



# Delta Independent Science Board

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

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## Meeting Notice of the Delta Independent Science Board

Thursday, September 12, 2024  
9:00 AM to 12:30 PM PT

This is a teleconference meeting of the Delta Independent Science Board (Delta ISB)  
(Government Code Section 11123)

**Delta ISB Member teleconference locations  
are listed at the end of the notice.**

### **Additional Location**

California Natural Resources Agency  
715 P Street, Room 15-204  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Staff only will be present at this location. The public will be able to address the  
Board through electronic means from this location.

### **Public Comments**

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

### **Remote Participation Option**

To participate remotely via [Zoom](https://us02web.zoom.us/join), please provide a Zoom name and email address  
at [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_RQ0GxQgkQj-WyRAurGdeEA](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_RQ0GxQgkQj-WyRAurGdeEA).

After registering, you will receive an email to the email address provided 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 a name and email, which may be disclosed as public information.

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### **Webcast**

The meeting will be webcast and recorded. The webcast may be accessed at [Cal-SPAN: https://cal-span.org/static/index.php](https://cal-span.org/static/index.php). With this option, you will not be able to provide oral public comments.

### **Phone Only Option**

If you need a phone-only option, please call the Clerk of the Board at 916-902-6571 by 8:00 AM on Thursday, September 12, 2024.

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### **Meeting Materials**

This notice and materials referenced in this notice are available on the Delta ISB's [meetings web page](https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-isb/meetings) 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 to discuss its reviews and activities. This will include updates and discussion on its current thematic reviews on subsidence, food webs, and decision-making under deep uncertainty, and the Delta ISB review of the final Environmental Impact Report for the Delta Conveyance Project.

Building off the Delta ISB's draft food-webs review, the Interagency Ecological Program is organizing a food-webs synthesis team. Dr. Rosemary Hartman of the California Department of Water Resources will provide an overview of the new synthesis effort, and how it plans to address some of the Delta ISB's preliminary recommendations.

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. Presentation: Overview of the Interagency Ecological Program Food-web Synthesis Effort

Building off the Delta ISB's draft food-webs review, the Interagency Ecological Program is organizing a food-webs synthesis team. Dr. Rosemary Hartman of the California Department of Water Resources will provide an overview of the new synthesis effort and how it plans to address some of the Delta ISB's preliminary recommendations.

4. Discussion: Food webs Review (**Action Item**)

The Delta ISB will discuss progress on addressing public comments received on its draft review, [Exploring scientific and management implications of upper trophic level food webs in the Delta](#). The goal of this review is to assess how to better incorporate and advance food web knowledge in managing the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta's ecosystems and to identify what tools are available or should be developed. Based on the discussion, the Delta ISB may take action on next steps for completing the review.

5. Discussion: Decision-Making Under Deep Uncertainty Review

The Delta ISB will discuss progress made on its decision-making under deep uncertainty review ([see prospectus](#)). The review will build an understanding of the scientific tools and concepts that can increase the capacity to anticipate and adapt to the growing uncertainty of future conditions in the Bay-Delta system.

6. Discussion: Subsidence Review

The Delta ISB will discuss progress made on its subsidence review ([see prospectus](#)). This review will synthesize and evaluate the state of science related to subsidence management in order to provide recommendations to inform and guide ongoing and future subsidence management.

7. Discussion: Delta Conveyance Project Final Environmental Impact Report Review (**Action Item**)

The California Department of Water Resources released the [Final Environmental Impact Report](#) for the Delta Conveyance Project on December

8, 2023, and [certified the report](#) on December 21, 2023. The Delta ISB will discuss the final Environmental Impact Report and how [its comments on the draft Environmental Impact Report](#) were addressed. This will help inform an upcoming memorandum from the Delta ISB to the California Department of Water Resources. Based on the discussion, the Delta ISB may take action on next steps for completing the review.

8. Discussion: Future Reviews & Activities (**Action Item**)

The Delta ISB will discuss future activities, including a review on contaminants and a workshop on the state of climate change science. Based on the discussion, the Delta ISB may take action on next steps on these future activities.

9. Public Comments

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

10. Preparation for Upcoming 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.

**~ 12:30 PM: Meeting Adjourned**

**Contact**

- If you have any questions, please contact the clerk of the Board at 916-902-6571, email [disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov), or visit the Delta Stewardship Council Office (715 P Street, 15-300, Sacramento, CA 95691).
- 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 each agenda item except closed session items.
  - In addition, comments during the Public Comment period (Agenda Item 9) 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 or Delta ISB member at that meeting location.
- If you are on the Zoom webcast or on the phone 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 a name, organization (if applicable – not required) 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 at [disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov) with the message that should be read to the Delta ISB and specify which agenda item.
  - The meeting will not be paused or adjourned in case of technical difficulties with the webcast recording. In the event of technical difficulties with access via Zoom, please listen in by phone using the number that is provided to you upon registration. In case of meeting interruption due to technical difficulties, please visit the Delta ISB’s [meetings web page](#) for additional information.

### **Parking Information**

Metered street parking is available on adjacent streets near the California Natural Resources Agency. Paid parking is also available at a state-owned parking garage at [10th and P Streets](#) and a privately owned parking lot at [7th and Q Streets](#). For public transit information, please visit the [Sacramento Regional Transit website](#).

### **Delta ISB Member Teleconference Locations**

<i>Location 1</i>	<i>Location 3</i>
Chesapeake Biological Lab Parish House 146 Williams Street Solomons, MD 20688	237 Del Monte Ave, Los Altos, CA 94022
<i>Location 2</i>	<i>Location 4</i>
Institute of Arctic and Alpine Research, 450 UCB 4001 Discovery Drive Boulder, CO 80303	1380 Lawrence St., Suite 500 Denver, CO 80204
	<i>Location 5</i>
	1010 Guard St Friday Harbor, WA 98250

\*Not available from 9 am to 12 pm\*

*Location 6*

22260 Kline's Resort Road  
Three Rivers, MI 49093

*Location 7*

1228 Avondale Lane  
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

*Location 8*

15 Phillips Road  
Palo Alto, CA 94303

*Location 9*

Spitalplatz 1  
78199 Braeunlingen, Germany

Location 10

712 Brannock Terrace  
Annapolis, MD 21401