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INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

PERMIT DATABASE AND PROGRAM PROCESS ENHANCEMENTS

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BRIEFING SUMMARY

Historically permits and inspections were done using paper reports and files. These paper files are aging and are not well indexed. People interested in looking at or obtaining copies of these documents had to come to the Joint Operations Center and spend hours looking through documents. Information did not flow well between different organizations and activities were not well coordinated.

Staff from the CVFPB, DWR, and USACE have been working for over five years to put these documents, including CVFPB Encroachment Permits, DWR Inspections, and other documents into geo-referenced databases that can be more easily searched, viewed, and shared. Other coordination efforts between the agencies branched off from the original efforts and the agencies are now sharing data much more efficiently. This briefing will demonstrate some of the ways that the organizations are working together and more efficiently through the use of databases, most notably DWR's California Data Exchange Center, and are working to share this data with others.