

## Interim Science Action Agenda

---

**Requested Action:** Receive and accept the proposed final Interim Science Action Agenda.

---

### **Recommendation**

In order to proceed with advancing scientific understanding, strengthening the network of Delta science, and cultivating shared investments in science, staff recommends the Council receive and accept the proposed Interim Science Action Agenda as an initial step in implementation of the Delta Science Plan.

### **Background**

In accordance with the Council's 2014 implementation priorities, staff prepared the Interim Science Action Agenda (ISAA) that lays out the current priority science actions within organizations, programs, and agencies and identifies opportunities for leveraging existing efforts and connecting managers and scientists with similar needs.

The Interim Science Action Agenda takes an initial step in implementing the Delta Science Plan (completed December 2013), which is in response to a directive in the Council's Delta Plan. The Delta Science Plan lays out a shared vision for Delta science and provides a guide for organizing, conducting and integrating science in the Delta. The Delta Science Plan calls for a Science Action Agenda to prioritize and align specific science actions to inform management decisions and inform updates to our scientific understanding of the Delta as reflected in the State of Bay-Delta Science.

The Interim Science Action Agenda has been a 2014 priority of the Delta Stewardship Council. In addition, the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee has acknowledged the Interim Science Action Agenda as a priority for implementing the vision of the Delta Science Plan – One Delta, One Science.

A Draft Interim Science Action Agenda was posted to the Council's website for public review and has also been reviewed by the Delta Independent Science Board. Staff has made changes to the document and the associated table of the individual actions in response to the many comments received from agencies and other interested parties. The Draft Interim Science Action Agenda was presented to the Council at its Sept. 25, 2014 meeting and will be presented to the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee at its Nov. 17, 2014 meeting.

The Interim Science Action Agenda along with the table of individual actions in Excel workbook format is posted: <http://deltacouncil.ca.gov/interim-science-action-agenda>.

**List of Attachments**

Attachment 1: Interim Science Action Agenda (Nov. 6, 2014)

**Contact**

Lindsay Correa  
Senior Scientist

Phone: (916) 445-0092