



Vic Fazio Yolo Wildlife Area

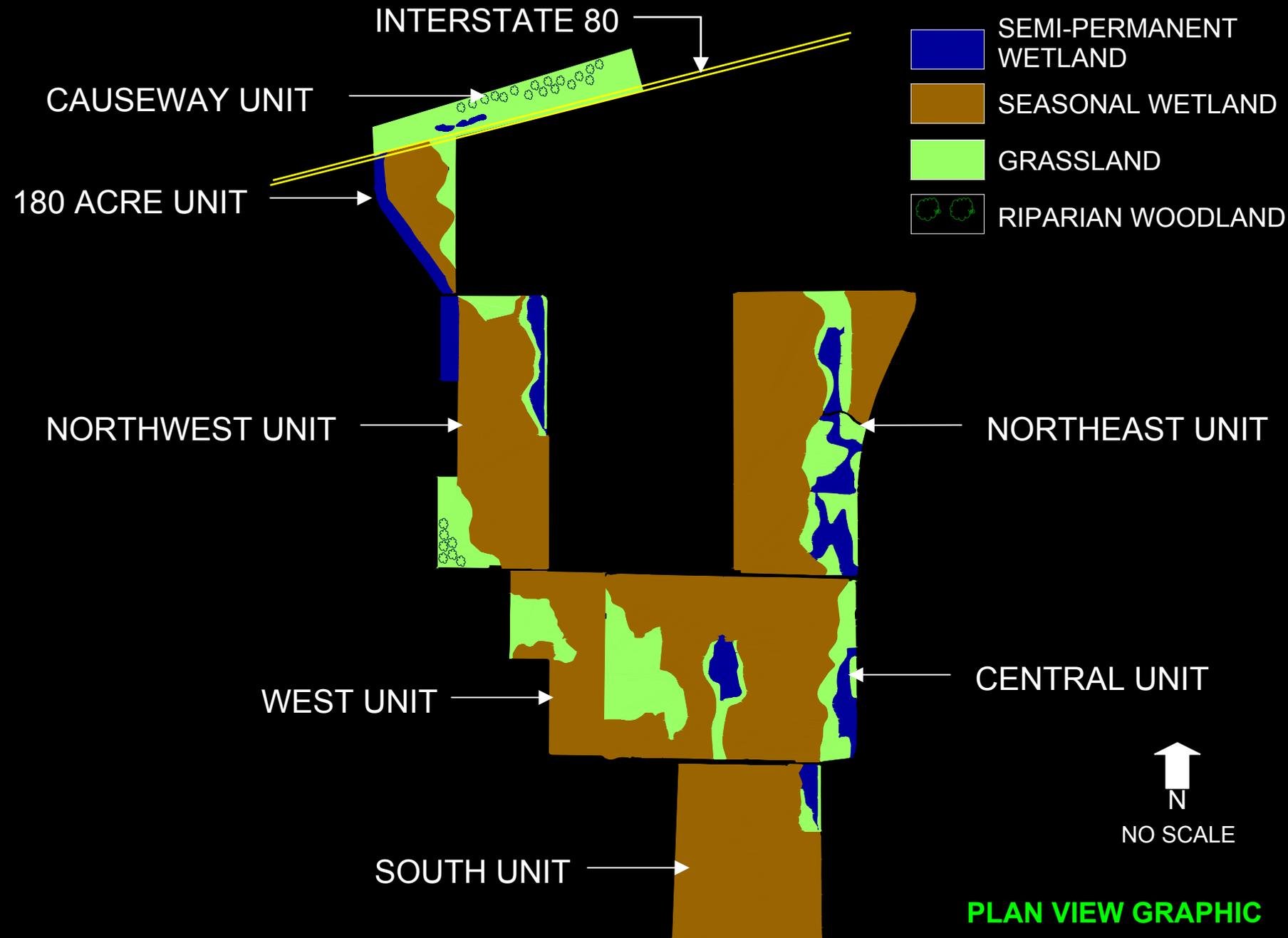
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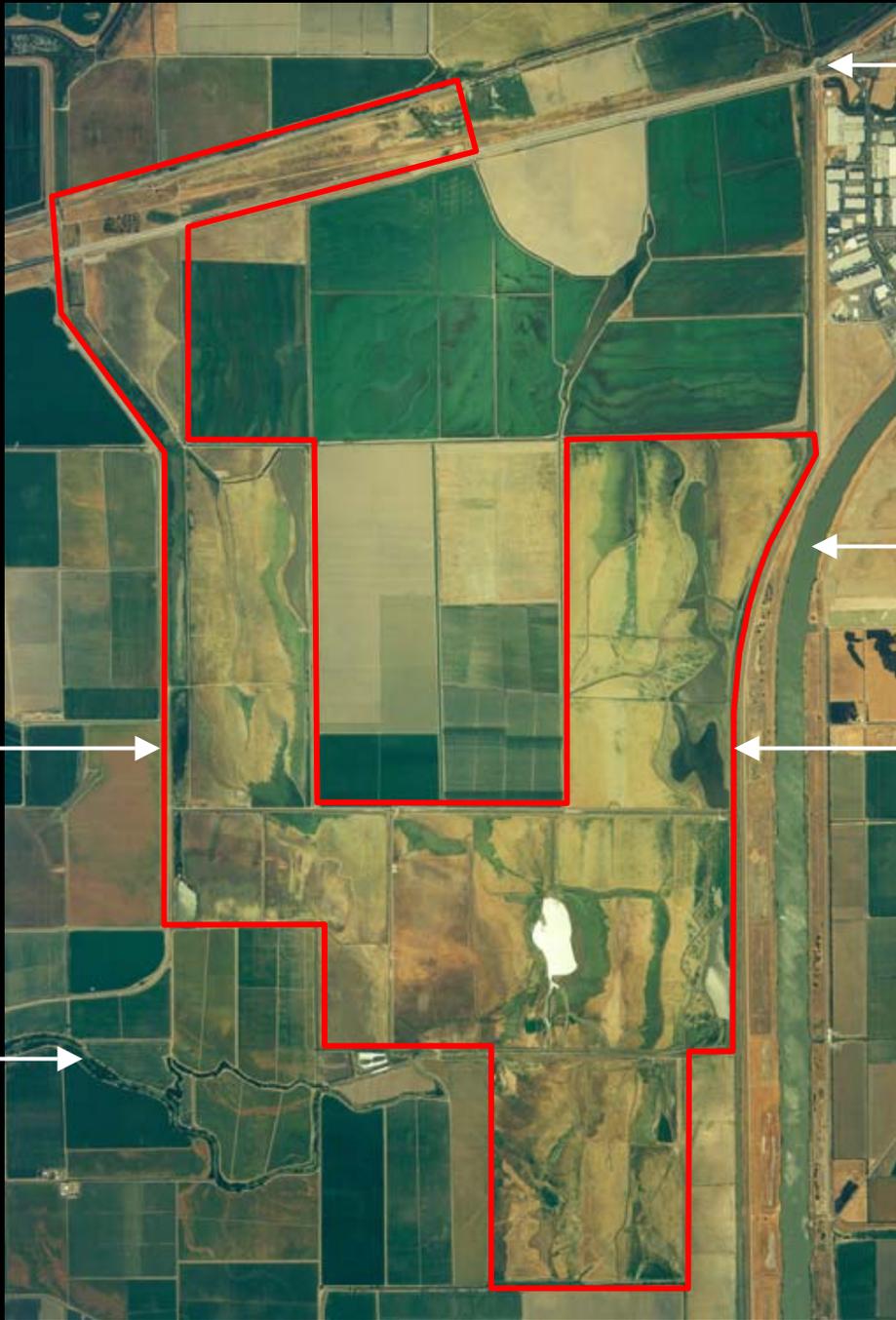
Summary: A multi-agency cooperative restoration project that successfully integrates wildlife, flood control, agriculture, and public needs and uses.



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INTERSTATE 80

WEST SACRAMENTO

TO CITY OF DAVIS

DEEP WATER SHIP CHANNEL

YOLO BYPASS LEVEE

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PUTAH CREEK



NO SCALE

AERIAL PROJECT VIEW

Flight Date July 1, 1999



Sacramento

I-80

Causeway Unit

180 Unit

Yolo Bypass at flood stage, showing northern area of project

Project Functions: Flood control

The entire project is located within the Yolo Bypass.



Rice fields, just north of project, looking east



Rice harvesting

Project Functions: Agricultural compatibility



Aerial view looking north from South Unit

Project Functions: Agricultural compatibility



Northwest Unit looking west toward downtown Sacramento and Sierra Nevada Mountains

Project Functions: Restoration visibility to the public



Main Pump Structure



Central Irrigation Canal showing agricultural use on the left and wetlands on the right

Project Features: Joint-use water delivery system for wildlife and agriculture



180 Acre Unit: View west showing permanent and seasonal wetlands and riparian habitat

Project Features: Wildlife habitat diversity



Northeast Unit: View east towards Sacramento

Project Features: Wildlife habitat diversity



180 Acre Unit: View north towards Interstate 80

Project Benefits: Wildlife



American Kestrel



White Pelicans



Lesser Yellowlegs

Project Benefits: Wildlife



Seasonal wetland water level drawn down for shore bird habitat

Project Benefits: Wildlife Management

The project's design allows for flexible wildlife management, such as specialized management for game and shore birds.



Project Benefits: Hunting



Bird-watching



School Programs



Artwork

Project Benefits: Outdoor education and recreation



Project Benefits: Public access, visibility, and awareness



Central Unit: View south over seasonal wetlands to the Putah Creek corridor

Project Benefits: Open space



PROJECT OBJECTIVES ACHIEVED:

- *A cooperative restoration project between many organizations and agencies*
- *Compatible to the Yolo Bypass flood control capabilities and operations*
- *Restoration of historic wetlands and wildlife diversity*
- *Compatible joint-use and management with agricultural and wildlife operations*
- *Providing public accessibility, visibility, and interaction with restoration efforts*