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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL DATA EXCHANGE NETWORK

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THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL DATA EXCHANGE NETWORK (CEDEN) provides a central location to find and share information about California's water bodies, including streams, lakes, rivers, and the coastal ocean. Many groups in California monitor water quality, aquatic habitat, and wildlife health to ensure good stewardship of our ecological resources. CEDEN aggregates these data and makes them accessible to environmental managers and the public.



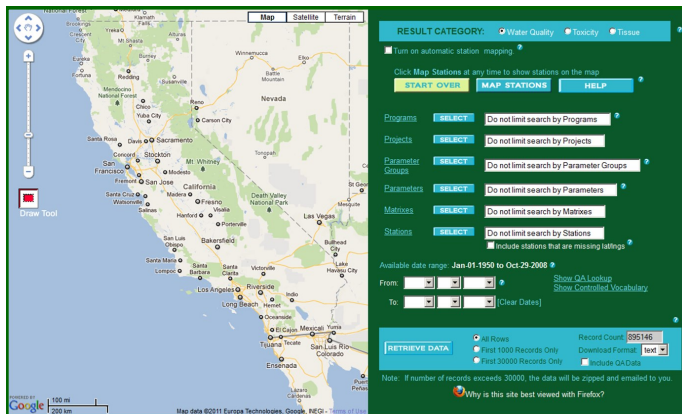
San Gabriel River, Los Angeles County

GOALS OF CEDEN INCLUDE:

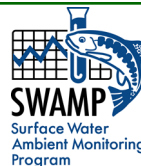
- Incorporate diverse data sources into a standardized, integrated data sharing network;
- Provide direct public access to monitoring data in an easily downloadable form; and
- Support question-driven assessments available via the California Water Quality Monitoring Council's My Water Quality web portals at: www.cawaterquality.net.

WHY IS IT NEEDED? The state's valuable waterways provide many services, including water supply, wildlife habitat, recreation, and flood control.

These functions can be hampered by pollution or other manmade stressors. To keep an eye out for problems and improvements, federal environmental regulations require each state to periodically assess the condition of surface water bodies. CEDEN consolidates California's data in a central location, where it can be easily accessed by resource managers, scientists, citizen groups, and the public for reports and research purposes.



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ANY PARTY collecting water quality-related data in California can submit data to CEDEN. Four Regional Data Centers (RDCs) are available to provide local, user friendly support. The CEDEN website provides information about preparing and submitting data to CEDEN. You can obtain personalized assistance in preparing and sharing your data through your local data center.



YOUR REGIONAL DATA CENTER is available to provide personalized assistance in assessing your data and developing a submission strategy that makes the process as easy as possible. If you would like to contribute data to CEDEN, please contact your local RDC to register your project or organization.



DATA TEMPLATES and detailed documentation are available from the CEDEN website. These templates are designed to assist you in preparing your data for easy integration into the CEDEN network. Your Regional Data Center (RDC) can assist you in using the templates.

FOR HELP IDENTIFYING YOUR RDC, please refer to the map of service areas or contact the CEDEN Help Desk for more information.

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