

Quarterly Update from the Delta Watermaster

Summary: As required by the Delta Reform Act, Delta Watermaster Michael George will provide the Council with an overview of the recent, current and near-term future activities of the Office of Delta Watermaster within the State Water Resources Control Board.

Background

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), as the State's principal water resources regulatory agency, has statutory authority to help implement and enforce many types of regulatory policies and recommendations that will complement the Delta Plan's policies and recommendations. California Water Code section 85230(a) creates within the State Water Board the position of Delta Watermaster and section 85320(d) directs the Watermaster to submit regular reports to the State Water Board and to the Council on water issues.

In this report to the Council, some of the topics Mr. George likely will discuss with the Council are: Delta Consumptive Use Measurement Methodology Comparison Project, water quality monitoring and improvement efforts, drought response within the Delta, the invasive weed suppression program, and environmental monitoring and attempts at mitigation for impacts to habitat and species.

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