

Item 6d - Exhibit 2: Site Photos and Graphics

Photos

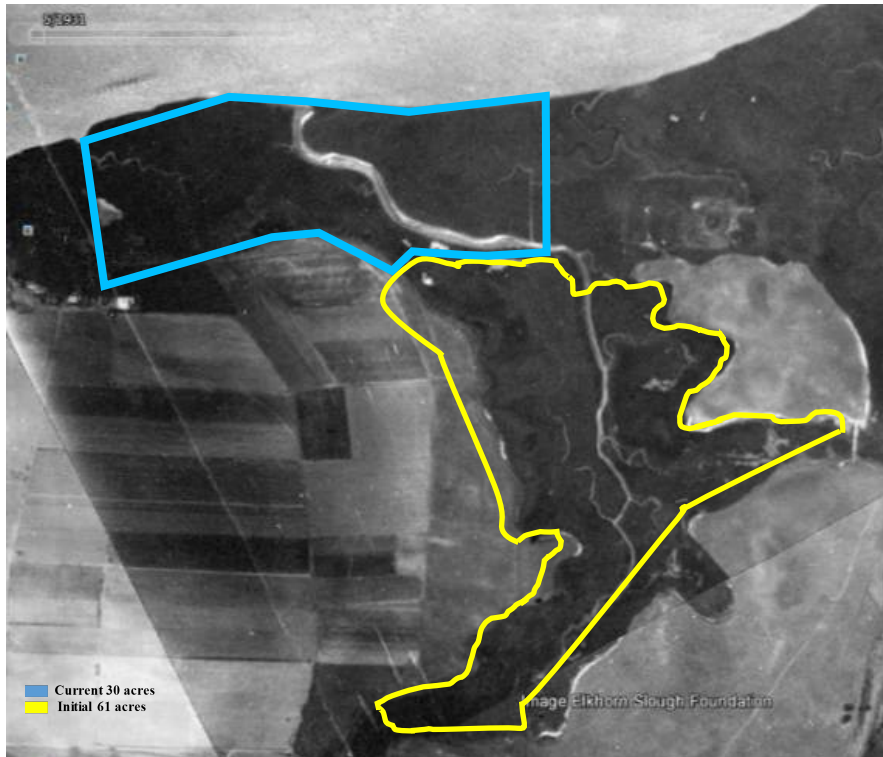


Photo 1. Historical Photo of the Project Area with intact tidal marsh (1931).

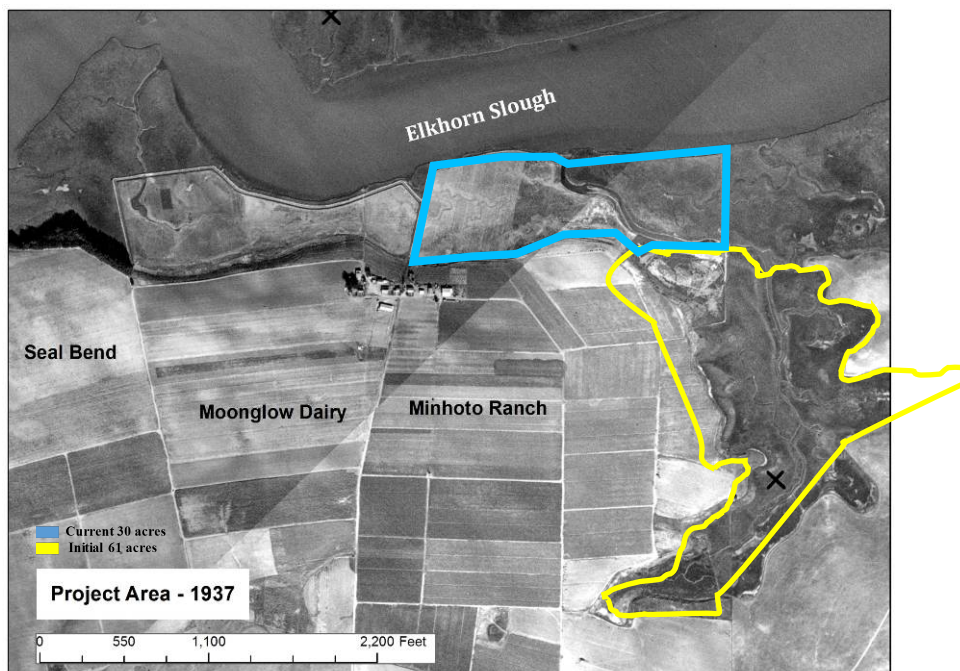


Photo 2. Historical Photo of the Project Area in 1937 with portions diked and drained.

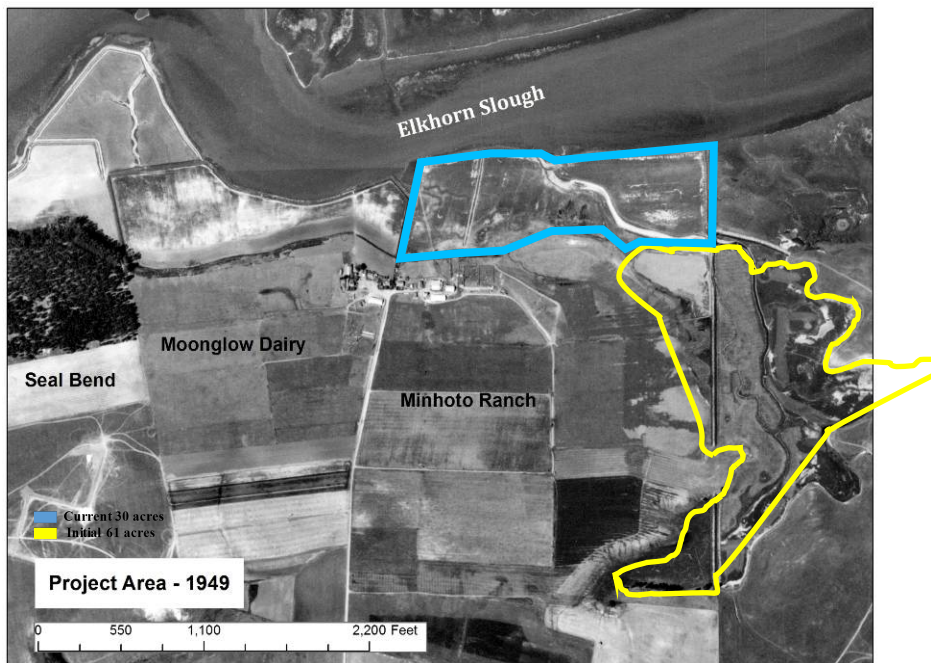


Photo 3. Historical Photo of the Project Area in 1949 with the entire area diked and drained for agriculture and rangeland.

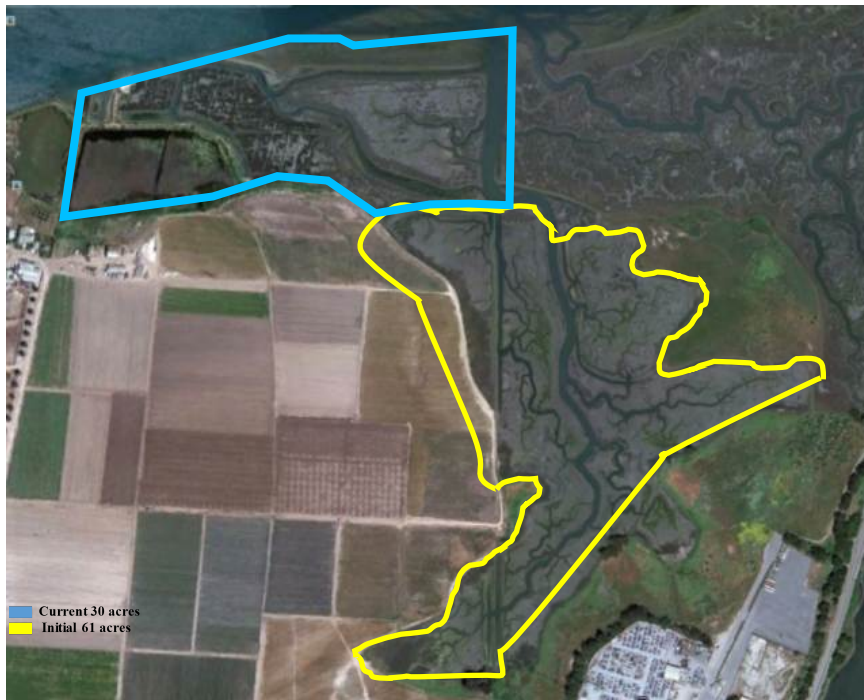


Photo 4. Current (2013) photo of the Project Area returned to tidal influence but no longer supporting marsh.



Photo 5. The Project Area now consists of high mudflats, prone to eutrophication, in areas that formerly hosted salt marsh but since subsided during a diked period.



Photo 6. Past tidal marsh restoration projects in Elkhorn Slough (Footbridge by Rookery).



Photo 7. Healthy, dense salt marsh is rare at Elkhorn Slough. Sites such as this one will serve as reference sites for the marsh restoration project (Packard property). (Photo by Kerstin Wasson)



Photo 8. Sea otters decrease metabolic costs of staying warm by hauling out on salt marsh at ESNERR's Yampah Marsh, which will serve as a reference site for this project. (Photo by Ron Eby)



Photo 9. Caspian Tern foraging adjacent to the project area.



Photo 10. Working farm adjacent to Project Area. Creation of a buffer will decrease agricultural runoff to the estuary, and the restoration of salt marsh habitat will filter nutrients and contaminants, improving water quality. (Photo by Keith Ellenbogen)