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Meeting Notice of the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel

Thursday, March 21, 2024
1:30 PM to 3:30 PM PT

Primary Physical Location

California Natural Resources Agency
715 P Street, Room 15-204 (San Joaquin Room)
Sacramento, CA 95814

This is a teleconference meeting of the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel, an advisory subcommittee of the Delta Independent Science Board (Delta ISB), pursuant to Government Code section 11123.5 ("Section 11123.5"). The means for the public to participate remotely in the portion of the meeting that is open to the public is provided below.

Members Participating Remotely

Delta ISB Chair Dr. Lisa Wainger; Delta ISB Chair-elect Dr. Inge Werner; Delta ISB Member Dr. Bob Naiman; Councilmember Julie Lee; Council Executive Officer Jessica Pearson and USGS Science Coordinator Dr. Mike Chotkowski

Public Comments

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

Public Remote Participation Option

To participate remotely via [Zoom](#), please provide a Zoom name and email address at https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_6Mp3Ih9DTNW86JrGbvZjkQ

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

you do not have a computer microphone or experience technical difficulties, 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.

Additional Public Participation Phone Only Option

If you need a phone-only option, please call the Clerk of the Board at 916-902-6571 by 1:00 PM on Thursday, March 21, 2024.

Meeting Recording

The open session of the meeting will be recorded and will be available on the [Delta lead scientist webpage](#). Please note that this option does not allow for providing public comment and that the meeting will not be adjourned or ended in case of technical difficulties with the recording. Public participation is available via the Zoom or phone only options identified above.

Meeting Materials

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 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).

Information about the applicants can be found on the [Delta Lead Scientist web page](#) (<https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-science-program/delta-lead-scientist>).

Purpose

On March 21, 2024, the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel, an advisory committee to the Delta ISB, 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. The panel will discuss the matter of the appointment as the next step in the process, having completed interviews of all applicants under consideration for the appointment. Based on the discussion, the panel may take action on next steps.

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.

~ 1:30 PM: Meeting Starts

1. Welcome and Introductions

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

~ 1:35 PM: Adjourn to Closed Session

~ 1:40 PM: Closed Session Begins

2. Closed Session (Personnel Matters): Appointment of the Delta Lead Scientist (Not Open to the Public) (**Action Item**)

The Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel will meet in closed session to consider the matter of appointment of a Delta lead scientist. The panel will discuss the matter of appointment of a Delta lead scientist, having completed interviews for all candidates under consideration. Based on the discussion, the panel may take action.

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

~ 3:20 PM: Closed Session Ends

~ 3:25 PM: Reconvene Open Session

3. Reconvene Open Session and Report out on Closed Session

If action is taken in closed session, the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel will report out on the action taken.

4. Public Comments

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

~ 3:30 PM: Meeting adjourned

Contact

- If you have any questions, please contact the Clerk of the Board at 916-902-6571 or disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov.
- 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 4) 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).
- 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 panel member at that meeting location.
- If you are on the Zoom webcast or the phone-in participation option and would like to provide oral public comments, please email the meeting clerk at disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov and provide a Zoom name, organization (if applicable – not required), and the agenda item you wish to comment on. Please be on mute until prompted by the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel chair to provide your comment. If you prefer to provide written comments, please email the meeting clerk at disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov the message that should be read to the Delta Lead Scientist Interview Panel during the identified agenda item.
 - 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 or call the number listed in the "phone only option" section of this agenda. In the event that the public participation option fails, please check the [Delta ISB website](https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-isb/website) at <https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-isb/meetings> for additional information concerning adjournment.

Parking Information

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