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Meeting Notice of the Delta Independent Science Board

Thursday, June 17, 2021
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM PST

Meeting Location

Remote access only; No public location

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 Delta Independent Science Board (Delta ISB) members, staff, and the public with prudent measures to reduce community transmission of COVID-19.

Members of the public may observe the meeting via the webcast outlined below. If you have an oral public comment during the meeting, please email the meeting clerk at disb@deltacouncil.ca.gov and provide your name, organization (if applicable), and the agenda item you wish to comment on. Please be on mute until prompted by the Chair to provide your comment. If you prefer to provide written comments, please email the meeting clerk the message that should be read to the Delta ISB during the agenda item.

Webcast

The meeting will be webcast and will be recorded. To join the webcast, please register before the meeting via [Zoom](#):

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_waUK4e9pRci0Zt3xP1HxoQ

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email 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 not, please dial the phone number listed in your confirmation email.

Note: Accessing the Zoom webcast requires you to enter your name and email, which may be disclosed as public information. The signal for the live feed may be intermittent due to the internet infrastructure at your location.

Other Remote Options

If you need a phone only option, please call the meeting clerk at 916-445-0637 by 8:30 AM on Thursday, June 17.

If you prefer a view-only option that does not require registration, the meeting will also be webcast on the [Delta Stewardship Council's YouTube channel](https://youtu.be/O3Krsg8cS7E): <https://youtu.be/O3Krsg8cS7E>. With this option, you will not be able to provide oral comments.

Meeting Materials

Materials referenced in this notice are available on the [events web page](https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/events.html) at <https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/events.html>. Members of the public are encouraged to visit the events web page to view the meeting materials.

Curtailed of Delta ISB Activities

As discussed at recent Delta ISB meetings, the current appointment structure of Delta ISB members necessitates greatly curtailing the agenda and activities of the Delta ISB to a much lower level. Substantial delays in many of the Delta ISB's anticipated and legislatively mandated reviews, products, and activities are expected. The Delta ISB is committed to supporting science for the Delta's problems and problem-solving, and looks forward to returning to its high level of productivity as soon as the State fully resolves this issue.

Purpose

The Delta ISB will meet regarding its current reviews and activities, including a discussion on the draft findings and recommendations from its water supply reliability review. Based on the discussion, the Delta ISB may take action on next steps. In addition, the Delta ISB will continue to discuss how it may want to approach the scope and format of future reviews and activities.

This 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. 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.

~ 10:00 AM: Meeting Starts

1. Welcome and Declarations
2. Delta ISB Chair Report and Business Matters
3. Delta Stewardship Council Chair and Executive Officer Report ([Information Item](#))
4. Presentation: "From the Delta and back again" by Jennica Moffat
Jennica Moffat, the new California Sea Grant State Fellow providing staff support to the Delta ISB, will deliver an overview of her past research and her interests for her fellowship year.
5. Delta ISB Updates and Discussion on Current Activities
 - a. Science Needs Assessment
Based on the [recommendations from the Delta ISB](#) and the endorsement of the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee (DPIIC), a long-term Science Needs Assessment is being developed, as part of the [Delta Science Funding and Governance Initiative](#). The Science Needs Assessment will identify key science efforts to provide long-term management insights in the context of rapid environmental change and recommendations for organizing the science enterprise to better address complex and changing problems.
 - b. Water Supply Reliability Review ([Action Item](#))
The Delta ISB is undertaking a review of the scientific efforts and methods by various programs to estimate and evaluate water supply reliability. The Delta ISB will discuss draft findings and recommendations from this review. Based on the discussion, the Delta ISB may take action on next steps. For more information on the scope of the review, please refer to the Delta ISB's [water supply reliability review prospectus](#).

c. Monitoring Enterprise Review

The Delta ISB is in the process of reviewing how well monitoring programs are meeting the informational needs of management agencies. There are two components to this review. Component 1 was the development of a comprehensive inventory of monitoring programs in the Delta, which was completed in March 2020 (see [Component 1 summary](#)). Component 2, currently underway, is the Delta ISB's evaluation and recommendations on monitoring programs. For more information on the scope of the review, please refer to the [monitoring enterprise review prospectus](#).

6. Discussion: Future Reviews and Activities

The Delta ISB will continue to discuss how it may want to approach the scope and format of its future reviews and activities.

7. Preparation for Upcoming Delta ISB Meetings

8. Review of Items for Follow-up

Staff will provide a summary of any follow-up items for individual members to address after the meeting.

9. Public Comments

The Delta ISB will take public comments on topics within its jurisdiction that are not on the agenda.

~ 12:00 PM: Meeting Adjourned

Additional Information

- If you have any questions, please contact Edmund Yu at 916-445-0637 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. In addition, comments during the Public Comment period 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).