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## **Delta Independent Science Board**

**Proposed Agenda for the August 12, 2022**

**Tour of Water Project Facilities**

**Portion of the August 2022 Delta Independent Science  
Board (Delta ISB) Meeting**

**EARLY REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**\*No later than FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2022 at 1:00 PM\***

Friday, August 12, 2022

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

(This will be the second day of a 2-day Delta ISB Meeting)

### **Tour Start Location**

Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area  
13638 Christensen Rd  
Byron, CA 94514

[See map for directions to the tour start location.](#)

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### **Webcast**

The tour will not be webcast and will not be recorded.

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### **Tour/Meeting Materials**

Materials referenced in this notice are available on the Delta ISB [meetings web page](#) at <https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-isb/meetings>. Members of the public are encouraged to visit the events web page to view the meeting materials

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## Purpose

The Delta ISB will meet from August 11 to 12, 2022. The second day of the meeting will be a tour of various facilities in Byron, California, described below. **EARLY REGISTRATION NO LATER THAN JULY 8, 2022, IS REQUIRED** due to security. Spaces for registration are limited and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

A meeting notice will be released ten days before the meeting. To help with planning and allow the public to reserve a spot, this proposed tour agenda is released in advance of the notice. Any revisions to the proposed agenda will be noted in the meeting notice published ten days prior to the meeting.

The tour on August 12 will include: (1) the State Water Project's Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant and John E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility, (2) the UC Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory, and (3) the Central Valley Project's Tracy Fish Collection Facility. **Parking will be extremely limited** at these facilities.

To reserve your space on the tour, please e-mail [disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov) or call (916) 902-6571 by **Friday, July 8 at 1 PM**.

As part of security measures at these facilities, you must bring and show a United States or State-issued identification card. **In addition, participation in a tour of the State Water Project facilities will require you to e-mail a photocopy of your United States or State-issued identification card by July 8. If space is available, you will be contacted about providing a photocopy of your identification card in advance of the tour.**

For health and safety, all attendees **must wear closed-toe shoes**, and hard hats will be required for portions of the tour. Hard hats will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own. Masks and physical distancing are strongly recommended.

All members of the public participating in the tour are responsible for their own transportation to and from the tour, as well as their own food and water. No refreshments or water will be provided at any time during the tour. All times listed in the agenda are approximate. The Delta ISB will convene as a quorum at the stops listed on the agenda. There will not be a quorum of members during transportation between stops.

This Purpose section describes the highlights. For more information about the meeting, refer to the agenda below.

## **Agenda**

The agenda items listed below may be considered in a different order pursuant to the determination of the Delta ISB chair. The times listed on the agenda are approximate only. At the discretion of the Delta ISB, all items appearing on this agenda, whether expressly listed for action, may be deliberated upon and may be subject to action.

### **~ 9:00 AM: Tour/Meeting Starts**

The Delta ISB will meet in the parking lot of the Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area (3638 Christensen Rd Byron, CA 94514). [See map for directions to the tour start location.](#)

1. Welcome and Declarations

2. Public Comments

The Delta ISB will take public comments on topics within its jurisdiction that are not on the agenda.

3. Recess meeting to reconvene at the John E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility at ~9:30 AM

### **~ 9:10 AM: Depart Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area to the Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant (5280 Bruns Road, Byron, CA, 94514)**

[See map for directions to Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant.](#)

### **~ 9:30 AM: Reconvene Meeting at the Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant**

4. Establish a quorum

5. Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant Tour

Joe Trujillo of the California Department of Water Resources will provide a tour of the Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant, which lifts water into the California Aqueduct (see [State Water Project facilities website](#)).

6. Recess meeting to reconvene at the John E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility at ~10:00 AM

### **~ 9:45 AM: Depart Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant to the John E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility (5280 Kelso Road, Byron, CA 94514)**

[See map for directions to John E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility.](#)

### **~ 10:00 AM: Reconvene Meeting at the John. E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility.**

7. Establish a quorum
8. John E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility Tour  
Trent Schaffer of the California Department of Water Resources will provide a tour of the John E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility, which attempts to divert fish from the Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant (see [State Water Project facilities website](#)). As part of the tour of the John E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility, the California Department of Water Resources will also provide an overview of the Clifton Court Forebay.
9. Recess meeting to reconvene at the UC Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory at ~11:30 AM

**~ 11:20 AM: Depart John. E. Skinner Delta Fish Protective Facility to the UC Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory (17501 Byron Hwy, Byron (Discovery Bay), CA 94505)**

[See map for directions to the UC Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory.](#)

**~11:30 AM: Reconvene Meeting at the UC Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory**

10. Establish a quorum
11. UC Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory Tour  
Dr. Tien-Chieh Hung of UC Davis will provide a tour of the [Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory](#), which houses a refuge population and research center for Delta Smelt.
12. Recess meeting to reconvene at the Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area at ~12:45 PM

**~ 12:30 PM: Depart UC Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory to the Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area (3638 Christensen Rd Byron, CA 94514) for Lunch.**

[See map for directions to the Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area .](#)

**~ 12:45 PM: Reconvene Meeting at the Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area for Lunch.**

13. Establish a quorum
14. Discussion of Delta tour over lunch
15. Recess meeting to reconvene at the Tracy Fish Collection Facility at ~1:30 PM

**~ 1:15 PM: Depart Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area to the Tracy Fish Collection Facility (6525 Lindemann Rd, Byron, CA 94514)**

[See map for directions to Tracy Fish Collection Facility.](#)

**~ 1:30 PM: Reconvene Meeting at Tracy Fish Collection Facility**

16. Establish a quorum

17. Tracy Fish Collection Facility Tour

René Reyes of the United States Bureau of Reclamation will provide a tour of the Central Valley Project's Tracy Fish Collection Facility, which is operated in conjunction with the C.W. "Bill" Jones Pumping Plant to protect and salvage fish from pumping operations (see [fact sheet](#)).

**~ 4:00 PM: Tour and meeting adjourned**

### **Additional Information**

- If you have any questions, please contact Edmund Yu at (916) 902-6571 or [Edmund.Yu@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:Edmund.Yu@deltacouncil.ca.gov).
- If you need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact the Delta Stewardship Council's Human Resources Office at (916) 445-5511, TDD (800) 735-2929.
- Members of the public shall be provided an opportunity to address the Delta ISB on any agenda items except closed session items and those items for which the public has already been afforded such opportunity at an earlier meeting.
  - In addition, comments during the Public Comment period (Agenda Item 2) shall be limited to matters within the Delta ISB's jurisdiction and not on the agenda. Reasonable time limits may be established for public comments (Government Code Sections 11125.7).