



September 18, 2014

-- AGENDA --
MEETING OF THE DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL
Thursday, September 25, 2014
Park Tower Plaza
980 9th Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Sacramento, CA 95814

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Thursday, September 25, 2014, 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
2. **Roll Call – Establish a Quorum (Water Code §85210.5)**
3. **Chair’s Report**
4. **Executive Officer’s Report (Information Item)**
 - a. **Legislative Update**
 - b. **Legal Update**
5. **Approval of USGS as a Member of Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee (Action Item)**

Approve the addition of the U. S. Geological Survey to the core membership of the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee.
6. **Lead Scientist’s Report (Water Code §85280) (Information Item)**

The Delta Lead Scientist will report on Delta science activities.

Attachment 1: NOAA Report – “The California Drought of 2014: Record Hot, Record Dry”

Attachment 2: By the Numbers Summary
7. **Delta Independent Science Board Report (Water Code §85820 (a)(4)) (Information Item)**

A member of the Delta Independent Science Board will report on recent Board activities.

Attachment 1: Delta ISB 2014-15 Program Review Groups
8. **Adoption of August 28, 2014 Meeting Summary (Action Item)**

“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.”

**9. Presentation of Draft Interim Science Action Agenda and Next Steps
(Information Item)**

Staff will provide an overview of the draft Interim Science Action Agenda and next steps including receiving and responding to public comments, presentation of the Interim Science Action Agenda to the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee, and measures of success for implementation.

Attachment 1: Draft Interim Science Action Agenda (September 9, 2014)

10. Preview of the 8th Biennial Bay-Delta Science Conference: Making Connections (Information Item)

Staff will highlight activities included in the 8th Biennial Bay-Delta Science Conference to be held October 28-30 in Sacramento, including talks presented by Delta Stewardship Council and Science Program staff, sessions of potential interest to the Council, and other activities.

**11. Presentation and Discussion of Levee Investment Issue Paper
(Information Item)**

Staff will provide an overview of the draft Delta Levee Investment Strategy Issue Paper and next steps, including receiving and responding to public comments, along with an update on this project since the August 2014 Council meeting.

a. Levee Investment Issue Paper

b. Other Activities

Attachment 1: Draft Delta Levee Investment Strategy Issue Paper

12. Public Comment

13. Preparation for Next Council Meeting – Discuss (a) expected agenda items; (b) new work assignments for staff; (c) requests of other agencies; (d) other requests from Council members; and (e) confirm next meeting date.

4:30 p.m. ADJOURN

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