

**4444 West Undine Road  
Stockton, Ca 95206**

March 26, 2015

Delta Stewardship Council  
980 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Delta Levee Investment Strategy  
Determination of State Interests  
Reclamation District 544  
Upper Roberts Island

Dear Council Members:

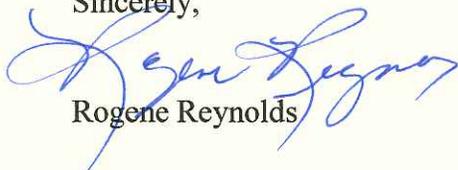
Although you are charged with “prioritizing” levees based upon relative importance to the State of California, it is unlikely you have been on the ground in many Delta locations. This letter and the attachment are to show you what is at stake.

This aerial photo\* is of Reclamation District 544 (Upper Roberts Island), and the view is representative of much of the South Delta: family farms and lands located above sea level. Upper Roberts is 8,260 acres, protected by 10.6 acres of Project levees and 4.4 miles of non-project levees. Upper Roberts has not flooded since reclamation in the 1870s.

I am not convinced the value of this community can be quantified by a computer model. Rather, I urge you to raise this council’s awareness of areas such as Upper Roberts by your own personal investigation. You are invited to come to the South Delta and learn who and what we are.

Like most of the Delta, we are not a “legacy community”. But we are a community, and this land is our legacy to the generations which will follow.

Sincerely,



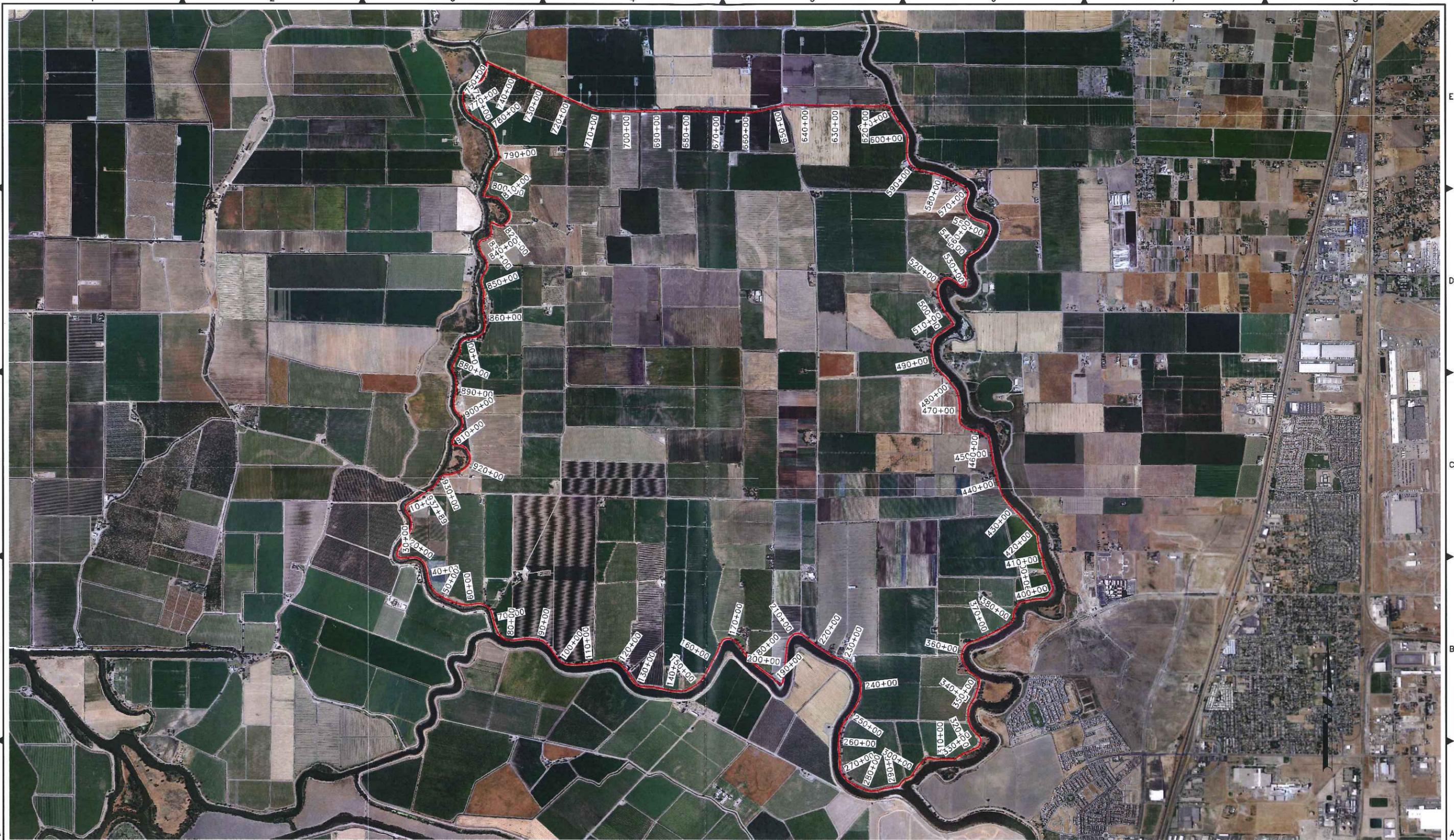
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RECLAMATION DISTRICT 544  
 UPPER ROBERTS ISLAND  
 SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

BASE MAP

Revisions			
No.	Description	Date	By

Design	Scale	Date
Drawn	1" = 1500'	DECEMBER 2010
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