



Active Projects List

The tables below highlight a sample of active projects for Council member review. Active projects include both potential covered actions and related plans and projects. An explanation of Column 4, Status, is provided on the final page.

Changes since August 2024 are denoted with an asterisk (*) and in italics. One project was added and one project was removed.

State Projects

| State Project Name | Location (County) | Proponent | Status | California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Status | Description |
|---|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|--|
| Delta Conveyance | Delta-wide | Department of Water Resources (DWR) | Early Consultation | Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) | A facility to convey water from the Sacramento River in the north Delta directly to the existing State Water Project (SWP) and Central Valley Project (CVP) pumping plants in the south Delta. |
| Little Egbert Multi- Benefit Project | Solano County | DWR | Comment Letter 8.2.23 | Notice of Preparation (NOP) | Transition of land from agricultural to tidal wetlands, subtidal and riparian habitat located at the south end of the Yolo Bypass. |

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| Franks Tract Futures 2020 Reimagined | Contra Costa | California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) | Comment Letter | Not Initiated | Explore options for improving ecosystem, water quality, recreation, and community benefits at Franks Tract. |
| Twitchell Island West End Wetland (EcoRestore) | Sacramento County | DWR/ RD1601 | Comment letter 1.29.24 | Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) | Project intends to restore and enhance 40 acres of wetland and 80 acres of riparian and scrub habitat within a 185-acre project area footprint. |
| Long Term West False River Drought Salinity Barrier Project | Contra Costa County | DWR | Comment letter 8.22.22 | DEIR | Temporary drought salinity barrier would be installed in West False River up to two times between 2023 and 2032 if drought conditions occur. |

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| Sherman Island Wetland Restoration Project Phase III (Whale's Nose) | Sacramento County | DWR/Recla mation District (RD) 341 | CDFW consultation | Statutory Exemption for Restoration Projects (SERP) Pre- Concurrence Consultation | Restore and enhance up to 1,369 acres of palustrine emergent wetlands. |

Regional Projects

| Regional Project Name | Location (County) | Proponent | Status | CEQA Status | Description |
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| Yolo Bypass Cache Slough Partnership | Solano, Yolo | Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) | Early Consultation; Comment Letter sent 10.19.23 | NOP | Multi-partner initiative for programmatic activities in Yolo Bypass and Cache Slough. |
| Sacramento Regional Water Bank | Sutter, Placer and Sacramento Counties | Regional Water Authority (RWA) | Comment letter sent 10.19.23 | NOP | Regional water bank to coordinate and expend conjunctive use practices of RWA members. |

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| Banta Carbona Floodplain Project | San Joaquin County | Banta Carbona Irrigation District (BCID) | Early consultation meeting 4.8.24. | PEIR | Using Statewide Restoration General Order through the Water Board. Determining process to certify. |

Local Projects

| Local Project Name | Location (County) | Proponent | Status | CEQA Status | Description |
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| Cache Slough Complex Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) | Solano, Yolo | Solano County | Monitoring | Not Initiated | Plan to provide coverage for endangered species take at existing water supply diversions and intakes. |
| Webb Tract Wetland Mosaic Landscape Project | Contra Costa County | Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) | Early consultation | Statutory Exemption for Restoration Projects (SERP) Pre- Concurrence Consultation | MWD would design and construct up to 3,500 acres of managed, flooded wetlands and up to 1,500 acres of rice fields at Webb Tract. |

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| Georgiana Slough Erosion Control and Habitat Enhancement Project | Sacramento County | Brannan- Andrus Levee Maintenance District | Comment letter sent 07.17.24 | IS/MND | The project intends to resolve upper slope erosion problems and a major lower slope undercutting issue. |
| Contra Costa County 2045 General Plan and Climate Action Plan Update | Contra Costa County | Contra Costa County | Comment Letter sent 04.02.24 | DEIR | The County is updating its General Plan and Climate Action Plan. Certification of Consistency anticipated Fall 2024. |
| Paradise Cut Expansion & South Delta Restoration Project | San Joaquin County | San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency | Feasibility Study to be completed in 2025 | Not initiated | The Project seeks to decrease peak flows during potential flood events and improve and enhance habitat. |
| Mokelumne Aqueducts Resiliency Project | San Joaquin, Contra Costa County | East Bay Municipal Utilities District | Comment Letter 04.28.2022 | NOP | Replace a portion of the existing Mokelumne Aqueducts with a buried Aqueduct Tunnel of approximately 16.5 miles in length. |

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| *Tide's End Multi- Benefit Restoration Project | Yolo County | DWR | Comment Letter sent 08.23.24 | NOP | Proposing to restore tidal marsh and associated flood plain habitat. |
| General Plan for Delta Meadows State Park | Sacramento County | California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks) | Early Consultation | Not initiated | Classifying and developing a comprehensive general plan to address critical resource management and infrastructure needs. NOP for DEIR expected 2026. |
| Zacharias Ranch Tidal Restoration Project | Sacramento County | Sacramento County | Early consultation | SERP Pre- Concurrence Consultation | Proposing to return tidal influence to approximately 500 acres of land currently used for agriculture, and expand the floodplain of Snodgrass Slough to restore process and function across slough and tidal marsh habitat. |

Other Projects

| Project Name | Location (County) | Proponent | Status | CEQA Status | Description |
|--|----------------------|--|----------------|--|---|
| Delta Conveyance | Delta-wide | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) | Comment Letter | Draft Environmental Impact Study (EIS) | A facility to convey water from the Sacramento River in the north Delta directly to the existing SWP and CVP pumping plants in the south Delta. The scope is limited to construction activities, structures, and modifications to federal levees and navigation projects. |
| Delta Cross Channel Gate Upgrades Project | Sacramento | U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) | Monitoring | Not initiated | Provide for remote and more frequent operation, to manage water quality in the Central Delta and at the SWP and CVP pumping plants. |
| Long Term Operations of the Central Valley Water Project | Delta-wide | Bureau of Reclamation | Monitoring | IES (NEPA) | Federal facilities for transporting water from the Sacramento River to the San Joaquin Valley and to farm land in the Delta. |

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| Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan | San Francisco Bay, Sacramento to San Joaquin Delta | State Water Resources Control Board | Comment Letter 1.19.24 | NOP | The proposed project is adoption of regulations pursuant to the rulemaking procedures of the Administrative Procedure Act (Gov. Code, § 11340 et seq.) to allocate responsibility to water rights holders and claimants for implementing the Bay-Delta Plan Lower San Joaquin River flow and southern Delta salinity components of the 2018 Bay-Delta Plan. |
| Goat Island on Rush Ranch | Solano County | San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority | Tier from the 2015 MND Monitoring | Suisun Marsh PEIR, 2015 MND | Phase II presentation scheduled for Suisun AMAT in Nov. 2024. AMAT site visit 5.14.24. |

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| Plan Bay Area 2050+ | Bay Area (9 counties) | MTC/ABAG (Metro Transportation Commission/Association of Bay Area Governments) | Draft of the plan 2050+ is completed as of 1.24. Draft blueprint outcomes. | Not initiated. | Limited update to the Plan Bay Area 2050+, verifying growth and economic assumptions due to Covid. Draft Blueprint Performance and Equity Outcomes published June 2024. |
| *Yolo Bypass Comprehensive/ Feasibility Study | | USACE | Monitoring | | Feasibility study with USACE and SAFCA. Comprehensive study is imbedded within. This study has nationwide significance. |

Status Types

Active projects include both potential covered actions and related plans and projects of interest. The active project "Status" reported above is not sequential but tends to align with certain phases of the CEQA process. The relationship between generalized steps in the CEQA process (top row) and generalized status types (bottom row) is illustrated in **Figure 1**. Each status type is described in more detail, below.

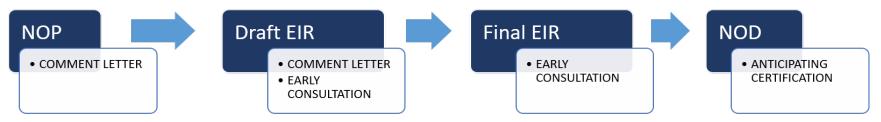


Figure 1. Typical Project Sequence

Coordinating: Occasionally, the Council will coordinate with state and local agencies prior to the initiation of the CEQA process in order to track and/or inform project formulation. Coordination may include informal discussions or attendance at project planning meetings.

Comment letter: Council staff prepare comment letters in response to each phase of the CEQA process leading up to a final document (e.g., Notice of Preparation [NOP], Initial Statement [IS], Negative Declaration [ND], Mitigated Negative Declaration [MND], Draft Environmental Impact Report [DEIR]). The Council may also comment on other interim studies and reports, as needed. The Council comments on potential covered actions as well as on long range plans identified in the Delta Reform Act (Wat. Code section 85212) and projects located outside of the Delta that will have a significant impact on the Delta (Wat. Code section 85210[j]).

Early consultation: The Delta Reform Act directs the Council to offer early consultation to assist state and local public agencies in preparing certifications of consistency (Wat. Code section 85225.5). The timing and frequency of early consultation is at the discretion of the project proponent.

Anticipating certification: Council staff anticipate a certification of consistency once a notice of determination (NOD) has been issued. Proponents of covered actions must file a certification of consistency prior to project implementation (Wat. Code section 85225). The timeframe between NOD and implementation varies.