

The KRIS web and the Arroyo Corte Madera del Presidio (ACMdP) content was the result of two major Kier Associates team efforts:

In 1994 the team developed a first-of-its-kind computer platform for gathering, organizing and analyzing watershed-related – particularly salmon watershed-related – information to support salmon restoration planning, prioritizing, etc. efforts in the huge Klamath River basin -- hence the platform's name, the 'Klamath Resource Information System', or 'KRIS'

There was immediately a huge demand for KRIS development/ coverage of salmon watersheds throughout northern California, the Columbia River basin and even the salmon watersheds of the Gulf of Maine – driven largely by the need for developing species recovery plans pursuant to the state and federal Endangered Species Acts – the KRIS program gathered and maintained the information needed in an easily-usable, manageable, updatable platform

In 1999 the Kier Associates team was contracted by the Sonoma County Water Agency to develop KRIS coverage for the watersheds of Sonoma and Marin counties, both the coastal watersheds and those emptying into the Bay -- as a way of prompting the State and federal fish agencies to move on the development of salmon species recovery plans.

That's the origin of KRIS-East Marin-Sonoma which we refer to as 'KRIS East Marin-Sonoma Version 1.0' on that webpage -- the SCWA-funded gathering of everything available (i.e., going back to State Fish & Game memos from the 1940s) relevant to the streams' past and present condition.

In 2003 Marin County Public Works funded the Kier team to conduct an assessment of ACMdP using a CA Dept of Fish & Game standardized watershed assessment methodology concerning pool depths, riparian veg cover, fish barriers and more. That's what we refer to on the webpage as 'KRIS East Marin-Sonoma Version 2.0', circa 2005