

QUALITY OF LIFE

The area is rich in history. Sutter and Yuba counties are among the original 27 counties incorporated in California and the area was an important gold mining region in the 1850s. There are many museums, historical landmarks and districts to visit.

Yuba County was created February 18, 1850 and named after the Yuba River by Captain John A. Sutter for the Indian village Yubu, Yupu or Juba near the confluence of the Yuba and Feather rivers. It was Vallejo stated that the river was named Uba by an exploring expedition in 1824 because of the quantities of wild grapes (*uvas silvestres* in Spanish), which they found growing on its banks. Yuba County's county seat is Marysville.

Sutter County was created February 18, 1850 and named after General John Augustus Sutter, a native of Switzerland, who obtained a large land grant from the Mexican government, and called his first settlement New Helvetia (now the City of Sacramento). In 1841, the general established a great stock ranch in this area to which he retired in 1850 when gold seekers deprived him of most of his holdings at Sacramento. Sutter County's county seat is Yuba City.

RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The area is very geographically diverse, offering many recreational opportunities, such as fishing, boating, water skiing, hiking, and camping. There are rivers for white water rafting, and some of the best duck hunting in the country can be found minutes from the metro area.

The region offers a variety of recreational programs and services for all ages.