

**Subject:** Sacramento, California - Invitation to apply to fill a vacancy on the California Delta Independent Science Board of the Delta Stewardship Council

The [Delta Stewardship Council](#) is filling one vacancy on the [Delta Independent Science Board](#) (Delta ISB). The role of the Delta ISB is to provide oversight of the scientific research, monitoring, and assessment programs that support adaptive management of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

**Background:** In November 2009, the California Legislature passed a landmark five-bill water package to address California water issues. One of the bills (SBX7 1, the Delta Reform Act) created the Delta Stewardship Council as an independent state agency tasked with developing the Delta Plan for achieving the coequal goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, enhancing, and restoring the California Delta ecosystem. The Legislation also created a 10-member Delta Independent Science Board tasked with reviewing all Delta scientific research, monitoring, and assessment programs at least once every four years with critical reviews of action items likely occurring more frequently. In addition, the Delta ISB is to review the draft environmental impact report for the [Bay Delta Conservation Plan](#), which is scheduled to be released this summer. The first meeting of the Delta ISB occurred September 2010 and subsequently 2-day meetings in Sacramento have been convened about six times a year with several additional teleconference meetings as needed.

The term of office for Delta ISB members is five years. A member may serve no more than two terms. Terms for all current members, including the vacancy will expire August 31, 2015. For more information about current Delta ISB members, past meetings, and products, [click here](#).

**Qualifications:** In order to be considered for nomination by the Delta Lead Scientist and appointment by the Delta Stewardship Council, you must meet these two qualifications listed in the Delta Reform Act:

- 1) Be a nationally or internationally prominent scientist/engineer with appropriate expertise to evaluate the broad range of scientific programs that support adaptive management of the Delta.
- 2) Not be directly affiliated with a program or agency subject to the review activities of the Delta Independent Science Board.

The Council is looking for a world class scientist/engineer with expertise in the areas of risk, hydrological modeling, engineering (water resources and/or levee stability), and/or water quality.

**How to Apply:** If you are interested in being a member of the Delta ISB and you meet the required legal qualifications, please send a letter of interest along with

your CV and a list of five references (including name, title, email and telephone number) no later than 5pm (PDT) on June 4, 2012 to:

Delta Stewardship Council  
c/o Delta Science Program  
Attn: Jill McGee  
980 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1500  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Or email to: [jill.mcgee@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:jill.mcgee@deltacouncil.ca.gov)

Thank you for your interest.

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