

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

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Meeting Notice of the Delta Independent Science Board (Yolo Bypass Tour)

Day 2 of November 3-4, 2022 Meeting Friday, November 4, 2022 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

This will be the second day of a 2-day Delta Independent Science Board meeting (November 3-4, 2022). For information on day 1 of the meeting, please refer to the day 1 meeting notice.

Tour Start Location

3500 Industrial Blvd
West Sacramento, CA 95691
See map for directions to the tour start location.

Webcast

The tour will not be webcast and will not be recorded.

Tour/Meeting Materials

Materials referenced in this notice are available on the Delta Independent Science Board's (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

On November 4, 2022, the Delta Independent Science Board will tour the Yolo Bypass to learn how it works for flood management, and how it provides multiple other benefits (agriculture, ecosystem, recreation/hunting, etc.). The tour will include stops at Knaggs Ranch, Wallace Weir, Fremont Weir, and the Sacramento Weir.

To help with planning, please email <u>disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov</u> if you plan to attend the tour by November 2. For health and safety, all attendees must wear close-toed shoes, long pants, and hard hats will be required for portions of the tour due to construction at some of these sites. There are limited hard hats available,

so if you need one provided to you on the tour, please email disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov. Masks and physical distancing are strongly recommended.

All members of the public participating in the tour are responsible for their transportation to and from the tour, as well as their food and water. There will be no refreshments or water provided at any time during the tour. All times listed in the agenda are approximate. The Delta ISB will convene as a quorum at the stops listed on the agenda. There will not be a quorum of members during transportation between stops.

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 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.

~ 8:00 AM: Tour/Meeting Starts

The Delta ISB will meet in the parking lot of 3500 Industrial Blvd, West Sacramento, CA 95691). See map for directions to the tour start location.

- Welcome and Declarations
- 2. Public Comments

 The Delta ISB will take public comments on topics within its jurisdiction that are not on the agenda.
- 3. Recess meeting to reconvene at Knaggs Ranch at ~8:40 AM
- ~ 8:10 AM: Depart West Sacramento to Knaggs Ranch See map for directions to Knaggs Ranch.

~ 8:40 AM: Reconvene Meeting at Knaggs Ranch

- 4. Establish a quorum
- 5. Knaggs Ranch Tour
 Jacob Katz (California Trout) will provide an overview of landscape-scale
 controlled experiments at Knaggs Ranch, an agricultural property within the Yolo Bypass, designed to determine which agricultural practices optimize

benefits to fish.

In addition, Sabrina Snyder (Yolo County) will provide an overview of Yolo County's role in the Yolo Bypass and explain agriculture in the region.

6. Recess meeting to reconvene at the Wallace Weir at ~10:00 AM

~ 9:40 AM: Depart Knaggs Ranch to the Wallace Weir See map for directions to the Wallace Weir

~ 9:45 AM: Reconvene Meeting at the Wallace Weir

- 7. Establish a quorum
- 8. Wallace Weir Tour
 Josh Martinez (California Department of Water Resources) will provide an overview of the Wallace Weir, a key water control structure in the Yolo Bypass for flood conveyance and irrigation, and the fish passage improvements that have been made at the weir (see story map).
- 9. Recess meeting to reconvene at the Fremont Weir at ~10:45 AM
- ~ 10:15 AM: Depart Wallace Weir to the Fremont Weir See map for directions to the Fremont Weir

~10:45 AM: Reconvene Meeting at the Fremont Weir

- 10. Establish a quorum
- 11. Fremont Weir Tour

Josh Martinez (California Department of Water Resources) will provide an overview of the Fremont Weir, the primary point of inundation into the Yolo Bypass. This will include an overview of the hydrological issues in the Yolo Bypass that impact fish listed under the federal and State Endangered Species Acts, the improvements that have been and will be made at the Fremont Weir, along with plans for adaptive management (see website).

- 12. Recess meeting to reconvene at the Sacramento Weir at ~12:45 PM
- ~ 12:15 PM: Lunch and Depart Fremont Weir to the Sacramento Weir for a Tour of the Lower Elkhorn Basin Setback Levee Project.

 See map for directions to the Sacramento Weir.
- ~ 12:45 PM: Reconvene Meeting at the Sacramento Weir

13. Lower Elkhorn Basin Setback Levee Project Tour

Colin Hanley (California Department of Water Resources) will provide an overview of the <u>Lower Elkhorn Basin Setback Levee Project</u>, which is a large multi-benefit project that is aimed at increasing flood capacity in the Yolo Bypass, while also achieving habitat benefits.

~ 2:00 PM: Tour and meeting adjourned

Additional Information

- If you have any questions, please contact Edmund Yu at (916) 902-6571 or Edmund.Yu@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, TDD (800) 735-2929.
- Members of the public shall be provided an opportunity to address the Delta ISB on any agenda items except closed session items and those items for which the public has already been afforded such opportunity at an earlier meeting.
 - o In addition, comments during the Public Comment period (Agenda Item 2) shall be limited to matters within the Delta ISB's jurisdiction and not on the agenda. Reasonable time limits may be established for public comments (Government Code Sections 11125.7).