacramento River at Freeport and below: Why don't the flow numbers add up correctly and why are there gaps in the data flow reporting online? Consistent gaps in data results in under reporting of flow and diversion into Georgiana Slough, more likely than not. Consistent timing and pattern of data gaps indicate DWR or other agencies were conducting flow experiments on these waterways at the time the gaps occurred but were obscured in the online reporting. (Red boxes added to show the gap areas-compare to screen prints showing what the same timing looks like online)

C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
FREEPORT	SUTTER	STEAMBOAT	GEORGIANA	BELOW GEORGIANA										
3/20/2014 8:45	3/20/2014 8:45	3/20/2014 8:45	-9	3/20/2014 8:45	-482		3/20/2014 8:45	-349		3/20/2014 8:45	1780		3/20/2014 8:45	-1690
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Screen print from above CDEC site for
Freepport flows, accessed 4/4/14, 4/8/14 with
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Example of data gaps for flow reporting at Steamboat Slough gage.

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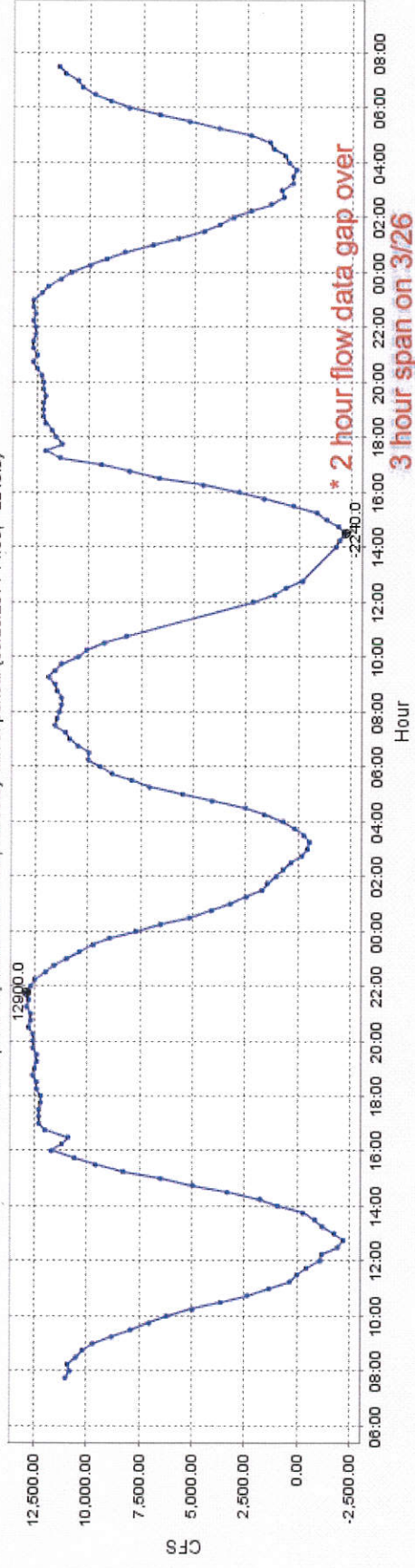
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SACRAMENTO RIVER AT FREEPORT (FPT)

Date from 03/25/2014 07:38 through 03/27/2014 07:38 Duration : 2 days
Max of period : (03/25/2014 21:45, 12900.0) Min of period: (03/26/2014 14:30, -2240.0)



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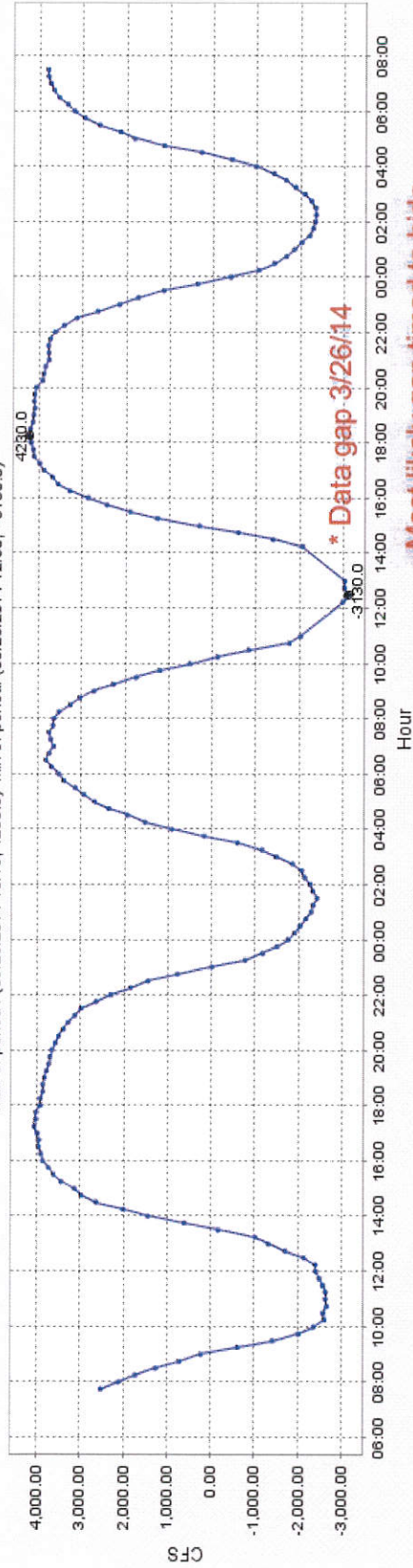
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STEAMBOAT SLOUGH BTW SAC R AND SUTTER SL (SSS)

Date from 03/25/2014 07:35 through 03/27/2014 07:35 Duration : 2 days
Max of period : (03/26/2014 18:15, 4230.0) Min of period: (03/26/2014 12:30, -3130.0)



← FLOW, RIVER DISCHARGE - CFS (10987)

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Most likely gap timed to hide river levels experiment on this waterway.
2 one-hour gaps split by 1 hour reported flow indicates this was not a monitor equipment problem, especially when combined with fact of timing of Freepport data gap on the same date.

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Freemport data gaps: 3/20 between 10:45 to 12 noon; 3/25 between 10:45 to 12 noon; 3/26 between 12:45 to 14:00; 3/28 between 10:45 to 12 noon. (note the 3/26 gap represents sudden flow change from 8,210 cfs to -1760 in just three hour span-not a natural tide timeframe. Look at the data gaps from downstream gages)

Sutter Slough data gaps: 3/18 between 8:15 to 9:30; 3/29 between 19:15 to 20:30

Steamboat Slough data gaps: 3/16 between 14:00 to 15:15; 3/20 between 11:00 to 12:15; 3/26 between 11:00 to 12:15; 3/27 between 13:00 to 14:15; 3/27 between 19:00 to 20:15.

Georgiana Slough data gaps: 3/16 between 17:15 to 18:30; 3/18 between 8:15 to 9:30.

Below Georgiana Slough on the Sacramento River: 3/18 between 8:15 to 9:30; 3/28 between 13:15 to 14:30.

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