

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL RESOLUTION
2026-01

Amendment to Contract No. 23011-A3 with the Regents of the University of California San Diego, California Sea Grant for the 2025 Class of Delta Science Fellows and 2024/2025/2026 Classes of State Policy Fellows

WHEREAS, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 (Delta Reform Act), Water Code section 85000 *et seq.*, authorizes the Delta Stewardship Council (Council) to enter into contracts, including contracts for consulting and legal services, and to fund research, receive funds, and to disburse funds through contracts (WC §§ 85210 and 85280); and

WHEREAS, the Delta Reform Act directs that the Delta Plan must further the “coequal goals” (Water Code § 85300) and defines the coequal goals to mean the two goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem to 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 (Water Code § 85054); and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Council’s Delta Science Program is “to provide the best possible unbiased scientific information to inform water and environmental decisionmaking in the Delta carried out through funding research, synthesizing and communicating scientific information to policymakers and decisionmakers, promoting independent scientific peer review, and coordinating with Delta agencies to promote science-based adaptive management” (Water Code § 85280(b)(4)); and

WHEREAS, the Council has considered the contracting request set forth in agenda item 4b (Consent Calendar) of the January 22, 2026, Council meeting notice and has reviewed the staff report for the contracting request; and

WHEREAS, the said contracting request set forth in agenda item 4b (Consent Calendar) and the staff report for the contracting request are incorporated herein and made part of this Resolution as if fully set forth and are Attachment A to this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the contracting request supports the furtherance of the coequal goals and is within the Council’s authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL THAT:

1. The Council hereby finds the foregoing recitals to be true and correct and incorporates them herein.
2. The Council approves the following contracting request set forth in agenda item 4b(Consent Calendar) of the Council's January 22, 2026, meeting notice and in the staff report for the contracting request, which are incorporated herein and attached to this Resolution as Attachment A:
 - a. Amendment to Contract DSC23011-A3 with the Regents of the University of California San Diego, California Sea Grant for the 2025 Class of Delta Science Fellows and 2024/2025/2026 Classes of State Policy Fellows
3. The Council authorizes and directs the Executive Officer, or their delegatee, to process the contract in accordance with the applicable laws, processes, and policies.
4. The Council authorizes and directs the Executive Officer, or their delegatee, to take such steps as are necessary to effect the intent of this resolution, including submittal of the contract for approval by the Department of General Services, if applicable.

Attachment A: January 22, 2026, Council meeting notice and staff report for contracting request in Item 4b(Consent Calendar) (Consideration and Possible Approval of Amendment to Contract No. DSC23011-A3 with the Regents of the University of California San Diego, California Sea Grant for the 2025 Class of Delta Science Fellows and 2024/2025/2026 Classes of State Policy Fellows)

CERTIFICATION

On a motion by Councilmember Miller, seconded by Councilmember Burgis, and a vote of the Council, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Delta Stewardship Council by the following vote at a regular meeting of the Delta Stewardship Council on January 22, 2026.

Burgis Aye

Hueso Aye

Lee Aye

Mehranian Absent

Miller Aye

Patterson Aye

Zingale Aye

Dated: January 22, 2026

Emma Askea _____
Clerk of the Board of the Delta Stewardship Council