

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 18, 2021

To: Delta Stewardship Councilmembers

From: Jessica R. Pearson, Executive Officer

Subject: Upcoming Council Meeting – March 25, 2021.1

This month you will notice that the consent calendar has a few more items than usual. The items are no-cost amendments to contracts awarded as part of the 2018-2019 multi-agency Delta science research proposal solicitation. The proposed amendments adjust the contracts for delays caused by the COVID-19 emergency (either via time extensions and/or budget year adjustments), such as restricted access to labs needed to perform work. Each proposed amendment is detailed in a staff report for that contract, included in the meeting packet. If you have any questions about these items, please let me know.

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The meeting also provides an opportunity to hear updates on a few key documents that play a role in implementing the Delta Plan and furthering the coequal goals. First, representatives from the Department of Water Resources and Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Flood Board) will return to provide a report on the development of the 2022 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Update (Update). The Update provides state-level planning objectives for flood facilities and operations in the Delta. The Flood Board plans to submit a Delta Plan consistency determination for the Update once it is complete.

The Council will also hear from the Delta Protection Commission on their completed Recreation and Tourism Chapter to the 2020 Update to the Economic Sustainability Plan for the Delta (ESP). First completed in 2012, the ESP includes information about the Delta's economy, which was used, in part, to inform the Delta Plan's development.

¹ This month's meeting will be conducted remotely per Governor's Executive Orders N-25-20 issued March 12, 2020, and N-29-20 issued March 17, 2020. The Council continues to prioritize opportunities for remote participation by the public while also undertaking measures to reduce community transmission of COVID-19. Please see the meeting notice for details.



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If I can answer any questions or provide any other information in advance of the meeting, please contact me at (916) 445-4500 or jessica.pearson@deltacouncil.ca.gov.