



# Mariner Vernal Pool Conservation Bank

## Overview

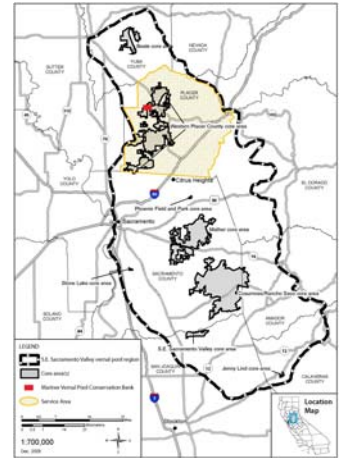


Westervelt Ecological Services' (WES) 160-acre Mariner Vernal Pool Conservation Bank is located seven miles west of the City of Lincoln, California. This naturally occurring vernal pool grassland habitat provides ideal vernal pool preservation for development and infrastructure impacts in Western Placer County.

The Bank is owned by April-Anne Mariner, a third generation rancher in Placer County. Utilizing our more than three decades of combined banking experience, WES staff was able to obtain approval of the Bank on behalf of April Mariner in record time. Timely approval of the bank was facilitated by the quality of the habitat on site and the excellent working relationship WES staff has developed with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service).

“We are pleased to approve [this bank] and partner with their owners to provide permanent protection for high-quality vernal pools in an area where much of this habitat is disappearing,” said Susan Moore, field supervisor of the Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office. “These banks reflect our determination to work in partnership with public and private landowners to conserve important habitat.”

WES and the Service are in the process of finalizing the total number of credits to be released on the Bank. Based upon the wetlands delineation for the Mariner property, up to **25.6 acres of vernal pool preservation credits will be available for sale in early 2007.**



Mariner Conservation Bank Service Area

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