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ASSEMBLY APPOINTS MARIA MEHRANIAN TO THE COUNCIL

SACRAMENTO – California Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon has appointed Maria Mehranian to the Delta Stewardship Council, effective May 5, 2023. This is her second appointment to the Council. Mehranian served as a Senate-appointed Council member from 2018 to 2022.

"Maria's understanding of the issues at hand and strategic approach in responding to them make her an asset to the Council," says Chair Virginia Madueño." I couldn't be happier to lead a fully-staffed membership of leaders from across our state whose unique areas of expertise diversify and strengthen our ability to advance the coequal goals."

Of the Council's seven members, four are appointed by the Governor, one each by the State Senate and Assembly, and the seventh is the chair of the Delta Protection Commission.

"We are living in a pivotal time that reveals just how much California has entered into a new phase of climate change, especially in the context of California's water priorities," says Mehranian. "I am humbled to be reappointed to the Council and looking forward to continuing our work in providing the best solutions to our realtime challenges and ensuring a reliable water supply, driven by the role and precedence of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta."

Mehranian, of La Cañada Flintridge, is managing partner of Cordoba Corporation, an infrastructure development firm based in Los Angeles. In addition to serving as a member of the Council, she served as a gubernatorial appointee on the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board from 2008 to 2016, participated in numerous water policy panels, and held leadership positions for academic institutions such as Woodbury University and Cal Poly Pomona College of Engineering.

Mehranian holds a Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of California, Los Angeles.

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ABOUT THE COUNCIL

The Delta Stewardship Council was created by the California Legislature in 2009 to advance California's water supply reliability and the Delta's ecosystem resiliency in a manner that protects and enhances the region's unique characteristics. It is composed of seven members, advised by an independent 10-member science board, and supported by a dedicated staff. For more information visit the <u>Council's website</u> (deltacouncil.ca.gov).