

DPIIC Restoration Subcommittee

Meeting Summary

March 13, 2025



**Delta Plan Interagency
Implementation
Committee**

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

The Delta Stewardship Council (Council) established the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee (DPIIC) after adopting the Delta Plan in 2013 and continues to oversee DPIIC activities as required by the Delta Reform Act. The Restoration Subcommittee (Subcommittee) was formed by the 2022 amendment to Chapter Four of the Delta Plan which recommended the formation of a restoration subcommittee to address barriers to restoration in the Delta. Staffed by the Council and Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy (Delta Conservancy), Subcommittee members collaborate to support a vision of the Delta that is a mosaic of natural and human communities, is resilient to stressors, adaptable, and accessible for the public.

The recording of the meeting is available at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R8Ygd8Dvi3M&list=PLqTHCliW1HhplRDV7-MrWr2n8YppYr1gK>

Meeting materials can be found on the Council's website at

<https://www.deltacouncil.ca.gov/dpiic/meetings>.

Attendees

The following Subcommittee members attended in person:

Delta Stewardship Council

Jeff Henderson

Central Valley Flood Protection Board

Jamie Silva

Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy

Campbell Ingram

Natural Resources Agency	Meghan Hertel
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	Amanda Cranford
The following Subcommittee members attended remotely:	
Department of Parks and Recreation	Edward Hard
Department of Water Resources (arrived 2:08 PM)	Charlotte Biggs
Delta Protection Commission	Virginia Gardiner
State Water Resources Control Board	Jay Ziegler
US Environmental Protection Agency	Sahrye Cohen
US Army Corps of Engineers (arrived 1:07 PM)	Cynthia Fowler
US Bureau of Reclamation (arrived 1:23 PM)	Todd Plain

Welcome and Introductions

Campbell Ingram opened the meeting at 1:05 PM, welcomed the attendees, and gave opening remarks. He welcomed the Subcommittee members to share announcements.

Announcements included:

- Campbell Ingram: The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy has been allocated \$29 million from Proposition 4 and is seeking feedback on how to distribute funding. A grant solicitation is expected in the fall.
- Jeff Henderson: Ecosystem Amendment Regulations for the Delta Plan will take effect April 1 to shift from a mitigation approach to an ecosystem-centered approach.
- Amanda Cranford: Attending today in place of Cathy Marcinkevage.
- Meghan Hertel: The California Wildlife Reconnected Workshop will take place on March 21 at the California Natural Resources Agency.
- Jay Ziegler: We are tracking potential cuts to monitoring programs at the federal level.

- Virginia Gardiner: Attending today on behalf of new Interim Executive Director Dan Ray.

Wetlands Regional Monitoring Program (WRMP) Representation in Wetland Decision-Making Survey (Information Item)

Alexandra Thomsen of the San Francisco Estuary Partnership presented the WRMP's (<https://www.wrmp.org/>) survey on Representation in Wetland Decision-Making and requested that Subcommittee members complete the survey on behalf of their agencies. The purpose of the survey is to understand the groups involved in restoration decision-making. Results will be shared later this year. Mr. Ingram asked for public comments; there were none.

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Accelerating Restoration in the Sacramento Valley and Beyond (Information Item)

Katie Haldeman of Sustainable Conservation presented on the report "Accelerating Restoration in the Sacramento Valley and Beyond" (<https://bit.ly/4bxcclm>) and streamlined permitting options for ecosystem restoration projects, followed by discussion by the Subcommittee. Mr. Ingram asked for public comments; there were none.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R8Ygd8Dvi3M&list=PLqTHClIW1HhpIRDV7-MrWr2n8YppYr1gK> timestamp 17:47

Delta Adapts and the Restoration Subcommittee: Connections (Information Item)

Morgan Chow and Annie Merritt from the Delta Stewardship Council presented the draft "Delta Adapts" climate change adaptation plan (<https://bit.ly/3Xpxj3d>), focusing on key areas of overlap with the "Restoration Subcommittee Work Plan" (<https://bit.ly/43E3sYP>) adopted in 2022, followed by discussion by the Subcommittee. Mr. Ingram asked for public comments; there were none.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R8Ygd8Dvi3M&list=PLqTHClIW1HhpIRDV7-MrWr2n8YppYr1gK> timestamp 01:12:13

Restoration Forum Planning Update (Information Item)

Rachel Wigginton of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy updated the Subcommittee on plans for a 3rd Delta Restoration Forum to be held May 1, 2025, in Clarksburg. The Subcommittee was provided with copies of the [Save the Date flyer](#) for the Forum. Mr. Ingram asked for public comments; there were none.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R8Ygd8Dvi3M&list=PLqTHClIW1HhpIRDV7-MrWr2n8YppYr1gK> timestamp 01:38:55

General Public Comment

Mr. Ingram welcomed any public comments on items not on the agenda; there were none.

Mr. Ingram thanked the presenters and Subcommittee members.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:09 PM.