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MEETING NOTICE

Meeting of the Delta Stewardship Council

Meeting Date:

March 25, 2021

Start Time:

9:00 AM

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 issued on March 12, 2020, and the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020, the Delta Stewardship Council will continue to provide opportunities for remote participation by Councilmembers, staff, and the public with prudent measures to reduce community transmission of COVID-19. The meeting's proceedings will be conducted entirely remotely. There will not be a public access location. Members of the public may observe the meeting via webcast or by joining the meeting directly via Zoom.

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For any member of the public interested in providing comments on an agenda item, please join the meeting via the Zoom link and email engage@deltacouncil.ca.gov or call (916) 798-9817, and provide your name, organization (if applicable), and the agenda item you wish to comment on. Once

"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

received, you will be unmuted when called upon by the Chair to provide your comment when appropriate (this process is the same for Zoom and phone attendees). Members of the public can also provide their comments for the Council Clerk to read to the Council during the agenda item.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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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.

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
2. ROLL CALL – ESTABLISH A QUORUM (WATER CODE §85210.5)
3. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: LITIGATION (NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC) (ACTION ITEM)
The Council may discuss litigation matters pursuant to Government Code §11126 (e)(2)(A), (e)(2)(B)(i), and/or (e)(2)(C)(i), including: (a) Delta Stewardship

Council Cases, Coordinated Proceeding JCCP No. 4758; (b) North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al. v. Delta Stewardship Council, Sacramento County Superior Ct. No. 34-2018-80002898; and (c) Takahashi v. Delta Stewardship Council, Sacramento County Superior Ct. No. 34-2018-00232084.

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

4. **RECONVENE OPEN SESSION**

5. **ROLL CALL – RE-ESTABLISH A QUORUM (WATER CODE §85210.5)**

6. **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 FEBRUARY 25, 2021 MEETING SUMMARY**

B) **APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT WITH CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY**

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to a contract with California State University, East Bay to extend the end date from April 30, 2021 to April 30, 2022 in response to impacts caused by the COVID-19 emergency. The study performed under this contract was approved by the Council on April 25, 2019, as part of the 2018-2019 multi-agency Delta science proposal solicitation.

C) **APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT WITH MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY**

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to a contract with Michigan State University to extend the end date from April 30, 2021 to February 28, 2022 in response to impacts caused by the COVID-19 emergency. The study performed under this contract was approved by the Council on April 25, 2019, as part of the 2018-2019 multi-agency Delta science proposal solicitation.

D) APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT WITH SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to a contract with San Francisco State University to extend the end date from May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022 in response to impacts caused by the COVID-19 emergency. The study performed under this contract was approved by the Council on April 25, 2019, as part of the 2018-2019 multi-agency Delta science proposal solicitation.

E) APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to a contract with the University of California, Merced to make no-cost budget adjustments in response to impacts caused by the COVID-19 emergency, as described in the staff report. The study performed under this contract was approved by the Council on April 25, 2019, as part of the 2018-2019 multi-agency Delta science proposal solicitation.

F) APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (CHINOOK SALMON STUDY)

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to a contract with the United States Geological Survey to extend the end date from May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022 in response to impacts caused by the COVID-19 emergency. The study performed under this contract was approved by the Council on April 25, 2019, as part of the 2018-2019 multi-agency Delta science proposal solicitation.

G) APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (SEDIMENT STUDY)

The Council will consider approval of an amendment to a contract with the United States Geological Survey to make no-cost budget adjustments in response to impacts caused by the COVID-19 emergency, as described in the staff report. The study performed under this contract was approved by the Council on April 25, 2019, as part of the 2018-2019 multi-agency Delta science proposal solicitation.

7. CHAIR'S REPORT (INFORMATION ITEM)

A) DELTA PLAN INTERAGENCY IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE MEETING RECAP

8. **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, 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.

9. **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.

10. **2022 CENTRAL VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION PLAN UPDATE (INFORMATION ITEM)**

Representatives from the Department of Water Resources and Central Valley Flood Protection Board will update the Council on the development of the 2022 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Update and discuss its connection to the Delta Plan.

11. **RECREATION AND TOURISM CHAPTER 2020 UPDATE TO THE ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY PLAN FOR THE SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA (INFORMATION ITEM)**

Representatives from the Delta Protection Commission will brief the Council on the recently completed 2020 Recreation and Tourism Chapter Update to the Economic Sustainability Plan for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

12. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

13. **PREPARATION FOR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

ADJOURN

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 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.