



# Delta Independent Science Board

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

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## Meeting Notice of the Delta Independent Science Board

Thursday, July 14, 2022  
9:00 AM to 3:30 PM PDT

### Meeting Location

California Natural Resources Agency  
715 P Street, Room 221  
Sacramento, CA 95814

*(Parking information is at the end of the notice)*

For the health and safety of everyone attending this meeting, masks and physical distancing, and COVID-19 testing, if you have symptoms, are strongly recommended.

### Additional Teleconference Locations

#### *Location 1:*

Institute of Arctic and Alpine Research,  
450 UCB  
4001 Discovery Drive  
Boulder, CO 80303

#### *Location 2:*

University of Notre Dame  
Room 311D, Cushing Hall,  
Notre Dame, IN 46556

#### *Location 3:*

1380 Lawrence Street, Suite 500  
Denver CO 80204

#### *Location 4:*

15 Phillips Road  
Palo Alto, CA 94303

#### *Location 5:*

Chesapeake Biological Lab  
Parish House  
146 Williams Street  
Solomons, MD 20688

#### *Location 6:*

University of Tennessee  
425B Hesler Hall  
Knoxville, TN 37996

#### *Location 7:*

1010 Guard St Friday  
Harbor, WA 98250

#### *Location 8:*

6970 Cabernet Place  
Corvallis, OR 97330

## **Public Comments**

Information for providing public comments is at the end of this notice. Public comment may be limited to three minutes per person.

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## **Webcast**

The meeting will be webcast and will be recorded. To join the webcast, please register before the meeting via [Zoom](#):

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_QQ6yb2ETTy-A2Licu8wy4w](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QQ6yb2ETTy-A2Licu8wy4w)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions to join the webcast. If you have a computer microphone, you will have the option to receive audio and provide oral comments through your computer. If not, please dial the phone number listed in your confirmation email.

Note: Accessing the Zoom webcast requires you to enter your name and email, which may be disclosed as public information. The signal for the live feed may be intermittent due to the internet infrastructure at your location.

## **Other Remote Options**

If you need a phone-only option, please call the meeting clerk at 916-902-6571 by 7:00 AM on Thursday, July 14.

If you prefer a view-only option that does not require registration, the meeting will also be webcast on [Cal-SPAN](#): <https://cal-span.org/static/index.php>. With this option, you will not be able to provide oral comments.

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## **Meeting Materials**

Materials referenced in this notice are available on the Delta Independent Science Board's (Delta ISB's) [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 regarding its current reviews and efforts. This will include a presentation from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) on the models used to assess environmental impacts of the Delta Conveyance Project. Afterward, the Delta ISB will discuss its preparation and work plan for its future review of the Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement for the Delta Conveyance Project when these documents are released. This will include a discussion on the review template, chapter assignments, and the Delta ISB's approach to the review.

In addition, Delta ISB will meet to discuss potential revisions to its operating guidelines. Based on the discussion, the Delta ISB may take action to amend its operating guidelines.

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: Meeting Starts

1. Welcome and Declarations
2. Delta ISB Chair Report and Business Matters
3. Delta Stewardship Council Report and Executive Officer Report
4. Presentation: Delta Conveyance Project Update

Carrie Buckman and Amardeep Singh of DWR will present on the models used to assess environmental impacts of the Delta Conveyance Project. This will include how climate change and uncertainty are being represented in the models. This presentation is intended to help inform the Delta ISB's future review of the Environmental Impact Report, as indicated in the Delta ISB's [April 17, 2020, comment letter](#) on the Notice of Preparation for Delta Conveyance Project.

5. Work Plan Discussion: Delta Conveyance Project Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement Review

The Delta ISB will discuss its preparation and work plan for its future review of the Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement for the Delta Conveyance Project when these documents are released. This will include a discussion on the review template, chapter assignments, and the Delta ISB's approach to the review.

~12:30 PM: Lunch Break. Reconvene at 1:00 PM

6. Delta Lead Scientist Report

7. Discussion and Potential Action: Revisions to the Operating Guidelines  
(Action Item)

The Delta ISB last revised its [operating guidelines](#) in June 2020. At this meeting, the Delta ISB will discuss its operating guidelines and potential revisions. Based on the discussion, the Delta ISB may take action to amend its operating guidelines. These operating guidelines may be amended based upon a two-thirds (⅔) majority of Delta ISB members.

8. Discussion: Next Steps on the Current and Completed Reviews

- a. Non-native Species Review
- b. Monitoring Enterprise Review
- c. Water Supply Reliability Estimation Review

The Delta ISB has completed its [non-native species review](#), [monitoring enterprise review](#), and [water supply reliability estimation review](#). The Delta ISB will discuss next steps and outreach efforts for these reviews.

9. Discussion: Future Reviews

- a. Subsidence Reversal
- b. Food-webs
- c. Environmental Flows and a Resilient Delta
- d. Other Topics

The Delta ISB will continue to discuss future reviews, including the topics that emerged as top priorities at its November 15 and 16, 2021, virtual planning retreat meeting, along with new topics.

10. Preparation for Upcoming Delta ISB Meetings

11. Review of Items for Follow-up

Staff will provide a summary of any follow-up items for individual members to address after the meeting.

12. Public Comments

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

~ 3:30 PM: Meeting Adjourned

## Contact

- 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.

## Public Comments

- 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 12) 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).
- To make an oral public comment, please complete a blue card that is available near the entrance of the meeting location and provide it to the meeting clerk.
- If you are on the Zoom webcast and would like to provide oral public comments, please email the meeting clerk at [disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov) and provide your name, organization (if applicable), and the agenda item you wish to comment on. Please be on mute until prompted by the Delta ISB chair to provide your comment. If you prefer to provide written comments, please email the meeting clerk the message that should be read to the Delta ISB during the agenda item.

## Parking Information

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