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# DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

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Date: Dec. 9, 2015  
To: Delta Stewardship Council Members  
From: Jessica R. Pearson, Executive Officer  
Subject: Upcoming Council Meeting on Dec.17, 2015

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Our upcoming one-day Council meeting will be held at the Park Tower Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 980 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. The agenda and supporting materials for the meeting are attached, and some additional handouts may be provided at the meeting.

We will be discussing several items that will require sufficient time for presentation, discussion and public comment. Our principal discussions include:

- **Single-Year Water Transfers and the Delta Plan.** This item is carried over from last month and staff recommends that you amend both the Delta Plan regulations and Delta Plan water reliability recommendation 15 (WR R15) to reflect that the under existing regulatory oversight, single-year water transfers conveyed through the Delta do not have a significant impact on the coequal goals. The Delta Plan adopted in May 2013 provided single-year transfers only a temporary exemption from the “covered actions” process.
- **Delta Plan Performance Measures.** Today’s briefing will focus on staff’s updated recommendations for refinements to the Delta Plan’s output and outcome performance measures as well as nine new performance measures developed to address gaps in tracking the Delta Plan’s goals and strategies.
- **2015/2016 Delta Flood Preparedness – Anticipating the Effects of an El Niño Year.** Subject matter experts will discuss the potential for flood conditions, assuming El Niño conditions prevail, and will highlight the use of non-structural measures for Delta flood risk reduction – material you should find useful in the development of the DLIS.

As always, time for public comment on these agenda items, as well as any item of relevance to the Council, will be available. If I can answer any questions or provide any information, please contact me at (916) 445-4500 or [jpearson@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:jpearson@deltacouncil.ca.gov).

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*“Coequal goals” means the two goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem. The coequal goals shall be achieved in a manner that protects and enhances the unique cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta as an evolving place.”*

– CA Water Code §85054