

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 19, 2021

To: Delta Stewardship Councilmembers

From: Jessica R. Pearson, Executive Officer

Subject: Upcoming Council Meeting – August 26, 2021¹

We have moved! I am excited to announce that the Council has downsized and relocated its office space into the new California Natural Resources Agency Headquarters building at 715 P Street in Sacramento. We are excited to enter this beautiful and environmentally-friendly space and look forward to welcoming you to the new location when public health and safety guidance allows.

We have a busy meeting this month. First, the Council will consider the approval of a comment letter to the Delta Protection Commission regarding the 2020 Update to the Recreation and Tourism Chapter of the Economic Sustainability Plan. This is part of Delta Protection Act requirements for review of the adoption or amendment of the Economic Sustainability Program for consistency with the Delta Plan. Delta Protection Commission staff will join us to provide background on the 2020 Update.

At this meeting, we will also present our efforts to increase the incorporation of social science into Council activities, consistent with recommendations from the Social Science Task Force. First, Social Science Extension Specialist Dr. Jessica Rudnick will present the tasks undertaken by her and the Council's internal Delta Social Science Integration Team to implement recommendations of the Social Science Action Plan. Then, we will receive an update from Council staff on the implementation of the Public Participation Plan, one year after Council endorsement. Staff will also provide an overview of the results from the recent public survey of the Council's public participation efforts.

¹ This month's meeting will be conducted remotely per Governor's Executive Order N-08-21 issued June 11, 2021. The Council continues to prioritize opportunities for remote participation by the public while also

undertaking measures to reduce community transmission of COVID-19. Please see the meeting notice for details.

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Lastly, for the Delta Levees Investment Strategy (DLIS), the Council will consider a request for approval of an addendum to the 2018 Delta Plan Amendments Program Environmental Impact Report, an updated DLIS levee investment prioritization table (inclusive of changes identified in the staff report), and Revised Preliminary Draft Regulatory Language for Delta Plan Policy RR P1. Staff is also seeking approval from the Council to initiate rulemaking to update its existing Delta Plan regulation, RR P1.

If I can answer any questions or provide any other information in advance of the August 26 meeting, please contact me at (916) 445-4500 or jessica.pearson@deltacouncil.ca.gov.