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## **MEETING NOTICE**

Meeting of the Delta Stewardship Council

**Meeting Date:**

April 22, 2021

**Start Time:**

9:00 AM

In accordance with Governor Newsom's March 12, 2020 Executive Order N-25-20 and March 17, 2020 Executive Order N-29-20, the Council will provide for remote participation by councilmembers, staff, and members of the public. As such, this meeting will be conducted entirely remotely via Cal-Span and Zoom: there will not be a public, in-person access location.

To observe this meeting, visit Cal-Span (<https://www.cal-span.org>) and select the Council meeting. For optimal quality, use the Microsoft Edge or Mozilla Firefox browsers. The meeting may also be observed via Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89398822159>) or telephone at (669) 900-6833 with webinar ID **893 9882 2159**. Attendees will be automatically muted upon joining the meeting.

Members of the public interested in providing comments should join the meeting via Zoom and contact the Council clerk via email at [engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov) or telephone at (916) 798-9817, providing their name and organization (if applicable).

When called on by the Council chair, the attendee will be unmuted and able to provide oral comment (this process is the same for Zoom and telephone attendees). Alternatively, comments may be called in or emailed for the Council clerk to read aloud to councilmembers during the meeting.

Questions, concerns, or issues with the webcast? Please contact the Council's public participation team via email at [engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov) or telephone at (916) 798-9817.

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*"Coequal goals" means the two goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem. The coequal goals shall be achieved in a manner that protects and enhances the unique cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta as an evolving place." – CA Water Code §85054*

**Webcast:**

The meeting will be webcast at: <https://www.cal-span.org>

Select the Delta Stewardship Council meeting from the list under "Next Live State Meetings."

**Direct Link to Meeting:**

You can join the meeting directly as an Attendee at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89398822159>

**Phone Number:**

Please call (669) 900-6833

Webinar ID: **893 9882 2159**

**THE AGENDA ITEMS LISTED BELOW MAY BE CONSIDERED IN A DIFFERENT ORDER PURSUANT TO THE DETERMINATION OF THE COUNCIL CHAIR. TIMES LISTED ON THE AGENDA ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY. AT THE DISCRETION OF THE DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL, ALL ITEMS APPEARING ON THIS AGENDA WHETHER OR NOT EXPRESSLY LISTED FOR ACTION, MAY BE DELIBERATED UPON AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO ACTION. PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES PER PERSON.**

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1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. ROLL CALL – ESTABLISH A QUORUM (WATER CODE §85210.5)

3. CONSENT CALENDAR **(ACTION ITEM)**

Items for the consent calendar are expected to be routine and non-controversial. The Council will be asked to approve items on the consent calendar at one time without discussion. If any councilmember, staff, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the consent calendar, it will be removed. Removed items may be taken up either immediately after the consent agenda or placed later in the agenda at the Chair's discretion.

**A. ADOPTION OF MARCH 25, 2021 MEETING SUMMARY**

**B. APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT WITH AECOM FOR THE DELTA ADAPTS CLIMATE CHANGE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT AND ADAPTATION STRATEGY**

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to a contract with AECOM to extend the end date from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 and add \$180,000 in additional funds to bring the total contract amount to \$830,000, as described in the staff report for this item. This amendment allows for the project's adjustment to account for changes resulting from the COVID-19 emergency and will enable the project team to finish the Delta Adapts initiative.

**C. APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS**

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to a contract with the University of California, Davis to extend the end date from June 30, 2022 to February 28, 2023 and add \$226,649 in additional funds to bring the total contract amount to \$522,829, as described in the staff report for this item. This amendment allows for the project to continue to fill critical gaps in knowledge and leverage other agency-sponsored projects studying the interactions between stressors, managed species, and communities, as well as the development of tools to support and evaluate habitat restoration, in furtherance of the coequal goals and the Science Action Agenda.

**4. CHAIR'S REPORT (INFORMATION ITEM)**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The public may comment on any topic not on the Council's agenda.

**6. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

The Executive Officer will provide an update on the Council's activities and provide the Council with outgoing correspondence, the Outreach Highlights Report, the Active Projects List, the Quarterly Contract Update, and other relevant documents.

**A. LEGAL UPDATE (INFORMATION ITEM)**

**B. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (ACTION ITEM)**

The Council may discuss current legislation that could affect the Council and/or implementation of the Delta Plan, and may take action to express support, opposition, or seek to amend any of the bills listed in the monthly legislative report.

**7. LEAD SCIENTIST'S REPORT (INFORMATION ITEM)**

Delta Lead Scientist Dr. Laurel Larsen will provide an update on Delta Science Program activities. The Lead Scientist Update provides the Council with unbiased advice on matters of scientific importance in the Delta. The monthly report provides an opportunity to discuss relevant advances in science impacting the Delta and highlights Delta Science Program activities.

**8. DELTA ADAPTS ADAPTATION STRATEGY KICK-OFF (INFORMATION ITEM)**

Council staff will provide an update on the Delta Adapts initiative, including the process for the development of the Adaptation Strategy.

**9. DELTA CONVEYANCE UPDATE (INFORMATION ITEM)**

Staff from the California Department of Water Resources and Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority will provide the Council with an update on the Delta Conveyance Project's progress.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The public may comment on any topic not on the Council's agenda.

**11. PREPARATION FOR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

**ADJOURN**

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*NOTE: Should the Council complete its business under any agenda item, it will move on to the next agenda item. Should the Council complete its full agenda for a meeting day before the scheduled adjournment time, and no member of the public wishes to provide further testimony, the Council meeting will adjourn early.*

*Your comments are important to each member of the Council and staff.*

*Correspondence received by regular mail or email before 12:00 PM the day before a Council meeting will be distributed to members in advance of the meeting. Correspondence received after 12:00 PM will be distributed to the members at the start of the meeting or when received.*

*Members of the public shall be provided an opportunity to address the Delta Stewardship Council on any agenda item except closed session items and those items for which the public has already been afforded such an opportunity at an earlier meeting. Comments during the public comment*

*period shall be limited to matters within the Council's jurisdiction. Reasonable time limits may be established for public comments (Government Code Section 11125.7).*

*If you need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact Human Resources, Delta Stewardship Council by emailing [engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov) or calling (916) 445-5511, or TDD (800) 735-2929.*

*Additional information is available on the Delta Stewardship Council's website at <http://deltacouncil.ca.gov>. If you have any questions, please contact the Council Clerk at [engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov).*