Delta Independent Science Board

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

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Meeting Notice of the Delta Independent Science Board

Monday, August 17, 2026
11:00 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

Only staff will be present at this location. The public will be able to address the Delta ISB through electronic means from this location.

Public Comment

Information for providing public comment 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, please provide a Zoom name and email address at https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_N0Qa1nGeTt2pVKDOKKfnow. 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 webcast will be archived on:
AdminMonitor: https://california.adminmonitor.com/DISB
Council's YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/@DeltaCouncil

Phone Only Option

If you need a phone-only option, please call the Clerk of the Board at 916-902-6571 by 10:00 AM on Monday, August 17, 2026.

Meeting Materials

This notice and materials referenced in this notice are available on the 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.

Purpose

The Delta ISB will meet virtually to discuss its reviews on nature-based solutions and subsidence. In addition, the Delta ISB will consider and potentially elect its next chair-elect, whose term would begin on September 1, 2026. During this meeting, Dr. Inge Werner will reflect on her term as chair, ahead of becoming the past-chair on September 1, 2026. Current Chair-elect Dr. Diane McKnight will assume the position of chair on the same date.

For full 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.

~ 11:00 AM: Meeting Starts

1. Welcome and Declarations
2. Election of New Delta ISB Chair-Elect (Action Item)

   On September 1, 2026, Chair-elect Dr. Diane McKnight will become chair, and

Chair Dr. Inge Werner will become past chair. The Delta ISB will discuss the election of a new chair-elect and may take action to elect a new chair-elect from its existing membership to start chair-elect duties on September 1, 2026.

3. Discussion: Nature-based Solutions Review (Action Item)

   The Delta ISB is in the process of scoping a review on nature-based solutions and will discuss a draft prospectus. To help inform this review, the Delta ISB will host a series of panels at its meetings over the coming months to explore nature-based solutions, including the associated challenges and needs to help shape a potential review by the Delta ISB that is meaningful and useful for the Delta community. The first panel took place at the May 2026 ISB meeting, featuring perspectives from State agencies to understand what is occurring in California. Based on the discussion, the Delta ISB may take action on next steps.

4. Discussion: Subsidence Review (Action Item)

   The Delta ISB will discuss revisions to address public comments on its draft report on the subsidence review. The report summarizes key findings and recommendations developed by the Delta ISB on the science needed for improving the management of subsided lands in the Delta. Based on the discussion, the Delta ISB may take action on next steps.

5. Presentation: Current Delta ISB Chair's Reflections on Term as Chair

   This will be the last meeting where Dr. Inge Werner will preside as chair. On September 1, 2026, she will become past-chair. Dr. Werner will reflect on her term as chair.

6. Public Comment

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

7. 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, 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 Comment

- Members of the public shall be provided with an opportunity to address the Delta ISB on each agenda item except for closed session items.
    - In addition, comments during the Public Comment period (Agenda Item 6) shall be limited to matters within the Delta ISB's jurisdiction and not on the agenda. Reasonable time limits may be established for public comment (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 comment, please email the meeting clerk at 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 comment, please email the meeting clerk at disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov with the message that should be read to the Delta ISB, specifying 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
Institute of Arctic and Alpine Research,
450 UCB
4001 Discovery Drive
Boulder, CO 80303

Location 2
260 Panama St
Stanford, CA 94305.

Location 3
1380 Lawrence St, Suite 500
Denver, CO 80204

Location 4
408 Columbia St
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Location 5
712 Brannock Terrace
Annapolis, MD 21401

Location 6
Chesapeake Biological Lab
Parish House
146 Williams Street
Solomons, MD 20688

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