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MEMORANDUM

Date: November 12, 2026

To: Delta Stewardship Councilmembers

From: Jessica R. Pearson, Executive Officer

Subject: Upcoming Council Meeting – Thursday, November 19, 2026

California's climate is changing, and this winter is forecasted to be the strongest El Niño on record which may bring heavy rains and flooding to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. This month's meeting will highlight the science behind the projected El Niño including risks and potential benefits of the projected event. The Council will hear from Delta flood professionals about the emergency action planning taking place at the local and county level to prepare for this unprecedented event.

This month's meeting will also feature an update on implementation of the 2025 Tribal and Environmental Justice Issue paper. Additionally, the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation and Council staff will provide a presentation on California's Fifth Climate Change Assessment, including the first-ever report focused on the Delta, led by the Council, which builds on the work of our landmark climate initiative, *Delta Adapts*.

The meeting begins at 9:30 AM and will be held at the California Natural Resources Building room 2-221 and on Zoom at https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89159439718.