

August 14, 2012
Dr. Jeffrey Mount
Member, Delta Independent
Science Board

Phil Isenberg, Chair
Delta Stewardship Council

Dr. Peter Goodwin, Lead Scientist
Delta Science Program

Dear Chair Isenberg and Dr. Goodwin:

I have been involved with oversight of science in the Delta for more than a decade, serving on the first CALFED Independent Science Board, which I eventually chaired, and on the current Delta Independent Science Board. I have occupied a front row seat as the Delta scientific community tackled one of this nation's most complex water resource management issues. I feel lucky to have been a part of this.

This fall, after 32 years on the faculty at UC Davis, I will be retiring and taking on new challenges. It is my intention to step down from the Delta Independent Science Board at the same time, effective October 31st.

I want to thank the Delta Stewardship Council and the Delta Science Program for the opportunity to serve on the Delta Independent Science Board. I have genuinely enjoyed the experience, particularly working with my colleagues on the Board and the talented men and women of the Science Program. There are many challenges ahead for Delta science, but the foundations are there for building a highly effective, model program.

Although stepping down from the Board, I am committed to continuing to help advance Delta science. I am available to the Science Program and the Council in ways that they determine to be useful. I look forward to future collaborations.

In a word, thanks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffrey Mount', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Jeffrey Mount