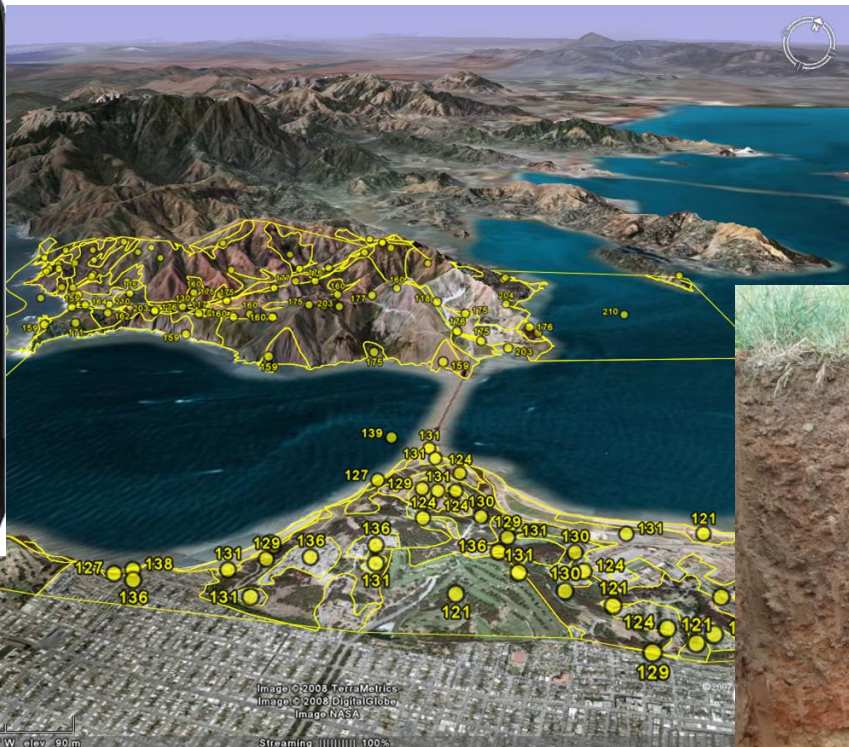
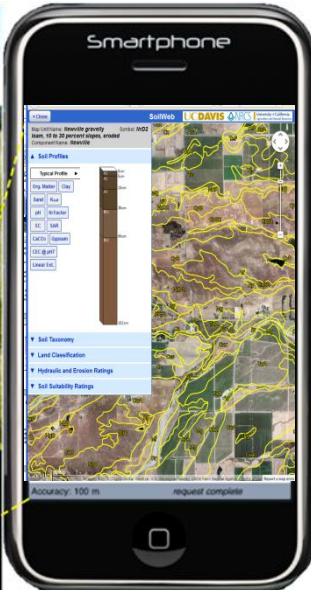


# Soil Information Resources to Enhance Productivity and Natural Resource Sustainability

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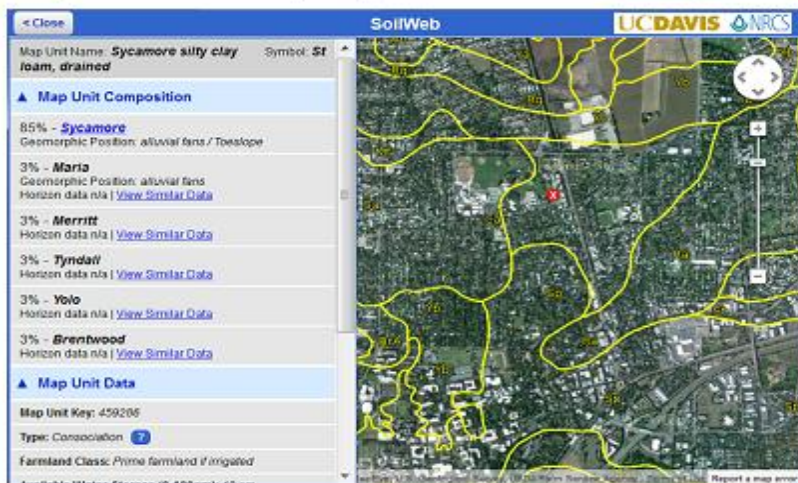
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37°47'42.32" N 122°28'31.22" W elev. 90m  
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## SoilWeb: An Online Soil Survey Browser

Our online soil survey can be used to access USDA-NCSS detailed soil survey data (SSURGO) for most of the United States. Please choose an interface to SoilWeb:

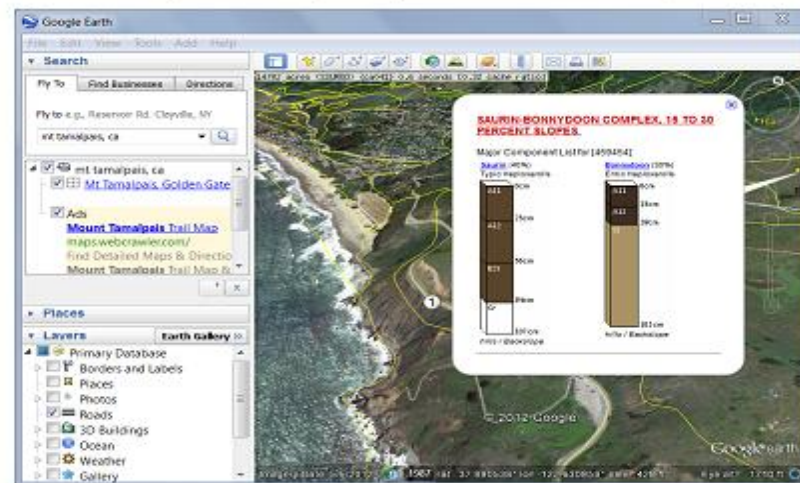
### [SoilWeb](#)

Explore mapped soil survey areas using an interactive Google map and view detailed information about map units and their components. This app runs in your web browser and is compatible with desktop computers, tablets, and smartphones.



### [SoilWeb Earth](#)

Soil survey data are delivered dynamically in a [KML](#) file, allowing you to view mapped areas in a 3-D display. You must have [Google Earth](#) or some other means of viewing KML files installed on your desktop computer, tablet, or smartphone.



### [iPhone and Android apps](#)

These are native smartphone apps that use your device's GPS to give soil information for your current location.

### [Text Interface](#)

Choose from a list of available survey areas and map units to view the soil information of interest to you.





Map Unit Name: **Corning-Redding** Symbol: **CyB**  
**gravelly loams, 0 to 5 percent slopes**

▲ Map Unit Composition

40% - **Corning**  
Geomorphic Position: terraces / Backslope terraces / Shoulder terraces / Summit

40% - **Redding**  
Geomorphic Position: terraces

8% - **Newville**  
Horizon data n/a | [View Similar Data](#)

5% - **Unnamed**  
Geomorphic Position: depressions  
Horizon data n/a

2% - **Unnamed**  
Geomorphic Position: depressions  
Horizon data n/a

▲ Map Unit Data

Map Unit Key: 460724

Type: Complex ?

Farmland Class: Not prime farmland

Available Water Storage (0-100cm): 5.79 cm

Max Flood Freq: None

Drainage Class (Dominant Condition): Moderately well drained ?

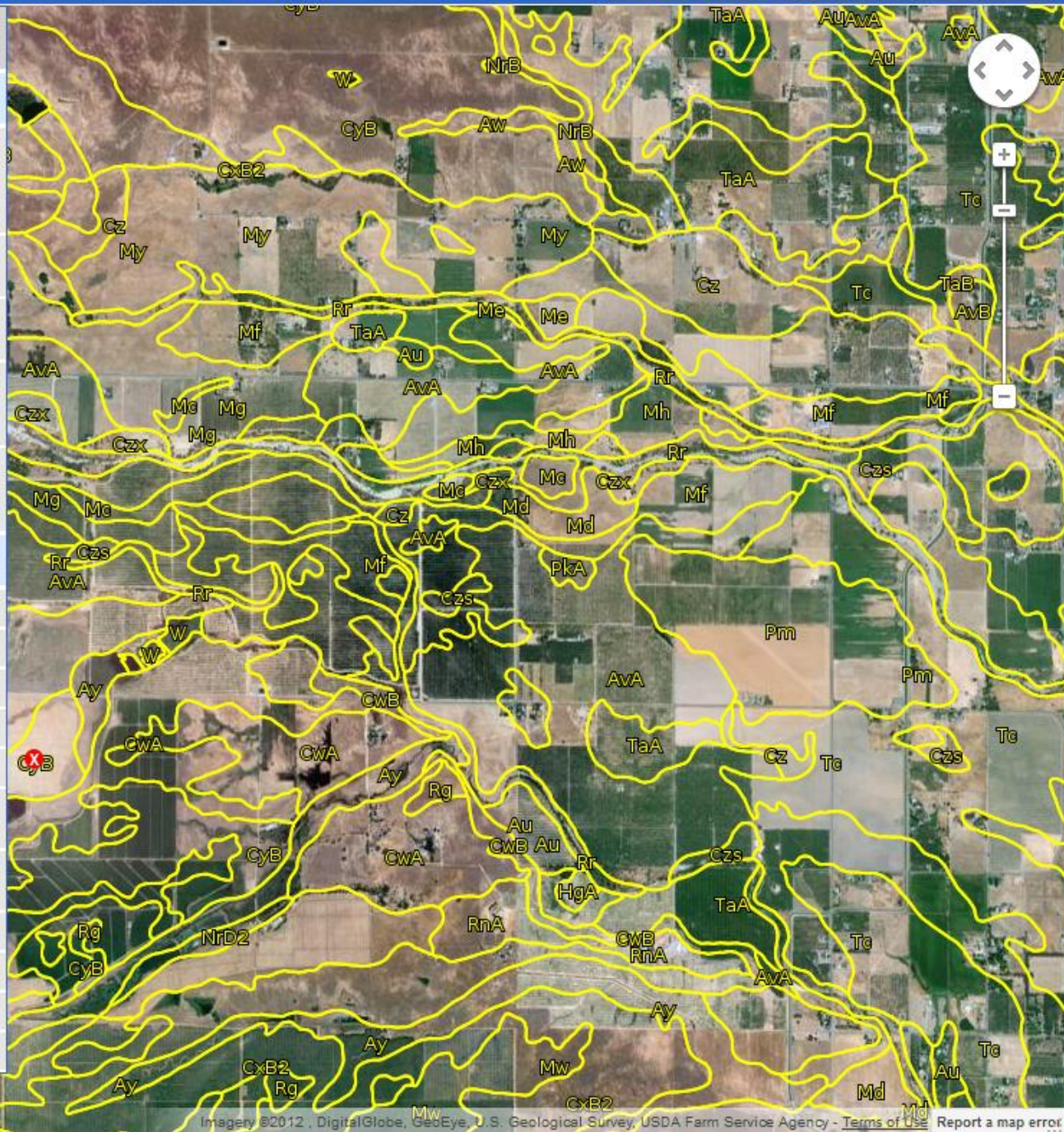
Drainage Class (Wettest Component): Moderately well drained ?

Hydric Conditions: Partially hydric

Min. Water Table Depth (Annual): n/a

Min. Water Table Depth (April-June): n/a

Min. Bedrock Depth: n/a





Map Unit Name: **Corning-Redding** Symbol: **CyB**  
**gravelly loams, 0 to 5 percent slopes**  
Component Name: **Corning**

▲ Soil Profiles

Typical Profile

Org. Matter

Clay ? ▶

Sand Ksat

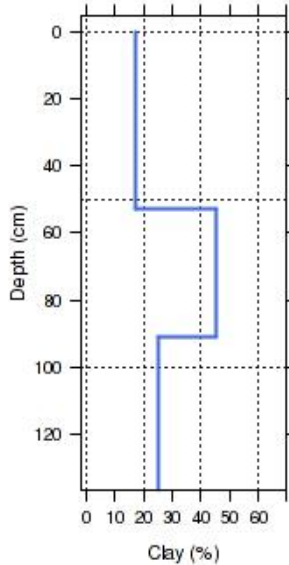
pH Kr Factor

EC SAR

CaCO<sub>3</sub> Gypsum

CEC @ pH7

Linear Ext.



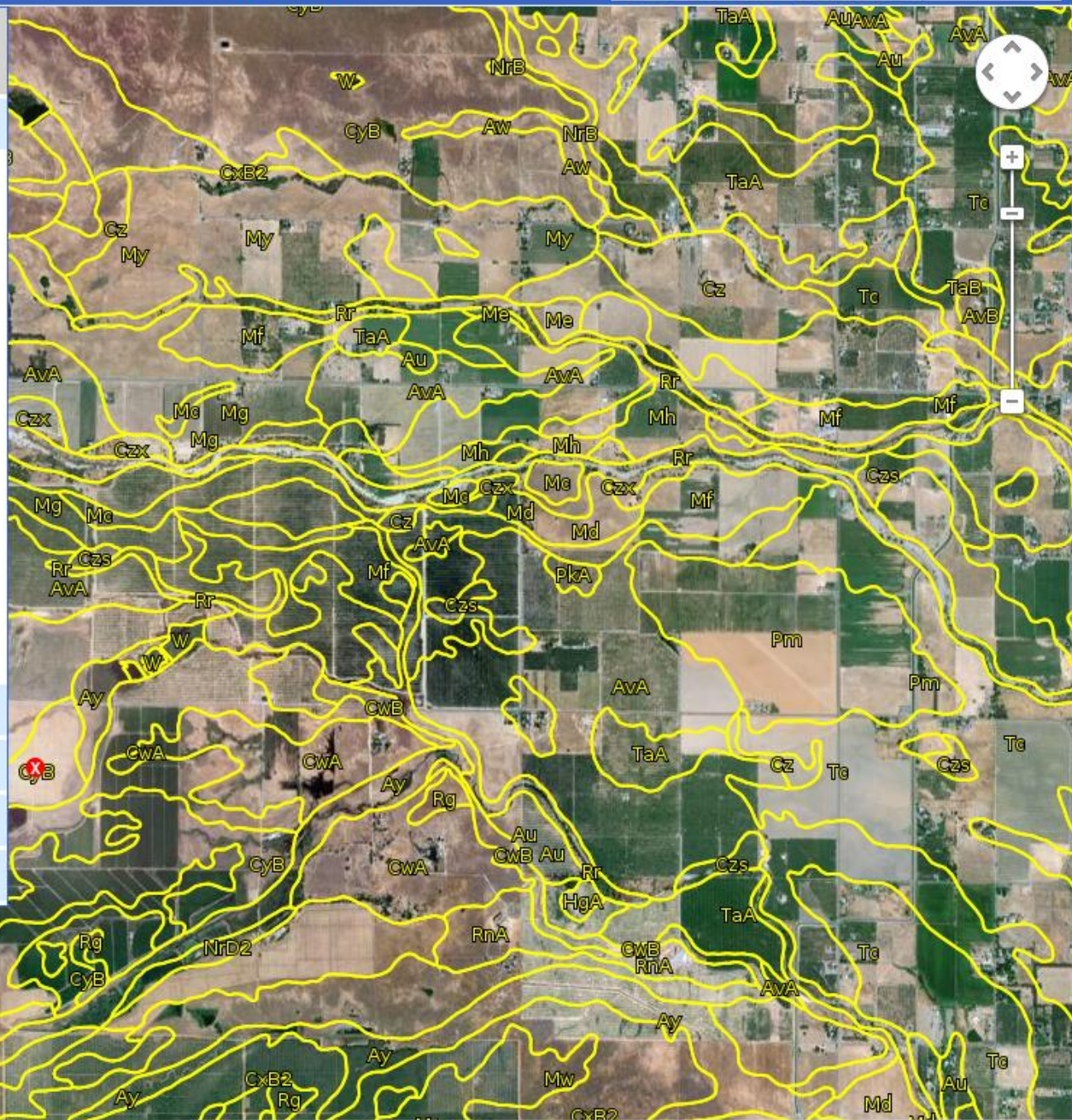
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▼ Soil Taxonomy

▼ Land Classification

▼ Hydraulic and Erosion Ratings

▼ Soil Suitability Ratings





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▲ Hydraulic and Erosion Ratings

Wind Erodibility Group: 6 ?

Wind Erodibility Index: 48 ?

T Erosion Factor: 4 ?

Runoff: High

Drainage: Well drained

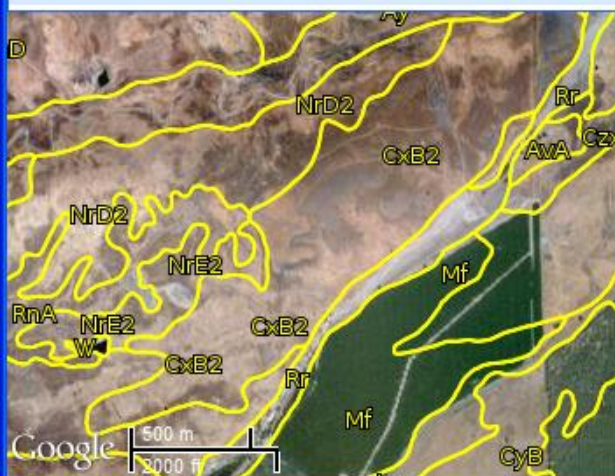
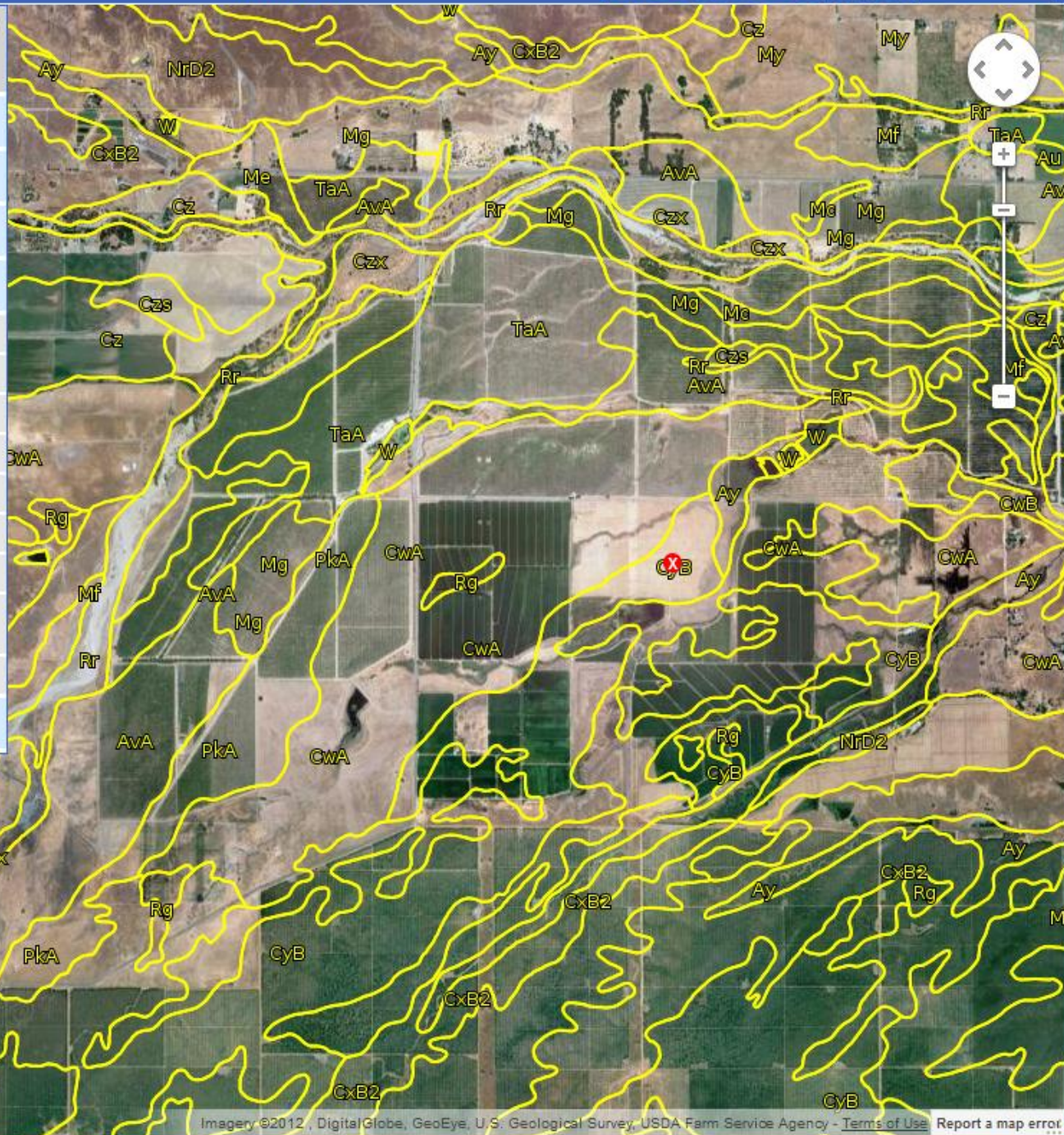
Hydric Rating: No ?

Hydrologic Group: Group D ?

Parent Material: *alluvium derived from metamorphic and sedimentary rock*

Total Plant Available Water (cm): 13.32

▼ Soil Suitability Ratings



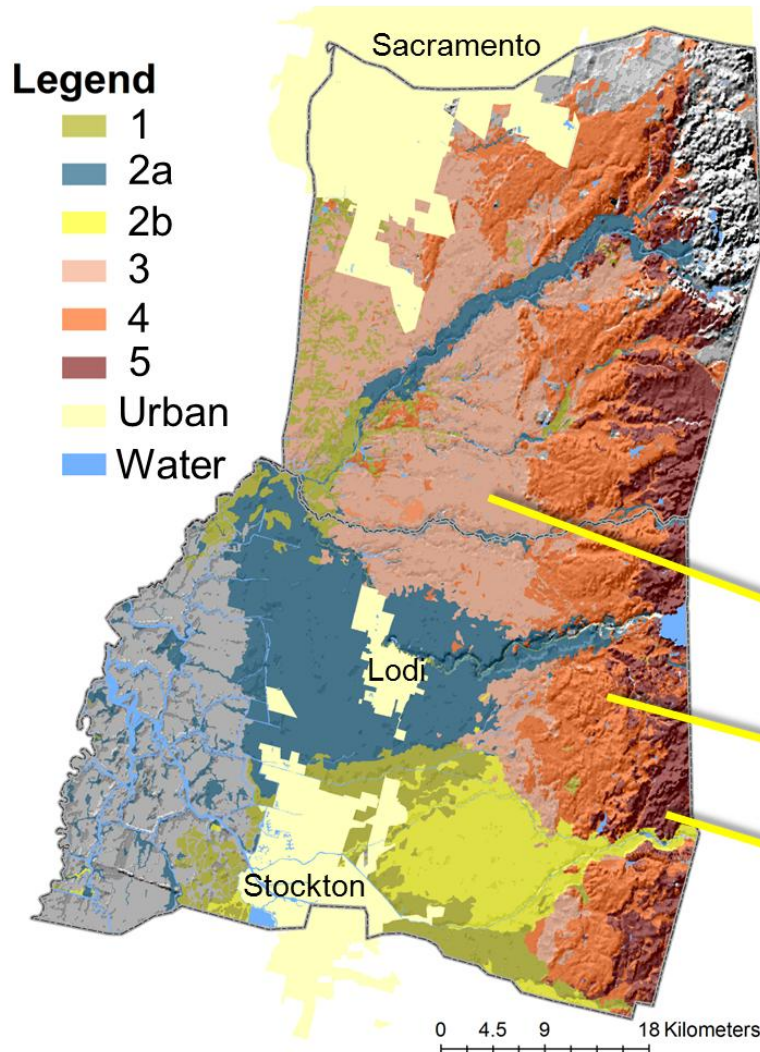
# How can we make soil survey more relevant?

Interactive, map-based tools (apps) that are more directly related to the user decision process e.g. nutrient management, BMP's, and water management.



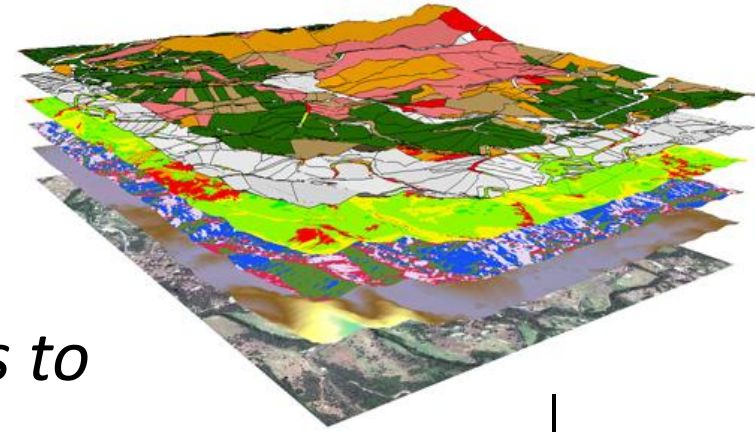
# Nutrient Management Zones

Geographic templates to fine-tune nutrient management strategies based on soil properties



Description		K Supply	K fixing?
1	Clayey, basin alluvium	High	No
2a	Coarse, fans	Low	Yes
2b	Clayey, Calaveras R. fan	Moderate	No
3	Moderately old, low terraces	Low	Yes
4	Weathered old, high terraces	Moderate	No +/-
5	Volcanic, eastern part of district	High	No

# Selecting BMP's for Irrigated Agriculture



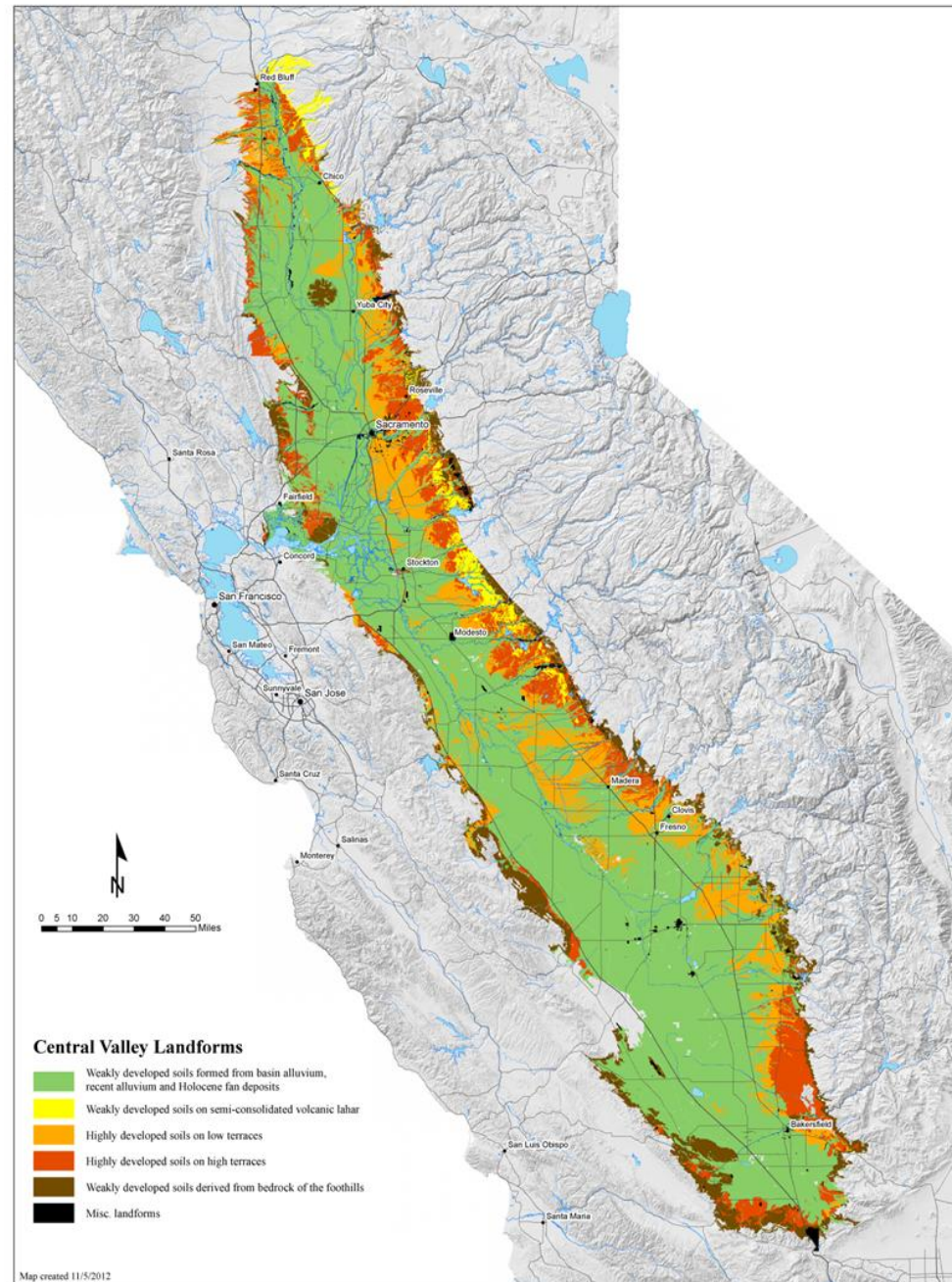
*What are the regional considerations to select appropriate best management practices to control runoff?*

- Wetlands
- Cover crops
- Tailwater return pond
- Infiltration basins
- Filter strips
- Nutrient management plans



# Suitability Index for Agricultural Groundwater Banking

Which soil landscapes and cropping systems are best suited to receive large applications of water during times when excess water is available (e.g. flood events) to recharge groundwater.



# **What other management decisions could be supported by this information?**

e.g.

- Deep tillage index-rip or plow
- Crowd sourcing opportunities?



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