

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Delta Stewardship Council Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee

April 3, 2025 Summary of DPIIC Spring Gathering

The Delta Stewardship Council (Council) established the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee (DPIIC or Committee) after adopting the Delta Plan in 2013 and continues to oversee DPIIC activities as required by the Delta Reform Act. DPIIC serves as a forum to lead state, federal, and local agencies' efforts to implement the Delta Plan and Delta Science Plan. Committee members collaborate to implement their agencies' policies and authorities in ways that help achieve the co-equal goals of a more reliable California water supply and a restored, enhanced ecosystem in the Delta.

A recording of the afternoon portion of the meeting is available on the Council's YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/@DeltaCouncil

Meeting materials and presentations can also be found on the Council's website: https://www.deltacouncil.ca.gov/dpiic/meetings

Attendees

The following committee members were in attendance:

Julie Lee Chair, Delta Stewardship Council

Carolyn Cook Assistant Director of the Office of

Agricultural Resilience and Sustainability,

California Department of Food and

Agriculture

Thomas Gibson Co-lead Deputy Director, California

Department of Water Resources

Katy Landau Special Advisor, California Environmental

Protection Agency

Samantha Arthur Deputy Secretary for Water, California

Natural Resources Agency

Jane Dolan President, Central Valley Flood Protection

Board

Diane Burgis Chair, Delta Protection Commission

Campbell Ingram Executive Officer, Sacramento-San Joaquin

Delta Conservancy

Harriet Ross Director of Regulatory, San Francisco Bay

Conservation and Development Commission

Jay Ziegler Delta Watermaster, State Water Resources

Control Board

Spencer Walden Program Manager, Bay-Delta Office, U.S.

Bureau of Reclamation

Lisamarie Windham-Myers Delta Lead Scientist, Delta Stewardship

Council

Other Invited Agencies in Attendance

Rebecca Fris Deputy Executive Director, Wildlife

Conservation Board

Jim Newland Planning Chief, California Department of

Parks and Recreation

Panelists:

Warren Fox Friends of the 1883 Clarksburg Schoolhouse

Katie Metraux General Plan Manager, California State Parks

Clint Elsholz Diablo Range District Superintendent,

California State Parks

Megan Harrison District Planner, California State Parks

Stuart Walthall Chair, the Locke Foundation

Welcome and Introductions

Chair Lee called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. at the Clarksburg Schoolhouse. Quorum was established. Warren Fox, a representative of the 1883 Clarksburg Schoolhouse, provided a brief introduction to the Clarksburg Schoolhouse. Chair Lee welcomed representatives from State Parks and the Wildlife Conservation Board to the dais. Members were asked if there were any edits to the October 28 DPIIC meeting summary; there were none. Dr. Windham-Myers gave an update on a collaborative modelling effort addressing three topics: harmful algal blooms, salinity intrusion, and tidal marsh restoration.

There was no public comment.

Proposition 4

Chair Lee introduced the topic and highlighted the need for additional Proposition 4 funds (Prop. 4) in the Delta. DPIIC members and invited agency representatives shared discussed bond roll-out and implementation plans:

- Samantha Arthur
- Campbell Ingram
- Carolyn Cook
- Jay Ziegler
- Tom Gibson
- Rebecca Fris
- James Newland

Diane Burgis asked questions about the impact of wildfires on water quality, monitoring and data collection needs, recreational boating, and the golden mussel. Jay Ziegler spoke to the importance of collaboration on both water quality and water supply availability.

There was no public comment.

Delta Meadows

Chair Lee introduced General Plan Manager Katie Metraux, Diablo Range District Superintendent Clint Elsholz, and District Planner Megan Harrison to provide an overview of efforts to develop the Delta Meadows State Park Property into a new state park.

Jay Ziegler highlighted the research and planning of UC Davis graduate students on the Delta Meadows Park Property.

There was no public comment.

Chair Lee called a recess at 10:50 a.m. to travel to the site visit.

Delta Meadows Park Property and Locke Boarding House Site Visits

Delta Meadows Park Property

Chair Lee reconvened the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Megan Harrison led a tour of the park property, speaking about natural and cultural resources, the Waterway Connections Initiative, and partnerships with the Locke Boarding House.

Jamile Ibrahim of Stantec spoke to the work his firm is doing on behalf of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation on the adjacent Delta Crosscut Channel and collaboration with State Parks and others during this process to incorporate recreational needs.

There was no public comment.

Chair Lee called a recess at 12:00 p.m. to travel to the Locke Boarding House.

Locke Boarding House

Chair Lee reconvened the meeting at 12:10 p.m. Stuart Walthall, Chair of the Locke Foundation, gave a brief history of the boarding house and invited attendees to tour the building.

There was no public comment.

Closing Remarks

Chair Lee thanked the Committee and attendees, as well as State Parks and the Locke Foundation for their support. Chair Lee adjourned the meeting and encouraged attendees to take their time walking through the Locke Boarding House.

There was no public comment.

Chair Lee adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.