

California Hydroscaapes

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Since 2009, John has written quarterly photo essays for the Groundwater Resources Association of CA (GRA) Hydrovisions newsletter. This geologic travelogue will highlight California's diverse hydroscaapes, including groundwater, water resources, and environmental issues as well as tips for photographing our beautiful landscapes and parks. Examples include groundwater springs in northern CA, joint controlled waterfalls in Yosemite Valley, marine carbonate vent structures in Santa Cruz, palm oases at Joshua Tree, and tidal wetlands in southern San Diego. The images also illustrate seasonal and historical changes in California's environments.

Biography: John has conducted geology and environmental projects throughout the western US from Colorado to Alaska to Midway Island and throughout California. John also taught evening geology and GIS classes at Diablo Valley College. He has led numerous non-technical field trips for the public throughout the Bay Area for the Field Institute at Point Reyes National Seashore Association and other organizations. Doris Sloan and John collaborated on a popular book about the "Geology of the San Francisco Bay Region," published by the University of California Press. John has volunteered for many positions in NCGS, most notably as program chairman. In 2022 he received the NCGS Honorary Member award for his contributions to the society.