

Free Public Lecture

Deciphering an Estuarine Ecosystem

35 Years of San Francisco Bay Studies

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- USGS research in the Bay system began in the 1960s with a search for underwater earthquake faults
- In the 1970s, the research team expanded to cover studies of water properties and quality, water mixing and flow, and estuarine ecology
- Early scientific findings clashed with assumptions behind massive and unbridled modifications of the Bay system and served to stimulate much public debate
- The USGS Bay research program and its scientists became renowned—they have set the standards for the study of estuaries
- Thirty-five years of scientific data and publications form a unique resource for decisions by legislators, planners, and coastal-zone managers



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