Date: January 16, 2020

To: Delta Stewardship Council members

From: Jessica R. Pearson, Executive Officer

Subject: Upcoming Council Meeting – January 23, 2020

Our first meeting of the year will be held at the Tsakopoulos Library Galleria, East Meeting Room, 828 I Street, Sacramento, California. The meeting will start with a closed executive session at 9:00 AM.

The start of the New Year provides an opportunity to reflect on the Council’s accomplishments and establish the coming year’s priorities. Based on direction provided by the Council at its October 2019 retreat, Chief Deputy Executive Officer Jessica Law and I will present the Council’s proposed 2020-2021 Priorities for discussion by the Council. Council staff will also present the Council’s 2019 Annual Report.

In addition, with the Legislature reconvening, Legislative and Policy Advisor Ryan Stanbra will return with his Legislative Update and I will request Council approval for a contract amendment with UC San Diego/Sea Grant for a social science UC Extension Specialist for the Delta Science Program. The specialist will develop and implement a social science research program for the Delta.

Lastly, guest panelists from the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) will present their findings from the Council-funded eastern Contra Costa County Adapting to Rising Tides Project. Council staff will also present how the project will inform the Council’s development of the Delta’s Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Strategy.

If I can answer any questions or provide any other information, please contact me at (916) 445-4500 or jessica.pearson@deltacouncil.ca.gov.

"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