

July 2024

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# Legislative Update



**Delta  
Stewardship  
Council**

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# Briefings Update

The screenshot shows a Zoom webinar interface. The main content area displays a slide with the following text:

**How can your office help?**

- USACE accepting public comments through July 31, 2024
  - U.S. Mail
  - Email: [hq-leveesafety@usace.army.mil](mailto:hq-leveesafety@usace.army.mil)
  - Online (see fact sheet)
  - Federal Register
- Strong support could lead to adoption and change in policy
- Benefit the completion of much-needed multi-benefit projects in the Delta and Central Valley

To the right of the text is a photograph of a yellow bulldozer working on a large-scale earthmoving project in a flat, open landscape.

On the right side of the Zoom window, a vertical list of participants is visible, including:

- Brandon Chapin, Delta Ste...
- Meenatchi Odai...
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- Erin Mullin
- Pablo Garza
- Cassandra Musto
- Jeff Henderson
- Jeff Henderson
- Laura Hollender
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The Zoom control bar at the bottom shows 14 participants, with icons for audio, video, raise hand, share, show captions, more, and leave.

- **July 8 briefing to update staff on USACE best practices for levee vegetation**
  - Collaboration with DWR
  - Raise awareness and encourage submission of supportive comment letters
- **Other past Council briefings:**
  - Meet and greets
  - Delta Science Program
  - Legislative Water Academy
  - Delta Tour
  - Delta Levees Investment Strategy completion
  - Delta Research Awards Series

# 2024 Climate Bond (SB 867)



- **\$10 billion total, if approved by voters**
- **Of note:**
  - \$550 million for flood management projects
    - \$150 million for Delta levees
  - \$1.2 billion for biodiversity protection and nature-based climate programs
    - \$29 million for the Delta Conservancy to address climate change impacts, other potential funding
    - \$300 million for climate-smart, sustainable, and resilient farms, ranches, and working lands programs
- **40% of all funds must be spent to provide benefits to disadvantaged communities**
- **Funds cannot be used for anything related to isolated Delta conveyance facilities**



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