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Hunter Merritt is a Study Manager for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Sacramento District Planning Division, Water Resources Branch, Watershed Assessment and Ecological Restoration section.

Mr. Merritt began his career with the Corps in 2009 as a Public Affairs specialist, with a focus on community relations. In 2011, he moved to the district's Planning Division, where his planning work has focused on public participation and engagement, as well as plan formulation. In addition to traditional planning roles (lead planner on both the Lower Cache Creek and Lower San Joaquin Feasibility Studies) and supporting others in large dam safety projects (recreation planner on the Isabella Dam Safety Modification Project), he has worked extensively with the Floodplain Management Services (FPMS) Program, completing several non-structural flood risk communication projects in collaborative partnership with the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), with a goal of increasing public awareness of flood exposure through outreach and education.

Mr. Merritt has served as a charette facilitator for more than a dozen feasibility studies nationwide, working to actualize the changes of the Civil Works Transformation process by re-scoping studies to meet the goals of the Corps' planning modernization paradigm. He is also a trainer for all levels of the Corps leadership development program (LDP), and a graduate of the regional LDP Level III (2014), where he worked extensively with enterprise-wide issues of Knowledge Management and Transfer. More information on Hunter Merritt's facilitation work with the Corps can be found at <http://corpslakes.usace.army.mil/employees/facilitator/find.cfm>

Mr. Merritt received a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from Hampden-Sydney College and a Master of Science in Recreation Administration from California State University Sacramento (CSUS). In addition to Corps experience, he is a part-time lecturer in the CSUS Recreation, Parks, and Tourism Department (instructor of record for both undergraduate and graduate courses). He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the American River Natural History Association (ARNHA) and has been invited as a presenter on a variety of topics at several national and international conferences.

Mr. Merritt lives in Sacramento with his wife Lori and two children. For leisure, he enjoys playing music, whitewater kayaking, skiing and hiking.

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