



Delta Independent Science Board

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Meeting Notice of the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel

Monday, March 11, 2024
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM PST

Meeting Location

California Natural Resources Agency
715 P Street, Room 2-309
Sacramento, CA 95814

Public Comments

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

Additional Remote Participation Option

The meeting will be recorded.

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Additional Phone Only Option

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Meeting Materials

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.

Background

The Delta Stewardship Council (Council), in partnership with the United States Geological Survey (USGS), is in the process of recruiting the next lead scientist for the Delta Science Program, whose term will begin in the summer of 2024. Pursuant to California Water Code section 85280(b), the Delta lead scientist is appointed by the Council after consultation with the Delta ISB. Two applicants are currently under consideration for the appointment: Dr. Gary Lamberti (University of Notre Dame) and Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers (United States Geological Survey). Each applicant will give a seminar presentation on their research and experience, and how it applies to the position, as well as their vision for the Delta Science Program. The first seminar occurred on February 22 with Dr. Lamberti (see [video recording](#)) and the second seminar will occur with Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers on March 11 where the video recording will be posted within a week after the seminar on the [Delta lead scientist web page](#).

Purpose

On March 11, 2024, the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel, an advisory committee to the Delta ISB, will hold a public meeting. Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers, an applicant for the Delta lead scientist position, will present a seminar, titled "eMerging perspectives of the Land Ocean Aquatic Continuum (LOAC)."

After the seminar, there will be an opportunity for the public to ask Dr. Windham-Myers questions on her presentation and general questions related to the Delta lead scientist position during the meet and greet session.

Following a break after the meet and greet session, the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel will meet in closed session, pursuant to California Government Code section 11126(a)(1), to consider the matter of appointment of a Delta lead scientist and interview Dr. Windham-Myers. After the interview, the meeting will reconvene in open session.

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 Lead Scientist Interview Panel Chair. The times listed on the agenda are approximate only. At the discretion of the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel, all items appearing on this agenda, whether expressly listed for action, may be deliberated upon and may be subject to action.

~ 10:00 AM: Meeting Starts

1. Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Lisa Wainger, the interview panel chair, will call the meeting to order and take roll of the interview panel, which consists of representatives from the Delta ISB, the Delta Stewardship Council, and the United States Geological Survey.

2. Seminar Presentation by Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers, titled “eMerging perspectives of the Land Ocean Aquatic Continuum (LOAC)”

Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers will give a seminar presentation on her research and experience, and how it applies to the position, as well as her vision for the Delta Science Program.

3. Question and Answer Session on Seminar

Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers will take and answer questions from the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel and from members of the public on her seminar presentation.

~ 11:00 AM: 15 Minute Break

~ 11:15 AM: Public Meeting Resumes

4. Meet and Greet

The meet and greet will provide the opportunity for the applicant to meet those in attendance and provide the opportunity for attendees to ask questions of Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers related to the Delta lead scientist position.

5. Public Comments

The Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel will take public comments on topics within its jurisdiction that are not on the agenda.

~ **12:00 PM to 1:00 PM: Lunch/Break**

~ **1:00 PM: Closed Session Begins**

6. Closed Session (Personnel Matters): Appointment of the Delta Lead Scientist (Not Open to the Public)

The Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel will meet in closed session to consider the matter of appointment of a Delta lead scientist and interview Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers.

(This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (a).)

~ **2:45 PM: Closed Session Ends and Reconvene Open Session**

7. Reconvene Open Session and Report out on Closed Session

~ **3:00 PM: Meeting Adjourned**

About the Candidate

Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers is a systems ecologist with the United States Geological Survey (USGS). She received her Ph.D. from Rutgers University in Ecology, Evolution, and Natural Resources and was a professor at Lehigh University before moving back to California in 2004 to work with the USGS National Research Program and to teach Earth System courses at Stanford University on coastal wetlands. Her research focuses on harmonizing field observations and model representation of physical and biogeochemical processes at the interface of land and aquatic systems, including water flow, storage, and quality at landscape scales.

Working across agencies and disciplines, Dr. Windham-Myers' research and collaborations test and integrate pore-scale and watershed-scale models within the Delta and nationally to understand management opportunities in aquatic habitats for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and controlling methylmercury exposure.

With grants from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Energy, and the Delta Science Program, she has over 100 peer-reviewed publications, including lead authorship on both the Estuary chapter of the second State of the Carbon Cycle Report and the first textbook focused on "Blue Carbon" science, policy, and practice at global scales.

While her fieldwork is focused on the West Coast, Dr. Windham-Myers regularly represents the USGS in national-scale interagency research initiatives and the U.S.

international partnerships associated with climate mitigation activities.

She currently serves as the limited-term Delta lead scientist, effective from December 2023 to June 2024.

Contact

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- 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 Lead Scientist Interview Panel on any agenda items except closed session items and those items on the agenda for which the public has already been afforded such opportunity earlier at that meeting.
 - In addition, comments during the Public Comment period (Agenda Item 5) shall be limited to matters within the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel's jurisdiction and not on the agenda. Reasonable time limits may be established for public comments (Government Code Sections 11125.7).
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