

West Coast EBM Network

Overview Presentation

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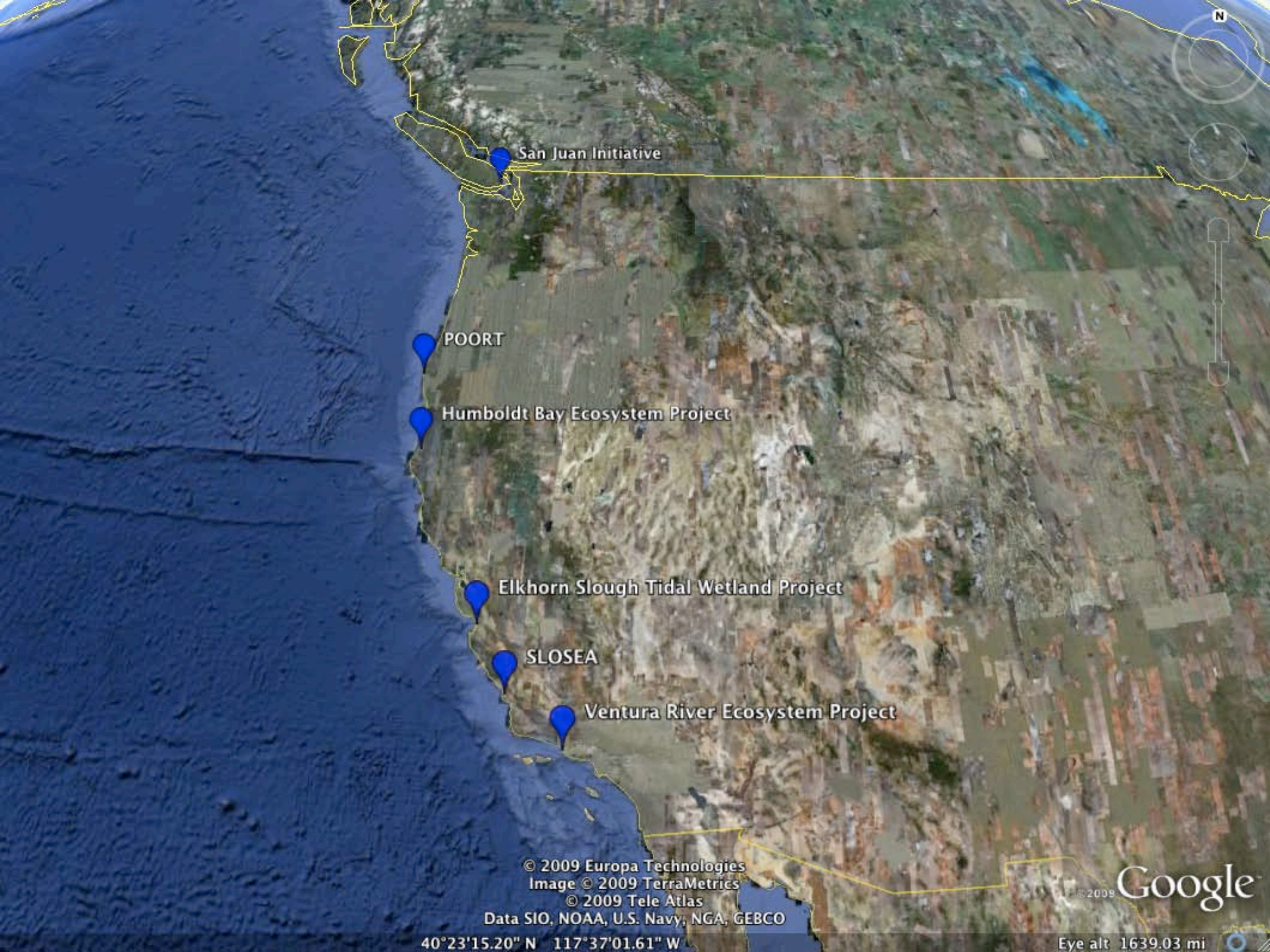
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Network History

- ✦ Initial formation based on discussions among:
 - ✦ Packard Foundation
 - ✦ Surfrider Foundation
 - ✦ Ocean Foundation
 - ✦ NOAA Coastal Services Center
- ✦ These groups recognized a need to better align & connect EBM activities they supported
- ✦ Began by identifying 6 existing locally-based EBM initiatives to begin Network

Network Members

- ✦ **San Juan Initiative** – San Juan Islands, WA
- ✦ **Port Orford Ocean Resource Team** – Port Orford, OR
- ✦ **Humboldt Bay Ecosystem Project** – Humboldt Bay, CA
- ✦ **Elkhorn Slough Tidal Wetland Project** – Monterey, CA
- ✦ **San Luis Obispo Science & Ecosystem Alliance (SLOSEA)**
– San Luis Obispo / Morro Bay, CA
- ✦ **Ventura River Ecosystem Project** – Ventura, CA



San Juan Initiative

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Humboldt Bay Ecosystem Project

Elkhorn Slough Tidal Wetland Project

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Ventura River Ecosystem Project

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Network History, cont.

- ✦ Six groups first met February 2008 in San Francisco, CA
- ✦ First Annual Meeting in October 2008, Friday Harbor, WA
- ✦ Network Coordinator hired January 2009
- ✦ Second Annual Meeting to be held Summer – Fall 2009
- ✦ Initial support provided by Packard Foundation; project housed by Tides Center

Network Goals

- ✦ **Create a Learning Network**

- ✦ EBM Topic Teams
- ✦ Trainings / Webinars
- ✦ Best Practices

- ✦ **Establish Presence in EBM & Coastal Management Policy Discussions**

- ✦ State / Regional / Federal activities
- ✦ Ideal role for providing on-the-ground feedback

West Coast Governors' Agreement

✦ Training Opportunity:

Coastal Community Planning & Development

- ✦ Aimed at community professionals & planners who are updating, or will be updating, their general plans
- ✦ Training can be customized to on growth alternatives as related to water quality, financing, hazards, climate change, etc.
- ✦ Developed by NOAA & EPA
- ✦ Applications due **April 10, 2009**; training to take place after July 2009

Thanks!

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