



Delta Stewardship Council

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MEMORANDUM

Date: October 22, 2021
To: Delta Stewardship Councilmembers
From: Jessica R. Pearson, Executive Officer
Subject: Upcoming Council Meeting – October 28, 2021¹

In honor of Flood Awareness Month, we have two presentations on flood emergency response and preparedness. First, the Council will receive a presentation from Reclamation District 1607 and the Department of Water Resources (DWR) on the causes and coordinated emergency response to the June 2021 Van Sickle Island flood event in the Suisun Marsh area. The presentation will also touch on lessons learned from the past 15 years of flood events and the adaptation strategies required.

In addition, staff from the Department of Water Resources and Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Flood Board) will return to update the Council on efforts to develop the 2022 Update to the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan. DWR and the Flood Board were last here in March, and today's presentation will include a high-level overview of the working draft and highlight upcoming engagement and coordination with the Council.

Beyond the flood topics, we will also hear from DWR regarding an update on the constructed emergency drought salinity barrier across the False River in the Central Delta. DWR now plans to leave the barrier in place through December 2021 and fully remove it by November 30, 2022. During that time, DWR will notch the barrier to allow for fish and vessel passage from January through April 2022.

If I can answer any questions or provide any other information in advance of the October 28 meeting, please contact me at (916) 445-4500 or jessica.pearson@deltacouncil.ca.gov.

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¹ This month's meeting will be conducted remotely per Assembly Bill 361 (Government Code §11133). The Council continues to prioritize opportunities for remote participation by the public while also undertaking measures to reduce community transmission of COVID-19. Please see the meeting notice for details.