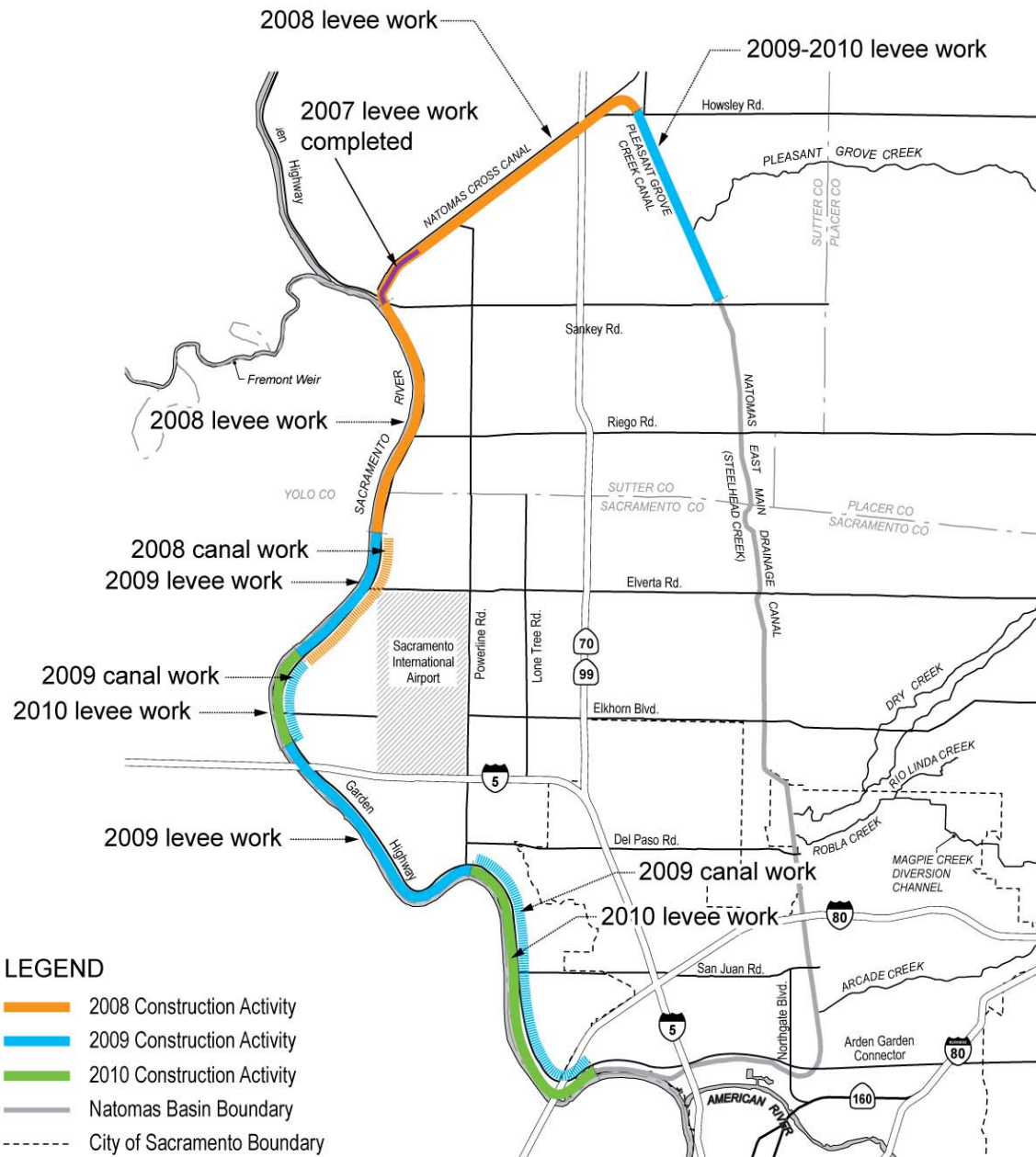


Natomas Levee Improvement Program

Project Phasing and EIR Approach

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Project Phases



Definition:

Program-level CEQA Analysis

Used for a series of actions that can be characterized as one large project that are related:

- Geographically
- As logical parts in a chain of actions
- As activities carried out under the same authority and having similar effects that can be mitigated in similar ways

NLIP Programmatic Analysis – Landside Improvements Project EIR

Provides for:

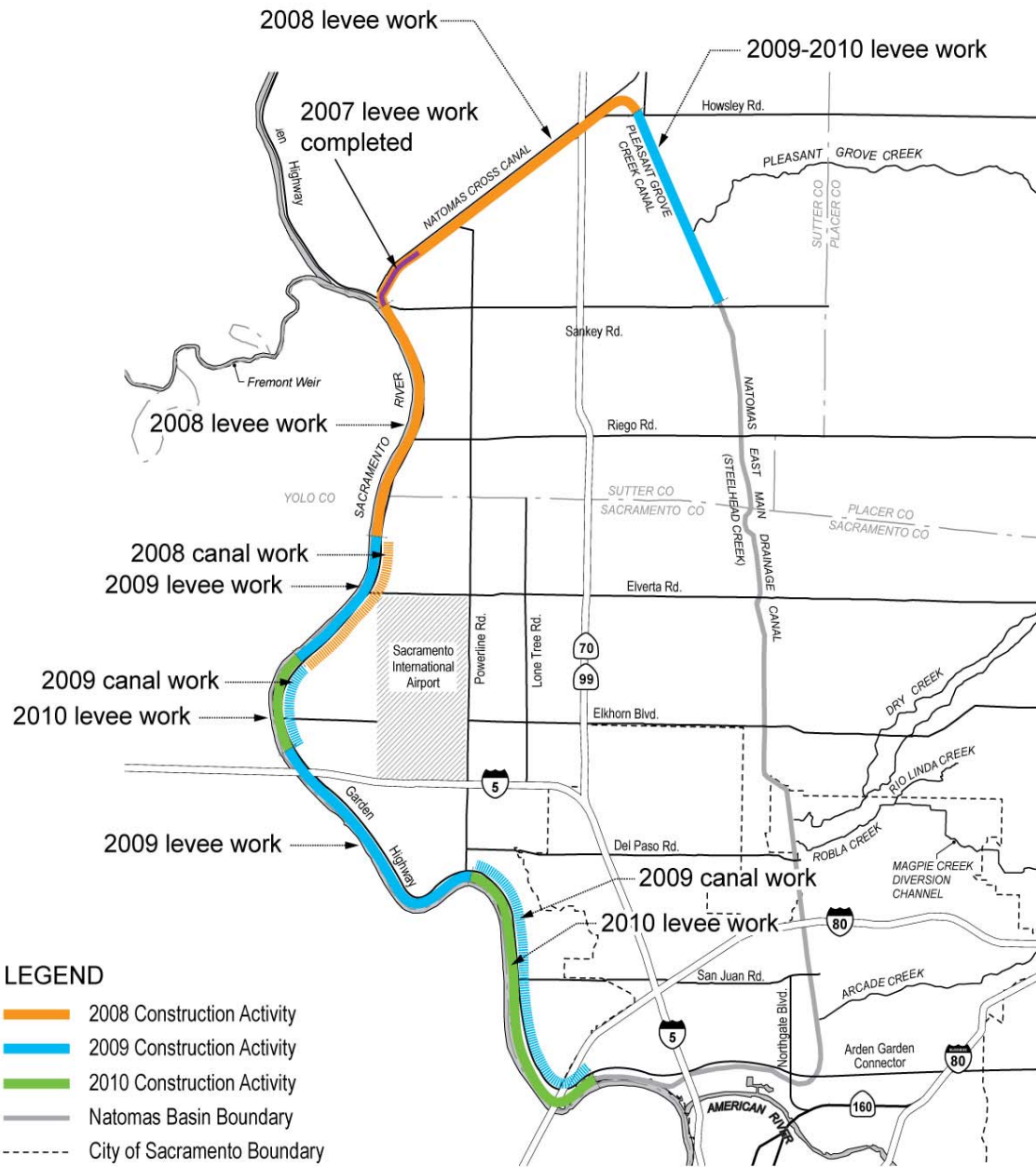
- Consideration of broad project alternatives
- Identification of full range of impact types for all project phases
- Thorough consideration of cumulative impacts

Definition:

Project-level CEQA Analysis

- Detailed examination of impacts of a specific proposal
- Level of detail that supports the decision whether to approve construction

Project Phases



NLIP Project-level Analysis – Landside Improvements Project EIR

Supports:

- Board decision to approve implementation of 2008 phase
- Reclamation Board decision on permitting of 2008 phase
- Other permitting processes for the 2008 phase, including Corps approvals (Clean Water Act Section 404, Section 408 permission to alter federal levee)

Additional Environmental Analysis

- Corps scoping for EIS on 2008 phase: Jan 2008
- Corps Draft & Final EIS/ROD: spring 2008
- SAFCA/Corps scoping for EIR/EIS on 2009 & 2010 phases: summer 2008
- Draft EIR/EIS on 2009 & 2010 phases: fall 2008
- Final EIR/EIS: winter 2008