

Delta Science Program: Delta Challenges Workshop

Detailed Agenda
March 16, 2015
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza, El Dorado/Diablo meeting rooms
300 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

8:00 a.m. Welcome and introductions to the workshop

Peter Goodwin, Delta Science Program Lead Scientist
Letty Belin, U.S. Department of the Interior
Karla Nemeth, California Natural Resources Agency

8:30 a.m. Panel 1: The Delta's agricultural, land use, cultural, and recreational characteristics and their challenges

<u>Topic:</u>	<u>Panelist and affiliation:</u>
Land use and demographics	Erik Vink, Delta Protection Commission
Levees	Dave Mraz, DWR
Delta agricultural economics	Richard Howitt, UC Davis

10:00 a.m. Break

10:20 a.m. Panel 2: Water supply reliability and its challenges

<u>Topic:</u>	<u>Panelist and affiliation:</u>
Water operations/supply	John Leahigh, DWR
Climate change	Dan Cayan, Scripps Institution of Oceanography
Regulatory environment	Fran Spivy-Weber, SWRCB
Water conservation	Joe Grindstaff, Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Water supply economics	Richard Howitt, UC Davis (discussion participant)

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. Panel 3: Protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem and its challenges

Panel 3A: Hydrodynamics, water quality, salinity, nutrients, & food web

<u>Topic:</u>	<u>Panelist and affiliation:</u>
Hydrodynamics	Jon Burau, USGS
Salinity and diversions	Greg Gartrell, Independ. consultant (CCWD retired)
Nutrients/food web	Jim Cloern, USGS
Upper food web	Wim Kimmerer, SFSU
Contaminants	Val Connor, SFCWA
Nutrients/lower food web	Anke Mueller-Solger, USGS (discussion participant)

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2:30 p.m. Panel 3B: Fish, birds & habitat

Topic:

Historical ecology
Critical ecological function
Fish/academic perspective
Fish/regulatory perspective
Birds/Terrestrial ecology

Panelist and affiliation:

Robin Grossinger, SFEI
Letitia Grenier, SFEI
Peter Moyle, UC Davis
Maria Rea, NMFS
Matt Reiter, Point Blue Conservation Science

3:50 p.m. Break

4:10 p.m. Summary remarks from Author Panelists

4:30 p.m. Public comment

5:00 p.m. Adjourn
