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MEETING AGENDA
MEETING OF THE DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

March 26, 2020

Start Time:

9:00 AM

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 issued on March 12, 2020, and the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020, the Delta Stewardship Council will continue to provide opportunities for remote participation by Councilmembers, staff, and the public with prudent measures to reduce community transmission of COVID-19.

The meeting's proceedings will be conducted entirely remotely. There will not be a public access location. Members of the public may observe the meeting via the webcast outlined below and may email comments during discussion of individual agenda items to: engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov, so that Councilmembers can address those comments during the appropriate agenda items. The public can also provide comments telephonically by calling 888-251-2909, access code 4455553, during the appropriate agenda item. Please mute your phone upon call-in, until prompted by the Chair for public comment.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Webcast

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1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Roll Call – Establish a Quorum (Water Code §85210.5)

3. Closed Executive Session: Litigation (Not Open to the Public) (Action Item)

The Council may discuss litigation matters pursuant to Government Code §11126 (e)(2)(A), (e)(2)(B)(i), and/or (e)(2)(C)(i), including: (a) Delta Stewardship Council Cases, Coordinated Proceeding JCCP No. 4758; (b) North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al. v. Delta Stewardship Council, Sacramento County Superior Ct. No. 34-2018-80002898; and (c) Takahashi v. Delta Stewardship Council, Sacramento County Superior Ct. No. 34-2018-00232084.

(This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).)

4. Reconvene Open Session

5. Adoption of February 27, 2020 Meeting Summary (Action Item)

6. Chair's Report (Information Item)

a) Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee Update

7. Executive Officer's Report

The Executive Officer will provide an update on the Council's activities and provide the Council with the Outreach Highlights Report and Active Projects List.

a) Legal Update (Information Item)

b) Legislative Update (Action Item)

The Council will discuss current legislation that could affect the Council and/or implementation of the Delta Plan and may take action to express support, opposition, or seek to amend any of the bills listed in the monthly legislative report.

c) Consideration of a Contract with the United States Geological Survey to Fund Operation Baseline 2.0 Investigations (Action Item)

The Council will consider approval of a contract with the United States Geological Survey to fund two science investigations related to the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District wastewater treatment plant upgrades. The total amount of the contract is \$943,645.

Attachment 1: Delta Science Program Operation Baseline Fact Sheet



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d) Amendment of a Contract with the University of California, Davis for Acoustic Telemetry (Action Item)

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to an existing contract with the University of California, Davis to allow for the hiring of a post-doctorate from the University of Maryland.

e) Amendment of a Contract with the University of California, Davis for Chinook Salmon Re-introduction Investigations (Action Item)

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to an existing contract with the University of California, Davis to increase funding to continue research that informs best practices for Chinook Salmon re-introduction to the San Joaquin River. The amendment would increase the contract by \$140,277, for a total of \$1,890,277.

8. Lead Scientist's Report (Information Item)

Dr. John Callaway will report on recent advances in Delta science and research.

Attachment 1: By the Numbers (available March 26, 2020)

Attachment 2: Visual abstract of temperature and region drive lamprey distribution in the Bay-Delta.

9. Delta Levees Investment Strategy Regulation Update (Action Item)

Council Staff will discuss new Delta levee information that the Council needs to evaluate and has the potential to change the prioritization of Delta levees and tracts in the Delta Levees Investment Strategy (DLIS). The Council will also consider a resolution that outlines California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemptions, preparation of a notice to formally withdraw from the rulemaking process for DLIS, amend the current version of Delta Plan Chapter 7, and direct Council staff to evaluate the new information available to determine if further modifications are needed.

Attachment 1: Council Resolution 2020-01

Resolution Attachment 1 – Resolution 2018-01

Resolution Attachment 2 – 2018 Adopted Chapter 7 (Available Upon Request)

Resolution Attachment 3 – Resolution 2019-02

Resolution Attachment 4 – Revised Chapter 7 Draft

Resolution Attachment 5 – Notice of Decision Not to Proceed

10. Amendment of a Contract with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. for Support for the Ecosystem Amendment to the Delta Plan and Delta Levees Investment Strategy (Action Item)

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to an existing contract with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to change the scope of work and increase the funding amount. The amendment covers additional support for the Ecosystem Amendment to the Delta Plan, Delta Levees Investment Strategy, and project management. The amendment would increase the total amount of the contract by up to \$960,000, for a total of \$6,010,000.



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11. Public Comment

12. Preparation for Next Council Meeting

ADJOURN

NOTE: *The times for subject discussion, action, or adjournment, are approximate only unless otherwise noted. Should the Council complete its business under any agenda item, it will move on to the next agenda item. Should the Council complete its full agenda for a meeting day before the scheduled adjournment time, and no member of the public wishes to provide further testimony, the Council meeting will adjourn early.*

- *Your comments are important to each member of the Council and staff.*
- *Correspondence received by regular mail or email before 12:00 p.m. the day before a Council meeting will be distributed to members in advance of the meeting. Correspondence received after 12:00 p.m. or hand-delivered at the meeting will be distributed to the members at the start of the meeting or when received.*
- *Members of the public shall be provided an opportunity to address the Delta Stewardship Council on any agenda item except closed session items and those items for which the public has already been afforded such an opportunity at an earlier meeting. Comments during the public comment period shall be limited to matters within the Council's jurisdiction. Reasonable time limits may be established for public comments (Government Code Section 11125.7).*
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- *Additional information is available on the Delta Stewardship Council's website at <http://deltacouncil.ca.gov>. If you have any questions, please contact Lita Brydie at (916) 445-0769 or lita.brydie@deltacouncil.ca.gov.*