



# Delta Independent Science Board

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

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## Meeting Notice of the Delta Independent Science Board

Wednesday, August 13, 2025  
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 (San Joaquin Room)  
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://us06web.zoom.us/join), please provide a Zoom name and email address at [https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_c2-tWYfLTJSEHhK4400IMw](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_c2-tWYfLTJSEHhK4400IMw).

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.

### **Archived Webcast**

The meeting will be archived via [Admin Monitor](https://california.adminmonitor.com/delta):  
<https://california.adminmonitor.com/delta>

### **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 Wednesday, August 13, 2025.

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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, including its decision-making under deep uncertainty review, climate research symposium, and the contaminants monitoring review. Dr. Virginia Dale and Dr. Bob Naiman of the Delta ISB will also share their reflections on the Delta ISB, as their terms will end on August 31, 2025.

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's Report and Business Matters

### 3. Delta Lead Scientist

Delta Lead Scientist Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers will update the Delta ISB on advances in science relevant to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and on Delta Science Program activities. This includes (1) the completed [independent scientific peer review](#) of the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes (HRL) Science Plan, (2) the revised draft of the [State Water Resources Control Board's Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan](#), and (3) the recently released article by Delta Science Program staff, titled [Changing Paradigms of Knowledge Production: Interweaving Traditional Knowledge and Predominant Science in the Delta](#), which is responsive to the recommendations from the Delta ISB's [Delta as an evolving place review](#).

### 4. Discussion: Decision-making Under Deep Uncertainty Review

The Delta ISB is conducting a review on the scientific tools and concepts that can increase the capacity to anticipate and adapt to growing uncertainty of future conditions in the Bay-Delta system. These tools and concepts are often classified as “decision-making under deep uncertainty.” The [first product of the review](#) was completed in October 2024, which is a summary and synthesis of information learned through a seminar series. The Delta ISB will discuss the status of other products from this review.

### 5. Discussion: Planning for a Climate Science Research Symposium

The Delta ISB plans to organize and host a public symposium from September 16-17, 2025, at UC Davis on the current state of climate science and how organizations in the region are considering climate change. The Delta ISB will discuss symposium planning, including an overview of the draft agenda (see [save-the-date flyer](#)).

### 6. Discussion: Contaminants Monitoring Review

The Delta ISB is proposing a review to assess current contaminant monitoring programs to determine the strengths and areas for improvement in how the data collected can inform the management of the ecological risk of contaminants. The Delta ISB will discuss the status of revising the [draft prospectus](#) to address public comments.

### 7. Reflections from Outgoing Delta ISB Members

Dr. Virginia Dale and Dr. Bob Naiman will conclude their term on the Delta ISB on August 31, 2025. They will reflect on their time on the Delta ISB.

## 8. Public Comments

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

## 9. Preparation for Upcoming Meetings and Review of Items for Follow-up

Staff will provide an overview of upcoming meetings and 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 95814).
- 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 8) 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**

### *Location 1*

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

### *Location 2*

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

### *Location 3*

260 Panama St  
Stanford, CA 94305

### *Location 4*

1380 Lawrence St., Suite 500  
Denver, CO 80204

### *Location 5*

1010 Guard St  
Friday Harbor, WA 98250

### *Location 6*

University of Tennessee  
425B Hesler Hall  
Knoxville, TN 37996

### *Location 7*

1228 Avondale Lane  
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

### *Location 8*

712 Brannock Terrace  
Annapolis, MD 21401

### *Location 9*

UC Davis  
Activities and Recreation Center  
One Shields Avenue  
Davis, CA 95616