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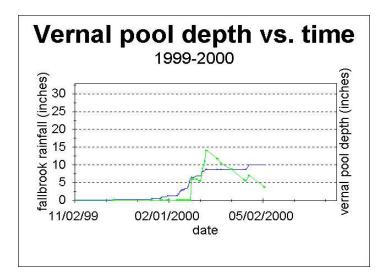
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# Vernal Pool

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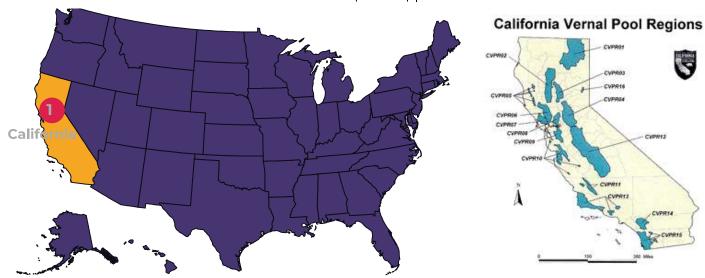
# What Is A Vernal Pool?

A Vernal Pool is seasonal pool of water therefore making it a temporary pool. There is a continuing loss of Vernal Pools due to urban development. This leads to the extincition of Vernal Pool Tadpole Shrimp because the only place they can survive is in Vernal Pools.



## Where Are Vernal Pools Located?

Vernal Pools typically are found in Mediterranean environments however in the United States they are most commonly found in California. Pools found in California are unique because of the native flora and fauna found here. Vernal Pools are restricted to the Central Valley and San Fransico Bay area.



### WHAT IS A VERNAL POOL TADPOLE SHRIMP?

A Vernal Pool Tadpole shrimp is a rare species of tadpole shrimp. They have a carapace, which is a shield like cover on their backs. They range between the colors, olive-green, brown and gray. They also have two tails at the end of their carapace. The species is endangered due to loss of vernal pools. This is because these tadpole shrimp have not evolved any defense mechanisms so they can only survive where fish do not.



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