

Seeking Candidates to Fill Vacancies on the Delta Independent Science Board

Recruitment Flyer



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Science Board**

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

- The Delta Stewardship Council is seeking three prominent scientists to serve on the Delta Independent Science Board and provide oversight of the science underlying decision-making for California's Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.
- The incumbents will collaborate alongside national and international scientists to produce influential reports that support the adaptive management of the largest estuary on the west coast of North America.

What is the Delta Independent Science Board?

The Delta Reform Act of 2009 created both the Council and the Delta ISB. The Delta ISB is charged with providing oversight of the scientific research, monitoring, and assessment programs that support adaptive management of the Delta – part of the largest estuary on the west coast of North America and is the hub of California's water supply system. The Delta ISB also conducts reviews of specific documents or programs as requested by the Council and other agencies. Past and ongoing reviews have focused on topics such as [water quality](#), [levee hazards](#), [adaptive management](#), [non-native species](#), water supply reliability, and the monitoring enterprise. For more information about the Delta ISB, please visit deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-isb.

What is the current opportunity?

The Council is seeking to fill up to three upcoming vacancies, with one position starting June 1, 2022 or earlier and two positions starting on November 1, 2022. Desired areas of expertise include water resources engineering, hydrodynamics, climate science, algal or invasive species ecology, or ecotoxicology.

The Council strives to be an inclusive organization that values diversity at all levels of and is committed to fostering an environment in which employees from a variety of backgrounds, cultures, and personal experiences are welcomed and can thrive.

The Delta ISB meets monthly, alternating between teleconferences and in-person meetings. The term of office for Delta ISB members is five years, and a member may serve two terms. Members are paid for their work at an hourly rate of \$150 (with inflation and cost-of-living increases; Senate Bill 821, 2021) via a contract with the Council and are reimbursed for travel expenses to attend meetings.

Do I qualify?

Candidates for the Delta ISB must meet the qualifications in the Delta Reform Act:

1. Be a nationally or internationally prominent scientist with appropriate expertise to evaluate the broad range of scientific programs that support adaptive management of the Delta.
2. Not be directly affiliated with a program or agency subject to the review activities of the Delta ISB.

Candidates must be able to...

- Participate in most Delta ISB meetings, including travel to in-person meetings;
- Contribute to Delta ISB work products;
- Collaborate with colleagues from other disciplines; and
- Be comfortable reviewing materials from areas outside their expertise.

How do I apply?

Please submit applications containing (1) a letter of interest, (2) a curriculum vitae, and (3) a list of five references to disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov. Please state in the letter of interest whether you have a preference or constraint pertaining to the two targeted start dates.

Applications are due by **November 30, 2021**, for the first round of review, but will be accepted until **February 1, 2022**, or until all three positions are filled. If you have questions about the vacancies, please contact Delta Lead Scientist Dr. Laurel Larsen at laurel.larsen@deltacouncil.ca.gov.

