

Multiple-purpose Wetlands: Balancing Habitat Quality and Water Quality Functions

Wetlands provide many functions and resources such as wildlife habitat, water quality improvement, visual aesthetics, recreation and environmental education. As open space becomes less abundant, wetlands are being harnessed to maximize some or all of these functions. Preliminary designs for these multiple-purpose wetlands show that as one function is maximized the quality of other functions may change. The Coastal Conservancy and Southern California Wetland Recovery Project want to be better informed about the potential tradeoffs and practical ways to minimize these tradeoffs. The scientific and regulatory information that has been compiled to date is provided as a resource for you.

- [Literature Review – Providing a Scientific Baseline](#)
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